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## Our January Sale

of Embroideries Began Monday

An event which again forcibly demonstrates the purchasing power of this store as applied to sales of immediate importance, and its ability to force prices down to the lowest notch.

## Our January Clearance Sale

Begins

### Monday, January 23.

In answer to the hundreds of inquiries, we wish to state that our Semi-Annual Clearance Sale will be inaugurated on the 23d of this month. We are already making great preparations for it.

## First Evidences of Spring in these New Wash Fabrics.

All the sturdier Gingham and Percales and all the lovely Dimities and Silk Mixtures and Cotton Stuffs, tell of Spring in every thread and bit of color.

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Oil City, Pa.

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## Whenever You See a Moose's Head

Hanging on a wall, don't think that its body is on the other side— Whenever you see a lot of "Clearance Sales" advertised don't be influenced by prices that appear "next to nothing." It might prove that at any price you would get nothing after paying for it.

This Clearance Sale of ours is making hundreds of friends and customers for us every day, because we have the goods worth getting and because our prices are wonderfully low.

The average customer won't stand for the second imposition. We shall never be guilty of a willful imposition if we are in business a thousand years. Your child can buy here just as good and at the same price that you can yourself. This is a store where the customer's interests are paramount.

A real Clearance Sale now going on.  
Oil City, Pa.



A Bargain Event that has Every Wondering How and Why We Do it.

## MOTHER KILLED BOY

Confessed to Forcing Carbolic Acid Down Lad's Throat.

Was Arrested in Rochester When She Appeared at New York Central Station to Claim Her Trunk—Said She Took the Child into the Country and Forced the Acid Down Its Throat. After Which She Fled—Now in Albany Jail.

"Yes, I did it, I don't know why, but I was distracted and was not aware of what I was doing."

These were the first words of the confession to poisoning her 4-year-old boy, George, with carbolic acid in the suburbs of Albany about 10 days ago, that Mrs. George Melber, a Schenectady widow, made to Chief of Police Quigley at Rochester at police headquarters. She was arrested in the baggage room of the New York Central station there on Friday afternoon, when she appeared to identify her little trunk. When arrested, she was informed that it was suspected she had stolen jewelry in her trunk.

Finally she broke down and confessed that she was the mother of the boy found near Albany and admitted that she had poisoned him. She told a pathetic story of how she had tried to nurse the child cared for in various institutions in Albany, but had failed. After failing to get the child in an Albany house she said that she decided to dispose of the boy.

Going to a drug store, she bought 16 cents worth of carbolic acid. Then she boarded a suburban car and went to Schenectady. After walking into the country a distance she finally forced the carbolic acid into the boy's mouth and fed. She was taken back to Albany by a detective.

## DEAD NUMBER SIX

Fatal Crash at Batavia Blamed on Engineer Liddell.

Six men are dead, one is probably fatally injured and over a score were more or less seriously hurt in the wreck of the Western Express and the Boston and Buffalo Special, both west-bound at Batavia early Friday morning. Four of the victims were killed instantly, two have since died and one in the hospital is not expected to live.

The Buffalo and Boston Special, train No. 49, was at a standstill in the station yards when it is alleged by railroad officials, Engineer J. B. Liddell of Buffalo, on the Western Express, train No. 23, ran past cautionary signals and crashed into the rear of the standing train. The signals, Superintendent Everett declares, were in perfect working order.

It was two hours after the wreck occurred when the first body was taken out. It had been jammed in between the wreckage of the Pullman and the overturned engine. Soon afterward three more bodies were found near the same spot. All four had been traveling in the rear coach of the forward train, which bore the full brunt of the first terrific impact.

## SHORT TOENAILED CHICKS

Industrial Scratchers Lay Most Eggs. Says Hen Expert.

"Chickens with short toenails are the best layers," said Professor J. E. Rice, poultry expert for Cornell university, addressing students of the Agricultural college of the University of Missouri at Columbia, Mo.

"These chickens have short toenails," he said, pointing to some fowl on exhibition. "From continuous scratching for food, and a chicken that is constantly scratching for food is sure to be industrious."

## Walter B. Duffey Dead.

Walter B. Duffey, one of Rochester's leading business men, died Saturday morning of heart failure, due to weakness through nephritis, at the age of 71 years. Death came at 7 o'clock at the family residence in that city.

Mr. Duffey has been ill since August, 1909. Mr. Duffey was one of Rochester's best known and most distinguished business men. Although his serious illness has been known among his business and social associates, his condition was nothing to inspire alarm and his death was a great shock in many circles where his loss will be sincerely mourned.

## Taft's Proposal Discussed

President's Plan For Universal Arbitration Debated in French Chamber of Deputies.

Paris, Jan. 17.—President Taft's plan for universal arbitration and his proposed arbitration treaty with Great Britain were the subjects of a debate in the chamber of deputies. Jean Jaures, the Socialist leader, talking on the plans of the American executive, invited the French government to associate itself with the United States in the proposal for unlimited arbitration treaties.

M. Pichon, the foreign minister, in replying to the Socialist leader, opposed M. Jaures' invitation. He stated that he believed the adoption of the motion would imperil the very principle of international arbitration.

Such treaties, the foreign minister said, always excluded the questions touching the vital interests of national honor. President Taft's proposal, continued M. Pichon, by which M. Jaures had been inspired, was not likely to be adopted by the United States senate.

The American people, he said, did not seem to have confidence in the efficacy of Taft's proposal, for the first occupation of the Americans is the development of the army and navy for the protection of the Panama canal.

The French government, concluded the foreign minister, was prepared to take up negotiations with the United States on the lines of those with Denmark.

## CREW OF MISSING BALLOON DISCOVERED

Bodies of Victims Embodied in Bottom of Lake Gerdenze.

Berlin, Jan. 17.—The balloon Hildebrandt, which has been missing since Dec. 29, and which carried a crew of four persons, has been found in Lake Gerdenze in the province of Brandenburg.

The bodies of three of the crew have been discovered embedded in the bottom of the lake. Another was still in the basket of the balloon.

The Hildebrandt, which is a spherical balloon, ascended at Achmergenzendorf on what was planned to be a 48 hour trip. The only report of it since was a dispatch reporting the airship passing over a Swedish town.

## LAWYER HAS TWO NATURES

Judge Says It is Shown in Arrest of State's Attorney For Begging.

Baltimore, Jan. 17.—"If there is such a thing as a dual personality in every man, it is shown in this case," said Justice Grannan in the police court yesterday when E. Marshall Johnson, charged with begging on the street, came before him.

Johnson is state's attorney for Grant county, West Virginia, and also counsel for the Baltimore and Ohio railroad. He is editor and owner of the Grant County Press, a weekly publication. He is 35 years old, of refined appearance and dresses well.

Last night he was arrested while begging at Baltimore and Hanover streets. "Why do you beg on the streets?" asked the justice. "I don't know," replied Johnson. "At times something come over me and I cannot resist it. Then I go out on the street and beg money."

"I am not going to let you go," said the justice, "because this other self may get the best of you again."

## STOREY DIES OF WOUND

Woman Who Shot Former Illinois Student Charged With Murder.

Indianapolis, Jan. 17.—Carl V. Storey, the former University of Illinois student who was shot by Mrs. Alice Poehler of Guthrie, Ind., last Thursday while they were together in a hotel in this city, died yesterday of a charge of first degree murder has been placed against the woman.

Mrs. Poehler, who after shooting Storey, turned the revolver upon herself, lies at the hospital in a serious condition and probably will die. Before committing the crime the woman wrote a note stating her plans and giving as her reason that Storey had deceived her.

## WANTED SCHENK TODIE

Nurse Swears Wife Prayed For His Death

Swears Mrs. Schenk Offered Her \$1,000 if She Would Give Husband a Poison Pill—She Also is Alleged to Have Said She Would Be Happiest Woman in World if Her Husband Were Dead—Will Prove Where Mrs. Schenk Bought the Poison.

Wheeling, W. Va., Jan. 17.—Yesterday's developments in the trial of Mrs. Laura Farasworth Schenk on a charge of poisoning her husband, John O. Schenk, were decidedly interesting. Miss Eleanor Zoekler, the nurse-detective, who was employed to watch Mrs. Schenk in an effort to catch her giving poison to her husband, resumed her testimony.

Prosecutor Handlan finished his direct examination at 10 o'clock in the morning and from that time until court adjourned at 5 p. m., Miss Zoekler was under cross-examination at the hands of S. O. Boyce, one of the counsel for the defense.

Miss Zoekler's Testimony. The chief features of Miss Zoekler's testimony are: That Mrs. Schenk tried to bribe her to give John O. Schenk a poison pill, offering her \$1,000 for the job; that Mrs. Schenk said she would be the happiest woman in the world when her husband was dead; that the accused prayed to God every night that her husband would die before morning and that it pleased her immensely when she received telephone calls each morning that he was dead.

These things Miss Zoekler reiterated today and again while she was under cross-examination. Prosecutor Handlan says that to day he will introduce testimony to prove where, when and how Mrs. Schenk secured the arsenic she is accused of putting in drinking water served to her husband.

"I will prove," he said, "how Mrs. Schenk drove in her automobile over a round-about course to a drug store and then walked about half a mile to a place where she got the poison. The jury will be completely satisfied that she is guilty when they hear that testimony."

Chauffeur Principal Witness. Lundy Wilson, Mrs. Schenk's chauffeur, will be the principal witness to day. It is upon his testimony that the state depends mostly for a conviction. It is said that Wilson knows every detail of the plan to end John Schenk's life and will tell it when he goes on the stand.

It is probable that the state will rest before the middle of the week. Drs. J. Edward Burns and J. Thornton Miss Zoekler and Wilson are the only witnesses yet to be called before the state rests.

Counsel for the defense claim they will force the state to call Albert Schenk, a brother of the poisoned man, whom they accuse of being at the head of a conspiracy to "railroad" Mrs. Schenk to prison and thus get her out of the family and thus enable John Schenk to secure a divorce.

## "CORPSE" SCARES NEGRO

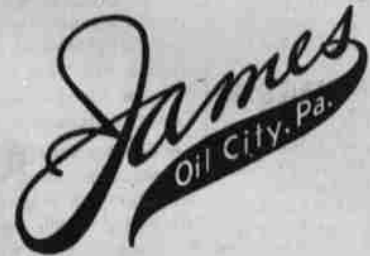
Boy Hiding in Coffin Lifts Lid and Driver Refuses to Put in Coal.

Trenton, N. J., Jan. 17.—Edward Curran, 19 years old, son of Edward A. Curran, park board president, badly scared a negro coal driver yesterday by suddenly peering from a casket in his father's undertaking establishment in which he had secreted himself during a game of hide and seek with companions.

The negro went into the place to deliver some coal and Eddie peeped out to see who was approaching. The lifting of the casket lid and the appearance of a white face was too much for the driver, who beat a hasty retreat, and could not be induced to return to the coal when it was explained that the casket contained a live boy and not a dead person, as he thought.

## More Money For Chinese Sufferers.

Washington, Jan. 17.—The American Red Cross sent \$5,000 to the relief of mine sufferers in China. This makes a total of \$10,000 sent so far by the Red Cross. The remittance was sent after the receipt of a cablegram from Shanghai reporting that the famine situation was rapidly growing worse.



## We're Hurrying Along With This January Clearance.

We have been compelled to decline many requests for continuation of certain sales. To do so would interfere with the sale advertised for the day following. So no matter how successful the sale or unfortunate our selection on account of weather conditions sale is not continued beyond original date mentioned. The most successful end of season "Shelf Emptying," "Rack Clearing" sale ever conducted by this store.

Sales for the coming week are as follows: Wednesday, Jan. 18—Wool Blankets, Counterpanes, Sheets, Pillow Cases, Cotton Blankets. Thursday, Jan. 19—Corsets, Embroideries, Laces. Friday, Jan. 20—Knit Underwear. Saturday, Jan. 21—Curtain Goods, Flannelettes. Monday, Jan. 23—Crash. Tuesday, Jan. 24—Damas, White Waists. Wednesday, Jan. 25—Neckwear.

Women's Tailored Suits.—The windows are telling a Price Reduction story on Women's Tailored Suits in a far more forcible manner than we could hope to with the written word in this advertising space. Suits and prices will verify that statement.

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Men's \$25.00 Suits, \$18.50  
Men's \$20.00 Suits, \$14.50  
Men's \$15.00 and \$16.50 Suits, \$12.50.

Fancy Mixtures, Cheviots, Worsteds, Cassimeres—suits to fit all men up to 48 chest. Men's Convertible Collar and 3/4 length Overcoats—value up to \$25.00, at \$15.00. Men's 3/4 length fancy mix \$45.00 Overcoats, \$35.00. \$35.00 Overcoats, \$25.00. \$25.00 Overcoats, \$18.50. \$20.00 Overcoats, \$14.50. \$15.00 Overcoats, \$12.50. Men's \$30.00 Tailored Rain Coats, \$22.50. Men's Fur lined Overcoats Reduced. \$60.00 to \$250.00—\$15.00 to \$50.00 off. Chauffeur's Fur Coats Reduced. Men's \$12.50 Trousers, \$10.00. Men's \$10.00 Trousers, \$ 7.50. Men's \$ 8.50 Trousers, \$ 6.50. Men's \$ 7.50 Trousers, \$ 5.50. Men's \$ 5.00 Trousers, \$ 4.00.

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