

UTENSIL COUNTER WORTH YOUR WHILE

Useful Gifts Found Among Pots and Pans of the Department Stores.

VARIED DISPLAYS IN CHAFING DISHES

Alluring Collections of Japanese Kimonos, Embroidered Mats, and Decorated Chinaware.

If you want to happen upon gifts that are truly worth while, just be a modern Cinderella, and make a shopping tour among the pots and pans in the rear of some of the large department stores on F and G streets. The kitchen utensil department offers valuable suggestions to the Christmas shopper, and here one often finds an article of worth and beauty, which cannot be found elsewhere.

The display of chafing dishes is varied as it is attractive. The quart chafing dish, nickel plated, may be bought for \$4.25, and one holding three quarts may be had for \$5.50, if standing on a wrought iron, instead of nickel-plated base. The chafing dishes in brass and copper are more expensive, ranging from \$5 to about \$25.

A most useful gift to the girl who is already a chafing dish expert, is the large spoon and fork made especially for the preparation of the Welsh rabbit or other delicacies. These nickel-plated forks and spoons, with long, black wood handles, sell for from \$1 to \$2.

Japanese Gongs. In the same department are seen the most beautiful Japanese gongs without which any dining room is incomplete. A desirable set of these may be purchased for \$2.50, and they also run in higher prices. Carving sets are sold for from \$1 to \$25.

An interesting display consists of coffee and tea pots and strainers, which sell at from 50 cents to \$5, and any one of which will delight the heart of the bachelor girl who is furnishing an apartment. Tea bells of silver or brass run from 50 cents to \$1.50.

One of the displays which, in a large department store on G street, is attracting much attention and patronage is of arts and crafts jewelry. This has the double merit of being both tasteful and reasonable in price. A scarf pin and cuff links may be purchased for \$1.00.

Another novelty is seen in another shop in a collection of Chinese jewelry, in which come at low prices scarf pins, belt buckles, cuff links, and shirt studs. Done in green and silver, this ware is most attractive. All the department stores have a counter of rhinestone and imitation jewelry where may be found many of the trifles necessary

GIFTS FOR SERVICE IN HARDWARE SHOPS

In the hardware stores, or kitchen utensil department of other stores, you will find gifts made for service, and articles of worth and beauty which cannot be found elsewhere.

A display of arts and crafts jewelry in one of the department stores on G street is attracting many shoppers.

The Chinese and Japanese stores which dot the shopping districts are very interesting at this season.

Whatever you intend to buy, won't you please buy it now, so that the clerks may find time to hang up their stockings, too, on Christmas Eve!

To the completion of a woman's toilet. The gold bandeau set with rhinestone run in price from \$2.00 to \$10.00. Belt buckles, fan chains, and hair ornaments make acceptable gifts, and are found in great variety on such a counter.

Fine Kimonos Found. The Chinese and Japanese stores which dot the shopping districts are of great interest and beauty. In one of them, the shopper finds an extraordinarily fine collection of the kimono opera coats now so fashionable.

One of these, than which nothing could be more stunning, is of a satin of neutral gray, completely covered with magnificent embroidery of gold dragons and small discs in peacock blues and greens. Such a coat sells at \$35.00, and there are others in silk at \$40.00 and \$50.00. Wonderful kimonos in pale colored silk are elaborately embroidered in Oriental flowers and symbols, and padded or unlined, sell at from \$10.00 to \$25.00.

Very alluring are the mats of Japanese and Chinese embroidery, a set of which would be valued by any woman who likes original table effects when giving a luncheon or dinner. These mats come in all sizes, and are of a material so sheer as to resemble tissue, with deep edges exquisitely hand embroidered. According to size, these range in price from 25 cents to \$25 each.

The vases and bowls, sets of cups and saucers, tea and cream and sugar sets to be found in these little stores are often most charming in design and reasonable in price.

A WISE SHOPPER.

'POSSUMS FAIRLY SWAMP PRESIDENT

'Possums are coming to the White House for the delectation of the President. Mr. Taft has announced to friends that since he first caused it to be known that he liked 'possum meat he has been supplied with so many of the little sleepers that he had had a surplus of them, but notwithstanding that fact they continue to arrive. The 'possum latest to arrive was sent to D. L. Cook, of 67 G street northwest, by the Rev. Dr. H. F. McMurray, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Mr. Cook has presented it to Mr. Taft for his Christmas dinner.

EIGHTEEN DEAD IN LONDON FIRE

John Burns' Heroism Will Aid in His Campaign for Parliament.

LONDON, Dec. 21.—It was definitely stated today that the death list in the fire which yesterday destroyed the big department store of Arding & Hobbs at Elminder Gardens and Lavender Hill, Clapham Junction, will be eighteen.

Eight bodies have been recovered, and the police list of the missing numbers ten. The latter are undoubtedly buried under the still red hot ruins, and some of the bodies may never be recovered, as the fire was so intense they were likely incinerated.

Of the burned and otherwise injured taken to the hospital it is believed all will recover.

On all sides today there are praises for John Burns, president of the local government board, in the British cabinet, who was badly burned in assisting in the many spectacular rescues that marked the blaze. The inevitable result of his heroic work is to make sure his election to parliament at the coming general election.

His district is nominally doubtful, and there has been waged such a fight on him that his defeat has been confidently predicted. One hour's work has changed this and he has attained a degree of popularity that makes his election absolutely certain. In the opinion of friends and foes alike.

Big crowds surrounded his house before dawn today and when he started to work his egress was impeded by thousands who cheered him to the echo. It was finally necessary to call on the police reserves to clear a way for him, and he then headed a veritable march of triumph through the streets.

Burns' hands are very badly burned so that he will have to keep them in bandages for a time, while his hair was singed and his face slightly burned. Estimates of the loss are varying, but it is said on authority that Arding & Hobbs recently refused an offer of \$5,000,000 for their plant and good will.

JOHN BURNS HERO OF LONDON FIRE

LONDON, Dec. 21.—John Burns, president of the local government board, and one of the greatest of the "common people," was the hero of the fire.

Burns was passing the store when the fire alarm was sounded. He realized instantly that the building was doomed, and that unless heroic measures were taken immediately, the loss of life would be terrific. He rushed to the nearest barracks and announcing himself, ordered all available soldiers to the scene of the holocaust.

Burns then went back to the fire and assisted the rescuers, being credited with a number of daring rescues himself. Burns was slightly burned.

CENSORSHIP OF PRESS IS CONSIDERED AGAIN

Suggestion of General Bell for Protection of War Secrets to Be Offered to Publishers' Association With View of Securing Co-operation and Approval of Project.

It is not at all impossible that the suggestion of General Bell that the Government establish a press censorship, particularly in times of war, will result in legislative action giving the military branches of the Government the right to suppress any dispatches which might be deemed prejudicial to the best interests of the general.

Despite the fact that General Bell's views on this subject occasioned considerable opposition when they first became known, and brought forth the suggestion that a press censorship could not be established without violating the freedom guaranteed by the Constitution, there is nevertheless a growing feeling that the censorship could be established.

Members of the Committee on Military Affairs of the House, to whom General Bell has outlined his plan, are not prepared at this time to introduce a bill. They prefer to sound out the sentiment of the newspapers of the country. Several of the members are convinced that if the matter is presented to the press in the right light

there will be no opposition to such regulation of dispatches in time of war. It is generally conceded that any attempt to force through legislation against the will of the newspapers would be unwise. The better plan, it is suggested, would be to obtain the co-operation of the newspaper publishers. This could be done, in the opinion of committee members, through the instrumentality of the American Newspaper Publishers' Association and the various press associations.

If present plans are followed the publishers will be made familiar with the censorship established by Japan during the war with Russia, the strict enforcement of which, in the opinion of army and naval officers, played a very important part in the victories of the Nipponese.

After the case has been fairly presented, General Bell and the members of Congress who are in accord with him will have to be content to leave the matter in the hands of the publishers, realizing that the latter control the situation. They are confident, however, that the publishers will eventually see the wisdom and necessity of permitting the Government to do its utmost in covering up the movements of its ships and troops.

MAY FORM ANOTHER CHAPTER OF D. A. R.

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 21.—There is a strong movement on foot here today in D. A. R. circles tending toward the formation of another chapter of that organization. The proposed action is a result of the strained relations which have existed in the association ever since the election in November of Mrs. Charles W. Bassett to the regency of the chapter.

Mrs. Bassett received thirty-one votes, and Mrs. George W. Sadtler, the only other candidate, received thirty. Six of these latter were thrown out by rulings of Mrs. Bassett, on the ground that they were smeared or incorrect.

LODGE TO CONDUCT FUNERAL SERVICES

Arrangements were completed today for the funeral of Charles Augustus Brandt, for many years chief of the mail and record division in the adjutant general's office in the War Department.

Services will be held tomorrow afternoon at the family residence, 2111 Messmore place northwest, the Rev. Lloyd C. Douglass, pastor of the Luther Place Memorial Church, officiating. Interment will take place in the Soldiers' Home Cemetery. The services will be under the auspices of the local lodge of Masons, of which Mr. Brandt was a member.



Roller Skates

Children's Sidewalk Extension Skates, with iron wheels. 50c Only. Children's Barney and Berry Sidewalk Extension Skates, with rubber cushions, steel wheels. \$1.25 Only. The new Barney & Berry Extension Roller Skates, just as strong when extended as when closed. Steel wheels, plain and ball bearings, \$1.25 and \$2.50.

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In Perambulator and Folding Styles. Exact Duplicates of the Larger Cabs



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Handsome Chestnut Tool Cabinet, complete with set of good quality tools. \$5.50 Special. "Our Own" Tool Box, filled with selected tools, from our own stock. Special. \$7.50

MORSELL'S Hardware Store 1105-7 Seventh St. ALBERT L. JOHNSON, Proprietor

You Can Always Have It Charged. List of Leaders in the Great Pony Contest. The ten leaders, names arranged alphabetically, not in order of standing: Brogumler, Emma, 17 O St. N. E.; Burke, Mary E., 1517 C St. S. E.; Cassain, Earl, 405 S. Fairfax, Alexandria; Flynn, Harry, 784 C St. S. W.; Ho, Virgie, 508 8th St. S. W.; Hohman, John, 107 Ridge Road, Benning; Peabody, John, 14th St. N. E.; Price, Grace, 630 E St. S. W.; Riston, Warren, 462 G St. S. W.; Smith, Dorothy Harlan, Takoma Park.

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Store Open Evenings Until Christmas

Give Her Furs

No woman but would appreciate a gift of Furs—and the variety here makes the choice an easy one. These, for instance:

BEAUTIFUL AND VERY STYLISH 50-inch Black Coney Fur Coats, in all sizes; handsome buttons. These coats sell at \$75. For a day you can buy them at \$49.50

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HANDSOME AND STYLISH Russian Lynx Pillow and Rug Mitts; extra large; have never sold under \$15. For one day reduced to \$10.00

LOT OF 25 BROWN ISABELLA FOX and Raim Martin Sets (pelutic collar and rug muff); lined with the best Skinner's satin; the value is \$35. Reduced to \$25.00

A VERY SPECIAL OFFERING OF 100 Black and Coney Fur Sets; pillow muff and throw scarf; the value is positively \$10. For one day at \$4.98

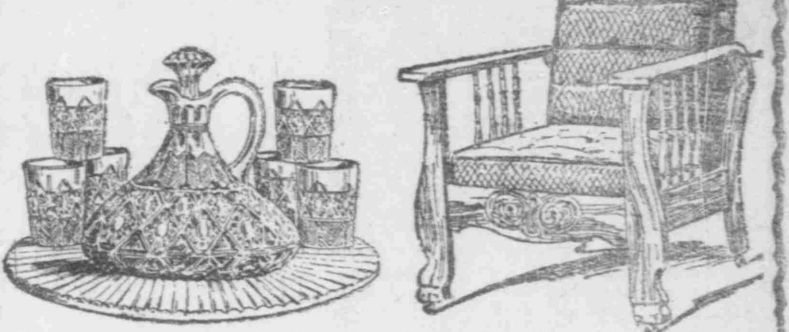
\$20 One-Piece Dresses . . . \$9.50

Lot of 90 beautiful New One-piece Dresses, elegantly tailored of finest English serges; smoke, green, navy, artichoke, black; sell usually at \$20—for \$9.50.

Holiday Groceries

Sugar-cured Hams, 15c; Seeded Raisins, 1-lb. pkg., 8c; Cleaned Currants, 1-lb. pkg., 8c; Imported Figs, 1 lb., 12c; Molasses, large cans, .9c; Van Camp's Pumpkin, .9c; Mincemeat, 4-lb. crocks, .35c; Grape Juice, 12 bottles, .20c; Dates, 10c pkg., 7c; Figs, 15c pkg., 8c; Peaches, "Columbus", 17c; Mixed Nuts, 1 lb., 12c; Mixed Nuts, 8 lbs., .95c; Paper-shell Almonds, 13c; Van Camp's Pumpkin, .9c; English Walnuts, 15c; Brazil Nuts, 10c; Candy, many kinds, lb., 10c; Best Cranberries, qt., 8c.

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Men's Auto Overcoats, a positive \$12.50 value, \$6.25	\$30.00 Highest Grade Hand-tailored Overcoats, \$15.00	A \$12.00 Cashmere Wool Suit, \$6.00
Men's Black Kersey Overcoats, regular \$15.00 values, \$7.50	\$35.00 Overcoats, hand-tailored. Best money can buy anywhere at any price, \$17.50	Two Lots of Men's Suits at Striking Reductions. \$18.00 Suits, in one lot, \$8.50
Men's \$20.00 Scotch Grey Tweeds and other pure wool garments, \$10.00	Men's Reeler Belfast Fries Coats, with big storm collars, \$7.50	\$22.50 Hand-tailored Suits in the other, \$11.25

Men's \$25.00 Overcoats, including the "Presto" Patented Convertible Collar \$13.75

Useful Suggestions: Gifts for Men at Phenomenal Prices

Men's Neckwear All Handsomely Boxed. 25c to \$1.00	Coat Sweaters In all the color combinations from \$1.00 to \$7.00	Full Line of Automobile Gloves Black and Tan, \$1.00 to \$3.00
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