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**Flesh Silk Corset Covers, 49c**

Of fine washable silk, neatly made, either lace or embroidery trimmed; all sizes. In holly box for Xmas giving.

**Black and Colored Silk Hose, 49c**

Full-fashioned, with seam up back; double spliced heel and toe. The kind selling for 75c regularly.

## SPECIAL PRICES ON PLUSH COATS

What more sensible and appropriate Xmas gift than a big, warm, handsome Plush Coat, and at these prices they are within your reach.

These reductions are not guaranteed, except for this week.

**\$14.90**

Plain, beaver-trimmed and fur-trimmed; loose-fitting backs. Formerly were \$22.50.

**\$19.90**

Coats with the new, very large collars, trimmed with light and dark fur; fancy silk lining. Were \$27.50.

**\$22.50**

Belted and Loose-fitted styles of the finest plushes and linings. In every latest model.

## SAMPLE SUITS

We have secured about 85 Suits of handsome poplins, broadcloths and gabardine from the finest manufacturers in New York—of high-grade Suits. Only \$25.00 to \$40.00 Suits in this lot. Sizes, 14 to 51. All colors—

**\$14.90**

# SIGMUND'S 736 7th Street

## SUFFRAGE SOCIETY HAS HOUSEWARMING

National Association Opens Quarters in Rhode Island Avenue.

Cabinet women bestowed social workers, wives of Senators and Supreme Court justices hobnobbed with soap-box orators and State organizers danced and drank fruit punch with Federal amendment lobbyists at the housewarming of the National Suffrage Club here last night.

All joined in congratulating Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, president of the National American Woman Suffrage Association, and International suffrage president, who stood in the receiving line, on the magnificence of the new headquarters of the association in Washington.

The old Washington home of Lars Anderson and Senators Root and du Pont, successively, in Rhode Island Avenue, just off Scott Circle, had its capacity taxed by more than a thousand women and some hundreds of male guests, this being the first time since its selection as a national suffrage club house that it had been thrown open for inspection.

At the head of the receiving line stood Mrs. J. Borden Harriman, chairman of the reception committee.

## FREE LUNCH UNDER BAN, ALSO 5-CENT WHISKY

The Excise Board yesterday recommended abolition of five-cent whiskey and free lunches in saloons.

The board made public a set of rules it has promulgated regulating the sale of liquor in the District.

Treating by the saloon management and cashing of checks for laborers, soldiers or marines are put under the ban. Beer is not to be sold for consumption outside the saloon except in crowned bottles. This will do away with the "growler." Every saloon man in the city was mailed a set of the new rules.

## Nutshell News

It is suggested by Elliott Woods, superintendent of the Capitol Building and grounds, who supervised the construction of the new Columbia Hospital in L street, between Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth streets, that the hospital be under Federal government, to come under direct supervision of the Secretary of the Interior.

The Bureau of Navigation, Department of Commerce, yesterday announced that up to November 1, 1906 sailing, steam, gas and unrigged ships, a total of 63,448 gross tons, have been built in American yards. Last year 1,216 ships, gross tonnage 215,000, were constructed.

The Interstate Commerce Commission yesterday ruled that railroads need not return free of charge or at reduced rates shipments consigned to Mexico which are returned because of the embargo, as shippers should know the risk.

In secret session late yesterday the House Foreign Affairs Committee decided to report out a bill providing for the diversion for power purposes of the 20,000 cubic feet of water above Niagara Falls permitted by treaty with Canada. At present only three-quarters of this amount is so utilized. There is danger that the beauty of the falls will be seriously impaired.

## SPECIAL RATES FOR CONFEDERATE FETE

"On to Washington," which was the war cry of Lee's serried brigades during the sixties, will be echoed by the survivors of the armies of the Confederacy next May, when the veterans of the Grey will journey to Washington for their annual reunion.

The railroads of the South have agreed upon a one-cent fare per mile each way for the occasion, according to announcement by H. F. Cary, general passenger agent of the Southern Railway, who is chairman of the finance committee for the twenty-seventh reunion of the veterans, and the effect of this will be to attract a record breaking gathering.

## NEW THEATER FOR CAPITAL PLANNED

Willard Corporation to Erect Playhouse at Thirteenth and F.

A corporation composed of Washington men has purchased premises 310, 312, 314, 316, and 318 Thirteenth street and 1300 F street with the intention of erecting this city's largest theater on the site of the buildings. According to contracts already awarded, the theater is to be completed by September 1, 1917.

The property acquired was owned by the Willard estate, the principals in the purchase being A. T. Babcock, George M. Mann, and C. M. Casey. H. Rosier Dulaney represented the estate in the transaction, while R. S. McGill acted for the Thomas J. Fisher Company for the purchasers.

The consideration in the transaction was not made public pending completion of the theater corporation, which is to be known as the Willard Theater Company.

## HOUSEWIVES REQUEST HOME ECONOMY PROBE

President Wilson Asked to Direct Investigation Into Domestic Budgets.

President Wilson has been asked by the Housekeepers' Alliance to direct an investigation of household economy in the high cost of living investigation now being made by Congress and governmental agencies.

The housekeepers will meet Friday at the Theodoros Bailey Myers Mason House. The alliance has gone on record as opposed to boycotts as ineffective. Mrs. Florence McDonald Thompson, president, says the organization will not sponsor a boycott.

Dr. W. C. Bigelow, a food chemist, declares increased cost of milk is due to the fact that industrial employes are paid more and the margin of profit for the producers is not so large as formerly.

The present high cost of milk is caused by delivery expense, Dr. Bigelow told the housewives Friday.

## GATHERS VOCATIONAL DATA

Cranch-Tyler Home and School Association Receives Report.

The Cranch-Tyler Home and School Association is urging a graded vocational school on Potomac Avenue, between Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets south.

The association's committee for investigating vocational schools and vocational methods made a report on the work in the Smallwood, Lenox and O Street schools Thursday at the Cranch School.

Mrs. M. J. Peabody, principal of the Cranch-Tyler School, is chairman of the committee. Associate members are Mrs. George M. Moran, Mrs. E. H. Taylor, Mrs. L. A. Mastin, Mrs. John Virstein, Mrs. Charles Gray, Miss Florence Layton, and Miss Marian Larner.

## DR. CASPAR A. WEBER DIES

Veteran of Civil War, Forty Years a Washingtonian, Victim of Fall.

Dr. Caspar A. Weber, surgeon in the Federal army during the civil war and forty years a resident of this city, died yesterday morning at his home, 305 Thirteenth street northwest. Death was due to injuries resulting from a fall a week ago.

The funeral will be held from the home this afternoon, with Rev. Richard Schmidt, pastor of Zion Lutheran Church, officiating. Interment will be in Arlington Cemetery.

## TRADE BOARD ASKS BUILDING

The Federal Trade Commission, in its report has asked Congress for an appropriation for the construction of a building under long-term lease.

Present quarters of the Commission in the Commerce Building are declared to be totally inadequate. Heretofore Congress has given the Federal Trade Commission annually \$100,000.

## CHINESE MINISTER HOST AT LUNCHEON

Entertains Canadian Dignitary at the Legation.

The Chinese Minister, Wellington Koo, was host at luncheon yesterday at the legation in honor of the chief justice of the supreme court of Ontario, Hon. William R. Riddell, who is president of the American Society for Judicial Settlement of International Disputes. Invited to meet the honor guest were Dr. James Brown Scott, Mr. Merwin Kimball Hart, of Utica, N. Y., the Solicitor of the State Department, Mr. Cone Johnson, Dr. W. F. Willoughby, Dr. Judson A. Crane, Mr. Arthur W. Copp, superintendent of the southern division of the Associated Press, Mr. Yun the guest counselor of the legation, and Mr. Y. C. Yang, attache of the legation.

Mrs. Henry Wiley, wife of Commander Wiley, U. S. N., entertained yesterday afternoon at a tea dance at Rauscher's to present her daughter, Miss Roberta Wiley, to society. Miss Elizabeth Wiley, a debutante of two seasons ago, decorated with her mother and sister, the Queen of Palms and ferns and pink roses received the ball room. Pink roses and pink capped candies adorned the tea table.

Mrs. Wiley wore a handsome gown of cherry-colored velvet and the debutante's frock was of white lace, with the bodice of pearl embroidery. She carried a bouquet of pink rose buds and lilies of the valley.

Mr. R. M. Oberturner, of Philadelphia; Mrs. Charles McFee, Miss Lanier, of Baltimore, who is visiting Mrs. Wiley; Mrs. Joseph Strauss, Miss Cassels, Miss Merwin, Mrs. William C. Watts, and Mrs. Joseph Gray, presided at the tea table, and the young girls assisting were Miss Margaret Farnestock, Miss Ellen Johnson, Miss Margaret Tuttle, Miss Adelaide Tuttle, Miss Margaret Clark, Miss Janet Herron, Miss Dolores Crawford, Miss Minna Blair, Miss Anna Hopkins, Miss Maxine Durant, and Miss Sally Fowler.

After the reception Commander and Mrs. Wiley entertained at dinner at the Chevy Chase Club for the members of the receiving party, and a number of young men.

Commander and Mrs. Wiley have cards out for a small dance at the Playhouse, December 28, in honor of their daughters. The guests will be confined to members of the younger set.

Mrs. Charles S. Hamlin and Mrs. P. Lee Phillips will preside at the tea tables at the tea to be given next Wednesday afternoon for the benefit of the Junior Auxiliary of St. John's Church.

Among those who have the affair in charge are Virginia Mackay Smith, Mrs. William R. Riddell, Mrs. William R. Riddell, Mrs. Ernest W. Phillips, Mrs. John Crayke Simpson, Mrs. James Merrill, Mrs. W. F. Ham, Mrs. Elliott Woods, Mrs. E. H. Tillman, Miss O. J. Hemphill, Mrs. Newton Mason, Mrs. Alfred Taylor, Mrs. J. H. Gordon and Mrs. Davenport White.

Mrs. Mary Perry Brown was hostess at bridge yesterday afternoon at the Chevy Chase Club. Her guests were Mrs. Victor Kauffman, Mrs. Ernest W. Phillips, Mrs. John Crayke Simpson, Mrs. James Merrill, Mrs. W. F. Ham, Mrs. Elliott Woods, Mrs. E. H. Tillman, Miss O. J. Hemphill, Mrs. Newton Mason, Mrs. Alfred Taylor, Mrs. J. H. Gordon and Mrs. Davenport White.

Mrs. W. Thompson Burch gave a large reception yesterday afternoon in honor of Mrs. J. H. Gordon and the delegates and members of the Woman's National Peace Party, at her residence, 1627 Connecticut Avenue.

Mrs. Willoughby S. Chesley, Mrs. Hanger, Mrs. Charles Fairfax and Mrs. James Warren, Mrs. Robert H. Rolie and Mrs. Albert Madeira served punch.

Senator and Mrs. Willard Saulsbury have issued invitations for a reception to the members of the Senate and their wives on Tuesday evening, December 12, from 9 until 12.

A recital will be given by Mr. Edouard De Ru, violinist in their Majesty's the King and Queen of Belgium, at the residence of Mrs. Henry F. Dimock in Scott Circle, on Thursday afternoon, December 14, at 4 o'clock for the benefit of the Belgium Relief Committee. The entertainment is under the patronage of the Minister of Belgium and Mme. Havenith.

Mrs. Garnett Gilbert Loeffler entertained at tea yesterday afternoon at her apartment at the Goodwin in compliment to Mrs. Wintemute W. Sloan.

Mrs. George Roberts and Mrs. Robert Greer presided at the tea table and the other assistants were Miss Dorothy Heiberger, Miss Edridge, Mrs. Robert Hall, Miss Frances Burt, Miss May Roberts, Miss Grace Simpson, Mrs. Watson Eldridge, and Miss Charlotte Warren.

## FORCES LINING UP FOR "DRY D. C." FIGHT

Prohibition Leaders Will Try to Push Measure Through Senate.

Prohibition leaders are lining up their forces for the fight tomorrow to make the District prohibition bill the unfinished business of the Senate, a step which would insure its passage in short order.

Opposing them is the faction behind the immigration bill, a force reckoned to be strong enough to defeat the efforts of the prohibition forces.

The situation is embarrassing one to many senators. Prohibitionists who are just as anxious to see the immigration bill become a law as they are to force the "dry" bill through the Senate are standing between two fires, so far as their consciences are concerned.

Senator Sheppard, author of the bill to prohibit the manufacture of alcoholic or malt liquors for sale in the District, intends to make the fight of his life to put through his measure without further delay.

On the other hand, Senator Smith, of South Carolina, chairman of the Immigration Committee, has mustered out an amazing strength in support of his measure, and it is not at all unlikely that the immigration bill will be made the unfinished business, displacing the corrupt practices act, which will be referred back to the committee.

Senator Jones, of Washington, was emphatic yesterday in declaring that the woman vote must be considered in connection with the referendum. A lively fight is anticipated and it promises to be a very close one.

## MORE "HELLO GIRLS" ON JOB

The "hello girl" corps of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company is now larger than ever before and is likely to increase.

This is a heavy month for the telephone people and they are getting all the student operators possible, and giving them a rapid course in the science of "number transfer," to put them on the red wires. The girls are paid while learning.

## COUPON

5yc Turkish Towels, 33c  
This coupon and 33c buys 246 Turkish bath towels. Limit 6 to a buyer.

## COUPON

IVORY SOAP, 3 for 12c  
With this coupon.

## COUPON

10c Shoe Polish, 7c  
This coupon and 7c buys choice of 18 styles of Boyer's black polish, 2-1/2 in. black, white, tan and White-More's white and tan.

## COUPON

Men's 15c Socks, 9 1/2c  
This coupon and 9 1/2c buys men's 5-4 yard medium-weight socks in black, gray, tan and lavender. Limit 6 to a buyer.

## COUPON

10c Wash Ribbon, 6 1/2c  
This coupon and 6 1/2c buys 5-4 yard wide washable lingerie ribbon in white, pink and blue.

## COUPON

Hair Nets, 3c  
This coupon and 3c buys large all-silk hair nets with elastic.

## COUPON

Lavallieres, 12 1/2c  
This coupon and 12 1/2c buys gold-filled Lavallieres with chains and birthstone pendants.

## COUPON

18c Curtain Rods, 11c  
This coupon and 11c buys 54-inch brass extension rods with silver-plated knobs and 2 door brackets.

## COUPON

25c Brassieres, 15c  
This coupon and 15c buys cambric brassieres trimmed back and front with embroidery.

## COUPON

Any \$1.00 Middy Blouse, 85c  
This coupon and 85c buys any \$1.00 middie blouse. All styles, all sizes.

## COUPON

Women's Gowns, 35c  
This coupon and 35c buys women's chemise style gown trimmed with lace beading and ribbon. Limit 2 to a buyer.

## LET US CASH YOUR XMAS SAVINGS FUND CHECKS

# DOUBLE KING'S PALACE TRADING STAMPS TOMORROW

## Satisfaction First KING'S PALACE

## Fine Winter Coats

Not a garment in the lot but should be marked at many dollars more

**\$12.75**

Splendid materials! Wool Velour, Zibeline, Fancy Cheviot and Novelty Mixtures! Every fabric is of a quality to be found only in high-class garments. Black and all colors.

—Loose, Swagger Coats.  
—Belted-back Coats,  
—Sport Coats,  
—Belted Coats,  
—Flared Coats,  
—Semi-Fitted Coats.

Big Sailor and Cape Collars of plush, set material trimmed with velvet, trimmed with Chase's beaver or entirely of cloth. Some of the smartest Zibeline Coats have plush-trimmed collars and sleeves, and are trimmed with immense buttons.

## GIFT BOUDOIR CAPS CHOICE, 25c.

Exquisite novelties, of soft, silky fabrics and printed voile and crepe. No end of styles. Caps trimmed with lace, net, ribbon bows, bands and rosettes. White and color.

## CHOICE, 50c.

Beautiful Boudoir Caps, of crepe de chine, messaline and printed crepe, showing rows of lace, dainty shirring, silk flowers, ribbon rosettes and bows.

## GIFTS FOR WOMEN Bath Robes Are Very Popular

Handsome, comfy robes of warm blanket cloth, in figured and flowered patterns, of the richest color combinations. Deep collar trimmed with fancy edge. One pocket. Heavy cord at waist. Cut full and excellently made up.

**\$1.98**

**\$2.98**

**SWEATERS**—Women's all-wool worsted silk sweaters—saline and white. **\$2.98**  
**SWEATERS**—Women's high-grade all-wool worsted sweaters in rose and trimmed with white. Full sash, large convertible collar and two pockets. **\$3.98**

**SILK PETTICOATS**—Gift Petticoats of all-silk materials—saline and taffeta, with or without silk jersey tops. Sectional corded flounces, or combination accordion-pleating and pointed folds. Navy Copenhagen, emerald, russet, rose, tan, gray. **\$2.98**  
**KIMONOS**—Long flannelette and crepe Kimonos in all styles. Empire, shirred and straight. **98c**

**FLANNELETTE GOWNS**—Women's warm striped with yoke back and front. Flannelette Night Gown color collars. **50c**

**OTHER FLANNELETTE GOWNS** at 75c and **\$1.00**—including extra sizes at **\$1.00**.

## COMMITTEE SUSPENDS RAILROAD HEARINGS

Way Cleared for Consideration of President's Legislative Program.

The Joint Congressional Committee investigating general railroad conditions yesterday suspended its work and cleared the way for consideration of President Wilson's program of immediate railroad legislation.

With the beginning of consideration of the President's recommendations by the Senate committee this week, organized labor will begin its fight against compulsory investigation of strikes and lock-outs before they become effective.

Max Thelan, of California, president of the National Association of Railway Manufacturers, and S. B. Brookhardt, of Iowa, concluded their testimony. Mr. Thelan argued against centralizing control of the roads in the Federal government. Mr. Brookhardt argued for government ownership.

The joint committee has planned to introduce this week a resolution extending the life of the commission. Nearly a year of hearings is considered necessary.

## Cured His RUPTURE

I was badly ruptured while lifting a trunk several years ago. Doctors said my only hope of cure was an operation. I refused. Finally I got hold of something that quickly and completely cured me. Years have passed and I have never returned, although I am doing hard work as a carpenter. There was no operation, no loss of time, no trouble. I have nothing to say but will give full information about how you may find a complete cure without operation, if you write to M. P. Liggett, Carpenter, 310 Marcellus Avenue, Manassas, N. J. Better cut out this notice and show it to any others who are troubled—you may save a life or at least stop the misery of rupture and the worry and danger of an operation.—Adv.

## COUPON

\$1.00 White Petticoats, 85c  
This coupon and 85c buys any \$1.00 white lace or embroidered Petticoat.

## COUPON

Boys' 55c Hats, 19c  
This coupon and 19c buys a boy's new winter hat. Corduroy, cloth and felt.

## COUPON

12 1/2c Bleached Cambric, 8 1/2c  
This coupon and 8 1/2c buys yard-wide cambric. Limit 10 yards to a buyer.

## COUPON

Pillow Cushions, 25c  
This coupon and 25c buys 17x22 flange-cased, made in the U. S. Pillow cushions.

## COUPON

25c Oilcloth, 17c  
This coupon and 17c buys white or fancy table oilcloth.

## COUPON

Window Shades, 39c  
This coupon and 39c buys best water-color shades, with crocheted fringe, tie-backs and brackets. White and color.

## COUPON

Birdeye Diaper Cloth, 89c  
This coupon and 89c buys a 10-yard piece of Birdeye diaper cloth.

## COUPON

15c Toweling, 11c  
This coupon and 11c buys 18-inch bleached crash toweling. Limit 10 yards to a buyer.

## COUPON

15c and 18c Towels, 12 1/2c  
This coupon and 12 1/2c buys 18x26 heavy huck towels. Limit 6 to a buyer.

## COUPON

Sash Curtains, 19c  
This coupon and 19c buys 26x36 Nottingham sash curtains. Looped ready to hang.

## COUPON

Knit Wash Cloths, 3 for 5c  
With this coupon.

## WILL BATTLE HARD FOR "DRY" AMERICA

Prohibition Leaders to Make Concerted Drive in Congress.

National prohibition is to be a burning issue during this session of Congress. A strong movement is on foot to force the Senate Judiciary Committee to report on the prohibition amendment to the Constitution at an early vote.

While prohibition leaders believe the time is not yet ripe for its adoption, nevertheless they intend to stage a vigorous fight on its behalf.

When the Judiciary Committee meets next Monday, for the first time this session, the prohibition amendment will be considered. Its supporters in committee will attempt to have it reported favorably then, or at a very early date.

# TAKE GOOD CARE OF YOURSELF

"Self-preservation is the first law of Nature," and if you will only keep the stomach strong, the liver active and bowels regular you will do much toward the promotion and maintenance of better health. Oftentimes, assistance is needed, and it is then you will greatly appreciate the aid of

# HOSTETTER'S STOMACH BITTERS

Doctor Tells How to Strengthen Eyesight 50 per cent In One Week's Time In Many Instances

A Free Prescription You Can Have Filled and Use at Home.

Philadelphia, Pa. Do you wear glasses? Are you a victim of eye strain or other eye weaknesses? If so, you will be glad to know that according to Dr. Lewis there is real hope for you. Many whose eyes were failing say they have had their eyes restored through the principle of this wonderful free prescription. One man says after trying it: "I was almost blind; could not see to read at all. Now I can read everything without any glasses and my eyes do not water any more. At night they would pain dreadfully; now they feel fine all the time. It was like a miracle to me." A lady who used it says: "The atmosphere seemed hazy with or without glasses, but after using this prescription for fifteen days everything seems clear. I can even read fine print without glasses." It is believed that thousands who wear glasses can now discard them in a reasonable time and multitudes more will be able to strengthen their eyes so as to be spared the trouble and expense of ever getting glasses. Eye troubles of many descriptions may be wonderfully benefited by following the simple rules. Here is the prescription: Go to any active drug store and get a bottle of Bon-Opto tablets. Drop one Bon-Opto tablet in a fourth of a glass of water and allow to dissolve. With this liquid bathe the eyes two to four times daily. You should notice your eyes clear up perceptibly right from the start and inflammation will quickly disappear. If your eyes are itching, you should take a little, take steps to save them now before it is too late. Many hopelessly blind might have been saved if they had cared for their eyes in time.