

BELGIAN TEXTILE INDUSTRY SLUMPS

Enormous Increase in Unemployment Expected as Result of Business Depression

PRICES STILL KEPT HIGH

Special Cable Dispatch. Copyright, 1920. Ghent, Dec. 22.—The Belgian textile industry is facing serious difficulties. All production may suspend within the next fortnight, throwing hundreds of thousands of workers out of employment. The flax mills in Ghent are working but eighteen hours a week. The Royalist co-operative mill will close this week, as will several large private enterprises. The cotton mills, which have been working twenty-seven hours weekly, threaten a greater reduction in time and possibly may suspend entirely after Christmas. There are now 21,000 workers in the textile industry alone unemployed. The workers, last week, fearing a stoppage of work, asked the government to take over and operate the plants, placing the manufactured goods on the market at low prices. The proposal did not meet with favor in Brus-

se. Mills are almost without orders and buyers refuse to purchase until they have sold their stock of costly goods at the present high prices. The makers refuse to sell new goods unless the buyers agree to place cloth on the market at a reasonable figure. Cloth manufacturers offer to sell at seven francs a yard materials which the Brussels stores retail for eighteen. Retail dealers are asking the manufacturers to buy back stocks for what they received for them. The manufacturers are refusing to meet all losses, but are prepared to accept 50 per cent if the buyers will take the other half.

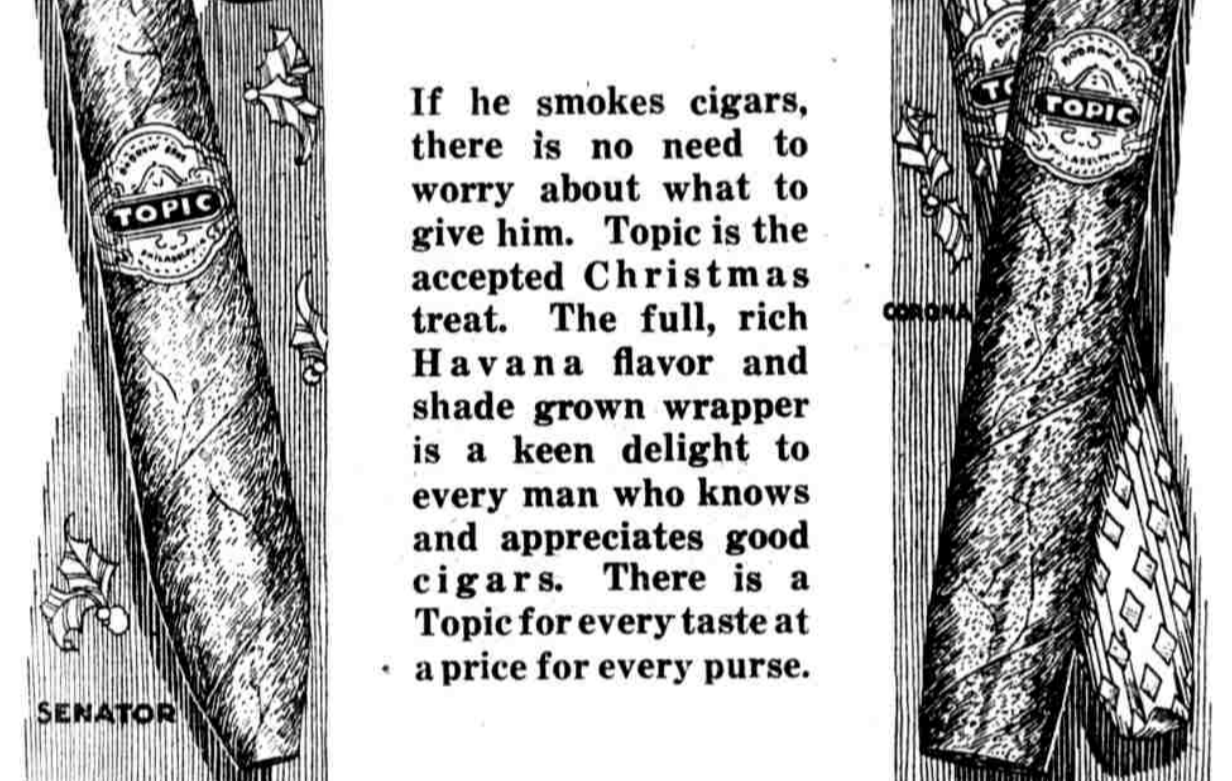
VanDusen & Stokes Co.
Jewelers
1123 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia

Suggestions Helpful in Selecting the Christmas Gift

<p>Green Gold</p> <p>Mesh Bags.....\$155-\$400 Bracelets.....\$35-\$125 Rings.....\$6-\$75 Hat Pins.....\$2.75-\$10 La Vallieres.....\$10-\$50 Veil Pins.....\$5-\$8 Powder Boxes.....\$37-\$60 Bar Pins.....\$10-\$25 Cigarette Cases.....\$185-\$235</p>	<p>Bronze and Silver</p> <p>Ash Trays.....\$3.75-\$6 Desk Sets.....\$20-\$40 Smoking Sets.....\$8.50-\$20 Book Ends.....\$6.50-\$8.50 Bowls.....\$8-\$20 Card Trays.....\$2.75-\$5 Vases.....\$4.75-\$12 Lamps.....\$3-\$22 Match Boxes.....\$1.50-\$3 Humidors.....\$20</p>
---	---

Scarf Pins.....\$2.50-\$35

The Gift for Him



TOPIC

Here is the choice
All Famous Topic Brand & Quality


Victor, 10c straight
American, 2 for 25c
(Wrapped in foil)

Corona, 15c straight
Senator, 15c
Delmonico, 15c straight
(Wrapped in foil)

All Less by the Box

Place your order with the drug-gist or cigar dealer in your neighborhood. If he does not have Topic in stock, he'll get it for you.

Sold Everywhere
BOBROW BROTHERS, INC.
Manufacturers
Makers of the Famous Bold Cigar
Philadelphia




TOPIC

AMERICAN

2 FOR 25


BOBROW BROS INC




NOTE—If he prefers a Sumatra wrapper, please place the famous **BOLD** on the wrapper.

Big Sale of American Taffeta Umbrellas at \$1.95

26-inch Size for Women



28-inch Size for Men



Made of closely woven tape edge American taffeta (cotton), over sturdy Paragon frames. Absolutely waterproof and fast black.

Handles for women with cord bracelet. Some with Bacelite tops.

Handles for men with Prince of Wales or opera hooks.

SNELENBURG'S First Floor

Late Christmas Shoppers Will Welcome This Wonderful Opportunity to Select Dainty Silk Undergarments for Gifts At Unusually Generous Savings

Women's \$1.50 to \$3.00 Silk Camisoles 98c to \$1.98

Crepe de chine and satin bodices, trimmed with lace and Georgette.

Women's \$3 to \$5 Silk Envelope Chemises \$1.98 to \$3.98

Crepe de chine chemises, attractively styled, daintily trimmed. Two shown.

Women's \$3 Night Gowns \$1.98

Made of finest nainsook and trimmed with fine lace and embroidery.

Women's Pajamas \$1.98

One- and two-piece pajamas made of plain and flowered batiste and figured Windsor crepe. Elastic at ankles.

Women's Boudoir Caps \$2 to \$3.95

Many styles in satin, net and laces; wanted shades.

SNELENBURG'S Second Floor



26-Pc. Sets of Oneida Community "Par Plate" Guaranteed Silverware Special at \$9.75

Beautiful guaranteed silverware in the distinctive "Monroe" pattern; bright finish.

Set consists of 6 Tea Spoons, 6 Table Spoons, 6 Dinner Knives, 6 Dinner Forks, 1 Butter Knife, 1 Sugar Shell.

SNELENBURG'S First Floor

Christmas Suggestions From Our Second Floor Sweater Department

WOMEN'S PLAIN AND TUXEDO SWEATERS \$9 Sweaters, \$4.75 \$12 Sweaters, \$6.75

Hand- and Machine-Knit Novelties, \$1.39 to \$4.95

Jackets, nubias, breakfast jackets, shawls, hoods, slumber socks, etc. Attractive gift suggestions.

SNELENBURG'S Second Floor

SPECIAL Women's \$3.75 Glove Silk Vests at \$1.95

Pink silk vests, with band tops in shoulder strap or bodice styles, with silk shoulder ribbons. Every garment perfect.

SNELENBURG'S First Floor

STORE OPENS DAILY AT 9 A. M. CLOSSES AT 6 P. M.

SNELENBURG'S

ENTIRE BLOCK—MARKET 11th to 12th STREETS

Women's Chiffon Velvet and Real Duvetyne Hand Bags —matchlessly fine values at \$2.95



This is the only store we know of where you can come and get **Stunning Bags With Etched or Hammered Metal Frames in Smartest New Shapes and Styles. Daintily Fitted Nicely Lined with Silk Beautifully Finished**

such as the bags in this wonderful lot are! The materials from which they're fashioned are of excellent quality; they're all rich, silky tassels and the general appearance of bags you'll find elsewhere for as much as twice this price!

Wise folks are buying them for Christmas gifts. There's nothing to compare with them in value!

SNELENBURG'S First Floor

Wonderful Values in Brassieres and Bandeaux

\$1 to \$3 Warner and H. & W. Brassieres at 59c, 89c, \$1.59, \$1.69

Embroidery or Cluny lace trimmed brassieres; some beautiful pink satins, lace trimmed top and bottom.

75c to \$2.50 Bandeaux at 39c, 49c, 85c, \$1 & \$1.25

Hooked back or front. In mesh, satin, brocade or silk. Good range of sizes.

SNELENBURG'S Second Floor

Christmas Sale of Children's Frocks Smartest, Cutest Kinds Imaginable at Only \$1.95

Gay little colored tub frocks stitched, embroidered and smocked.

SNELENBURG'S First Floor

If You're Wondering What a Man Would Like See These Fur Collars for Overcoats

—these prices are most unusual for gift-buying time!

\$35 Fur Collars Special at \$25
Of natural, seal or taupe nutria.

\$45 Fur Collars Special at \$31
Of Hudson seal (dyed muskrat).

\$60 Fur Collars Special at \$41
Of plucked or unplucked and seal otter.

SNELENBURG'S Third Floor

Our Entire Stock of Men's Fur Caps Has Been Reduced to \$5.75 to \$15.75

All of excellent quality and very good looking. Every man who likes the winter outdoors will appreciate one!

Men's \$8.00 to \$25.00 Velour Hats Reduced to \$4.75 to \$15.75

Splendid gifts; excellent range of colors; thick, silky quality.

SNELENBURG'S First Floor

Our Entire Stock of \$2.50 to \$10.00 Winter Hats for Boys and Children, now \$1.35 to \$6.00

In a wonderful assortment of smart styles and a complete range of most wanted colors.

SNELENBURG'S Second Floor

Men's \$3.75 Silk Stockings, \$1.95 pr.

2,400 Pairs Just Received for Tomorrow's Selling

Beautiful inrain thread silk stockings of matchless quality—silk all the way to the top, tipped with a narrow band of lavender, gold or green on the garter welt. People are buying them by the dozen pairs for gifts, so come early!

SNELENBURG'S First Floor

Women's \$3.75 Silk Stockings, \$1.95 pr.

2,400 Pairs Just Received for Tomorrow's Selling

Beautiful inrain thread silk stockings of matchless quality—silk all the way to the top, tipped with a narrow band of lavender, gold or green on the garter welt. People are buying them by the dozen pairs for gifts, so come early!

SNELENBURG'S First Floor

A Sale of Men's 75c Mercerized Lisle Socks, \$2.00 Box of Six Pairs

Highest grade mercerized lisle socks—lustrous as silk. Six pairs of all black in a box; sizes 9 1/2 to 11 1/2.

SNELENBURG'S First Floor

French Pearl Bead Necklaces, Special at \$1.25



In graduated or uniform styles; many sizes; all with gold clasps; 18 inches long. Packed in a dainty lined box.

Sterling Silver Waldemar Vest Chains, \$1.95

In fancy link patterns; swivel and spring ring attachment.

SNELENBURG'S First Floor

Men's Sweaters At a Third to a Half Off!

\$12.50 to \$15.00 Shaker-Knit All-Wool Sweater Coats for \$7.50

Button front, V-neck, shawl collar and slip-on styles; hand-finished and with heavily purled edges.

\$12.50 Jumbo Stitch Shawl Collar Sweaters \$7.50

Splendid coats for outdoor workers, drivers, etc. In heavy rope stitch; very warm.

\$7.50 Plain Ribbed, V-Neck or Shawl Collar Sweaters for \$5.00

Of hard twisted yarns—very sturdy and warm; ratchet bottoms.

\$10.00 Cardigan Jackets for \$6.50

Single- and double-breasted jackets of heavy black yarns; ribbed and silk-faced.

\$7.50 Wool Vests \$5.00

In a wide variety of styles; fancy knitted effects.

SNELENBURG'S Third Floor

3,600 Pairs Men's Socks at Half Former Prices

Men's \$1 & \$1.25 Socks, pair 50c

Pure thread silk socks in plain black and novelty styles. Also finest mercerized lisle socks with vertical Jacquard silk stripes in contrasting colors.

Men's \$2 Silk Socks, \$1 pair

Novelty silks in two-tone color combinations; also plain black and colors in fancy weaves.

Packed in Christmas Boxes by Request

SNELENBURG'S First Floor

2,000 Pairs of Women's, Misses' and Children's \$1.75 to \$3.00 Felt Slippers, Juliets and Moccasins,



\$1.45 Pair

Women's Plush Trimmed Julietts, Women's Ribbon Trimmed Moccasins, Children's and Misses' Plush Trimmed Julietts, Children's and Misses' Cuff Top Booties, Children's Ribbon Trimmed Moccasins.

Christmas choosing the best ever!

SNELENBURG'S Second Floor

Right now a man can come here and get the finest kind of Overcoat for only \$42.50

Splendid coats in every detail of styling, making and quality. Choose from a large assortment of leading imported and domestic coatings; from a complete line of the best new models and most popular colorings.

SNELENBURG'S Third Floor

Toys, Dolls and Games at Reduced Prices!

You'll find special tables placed here and there about Toytown just laden with toys of the givable kind, very much under regular prices!

SNELENBURG'S Fourth Floor

Best Choosing in Town for Christmas Candies

If you look at it from the points of view of variety and VALUE!

Chocolates, 59c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 & \$1.75 Pound

Five Pounds Assorted Chocolates in Holly Boxes, \$2.50

Five Pounds of Holly Mixtures, \$2.25

French Enameled Tins and Japanese Lacquered Boxes in Wanted Sizes—Low Priced

Stuffed Apricots and Dates, 78c Pound

Limited quantity.

Assorted Glace Fruit and Cherries, \$1.15 Pound

None sent C. O. D.

SNELENBURG'S First Floor and Economy Basement

1,200 Pairs Women's \$2.50 Heather Wool Sports Hose \$1.35 Pair

Richelieu ribbed wool stockings in the wanted heather colors.

SNELENBURG'S First Floor

Want Boys' Clothing for Gifts?

Here's a double opportunity—one for you to buy at a tremendous saving—one for the boy who is to receive the gift.

\$25.00 Winter Overcoats at \$16.75

Of all-wool fancy overcoatings in a large assortment of styles and colors. New double-breasted models. Sizes 3 to 18 years.

\$14.50 Mackinaw Coats, \$7.50

Of all-wool heavy weight blanketing in a large assortment of colorings. Sizes 3 to 18 years.

SNELENBURG'S Third Floor

In the Economy Basement You Save Over Half on Most of These Old Colonial Rag Rugs

Which Will Give New Brightness and Beauty to the Floors of Your Home.

\$1.00 Rugs, 24x36-inch size, ea. 49c

\$1.50 Rugs, 24x48-inch size, ea. 89c

\$2.00 Rugs, 27x54-inch size, ea. 98c

\$2.50 Rugs, 30x60-inch size, ea. \$1.19

\$3.25 Rugs, 36x72-inch size, ea. \$1.59

\$6.00 Rugs, 3.9x7 ft. size, ea. \$2.39

\$14.50 Rugs, 8x10 ft. size, ea. \$6.89

\$18.00 Rugs, 9x12 ft. size, ea. \$8.98

Special for Tomorrow Only! 150—9x12 Wool Face Velvet Rugs, \$28.89

Also Southwestern make. Pretty Oriental and Persian designs. Every rug perfect. Will not fade all day.

75c New Process Floor Covering, sq. yd. 35c

Three pretty patterns, 1 1/2 yards wide. Cut from full rolls.

SNELENBURG'S Economy Basement