THE OMAHA SUNDAY BEE: DECEMBER 21, 1915 Boy Suicide, His Girl-Wife, and Chorus Girl He Loved WHO KILLED SELF Wonderful Winter Constellation

**RANCHER TELLS OF LOW PRICES IN AUSTRALIA** Surprised That Omaha Banker Fears to Hurt Trade by **Reducing Living** 

South Side

Cost.

While Americans are paying the highest prices on record for shoes, leather goods and other commodities in wearing apparel, including woolen clothing, Australian markets are glutted with hides, beef products and wool, according to Charles Blanchard, a cattleman of Mel-

bourne, Australia. Mr. Blanchard is said to own one of the largest cattle ranches in the world, covering several thousand acres and pasturing several hundred thousand head of livestock, includ-ing horses, cattle and sheep. For the purpose of investigating the live stock industry of the United States. he is making a tour of the various stock yards and with a party of friends visited the local yards Satur

Prices Here Astounding.

He said he was astounded at the prices that prevail in this country, and gave several examples of the difference in this country and his. "I noticed in some of the shop

windows of Omaha shoes priced at \$12 to \$17 a pair. In Australia the he loved another. markets are glutted with cattle and \$2 of your money.

### Suits Cost \$25.

"I paid five pounds, nearly \$25, for the suit I am wearing and I am told the price in Onisha would be \$75, while I can get similar suits yet in Australia for \$25. The price of liv-ing in Australia is about half of what it is here. Crops are all reported excellent with the exception of wool, which will be a little less than last year."

Questioned why Australia did not export goods to the United States, he said the British government had commandeered all staples and were

shipping them to England. "I was surprised to see in one of your local newspapers a statement of a banker that he did not think it advisable to attempt to cut the cost of living until after the holidays as

**Rides With Husband** On Truck All Day in



Central figures in tragic love triangle: .

Carl Pratt, 19 years old, who ended his life by swallowing pol-son after he had told his young wife

Ruth Mondeau, burlesque show bides and one can buy a pair of shoes for a song, compared with prices over here. I have bought many boots for cowboys on my ranch for 11 shillings a pair-about the dead youth had told his wife he

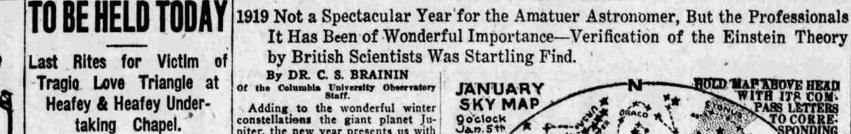
Mrs. Carl Pratt, nee Beulah Johnson, who offered her husband his Mes. Carl Pratt. freedom when she learned of his love for another.

Mayor Will Appear in Role of Santa Claus At Omaha City Mission

The Omaha City mission just had have a Santa Claus. Mayor Smith is it. Miss Mary E. Anthony, superin-

tendent of the mission, nominated the mayor and he won. Not that the mission couldn't find any one but the mayor for the role of Santa it might disturb the market. That is the spirit I find prevails too much, in my opinion, in this coun-try. Bankers and others do not want to disturb the present system of robbery of the people."

tivities this year are expected to break all records, both in attendance Truck All Day in Fear of World's End



It Has Been of Wonderful Importance-Verification of the Einstein Theory by British Scientists Was Startling Find. By DR. C. S. BRAININ of the Columbia University Observatory Staff.

Adding to the wonderful winter constellations the giant planet Jupiter, the new year presents us with

Funeral services for Carl E. Pratt, years old, who took his own life that including Orion, Sirius and Friday night because his sweetheart, their near neighbors, will be found occupying the southeastern quarter of the sky, from zenith to horizon. Not less than seven first-magnitude Ruth Mondeau, burlesque show girl, refused to promise to write to him, will be held at 2 this afternoon at the Heafey & Heafey chapel, 2611 Farnam street. Rev. Charles W. Savidge will officiate and a choir will remarkable members of the heavensing. Burial will be in West Lawn ly host.

emetery. Very close to the zenith at map The youth swallowed three ounces of carbolic acid and died 10 minutes time will be seen the pure white Capella, whose light resembles closely that of our own sun. Orion, the ater.

Pratt, who leaves a pretty little 17-year-old wife, Beulah, had told Great Hunter, is easily recognized, with his sword belt lying parallel :0 her of his love for the other woman, the horizon. Extended to the west, the line of the three equally spaced helt stars points toward the con-stellation of Taurus, the Bull, conand bade his mother, Mrs. Anna Monder, 301 North Sixteenth street, goodby, and stepped to the sidewalk taining the first-magnitude star where he drank the poison. Miss Mondeau, who formerly lived Aldebaran and also the famous litin Omaha, and who is now connecttle cluster of the Pleiades; extended ed with the Harry Hasting burlesque to the east, it points almost exactly show, which ended a week's engagement at the Gayety theater Friday night, yesterday told police the reason for Pratt's suicide.

tor and Pollux.

the horizon at map time, is Regu-

Buys Carbolic Acid.

Pratt secured the poison from the Schaeffer drug store at Sixteenth and Chicago streets, telling the clerk he wanted the carbolic acid for antiseptic use. A few minutes later he fell to the walk in front of the store in his death agony. The little 17-year-old widow ac-cepted the death of her husband

philosophically yesterday morning as she started to the undertaking parlors to which the body was re-

moved. "I still love him," sobbed Miss Mondeau at the railroad station yesterday morning, where she was awaiting the train to carry her to position for observation. Kansas City to rejoin her show. Between her tears she expressed her desire to forget the entire tragedy,

Victims Is Left in

only one of twenty victims of the wreck on the Northwestern railroad

ing the journey that was interrupted. Mrs. Bowder's injuries have proved to be much less serious than box in which he is safely reposing. At the "wanton" destruction by but that the injuries were confined Wyandotte county officers, Kansas City, Kan., police and state officials. of liquor taken in raids by the state injuries. It is expected she will be Stars are unequal in mass and brightness, the larger of the two be-ing twice as big and 20,000 times as brightness the smaller. was at first thought to be. The

HOLD MAP ABOVE HEAD WITH ITS COM JANUARY SKY MAP PASS LETTERS TO CORRE go'clock Jan. 5th So'clo. Jan. MAGNITUDES Phases Full M.51 Last Qr.12th #1st. #204 DJUPITER NewM. 21st 15t Qr. 2814

toward Sirius, the Great Dog Star, standing of the sidereal universe this country, and no large comets or which is now well above the hori- which surrounds us. About 1820 builtions are an area of the surrounds us. brilliant novae appeared. To the zon. Northeast of Sirius is the Lesser Dog Star, Procyon, and far-ther north and higher above the this deduction was verified in 1862 professional astronomer it has, however, been a year of the greatest importance. Many excellent researches horizon are the heavenly twins, Cas- by the actual discovery of the double have been finished and published, among others a series by H. Shape-ley of Mt. Wilson, in which the dis-tances of many of the farthest ob-"nature of Sirius with a large tele-Far into the northeast, just above scope.

## The Sun and Planets.

lus, the Royal Star, of the group of The earth will be in peribelion Leo, the Lion. Jupiter is above Regulus in the sky and is much this month, i. e., it will pass through the brighter; it twinkles noticeably that point in its orbit which is nearless than Regulus, if at all, and can est the sun. This will occur on the thus be distinguished from the lat-ter. In the west, on the other hand, by eastern standard time It may we have now lost for some months seem strange that we should be to come the three first-magnitude freezing with the sun nearest to us. stars, Vega, Altair and Deneb, which but as we have previously pointed makes a fine triangle; the Great out in this column, the difference Square in Pegasus is still in good between our distance at peribelion and aphelion is very small, for the Sirius, the Brightest Star. earth's orbit is very nearly circular. Sirius is the very brightest of all whereas the important factors in producing the seasons are the fixed stars; of the common celestial objects only the sun, moon and height reached by the sun in the three of the planets exceed its bril-liancy. Note also the beautiful blue-lengths of day and night; and these white color of its light. In actual are favorable to the northern hemislight-emitting power, or luminosity, phere when the earth is in the it is equal to 48 of our suns. We aphelion half of its orbit.

Two planets are evening stars this also know its distance with good ac-The Bluffs Hospital light-years; its light, traveling at the former will be found on the map; the latter is not yet risen/at map takes that many years to reach us. time in the earlier days of the month. Mrs. Lillian M. Bowden is the Its actual mass, or the amount of but will cross the horizon somewhat matter which it contains, is about later and so must be looked for at a 34 times that of the sun. later hour. Venus is a morning star

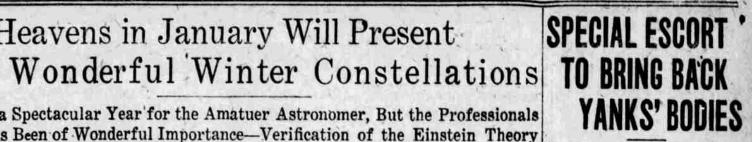
Another interesting fact about and will continue such the entire at Missouri Valley, Friday, to remain in Mercy hospital, Council Bluffs. All others have been discharged and sent to their homes or are continueven in a small telescope, is really ning the rest of the year. Neptune, a star system of two components, the furthest planet from the sun, is 1,800,000,000 miles apart, and re-volving about each other in orbits that it appears as a star just about completed in 49 years. The two on the limit of visibility stars are unequal in mass and

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Service

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Ex-Sergeant of Kentucky, Whose Deeds Rank With Those of Sergeant York, Is Chosen.

Washington, Dec. 20.-Forme Sergeant Willie Sandlin of Hyden Ky., today was appointed special es-cort for the return of soldier deac from overseas by Secretary Bakes on recommendation of Major Gen-eral Rogers. Sergeant Sandlin was selected for the post becaud of hit selected for the post because of his unusual record in the world war Unofficially he ranks next to Ser-geant York in his exploits against the enemy, being credited with kill-ing 24 Germans and wounding and capturing many more.

Sandlin was awarded the medaof honor, the French Croix de Guerre and the medal militaire of Belgium for "conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity above and beyond the call of duty in action with the enemy at Pois de Forges, September 26, 1918.

Sergeant Sandlin advanced alone directly on a machine gun nest which was holding up the line with its fire. He killed the crew with a grenade and enabled the kine to advance. Later in the day Sergeant Sandlin attacked alone and put out of action two other machine gun nests, setting a splendid example of bravery and coolness to his men."

North Carolina Governor

the North Carolina state prison. "I am opposed to eternal punish-ment in this world," said the gov-ernor explaining his action. "The prison sentence depriving a man of

his freedom should not also deprive

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Streets.

jects of the universe have been esti-**Commutes All Life Terms** mated and startling and important Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 20.—Governor Bickett today issued an order com-muting to 30 years each the sen-tences of all life term prisoners in results concerning the shape of the universe and the distribution of matter within it found. But beyond all of the rest in im-

portance is the reported verification of the Einstein felatively theory by the British astronomers, who ob-served the eclipse of May 28-29. Unfortunately this does not permit of a simple explanation to the laytrary to all our established ideas of time and space. Originally a fairly artificial device for explaining cer-tain unsuccessful physical events ments, it has predicted that light in passing through the 'sun's gravita-tional field would be displaced by an angle twice that which the Newtonian system of physics would al-

low. If the present report prove true, our fundamental ideas of theoretical mechanics will have to be reformed. Practically no change will come, of course, for the deviations are measurable only in the tremendous reaches of space. Gravitation still holds its 'sway, for it is a force whose existence the relativity theory does not deny, but it may modify our accepted notions of its work-

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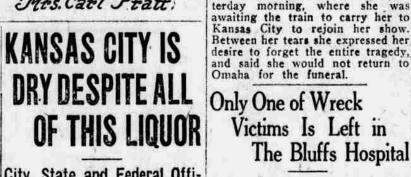
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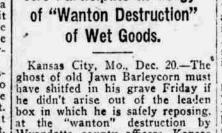
in our history. All articles advertised will

be on sale for three days.

This theory also is able to account for a certain movement of the Astronomy in 1919. The last year has not been a spec-acular year for the amateur as-



City, State and Federal Officers Participate In "Orgy"



**OF THIS LIQUOR** 

expected to be present.

It was best not to take a chance. if the world had blown up Wednesday, as scheduled, the wife of a South Side delivery truck driver was right on the job. She went to store where he was employed, and despite protestations rode with him all day.

In response to objections, she re-Lited her "articles of -faith" and "her bill of rights" according to which she figured that when the big "bust" came and the world was summoned to the judgment bar, there would be one awful mob and, she argued, if her husband was gathered to his fathers from some lace away over on the North Side, how would she and he ever get together again.

# Automobile Driver Gets Broken Ribs in

G. Ellis Commission Co., residing at 6325 South Thirty-sixth street. sustained two broken ribs and sey-ctal cuts on the face and head, as a result of colliding with a street car Friday evening at Thirty-third and Q streets. -sustained two broken ribs and sey-

O streets. Nice was driving home in an au-tomobile and is said to have run into the street car, while crossing Thirty-third street, side-swiping the car. He was given first aid by Police Surgeon Young and removed to his home. Nice said he lost control of his automobile and was unable to stop. Odd Fellows hall Wednesday at 2 p. m. The Ladles' Ald society of Lefter Me-morial church will hold a bazaar all day Monday at 4717 South Twenty-fourth street. The El-Ro-Win club will celebrate New Year's eve by giving a dance and card treets. The funeral of Walter J. McPhail, who led Wednesday at 3 from the home of C. C. Ryan, 1135 South Thirty-third street. The funeral of Mrs. Acnes Fatka, who

Stock Yards Employe Found Dead in Room by Landlady, Left Note Austin Pike, laborer, 32 years old, was found dead in his room, 6325 South Thirty-sixth street, by Mrs. Ella Olson, landlady, about 7 Friday evening. Police Surgeon Young

South Thirty-sixth street, by Mrs. Elia Olson, landlady, about 7 Friday evening. Police Surgeon Young was called and said the man had been dead an hour. "If anything happens to me notify my sister, Lottic Farthing, 197 In-dian Channel Road, Buffalo, N. Y.," were the contents of a note found on a dresser in Pike's room. The body was removed to the undertaking par-lors of G. H. Brewer and his sister notified of the death. Pike was em-notified of the death. Pike was and was received here Saturday of the ployed at the stock yards and was little known on the South Side.

# **Returned Soldier Jailed for** Alleged Beating of Wife

I. D. Sallee, employe of the Skinner Packing company, was sen-tenced to 15 days in jail in police court Saturday morning. He was convicted of creating a disturbance. The complaint was filed by Mrs. Louisa-Buck, 2540 Capitol avenue. Sallee is a returned soldier and it is alleged he had abused his child wife. The defendant pleaded with ludge The defendant pleaded with Judge Fitzgerald to be allowed to pay a fine, but his request was refused.

It is said that Hugo Bezdek can pilot the Pittsburgh Pirates again next season if he resigns as coach of the Penn State foot ball team.

Ward J. Burgess has donated a big Christmas tree and the bags of candy and nuts. The Junior club girls; under the direction of Miss Erma Reed, will have charge of the Christmas program and musical entertainment. following which the mayor will drape himself in sleighbells and cotton whiskers for the Santa finale.

Lea G. Kratz, director of music, will assist in the program.

Two national commissions are to be organized in the near future, one to govern boxing exhibitions and the other to keep the wrestling game right side up.

South Side Brevities

For Sale-Gas store, in good condition Scores of healthy canaries. Your choice. \$10. Frank Byers. Phone South 3801. eal stuff. Street Car Accident The Christmas program of the Leffer M. E. church will be given Sunday eve-

George Nice, yardman for the Guy M. Bloomquist

he destroyed wares:

Deer. Sixty-eight grips filled with as-

The funeral of Mrs. Agnes Fatka, who died Thursday evening, will be held Sun-day at 5 p. m., from Koriko Brothers' chapel to the Bohemian National cemeorted booze. One hundred and ninety-six suitcases of the same. Two thousand bottles of "white mule," "choc beer" and assorted

at hospitals.

liquors.

and costs News was received here Saturday of the marriage of Miss Nellie Alice Lints and Benjamin E. Olson at Magnet, Neh. De-cember 11. The bride is the youngest daughter of Anthony Lints, a former resi-dent of the South Side. The young couple will make their home nine miles west of Wausau, where Mr. Olson is engaged in farming. railroads.

farming: Why not solve the Christmas gift problem by presenting one of our Economy Savings Club cards with one or more payments? It will be appreciated. The Live Stock National Bank, Corner 24th and N Sts. Start the year 1920 right with a Savings Account in the So. Omaha Savings Bank, 24th and M Sts. It draws Interest (com-pound semi-annual) while you sleep. Get the habit.

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The regular Christmas program of the
Wheeler Memorial Presbyterian church
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selection, Junior Kings Daugters; word of welcome from Rev. R. L. Wheeler, pastor; selected song, Mrs. Adams' class;
presentation of bibles and books to the primary department by Mrs. W. S. Derby-th
shire and to the main school by Perry
Wheeler, ending with the distribution of presenta.

and said to have been valued at able to resume her journey to the home of her parents at Malvern,

With Roy Hubbard, assistant at-torney general of Kansas as master of ceremonies. 15 trusties from the was en route on a Christmas visit county jail aided the police in the to the old southern home. Northwestern officials have not work of smashing in kegs, breaking bottles and pouring the contents yet fully placed the blame for the accident, but the statement of Claim Agent Goodrich that it was

down the sewer. Took Four Hours. The "ceremony" consumed four nours, and street car traffic on Minnesota avenue, in front of the court after it ran on to the sidetrack, is

house, where the "dirty work" was done, was at a standstill because of generally accepted. The brakemen he crowd that watched the proerated. eedings. The officers were no respectors of persons. Brandies of fine taste met the same fate as "moonshine" whisky, while fine

Colonel Bingham as Santa Claus Knocks the wines and other liquors went gurgling down the gutters into the sewer along with "white mule" "choc H. C. L. Out of Xmas beer" and other substitutes for the

Business houses and office build-Col. G. S. Bingham, zone supply officer in Omaha, in the role of ngs were vantage points for specators. Every office building win-Santa Claus, announces that he is dow for a block, on either side, was prepared to knock the H. C. of L. illed during the "ceremony."

out of Christmas. A carload of candy has arrived for sale at the Groans and Moans Heard. army store in the Auditorium and Groans and moans were heard as is being unloaded preparatory to the officers poured out the booze. being placed on sale the first of Some men even "cried" at what they this week. The price of the candy ranges from 2 1-2 cents a package declared to be "wanton destruction. One man pleaded with tears in his to 25 cents a pound. The following eyes that enough be saved for use

candies will be placed on sale: Stick cut candy, 25 cents per The following is the inventory of bound. Hard candy, 25 cents per pound. Butterscotch, 4 cents per cake. Five five-gallon cans of alcohol. Twelve five-gallon kegs of whisky. Two 10-gallon kegs of whisky. One hundred and twenty cases of Mint rolls, 25 cents per package, wo for 5 cents.

Cream caramels, 4 cents per pack-

Cocoa fudge bars, 4 cents each. Fruit candy, 4 cents per package. Fruit drops, 4 cents per package. taken to prevent any possible trouble.

#### Only Three Men Survive "choc beer" and assorted

Wreck of Tank Vessel . W. Frey Elected Head of Marshfield, Ore., Dec. 20 .- Capt. A. A. Sawyer, master of the steam-er, J. A. Chanslor, Quartermaster Kunkle and one other member of **Omaha Inter-Line Assembly** The Interline assembly of Omaha, merican Train Dispatchers' associthe crew are believed to be the only night at the Paxton hotel J. W. Frey of the Burlington was elected chairman, J. W. Dion of the Union survivors of the steamer, wrecked late Thursday off Cape Blanco. ' Captain Sawyer is in the hospital at Bandon in a critical condition as Pacific, secretary and treasurer, and

he result of exposure. Three unidentified bodies have . M. Mortensen of the C. S. P. M. & O., corresponding secretary.

vessel.

This assembly represents train disported to have washed ashore below patchers of all railroads in the Missouri valley, and once each month The Chanslor, according to ad meets to exchange views and proices, struck a submerged rock north mote efficiency in the movement of of Cape Blanco early Thursday night and began sinking rapidly. The trains and safe operations of the first boat launched, containing 12

Aged Attorney Injured By Car Driven by Boy

Sylvester F. Thomas, an aged Subscriptions of 700 Omaha attorney, sustained a fractured skull and broken jaw when he walked into a passing automobile at

Seventeenth and Harney streets at 6 Saturday evening. Passers-by assisted him to the of-fices of Dr. L. E. Fields. 414 Bec

huilding, where his injuries were dressed. He was removed to a hos-The driver of the machine, witnesses say, was a minor. He accompanied the attorney to the Bee building and then left to report the accident to his parents. Mr. Thomas will recover, treasury.

Sirius is the first star which was tronomer. There was a total eclipse found, so that it is as yet far from observed to have a motion with re- of the sun, but it was invisible from absolutely established. spect to the other so-called fixed stars, a movement discovered by Halley in 1718, and which has contributed greatly to a better under-

"ARK" CARRYING **RADICALS "HOME"** caused by the Sioux City-Dakota train opening the switch when it ran WILL SAIL TODAY over the electric controlling device,

of the train have been fully exon- Thick Veil of Official Secrecy Thrown About Prepara-

tions for Leaving.

New York, Dec. 20 .- Sailing under sealed orders, the army transport Buford, the "ark," which will carry back to soviet Russia Emma Goldman, Alexander Berkman and more than 200 other radicals, will leave here early tomorrow. A thick veil of official secrecy was thrown about

the preparations for departure and all passes to the Brooklyn piers, where the ship is docked, were canceled. The Buford, which prior to 1898, when she was purchased for use as a transport, was the British steamer Mississippi, has been stocked with stores and provisions sufficient to last 500 persons 60 days. The destination of the ship is not known even to the captain. His sailing orders will be handed to him sealed, to be opened 24 hours away from port. The normal crew of 185 men, including officers, has been increased by enlisted men to serve as guards, and other precautions have been

Buford Slow Ship.

The Buford is a slow ship and the time it will take her to reach a port where her passengers can be disem-

The number had been increased durbeen found. Other bodies are re- ing the day by the arrival of hand-

Three Women in Party.

Washington, Dec. 20.—Subscrip-tions of more than \$700,000,000 have been received by the treasury to the new issue of certificates of in-the new issue of Certificates of in-the new issue of Certificates of in-the new issue of Certificates of in-law, be permitted to accompany her

t 41/2 per cent.

debtedness dated December 15 and maturing June 13, 1920, with interest Less than one-third of the sub-scriptions, Secretary Glass an-nounced, were paid for in certifinounced, were paid for in certifi-cates of other series and the result was said to be very gratifying to the three bouts to be pulled off within a

barked is problematical. In addition to the slow running time of the vessel, there must be taken into consideration possible delays from winter storms and frozen seas in the district into which she will sail, for the radicals have been promised they will be sent to "red Russia." Nearly 250 reds were at Ellis sland tonight awaiting deportation.

cuffed and well-guarded delegations totaling about 150, from Pittsburgh,

rested in November in a raid on a Russian soviet headquarters in New

Philadelphia, the Cleveland district and Hartford, Conn. Three women were among them-

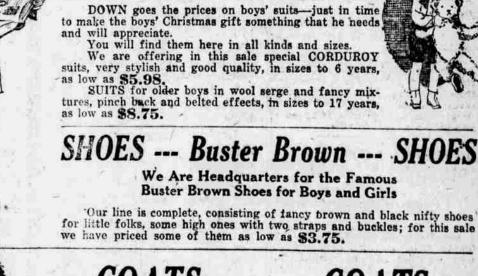
men, is said to have been the only Miss Goldman, Dora Lipkin and boat to get away from the sinking Ethel Bernstein. The last two, who are in their early twenties, were ar-

York. Harry Weinberger, attorney

Millions to New Issue for Miss Bernstein, today asked At-

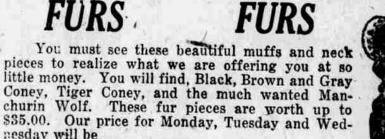
period of six weeks

Johnny Kilbane, featherweight champion, must feel confident that he is still there with the wallop when



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thing on earth that you want you will find it there, and at prices that will make you one of our big growing family. TOYS-TOYS-TOYS. More toys than you

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