

# The Smart and Silberberg Co.

Centre Street at Elm, Oil City, Pa.

## Christmas is Less Than 4 Weeks Away

Each day now sees new and delightful additions to this store's holiday attire. May we urge upon you the importance of shopping early? By so doing you'll not only be able to choose from assortments that are fresh and unbroken. You'll also be giving your own personal Christmas gift to the people behind the counter.

### Whittall Rugs.

We handle Whittall Rugs and Carpets because we know from 15 years' experience they are the best without exception.

From a standpoint of artistic beauty and wearing worth, once they enter the home, Whittall Rugs become a treasured luxury.

We carry in stock a splendidly representative line of Whittall products, a stock wholly unrivaled in size and variety; and as we are the sole distributors of Oil City we invite your inspection.

### The Leading Whittall Rugs.

ANGLO-PERSIAN—The finest Wilton Rug made in America. 6x9 feet, \$35.00; 8-3x10 feet 6 inch, \$51.50; 9x12 feet, \$67.00; 11-3x15 feet, \$97.50.

ROYAL WORCESTER—The celebrated Royal Wilton quality. 6x9 feet, \$26.75; 8-3x10 feet 6 inch, \$39.50; 9x12 feet, \$43.00; 11-3x15 feet, \$74.00.

CHLIDEMA BODY BRUSSEL—Example of finest Brussel weave. 6x9 feet, \$19.50; 8-3x10 feet 6 inch, \$28.75; 9x12 feet, \$31.50; 11-3x15 feet, \$54.00.

### Whittall Carpetings

Have the same wearing qualities combined with the most artistic patterns and colorings, in small and large effects, in light and dark colorings, suited to every room in the house.

Whittall Body Brussels in Carpet, border and stair to match.

Full line of Whittall Matchless Wiltons to match rugs.

Whittall Plushes in plain colors of exquisite beauty.

Range of price from \$1.85 to \$3.85 per yard.

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OIL CITY, PA.

## Oil City's Banking Resources Amount to

From Latest Sworn Statements.

**\$11,208,074.01**

With

**\$6,087,661.80**

of the above total, we are equipped to handle your business, large or small.

## Oil City Trust Company

Oil City, Pa.

### JOKE OF ENGLISH JUDGE

Found Scotsman's Case so Exceptional That He Excused Him From Jury Duty.

Summoned to serve upon a special jury in the king's bench division, Sir George Douglas of Springwood Park, Kelso, who has a town house in Ennismore gardens, asked Mr. Justice Darling to excuse him from service on the ground that he had not occupied the latter place for a year and a half. He said he had come from Scotland in answer to the summons and wished to return at once.

Mr. Justice Darling—Have you served on juries in Scotland?

Sir George—I have never done so, but I am liable.

Mr. Justice Darling—Do you want to go back to Scotland?

Sir George—Yes.

Mr. Justice Darling—When do you want to go back?—because I thought that Scotsmen never wanted to go back to Scotland. (Laughter.)

Sir George—I want to go back immediately—tomorrow if I can.

Mr. Justice Darling—As a temptation to stay you may earn a guinea if you care, but in the circumstances—a Scotsman wishing to return to Scotland when he might make money in England being so exceptional—I think I will excuse you. (Renewed laughter.)—Pall Mall Gazette.

### A Sign.

Whenever two pretty girls kiss each other it is a sign that there is something wrong with the system of conserving our natural resources.

### Women That Need Rest.

It is not the women who work who need rest cures, but those who are worn out doing nothing, and doing it badly.

### Followed Each Other Closely.

Knicker—"Do you have a new cook often?" Sabbubs—"We have them close enough together to be twins."—Puck.

### NOT MRS. NAGGITT



Mr. Naggitt—It was a good thing for (sonah) that you weren't his wife. Mrs. Naggitt—Why so?

Mr. Naggitt—You would never have accepted that whale story as an excuse for staying away from home for three lays and nights.

### CRY OF THE INJURED.



The Bulldog—I tell you, Mutt, dere ought to be a law passed prohibittin' tramps from wearin' pants over dere wooden legs!

### DEFENDING THE GUILTY MAN

Frederick A. Brown's Story Illustrates the Conditions That Sometimes Confront the Lawyer.

Frederick A. Brown, a well known Chicago lawyer, told the following story at a recent dinner:

"Attorneys are frequently asked how they can defend men whom they know to be guilty. The reply is that we seldom if ever know that they are guilty. I once, however, became the unwilling attorney of a man whom I knew to be guilty.

"I was in Judge Brentano's court, waiting for a trial to be called, when a negro was brought in, charged with highway robbery. Judge Brentano, finding that he had no attorney, directed me, against my protest, to defend him.

"I took the colored man aside and said, 'Well, are you guilty?' and to my surprise he replied, 'Well, boss, they found the pocketbook on me and have twenty witnesses to prove it.' He then went on to tell me that he had snatched a woman's pocketbook on Thirty-ninth street and Cottage Grove avenue on a Saturday afternoon, ran west in Thirty-ninth street, turned up an alley, with a crowd after him, who caught him as he was getting over a six-foot board fence.

"In looking at the indictment I found that he was indicted under the habitual criminal act, under which he could be sent to the penitentiary for forty years. I returned to the courtroom and insisted that Judge Brentano should appoint some other lawyer, which he refused to do. I then made the proposition to the prosecutor that if he would waive the habitual criminal count I would have my man plead guilty and save the cost of a trial.

"This was agreed to, the darky was delighted, pleaded guilty, and received the minimum sentence. After it was all over the darky turned to me and said, 'Boss, that was so easy that I believed if you half tried you would have got me clean off.'"

### German Court Balls.

In the German court balls not all those who are invited are permitted to take part in the dances which the Kaiser witnesses.

The Kaiser has no love for "the quick and slovenly." Many months before the ball the selected couples rehearse the dances under the direction of Fraulein Gaspert, mistress of the court ballet. The Kaiserin criticizes freely the ladies and gentlemen who show any shortcomings. The ordinary rehearsals take place in one of the chambers of the palace, but the final rehearsal is held on the eve of the ball, at the residence of one of the invited.

The Princesses royal carry trains held by two pages, but the other ladies have to manage their own. For married ladies the length prescribed is about 11 feet 6 inches, the trains of the other ladies being rather more than half a yard less.

### Newspaper Comes First.

Men may read the newspaper hurriedly, but they are never too hurried to read it. The newspaper covers interests that they cannot neglect. A magazine will safely bear neglect for a month or two. But nobody wants to overlook today's newspaper.—Printers' Ink.

### NEW WAY OF SAVING MONEY

How a Number of Working Girls Are Accumulating a Fund for Vacation Trips.

Some girls working in a certain trust company have organized a most unusual method of saving money for their vacation trips. Two of the girls out of the thirty-five that have entered into the plan are appointed trustees, and the first Saturday in July (any month can be chosen) each girl pays just two cents. With thirty-five girls that makes seventy cents, which is duly deposited by the trustees in the bank.

Beginning with the week following, the assessment grows to four cents then six cents the next week, and so on, increasing two cents each week, but the increase is so very gradual that it is no great effort to put the amount away.

The following June the money is drawn out and each girl receives the amount that she has paid in, which would be \$25.50, the saving beginning in July plus about \$1 interest. You will readily see that the amount saved will provide a girl with a nice two weeks' vacation and it is almost like finding money. Until Christmas, when they need money most, the assessments are nominal, the "big" ones coming in Lent, when one does not need so much spending money.

As the rule was made in the beginning that anyone who failed to pay would lose what she had already put in, everyone makes it a point to pay promptly. One good clause in the laws stipulates that if any girl loses her position or marries she can withdraw the amount that she has put in.—Harper's Bazar.

### Peculiar Western Banks.

The difference between the American east and west so strongly emphasized by rhetoricians and meteorologists extends even to the banking system. In the west they lend money on reputation, in the east on security. On a day in June last, six little banks in Seattle had lent on individual or firm notes without any other security than the names \$8,597,000; while the whole national bank group in New York had lent on similar paper only a little more than \$9,000,000. On that same day, in San Francisco, the loans of this sort amounted to more than \$47,000,000.


The western system is one of credit based upon industry, and upon much closer and more accurate knowledge of the man himself than can ever be possible in the bigger eastern cities.—World's Work.

### Alien Property Holders.

The law of the land respects the right of citizen and alien alike to have and to hold property. The alien resident in the United States may dispose of his property by will with the same feeling of security as the American. This is equally true of the alien who has taken steps to make himself a citizen of the country.

### Good for Evil.

A more glorious victory cannot be gained over another man than this, that when the injury began on his part the kindness should begin on ours.—Tillotson.



Suits to Order, \$12.50 to \$35.00.      Shirts to Order, \$2.00 to \$12.00.

## "Dressing"


Will Form An Important Number on This Week's Program.

**T. A. P.**      You should consider well your own Dressing, as well as that on the festive bird. Thanksgiving Day will mean more to you if you are dressed properly for the occasion. If your Suit or Overcoat bears our label you will have every reason to be thankful. You can be thankful in the knowledge that at the price you pay, be it

**\$6.00 or \$60.00,**

You have the best value obtainable in this country. Come in and try on. The visit will do us both good.

"A Good Store to Trade At."



Oil City, Pa.      Oil City, Pa.

**4% AND NO WORRY 4%**

**Butter and Egg Money**

of farmers' wives and daughters should be promptly sent by mail to this popular bank, which has thousands of depositors in the country. Uncle Sam's rural postmen are thoroughly reliable, and will register your valuable letters for a small fee.

SEND YOUR FIRST DEPOSIT OR WRITE FOR BOOKLET F. L.

**PITTSBURGH BANK FOR SAVINGS**

4th Ave. and Smithfield St., Pittsburgh, Pa.

**March Optical Co.**  
Oil City, Pa.

**Prescription lens grinders for the eyes, plus Collegately trained and internationally endorsed Optometrists**

**Behind the Guns.**  
**NO DROPS. RESULTS DEFINITE.**  
**Artificial Eyes in Stock.**

Both 'Phones.

**The Kinter Co.**  
OIL CITY, PA.

## HANDKERCHIEF BAZAR.

Friday, Nov. 29. Saturday, Nov. 30

In this manner we formally inaugurate the 1912 Christmas season.

Thousands of Handkerchiefs, our own importation, bought away last March. A Handkerchief display that will surpass anything of its kind ever attempted in this city, surpassing in beauty, extent and variety Handkerchief showings made by stores many times the size of this. And you'll be astounded at the little prices to be in force.

### The Coat or Suit

Wanted special for Thanksgiving. Not too late. Note the special prices on both quoted below and get here as early as possible.

One hundred Odd Suits and Coats priced as follows:		
Some \$15.00 Coats \$10.00	Some \$18.50 Coats \$13.50	
Some 16.50 Coats 11.50	Some 20.00 Coats 15.00	
Some \$18.50 Suits \$12.50	Some \$25.00 Suits \$18.50	
Some 20.00 Suits 14.00	Some 27.50 Suits 19.50	

**"Koko" Messaline Waists, \$1.29.**

A handsome light weight fabric that has all the appearance of a black silk messaline. Brilliant lustrous black.



# Monarch Clothing Co.

## Thanksgiving Sale

**Free! Free!**

Regular \$2.50 Sweater Coats Free with Ladies' Coats and Suits this week.

**Free! Free!**

A \$2.00 Sweater Coat or a \$2.50 new Hat Free with Men's Suits or Overcoats.

## Grandest Free Offer In Oil City's History.

We bought over 1,000 Women's and Children's Coats and 300 Men's and Boys' Suits and Overcoats at Half Price.

<h3>Winter Coats.</h3> <p>Grandest winter coats ever shown at half their price, with an elegant all-wool \$3.00 Sweater Coat in cardinal, oxford, white or navy, free.</p> <table border="0"> <tr><td>\$22.50 coats at.....</td><td><b>\$14.50</b></td></tr> <tr><td>\$18.00 coats at.....</td><td><b>11.98</b></td></tr> <tr><td>\$16.50 coats at.....</td><td><b>10.98</b></td></tr> <tr><td>\$14.50 coats at.....</td><td><b>9.98</b></td></tr> <tr><td>\$12.00 coats at.....</td><td><b>6.98</b></td></tr> <tr><td>\$13.50 coats at.....</td><td><b>7.98</b></td></tr> </table> <p>The above coats are in all styles—Johnny coats or heel length in chin-chilla, cheviot, broadcloth, plush or caricol. Free Sweater coats.</p> <h3>Fur Sale.</h3> <p>Buy your Furs here. We guarantee to save you half or better.</p> <p>Furs in Scarfs, Muffs and Sets, Lynx, Marten, Fox, Squirrel, Coney or Mink.</p> <p><b>Popular Prices.</b></p>	\$22.50 coats at.....	<b>\$14.50</b>	\$18.00 coats at.....	<b>11.98</b>	\$16.50 coats at.....	<b>10.98</b>	\$14.50 coats at.....	<b>9.98</b>	\$12.00 coats at.....	<b>6.98</b>	\$13.50 coats at.....	<b>7.98</b>	<h3>Men's Suits and Overcoats.</h3> <p>A handsome lot of Men's Suits and Overcoats at prices nearly half, with a \$2.50 Sweater Coat in white, navy or oxford, or a new Hat, free.</p> <table border="0"> <tr><td>\$22.50 suits and overcoats.....</td><td><b>\$14.50</b></td></tr> <tr><td>\$18.00 suits and overcoats.....</td><td><b>11.98</b></td></tr> <tr><td>\$16.50 suits and overcoats.....</td><td><b>10.98</b></td></tr> <tr><td>\$10.00 suits and overcoats.....</td><td><b>6.98</b></td></tr> <tr><td>\$12.00 suits and overcoats.....</td><td><b>7.98</b></td></tr> </table> <p>Above in fine Kersey, Cheviot and Melton in full length or Presto styles. All desirable lengths. Hat or Sweater Coat Free.</p> <h3>Free Caps or Gloves.</h3> <p>A good Cap with Fur turn down or an elegant pair of Kid Gauntlet Gloves Free with Boys' and Children's Suits and Overcoats. Free today.</p> <table border="0"> <tr><td>\$3.50 suits and overcoats.....</td><td><b>\$1.98</b></td></tr> <tr><td>\$4.00 suits and overcoats.....</td><td><b>2.98</b></td></tr> <tr><td>\$5.00 suits and overcoats.....</td><td><b>3.98</b></td></tr> <tr><td>\$7.50 suits and overcoats.....</td><td><b>4.98</b></td></tr> </table> <h3>Gloves.</h3> <table border="0"> <tr><td>50c wool gloves.....</td><td>39c</td><td>75c railroad gloves.....</td><td>48c</td></tr> <tr><td>\$1.50 gloves.....</td><td>\$1.00</td><td>Asbestos gloves.....</td><td>25c, 50c</td></tr> </table>	\$22.50 suits and overcoats.....	<b>\$14.50</b>	\$18.00 suits and overcoats.....	<b>11.98</b>	\$16.50 suits and overcoats.....	<b>10.98</b>	\$10.00 suits and overcoats.....	<b>6.98</b>	\$12.00 suits and overcoats.....	<b>7.98</b>	\$3.50 suits and overcoats.....	<b>\$1.98</b>	\$4.00 suits and overcoats.....	<b>2.98</b>	\$5.00 suits and overcoats.....	<b>3.98</b>	\$7.50 suits and overcoats.....	<b>4.98</b>	50c wool gloves.....	39c	75c railroad gloves.....	48c	\$1.50 gloves.....	\$1.00	Asbestos gloves.....	25c, 50c
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