

### AVENSON TO LABOR AND HE WAS CRUEL

Elvira Vrooman of East Moline Complains of Husband in Divorce Proceedings.

For eight years Julius Vrooman of East Moline has entertained a woman for work, although healthy and strong, and in that time has done nothing towards the support of his wife, Elvira Vrooman, and his children, according to charges contained in a bill for divorce filed today in the circuit court.

Not only has Julius lived on the earnings of his 10-year-old daughter, but he has shown lack of appreciation for his life of ease by treating his family in cruel and inhuman manner. On one occasion his wife and little ones were driven from the home at night and were obliged to seek shelter with neighbors, according to the declaration.

The couple married in Belgium, Feb. 9, 1894, and separated Dec. 5, 1920. There are four children, one of whom is married.

### LEAVE FOR CALIFORNIA

(Special Correspondence.)  
Viola, Dec. 9.—Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Ralston leave today for California to remain during the winter months. Most of their time will be spent at San Gabriel, a suburb of Los Angeles, where their son resides. They will stop enroute at

### WILSON ACTS TO RELIEVE CHINA

Lament of Morgan & Co. Named by President To Head Famine Committee Relief.

Washington, Dec. 9.—President Wilson today invited a number of prominent Americans to form a committee to obtain funds for the relief of famine in China.

Thomas W. Lamont of the banking house of J. P. Morgan & Co. was designated as chairman of the committee, and Acting Secretary Davis of the state department as treasurer.

The president called on the American people to contribute of their funds to relieve the "appalling" distress in China resulting from famine in several of the provinces.

### VIOLA TELEPHONE MANAGER SUFFERS FRACTURE OF RIBS

(Special Correspondence.)  
Viola, Ill., Dec. 9.—Fred Frazier, manager of the Mutual Telephone company, had the misfortune last evening to fall, fracturing several ribs. Mr. Frazier was leaving his home to attend to business at the telephone office when he stepped on a brick, which had been left since the remodeling of the house recently, and fell in such a manner as to fracture his ribs. The

### EDITOR LEAVES TOWN SUDDENLY

Bela Halderman of Franklin Grove Reporter Vanishes—Writes Mother From Chicago.

Dixon, Ill., Dec. 9.—Bela Halderman, editor and publisher of the Franklin Grove Reporter, a weekly newspaper, has disappeared. A letter to his mother, mailed in Chicago Wednesday, stated he had left Franklin Grove for good. No reason for his action is known.

### DOCTOR SUFFERS BLOOD POISONING

(Special Correspondence.)  
Viola, Dec. 9.—Dr. V. A. McClanahan arrived home on Tuesday evening from Peoria, where he had been in the hospital taking treatment for blood poisoning in his left hand. The doctor had diagnosed the case as blood poison, but did not know the origin of the infection, so thought it best to consult a specialist. Since his return he is much improved and he is at his practice as usual.

### COAL TAKES BIG DROP AT PEORIA

Retail Price Falls to \$7 Per Ton Similar Reductions Are Made at Springfield.

Peoria, Ill., Dec. 9.—Local coal dealers today announced a drop of \$1.00 to \$1.50 a ton in Springfield, Peoria and Fulton county coal following announcement of a similar reduction in Springfield. This coal is now retailing at from \$7.00 to \$7.50 a ton. Dealers here expect other operators to cut prices soon.

Decreased demand for steam coal for industrial purposes, together with smaller exports from this country, are said to be the causes back of the drop.

### Rock Island Pleased By Quick Results

Everyone is pleased with the quick results of simple witchhazel, camphor, hydrastis, etc., as mixed in Lavoptik eye wash. One man's eyes were so badly strained he could not read without pain. Two applications relieved him. A lady with weak, inflamed eyes was greatly helped by ONE bottle. We guarantee a small bottle of Lavoptik to help ANY CASE weak, strained or inflamed eyes. A. J. Riess, druggist, 1806 Second avenue, and Schlegel's drug stores, Rock Island and Davenport.—(Adv.)

# Akin-Schwenker Co.

## CHRISTMAS FOOTWEAR SUGGESTIONS

We have provided a line of footwear in our three stores that will make your selection easy. Below we list a few practical gifts which are supplemented by a great line of shoes for each member of the family.

<b>LADIES' DRESS SLIPPERS</b> and pumps in grey, black and brown suede; silver cloth, grey, brown and black, satin and patent and dull leathers. Prices from <b>\$6.85 to \$15.00</b>	<b>MEN'S FELT SLIPPERS</b> , in blue, grey, black, green and brown <b>\$2.75 and \$3.00</b>
<b>FELT SLIPPERS</b> , in black and colors of blue, pink, orchid, taupe, brown, wine, green and oxfords. Prices <b>\$2.25, \$2.50, \$2.75 and \$3.00</b>	<b>MEN'S LEATHER SLIPPERS</b> , Everetts, operas, Faustus <b>\$3.50, \$4.00 to \$6.00</b>
<b>LEATHER BOUDOIRS</b> , \$3. Mules and satin comfys, in pink, old rose, blue and black satin <b>\$3.75, \$5.00 and \$5.00</b>	<b>BOYS' HIGH CUT SHOES</b> , in brown leather <b>\$5.00, \$5.75 and \$6.50</b>
	<b>BOYS' &amp; MISSES' HOUSE SLIPPERS</b> , in felt at <b>\$1.50 to \$2.50</b>

## Special Special

We have some greatly reduced prices on broken and discontinued lines of Men's, Ladies', Misses and Boys' Shoes. These are regular lines of merchandise. Prices

**\$2.95 \$3.85 \$5.85 and \$6.85**

### All Other Shoes Have Been Reduced

In selling our shoes we follow the policy of pricing them on Present wholesale prices to us. This has resulted in reductions of from one to four dollars the pair from early fall prices. Compare the value we offer you with that of our competitors.

THREE STORES FOR YOU

# Akin-Schwenker Co.

Davenport 112 W. Second St. Rock Island 1807 Second Ave. Moline 412 Fifteenth St.

## Another Large Shipment of Leaf Lard

has arrived and we will dispose of it in lots of 25 lbs. or over at 18c per lb. Bring your baskets.

### OTHER EXTRA SPECIALS

Pork Shoulder Roast . . . . . 15c	Brick Cheese, whole or half brick . . . . . 22c
Whole Pork Shoulder . . . . . 17c	Beef Pot Roast . . . . . 11c
Pork Loin Roast . . . . . 18c	Sirloin Steak . . . . . 20c
Fresh Spare Ribs . . . . . 15c	Round Steak . . . . . 20c
Pork Hearts . . . . . 10c	Pork Butts . . . . . 18c
Fresh Hams, whole or half . . . . . 22c	Neck Bones . . . . . 5c
Jowl Bacon . . . . . 20c	Pork Chops . . . . . 20c
Regular Hams . . . . . 25c	Pork Steak . . . . . 18c
Regular Bacon, whole or half sides . . . . . 27c	Calf Hearts . . . . . 10c
Brisket Boil . . . . . 8c	Skinned Hams . . . . . 28c
Fresh Side Pork, whole or half . . . . . 22c	Rib Boil . . . . . 10c
Picnic Hams . . . . . 22c	Chuck Roast . . . . . 12c
	Porterhouse Steak . . . . . 20c
	Short Steaks . . . . . 17c

The above prices will be good Friday and Saturday

## BUEHLER BROS. Busy Stores

Rock Island Branch, 1628 Second Ave.

"The Store for Christmas Gifts" **THE NEW YORK STORE** NEWS "The Store for Christmas Gifts"

MOLINE BRADY-WAXENBERG CO. MOLINE

# Men's Fine Sweaters

## Make Appreciative Gifts

ONE LOT of Men's All-Wool Shaker Knit Sweaters of the slip-over style. You may choose from two or three color effects. They come in the large roll collar and will give warmth and wear.

Regular \$15 Values at **\$8.95**

This store has a world of wonderful Gifts for men. They are now in great array and at prices so low that everyone can choose their favorite gift at a small cost.

(Men's Shop—Main Floor)

### Exceptional Hosiery Specials

Women's Sport Hosiery in all the latest wanted color combinations, excellent \$1.49 values at . . . . . **\$1.19**

Women's Pure Thread Silk and Fiber Hosiery, many assorted colors, \$1.49 values. Special for Friday . . . . . **89c**

Children's heavy weight Cotton Ribbed Black Hosiery, all sizes. These hosiery are regular 40c quality. It is an actual fact that these Children's Hosiery are values that are really unexpected, and in fact they are the greatest hosiery values offered in years. Friday we will again sell them at **6 PAIRS FOR \$1.00**

Men's wool mixed black Half Hose, regular 60c values at . . . . . **35c**

(Main Floor)

### Real Underwear Specials

Women's heavy fleeced ribbed Union Suits, high neck, long sleeves, regular \$2.98 values at . . . . . **\$2.29**

Girls' ribbed fleeced Union Suits, assorted styles, all sizes, \$1.49 values at . . . . . **98c**

Boys' and Girls' cotton ribbed Union Suits, all sizes, 85c values at . . . . . **59c**

Boys' and Girls' wool mixed gray Union Suits, all sizes, \$2.49 value special at . . . . . **\$1.69**

Boys' heavy fleeced Union Suits, all sizes, exceptional values, regular \$1.98 quality special at . . . . . **\$1.00**

Women's cotton ribbed Vests and Drawers, all sizes, regular 95c values at a garment . . . . . **49c**

Children's Vests and Pants, fleec lined. Come in all sizes, exceptional values. Regular 40c quality, special per garment for Friday at . . . . . **29c**

(Main Floor)

### Housefurnishing Specials

One lot of pretty decorated Tea Pots, in first quality ware, values up to \$5.00. Friday you may choose any one for . . . . . **\$2.29**

A real buy in thin blown, enameled drinking glasses for the table, pretty designs, bought to sell for \$1.25 a dozen, special Friday for a dozen . . . . . **59c**

Small size electric Stove Toaster, this is an ideal utility for getting a hurry-up breakfast. Regular \$5.00 value that will sell Friday at . . . . . **\$3.89**

(This Stove Toaster is fully guaranteed)

(Economy Basement)

### Third Floor Bargains

66x90 Heavy wool nap plaid Blankets. The same blanket we have been selling at \$7.98. While they last, at . . . . . **\$3.39**

Extra large soft fleecy Cotton Blanket, special for Friday at . . . . . **\$2.49**

64x76 Cotton Blanket, gray or tan with pink or blue borders, a pair at . . . . . **\$2.29**

Three-quarter size double Cotton Blanket, gray or tan, special at . . . . . **98c**

Four lots of sample curtains. These are excellent values and well made. They are offered for Friday at, each 50c, 79c, 98c and . . . . . **\$1.49**

LOOK FOR THE RED TICKETS—They mean extra specials in Drapery and Curtain Materials.

### Sheets and Pillow Cases

**\$1.50 Full Size Bed Sheets 98c**  
These sheets are made of good quality sheeting, with 3-inch hem, regular \$1.50 value at . . . . . **98c**  
(Limit of 4 to a customer)

**81x90 Bed Sheets \$1.69**  
These sheets have been selling for \$2.49, and they are an exceptional bargain at . . . . . **\$1.69**

**81x90 "Pequot" Sheets \$2.49**  
This grade sheet at this price is an exceptional bargain . . . . . **\$2.49**

**43x36 Hemstitched Pillow Cases 49c**  
Made of fine quality heavy thread tubing and the quality that has been selling for 75c each, . . . . . **49c**  
Now

**42-inch Pillow Tubing, yard 49c**  
This tubing of "Pepperell" quality has been selling for 70c yard, Friday at . . . . . **49c**  
We are now showing a beautiful line of embroidered Hemstitched Pillow Cases, they are put up in pretty Holiday boxes.

"Useful Gifts Make Best Gifts"

### Groceries

Storage Butter, a pound . . . . . 45c  
Macaroni or Spaghetti, 3 packages for 23c  
No. 1 Storage Eggs, dozen . . . . . 60c  
Regular 25c can Salmon . . . . . 17c

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