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TWO GREAT BARGAIN LOTS OF "M. S. M." SUMMER SUITS.

Quick-selling Prices on the Best Styles and Fabrics of the Season. We offer in two great bargain lots all the small lots of "M. S. M." Summer Suits, embracing the most desirable styles and fabrics, at quick-selling "lucky prices."

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\$50.00 FOR 50 IDEAS. We Ask for the Last Idea To-day.

There's a kind of publicity that makes people talk about us. There's another kind that sets men to thinking—that makes them begin to turn things over in their minds. That's the kind of publicity which reaches a man's heart—especially if he rents a house. That is what we are trying to do—to make a man regret the home joys he has missed in the past and to make him know why he wants a home now. Besides, we are asking him what he would like to suggest in regard to that home. We are in the public eye for a specific purpose; to produce that which will so meet the ideals of man and wife, so completely reflect the spirit of home, that dwellers in flats and houses will be made to see how barren their lives are of home associations—how they lack memories of the happy hours experienced only 'neath one's own roof-tree. Every man who lacks a home has not filled his days with the peace and profit a home offers. But it is not too late to own one, or to tell us what you consider indispensable in a home. We will pay a dollar bill for each idea received that we can use. We are asking for the last idea to-day. If you can think of an idea we can use MAIL IT AT ONCE, or bring it to us personally—to-day. The homes in which these ideas are to be embodied are now nearing completion, and the location will soon be announced by Shannon & Luchs (selling agents), 713 14th st.

Middaugh & Shannon, Inc., Owner, Colorado Building. "No Place Like Home; No Homes Like Ours."

SCHOONERS WILL RACE. Small Craft Ready for Speed Trials in Tidal Basin. Should there be a stiff breeze to-day, the race between the schooners Euzella, the Garnet, and the Annie will take place at noon on the Potomac River. They will race across the basin for a prize offered by Miss Perry, the twelve-year-old daughter of the chief engineer in charge of the construction of the new bridge being erected near the Speedway. The schooners are of the small type, and were made of pine logs that were a part of the Long Bridge. The Annie is favored for the race because Capt. Jack Mowat, who has spent many years at sea, constructed her along lines looking to speed. The other two racers were built by J. B. Bennett, a boat carpenter, and W. J. Jennett, his son and assistant.

W. L. DOUGLAS \$3.00 \$3.50 & \$4.00 SHOES. FOR MORE THAN A QUARTER OF A CENTURY W. L. DOUGLAS has had his name and the retail price stamped on the bottom of his shoes, for the purpose of protecting the wearer against high prices and inferior shoes. W. L. Douglas name stamped on the bottom of a shoe guarantees to the wearer superior quality, first-class workmanship and more value for the price than any other make. Insist upon having W. L. Douglas shoes with his name and price stamped on the bottom. Take no substitute. Wherever you live, W. L. Douglas shoes are within your reach. If your dealer cannot fit you, write for our Mail Order Catalog. W. L. Douglas, Brockton, Mass. WASHINGTON STORE: 905 Pennsylvania Avenue N. W.

TAFT WILL VISIT WEST AND SOUTH

President Plans to Meet Diaz at El Paso.

GOING TO THE EXPOSITION

Chief Executive Will Return by the Southern Route—Expects to Stop at Texas Cities, New Orleans, Jackson, Birmingham, Montgomery, Atlanta, Wilmington, N. C., and Richmond.

President Taft returned to Washington from his journey to Lake Champlain and the tercentenary celebration at 3:45 o'clock yesterday afternoon. He was a pretty tired President after nearly a week of constant traveling and speech making, but he regarded the journey as having been well worth while.

He was met at the station yesterday by Brig. Gen. C. R. Edwards and Fred W. Carpenter, his private secretary. From Philadelphia to Washington the President's car, Mayflower, was run as a part of a special train consisting, in addition to the Mayflower, of a private car for the French Ambassador and a day coach. Secretary of War Dickenson was a member of the President's party.

Will Meet President Diaz. On his way from New York to Washington yesterday morning President Taft told something of his plans for his trip to Seattle, California, the Southwest, and the South.

He said that he had written to President Diaz, accepting that executive's invitation to meet him at El Paso. President Taft has never seen President Diaz, and as he intends to visit New Mexico, Arizona, and Texas in October, he was glad to avail himself of the opportunity of meeting the President of the other North American republic. This meeting will take place in October. The exact date is not known.

He Will Visit Exposition. The President will start on his trip from Beverly the middle of September, possibly on the 15th, which will be his fifty-second birthday. He will go to Denver first, then to Salt Lake City, Spokane, and Seattle, where he will visit the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition. From Seattle he will go to San Francisco. While in California he wants to see the Yosemite Valley, which will be particularly beautiful at that time of the year. Then he will go to Los Angeles to visit a sister who lives there. The other stop in California will be at San Diego.

Will Stop at Texas Cities. From the Pacific coast the President will travel to New Mexico and Arizona, the Territories which have been promised Statehood by the Republican party. Then the President will go on to Texas. His itinerary and order of places he will visit have not been arranged, but he will go to El Paso to meet President Diaz and to a ranch owned by the wife of Charles P. Taft. This ranch is near Corpus Christi, in the vicinity of Brownsville. He will also visit Austin, Dallas, and San Antonio. At San Antonio he will visit Fort Sam Houston, one of the finest army posts in the country. The President, as Secretary of War, had much to do with the rebuilding of this post, and now he wants to see it.

Will Call at Richmond. After Texas the President will go to Louisiana. His most important visit there will be in New Orleans, where he will attend the waterways conference, the date for which is to be fixed later to suit the President's convenience. After New Orleans the President will visit the beautiful region around Bayou Teche, Jackson, Miss., which will be given an opportunity to see the President, and then he will go on to Alabama, visiting Birmingham and Montgomery. In Georgia the President will take in Macon, Atlanta, Savannah, and Augusta. As he comes North he will stop at Wilmington, N. C., and Richmond, Va. He will arrive in Washington about the middle of November.

LOCAL MENTION.

EXCURSIONS TO-DAY. Steamer Charles Manly for Mount Vernon. Daily and Sunday boats leave South street wharf at 10 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

The Potomac moonlight trip down the river, leaving 7:30 p. m. daily and Sunday. To Fort Monroe, Norfolk, Newport News, and all points South-Norfolk and Washington steamer every evening in the year at 7:30 p. m.

Steamer Jamestown, for a moonlight trip down the Potomac—Leaves Norfolk and Washington steamboat wharf at 7 p. m. daily and Sunday. To Annapolis and the United States Naval Academy—Trains leave every hour on the half hour from Fifteenth and H streets northeast.

To Rock Creek and Bridge, Zoological Park, Chevy Chase, and Kensington—Cars from Fifteenth street and New York avenue every fifteen minutes.

The Grocer Who Can't Supply You with Jno. G. Melberg's Bread doesn't deserve your trade. The purest and best.

Plumbing Repairs and Remodeling Baths our specialty. Shedd's, 432 9th.

Aquatic Carnival To-night. An aquatic carnival will be held to-night at 7:30 o'clock on the Potomac River near the Speedway by the Washington Canoe Club. The canoes will be decorated, and after the carnival a dance will be held at the clubhouse.

"Pretty Soft." The Chop House, 14th and F sts.

It Will Cost You Much Less. To store your household effects while away than to continue renting a flat or house. Fireproof rooms, \$2 mo. up. Washington Safe Deposit Co., 256 Pa. ave. 'Phone 261.

Read the Christian Science Monitor, the national daily. At Ham Adams, 2th and G, and Garrison's, 1104 14th st.

Negro Held for Grand Jury. Charged with stealing \$148 from Ernst Gerstenberg, of 1343 Pennsylvania avenue, Sol Minney, a negro, formerly employed by his accuser, was held for the grand jury in the Police Court yesterday.

Your Bathroom Equipment Should Include a good bath spray. We have them at 11 up. Lindsay's Rubber Store, 933 F st.

TOTS ANXIOUS FOR OUTING.

Navy Yard Employees Will Take Children to Beach. The State Council of the District of Columbia, Junior Order of the United American Mechanics, has sent 190 tickets to the Summer Outings Committee of the Associated Charities, to be used in sending 190 of Washington's poorest children to Marshall Hall on July 14.

A letter from the employees of the navy yard say they are planning to make their picnic to Chesapeake Beach on July 16 the greatest and best they have ever given. The navy yard employees always provide transportation, lunches, ice cream and peanuts, tickets for amusements, and a plunge in the bay for the poor children. An additional feature of the picnic this year is that the Naval Gun Factory Band has generously offered its services.

Andrew Parker, treasurer, acknowledges the following contributions for the Summer Outings Committee: For Camp Good Will—Mrs. Fred G. McKean, \$2.50; Justice David J. Brewer, \$10; Mrs. Herbert Knox Smith, \$2.50; Mrs. John C. Phillips, \$10; from several government employees, \$15.25; Mr. George C. Aukam, \$5; Commissioner Charles P. Nell, \$10; Mr. A. Dammann, \$5; Mr. William A. H. Church, \$5; Mrs. M. Edith Robinson, \$1; Mr. Richard Rathbun, \$10; Dr. A. D. Melvin, \$5; Mr. H. K. Fulton, \$5; Mr. Frank H. Bethell, \$5; Mrs. W. B. Orme, \$5; Miss Mary Murray Lockwood, \$2.50; Rev. Wallace Radcliffe, \$5; Col. Campbell Carrington, \$10; Miss Luella W. Wilkinson, \$5; Miss Jane Read, \$5; Mrs. Frank B. Moss, \$5; the Acetylene Company, \$10; Mr. William H. Pope, \$5; Mrs. W. P. Graves, \$5; Saks & Co., \$10; Mr. Emmons S. Smith, \$5; H. S. E. \$10; Mrs. Louisa A. Crosby, \$5; Mr. William A. Hill, \$5; Miss Mary F. Melton, \$5; Mrs. P. M. Dubant, \$5.

GUDE WILL ADDRESS NEGROES.

Business League Meeting Scheduled for Monday Evening. William F. Gude, president of the Chamber of Commerce, will be the principal speaker Monday evening at the public meeting to be held under the auspices of the National Negro Business League, at Zion Baptist Church in F street, between Third and Four-and-a-half streets. The object of the meeting is to emphasize the importance of business development among the negro people of this city. Addresses will also be made by Attorney Thomas L. Jones and President Pittman, executive officers of the league.

Chinese Held on Lottery Charge. Accused of permitting a lottery to be conducted on their premises, Lee Hong, Lee You, and Lee Kim, celestials arrested in a raid on Chinese stores in Pennsylvania avenue recently, were yesterday arraigned in the Police Court. The prisoners furnished \$1,000 bond each for appearance July 16, when the cases will be heard.

Wife Gets Divorce and Alimony. A decree of absolute divorce has been granted Mrs. Mary Hutton, wife of William P. Hutton, an employe of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, by Justice Barnard. The court has ordered Hutton to pay alimony to the amount of \$20 each month. Mrs. Hutton is given custody of her children.

Seller of Cocaine Sentenced. Adjudged guilty of selling cocaine in alleys in the southwest, Elton Garner, negro, was yesterday sentenced by Judge Kimball, of the Police Court, to twelve months in the workhouse. Half of the term is absolute, the remaining six months being in default of \$100 fine.

Objects to Hanging Condemned Men. D. L. Selke, in a long letter addressed to Commissioner Macfarland, indorses the bill before Congress and which has been referred to the Commissioners for consideration, providing for electrocution of prisoners condemned to death instead of by hanging.

Take Dinner at Great Falls. The ride is delightful in a TTCO taxicab. Only 25 hour. 'Phone North 1212.

GO OUT TO-DAY —"FOR THEIR SAKE." Baseball Game for the benefit of St. Vincent's Female Orphan Asylum, NATIONAL PARK, 3 P. M. ELKS vs. KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS.

The Most Timely Footwear Sale Ever Held in Washington

Representing the \$30,000 Bankrupt Stock of Humphlett-Smoot & Co., the Largest and Most Exclusive Shoe House in Norfolk.

THIS is not a midsummer clearance—nor a sale of shoes bought for "Sale" purposes. It is a bargain event of the greatest importance, where we have sacrificed prices on this season's smartest and best-known makes of footwear below the cost of manufacture. We made our own price to the receivers—they accepted. That's the whole story—the prices printed below speak for themselves.



850 Pairs Children's Barefoot Sandals at Less Than Wholesale.

Patrician Shoes for Women

At Less Than Cost of Manufacture. Patrician Shoes Have Never Before Been Sold in Washington at a Cut Price.

Hundreds of women have already taken advantage of these low prices on the famous Patrician Shoes, because they know they are the most exceptional values ever offered. We have never had such whole-souled response to any advertisements, because we have never been able to offer such an extraordinary value. All this season's newest effects and best selling models, in Patent Kid, Gun Metal Calf, Russia Calf, Golden Brown Kid, and Vici Kid; bench made. \$4.00 Styles, All Sizes, Bankrupt Sale Price, \$2.95. \$3.50 Styles, All Sizes, Bankrupt Sale Price, \$2.45.

B. & P. Korreect Shape Shoes

And Guaranteed Patent Leathers. The men of Washington were quick to appreciate the significance of this offer—many have already laid in a supply of these famous shoes because the prices we are quoting are below cost of manufacture. Included in the sale are the "Burrojaps" GUARANTEED Patent Leathers.

\$5.00 Styles, All Sizes, Bankrupt Sale Price, \$3.45. \$4.00 Styles, All Sizes, Bankrupt Sale Price, \$2.95.

This Coupon Is Worth 25 Extra Economy Vouchers

On Any Purchase of \$1 or Over Made in Our Store To-day. Bring It With You.

As an extra attraction for to-day, in addition to the special prices we are quoting throughout the entire store during this \$30,000 Bankrupt Sale, we will give 25 extra Economy Vouchers to any person making a purchase of \$1.00 or over and presenting this coupon at the time of the purchase. Economy Vouchers are redeemable for cash at their face value, or can be used as money in obtaining any of the beautiful articles now on display at the offices of the Economy Co-operative Society, 429 Ninth street.

Clip Out This Coupon. Good for 25 Extra Economy Vouchers. This coupon is good for 25 Extra Economy Vouchers if presented at our store to-day, Saturday, July 10, 1909, when making a purchase of \$1.00 or over. Be sure and bring this coupon with you.

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