

**WOMAN OMNISCIENT,
M'LISS IS ADVISED**

Mayor Says She Could Sweep Streets, but It Won't Be Necessary
COULD RUN TROLLEYS

By M'LISS
It looks easy. The gentleman dons a suit. In a previous incarnation it may have been white. He then gets a grip on a long-handled brush, and with a little spare energy tackles the dirt in the streets. In time this is assembled in a pile and a coworker, similarly garbed, is summoned. This gentleman wheels a little cart, built after the fashion of a perambulator. He assails the pile with a brush and pan, taking good care not to lift more than one-third of the dirt. The rest, eventually, finds itself in the public eye. It is thus that Philadelphia's streets are kept dirty. As I said before, it looks easy to do this. And yet, although woman from time immemorial (in fact, ever since Eve swept Adam and herself out of Paradise—and did it with an apple, too) has been the prime sweeper of the race, no woman in this country has been considered eligible for the lowly job of municipal street cleaner. Perhaps it's because it had something to do with voting, or something. But now the time has come, as the wall-rat said, to talk of many things, chief of them being the harnessing of the "woman power," the full strength of which has never been put into use. What can woman do? is the question every one is asking. "What can't she do?" is more to the point.

THE GALLANT MAYOR
"I don't know what woman can't do," Mayor Smith said gallantly, when asked what confidence he would have in the feminine portion of the city, should response to the call to the colors on the part of the man in municipal service be great. "The American woman is the physical and mental equal, if not superior, of her European sisters. Their spirit of patriotism and willingness to help is as great. I am sure there is no job in Philadelphia so lowly or so menial held by a man that a patriotic woman could not be found to fill it if her country needed her. "I do not, however, anticipate the necessity of feminine aid in the municipal departments, even should the United States become actively belligerent; but I am prepared to say that should the work in the various city departments suffer from the equipment of the men now employed, I should have every confidence in woman substitutes. "I shall, of course, not encourage enlistments in the Department of Public Safety. The policemen and firemen are needed back home. That is where their firing line is.

COULD MEET SITUATION
"But women shine in the clerical departments and always have. They have proved abroad that they can shine also in work that heretofore has been considered purely man's. I think we're a long way off from considering the necessity of engaging large numbers of women to take the places of men in the public utility departments, but I have faith enough in the women to know that we could meet the situation should it arise." And so, sister, though you may not get the opportunity of being Officeress 666, if you wait long enough and we fight long enough it is just possible that you may be allowed as a member of the white wings' squad to get back to the element that the vacuum cleaner and the carpet sweeper has well-nigh deprived you of.

ON THE STREET CARS
It is possible, too, that the job of motor-woman and conductress may be added to the growing list of female occupations. "We could use 'em if we needed 'em, but we don't expect to need 'em" was the terse comment of a representative of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company when asked to consider the question of substituting women for men in the event of war. The manager of one of the big taxicab companies was more loquacious, however. "Sure," said he, "let 'em come in the business. Maybe there wouldn't be so many 'beats' then—though a 'beat' will take advantage of anything—a blind woman, if he had the chance." A "beat," he explained, is a man who works the taximeter overtime to the tune of \$20 or \$30 and then walks opulently in one door of a hotel and expeditiously out another, without remembering to come back and pay his bill. He is the natural enemy of the taxi chauffeur, and the fact that he travels in hotels and in lim all the more difficult to bring to justice. "A woman's intuition might enable her to tell a 'beat' by the way he wears his mustache or his handkerchief. I am sure they'd help the business. Let 'em come in." The way, then, is clear for us, girls. All we need is the opportunity to show them. We hate the thought of war, but we'd like mightily to demonstrate the woman power, turned on full force and going strong.

**BOOZE AND TENDERLION
BLAST LIFE OF PAINTER**

"Billy Yah-Yah," Who Had Great Prospects, Falls Dead in Saloon

Up in the Tenderloin old men wagged their heads over the morain's morain today as they told each other that "Billy Yah-Yah" had died during the night. They didn't know it, but they were delivering an argument against rum, for "Billy" (William C. Haldeeman) was the example of a man who had hopes of artistic success and ruined them through drink. Some years back it was that Haldeeman was first seen around the western fringe of the Tenderloin. He was in his early fifties then and was popular, through the fact that he usually had money. He went to live with Edward Anderson, at 220 North Cameo street, and stayed there, drifting along, until a year ago, when he came into a fortune of some thousands. This went over the bars, and "Billy Yah-Yah" went back to semiobscurity until another relative died and left some more money. It was about this last windfall that they talked in the saloons this morning. Haldeeman took too much and was picked up from the gutter. When taken to the hospital he had on two pairs of socks and between these was found \$800 in bills. "And some of his toothless cronies also vouchsafed the information that Haldeeman was a nephew of ex-Governor Harmon, of Ohio, and was a "renegade" man in addition. "He used to get a check every three months," said one. "And, gee! How he used to get soured." Haldeeman roomed at a saloon at 1313 Race street and there it was that he fell dead this morning. "Booze," said the physician when he examined the body of "Billy Yah-Yah," and those in the barroom nodded their heads wisely.

**OUSTED BY LIEDERKRANZ
Lancaster German-Americans Expel Man Who Insulted U. S. Flag**

LANCASTER, Pa., April 4.—A member of the Lancaster Liederkranz, whose name has not been divulged, was expelled from the society at a special meeting last night for referring slightly to the American flag and stamping upon a small banner.

The Season's Very Newest Modes in
Skirts
at **\$5.95**

Wool Poppins
Silk Poppins
Plain Taffetas
Striped Taffetas
Checks
Serges
Velours

In pleated, flaring and sport models, modified barrel effects, fancy draped pockets, shirrings, etc. All sizes.



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To be well dressed does not mean to be expensively dressed. These stocks are kept fresh and clean by the constant in-coming and out-going of new merchandise. Every day brings new fashions. No "left overs" or "job lots" are bought. Every garment is carefully selected and must be of good seasonable materials, authentic in style and the workmanship of high quality.

SPECIAL OFFERINGS FOR TOMORROW

Wonderful Sale of
Women's and Misses' SUITS

\$15

Values to \$27.50—A Variety of the Newest Models in This Sale

Every one of these suits would be priced low even at \$22.50. Their quality, their tailoring, their exclusiveness of design—all mark these suits as decidedly out of the ordinary. They are copies of much higher-priced models, and are, we believe, the best suits at \$15.00 to be found in Philadelphia.

**Burellas
Serges**

**Homespuns
Gabardines**

**Shepherd Checks
Wool Jersey**

There is a great variety of models from which to select. Suits for sport, dress and general wear. Coats are lined in heavy silks that will give good service. Large fancy silk over-collars in contrasting colors and buttons are largely used as trimmings. Slashed pockets. Skirts cut on straight lines. Choice of black, gold, American Beauty, delft blue, pea green, the practical navy blue and others. Suits you will be proud to wear.

An Extraordinary Pre-Easter Sale of

Fine Spring Coats

Beautiful styles and scores of them—splendid serviceable materials in infinite variety. All the popular colors of the season and values that cannot be duplicated elsewhere.

**Wool Poppins
Tweeds** **Wool Velours
Novelties** **Coverts
Wool Serges**

\$10

All the novel style features are shown in the very highest class Coats—latest novelty collars and pockets, belts and half-belts, three-quarter and full lengths, clever braid and button trimmings.

All Sizes for Women and Misses
Values at **\$18.50**



Latest Styles in

SILK DRESSES

at **\$10**

They Cannot Be Equaled Under \$20

All are modeled in the latest fashion. Dresses of Taffeta and Crepe de Chine, mostly the popular straight-lines, though in some the pockets give a modified "barrel" appearance. Choice of the newest Spring tints. A variety of styles for afternoon, sport and street wear.

\$10

Coats for the Young Girl at \$2.50

Values up to \$4.00

A variety of models in checks, serges and poplins. Neatly trimmed collars, belted and new pocket effects. Some are lined throughout. Coats that will make the girls happy—and at savings that mothers will appreciate.

Children's Dresses at 98c

Worth \$1.50 to \$1.75

An unusual opportunity to outfit the children. A really exceptional sale of dresses for the kiddies. Materials are ginghams and percales, in stripes, plaids and solid colors. Full-cut skirts, and neatly trimmed collars. Also some Empire effects in rep.

Dainty New Blouses

AT **\$1.00**

Values at \$1.50 to \$2

All the newest models, large collars, frills, embroidered and tailored effects.



Materials are voiles, organdies and many other cotton materials in novelty patterns, stripes, cross weaves, etc. A large variety of colors and stripes in all combinations.

Wonderful assortment of \$7 & \$8 New Georgette Crepe Waists at \$4.95. Hundreds of styles in embroidered, beaded and plain models.

Tub Silk Petticoats, at \$2

Good \$3.50 Values

Washable tub silks. Choice of all the colors of the season; also black and white. Made with a full pleated flounce. Just the silk petticoat to accompany your new suit or dress.

Crepe de Chine and Jap Silk Camisoles \$1.00... 50c

Very necessary for wear under the thin waist or dress. These camisoles are embroidered, lace trimmed and have ribbons to give a pretty finish.

1000 Untrimmed Hats

Values \$2 to \$3 **79c** Values \$2 to \$3

A variety of 20 different shapes that will adapt themselves to tailored, dress or general wear by means of a simple but well chosen trimming. They are of the fashionable glossy Japanese straws in large flaring shapes. Lisere, Milan hems, dressy picture hats, sailors, mushrooms, tricorne and smart turbans. Most of these hats are black, but navy, brown, purple and some other colors are included.

1000 New Trimmed Hats

Actual Values \$2.00 & \$3.00 **\$1.25** Actual Values \$2.00 & \$3.00

The new trimmed hats are the handsomest and latest Spring creations. They will be sold tomorrow at this ridiculously low price.



Economy Basement Store

"WHERE YOU SPEND THE LEAST AND GET THE MOST"

Sale of New Spring DRESSES

\$9.97

Values up to \$18.50

All dresses are in the newest styles suitable for afternoon and evening wear. Materials are taffetas and crepes. Also includes a variety of late combination effects in party dresses. All colors and sizes. This is a REAL bargain!



Special Sale of New COATS

\$4.97

Value \$8.75

One lot of new coats, just received—all late models, in checks, tweeds, serges and novelty materials. Flare models and all the new pocket effects.



1000 New WAISTS

Japs and Crepe de Chine

97c

Values to \$2.50

New models in scores of styles and trimmings. All the newest features, large collars and frills. All colors and sizes.



500 Cloth SKIRTS

Regular Values \$2.00 to \$3.00 **89c**

A clear saving of \$1.00 to \$2.00 on each of these beautiful models. Handsomely tailored in the most up-to-date styles and coming in all the most popular wool fabrics.

200 Children's Coats, 97c

Serges and Checks. Sizes 2 to 6. Values to \$2.50.