

BELGIAN WIDOW, EXILE IN STATE, TELLS OF TERROR Stripped of Home, Reduced to Poverty, Finds Refuge in Ardmore Family

Philadelphia, Aug. 2.—The tragic story of a Belgian exile—a refined and once wealthy young matron whom the Germans forced from her home and prematurely widowed, and who has undergone untold suffering since those fatal days in the fall of 1914—came yesterday afternoon from the lips of Madame Maria Schelhof, now a governess in the home of Mrs. Alexander Sellers, at Ardmore, but once the wife of a prosperous silk manufacturer of Alost, Belgium.

The crime which robbed Belgium of her independence, robbed Madame Schelhof of her home, of her parents of her wealth and, eventually of her husband. It threw her upon the world, a carefully nurtured woman who had been reared in luxury, educated in the quiet of a convent and protected during her married life from all of life's cares.

For almost four years she has drifted about the native land; first in England and then here in America. She has learned that her town home in Alost has been destroyed; that nothing remains of it. She has learned that her summer home at Blankenburg on the seacoast between Ghent and Zeebrugge, alone in the world, save for a faithful maid who has been with her for ten years, she is fighting a gallant fight to accumulate enough money to return to Belgium at the end of the war and strive to restore a part of that fortune which was ruthlessly torn from her.

"Ah, Belgium! Poor, tortured Belgium!" she sighed. "How long for you, and return? I shall take the first ship after the war ends." Somewhere in the prostrate land she hopes to find her aged parents, Monsieur and Madame Albert Linton. Whether they are living she does not know for the great gray wave that swept through Brussels obliterated them from her knowledge. Her parents live in a beautiful country estate near Brussels. All efforts to locate them since the German invasion have proven in vain. In fact, one inquiry brought the information that they were not upon the estate. But Madame Schelhof clings to a slender hope. She thinks that maybe they moved to some smaller home in an out-of-the-way corner of the land where the expulsion of the Hun will restore them to liberty.

"I shall find them if they are alive," she said. "And I shall find that they have been spared. I have found but two of my old friends. One is my brother-in-law who is in King Albert's army and the other our former gardener. With them I correspond, but they can give me no information." "I was educated in a convent in Germany," she said, "and when I came home afterwards I spoke only Flemish and German. I had to learn to speak French."

"She had shuddered at the word 'German,'" she explained. "I disliked the Germans then, although I knew no reason for it." So little Maria Linton went to a finishing school in Belgium and studied French and then went home until Polydore Schelhof, son of a wealthy silk manufacturer, and in business with his father, came into her life and took her from one protected home to another. They lived in luxury with a city and a summer home along the seashore until the fall of 1914.

"We were at our summer home in Blankenburg when Germany first invaded Belgium," Madame explained. "Because of my husband's interests in Alost, we returned there at once, but a few days afterwards went to the home of my husband's brother, short distance out of the city, in a town called Corgeon." "The Germans found us there. General von Boehm (I saw his name in the newspapers a few days ago, and how I hate it) was the commander. He came to the house and ordered the arrest of my husband and his brother."

Army Training Adds to the Soldier's Physique Washington, Aug. 2.—A recent survey of the physical condition of the men at one of the Army training camps shows by comparison with the data taken at their coming that they have gained from a half inch to an inch in height and from five to twenty-five pounds in weight. This is a convincing demonstration, both to the men themselves and to the home folks, of the value of substantial and nourishing food, regular hours, sanitary environment and regular exercises. Stoop-shouldered have been straightened, cavied-in chests filled out, sagging "tummies" made hard and able to hold their own in the place where nature intended them to be, and steps that once dragged listlessly move with a springiness and vigor that indicate the healthy man.

The August Furniture Sale Has Something For Your Home Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart The August Furniture Sale Has Something For Your Home

Women Who Are Curious as to New Millinery Styles For Fall Will Want to See These Advance Models



This initial display of Fall Hats shows the trend of Autumn millinery fashions. Many are fashioned of taffeta, simply trimmed with ostrich wings and beads, shapes are large with drooping brims—the leading theme. Splendid choosing for first hats at \$5.00 to \$6.50

New Tailored Milan Hats

One of the most popular mid-summer styles. Shown in a variety of shapes including straight brim sailors, mushrooms and demure little pokes with cushion brims— \$5.00, \$6.50 and \$7.50

Georgette Crepe Hats Reduced

Clearance of all remaining white and pink Georgette Hats that were \$6.50 and \$7.50, at \$5.00 Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Second Floor, Front.

First Showing of Fall Styles in Women's Fine Lace Boots

Light and dark grey kid fawn suede and field mouse kid are favored shades and leathers in women's fashionable boots for Autumn as verified by these models.

Dark grey kid lace boots, cloth top, new Cuban heels \$9.00 Dark grey kidskin lace boots, cloth tops and covered heels \$10.00 Fawn suede lace boots, covered heels \$12.00 and \$15.00 Light grey kidskin lace boots, covered heels, \$9.50 \$10.00 to \$13.50 Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Market Street.

Just the Styles of Hosiery People Are Packing in Vacation Bags Summer Underwear That's Comfortable Dainty Pink Chemise and Bloomers

Thread silk and fiber silk hose for women in those grades that are so well known for the service they give—and moderately priced, too.

- WOMEN'S HOSE: White fiber silk hose, seamless, 75c; Thread silk hose, fashioned feet, \$1.25; White silk lisle hose, fashioned feet, 75c; White silk lisle hose, seamless, 75c; White lisle hose, fashioned feet, 39c; White lisle hose, seamless, 50c; White cotton hose, seamless, 25c. CHILDREN'S HOSE: Silk lisle fine ribbed hose, white, black and cordovan, 35c; Black cotton fine ribbed hose, seamless, 18c. MEN'S HOSE: Cotton hose, seamless, black, tan and grey, 18c; Silk hose seamless, black and colors, 50c; Heavy fiber silk hose, navy, smoke and cordovan, 75c.

August Clearance of Men's Summer Shirts

Percale shirts in plain and novelty stripes, soft and laundered cuffs; sizes 13 1/2 to 18. Special \$5c. Percale, madras and poplin shirts with soft and laundered cuffs; sizes 14 to 18 1/2. Special \$1.25. Madras shirts in many stripe patterns; sizes 13 1/2 to 18. Special \$1.65.

\$2.50 fine woven and silk stripe madras shirts, soft cuffs, sizes 13 1/2 to 18. Special \$2.00. "Nearsik" and crepe negligee shirts with separate soft collar to match \$2.00. BOYS' BLOUSE WAISTS: "K and E" blue chambray and dark stripe gingham blouse waists, sizes 6 to 16. 75c. "K and E" stripe percale blouse waists in plain and fancy stripes, sizes to 16. 75c. Blue and stripe dark chambray and percale blouse waists, sizes 6 to 15. 39c. Blue chambray shirts, attached collars. 65c, 75c and 85c. Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Men's Store.

White lisle union suits, short sleeves, knee length \$1.50. Black and white mixed shirts and drawers, shirts short sleeves, drawers ankle length \$1.50. White lisle shirts and drawers, shirt short sleeves, drawers ankle length \$1.50. White cotton athletic shirts and knee drawers, 75c. Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Street Floor.

New Curtains--New Cretonnes

August is the home-furnishing period and usually those who buy new furniture discover the need of new curtains and draperies. Of interest are these goods— "Sunfast" curtains for doorways and windows, plain and mixed colorings, pair \$6.50 and \$8.00. New cretonne in many patterns and colorings for knitting bags, draperies, pillows and box coverings, yard \$1.00. English cretonnes in attractive allover prints in rose, green and blue, yard \$1.25. Curtain materials in scrim, marquisette, Swiss and Scotch madras, yard \$1.25, 39c to 50c. Couch covers in many colorings, \$2.00 to \$7.50. Irish point and Brussels net curtains in white and ivory, pair \$5.00 to \$15.00. Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Third Floor.

New Royal Waist Creations in Voile At \$2.50 and \$2.95

Garments that bear the Royal name are distinctive in many ways—style, workmanship and embellishment. Voile waists, convertible collar, tucked yoke, embroidery beading trim shoulder seam, button piece, collar and cuffs \$2.50. Voile waists, tucked front, deep pointed collar, French turn-back cuff \$2.95. Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Second Floor.

Women Who Buy Fall Suits Early Will Need New Petticoats

New Petticoats are here showing many attractive styles in taffeta, including plaids with fringe-trimmed satin flounce. New plaid petticoats with tailored flounce in satin with fringe trimming and silk jersey with pussy willow taffeta flounce \$8.95, \$10.00 and \$11.00. Taffeta petticoats, plain colors or changeable effects, straight effect or tailored flounce, \$5.00, \$5.95 to \$10.00. Cotton top petticoats with silk taffeta flounce, all the new colors \$2.95. Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Second Floor.

New Silks For Fall Are Coming In

Advance styles that herald another season of silk popularity—and what rich silks these are. Crepe Meteors in heavy satin face, 40 inches. Yard \$2.75. Fancies with the new satin block effects. Yard \$2.50. Imported Crepe Meteor—the heaviest of all satin crepe, 40 inches. Yard \$4.00. Moire and satin stripe combinations, 36 inches. Yard, \$2.75. Black satins. Yard, \$1.59, \$2.25, \$2.75, \$3.50 and \$4. Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Street Floor.

Women's Silk Gloves Two-clasp silk gloves in white with three rows of black embroidery, double finger tips, 8, each 75c. Two-clasp white and black silk gloves \$75c. Two-clasp black and white silk gloves with self and contrasting embroidery \$85c. Two-clasp silk gloves in black, white and colors \$1.00 to \$2.00. Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Street Floor.

August Brings Final Reductions on Men's Spring and Summer Suits

\$18.00 and \$20.00 Suits Reduced to \$13.75. \$22.50 and \$25.00 Suits Reduced to \$17.75.

Many fine suits in this collection of reduced clothing—Spring and Summer Suits—military, English and conservative models—sizes from 33 to 42, collectively speaking—a wide choice of patterns and fabrics. There has been a whole lot of talk about high clothing prices—and clothes are bound to experience additional advances—therefore these impressive examples of clothes economy are their own argument. We've entered the final clearance period so far as these suits are concerned—and these reductions will speed their going.

Palm Beach and Cool Cloth Suits Special \$8.75 \$9.50 \$11.50

Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Second Floor, Rear.



Beautiful New Silk and Cotton Weaves For Early Fall Dresses The Cotton Dress Goods Section announces the arrival of noteworthy new textile creations for Fall that will appeal to women who appreciate the beautiful inexpensive dress fabrics. Silk and Cotton Faille, 36 inches wide, dark blue, Copenhagen, brown, grey, rose, green, wistaria and black. Yard \$1.25. Silk and Cotton Faille, 36 inches wide, pink, light blue, black, grey, tan, rose, green, dark blue, wistaria and Copenhagen. Yard, 60c. Woven Plaid Voiles, 32 inches wide, lavender, green and pink, 40c. Plain Voiles, 44 inches wide, in all shades. Yard \$1.00. Organdie, 38 inches wide, green, pink, dark blue and light blue. Yard \$1.00. Wm. Anderson Gingham, in stripes and plaids. Yard \$1.00. Fine Domestic Gingham, in stripes and plaids. Yard \$1.00. Linen Pongee, 27 inches wide, blue, pink, green, grey and lavender. Yard \$1.00. Fine madras shirtings, neat stripes, 32 inches wide. Yard \$1.00. Fancy weave suitings, 36 inches wide, dark blue, Copenhagen, rose, grey, green. Yard \$1.00. Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Street Floor.

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Envelope chemise in pink batiste or white striped voile; tailored or lace trimmed styled; finished with touch of colored stitching or embroidery \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.95. Pink batiste bloomers, lace edge or plain finish \$1.00. Gowns in white striped voile or pink batiste, tailored top finished with colored braid stitching, hem-stitching and colored embroidery. Kimono sleeves \$1.50 and \$1.95. One-piece pajamas in cotton crepe, pink or white, kimono sleeves tailored finish at neck and sleeves \$2.50. Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Second Floor.

New Fall Models in Corsets

If you are not comfortable or quite satisfied with your present corset you will be benefited by a visit to our Corset Section where the new Fall models are being fitted. Nemo corsets for stout figures, \$4.00, \$5.00 \$5.50, \$6.00. La Camille lace front corsets, \$3.50, \$5.00, \$6.00 to \$12.50. MI Leda models for all figures, \$4.00, \$5.00, \$6.00 to \$10.00. Popular priced corsets, \$1.00 to \$2.50. Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Second Floor.

Boys' Straw Hats Reduced

One lot of boys' straw hats that were \$1.23 and \$1.49. Special... 75c. One lot of Boys' Straw Hats that were \$1.75, \$1.98 to \$2.50. Special... \$1.25. Lines are broken and naturally sizes are missing here and there. Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Second Floor.

Crocery Items For Summer Luncheons

- Blue Valley Creamery butter, lb. \$1.00. California lemons, dozen 39c. Kaffe Hag, package, 25c and 50c. Sawtary for frying and shortening, can \$1.00. Marshmallow cream, used as a sugar substitute, can \$1.00 and 25c. Herring roe, for making sea urchin, can \$1.00. Mixed tea, heavy body, lb. \$1.00. Supreme Blend Coffee, rich aroma, lb. \$1.00. Best barley flour, lb. \$1.00. Pearl tapioca, makes a great variety of dainty desserts, lb. \$1.00. Wesson oil, for salads, shortening, frying and sauces, gallon cans, \$2.49. Good laundry soap, cake 4c. White laundry soap, cake \$1.00. Cane syrup, absolutely pure, 10 cans \$1.00. Ginger snaps, best quality, lb. \$1.00. Honey cakes, lb. \$1.00. Sunshine soda biscuits, lb. \$1.00. Tuna fish, white as chicken, can, 15c and 27c. Potted beef for sandwiches, can, \$1.00. Pimentos, sweet Spanish red peppers, can \$1.00. Macaroni and spaghetti, large package \$1.00. Peanut butter, glass, 12c and 15c. Elbo macaroni, 2 lbs. \$2.7c. Van Camp's pork and beans, can, \$1.00. Root beer extract, makes 5 gallon bottle \$1.00. Shoulders, lean and well smoked, lb. \$1.00. Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Basement.

