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## **Hugh Massie Has Been In Mercantile Business Long Time**

-(Continued from page onebrother Francis Massie, who is still with the firm.

With all their friends and associates eight clerks. discouraging them and with every warning about the great depression that was casting its shadow with such foreboding darkness over business in her husband, C. J. Reece, who prior general, Hugh Massie and his sister, Mrs. Reece, rented the store owned of the Jefferson Standard Life Insuand now occupied by Clyde H. Ray, rance Company. and Massie's Department Store open-

ed its doors to the public. At this place they did business for Store is entering its tenth year of suc-

the present location, completely remodeled the building according to their requirements, and have for four years been steadily growing and expanding.

They started with three clerks counting themselve, and in two months it was necessary to take on two additional ones. The firm now employes Three years ago Mrs. Reece retired

about five years. They then bought

from active participation in the business and turned her interest over to to that time had been a special agent While in actual count since its es-

tablishment Massie's Department



## **Store Opened Here** In 1928. Is Modern

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In front of the piece goods counter are stools, where tables with piece goods are conveniently placed nearby. The pattern department is just a few feet away and has ample space around | which women may look at the offern.gs.

The ready-to-wear d. partment oc- partment. cupies the entire right half of the store from the piece goods department store, but Mr. Reece has taken her

of the building. Four rows of shely- | trimming the windows ing provides space for many hundreds of pairs of shoes.

saleslady and looks after the ha underwear and sweater department The men's side has special hat and coat racks, as well as modern hangers for holding odd trousers. The shirt the firm five years, and is in the department occupies the front of the of the piece goods section. side, while accessories are placed on display counters throughout the side. three years has had charge of The stairway to the bargain basement is in the center of the building.

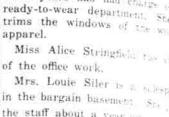
The management of the firm has a apparel. head of every department, although

each salesperson is trained to assist in any department at all times. Mr. Massie devotes his time as general manager, and looks after the men's clothing and furnishings de-

Mrs. Reece has retired from the

place as co-owner.

as a janitor. For several stars



Miss Marguerite Massie is gene

Mrs. Dave Russell, has been

Mrs. Roy Campbell, for the

the staff about a year in Sambo Smith takes to his record of service, and ,





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