

WASHINGTON SETS NEW WET RECORD FOR CHRISTMAS

Capital Moisture Gives Incentive for Drive to Make New Year Dry.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Washington enjoyed yesterday the wettest Christmas it has had since Prohibition went into effect. Despite precautions against the importation of liquor, all the trucks of the wet fleet seemed to have reached Washington safely and the Bootleggers' Exchange report a record-breaking volume of trade at satisfactory prices.

The police blotters indicate that the curb market, which includes the distribution of illicit corn whiskey from nearby farms and other moonshine sources, was equally active.

On Saturday there were seventy-two arrests for drunkenness, Sunday thirty and yesterday's record indicates about one hundred. As nobody able to navigate is interfered with, it is evident the moisture com-

Improved Labor Conditions Reported Throughout Country

Better Situation Than at This Time Last Year and Demand for Skilled Mechanics.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Employment situation is encouraging and prospects are bright for the remainder of the winter, according to a survey just completed by the Department of Labor.

Nearly all States reported a condition much better than at this time last year, and the situation was described as fair to good in most sections.

States affected by seasonal suspension of logging operations or farm work, and those where transportation is hampered by strikes and car shortages, were the only ones reported unfavorably, and in all of them improvement was expected soon after the first of the year.

Building operations throughout the country were reported almost unprecedented, only a few States in the North showing a slowing up because of the weather.

Manufacturing States, almost without exception, reported shortages of skilled mechanics. Textile mills were running full blast and needed labor. The automobile industry also was running 100 per cent, but the labor supply about equalled the demand.

The steel industry showed a general expansion, with a demand for all kinds of labor and the call for metal workers generally exceeding the supply. Placements by the Farm Labor Bureau at Kansas City were 20 per cent greater between Nov. 15 and Dec. 15 of this year than in the same period in 1921, the Department of Labor announced. The report was regarded as exceptionally good, since the demand for farm labor is ordinarily at its lowest in November, December and January.

POLICEMAN OVERCOME
ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Dec. 26.—James Hannon, forty-five, a special policeman employed by an Atlantic City Bank, was found unconscious in a gas-filled room in his home, No. 21 South Missouri Avenue, a boarding house. A gas tube had become disconnected from a heater. Hannon was taken to the Atlantic City Hospital where it was said his condition was critical.

Core Inventory Sale
Coats and Dresses
At Greatly Reduced Prices.
Advance Showings
New Spring Crepe and Taffeta Dresses
At Very Attractive Prices
Starts 2 to 16



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FIFTH AVENUE **James McCreery & Co.** 34TH STREET

For Boys and Girls Home from School



Boys' School Overcoats

Special at **11.50**

The raglan and set-in sleeve models vie with each other in popularity this season. Consequently we have included both in this group. Each coat is made of all wool fabrics of excellent quality and well-tailored throughout. Sizes 12 to 17.

Boys' Norfolk Suits

Special at **12.75**

Every suit has two pairs of knickers and is beautifully tailored in attractive materials. Sport and pleated models. Sizes 7 to 16.

Boys' Flannelette Pajamas 1.15

In one and two-piece models, trimmed with silk frogs. One-piece sizes, 4 to 16 years. Two-piece models, 8 to 16 years.

Every price is reduced—the quantity is limited.

[Third Floor]

Children's Shoes

We have taken several models from our regular stock and reduced them for this special sale.

Tan or Black Calfskin Lace Shoes for Girls and Misses.

Children's sizes — 8½ to 11—Tan or Black..... **3.45**
Girls' sizes — 11½ to 2—Tan or Black..... **3.95**
Misses' sizes — 2½ to 7—Tan or Black..... **4.95**
Boys' Shoes, sizes — 9 to 2—Ages 5 to 10... **3.95**

Also for the little tots we are offering Patent Leather Button or Lace styles.

Sizes 2 to 5—**1.85** Sizes 5 to 8—**2.65**

[Second Floor]

Underwear for Boys' and Girls

Boys' heavy weight wool Combination Suits in gray; high neck, long sleeves, ankle length. Sizes 4 to 16 years. **1.95**

Girls' glove silk vests, plain or lace trimmed, bodice style, in Pink. Sizes 4 to 16 years. Bloomers to match. **2.25, 3.25**

[Third Floor]

Children's Silk Socks 85¢

Children's pure thread silk socks, turn-over tops, well reinforced heels and toes, in White, Pink and Sky Blue.

These may be had in sizes 4 to 9½.

[Main Floor]



Girls' New Frocks

Very Specially Priced **7.50**

A remarkable offering of charming, seasonable frocks of wool crepe with touches of bright embroidery and a small lace collar. Also in silk pongee with fine pleatings and embroidered collar. They are cut on simple lines for girls of 6 to 14 years. The wool crepe dresses come in Brown, Navy, Tan and Henna and the Pongee frocks in Brown, Copenhagen, Gold, and Red.

[Fourth Floor]



Girls'

Chinchilla Coats

Of all wool chinchilla lined with red flannel. They have patch pockets and button close up to the neck. Double breasted style. Deep cuffs and bone buttons add a smart touch. Sizes 6 to 14.

Very special value at **15.00**

Also a special purchase of Junior Coats. Very smart models in a variety of double faced coatings. Warm practical coats. **19.50**

[Fourth Floor]

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Best & Co.

Fifth Avenue at 35th St.—N. Y.

ALL SALES FINAL

Beginning Wednesday

AFTER CHRISTMAS CLEARANCE of GIRLS' & BOYS' WINTER APPAREL

Largest Reductions of the Season
Some Groups Down to Half Price or Less

GIRLS' & JUNIOR MISSES'

Sturdy Coats for School

Originally 27.50 to 37.50

Smart models for sports and utility wear, in all-wool mixtures. Sizes 6 to 12 years. **16.50**

Fur Collared Wool Coats

Wool chinchilla or bolivia, with collars of nutria fur. Sizes 4, 5 and 6 years. **19.50**

Coats of Imported Woolens

Originally 39.50 to 49.50

English and Scotch woolens; domestic plaid-black mixtures. Sizes 12 to 17 yrs. **35.00**

Wool Dresses for School

Originally 16.50 to 32.50

Wool jersey, crepe or serge, in attractive models. Sizes 10 to 16 years. **12.50**

Junior Misses' Dresses

Originally 25.00 to 37.50

Wool and silk dresses in a number of models. Sizes 13, 15 and 17 years. **18.00**

Juniors' Fur Collared Suits

Originally 49.50 to 69.00

Smart two-piece suits with luxurious collars of fur. Sizes 15 and 17 years. **35.00**

High or Low Shoes

Originally 3.65 to 6.00

High and low shoes, in buttoned and laced styles; black and brown leathers, white buckskin. Sizes 8 to 2. **2.00**
2.70

FOR BOYS'

Two-Trouser Wool Suits

Originally 13.50

100 of these sturdy, well-made suits, with two pairs of trousers. Dark wool mixtures. Sizes 9 to 17. **9.75**

Russian Overcoats

Originally 17.50

100 overcoats, Russian style, warm and very comfortable. Sizes 5 to 8 years. **7.50**

All Wool Mackinaws

Originally 10.50

All-wool, sturdy materials, made to withstand real boy wear. Dark mixtures. Sizes 8 to 18 years. **8.95**

High Shoes and Oxfords

Originally 4.95 to 7.00

Black and tan high shoes and tan oxfords. Sizes 2½ to 6. **3.40**

LILIPUTIAN BAZAAR

Wool Coats, some with fur

Wool velours in dark practical colors. Several styles, some fur-trimmed but not all sizes in every style. Sizes 1, 2, 3 yrs. **9.75**

Fur Trimmed Coats

Originally 13.50 to 18.50

Smart, warm little coats of wool velours or bolivia, trimmed with nutria or o'possum. Also a few untrimmed models. Sizes 1, 2, 3, years. **12.50**



"HEALTH, wealth and wisdom—desirest thou these three in the new year to come? Eat then of the Dromedary Date. For dates bring health, and wealth cometh to him who spendeth but small sums. And in following this advice, wisdom too is thine!"
—The Wise Man of the East

Dromedary Dates 10¢

IN THE PERSONAL PACKAGE



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Daily use of the Soap keeps the skin fresh and clear, while touches of the Ointment, now and then as needed soothe and heal the first blemishes, redness, roughness or scalp irritation. Cuticura Talcum is excellent for the skin.

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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31

SPECIAL TRAIN LEAVES

New York (Penn. Sta.) 12.10 P.M.
Stopping at Newark, Elizabeth and New Brunswick
Arrive Baltimore 3.05 A.M.
Washington 6.10 A.M.
Returning Leaves
Washington 1.35 P.M.
Baltimore 3.35 P.M.
Tickets on sale Friday preceding excursion

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