

MERRY CHRISTMAS EVERYBODY!

Local Paragraphs

INTERESTING ITEMS BOILED DOWN FOR BUSY READERS

A daughter has been born to Everett L. and Mrs. Banker of Park street...

The St. Marys Young Mens Club are to swing a service flag to the breeze at their clubhouse on Linden street...

The annual meeting of Manchester Lodge of Masons will take place at Odd Fellows Hall next Tuesday evening...

Mrs. David Mason and daughter, Ora of New Haven have returned to the City of Lima after spending the Thanksgiving holidays with Mrs. Mason's parents...

The Sub Alpine club will give a social and dance at their club house on Eldridge street tomorrow evening...

The dentist throughout the state of Connecticut were asked to contribute the earnings of one day in their respective offices to the fund for dental ambulance for the soldiers...

A son was born to William and Mrs. Barrett of Spruce street. This is their first born and the happy parents are being heartily congratulated on the auspicious occurrence...

Mrs. Joseph Cushing has returned from the St. Francis hospital to her home on Maple street. Her new born son is getting on admirably...

It is expected that some 30 members of the Methodist Young Mens Club will attend the joint meeting with the Andover Club...

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While passing days are short and cold and dreary, the longest of the year...

Old Christmas comes with glowing hearth of cheer, the custom being brought to America by the early Dutch colonists...

COLUMBUS CLUB HAS FINE SUCCESS

The entertainment of vaudeville and motion pictures given at the Circle Theater Tuesday evening under the auspices of the Columbus Club...

Leo Cleary, of Newman street was awarded three prizes on his French bull terrier, Ganin Noir (Black Boy) at the dog show in Worcester, Mass. last Saturday...

Robert Patterson of Center street has resumed his studies at the Massachusetts institute of Technology after enjoying the Thanksgiving holiday with his parents, William and Mrs. Patterson...

Richard Manning of Hackmatack street has been granted a two months vacation with pay and expects to spend that period in the South...

William Wilkie, formerly of Pine street, South Manchester, but presently residing in Providence, R. I. has been appointed as lieutenant at the Plattsburg Training Camp...

Raymond Mahoney of Walnut street left town for Fort Sloon last Monday having enlisted in the Cavalry masters corps of the regular army...

A reception was given him at his home Sunday evening, a number of friends participating in the festivities and making matters as pleasant as possible for the young soldier...

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SEE BIG PRIZE IN O'LEARY'S WINDOW

Quite the most elaborate prize ever offered for a whisk in South Manchester may be seen in P. J. O'Leary's display window today...

The children of Mary conducted a whisk social at the St. James Parish school on Park street next Wednesday evening...

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GIFTS FOR THE HOUSE

This is the Year For Practical Gifts. No One Expects, No One Wants Anything Frivolous. Why Not Then, Buy Something For The Home, Something Of Lasting Value That The Whole Family May Enjoy.

Below Are Just A Few Suggestions Of What May Be Had For A Little Money At Watkins Brothers. May We Serve You?



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VICTROLA IX, \$37.50. A deposit of ten per cent. will give you this most popular Victrola for Christmas morning. Ten per cent. per month takes care of the balance quickly. Choice of mahogany or fumed oak finishes. Please make reservations early or we cannot guarantee delivery.

CUSTOMERS. \$1.98. A strong well made customer is useful in any form in any house. We have them in mahogany, fumed oak or white enamel. The present price is \$2.50, your choice \$1.98.

PEDESTALS, \$1.98. In golden oak or mahogany, nicely finished. Present value \$2.50. Others up to \$12.00.

COMFORTABLES \$3.50. Here was a fortunate purchase of some 50 odd comfortable worth from \$4.00 to \$5.00 at the old price of \$5.50. Make your selection early.

SELECTIVES TRAINED AS RADIO OPERATORS

Beginning last Monday evening a class of free instruction was opened at the State Trade School Shops in South Manchester, in the study of radio and buzzer telegraphy, at the request of the United States government...

Letters were sent out to 150 young men asking them to take up this study. The class was organized last Monday evening, with 30 pupils. Sessions are to be held Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday evenings of each week at the State Trade School here, from 7 until 9 o'clock on each of the evenings noted above.

WOOD BASKETS, \$2.25. In natural finish green or French Walnut brown. Choice of 3 different styles at \$2.25, \$2.75, \$3.00, worth today \$3.00 to \$4.00.

SERVING TRAYS, \$1.25. Mahogany serving trays, with glass top, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.25, \$3.50 etc.

READING LAMPS, FROM \$4.50. Made in mahogany, brass, Egyptian, Antwerp and Pottery with a variety of shades up to \$15.00.

FRAMED PICTURES, 65 CENTS, 10K 15 Pictures in gift frames fine assorted subjects, 65 cents. 12 x 18 Pictures, \$1.25.

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CHILDREN'S CHAIRS \$1.50 to \$7.50. Many of these upholstered, need rockers similar to the grown ups, all of these were bought before the late advances.

Gift Suggestions

We Are Featuring Correct Apparel As The Gift Welcome and Practical

For Mother. From top to bottom, shelves cases and counters are laden with various assortments of merchandise that is every way givable usable and practical.

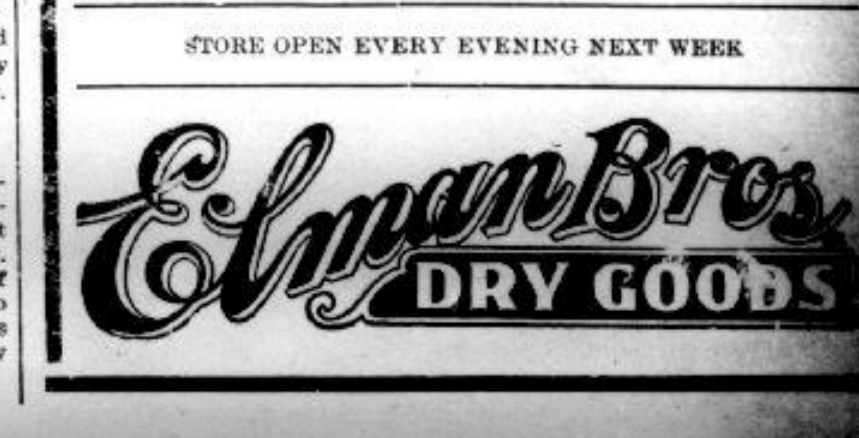
For Father. HANDKERCHIEFS, BATHROBES, GLOVES, HOSIERY, HATBOXES, MUFFLERS, HOSE, ARMBANDS, UNDERWEAR, SLIPPERS, SWEATERS.

For Brother. SUITS, MACKINAWs, COATS, MUFFLERS, HANDKERCHIEFS, HOSE, SWEATERS.

For Sister. COATS, DRESSES, FUR SETS, SWEATERS, BATHROBES, SLIPPERS, GLOVES, MITTENS, RIBBONS, SKATING SETS.

For Baby. DRESSES, BONNETS, COATS, LEGGINGS, SWEATERS, BOOTIES, CARRIAGE ROBES, TOLLET SETS, TEDDY BEAR SUITS, MOCCASINS, FUR TOP SHOES.

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GIFTS FOR EVERY PERSON AND PURSE

WE WISH TO CALL YOUR ATTENTION TO THE VARIOUS LINES OF MERCHANDISE WE HAVE DISPLAYED FOR THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

PERFUME in dainty bottles, Toilet Waters, Sachet Powders, etc. at popular prices 50c, 60c, 75c, \$1.00 and up to \$2.00 and \$4.00.

MANICURING SETS in leather cases. A nice variety from \$2.00 to \$12.00 each.

Pyralis Ivory Goods, Mirrors, Brushes, Combs, Trays, Puff and Powder Boxes, Hair Receivers, etc. All quality goods.

Candy

A nice line of Bonbons, Reppeti, Schraffte and Liggett's in 1-2, 1, 2 and 3 pound boxes.

Cigars

All of the popular brands, some in boxes of 15 and 25. Prices from \$1 to \$5 the box.

Pipes

A very complete assortment to select from: Meerschaum and French Briar in cases. Also a good assortment of unadorned pipes \$2 to \$6.00.

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ALL THE POPULAR BRANDS.

Gillette U.S. Service sets at \$3.00.
 Gillette Standard sets \$2.00.
 Gillette Ball Dug sets \$5.00 and \$10.00.
 Ever Ready \$1.00. Auto Strip \$5.00.
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CIRCLE THEATER

COMING EVENTS

The attraction at the Circle Theater this evening will be Maxine Elliot in her initial Goldwyn production "Fighting Odds". Saturday evening Marie Williams will appear in the feature "The Soul Master". Sunday evening Ethel Barrymore will be the leading lady in a Metro play "The Little Vain". Monday evening John G. Palfrey will entertain the patrons of the Circle Theater in a Fox play "Every Girl's Dream".

There are two annual attractions coming to the Circle Theater next week. Tuesday and Wednesday evenings Geraldine Farrar will be seen here for the first time in South Manchester. The vehicle taken to display the great historic talents of Miss Farrar is Cecil B. DeMille's marvelous "cinema spectacle" "The Woman God Forgot".

The feast for Thursday and Friday of next week will delight young and old, it being a magnificent production of William Fox's celluloid extravaganza "Avalon and His Wonderful Lamp". This story which is hoary with age, coming out of the mists of the centuries has passed down through succeeding generations of modern and is known far and wide in practically every civilized place on the globe. It is a story that calls the interest of youth and age alike. It is susceptible of magnificent artistic representation and is guaranteed upon it with lavish hand by the producers.

SERGEANT GIBBONS SPEAKS HERE

Sergeant Arthur Gibbons of the First Canadian Division of the First Expeditionary Force spoke at High School Hall last Monday evening before a large and enthusiastic audience. He told of his experiences while fighting in the trenches on the French front. It was a very interesting and impressive narrative and left a lasting impression upon all who listened.

The speaker was brought here under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce by whom all expenses were paid. No entrance fee was charged. Tickets of admission were issued to the members of the Chamber and those permitted the addition of one friend for each member. The high school glee club furnished music. The speaker was introduced by A. E. Bowers of the Chamber of Commerce. Frank Cheney, Jr., William C. Cheney, Horace B. Cheney, Howell Cheney, C. E. Howe, E. B. Howe, George E. Keith and President Jones of the State Chamber of Commerce were seated on the stage with Sergeant Gibbons. The audience arose when Sergeant Gibbons came upon the platform.

At the conclusion of Sergeant Gibbons' address, Howell Cheney gave a short talk upon the War Savings Stamp, urging the purchase and inviting the hearty cooperation of the audience in this thrift forming endeavor which may be used with so much effect to furnish funds for successful concluding the war.

III At Camp

Word has been received here this week that William McSwaney of West Chester is critically ill with pneumonia at Camp Devens, Mass., and also that Frank Mallon, a fellow soldier at the same encampment, is similarly afflicted. Mr. McSwaney will be remembered as having served for a short time in the local police force. He resigned that position here to take up arms against the German government and do his bit for the overthrow of Anstocracy. Mr. Mallon was a chauffeur and pursued a similar course to that pointed out in the case of Mr. McSwaney. Both young men are well and popularly known in South Manchester. It is earnestly hoped that they may survive this, their first attack and go over the top triumphantly and victoriously.

Linen Shower

A linen shower was given Miss Jennie Simmons of Winter street last Saturday evening, a feature of which was a mock marriage. It was a very novel and instrumental music was rendered, games enjoyed and hoistered refreshments were served in regulation form and music was a feature of the evening. Miss Lillian Tomlinson was the bride, Mrs. Knox was the groom, Miss Blith Wilson was the bride-maid, Miss Mary Stratton was the best man, Miss Sarah Mitchell assumed the ministerial function and Miss Ethel Buzzell tickled the ivories.

Mariage Announcement

William and Mrs. Barrett of Chestnut street announce the marriage of their daughter, Mabel, to Sergeant Charles Atkins Robbins son of Wesley R. and Mrs. Robbins of Summit street, South Manchester. They were married at Trenton, N. J., Thanksgiving Eve. Sergeant Robbins enlisted in the regular army last July. He is now at Camp Dix, New Jersey. Mrs. Robbins is a school teacher and is living with her parents on Chestnut street. Before joining the colors Sergeant Robbins was employed as a clerk in the store of Glines & Haltman on Main street, South Manchester. Sergeant Atkins and his bride are both graduates of the South Manchester High School. Both are well and popularly known in South Manchester.

War Saving Stamps

Charles E. House has been appointed as chairman of a local War Stamp Savings Committee. It is planned to hold public meetings co-operating with the finance committee of the War Bureau. As soon after the Christmas holidays as possible Mr. House will assemble the members of the committee and plans will be formulated to stimulate interest in the sale of the war stamps. There may be had in denominations of 25 cents each and will bear interest at 4 per cent, compounded quarterly. These stamps will enable people of small means to cultivate habits of thrift and invest their earnings and savings in these war stamps.

Knobless Covers

When knobs come off covers a new kind of knob can be easily replaced by taking a corker, putting it down inside the hole and covering it to a cork on the underside. This is very easy and a great help.

Most Powerful Agent
 A scoundrel will do more to make people behave themselves than the most powerful sermon.—Acheson Globe.

Practical Xmas Gifts at The F. T. Blish Hardware Co.

Percolators (Heavy Nickel and Aluminum) \$1.50 to \$3.25
 Mahogany Glass Bottom Serving Trays, \$4.00 to \$7.00
 Casseroles, \$1.25 to \$3.00

SLEDS

Genuine Flexible 30 in.	\$1.00
Genuine Flexible 32 in.	\$1.25
Genuine Flexible 34 in.	\$1.35
Genuine Flexible 36 in.	\$1.45
Genuine Flexible 38 in.	\$1.50
Genuine Flexible 40 in.	\$1.60
Genuine Flexible 42 in.	\$1.70
Genuine Flexible 44 in.	\$1.80
Genuine Flexible 46 in.	\$1.90
Clipper Sleds, \$1.00 and \$1.50	
Combination Spaulding Skates, \$5.00 and \$6.00	
Clamp and Key Skates for Boys and Girls, \$5c to \$1.75	
Flashlights all sizes and styles, \$6c to \$2.50	
Electric Xmas Tree Outfits, (string of eight lights in assorted colors), \$3.00	
Boys Tool Chests and Toy Banks, Auto Gloves and Auto Robes all sizes and prices.	
Everyone of these articles we fully guarantee.	

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New Winter Coats

At Special Repricing

New stylish and seasonal coats, made of Pom Pom, Bolivia, Broadcloth, Velour, Velvet and Plush, fur trimmed, all with a style that only first class makers know how to give a garment. Any woman who visits our store cannot fail to find one to her satisfaction in every way.

Beginning at \$16.50 prices range like this: \$17.50, \$21.50, \$24.50, \$27.50, \$37.50 to \$50.00, and bear in mind that each garment offered has been priced much more than we are asking now.

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We Offer at \$14.50 and \$16.50

Your choice of suits that were priced to \$27.50. Beautifully made up and many models to pick from.

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NEW HANDY LOCATION FOR THE HOLIDAYS—MAIN FLOOR FRONT OF STORES

New books by the hundred, odd favorites by the score. Buy before the final rush by early winter assortments are the best.

BOOKS FOR BOYS

Just a few of the many:
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 The Saddle Boys Series.
 And a great many others.

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Many others besides these:
 The Red-Cross Girls' Series.
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 The Children's Crusader Series.
 The Outdoor Girls.
 Complete number of the Every Girl Library.
 Every Child Should Know Series.
 Five Little Stars Series.
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 And a great many others.

Dainty Undermislins

IN HOLLY BOXES
 Qualities as fine as last year. Prices very moderate.

Nainsook Nightgowns, Chemises and Skirts, 75c, \$1, \$1.50, \$1.98, \$2.50 and up to \$5.98.
 Nainsook Drawers 80c, 90c, 70c, 95c, \$1.30 and \$2.98.

Gift Suggestions at
JEWELRY Department

Women's gold filled Bracelets at tractively boxed \$1 to \$6.
 Women's gold filled Bracelet Watches \$7.50 to \$35.
 Women's solid gold Cameo La Vallieres \$8 to \$25.
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 Women's solid gold Lingerie Clasps \$1 to \$2.50.
 Women's solid gold Beauty Pins \$1 to \$1.75.
 Children's Lockettes and Chains in solid gold and gold filled \$2 to \$2.50.
 Rosary Beads all colors nicely boxed, 25c to \$5.
 Prayer books 25c to \$1.95.
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 Women's Brooch Pins in genuine shell cameos and others 50c to \$4.95.

Xmas Slippers

We are prepared to sell more Xmas Slippers than ever. Buy early.

Men's Leather Slippers, Romeo and Everett style \$1.75 and \$2.50.
 Children's Red Felt Slippers 75c and 80c.
 Children's Fur trimmed slippers \$1.
 Children's Knit Slippers 50c.
 Children's Comfy Slippers, light and dark blue and pink, \$1 and \$1.15.
 Children's Felt slippers, colors, fawn, light blue, lavender and taupe \$5c.
 Children's Red Booties \$1.25.
 Indian Moccasins, plain or beaded, \$1 to \$3.
 Women's Knit Slippers 50c and 60c.
 Women's Comfy Slippers \$1.25 to \$1.50.
 Women's Felt Slippers, leather sole, 65c.
 Women's Fur Slippers, felt sole, 65c.
 Women's fur trimmed slippers, colors, wolverine, grey, black and brown, \$1.50.
 Women's fur trimmed slippers in lavender light blue and old rose \$1.85.
 Men's Felt Slippers, leather sole, \$1.30 and \$1.50.
 Men's Comfy Slippers, \$1.00 and \$1.25.

Fur Sets

FOR XMAS GIFTS

We here mention a few of the most popular and stylish Fur Sets the prices of which are very low for such qualities:

Pointed Russian Wolf Sets, full size open collar and large ball muff, trimmed with heads and tails. The set \$18.00.
 Natural Red Fox Sets full size, open collar, large barrel muff, especially good coloring. The set \$27.00.
 Taupe Fox Sets, Gray Taupe shade, made of plied skins. Large open animal collar and half barrel muff. The set \$29.00.
 Natural Raccoon Sets, extra heavy deep fur skins, large rag collar and ball muff, trimmed with heads and tails. The set \$35.00.
 Blue Gray Wolf Sets made of extra good full fur skins, large collar and ball muff trimmed with heads and tails. The set \$47.00.
 Beautiful Taupe Fox Sets made of extra fine silky selected skins, open rag collar and full size tall muff. The set \$75.00.

Xmas Gifts Galore at Our New Art and Knitting Wool Departments

MAIN FLOOR.

Make the soldier boy happy, knit for him a regulation sweater and send it to the Red Cross or Navy League Headquarters.
 Army khaki Wool \$1.15 grade.
 Stamped Pillow Tubing, 50c per pair 80c.
 Army Heavy khaki Wool, per pair 75c and \$1.25.
 Navy Blue for our sailors, the heavy kind, 70c, 80c, and \$1.25 per pair.
 Germantown Flies in Knitting Yarns in good colors \$2c to 50c per ball.
 Satin covered pin cushion forms 20c, 30c and 30c.
 Fluff Filled Pillows, 25c to 75c.
 Men's Tie Racks 60c and 75c.
 Children's Painted Leather Bean Bags 50c.
 Sterling silver top knitting needles, size 5 at 60c.
 Stamped Children's Tinted Play Aprons 50c.
 Stamped Children's Dresses 95c.

Stamped Scarfs 25c.
 Just arrived new collection of Royal Society Stamped Pieces:
 Cluny Sided Scarfs, size 20x34, the \$3 grade at \$2.95.
 Bureau Scarfs, size 18x30 regular 75c values at 50c.
 Lace Trimmed Scarfs, 18x50, choice patterns, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.00 each.
 Free lessons in Knitting Daily 9 a. m. to 5.30 p. m.

JAPANES CHOCOLATE SETS \$2.75 to \$11.95.
 BRASS SMOKING STANDS \$2.29 to \$5.95.
 REPRODUCTIONS of the Italian Deasillo were 25c to \$7.95.
 CLOCKS, mahogany and mahogany finish \$1.39 to \$7.50. Mahogany ash trays, vase, smoker's sets and smoker's stands, prices 25c to \$3.85.
 SMOKING JACKETS—We have a beautiful selection, lots of good patterns, warm soft fabric, prettily trimmed. All sizes, \$4 to \$6. Priced at \$4.95 to \$8.95.
 MEN'S PUR CAPS—Plenty to choose from Priced \$3.45 to \$8.95. MEN'S SHEEPSKIN LINED COATS \$14.75, \$19.95 and \$24.95.

Books

POPULAR FICTION BY OUR VERY BEST AUTHORS 60c.

We here mention a few of the titles:
 Straton Porter.
 Laddie, by Gene Stratton Porter.
 The Rose Garden, by Widenor.
 CLOCKS, mahogany and mahogany finish \$1.39 to \$7.50. Mahogany ash trays, vase, smoker's sets and smoker's stands, prices 25c to \$3.85.
 The Daredevil, by Davies.
 Ruggles of Red Gap.
 "The Light of Western Stars," by Zane Grey.
 Complete holiday selection of Bibles and Bibles, Picture Puzzles Books, Paint Books, etc. and Fairy Tales.

Wise, Smith & Company Hartford

Wise Are They Who Buy Now--They Get Best Choice

BOUDOIR SLIPPERS
FOR XMAS GIFTS
SALE! Quilts in blue, pink, red, lavender, rose and gray with low heels \$1.75 pair.
OTTOMANS of kid and Hosiery cloth with or without heels, pink, blue, red, black, and lavender, \$1.25, \$1.50, per pair.
CETTEONE SLIPPERS in all the pretty shades \$1.50 and \$1.75.
HIGH CUT crepe de chine home shoes, pink, rose, blue and lavender, for \$1.00, \$1.25, and \$1.50 pair.

SOME CHARMING NEIGHES
SHOWN IN SUIT SECTION
Take a look at the Kimonos of crepe and cutting cloth at \$9 to \$20 each. Offer of fancy figured fancy wool cloth \$5.50 to \$12.95. Fine crepe of crepe de chine, ribbon, lace or fringe trimmed, \$5.98 to \$18.50.
Japanese Silk Kimono embroidered in colors priced \$5.00 to \$25.00 each.

ENVELOPE CHEMISE
GOOD FOR GIFTS
For \$9.00 each there are many styles dainty trimmed with lace and embroidery which make an excellent gift.
For \$12.50 each there are the Nainsook, numerous effects with lace, insertion embroidery and ribbon.
At \$1.50 each, you have pick of decorative models in simple or elaborate effects with lace yokes and ribbon elastic straps.

EMPTY NIGHT GOWNS
MORE THAN 50 STYLES
For \$5.00 each you get round neck patterns in many models trimmed with lace, embroidery or ribbon.
For \$1.50 each there are empire and other effects prettily trimmed with lace, embroidery and ribbon. Extra good value.

CHOOSE A CAMISOLE
FROM OUR SHOWING
For \$10 each a dozen styles in satin or crepe de chine with many kinds of lace, some hand embroidered.
For \$1.50 each of crepe de chine or wash satins simply tailored or elaborately trimmed. Beautiful ones at \$1.98.

PLAIN and fancy Mesh Veils in circular and long effects, chemise dotted and scroll designs, black, brown, taupe and purple for 50c each.

MESH VEILING in plain and fancy styles with and without border, black and colors, 25c and 50c yard.

This brightly polished ware has a raised lined edge and very dainty pattern. There is just one design, so early comers can select a complete service. There are Sugar Spoons, Cream Ladies, Tea Spoon, Olive Spoons, Sardine Forks, Cold Meat Forks, Toasted Servers, Pickle Forks, etc., all \$1.50 each.

DAIRY NECKWEAR FOR CHRISTMAS GIVING
With hundreds of pretty styles to select from we call attention to Fillet Lace Stock Collars and Jabots, cream only, 98c yards for 20c each.
NECK RUCHING, a neck length in a box for 25c and 30c box.
COLLARS AND SETS lawn, georgette, pique, flannel and net 25c, 30c, 40c each.
MARABOUT CAPES and Muffs in black, brown and taupe \$2.99 up.
New Scarfs of wool and knitted silk all colors and prices.

VISIT OUR TRIMMING DEPARTMENT FOR THESE EXTRA SPECIALS
THE FALL STATED Muff Bed black and brown lined for only 69c each.
FOR FANCY WORK we have tassels in gold silver, black, brown and red \$2.99 up.
New Scarfs of wool and knitted silk all colors and sizes as well as baller fringe in gold and silver in different widths.

EXTRA GOOD BARGAINS IN FINE WHITE STUFFS
For fancy aprons and other holiday gifts we offer striped and checked White Dimities for 15c yard and up.
WHITE NAINSOOK 40 inches wide suitable for the underwear regular 25c grade specially priced at 19c.

HOW ABOUT CURTAINS FOR CHRISTMAS GIFTS?
At our Drapery Department for \$1.10 pair we offer crepe, marquisette Curtains with narrow edge Silk, Spots, Cream Ladies, Tea Spoon, Olive Spoons, Sardine Forks, Cold Meat Forks, Toasted Servers, Pickle Forks, etc., all \$1.50 each.

DUTCH CURTAINS of white voile with insertion and edge are very special at \$1.49 pair and are ready to hang at your windows. Better get some.

STERLING TABLEWARE
VERY LOW PRICED
This brightly polished ware has a raised lined edge and very dainty pattern. There is just one design, so early comers can select a complete service. There are Sugar Spoons, Cream Ladies, Tea Spoon, Olive Spoons, Sardine Forks, Cold Meat Forks, Toasted Servers, Pickle Forks, etc., all \$1.50 each.

Brown, Thomson & Co. Hartford

Featuring a large number of material that are exceptional values at \$2.95, \$3.95 and \$4.95 each. They are petticoats of excellent wearing Taffets, silk striped pongee, tucked, ruffled and pleated effects. Softest silk with silk Jersey with deep bouffant of self or taffets silk.

WANT ADS.

FOR SALE
FOR SALE—\$2,100 buys a real good cottage and small barn. Walking distance from R. J. Smith, Bank building.

FOR SALE—\$11,000 buys a 33 acre farm near state road. Good land, plenty of timber and running water in house. R. J. Smith, Bank building, 19.

FOR SALE—\$3,500 buys an eight-room house and two acres of land. Walking distance from R. J. Smith, Bank building, 19.

Local Paragraphs

INTERESTING ITEMS
HOLIDAY DOORS FOR BUSY READERS

Private Rudolph Haupt of the Ambulance corps at Camp Levens spent Sunday with friends in town.

W. J. Telford who is connected with the Naval Recruiting office at New Haven was the guest of friends in town over Sunday.

School Events

Entertain Large Dancing Party at Cheney Hall
The South End Lodge of Moose scored another success at its dancing party at Cheney hall last Tuesday evening when they had the McEnnelly Singing Orchestra of Boston as an attraction. A delightful one-hour concert was finished while the dancers were assembling, after which dancing was enjoyed until midnight.

Headquarters

FOR RENT
FOR RENT—Five-room tenement on Whitney street. Apply Mrs. Mary O'Goran, 472 Main street, 411f.

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Local Enlistments

As the time limit for the privilege of enlistment by selectives expires to-morrow night, a warrant is being issued by the War Department in Hartford for the enlistment of the following young men of this place who have presented them:

Cost of High Living
The necessities of life are a lot higher than they were a few years ago. "Yes, and just think how many there are of them."

Some Christmas Beliefs

Holly berries possess and give woman power which works in the shape of a wreath, which must be made in imitation of the sacred crown of thorns and of berries as red as blood, and the wearer must go about at midnight on Christmas and sit in a chair in the house, according to an ancient belief. Second, silver will then come to him and into the church with the coming year. Will on Christmas eve. He must be in the shape of a maner the holy words will evoke visions. He must be in the shape of a maner their own words, and all the bests will be seen to kneel down in worship. If preserved for a year the crown of thorns will bring safety from violence. In some parts of England it is believed that unless every bit of holly be removed from the house by Twelfth Night some ill luck will come. Misses can also bring luck, but only one must be offered and eaten in the house. The one accepted and eaten will in due time be the one to whom good luck on a day to come in the coming year. To eat too soon would spoil the luck. As if three be eaten on Christmas in one house ill luck will follow. If the holly be in the shape of a maner the first prince piper ever made had made of this shape. Then the luck is better. To represent the manger still give holly used to be laid crosswise over the pile.

Try Old Friend Coffee 30c lb

Have money by buying your groceries and meats at

Nature Says I can remedy most ills, help you to escape many ailments, if you give me timely aid.

DR. CASPARI'S CASCARA
It can remedy most ills, help you to escape many ailments, if you give me timely aid. Naturally, Nature prefers to have her own way.

Big Market for Peanuts

More and more people are turning to peanuts as a healthy and economical food. The market for peanuts is growing rapidly.

Our National Flag

The American flag is a symbol of our nation's unity and strength. It is a source of pride and inspiration for all citizens.

Women's Work

Women are making significant contributions to the war effort through their work in various capacities. Their efforts are essential for the success of the nation.

Physical Education

Physical education is an important part of a well-rounded education. It helps students develop strength, endurance, and good habits.

Local Red Cross Workers at Recreation Building.



MEETING THIS EVENING TO COMPLETE PLANS FOR MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN

Must Get 6,000 Local Members During Coming Week—Every Patriotic Citizen Should Join. Some Account of Accomplishments.

We have established warehouses in France with capacity of 100,000 tons. We have established a sanitarium with 1,000 beds for tuberculosis patients.

TEAM CAPTAINS

Following are the team captains: Team No. 1, Frank D. Cheney; Team No. 2, N. B. Richards; Team No. 3, P. J. O'Leary; Team No. 4, John T. Murphy; Team No. 5, Thomas Ferguson; Team No. 6, George H. Williams; Team No. 8, Raymond Johnson.

LADIES TEAMS

Team No. 1 Mrs. Albert Crowl; Team No. 2 Miss Ednah Cheney; Team No. 3 Miss Catherine Murphy; Team No. 4 Mrs. Earl Seaman.

NOBLE WORK

This world calamity gives to the Red Cross an opportunity to give expression to the best and most characteristic side of American life, and it is on a scale, called for by the immensity of the sorrow and distress of mankind.

RECRUITING

Recruiting is a vital part of the war effort. We urge all eligible citizens to join the service and support their country.

Physical Education

Physical education is essential for maintaining good health and vitality. Regular exercise and a balanced diet are key components of a healthy lifestyle.

The Christmas Peal

By HARRIET PRESCOTT SPOFFORD
SWINGING across the beifry tower the bells rang backward all the hour. They rang, they pealed, they rushed, they roared; Their tongues tumultuous music poured. The old walls rocked; the peals out-swept; Far up the steep their echoes leaped, Soaring and sparkling till they burst Like bubbles round the topmost horn That reddens to the hint of morn. That halts some trembling star the first.

The Artist's Inspiration

It is not remarkable that the Nativity, the adoration of the Magi and the annunciation to the shepherds, the divine events of Christmas, should have inspired painters, and sculptors for centuries. The birth of Christ and the incidents attending his infancy were, naturally enough, the themes of the Christian mythology and art. They were the subjects of Christian art, but from the thirteenth century on they found reverent representation at the hands of the artists who, inspired by the religious spirit of the middle ages, turned to Biblical subjects for the noblest examples of their art. Symonds says: "The stable of Bethlehem, the star led kings, the shepherds and the angels are the beautiful story, in fact, which St. Luke alone of the evangelists has preserved for us—were what the whole Christian world owes to the first and second chapters of St. Luke are the most important in the history of Christian mythology and art."

COMFORT KITS

Reference was made to the large number of comfort kits made by the Manchester ladies and forwarded to soldiers and to headquarters. These are small bags of hosiery, clean underwear, soap, toothbrush, pipe and tobacco, handkerchiefs, and the like together with writing material and other necessities. Each kit is marked with the name of the donor and is sent to headquarters to be distributed to the soldiers in the front lines.

OFFICERS OF CHAPTER

Manchester Chapter of the Red Cross has at present 3000 members. The officers are Chairman, E. Louise Watkins; vice chairman, Mrs. E. J. Howard; secretary, Mrs. J. Howard; treasurer, Mrs. M. J. Rowland; executive committee, Mrs. E. J. Howard, Mrs. H. H. Anderson, Mrs. E. E. Hesselgrave.

MORE HELPERS WANTED

Any Manchester woman, whether a Red Cross member or not, who can spare an hour or two at odd times, is cordially invited to give her services to the local Red Cross. All that is necessary is to communicate with Miss Emily Cheney or visit the headquarters in the recreation building and the work will be outlined.

THINKING IT OVER Christmas Night

Patents have been taken out at various times for paper which is claimed to be proof against fire, and therefore particularly useful for Christmas cards. Most of these contain asbestos or a similar mineral fiber, with or without the addition of clay or metallic salts.

ANIMALS REFUSE TO EAT

In the Edinburgh zoo there is a crocodile which is content with a rat or a piece of horsetail every fortnight. There is an anecdotal story of a crocodile which was refused to eat food of any kind, and its third abdomen was so enlarged that it was nearly bursting.

PERILS OF FATIGUE

Medical science has long been warning the public of the dangers of over-fatigue. It is a condition which leads to illness and is particularly dangerous for those who are engaged in strenuous physical work.

"Who Gave Us Christmas Day?"

Who gave us Christmas Day? The story is told in the Bible, and it is a story of love and sacrifice. It is a story that has inspired generations of people and has become a central part of our culture.

SOME RED CROSS ACTIVITIES

We are soliciting applications for the Red Cross. We need more members to help us carry out our mission of providing relief and support to those in need. If you are interested, please contact us at the Manchester Chapter.

Keep It Handy. Ward off attacks of colds and influenza by timely application with the thoroughly tested and reliable remedy of the American Home Remedy.

TWO HAYES BOYS IN AVIATION CORPS. Martin J. Hayes and Terrance Hayes of Olcott street near Hartford...

WARM WINTER COATS. High Grade, but Not High Priced. \$10.00 to \$35.00. Men's Suits and O'Coats.

SUIT CASES IN BIG DEMAND. Local dealers in suit cases report a remarkable increase in the demand for suit cases since November 1st, 1917.

COPIING ON RED. BOYS' SUIT SPECIAL \$7.50. Men's Suits and O'Coats. THE BRENNAN STORE.

CHARLES A. STAYE HEADS WOODMEN. Charles A. Staye has been elected head of the Woodmen of the World lodge...

MANY A MAN IS JUDGED BY HIS STATIONERY. Well Printed Letterheads, Envelopes and Billheads Indicate A LIVE WIRE IN BUSINESS. "Perfect Printing" IS OUR MOTTO.

MASONIC ELECTION AND PRESENTATION. The annual meeting of Manchester Lodge No. 73 A. F. and A. M. took place at Odd Fellows hall Tuesday evening...

ANNIVERSARY SALE! Two years ago we began selling for Cash Only. Our only regret is that we did not begin before; not only for ourselves but also for our customers who are highly pleased with the plan.

READ CAREFULLY BUY LIBERALLY. These prices will not be seen in Manchester again for a long time. So Bring Your Basket, Pay Your Money and Carry Home Your Goods.

Table listing various grocery items and their prices, including coffee, tea, flour, and other household goods.

OUR MEAT DEPARTMENT. Our meat department will continue to carry the high grade quality of Beef, Lamb, Veal, Pork, etc. for which we have the reputation.

CITIZENS CASH GROCERY. O. F. TOOP, Proprietor, 841 Main Street, Telephone 17-3.

Salvation Army. The local corps Salvation Army officers and members alike are looking forward with much pleasure to the services which are listed at the Millard Park chapel...

VINOL MAKES GOOD BLOOD. Positive-Convincing Proof. Many so-called remedies for anemia are only so in name. Their makers are afraid to prove their claims by telling what their medicines contain.

Universal Tea Store. If You Want To Save Money Trade At Th Universal Tea Store. J. H. Williams, Prop.

Orford Hotel. William Walsh, Prop. Prompt and Efficient Service. EXCELLENT TABLE MODERATE RATES.

Richard G. Rich Agent. Fire Insurance. Automobile, Fire and Liability Insurance. Also Tobacco Insurance.

Meats and Groceries. J. H. WOODHOUSE & SON. 80 Spruce St. Goods Delivered by Automobile.

Real Estate and Insurance. R. E. CARNEY. Real Estate. House & Hale Bldg. So. Manchester.

WANTED. To list all classes of Real Estate and business propositions for sale. ROBERT M. REID.

FOR SALE. Fifty-one two-family houses, a number with one-half to two acres of land, at all prices, \$2,000 to \$5,000. A. H. SKINNER.

Something Wrong. If you've lost your zest for Christmas, Tell your love for all its cheer; If you scoff at gifts and giving...

Best Gifts of All. What Grandpa Knows. SOME folks say 'at Red Riding Hood she didn't live at all no go...

Fun In "Darts". "Darts" is a pleasant game for Christmas, but in it there enters such a degree of chance or enforced lack of skill that it is more or less unsatisfactory...

The Spirit of Christmas. CHRISTMAS is a time of cold, of weather bleak and winds wild. Never a flower, bold on field...

FOR EXPERT EYESIGHT TESTING AND THE BEST IN GLASSES SEE. H. E. Seaman COAL. Prompt Delivery is our motto.

REAL ESTATE AND ALL KINDS OF INSURANCE. R. J. SMITH. Bank Building, So. Manchester.

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The place of all places in which to buy a man's gift. Where you can choose from immense stocks and widest variety. Skilled salespeople qualified to advise if you're in doubt.

Ladies! Read this list—it represents a gift list pleasing and satisfying to all men, and every article is priced at House's value giving figures.

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| Neckwear | Suit Cases | Collar Bags |
| Shirts | Travel Cases | Mufflers |
| Pajamas | Umbrellas | Gloves |
| Hosiery | Belt | Hat |
| Bath Robe | Jewelry | Cap |
| House Coats | Suspenders | Suits |
| Maskinaws | Sweaters | Overcoats |
| Underwear | Hockey Caps | Raincoats |
| Shoes | Slippers | Moccasins |
| Rubbers | Arctics | Felt Boots |

STORE OPEN EVERY EVENING NEXT WEEK

C. E. House & Son Inc.

FOR

Baby's Christmas

Baby's Christmas should not be all toys. Some of the gifts should be useful and attractive for souvenirs of baby days.

Here are a few suggestions.

- STERLING SILVER AND PEARL RATTLES **\$1.25 to \$3.00**
 STERLING SILVER BABY SPOONS **\$1.00 to \$2.50**
 SILVER PLATED NICKEL CUPS **\$2.25 to \$4.00**
 SOLID GOLD RINGS SET WITH BIRTH STONES **\$1.00 to \$3.00**
 SOLID GOLD NECKLACES WITH HEART PENDANT **\$2.50 to \$6.00**
 SOLID GOLD AND GOLD FILLED BABY PINS **50c to \$2.00**
 STERLING SILVER ODD TEA SPOONS **For Each Year 85c up**

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Goods Bought Before Xmas Packed in Xmas Boxes

COATS COATS COATS

SPECIAL BARGAIN IN LADIES COATS

Saturday Only
Coats worth \$15 at **\$10.98**

LADIES COAT BARGAINS—\$15 values, while they last at \$13.75; \$25.00 values at \$22.00; \$32.50 values at \$25.00. These are all beautiful creations. DROP IN AND SEE THEM!

SWEATER COATS AND SLIP ONS—all colors, \$4.50 to \$9.50

SERGE DRESSES, many colors—\$12 values at \$9.98; \$16.50 values at \$13.75



Marjorie Quish of South Manchester has secured a position as watchman at Colts factory in Hartford. He begins his tour of duty each day at three o'clock in the afternoon and terminates same at eleven o'clock at night. Marjorie is a brick mason and at this season there is not much doing in that line of work hereabouts. Consequently he had to cast about to find something else to do meanwhile until the robins nest again. His present employment is not subject to the vagaries of heat, cold, rain, snow, gale, sleet or any other condition. The guards are on duty at Colts factory during the 24 hours of each day making three shifts of eight hours to each tour of duty. The Colts manufacture munitions of war and the factory is being run steadily day and night at top pitch. The demand for the materials which they produce there is growing day by day. Marjorie is well pleased with the turn which affairs have taken in so far as the master of employment for him is concerned.

The regular monthly meeting of the W. F. M. S. society of the South Methodist church was held Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Charles Stenberg on Eldridge street.

Smile in Sheepskin Watch'd

WHILE shepherds watched their flocks by night, All seated on the ground, The angel of the Lord came down, And glory shone around.

"Fear not," said he, for mighty dread Has seized their troubled mind; Glad tidings of great joy I bring To you and all mankind.

"To you in David's town this day Is born of David's line The Saviour, who is Christ the Lord, And this shall be the sign:

"The heavenly Babe you there shall find To human view displayed, All meekly wrapped in swathing bands, And in a manger laid."

Thus spake the seraph, and forth with Appeared a shining throng Of angels praising God, who thus Addressed their joyful song:

"All glory be to God on high And to the earth be peace, Good will henceforth from heaven to men Begin and never cease."
—Kakum Tate.

Holiday Season Plants.

Among the red berried plants the most beautiful of all is the holly tree and shrubs from Holland; shapely arbutus, brilliant fruited the Jerusalem cherry trees, ostenia orange, ponderosa lemon trees, with their large fruits of dark and light yellow, and the holly little trailing plants, the partridge berries, grown in glass berry bowls, raised in America.

Where there are two or more young children Santa Claus plays of all sorts will occupy the pre-Christmas days.

The most popular and simplest one is that in which one child represents the beneficent saint and the rest of the family go to bed after hanging the stockings. The saint fills the stockings and makes what other preparations his imagination can compass, then usually becomes a child again and goes to bed himself, not wishing to be left out of the Christmas morning fun so soon to follow.

All Christmas stories may be dramatized. The story of Jacob, who set her shoe by the chimney and found a poor sparrow in the toe, will be acted out with as many embellishments as the story teller has been able to add.

There is a story of two children who awoke to find Santa Claus in their room. They accompanied him to the play.

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Are you among the fortunate number who have completed their Christmas purchases and have them all neatly and daintily wrapped and labeled and placed in a large box or a drawer to await the proper moment when they are to be started on their way by mail, messenger or, perchance, personal delivery? If you are not, what are you doing with the little gift which you purchase or complete each day and add to the growing pile? Are you carefully wrapping each one after including a pretty Christmas greeting card with soft white or gaily decorated Christmas paper? One cannot help but feel that these little remembrances which are received, all thoughtfully and artistically wrapped with a bit of holly or poinsettia paper and bound with red, green, white or holly ribbon and closely labeled and sealed with the numerous attractive little stickers which come for this purpose, mean more in their detail of taste and care than all the handsome and wonderful gifts which time and money can produce without these final touches. Then make the offering as simple and as inexpensive as you choose, but if you would convey to your friend an atmosphere of thought and remembrance take a little time each day to complete the arrangement for each friend, and the other gifts. Not only will the preparation of the gifts take on an additional interest to you, but it will make the last days of haste and excitement and busy work seem to slip into the past and the gift giving will be all the more joyous and satisfying.

Wrapping the Gifts

Four Ancient Christmas Carols

THE ancient Christmas carol "Holy Night" is German in its origin and is considered by many persons to be the most beautiful of all Christmas carols. It has sometimes been ascribed to Martin Luther, but the consensus of expert opinion is that it is much older than his time and is one of the oldest of German folk songs.

The carol "O! Bed Ye Merry, Gentlemen," is English in its origin and dates back to about the beginning of the seventeenth century, although the author of the words and the composer of the music are unknown. The fine old melody sung to this poem possesses all the best qualifications of an sterling hymn tune and will probably last as long as the verses with which it is always associated.

Originally the old carol was sung in polyphonic harmony with the melody placed in the tenor, as was the invariable custom of the seventeenth century. Modern transcriptions of it, however, have placed the melody in the upper voice part instead of the third voice part, as formerly. This carol, too, is one of the most popular and most beautiful in the entire range of Christmas music.

The carol "Draw Nigh, Immanuel," is one of the oldest pieces of coherent music in existence, and both the words and music are antedate any of the others. The music is an old French melody, dated from the thirteenth century, although, of course, it has been harmonized to conform with more modern standards.

There is a most curious but beautiful musical effect at the close of this carol. The words of "Draw Nigh, Immanuel" are about 100 years older than the music, being taken from the Mozarabic breviary of the twelfth century, and it is generally believed that they were taken from the liturgy of the early Christians at Toledo, Spain, where the Mozarabic breviary was formulated.

Another carol, "The First Noel," is a traditional French melody and probably originated in Breton, although the exact origin of this fine old song is somewhat in doubt.

CHRISTMAS PLAYS IN THE HOME THEATER.

The dramatic instinct is strong in most children and should be encouraged, says Mrs. Blanche Cole Rosefield in the New York Evening Sun. To the young child his exercise serves to whip away many rainy hours; to the older child it can be made a source of inspiration to noble deeds and a means of gratifying the longing for romance and the desire for adventure.

Where there are two or more young children Santa Claus plays of all sorts will occupy the pre-Christmas days.

The most popular and simplest one is that in which one child represents the beneficent saint and the rest of the family go to bed after hanging the stockings. The saint fills the stockings and makes what other preparations his imagination can compass, then usually becomes a child again and goes to bed himself, not wishing to be left out of the Christmas morning fun so soon to follow.

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GRANDMA'S CHRISTMAS



WHEN GRANDMA WAS A GIRL

Lis Fits Them All. "She has many tools, but a lie is the handle which fits them all."—Hodmes.

A Letter To Mothers, Wives, Daughters, Sisters and Sweethearts

No doubt you are making plans for a Christmas of service-able gifts.

This year, more than ever before, women realize that the "happy selection" can be found among the most practical things

For the man at home, in training or at the front, no more acceptable gift can be found than those on display at our Christmas Exposition of Useful Gifts.

Of course it is quite impossible for us to mention all the splendid things we have for men. But they are here in profusion for your selection.

Will you come and see these things that men like—from the store which they approve. An early selection has many advantages.

George W. Smith

"STYLE HEADQUARTERS"—Where Society Brand Clothes Are Sold

GIFT SUGGESTIONS FOR MOTORISTS

And Other Members of The Family
Our Big Store in the New Johnson Block is well supplied with gift suggestions suitable for your motorist friends. Also for other members of the family.
Come in and Look Around Anyway.

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| Skates | Motorcycles |
| Flash Lights | Auto Bikes |
| Batteries | Auto Tires |
| Bicycles | Weed Chains |
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A Gift For The Whole Family

Why not purchase a CROW-ELKHART Automobile and give the entire family the joy of auto riding throughout the year?

Prompt Attention Given

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Madden Brothers

New Johnson Block South Manchester
Auto Tire Service Station
Motorcycles and Bicycles Auto Supplies

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Daily Thought: "The eye of the ape is more for fraternity than for charity."—Henry D. Chappin.

Worth While Christmas Gifts That Can Be Bought For Less Than A Dollar

NOTHING IN THIS LIST OVER \$2.00

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| TOBACCRETTES..... | 49c, 75c, \$1.25 etc. |
| BOOK BLOCKS..... | \$1.25, \$1.50 \$2.00 |
| CANDLE STICKS..... | 90c, \$1.25 |
| WASTE BASKETS..... | 90c, \$1.25 |
| FLOWER BASKETS..... | 90c, \$1.25 |
| UMBRELLA JARS..... | \$2.00 |
| SMOKERS STANDS..... | 98c |
| MAGAZINE STANDS..... | \$1.50 |
| PICTURES..... | 35c, 75c, \$1.49 |
| SERVING TRAYS..... | \$1.49 \$1.69 |
| BUD VASES..... | \$1.75 |
| PLAYER PIANO ROLLS..... | 35c, 75c, etc. |
| CARD TABLES..... | \$1.69 |
| BORSIE TODDLERS..... | \$2.50 |
| CHILDRENS CHAIRS..... | \$1.75 |
| OPONDAR MOPS..... | \$1.25 |
| SUIT CASES..... | 69c, \$1.50 etc. |
| COFFEE PERCOLATORS..... | \$1.75 |
| FRAMED MIRRORS..... | \$1.35 |
| CHILD COSTUMERS..... | \$1.50 |
| FULL SIZE COSTUMERS..... | \$1.98 |
| PEDESTALS..... | \$1.98 |
| VICTOR RECORDS..... | 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25, etc. |

Three more people may join our Christmas Player Piano Club. Will you be one to take advantage of the saving?

Manchester Must Have 6,000 New Red Cross Members. Enroll Today and Back Up Those Who Serve.



Don't Forget The Victrola

You can search the world over and not find a more acceptable gift. Victrolas, as you know, come in a number of models, priced to suit any purse. \$20, \$30, \$45, \$57.50, \$85, \$110, \$165, etc.

Any of these instruments will be delivered to your home the day before Christmas for a small first deposit.

Watkins Brothers Inc.

CAPTAIN SULLIVAN ON FURLOUGH
Captain Daniel J. Sullivan has come to South Manchester for a month's furlough. He is presently stationed at Camp Jackson, South Carolina. This fort is located about four miles outside of Columbia, the capital of the state. Captain Sullivan is in the 1st Division. He expects that the command will remain there for the winter, at least. Captain Sullivan arrived in South Manchester Wednesday evening. He intends to spend most of his official leave of absence in this place. He is to pay a visit to the parents of Father Bannon in Providence, R. I. Father Bannon is captain of Knights of Columbus work at Camp Jackson.

At a meeting of The Daughters of Britain Circle held last Tuesday evening, the committee having the recent entertainment, sale and dance in charge reported. It was found that returns were received, all bills paid, and the handsome sum of \$300 over and above all expenses was realized as a result of that pleasant event. The members of the circle were delighted with the fine success which waited upon their efforts. While they were enthusiastically impressed with the belief that they could clear a nice purse of money from the effort, their most sanguine expectations were far outstripped. The public responded to their appeal generously and they are delighted beyond their power of expression with the fine success achieved.

Pleanty of Cash For Christmas
Cheeny Brothers are paying their

visit a trail of ten inches of snow and furnishing us with the first real sleighing of the season. Captain Sullivan is being cordially greeted by many friends in South Manchester.

help today and will finish the task tomorrow, thus allowing plenty of cash for the Christmas expenses. They paid their help a bonus last week. This added to the regular pay which is now being distributed will spread gladness and prosperity among their operatives. Then too the local bank distributed this week some \$40,000 among the many men and women who have been making weekly deposits for this purpose in the bank during the past year. Taken all in all the supply of ready cash among the people of South Manchester this Christmas is far above the average. Another feature of this event is the fact that wages generally are higher here now than ever in the history of this place.

It is customary for Cheeny Brothers to pay their help their wages Mondays and Tuesday of each week. Because of the fact that next Tuesday will be Christmas Day, the mills are to be closed from tomorrow noon until next Wednesday morning. This fact will also give those so inclined ample opportunity to make visits to relatives in other places and thus add more delights to their Christmas celebration.

Red Cross Members 7717 FOR \$500 PRIZE

GOOD CHANCE TO WIN MEMBERSHIP REWARD IF ALL HELP

Great Enthusiasm Felt Among Workers. Public Appeal in Behalf of Our Own Soldier Boys. We have Men, Women and Money

Up to 1 o'clock this afternoon the total number of Red Cross members secured was 7,717. This includes the 3,600 members enrolled last spring. Three and one-half more days remain before the campaign ends, as it will come to a close Christmas Eve.

The determination Manchester's Red Cross workers to capture that \$500 a month state prize was more than ever apparent when the daily reports were turned in this noon. There was a gathering of men and women who meant business at the War Bureau office in the Persh block from 10:30 to 1 o'clock today. Optimism was the predominant note, and the atmosphere was charged with the spirit of occupation. Everybody expressed the conviction that Manchester will give Massachusetts and Bristol, two dangerous competitors, the big goot battle of their young lives.

The fact that the prize is \$500 monthly during the term of the war, the fact that the major part of the sum can be spent on Manchester's soldier boys, is a big factor in securing the whole hearted cooperation of the whole townpeople in the contest.

COMMITTEE ISSUES APPEAL
An appeal was issued today by the campaign committee of the local chapter of the Red Cross, directed to the citizens of Manchester and calling attention to the chance to win the \$500 prize for the soldiers. "Think of the wonderful things we could do for our Manchester boys," says the appeal, "the boys who are 'over there' and the boys who will 'go over there.' If we don't make sure of winning the \$500 a month prize. Are you willing to do your bit? Then see that every member of your family and all of your friends are enrolled in the Red Cross. All that you need is a dollar and a good heart. Be patriotic and support our boys who are giving their lives to serve you and their country. Your dollar may bring the prize to Manchester, and may bring your boy or your friend back to you."

Under this heading the committee states in its announcement: "Manchester has over 11,000 citizens who are not members of the Red Cross. Are YOU one of that number? Yes? Then change quickly. Join the Red Cross today, and serve here if not in the trenches. Of course you are willing to do your bit. Think of the comforts which that \$500 per month will bring our Manchester soldier boys who are fighting for us. If we can win this prize for them, their clothing, gas, tobacco, reading matter, luxuries; let's win it! Everybody help! Now all together! Ever the line for that \$500 prize."

THE TEAMS
Following is a list of the captains and team members:
Team No. 1—Miss Edna Cheeny, captain; Mrs. Samuel Gordon, Mrs. N. E. Richards, Mrs. Wm. Alvord, Mrs. Lettrey, Miss Myrtle Wood.

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Coal Mine Found at Grass Roots.
A four-foot seam of coal, eight feet below the surface and only 30 feet from the main line of the United States railroad in Alaska has been discovered at Mine 175, not far from Seward.

FORTUNATE WILL BE THE WOMAN WHO WILL RECEIVE ONE OF THESE GIFTS OF "FURS" THAT HAVE JUST ARRIVED FROM THE HEART OF FASHIONDOM
Styler are so exclusive, smart and new, and the quality so rare—"really the choice selection of the market"—a gift of this nature is bound to cause unlimited comment. A really truly gift at a very economical figure.
FINEST AMERICAN FOX SCARFS in Black and Taupe at \$25, \$27.50 and \$29.50
FINEST TAUPE FOX SCARFS at \$22.50 to \$32.50
BROWN FOX SCARFS Very Special at \$11.98
SIBERIAN WOLF SCARFS Black and Taupe at \$8.98 to \$15.98
RACoon SETS Fine Fur at \$27 and \$38.50
RACoon MUFFS at \$8.50
RACoon SCARFS at \$13.75 to \$25
WOLF MUFFS at \$8.98 to 16.50
NUTRIA MUFFS at \$9.50 and \$10.98

COLLARETTES and CAPES \$9.98 to \$25
MUSKRAT COATS A Lasting Gift That Conveys True Personal Greetings \$72.50 & \$79.50
CHILDREN'S FUR SETS at \$4.98 \$6.98 \$7.98 up to \$13.75
An Alluring Dainty Waists Specially Selected For "Gift Givers"
In there anything more serviceable or more appreciated by a woman than a GIFT of a dainty smart looking waist. It's a reasonable priced "Gift De Luxe", always accepted with a smile of genuine satisfaction.
Our knowledge of the "MARKET OF QUALITY", has secured for us this season a collection of stunning waists, in such an array of charming styles—we're sure their beauty will really charm you. Temptingly low priced too. Read each item carefully.
WHITE LINGERIE WAISTS \$1.19 \$1.25 and \$1.96
ALLOVER LACE and CHIFFON WAISTS in all white and combination of colors. Special at \$2.98
STRIPED TAFFETA WAISTS just received a shipment of new shades \$5 Values. Special at \$4.50
CREPE-de-CHINE WAISTS—Tailored and fancy models. High or low neck at \$2.98 and \$3.98
GEORGETTE CREPE WAISTS Dainty Holiday Styles at \$4.98 and \$5.98

MAKE THIS A RED CROSS CHRISTMAS JOIN AT THE BOOTH IN THIS STORE

Two Shopping Days--Then Christmas

Our Christmas Trade has been the biggest in our history. We anticipated this, however, by large purchases of suitable gift articles. You will still find stocks of gift articles here and we will mark many at big reductions for the closing hours before Christmas.

Muslin Underwear
Most desirable as gifts for Ladies, our muslin underwear is of fine quality, daintily trimmed and packed in holly gift boxes.
White Muslin Shirts \$1 to \$3.98
White Muslin Gowns \$1 to \$2.98
White Muslin Drawers \$1 to \$2.98
White Muslin Corset Covers 25c to \$1.25
Crupe de Chine—Satin Camisoles \$1 to \$1.50

Ivory Novelties
Ivory Toilet Sets from \$1.98 to \$7.98
Ivory Manicure Sets \$1 to \$7.98
Ivory Comb and Brush Sets \$1 to \$3.98
Ivory Clocks \$1.98 to \$3.98
Ivory Candelsticks \$1.25 pair
Ivory Handled Manicure Implements 25c—50c
Ivory Buffers \$1.25 to \$1.50
Men's Ivory Toilet Sets \$1 to \$7.98

Handkerchiefs
Children's Handkerchiefs, 10c to 25c box
Ladies Handkerchiefs \$1 to \$1.50
Ivory Picture Frames, Hair Receivers, Pin Cushions, Puff Boxes, Vases, Watch Holders, Hair Brushes, Mirrors and a variety of other articles at low prices.

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