

### Social Center For Men In Service Opened by Ladies' Garment Workers

NEW YORK CITY.—The first social center for service men to be operated by a labor union here was opened at Labor Stage—home of the famed "Pins and Needles"—by the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union.

Social affairs and dances will be held at the ILGWU cultural center. Hostesses will be drawn from the ILGWU Women's Brigade which consists of younger members who have been active in civilian defense activities, directed by Anne Ramsay. At the same time, David Dubinsky, ILGWU president, said the union will offer a "Pageant of American Labor" to government agencies for bond-selling purposes. The pageant was especially written for the union by Ben Hecht and scored with music by Harold J. Rome.

"No expense will be spared to make this double-barrelled war-aid program a valuable contribution to the national effort," Louis Schaffer, Labor Stage director said. "We are ripping out the seats of the theatre to make room for tables and dance space. We are preparing a pageant which will become an effective bond-selling agency in New York City and in other centers which it will tour."

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### "Textile Workers Perform Patriotic Service," Says Rear Admiral Young

The Navy has asked New England textile workers to make an all-out effort to increase production of woolen cloth urgently needed for naval uniforms.

Large quantities of woolen cloth are being produced for the Navy in a number of New England mills, but production must be increased to assure an adequate supply of protective clothing for the rapidly increasing Naval personnel.

In a statement by Rear Admiral William Brent Young, Paymaster General of the Navy and Chief of the Bureau of Supplies and account, production by textile workers was declared to be no less important to the war effort than production by munitions workers. He said:

"It is imperative that the production of woolen cloth of Navy specification, especially indigo-dyed melton, be greatly increased immediately.

"We have sufficient wool, but a production emergency has arisen in the woolen mills due to a decline in the number of skilled textile workers. Many of them have gone into military service. Others have been attracted to the shipyards, munition plants and other industries.

"Every American who is not in the military service should realize he can make his greatest individual contribution toward winning the war by doing the job he is trained to do best in the production of the materials required by the military forces or for essential civilian needs.

"That is especially true of skilled textile workers. The man behind the spindle or the loom, producing protective clothing for our fighting forces, is performing a patriotic service just as vital to national security as the services of the men behind our guns."

[And the same applies to the textile workers of the South.—Ed.]

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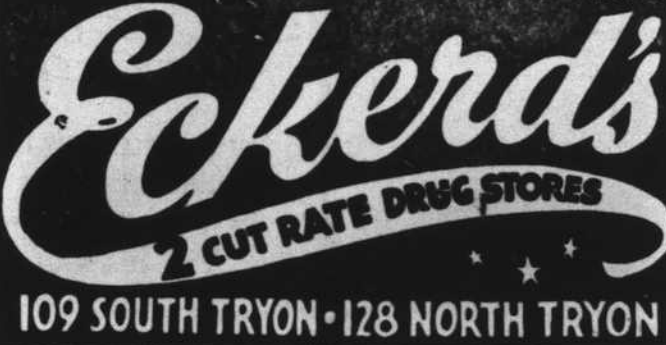


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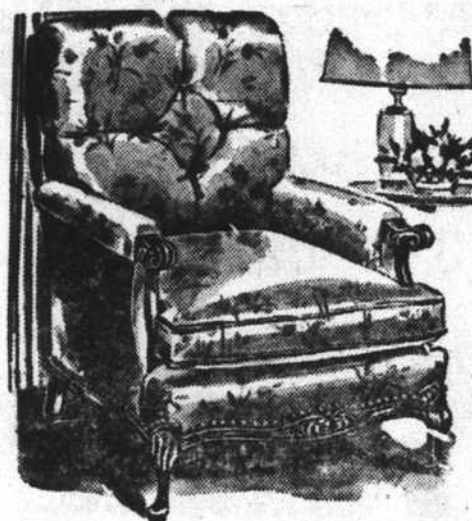
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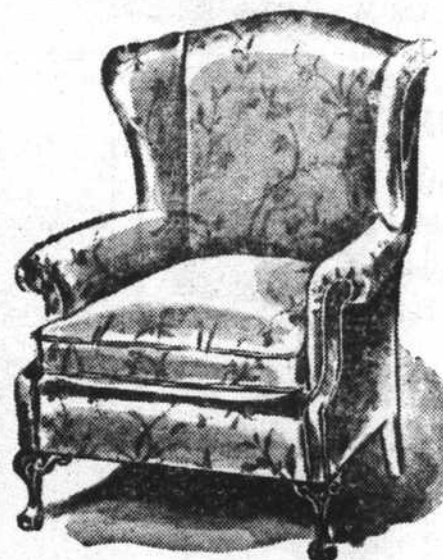
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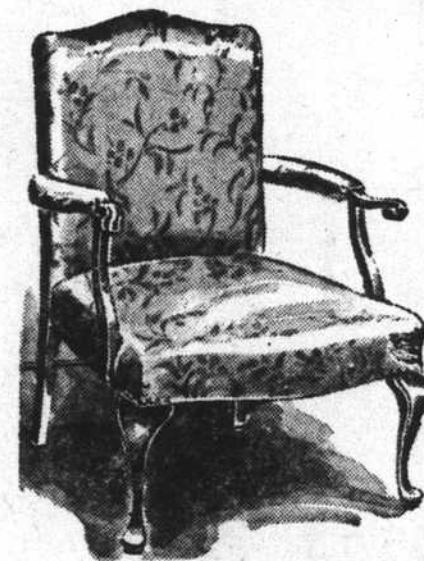
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