

Commissioner Keller Prepares To Fight Snow in District

City to Have Two Tractors—Higher Pay Likely for Temporary Work—Effort Will Be Made to Keep Vehicles Off Car Tracks.

Washington will not be caught again without a well defined plan for removal of snow.

This was made clear last night by Engineer Commissioner Keller, when he announced that he is now having worked out a definite scheme of organization that will go into operation as soon as it becomes apparent that a snowfall is to be so heavy as to delay traffic.

The colonel also announced that the Commissioners are planning to purchase two tractors, such as are used in all large cities, to battle with deep snow drifts against which the motor tractors with plow attachment cannot operate.

The District government, not accustomed to such storms as the one which hit the city two weeks ago, had gotten out of the habit of organizing snow removal, one District official said yesterday.

The storm of last January was the first to visit the District since Col. Keller became Engineer Commissioner, and he instructed his subordinates to do all that they could with the machinery at their disposal to dig the city out.

Planning for Next Winter.

Col. Keller's snow organization has not reached the stage of detail and he indicated that not much progress along the line of preparation might be possible for the balance of this winter. From his discussion of the problem, however, it was apparent that he wants to make snow removal a definite municipal function by next winter.

When perfected the local government's plan for snow removal will not be as elaborate in detail as the plan like Philadelphia and New York.

District officials say, however, that Washingtonians should bear in mind the fact that other cities control their own expenditures, while the District must have its appropriations acted upon by the national legislature, which is not as easy a procedure as in cities throughout the country.

The local government had some

snowplow equipment for the last storm, but, as Col. Keller explained, there was no definite plan of operation worked out, and, in fact, which reduced the efficiency of what was available.

Wages May Be Increased.
During the January storm the District did not turn away a single man who applied for snow removal work. But the city offered only \$2.00 a day, and many applicants refused to go to work when they learned what their wage would be.

It is more than likely that when the next big snowfall visits the city the District will offer more for temporary laborers.

Data received by The Star yesterday from the street cleaning commissioner show that the metropolitan area pays temporary laborers 50 cents an hour for snow removal, which, on a ten-hour day, would be \$5.00.

The District further shows that New York city conducts a well organized campaign, starting in the fall, to register temporary laborers for snow work. Slides are flashed upon the screens of motion picture theaters throughout New York city calling for men to register.

Feature of New York Plan.

Detailed printed instructions are furnished to all men of that city, telling them just how they are to handle every phase of the problem of clearing the streets and crosswalks when snowstorms come. An important feature of the New York plan is given in the following order: "Should a storm occur during the early morning hours, before roll call or before the sweepers have left the section for the field, and orders are issued to start snow removal, the work assigning sweepers and laborers to their snow routes will begin immediately."

Col. Keller said yesterday that in future, when snow falls heavily in the District's first consideration will be to open driveways for vehicular traffic, so that they will not use the car tracks and thereby cripple traction service.

At the same time, he said, every effort will be made to open up crosswalks as soon as possible.

A Winning Combination—Quality, Style and Low Prices

COUPONS

CLIP—BRING—SAVE!

(8) With This Coupon
Cashmerette Gloves
Women's and Men's
Pieces of Cashmerette
Gloves, in black and
gray. **19c**

(8) With This Coupon
Double-Silk Gloves
Van Raalte Double
Silk Gloves, Irregulars
of \$1.50 and \$2 grades,
in the wanted colors and black. **69c**

(8) With This Coupon
Infants' Wool Hose
Silk and Wool and
All-wool Hose, in white
and black. Irregulars
of 75 qualities.
Limit, 4 pairs to a buyer. **35c**

(8) With This Coupon
Huck Towels, 6 for
25c Heavy, Absorbent
Huck Towels,
with fast-color red
borders. Six for \$1.00. **\$1.00**

(8) With This Coupon
\$2.00 Longcloth
Yard-wide Long-
cloth of firm tex-
ture and soft finish.
Ten yards to the piece. Piece,
\$1.29. **\$1.29**

(8) With This Coupon
Diaper Cloth
Ten-yard piece 27-
inch Red Diamond
Birdseye Diaper Cloth
in sealed package. Piece, \$1.69. **\$1.69**

(8) With This Coupon
White Domet Flannel
15c 27-inch White Domet
Flannel, with thick
fleece on both sides.
Yard, 10c.
Limit, 10 yards to a buyer. **10c**

(8) With This Coupon
Men's Socks, 6 Pairs for
Perfect quality, finished
to resemble lisle.
Black, cordovan, gray,
navy and white. **89c**

(8) With This Coupon
Boys' Blouses
Well made blouses of
corded madras, blue
chambray and striped
chambray. Perfect quality. **49c**

(8) With This Coupon
Children's Sleepers
Warm Flannelette
Sleepers, with drop
seats. Smaller sizes
have feet. Sizes 2 to 15.—Boys' Dept. **69c**

(8) With This Coupon
Cluny Laces, 15 Yards for
Narrow Cream Laces
in Cluny patterns, for
trimming curtains and
fancy articles.
Limit, 15 yards to a buyer. **25c**

(8) With This Coupon
New Baby Yokes
Round and square
styles, with finished
necks. Daintily em-
broided. **20c**

(8) With This Coupon
Stamped Dresses
Children's Stamped
White Pique and Lawn
Dresses. Sizes 2 to 6
years. **35c**

(8) With This Coupon
Fleisher's Yarn, 2 for
This famous knitting
yarn, in black and
white. 1-ounce balls.
Limit, 6 balls to a buyer. **25c**

(8) With This Coupon
Women's Lisle Hose
Full-fashioned Lisle
Hose, regular and extra
sizes. Also 2 1/2 size
Sport Hose, sold for 59c to
\$1.00. THREE pairs for \$1.00. **35c**

(8) With This Coupon
Women's White Hose
White Cotton Hose
at nominal price to those
who bring this coupon.
Limit, 6 pairs to a buyer. **12 1/2c**

(8) With This Coupon
Children's Hose
Boys' and Girls' Rib-
bed School Hose, in two
weights. Black, white
and brown. Perfect quality.
Limit, 6 pairs to a buyer. **17c**

(8) With This Coupon
Pound Absorbent Cotton
Found Roll Hospital
Absorbent Cotton, in
sealed package. **39c**

(8) With This Coupon
Rag Rugs
18x26 Washable Rag
Rugs, in bright color
combinations. Finished
with fringe.
Limit, 1 to a buyer. **39c**

(8) With This Coupon
Toilet Soaps, 3 for
Choice of Sylvan,
Turkish Bath, Palm
Bath, Castile, and Palm-
olive soaps.
Limit, 6 cakes to a buyer. **21c**

Satisfaction First
KING'S PALACE
810-818 Seventh Street

End of the Season Reductions

Flannelette Garments

WOMEN'S \$2.50 AND \$2.98 LONG CREPE KIMONOS, in plain colors and floral patterns. Reduced to **\$1.98**

EXTRA SIZE FLANNELETTE GOWNS, double yoke back and front. Trimmed with braid. Sold for \$1.98 and \$2.25. **\$1.49**

WOMEN'S HEAVY FLANNELETTE NIGHTGOWNS, double yoke back and front. Sold this season for \$1.98 and sold last winter for \$1.00. Choice **\$1.00**

FORMER \$1.50 AND \$1.98 FLANNELETTE PETTICOATS, in white, stripes and dark colors. Regular and extra sizes. **98c**

Oregon State Woolen Mills

Double-Thick Blankets

Checkerboard Plaids—Floral Borders

Pure Cotton Blankets of beautiful, fluffy quality—two thicknesses in one. Bound with Soisette. 60x80 size. Warmth and service admirably united with rich appearance. **\$4.98** Each

Crochet Bedspreads, \$1.88
White crochet spreads of good weight; can be used for three-quarter or double beds. Attractive patterns.

Baby Blankets, \$1.00
Thick, fluffy baby robe blankets in Mother Goose and animal patterns. Scalloped and plain edges. 30x40 and 36x48.

Shams and Scarfs, 39c
Each

Clearance of shams, scarfs and centerpieces that sold for 79c to 98c. Linens centers and lace edges, also all-over lace.

Dimity Spreads, \$2.98
90x100, extra large size, snow white, crinkled dimity bedspreads. Require no ironing.

Outing Flannel, 12 1/2c Yard
Of Fleecy Quality in Attractive Stripes and Checks

The limit of low pricing for this staple material. Good weight, with soft, thick nap.

Shirting Madras, 25c
50c Quality of Yard-wide Madras, excellent cord weave, showing the popular stripes for men's shirts and women's wear.

Unbleached Cotton, 17c
25c Yard-wide Heavy Unbleached cotton, a grade preferred for general household purposes.

Dress Gingham, 25c
35c 22-inch East-color Dress Gingham, in stripes, checks and solid colors. Firm, even-thread quality that will wear well.

Yard-Wide Percale, 16c
20c Standard Quality Yard-wide Percale, in neat stripes and figures, also with navy blue grounds.

\$4.00 to \$7.50 All-Wool Cloakings and Dress Goods
Final clearance of high-grade winter woollens, 54 to 58 inches wide. Deep, fine weaves in a range of smart stripes, plaids, mixtures and silvertone effects. **\$2.95** Yard

SILKS 35-Inch Taffeta Silk \$1.00
35-Inch Satin Messaline \$1.00
39-Inch Crepe de Chine \$1.00
Yard

Midwinter clearance that brings the silks first in demand at a price deeply below the market. Quite an assortment of colors; also several pieces in black. Thrifty folks will profit by the opportunity to select good silks for now and for the future.

Full Fashioned Silk and Mercerized HOSE \$1.59
Perfect Quality—Beautiful Colorings.

600 pairs just unpacked—Women's Splendid Sport Hose, knit of combination thread silk and fiber silk—to sell very special. In rich heather tones of brown, tan, blue, green, camel's hair, gray and black.

72x90 Sheets, reduced to \$1.25
81x108 Sheets, reduced to \$1.65
72x90 Sheets, reduced to \$1.35

45x36 Pillowcases, Reduced to Each, 35c
72x90 BONTX SHEETS \$1.09
45x36 PILLOWCASES 29c Each
Perfect quality— noted for strength and fine finish. Seamless. Get a supply.

New Sports Wear

First in Style and Utility—and Receiving a Royal Welcome From Early Spring Shoppers

The sport idea in women's clothes has been turned to better advantage than ever for the new season—developed in pleasing ways to capture every feminine fancy.

100 Tweed Sport Suits \$10.75

Height of fashion—bottom of price! Purchase of new tweed suits, tailored in clever mannish models, with narrow belt and sport pockets. Brown, tan, green, rust, copeland orchid and salt and pepper; also with checked skirts and trimmings—as Scotch as Edinburgh castle! Sizes 16 to 44.

Other Smart Sport Suits

In tweeds, velour checks, sackcloth and herringbone fabrics, masterpieces of beautiful modeling. **\$16.75, \$19.75 to \$29.75**

Spring Skirts of Prunella and Smart Wool Checks

Practical modes for street and sports wear—expressive of the buoyant spirit and refined taste of the American woman, and the sound sense that seeks the ideal combination of style and utility. Full-pleated models with belted tops. In the smart prunella stripes and good-looking wool checks, in both bright and subdued colorings. **\$5.75 to \$15.00**

Spring Coats

That catch the spirit of the outdoor season. Beautiful, soft, rich fabrics, tailored into models essentially feminine, but which possess a mannish dash and freedom indescribably smart and jaunty. In plain tones and clever two-tone combinations. **\$19.75 to \$39.75**

All Winter Garments Must Go!

COATS of Magnificent Quality, Worth \$25, \$30 and \$35—Including not only our wonderful original purchase that has created such a sensation at \$15.00, but also the remainder of the fine coats we've sold for \$22.50, but which are worth \$25 and more. Fur collars and cloth collars, \$15.00.

COATS Made to Sell for \$40, \$50 and \$60—Of beautiful, fluffy fabrics; silk-lined and interlined. Sealine collars and cuffs, beaverette collars and embroidered models, with self collars. Brown, navy and reindeer. \$29.75.

ALL PLUSH COATS 1-3 OFF—The Plush Coat is perennial in favor—never goes out of style. A purchase now at one-third under the regular fair price is a worth-while investment. Coats entirely of plush and coats with fur collars, cuffs and bands around bottom.

ALL WINTER SUITS 1/2 PRICE—Our entire stock of Women's Cloth Suits for winter wear, including many in weights and styles suitable for any season. Braided, embroidered, fur-trimmed and tailored models, in regular sizes.

Soft, Fine Undermuslins

Garments of Quality, Worth \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.98

NIGHTGOWNS in slip-over, high and V neck styles; **ENVELOPE CHEMISE** in white and flesh; **PETTICOATS** with deep embroidery, ruffles or rows-of-lace ruffles; **Open and Closed DRAWERS** of admirable workmanship and pretty trimmings, and **CORSET COVERS** trimmed with val insertion and edge or with fine embroidery, beading and ribbon. **98c**

Purchase of Flowered Saten Petticoats, 99c
Heavy silk-like quality that will wear well and look well as long as it wears. Rich color combinations. Deeply flounced.

New Ostrich-Trimmed Milan-Hemp Hats

Millinery First in Fashion-Land Ready Here at a Feature Price

\$5.95

The vogue of ostrich, on smart models of Milan hemp, is the newest phase of springtime millinery fashions. Hand in hand with this development comes a sale of these fascinating hats at King's Palace at a surprise price. Also in the showing are hundreds of flower-trimmed hats, colorful and captivating—every hat a wonder value at Monday's special price.

NEW TWEED SPORT HATS to match Your Sport Suits \$1.95
PIPING ROCK FELT SPORT HATS, as Practical as They Are \$2.45

Made up from remnants of famous Anchor Brand bleached sheeting cotton. One-inch hem. Strictly perfect.

Boys' All-Wool 2-Pants Suits

Not odds and ends, but a purchase of high-class pure wool suits in weights for now and for spring. Yoke model, with pleated back and belt. Suits of quality, as every detail of tailoring proclaims. Two pairs of lined pants. Sizes 7 to 17. **\$6.95**

Warner Rustproof Corsets

Sale of ROMPERS **69c**

Winding up the remainder of our factory purchase of these celebrated corsets at a nominal price. Every corset perfect. Laced fronts, laced backs. Four hose supporters. Sizes 19 to 23 only. **\$1.29**

New shipment of Well Made Dutch and Straight-knee Rompers for children of 2 to 6 years. Mothers will like the careful sewing, as well as the rooney cut, dainty touches of adornment and the low price.

NAVY YARD LAY OFF BELIEVED ENDED

Men Losing Jobs Now Hope Shipping Board May Supply Repair Work for Shops.

Reduction of the mechanical force at the navy yard has practically been completed, it is understood, but announcement of the placement of approximately 100 members of the clerical, technical and general office force upon "leave without pay list" is expected within the next week.

The cut in the clerical and technical force is due to the dropping of the 1,392 mechanics and general shop employees during the latter part of the week past, since the office force generally is computed to be in direct ratio with the mechanical employees.

Shops Survey Completed.
Machinists' Union officials had practically completed a survey of the purposes for which the shops of the Washington navy yard might be used for government department business and the details are expected to be incorporated into a report to the President tomorrow.

It is understood that experts have been working for the machinists' union on the various proposals to which the navy yard shops throughout the country might be put, but also as to the amount of work generally is computed to be in direct ratio with the mechanical employees.

Senate Action Important.
Much significance is attached by union officials to the Senate action regarding the re-conditioning of the steamer Leviathan. It is pointed out that if the result of such action will be the allotment of that work to the Boston navy yard, a virtual precedent will have been established for the United States Shipping Board whereby its steamers will be enabled to make navy yard shops their repair places.

A special committee of the Columbia Lodge of Machinists, to present the majority of navy yard employees of this craft, was in session for virtually the entire day yesterday attempting to bring about proposals for an alleviation of the situation.

Several conferences have been held between members of this committee and senators and representatives on Capitol Hill to consider the shaping of legislation which will aid in a re-employment.

The Navy Department, from statements of officials there, seems willing to consider putting the men back at work provided that it can be shown that there is a manner in which this can be done logically, and if an answer can be given to their question: "What is to be done when there are no funds and no work?"

Col. Roosevelt's Explanation.
Col. Theodore Roosevelt, assistant secretary of the Navy, has been besieged for the past few days by scores of the men placed on leave without pay. He has given the official term is "leave without pay" and not "furlough," which has a technical meaning in the navy.

There is no use spending \$200,000 per day on ships that must later be scrapped and the building program has been halted.

The department is doing everything in its power to keep as many of its employees on the rolls as possible, and will continue to do so. This is the substantial explanation of the case and about as far as the department can go. It was intimate.

CHARLES J. WATERS HONORED FOR WORK

Cigarette Case Presented to Former Chairman of Trade Board Committee.

Charles J. Waters was presented with a gold and silver cigarette case at the first "get-together" meeting of the 1922 membership committee of the Washington Board of Trade, held at the City Club last night. Mr. Waters was chairman of the committee last year.

Thomas Bradley, president of the Board of Trade, made the presentation. He complimented Mr. Waters on the results accomplished during his leadership of the committee, stating that the 1921 committee had added 12 new members to the board.

Those Present at Meeting.
Those present were: President Thomas Bradley, George B. Farquhar, chairman 1922 committee; Herman F. Carl, Arthur A. Branson, George Pift, Edward J. Murphy, Max Walton, Fred J. White, John R. Casper, George Miller, Richard L. Conner, Warren Cochran, Arthur A. Branson, Herbert L. Davis, Harry C. Grove, William Clabaugh, Murray L. Gifford, Stacy H. Briant, Ollie S. Smith, William H. Waters, Howard Moran, Joseph E. Gallier, William M. Seay, Frank R. Strunk, John H. Small, L. P. McLachlan, W. Porter Cox, George Emmons, A. J. Richards, Harry Allmond, Wilmet W. Drew, Frank E. Wimper, Bruce S. Branson, Paul G. Ramey, Francis R. Weller, Charles E. Baldwin, John M. Cherry, Charles W. Moore, R. K. Ferguson and William H. Lanham.

NEW LIBRARY COURSE.
Y. W. C. A. Offers Research Work in Business Literature.

A business library course, designated as a new field for business women, will be opened at the Young Women's Christian Association School in the administration building on F street at 7 o'clock Wednesday evening. The course, which was arranged through the co-operation of the Washington School for Secretaries, is under the direction of Miss Adelaide Hasse, editor of Special Libraries, and will be assisted by special instructors and lecturers, who will be announced later. The association invites all women interested to be present.

The course offered by the Y. W. C. A. covers systematized reference and research work in business literature of all kinds, and an announcement said, the care of material in a business library, such as vertical files, clipping, shelf equipment and pamphlet storage and the recording of material, such as cataloging, indexing, abstracting and classification. Instruction in proof reading and preparation is also offered.

WIFE ASKS DIVORCE.
Limited divorce and alimony are asked in a petition filed in the District Supreme Court by Gertrude Beckwith against William P. Beckwith. They were married at Baltimore, Md., February 5, 1916, and have three children. Attorneys Hawken & Havell represent the wife.

TAKES \$400 NECKLACE.
Maid in Admiral Chester's Home Admits Gem Theft.

Gerardine Coates, colored, seventeen years old, expected to be the envy of her numerous friends at a dance last night when she appeared in her ballroom dress wearing a necklace valued at \$400. Unfortunately for her, however, Detectives Barbee and Murphy upset her plans when they visited her home in the basement of 1210 14th street earlier in the day and arrested her.

"I thought they were cheap pearls," Gerardine declared, not knowing they had been bought in Paris for Mrs. Chester, wife of Admiral Corby M. Chester, 778 K street, for \$400.

The necklace and a gold pin were recovered from the home. A charge of grand larceny was preferred against the girl and she was held for a hearing.