

Lawns.
Beautiful New Figured Lawns, in full, fresh pieces; all light grounds and in attractive figure effects. Never sold under 10c.

5 7/8 Cents.

Batistes.
Genuine Arnold's Dotted Swisses and Silk Stripe and Figured Batistes; all light grounds and warranted fast colors. Everywhere 15c.

7 7/8 Cents.

HECHT'S

513-515-517 SEVENTH ST. N.W.

YOU CAN HAVE IT CHARGED

Tomorrow there will be inaugurated at the Hecht Stores the sale that so many thousands watch and wait for—the sensational semi-annual Clean Sweep Clearance, when prices are brought down to half and third what they have been, and the bargains are the best of the entire year. The sale beginning tomorrow easily surpasses all events of the kind gone before, for the offerings are more desirable, the prices are smaller and the greatness of the stocks gives unlimited choice in all departments. See today's Post and Herald for additional sale news.

Ribbons.
New All-silk White Taffeta Fancy Striped Ribbons; full 4 inches wide. These ribbons sell at 20c usually. For the sale,

12 1/2 Cents.

Curtains.
A special sale offering of Nice Quality Swiss Sash Curtains. Have never sold under 25c pair. In the sale at half price,

12 1/2 Cents.

The Great Semi-Annual Clean-Sweep Sale Begins Tomorrow!

Women's Wear

Of first and greatest interest in the phenomenal Clean Sweep Clearance that begins tomorrow morning are the offerings that will make the great second floor department devoted to women's wear the head center of interest and enthusiasm. Here we invite you to take advantage of offerings that we can confidently say have never been equaled—prices have been named that would not be considered possible in any store in the land.



The Clean Sweep means exactly what it says—everything is to go at a price that will sell it without a moment's delay. Come prepared to take advantage of the greatest bargains ever heard of. We promise to far surpass your greatest expectations.

- Women's Washable Shirt Waist** 98c
Suits, in plain white and dotted materials; neat and pretty styles; not one sold under \$3.
- Very Stylish Linene and Duck Coat Suits**—about 50 suits in the lot; sold up to \$7.98. Clean Sweep price.
- Handsome White and Colored Linen Suits**; all to go; none reserved. Were \$12 to \$15. Sale price.
- Extra Good Quality White Washable Skirts**; full sized; all sizes; sold always at \$1.50. For clearance.
- Fine White Skirts** that have been selling as high as \$2; extra well made. Clean Sweep price.
- High-grade Washable White Skirts** in neat and pretty styles; these skirts sell up to \$3. Sale price.
- Elegant White Wash Skirts** of the finest materials; these are the skirts sold regularly up to \$5.
- Beautiful and Very Stylish** Linen Princess Dresses, in white, pink, light blue, lavender; handsomely made. Sold at \$10 and \$12.50. All now.
- Two Handsome Braided Coats**—one white, all silk lined, one copenhiagen blue—coats sold at \$35. Sale price.
- Two Stylish Automobile Coats**—Coats, linen color. These coats sold at \$15.00. They are to be closed out at half.

- Finest White Dress Skirts**, including reps, oyster linens, Irish linens, etc.; beautifully lace-trimmed. Sold up to \$8.
- Lot of 20 Handsome Silk Princess Dresses and Jumper Suits**; black and various colors. Sold up to \$25.
- One Rich and Elegant** Pongee Costume, last of lot that sold ready at \$50; to close out.

A Radical Close-Out Below Cost!

Boys' Clothing.

The clearance bargains in the Boys' Department will create a new record of underpricing that will bring crowds of buyers. At no other time will you be able to buy so much for so little.

- Boys' \$1.98 Suits** \$1.00
Boys' \$2.98 & \$3.49 Suits \$1.69
Boys' \$3.98 Suits \$2.29
Boys' \$4.98 Suits \$2.98
Boys' \$5.98 Suits \$3.98
- Boys' 98c Wash Suits** 49c
Boys' \$1.50 Wash Suits 98c
Boys' \$2.00 Wash Suits \$1.29
Boys' \$3.00 Wash Suits \$1.98
Boys' \$4.00 Wash Suits \$2.98

- BOYS' WHITE DUCK** Knee Pants; slightly mused. All 60c value. 19c
- BOYS' MADRAS** Blouse Waists. Sold at 25c always. 9 1/2c
- BOYS' WASH KNEE** Pants; sizes 3 to 10 years. Sold at 25c. 5c
- BOYS' WOOL KNEE** Pants, in sizes 3 and 4 years. Sold at 75c usually. 25c

- BOYS' WOOD KNEE** Pants; made of short lengths of fine trousers. 69c and 75c values. 39c
- BOYS' BROWNIE** Overalls that sell at 39c regularly, reduced to. 17c

- A SPECIAL LOT OF BOYS' WOOL** Knee Pants Suits from a number of lines; 180 suits in all; 20 different styles; sizes 7 to 10 years. All sold at \$4.98. \$1.98

- BOYS' BLACK AND TAN SEAMLESS** Half Hose, that sell usually at 6 1/2c and 10c. 6 1/2c
- BOYS' BLACK SEAMLESS** Half Hose, never before sold under 10c pair. Sale price. 3 1/2c
- BOYS' FINE SAMPLE HOSE**, in plain and fancy effects. Sold usually up to 50c. Sale price. 17c
- CHILDREN'S BLACK LACE** Hose, in sizes 5, 6 and 8. Sold usually at 25c. Sale price. 9c

Hosiery Bargains.

- WOMEN'S FAST-BLACK SEAMLESS** Hosiery, sold by all stores at 12 1/2c and 15c pair. 6 1/2c
- WOMEN'S HOSE, IN PLAIN COLORS** and new fancy patterns; fine merinoized heels. Worth 10c and 25c. 11c
- WOMEN'S FINE GAUZE LISLE** and Lace Sample Hose; plain and fancy effects. Sold usually up to 50c. Sale price. 17c
- CHILDREN'S FINE RIBBED** Long-wearing Hose, in all sizes. Sold usually at 10c. 8 1/2c

Toilets in the Big Sale.

- 25c LISTERINE 15c
25c DANDERINE 15c
25c SANTOL PASTE AND LIQUID 14c
25c SANTOL FACE CREAM 14c
5c CASTLE SOAP WITH WASH CLOTH 4c
50c DR. CHARLES' FLESH FOOD 39c
25c LYONS' TOOTH POWDER 12c
25c CUTICURA SOAP 15c
25c SANTOL BATH POWDER 14c
15c VIOLET TALCUM POWDER 8c
50c HAY'S HAIR HEALTH 35c
25c CUTICURA OINTMENT 35c
10c 20-MULE TEAM BORAX, 1/2 LB. 4c
10c BATH SPONGES 2c
40c EASTMAN'S PERFUMES, OF NICHOLS 29c
10c TOILET SOAPS, ASSORTED KINDS 5c
15c JUMBO TOILET PAPER 7c

Belts, Neckwear, Etc.

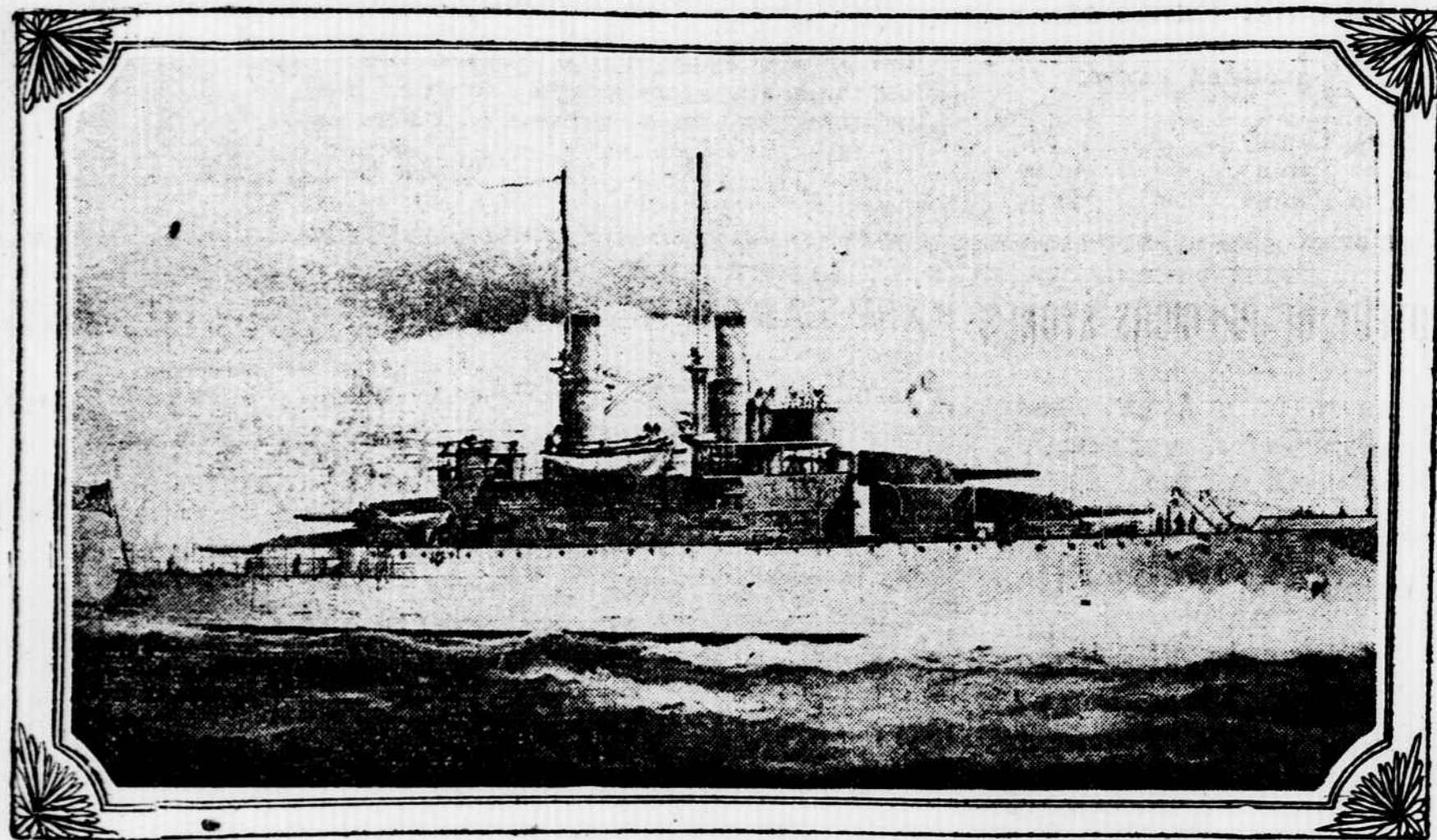
- Wash Belts of fine madras and cannon cloth; neat embroidered designs and pearl buckles. Sell at 19c. 10c
- All Silk Elastic Belts; navy and black; some steel studs and cut steel buckles; worth \$1 to \$1.50. Sale price. 25c
- Imitation Alligator Skin Handbags; gunmetal frames; strap handles. Sell at 29c. 15c

- Women's Silk Elastic and Leather Belts, in all colors; various styles gilt and gun metal buckles. 15c
- Silk and Mull Bows, with wash fronts of tucked mull and val lace; sold regularly at 39c and 50c. Sale price. 5c
- Women's Sheer White Handkerchiefs; lace edge; hemstitched and colored border. Sell at 8c. 2 1/2c

All Straw Hats Reduced.

- Men's \$2.50 and \$3.00 Straws. \$1.98
Men's \$2.00 Straws. \$1.49
Men's \$1.50 Straws. 98c
Men's \$7.00 and \$8.00 Panamas. \$5.75
Men's \$10.00 and \$12.00 Panamas. \$5.75
All Boys' Straws. 25c
Child's \$2.50 Milan Sailors. \$1.49
Child's \$2.00 Sailors. 98c
Child's 75c Sailors. 49c

LAUNCHED TODAY.



BATTLESHIP SOUTH CAROLINA.

Sister ship to the Michigan, christened today by Miss Frederica Ansel, daughter of the Governor of South Carolina.

LAUNCHING A SUCCESS

New Battleship South Carolina Takes the Water.

CHEERS FROM THOUSANDS

Daughter of Gov. Ansel Performs Christening Act.

MANY OFFICIALS PRESENT

Notable Function at the Cramps' Shipyard Passes Off Without a Hitch.

PHILADELPHIA, July 11.—Amid the din of steam whistles ashore and aloft and the cheering of thousands of persons assembled to witness the event, the "big gun" battleship South Carolina was launched at 12:05 p.m. today at Cramps' shipyard on the Delaware river. As the latest addition to the American navy slipped into the water Miss Frederica Ansel, daughter of Gov. Ansel of South Carolina, broke the traditional bottle of wine against the prow of the great hull and gave the big seafighter its name. Surrounding the pretty girl stood a group including her father and his military staff, many officials of the Navy Department, the commander of the Philadelphia navy yard, officials of the city, officers of the Italian warship Ettore Fieramosca, now in port, and hundreds of other invited guests.

Cramps, where many a launching feast has been spread, and sat down to luncheon. The christening party sat at a center table, and the usual toasts to the new ship, the President of the United States, the navy and the fair sponsor of the South Carolina were drunk.

A Formidable Ship.

The South Carolina is one of the two "all big gun" battleships authorized by Congress, the other being the Michigan, which was recently given her initial dip at the New York shipbuilding yard at Camden, N. J. The South Carolina has a length between perpendiculars of 450 feet, a breadth of 80 feet, and her mean draft will be 24 feet 6 inches. Her normal displacement will be 16,000 tons and full-load displacement 17,400. The big vessel's reciprocating engines will have 17,000 horsepower, and are expected to develop a speed of 18 1/2 knots an hour, the hull displacement 17,400. The big vessel's reciprocating engines will have 17,000 horsepower, and are expected to develop a speed of 18 1/2 knots an hour, the hull displacement 17,400. The big vessel's reciprocating engines will have 17,000 horsepower, and are expected to develop a speed of 18 1/2 knots an hour, the hull displacement 17,400.

The Water Line Belt.

The water-line belt will extend practically up to the main deck, and will be located according to most approved design. An official description of the battleship says that under no conditions could this vessel be open to such criticism as has been recently made on earlier designs as to the location of this belt. The South Carolina will be provided with a protected deck about the middle height of this armor, varying in thickness from one and one-half to three inches.

000. Including the armor, armament and outfit, the battleship will cost about \$7,000,000. She will be turned over to the government December 21, 1909, and when in commission will carry a total complement of officers and crew of nearly 900 men.

NAOMI LODGE OFFICERS.

Installation Ceremonies Accompanied by Interesting Incidents.

Installing officers from Ruth Rebekah Lodge, No. 2, installed officers of Naomi Lodge, No. 1, I. O. O. F., in Odd Fellows' Hall, 7th street, Monday night. The officers installed were: Noble grand, Miss Annie Hornstein; vice grand, Mrs. Grace Matthews; recording secretary, Mrs. Cora C. Day; financial secretary, Mrs. F. May Raitz; treasurer, Mrs. Cora B. Anderson; warden, Mrs. Minnie Drake; conductor, Mrs. Annie E. Vermillion; outside guardian, Otto Smith; inside guardian, Miss Bessie King; right supporter to the noble grand, J. D. Yoakley; left supporter to the noble grand, Mrs. S. M. Sanderson; right supporter to the vice grand, Mrs. R. E. Volland; left supporter to the vice grand, Mrs. Mary J. Collison; chaplain, Mrs. Alice S. Thomas; musician, Miss Nellie Ramby; press committee, J. D. Yoakley.

NEWS OF THE LOCAL NATIONAL GUARDSMEN

NOTWITHSTANDING pronounced opposition by company commanders and practically the entire enlisted strength of the National Guard of the District of Columbia plans have been completed for coast defense exercises by the local brigade and troops of the regular army at Fort Washington, Md., and Fort Hunt, Va., beginning Sunday the 20th, instant, and ending Sunday, August 9. The plans, giving the assignment of companies to camps and setting forth the program of instruction, were published yesterday in The Star.

Enthusiasm as regards the coming outing is lacking to an unprecedented degree. Company commanders unhesitatingly declare that it is impossible to secure new men, and that the old members, whose enlistments are expiring, refuse to re-enlist until after the camp period, they taking advantage of the thirty days allowed them to do so, and still maintain "continuous service."

"It may be wise to instruct the District National Guardsmen in coast artillery work for fifteen days," a veteran company commander says in a communication to The Star, "but not while they are being instructed as infantry for the remaining eleven months and fifteen days of the year. If the District guardsman is to be an artilleryman, he should be properly outfitted and be given necessary instruction all the year round."

"It is certainly a waste of time and money for the local brigade to be sent to Fort Hunt and Fort Washington for fifteen days to do work the members are never called upon to perform at any other time. From a canvass I have made the companies will not average over twenty-five men during the outing, and they will be principally government employees who receive their regular pay without loss of time while serving in the National Guard under orders. Why cannot the War Department be made to see that all this is a waste of time and money unless we are to be reorganized as a coast artillery?"

The condition I have outlined must exist in all the companies of the brigade, if reports are true. While those of our officers who were on duty at the forts for six days last summer submitted favorable reports regarding the exercises there, I find a decided change of opinion now that the entire time of our field service for 1908 is to be devoted to coast artillery work, to the exclusion of work as infantry, which would be of great benefit."

The understanding is that District militia headquarters has had nothing to do with the arrangements for the work of the brigade this summer, further than to reluctantly comply with the desires of the War Department. Personally, Gen. Harries is said to take the view that the undertaking should have a fair trial, that being the only way to determine the success or failure of the proposition. That the matter is taken entirely away from local control is evident by a communication to the effect that there will be no duties for Gen. Harries and members of his staff while the brigade is at the forts. It is added that the commanding general and his staff may go to the forts as observers, if they so desire. The probability is, however, that a part, at least, of the general staff will proceed to Fort Washington under orders. A meeting has been called for tomorrow evening in connection with the matter.

the rolls to reach headquarters by next Wednesday.

Officers, non-commissioned officers and selected privates absent from sessions for theoretical instruction prescribed in general orders are to be fined ten days' pay for each absence.

Failure to report on the target range and fire the scores prescribed for marksmen's qualification during a target season will result in forfeiture of one month's pay, to be deducted on the December pay roll.

Enlistments except to cover re-enlistments and applicants who have had former service in organizations of the National Guard of the District of Columbia, except the Naval Battalion, is directed in general orders, will be suspended after today until the return of the brigade from the encampment.

Company M, 1st Regiment, is busily engaged recruiting, and has had so many men make application that Capt. Forsythe has been able to make his own selection. The captain was at the company quarters every evening last week outfitting his men for camp. Sergt. Barbour and Estep have been assisting Capt. Forsythe, the former as instructor and the latter in paper work, while Sergt. Correll has been issuing clothing and field equipment.

Quartermaster Sergt. Bennett has been promoted to a like position on the battalion staff. Sergt. Bennett attained popularity last year at Camp Perry, at which he led to help organize Company M, which he led to help organize Company M, which he led to help organize Company M.

In one month from date the national rifle matches will be in progress on the range at Camp Perry, Ohio, on the banks of Lake Erie, across from Put-in-bay, adjacent to Sandusky and within easy reach of Cleveland, Toledo and Detroit. It is expected that more than one thousand of the crack military shots will be in attendance, who, with the 1,200 officers, scorers, markers, guards, etc., will make a considerable item to the city.

It is indicated that the matches will be the largest in point of attendance ever held in this country. The chances are that to favor a champion the method of determining such contests. It is represented that the attendance on these matches is so large as to necessitate from two to three weeks' shooting, of which ten days are devoted to the national matches alone. Many shooters are unable to take time together with their regular practice for home practice and competitions for places on the teams.

SANTAL MIDY

Relieved in 24 Hours

medal. Next in importance are the national individual rifle and the national pistol matches, in both of which there are a number of cash and medal prizes. Last year there were 648 competitors in the individual rifle and 250 in the pistol match, and more are expected to enter this year.

Of the National Rifle Association matches the most important is the regimental team match, in which there were forty-seven teams entered last year. The first prize is a championship trophy, valued at \$200. It has been won twice by the Sixth Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteer Militia, and if that team is again victorious the trophy will become its property.

Next in interest is the company team match, in which the prizes are cash and medals. Of the individual matches it is difficult to determine which is the most interesting, the Leech Cup, the Wimbledon Cup, or the President's Match. They are shot under different conditions. The Leech Cup match being seven record shots at 800, 900, and 1,000 yards, and the Wimbledon Cup twenty record shots at 100, 200, 300, 400, 500, 600, 700, 800, 900, and 1,000 yards. Both the Leech and Wimbledon cups are historic, and the winner of the President's Match receives an autograph letter from the President, in addition to a substantial cash prize. There are medals and cash prizes in each match.

Another interesting event is the championship regimental skirmish match, open to teams of six. When won twice the beautiful silver trophy becomes the property of the winning team. Last year the match had fifty-one entries. Other contests are the Interclub, Life Members, State Secretaries and the President's Match. There is also a championship revolver team match.

Passengers Escape in Train Wreck.

MALONE, N. Y., July 11.—The north-bound passenger train from New York to Montreal on the Mohawk and Malone road was derailed between Mountainview and Leon Lake today by a broken wheel on the engine. The cars were badly piled up, but there was no loss of life.

CHILDREN'S SUMMER SICKNESS.

The following simple treatment will generally cure infants' Diarrhea within 24 to 48 hours:

1. Stop feeding dairy milk.
2. Give, to about one year old, one grain of calomel, cut into three doses of two hours' intervals.
3. Feed for a few days on thick rice water, strained, and sweetened, and while yet hot, with some condensed milk.
4. When cured, gradually substitute fresh dairy milk, pasteurized or scalded.

SOCIETY FOR PREVENTION OF SICKNESS.
E. BERLINER, Secretary.
A regular diet for children on condensed milk is inadvisable.