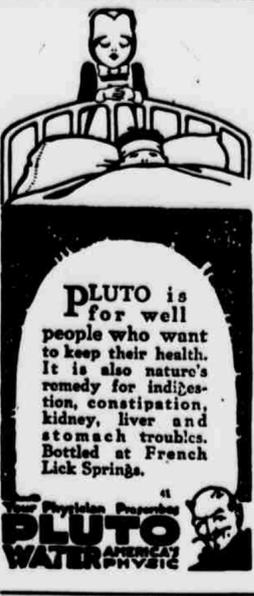


"PORK" BILL IS LAVISH SANTA TO DIXIELAND

Eight Alabama Towns Listed for Federal Buildings, Deemed Wasteful.

FLORIDA CARED FOR BY CHAIRMAN CLARK

Other Southern States Also to Share in the Treasury Raid.



PLUTO is for well people who want to keep their health. It is also nature's remedy for indigestion, constipation, kidney, liver and stomach troubles.

GALE WRECKS XMAS FOR ARMY IN MEXICO

Celebration Planned for Troops at Pershing's Headquarters Dust Buried.

GIANT TREE WAS REARED

Before It 7,500 Men Had Hoped to Receive Presents Awaiting Them.

FIELD HEADQUARTERS, PUNITIVE EXPEDITION IN MEXICO, Dec. 25.—Dust smothered the great Christmas celebration today at the field headquarters of the American punitive expedition.

VILLA IN SAN PEDRO. Bandit Said to Have Captured 1,000 Carranza Soldiers.

OBREGON TO FIGHT. Will Come North to Lead Forces Against Villa.

HIDES SHIP MOVEMENTS. New Rule of Big Lines Prevents News of Arrivals and Departures.

Two Artillerymen Injured. The wind rose Christmas eve and increased in violence steadily.

At every lonely water hole and pass where troops are stationed gifts were to have been presented.

SHORTHAND MEN MEET HERE. State Association to Hold Annual Session in Annual Club.

Many Athletic Events. The daylight programme provided for athletic events and the troops, freed from ordinary duties since Saturday, were to witness the polo and football games.

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KILLED IN MOTOR FLUNGE. Syracuse Man Crushed When Automobile Goes Over Bank.

Saks Clothes by Night! Wherever New Yorkers of Quality Congregate at an evening—at dinner, at the theatre, at the banquet—Saks evening clothes are conspicuous among those present, gracing the assembly with their easy, polished lines, and holding their own with the finest of 5th Avenue custom productions.

In a Pre-Inventory Clearance Today 300 Women's Suits Reduced to \$17.50 \$27.50 and \$37.50 Former Prices \$25 to \$65

The Materials: Velvet, Chiffon Broadcloth, Wool Velour, Poiré Twill, Wool Jersey, Velour, Gabardine, Cashmere Velour. Sizes range up to 50 1/2 bust measure.

An Offering of Unusual Importance Today Women's Beautiful Evening Gowns Greatly Reduced

An opportune time to purchase at an exceptional price a charming gown for the New Year festivities. Included is a solid Sequin Dress from a design by "Paquin"; Sapphire Blue Princess Evening Gowns with opalescent trimming; Evening Gowns with Sequin trimming; Velvet Dresses with long trains; and most exquisite Tulle Evening Gowns embellished with Sequins.

Former Prices. \$59.50 \$89.50 \$100 \$125 \$135 Reduced to \$45.00 \$59.50 \$69.50 \$89.50 \$95

Also—A Special Offering of Metallic Brocade or Metal Lace Evening Gowns, at \$29.50

A most charming advance Spring model, with fashionable draping at sides. Developed in Satin Brocade with silver threads combined with Tulle, over Metallic Cloth Lining. In the following colors: Shell Pink, Cel Blue, Turquoise, Black, Purple, White

Women's Afternoon Dresses at \$18.50 Fashioned of Crepe de Chine combined with Georgette Crepe, in the most-wanted light shades. Fourth Floor

Beginning at 9 A. M. Today Pre-Inventory Sale of Furs

Affording unusual latitude in selection of models and most important price economies

Hudson Seal Coats, with luxurious Skunk Collar and Seal Cuffs . \$99.50 Hudson Seal Coats, with full sweep skirt, 45 inches long. \$89.50 Hudson Seal Coats, in fashionable 40-inch model, lined with silk. . \$69.50 Hudson Seal Coats, with large Skunk Collar and border. \$142.50 Near Seal Coats (Coney), with beautiful Skunk Raccoon Collar and border. \$74.50 Hudson Seal Muffs. \$14.50 Scarfs to match. \$17.50 Natural Raccoon Muffs. \$10.00 Scarfs to match. \$11.50 Skunk Muffs. \$15.00 Scarfs to match. \$11.50 Moleskin Muffs. \$27.50 Scarfs to match. \$24.50 Beaver Muffs. \$19.50 Scarfs to match. \$22.50 Dyed Raccoon Muffs. \$12.50 Scarfs to match. \$11.50 (Furs listed as Hudson Seal are Dyed Muskrat.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—Scores of hamlets in Dixieland have special cause to be merry this holiday season. It is not that turkey is much more plentiful than usual, though cotton has been hitting new high levels. It is because the beneficent Southern Congressmen, possibly with a view to bolstering their political fortunes while the bolstering is good, are engaged in distributing millions of dollars in "pork" through their districts. And the "pork," since it comes in such generous quantities, seems exactly as acceptable as the Tuleite turkey.

Not in Profitable List. In three other towns the receipts were just above the \$10,000 mark, but they, too, are classed as hardly entitled to the benefactions their Congressmen are apportioning.

Georgia Fares Well. Georgia, which is to get nineteen new Federal buildings, every one of which was characterized by the Treasury Department as a probably unprofitable investment, was cited as one of the outstanding examples of the lavish manner in which the pork barrel is being emptied by the Democratic Congressmen.

South Carolina's "Pork." Nine of the twelve buildings or sites provided for South Carolina towns failed to receive the approval of the Treasury Department. None of the nine towns had more than 2,000 inhabitants and none had postal receipts amounting to \$10,000.

Only Two Have Merit. Ryebrough, with a population of 1,500 and postal receipts of \$7,254.27 in 1915, will have a \$30,000 building; Union Springs will get one costing \$25,000, and Athens is to have a \$35,000 appropriation. Athens has a population of 1,715 according to the 1910 census, but its postal receipts last year were nearly \$10,000.

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At the Lowest Prices of the Year

Extraordinary quantities purchased at great price concessions enable us to offer extensive varieties of choice styles in:

- FINE TABLE LINENS HOUSEHOLD LINENS "McCREERY SILKS" WHITE COTTON GOODS STAMPED ARTICLES WOMEN'S MUSLIN UNDERWEAR WOMEN'S SILK UNDERWEAR WOMEN'S KNIT UNDERWEAR HIGH GRADE CORSETS PETTICOATS MATINEES NEGLIGEEES BOUDOIR CAPS LINGERIE BLOUSES SILK BLOUSES INFANTS' WEAR MISSES' UNDERWEAR CHILDREN'S UNDERWEAR HOUSE DRESSES WOMEN'S SWEATERS

Purchases made on and after the 26th will appear on bill rendered February the 1st