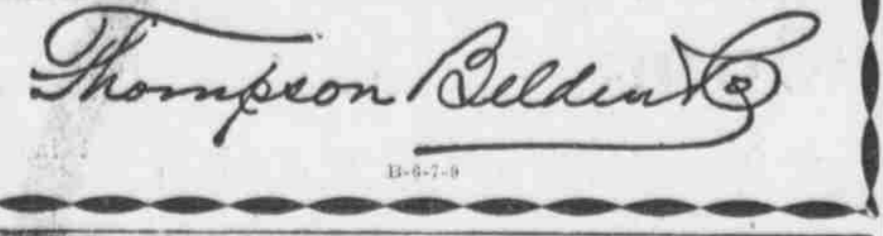


Just Received--The Latest New Models and Fabrics in Man-Tailored Skirts. Individuality in make and exclusiveness in fabric, by reason of a pretty sideband effect of silk embroidery on a fine imported wool taffeta. Light in weight, will not muss or hold the dust, in five pretty new shades. See them Wednesday.

We Make Petticoats to Order. Select any material you like. We have it tailored to your individual measure. Just Received More Real Chamoisette Gloves. Just received another shipment of "Kaysen's Real Chamoisette Gloves". A two-clasp fabric glove with chamois finish. Popular and practical for summer. All sizes, per pair, 50c.



NO EFFECT ON RATE STATUS Advent Into Northwest of Milwaukee Will Not Disturb Situation.

AGREEMENT MADE BEFOREHAND Amicable Relations Established with Hill and Harriman Fortify New Road from Fire of Powerful Western Kings.

The advent of the Milwaukee road into the northwest will have no effect on the rate situation, as the road will make no effort to touch under the rates of the Harriman and Hill lines, it is announced.

An agreement has been reached between these interests. It is understood this is a part of the agreement by which the St. Paul will use the Hill lines in several places and also in accordance of an agreement of sale of several stretches of track by the Hill lines to the Milwaukee.

The Milwaukee might have gone into the new territory and secured an immense amount of business by cutting the rates, but that no such purpose exists on the part of the Milwaukee seems certain, and it now looks as though the Milwaukee was to maintain friendly relations with the Hill and Harriman lines.

HILL LOOKS FOR LOTS OF WHEAT Calls In All Extra Freight Cars to Haul Northwest Crop.

Hill lines in the north are preparing for the movement of a bumper crop of wheat this fall and to that end are calling in all of their freight cars now on foreign lines. Freight cars not in use are being overhauled. Officials say they are looking for a big crop and expect to have every possible car in readiness for the business.

Contracts for Torpedo Boats. WASHINGTON, June 8.—The following companies were today awarded contracts to build one torpedo boat destroyer each: Bath Iron works at \$60,000; New York Shipbuilding company, \$68,000; William Cramp & Sons, \$67,500; Newport News Shipbuilding company, \$68,000. The Fore River Shipbuilding company also will be awarded a contract for one at \$64,000.

--now then! Boys' Wash Suits --here's the weather--you have the boys--we have the suits. Ours are the famed "Premier" brand suits--very stubborn garments--they WONT fade, WILL wash, and keep RESISTING wear until the very end.

"Eye Catchers," every one of them--energetic, youthful models that put tinkle and style into fellows 2 to 9 years old. Blue and white and tan and brown stripes, tans, etc., in Galateas, Linens, Mercerized materials and so on Good and roomy cuts. Russian Blouse styles, ages 2 to 6 years, and in Sailor styles, sizes 5 to 9 years, \$2, \$2.50, \$2.75, \$3 and \$3.50. \$1.45 for Boys' Wash Suits Worth \$2.50

Send for New Catalog THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S OWN STORE BENSON & THORNE CO. See This Showing of Suits

UNEARTH BLACK HAND GANG Important Arrests Made by Postoffice Inspectors in Ohio. HEADQUARTERS AT MARION Bands Blackmatted Wealthy Sicilians and Secured Large Sums--Leader of Gang is in Custody.

CINCINNATI, June 8.—In several arrests made in Columbus, Marion and Dennison, this state, today, local federal inspectors and detectives who worked in conjunction with them in the case believe they have unearthed the biggest and best organized branch of the black hand in this country. Marion, O., being probably the head of the organization, Chief Postoffice Inspector Charles Holmes of this city, who is in charge of the work which has resulted in the arrests so far made, is authority for the statement that evidence has been obtained showing that the gang operating from Marion and with lines reaching into a number of big cities of the country, have fleeced different persons in this and other states out of thousands of dollars in the last few months by the application of black hand methods.

TONIGHT Inspector Holmes said he was expecting word from Bellefontaine, O., of two more arrests. These two, he said, would be of equal or greater importance than those already made. Inspector Holmes says that the gang which conducted its operations from Marion was composed of Italians and worked exclusively upon their countrymen. He has obtained evidence that as late as two weeks ago they sent from the Marion postoffice money orders aggregating \$1,300 to confederates in Italy, this being the division of blackmatted funds in one case. Many such bits of evidence, it is claimed, are in possession of the inspectors.

TONIGHT Inspector Holmes said: "The proof we have found against the Marion gang convinces us that they have worked their game successfully on many Italians, principally well to do Sicilians. We have not found where they went after an American. They must be business when they made demands for money. If their demands were ignored they resorted to the bomb, either to bring their victim to time or to average a persistent refusal to submit to blackmail."

Arrests in Three Towns. The arrests were made simultaneously today in the three towns. After a search of six months for the man who sent threatening letters to John Amelon, a fruit dealer of Columbus, O., demanding \$15,000, the handwriting in the letters to Amelon is identical with that in the letters received by Antonio Rizzo, a fruit dealer of Cincinnati, who died several weeks ago after refusing to give the demand of a "black hand" letter to give up \$1,000 or forfeit his life. He died soon after eating a banana given him by a stranger.

Dynamite and Fuses. It was on January 1, last, that Amelon's wife found at the door of their home in Columbus, O., a box containing dynamite and fuses and tacked on the outside a "black hand" note demanding \$15,000 and threatening death if payment was not made. The money was to be paid at the "black hand" rendezvous in Pittsburg. The case was turned over to the government secret service and later given to the postoffice inspectors. The Amelons received almost weekly demands for money. Acting in harmony with government officers, the Pittsburg (Pa.) police recently

ST. LOUIS BALLOON WINS University City Lands on Lookout Mountain Sunday. IN AIR TWENTY-SIX HOURS Aeronauts Figure that They Covered 375 Hours--Exact Whereabouts of Indiana Unknown.

ST. LOUIS, June 8.—Confident in the belief that he is the winner of the national balloon race which began in Indianapolis Saturday afternoon, John Berry, pilot of the balloon "Indiana," arrived home tonight, accompanied by his wife, E. J. McCullough. The balloon landed on Free Stone peak of Lookout mountain, Alabama, at 7 o'clock Sunday evening. Mr. Berry was in the air twenty-six hours and thirty-five minutes and he figures he covered 375 miles.

INDIANAPOLIS, June 8.—Although many conflicting reports have been received concerning the landing of the balloon "Indiana," which entered the national race here Saturday, it is believed that the local aeronauts, Carl Fisher and Captain G. L. Bumbaugh, have been defeated by the balloon University City. This balloon originally was reported to have sought the south at Blanche, Tenn., 325 miles from Indianapolis. Fisher, who wired tonight that he had landed six miles southeast of Fort Payne, Ala. This is 370 miles from Indianapolis and if proven to be the correct landing place, probably will give the long distance prize to Berry and McCullough.

Prof. Foster Defends Book He Says He is Defending Church from Its Most Potent Enemies. CHICAGO, June 8.—"It was to save the church, to defend it from its most potent enemies, that I wrote the things which have angered my fellow members in the Baptist faith. I had no thought of creating discord, but I saw a great exigency, to face which successfully the church must cast aside the baggage which it has brought down from the unenlightened ages while keeping the essence of true religion."

Cloudburst at Underwood, S. D. Report that Town Was Flooded and Number of People Drowned. RAPID CITY, S. D., June 8.—It is reported that several people were drowned at Underwood, S. D., today, after a town had been flooded by a cloudburst. Great damage was done to property.

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SHRINERS BEGIN Actual Work Membership of Organization Increases Thirteen Thousand During Year. LOUISVILLE, Ky., June 8.—Drilling and marching in process here today by a rain at dusk engaged nobles of the Mystic Shrine today at the thirty-fifth annual session.

THE IMPERIAL council, amid the spectacular features of today, managed to hold an important session, at which James Wemington Boyle, potentate of Ziyra temple, Utica, N. Y., was made a member emeritus ad vitam, an honor which has been conferred on only four other men in the history of the Shrine.

A committee was appointed today by Imperial Potentate Edwin I. Alderman of Cedar Rapids, Ia., to report on a choice of city for 1910 tomorrow. Drills all afternoon in the First regiment armory by the various patrols, dressed in oriental finery, provided entertainment for thousands. Islam crack patrol of San Francisco, was a notable participant.

TONIGHT the most remarkable parent in the history of shrinism was held. All the crack patrols were in line. The Imperial council was told by Mr. Alderman in his address that the membership of the Shrine is 140,000, an increase of 13,000 in the last year.

It was declared tonight that George K. Street of Richmond, Va., may, not as is the custom, move up from imperial deputy potentate to imperial potentate. There are other candidates.

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Elite Cloak Co. 1517 FARNAM ST. June Clearance Sale of Women's Spring Apparel

A great sale, planned to radically reduce our large stock of finely tailored spring suits, tailored skirts and our entire stock of silk dresses—all temptingly priced for Wednesday shoppers.

Money to Loan On residence or business properties. No commission charged. Funds on hand. No delay in closing loans. All loans are repayable in monthly installments, or one hundred dollars of principal may be repaid at any time without notice, thereby stopping interest at once on the amount so repaid.

Coats and Pants to Measure \$20 Remember the story of the farmer who walked three around the camel and then declared, "There ain't any such animal!" Well, that stubborn incredulity reminds us of the man who reads our ad statements that we make two piece suits to order for \$20 and give a perfect fit, good linings and good work--and then, without investigating, says we can't do it.

CHURCH MERGER KNOCKED OUT Supreme Court of Missouri Decides Suit in Favor of Cumberland Adherents. JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., June 8.—The Missouri supreme court today held that the general assembly of the Cumberland Presbyterian church had no authority to unite with the Presbyterian church in the United States of America, without first amending its creed and constitution. As this was not done the court decided in favor of the Cumberland adherents a suit involving church property at Warrensburg, Mo.

OLD EMPLOYE IS SHORT Head Bookkeeper of New Haven Bank Charged with Taking \$40,000. NEW HAVEN, Conn., June 8.—Charged with having taken funds of the bank, Frederick H. Brigham, head bookkeeper of the Merchants National bank, this city, was arrested today. The amount named in the charge is \$5,000, but it is said the shortage will reach \$40,000. Brigham is 47 years old and is married. He had been in the employ of the bank for eighteen years.

MOVEMENTS OF OCEAN STEAMSHIPS. PHILADELPHIA, June 8.—The American-Hawaiian Steamship company has contracted with the Pennsylvania Steel company for the construction of three steamships of 3,000 tons each at a cost of \$1,750,000. These vessels will form an addition to the fleet maintained by the American-Hawaiian company on the Pacific ocean, and will ply between the United States and Hawaii.

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BASE BALL OMAHA vs. DES MOINES June 9, 10, 11, 12 VINTON STREET PARK. BURWOOD The Big MOVING PICTURES, \$5,000 ILLUSTRATED SONGS, 10c ORGAN 1 to 5; 7 to 11 p. m. New Program Sunday and Thursday. AIR DOME HILLMAN STOCK CO. The Miller's Daughter NEXT WEEK--A MAN OF MYSTERY.