Right Off The Floor!

NEWS OF OUR NEW YORK OFFICES

Karastan, 295 Fifth Avenue

Domestics, 82 Worth Street



First mention of the week goes to the heroic efforts of our engineering staff, Jim Dasher (see illustration) and Tom Gilchrist, who was not available at the time the photographer cailed. From the nocks and crannies of our two floors and two basements, they ferreted industriously until the many hundreds of pounds of scrap shown, were assembled for the collectors. After all, we're not a manufacturing unit, and to get this collection out of an office, we think, deserves high praise. Jim was reluctant to be photographed as he felt his strenuous efforts made him appear a little pale. Hats off to the boys!

It's nothing new when an executive blows his own horn, but we are surprised one of them is advertising it! Best reports from our snoops indicate C. E. Moulton, head of the Sheet Department, contemplates purchasing a cornet. Might be a good addition to our air raid sirens at that. A cornet is one of those instruments primarily designed to break leases, and of a player one cannot say "none of your lip"—it's simply essential to cornet playing.

Congratulations to Julia Taube and her husband, who is pushing up fast through the ranks of the Navy. Recently home on a six-day furlough, and looking about 103% the picture of health, he tells us that he is now an Apprentice 2nd Class Petty Officer, and is going to Machinist School. He will then graduate as a 2nd Class Machinist's Mate. Julia is so proud that she feels it is almost worthwhile to leaselend him to the government.

News is trickling in from our reporter on that remote section of Long Island known as Sands Point, to the effect that C. W. Singer, alias "Dink", has been entertaining some American citizens at his famous "Mortgage Manor." Arthur S. Thompson, head of the Towel Department, openly brags that he survived a night of entertainment with the Singers. Quite a fellow!

Worth Street boasts that it has improved upon the famous triple play, immortalized in baseball history as "Tinker to Evers to Chance." The new quintuple play organized by the Towel Department works something like this: The customer asks for merchandise; the play then goes—"Customer to Wigmore, to Thompson, back to Wigmore, to customer." No, the customer is not always "out", but very often he is dazzled by the proceedings. Seems to work though.

Your columnist takes pleasure in frustrating a fifth column plot involving a popular blonde lady, momentarily unnamed, who presides at our switchboard. For dubious reasons, not disclosed and having nothing to do with maintaining a healthful temperature, six Worth Street residents, separately and in collusion, plotted getting the young lady a new sweater for Christmas. Let's get organized, boys—she knows all the answers—she's married—she's dis-interested. So put your money in bonds, not blondes.

W. L. Pierce has successfully recovered from a bad strep throat, and has managed to bring his voice back to pre-infection levels. Right now, and for the next little while, he will be seeing customers in St. Louis, Kansas City, Minneapolis, Omaha, Hastings,

Denver, Chicago, Indianapolis, Louisville, Columbus and Detroit. That, my friends, is a lot of traveling for just about eleven days!

"Bob" Graham is also enroute, seeing friends and customers (frequently the same). His trip takes him to Chicago, Indianapolis, Omaha, Hastings, Denver, Chicago and New York. Enroute he will join forces with Mr. Pierce. Heres' to a pleasant and successful trip!

While we are covering the traveling department, G. L. Ivie is off to Washington on O.P.A. duties for a few days, thence back to the golf course in order to recover. Our general manager, Luther H. Hodges, has just returned from a visit to the University of North Carolina. On Monday, October 12th, a portrait of Dr. Harry Woodburn Chase, Chancellor of New York University and former president of both the University of Illinois and the University of North Carolina, was presented to the University of North Carolina. The presentation was part of the ceremonies inaugurating the 149th anniversary of the founding of the University of North Carolina, where Dr. Chase served as president from 1919 to 1930. The portrait, painted by the noted William Steene, was presented to Frank Graham, president of the University, by Mr. Hodges. The portrait was donated by Luther H. Hodges, George V. Denny, Jr., president of New York's Town Hall, Inc., and moderator of the Town Hall Meeting of the Air, and J. Dewey Dorsett, of the Association of Casualty and Surety Executives. All three men are alumni of the University of North Carilina, former students of Mr. Chase.

Another one of our Columbus Day travellers—Kay DeLaney, upstairs—82 Worth Street, comes back with a most unlikely story. She says, "I went to Providence to see my sister." Says we, "and, since when was your sister's name Ted Dolan?"



Wedding Bells.—John P. Haley, Mrs. Haley (the former Miss Virginia Taylor) and Miss Helen Ficker. The picture was taken immediately following the wedding.