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Come here for the most complete line of Toys in this vicinity, Wagons, Sleds, Automobiles and hundreds of pleasure-giving Toys.

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Dolls of all kinds—Big Dolls and Little Ones, Dressed Dolls and those that need Dresses, Boy Dolls and Girl Dolls, and Character Dolls.

BOOKS

Books are in the Millinery Section. All Books are arranged on special tables and price-ticketed.

GAMES

Games of all kinds—some new and novel as well as many old-time favorites. Games are located in the Millinery Section.

FOR MEN

If you are seeking a present for a man—then consider our Men's Store. There are Bath Robes, Night Shirts, Pajamas, Dress Shirts, Neckwear, Suspenders, Hosiery, Sweaters, Gloves, Traveling Bags, Suit Cases, Etc.

Handkerchiefs

CHILDREN'S HANDKERCHIEFS
 Children's Handkerchiefs in boxes, a big variety—Prices are 10c, 25c, 35c and 50c a box.

BOYS' HANDKERCHIEFS
 Boys' Handkerchiefs, in plain white hemstitched and colored borders—at 12½c each.

MEN'S HANDKERCHIEFS
 Men's Plain White Handkerchiefs, in cambric—at 12½c, 15c, 19c and 25c each.

Men's Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, hemstitched—at 40c, 50c and up to \$1.00.

BOXED HANDKERCHIEFS
 Women's Handkerchiefs in fancy boxes, two, three and six in a box—at 20c, 35c, 50c and up to \$2.00 a box.

WOMEN'S HANDKERCHIEFS
 Women's Plain White Hemstitched Handkerchiefs—at 5c, 10c, 12½c and up to 25c each.

Women's Plain Linen Handkerchiefs, hemstitched—at 25c to 50c each.

WOMEN'S HANDKERCHIEFS
 Women's Embroidered Handkerchiefs, a splendid showing, many of them hand-embroidered—at 15c, 25c and up to \$1.00.

EXTRA SPECIAL!

Here is a brief list of extra special offerings for Hurried Christmas Shoppers:

- 15c Christmas Cards, 10c**
 All Christmas Greeting Cards and Booklets that were 15c—NOW 10c.
- 35c Christmas Cards, 19c**
 All Christmas Greeting Cards and Booklets that were 35c to 35c—NOW 19c.
 We still have a big assortment of Christmas Greeting Cards and Booklets—at 5c each, 50c a dozen.
- Bar Pins Reduced**
 Brilliant Bar Pins, trimmed with white or colored stones, in satin-lined boxes, were \$1.25 to \$5.00—PRICES NOW 98c to \$4.19
- Pearl Beads Reduced**
 French Pearl Beads, in all lengths, all neatly boxed, were \$1.50 to \$5.00—PRICES NOW \$1.19 to \$4.19
- Toilet Sets ¼ Off**
 Three-piece Toilet Sets, containing Hair Brush, Comb and Mirror, in White Ivory, Circassian Walnut and Black Ebony finish, all in cloth-lined boxes, were \$2.50 to \$8.50 AT 25 PER CENT. REDUCTION
- Manicure Sets ¼ Off**
 All Manicure Sets, fitted with pearl or ivory handled Manicure implements, in leather roll-up cases, were \$4.75 to \$12.50—AT 25 PER CENT. REDUCTION
- Tourist Cases ¼ Off**
 Tourist Cases, fitted with Toilet Articles, in styles for both men and women, in leather roll-up cases, were \$3.75 to \$15.00—AT 25 PER CENT. REDUCTION
- Thermos Bottles Reduced**
 Thermos Bottles, in half-pint, pint and quart sizes—excellent Christmas gifts—all at reduced prices.
- Holiday Stationery Reduced**
 Eaton, Crane and Pike's Holiday Stationery, Floral Linen, Hyland Linen, etc.—all at 15 to 25 per cent. less than regular prices.

\$2.50 Bath Sets, at \$1.50
 100 Turkish Bath Sets, each set contains two Towels and our Wash Cloth, in pink and blue Jacquard effects, each set neatly boxed—Special price \$1.50, actual value \$2.50.

Initialed Handkerchiefs
 300 boxes of Men's Initial Handkerchiefs, three in a box—at 75c and \$1.00 a box.
 500 boxes of Men's Initial Handkerchiefs, a box of six at 87½c, or each 15c.
 Men's Initial Handkerchiefs, at 25c each, or \$1.50 a box of six—at 37½c each or \$2.00 a box of six—Linen at 50c each, or \$3.00 a box of six.
 Women's Initial Handkerchiefs, at 12½c each, or 75c a box of six—at 25c each, or \$1.50 a box of six—50 Linen at 50c, or \$3.00 a box of six.

\$1.25 Boys' Gloves, at \$1.00
 300 pairs of Boys' Gauntlet Velour Gloves, lined—a most desirable Christmas Gift for a boy—at \$1.00 a pair, reduced from \$1.25.

PLUMBING PART OF THE "BUILDING TRUST"

New York, Dec. 22.—Attempts of soil pipe manufacturers of the country to prevent the use of innovations in the plumbing business that would reduce the cost of building were revealed today in testimony and letters put in evidence before the joint legislative committee investigating the "Building Trust." Testimony was given purporting to show that in some instances the manufacturers were supported by the Master Plumbers Association and the Journeyman Plumbers Association and the Journeyman Plumbers Association and the Journeyman Plumbers Association.

The committee took up its investigation of the Eastern Soil Pipe Manufacturers Association and the Southern Soil Pipe Manufacturers Association and the Southern Soil Pipe Association today after getting a promise from Secretary Otto C. Margraff of the Metal Ceiling Association that the organization would "mend its ways" and eliminate "unfair and deceptive regulations" in its by-laws.

Charles F. Tuttle, secretary of the eastern manufacturers, who testified to the association's activities, was subjected to questioning by Samuel Untermyer, committee counsel, who charged that the witness showed a "lack of frankness" and was "continually fencing."

While denying that the soil pipe manufacturers had a system of price-fixing, Tuttle admitted that they had a method of notifying each other of a change of price by another member.

"Yes, and the Central Foundry Company set the pace," asserted Mr. Untermyer, adding that every time the company changed the price of pipe, all other association members changed their accordingly.

Tuttle's declaration that the price

NORWICH TOWN

A Memorial of the Pilgrims is to be the theme at the First Congregational church service this (Thursday) evening in the chapel.

Ever Ready circle of the King's Daughters is to conduct services at the almshouse Sunday afternoon. There will be a speaker, also special music.

Rev. Arthur F. Purkis, pastor of the Central Baptist church, will officiate at the Sheltering Arms service Sunday afternoon.

The Uptown orchestra met for rehearsal at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Smith of Elm avenue Tuesday evening.

Miss Doris Estelle Rose of Uxbridge is passing the Christmas vacation at the home of her great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Rose, of West Town street. She will return home to spend Christmas day.

The schools in this district close Friday for the Christmas vacation of one week following three days' examinations. While in Norwich this week on business for the Connecticut Humane society, General Agent Arthur T. Young was a caller on the local agent, Dr. Charles H.

Lamb. The pupils of the West Town street school, met in the gymnasium Tuesday morning to celebrate the Pilgrim tercentenary. The program follows: America, school; The Landing of the Pilgrims, grades 5 and 6; The Word of God to Leiden Came, grades 5 and 6; Old Times in the Colonies, essay, Helen Connell; The First Thanksgiving Day, Dorothy Vergison; Over the Mountains, Wagon Song, grades 5, 6, 7 and 8; The Pilgrims of New England, Isadore Cohen; The Mayflower Compact, Hazel Crutcher; Our First Thanksgiving Day, Josephine Hill; The Mayflower Song, sung by a class of grades 5, 6, 7 and 8; America the beautiful, song, school.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney E. Smith and children, Eleanor and Campbell Smith, of Washington street leave today (Thursday) to spend the Christmas season at the home of Mrs. Smith's mother, Mrs. Mary Smith, of East Walpole, Mass.

At the Methodist church Sunday afternoon Orris Macle of Bethel, president of the Norwich Christian Endeavor union, will lead the Young People's meeting at 7:30. In the evening the December union service will be held at this church; the pastor and members of the First Congregational church uniting. Rev. Gordon F. Bailey will deliver the address and there is to be a specially arranged musical program.

Christmas exercises for the Sunday school of the Methodist Episcopal church are to be held Christmas (Saturday) evening.

At the Congregational church the Christmas entertainment for the Sunday school is to take place Tuesday evening, Dec. 23, at 7 o'clock. A treat line offering will be taken for the children of the New East.

Mrs. Frederick H. Bushnell of Huntington avenue and her sister-in-law, Mrs. Frank P. Rose, of Wauwage Hill, leave this (Thursday) morning to spend the holidays at the home of Mrs. Rose's son and daughter-in-law, Rev. and Mrs. Francis H. Rose, of Richmond, Va. They are to take the Colonial excursion from New London direct to Washington, D. C.

where they plan to remain over night, proceeding to Virginia Falls, expecting to reach their destination late that evening.

ROTARIANS HEAD OFF SOCIAL HYGIENE ACTIVITIES
 Social Hygiene and what is being attempted by the Connecticut Social Hygiene Association was interestingly explained by Miss Vivian Harris, field secretary of the association, at the weekly luncheon of the Norwich Rotary club held at the Wauwage hotel Wednesday.

Miss Harris explained that the association was endeavoring to bring before the business interests of the state the necessity of better education along certain lines that tend to benefit the community both regarding health and sex relations. The association is seeking legislation on the matter and endeavoring to secure an appropriation for the continuance of the work.

The education work is being conducted in the high schools and the state normal school and it is hoped that it may be continued in the grammar school. In the state of Connecticut we have very few accommodations for the feeble minded and the conditions there are not of the best. It is within only a short time that we have had the farm at Mont Lyme for the women. This is not full and the courts are turning out cases every day where women should be sent to the farm rather than being freed. The farm is doing good work and the women are not allowed to leave until they have proven themselves to be good citizens.

The social hygiene work is also co-operative with the child welfare work. There are 4,000 children in the country homes and being boarded out but those that are boarded out are not getting the care that they should. If the generations before us had had proper education in sex relations the condition today would be much improved.

The Social Hygiene association needs

REPUBLICAN LEGISLATIVE CAUCUSES ON JAN. 4

The call for the republican legislative caucuses to be held at the capitol Tuesday evening, Jan. 4, on the eve of the convening of the general assembly, have been sent by Secretary of the republican state central committee in republican members of the incoming legislature.

Immediately after the county caucuses will be the nomination of the republican candidates for speaker of the house of representatives and president pro tem of the senate.

Simultaneously with a caucus of republican senators-elect in the senate chamber at 7:30 o'clock for the nomination of candidates for president pro tem, clerk, messengers and doorkeepers, the caucuses of the republican representatives-elect for the endorsement of candidates for messengers and doorkeepers, and if desired of candidates for the office of the house of representatives and the nomination of a member of the committee on permanent organization will be held in the following manner:

Hartford county, room 53, third floor, west; New Haven county, room 31, second floor, east; New London county, room 64, fourth floor, east; Fairfield county, room 61, fourth floor, east; Windham county, room 58, fourth floor, east; Litchfield county, room 18, fourth floor, east; Middlesex county, room 65, fourth floor, east; Tolland county, room 57, fourth floor, east.

Immediately after this county caucuses at 8 o'clock the republican representatives-elect will gather in the hall of the house for the nomination of candidates for messengers, doorkeepers, and the appointment of a committee on permanent organization.

Representative Frederick W. Hartford of Stamford appears to be leading the field of candidates for the nomination for speaker. Other candidates are L. J. Hutchinson of Cornwall and Secretary of State Frederick L. Perry.

PINKERTON MEN SEER CROOKS IN NEW LONDON

In search of the crooks reported as fleeing from the dragnet thrown over New York city within the past few days, Pinkerton men appeared in New London Wednesday. John E. DeAvilla, assistant superintendent of Pinkerton's national detective agency, at 115 Westminister street, Providence, appeared at New London police headquarters and interviews between him and two persons who had recently had bogus checks passed upon them were held. The police have been ordered to round up every suspicious character found on New London streets.

Recently DeAvilla stated that bogus checks had recently been passed on the Union Bank and Trust company in New London, information of which had not previously been made public. Detectives who are members of the Jewelry Security alliance of the United States are being afforded protection by the Pinkerton men.

The Pinkerton men are also seeking to collect further evidence against John Tully, now awaiting trial in New Haven, after having passed large numbers of small checks. It is believed that counterfeiters were associated with him, and they are now being sought.

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