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## JANUARY FASHION CLEARANCE

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Famous Brands — Junior, Petite, Misses and Half Sizes  
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Regular 17.95 — Reduced to	14.95
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#### JANUARY WINTER COAT SALE

Greatly Reduced! Buy Now!  
Large Selection of Fine Quality Coats at January Sale Prices. Misses, Juniors, Regular and Half Sizes.

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Regular 84.95	Now \$65.00
Regular 74.95	Now \$60.00
Regular 69.95	Now \$55.00
Regular 54.95	Now \$45.00
Regular 44.95	Now \$35.00

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Regular 44.95	Now \$35.00
Regular 39.95	Now \$30.00
Regular 34.95	Now \$25.00
Regular 29.95	Now \$21.00

#### SALE OF LADIES CAR COATS

Sizes 8 to 18 1/2

Regular 24.95	Now \$19.00
Regular 22.95	Now \$17.00
Regular 19.95	Now \$15.00
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Regular 16.95	Now \$12.00
Regular 15.95	Now \$11.00
Regular 12.95	Now \$9.00
Regular 10.95	Now \$8.00

#### GIRLS WINTER COATS and CAR COATS

Fine all wool-quality. Warmly interlined  
Sizes 3 to 14 yrs. and teens

Regular 19.95	Now \$15.00
Regular 17.95	Now \$13.00
Regular 15.95	Now \$11.00
Regular 12.95	Now \$9.00
Regular 10.95	Now \$8.00
Regular 8.95	Now \$7.00

#### ONE RACK OF BETTER COTTON DRESSES

"Wayne Maid" and "Pat Perkins" brands  
Misses and Half Sizes. Values to 6.98  
Now on Sale at \$5.00 and \$6.00

#### ONE RACK OF JUNIOR AND MISSES BETTER DRESSES

Broken sizes. Wools, corduroys, crepes and tweeds. Values to 16.95  
Very Special Price \$5.00

#### CHILDREN'S SNOW SUITS

with attached hood! Warmly interlined.  
Capri style pants. Red, blue or green.  
Water repellent gaberdine. Sizes 5, 6 and 6x.  
Values to 12.95 — Close Out Price \$5.99

#### Famous "Mac Shore" Blouses On Sale

Prints, pastels and whites.  
Sizes 30 to 38

Reg. 3.99	Now \$3.00
Reg. 2.99	Now \$2.00

#### LADIES WINTER SLACK SALE

Sizes 8 to 38. Checks, cottons, gaberdines and corduroy.  
Values to 3.99 — Now \$3.00

WOOL SLACKS — Now \$7.00  
Values to 8.98

### GIRLS and BOYS WEAR SALE!

#### 14 only Corduroy Zipper Jackets On Sale

Quilted lining. Sizes 3, 5 and 6. Grey or green.  
Were 3.98 — Close Out Price \$1.99

#### GIRLS KNIT ORLON GLOVE SALE

White and colors.

Regular 89c	Now 59c
Regular 1.00	Now 75c

#### BOY'S CORDUROY TROUSERS

Plaid or solid colors.

Sizes 4 to 6x	\$2.49
Sizes 7 to 14 yrs.	Sale Price \$2.49 and \$3.49

#### BOY'S WINTER CAPS

Corduroy or vinyl with ear-tabs  
Now on Sale \$1.39

**BOY'S KNIT ORLON & WOOL CAPS**  
Ass't. colors and styles. Values to 1.98.  
Reduced to \$1.00 and \$1.49

#### BOY'S FLANNEL PLAID SHIRTS

Broken sizes.  
Close Out Price \$1.49

#### INFANTS SNOW SUITS

Washable and water repellent. Cotton and nylon for boys or girls. Blue, mint, pink. Sizes 12 to 24 mo. Were 10.95 — Sale price-Now \$7.50

#### Ladies Nylon Tricot Knit Gowns on Sale

All sizes in blue, aqua or red. Values to 6.95.  
5.95 quality — Reduced to \$4.00  
6.95 quality — Reduced to \$5.00

Matching Peignoir in nylon tricot knit  
Regular 8.95 quality — Now on Sale \$6.95

#### LADIES KNIT GLOVES ON SALE

Orlon/wool in white and colors. Values to 2.98.  
Many styles — 79c-\$1.49-\$2.00

#### INFANTS ORLON KNIT CAPS

White, pink or blue.  
Were 1.98 — Reduced to \$1.39

#### "BACHELOR GIRL" TIGHTS

One special group. Broken sizes.  
Close Out Price 79c

#### Girls Lined Corduroy Slacks On Sale

Stripe or Figured Designs

Sizes 4 to 6x	On Sale \$2.49
Sizes 7 to 14 yrs.	On Sale \$3.49

#### GIRLS ORLON KNIT CAPS ON SALE

White and colors.  
Three groups 79c — \$1.49 — \$2.00

#### Girls Outing Flannel Pajamas On Sale

Good selection. Fine quality.

Sizes 2 to 6x	Now \$1.49 and \$2.49
Sizes 7 to 14 yrs.	Now \$2.49

#### GIRLS CORDUROY SLACKS and MATCHING SETS ON SALE

Entire stock reduced for January Clearance.  
Sizes 2 to 6x — from \$1.49 to \$2.49  
Sizes 7 to 14 yrs. — from \$1.49 to \$3.00

#### GIRLS MATCHING SLACK SETS

Solid Color Corduroy Slacks, with Knit Tops  
Sizes 2 to 6x and 7 to 14 yrs. Values to 5.98.  
Priced from \$2.49 to \$5.00 per set

#### FINE ZEPHYR WOOL or ORLON SCARVES ON SALE

Bright plaids. Values to 1.98.  
Sale Prices 49c to \$1.39

#### HANDBAG SALE

One special group of Corduroy or Vinyl Handbags.  
Colors: red, black and brown. Zipper top.  
\$2.00 plus tax

## Number Of County Businesses Lower

The number of businesses in Adams county listed with Dun & Bradstreet declined to 376 this year, compared with 380 last year, G. J. Aubrecht, district manager of the Chicago office, said today. More than half of the manufacturers, wholesalers and retailers are in Decatur.

The Dun & Bradstreet reference book lists all manufacturers, wholesalers and retailers who seek or grant commercial credit. This includes most of the businesses in the county, but does not include service and professional businesses such as beauty and barber shops, security dealers and real estate brokers.

During the past year 190 changes were made in the Dun & Bradstreet book listings of Adams county businesses, including names added, names deleted, and changes in the ratings of continuing businesses.

Using the reference book as a guide, the following statistics appear for Adams county, Decatur, Berne, and Geneva for the past five years:

Unit	1964	1963	1962	1961	1960
Adams county	376	380	393	411	407
Decatur	204	216	228	236	236
Berne	90	92	89	97	93
Geneva	42	41	43	44	44

Three Million Businesses — As one phase in revising credit reports and keeping them up-to-date, Dun & Bradstreet, through its national network of offices, writes annually to all businesses in each of the 50 states listed in the reference book (23 pounds — 4,909 oversize pages) to request their financial statements. This year, these requests are being sent to approximately three million businesses to the corner grocery store worth a few thousand dollars as well as to businesses worth millions.

When the owner or officer of a business enterprise, or his accountant, fills out and mails his financial statement to Dun & Bradstreet, it becomes a part of the credit report on his business and a factor in determining the credit rating of his business.

The Dun & Bradstreet credit rating consists of two symbols. The first, a letter of the alphabet, indicates financial strength or the tangible net worth of the business. The second symbol is a number which reflects a composite appraisal of the background, operations, financial stability and payment record of the business.

Each reference book listing, which includes the rating, is a condensed summary of the information contained in the Dun & Bradstreet credit report. The report includes the following: a history of the business, (who owns it, who runs it, and how long it has been operating); a description of what the business does and how it does it; a financial section which usually includes the latest financial statement; and a record of how the business pays its bills.

While credit reports are primarily used by businessmen who want to evaluate the credit risk of a business before shipping or selling, insurance underwriters also use credit reports to review risks, rates and coverage for fire and other types of insurance.

### Hi-Way Trailer Court News

Lisa Donalle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Gumm, 60 Bella Casa, observed her first birthday Dec. 30.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hawley, Jr., and daughter Lolly, 26 Star Lane, spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Merritt in Union City.

Correction—In our last news letter we made errors in the addresses of Mrs. Madeline (Sorg) Krauss, which should have been 1408 Gladstone Dr., Rockville, Maryland; also the address of Mrs. Cecelia Mitchell, which should have been 16088 Rose Ave., Los Gatos, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Earl Jones and son Howard and daughter Lucy left Saturday to visit her mother, Mrs. Olga Kastner, and other relatives in Beckley, W. Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Gumm and Lisa, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Chas. E. Pearson and family in Shelbyville.

Mrs. Rilla Amstutz, 13 Krick St., spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Gerig and family in Monroe.

Thursday and Friday she visited her niece, Miss Orpha Klopfenstein in Grabbill.

Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Stearley spent the past weekend with his family, 48 Vindale Trail, and parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Stearley in LaPorte.

Earl Gumm, 60 Bella Casa, took his daughter Deborah back to Louisville, Ky., last Saturday and spent the day with his mother, Mrs. Nell Gumm.

Mrs. Earl Gumm and Mrs. Earl Gumm and Lisa also left Saturday to visit her sister, Mrs. Ernest Ray in Indianapolis, and while there her brother, Cecil Ruddick, was dismissed from the hospital, after an illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Bell, Jr. and family, 59 Bella Casa, spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Bell, Sr., in South Milford.

Mr. and Mrs. Brooks Arnold, 54 Vindale Trail, attended the New Year's party at the Hoagland Hayloft Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. William Moulton, 73 West St. Ext., attended a New Year's party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carr in Monroe on Tuesday evening.

The family of Mrs. Fern Frey, Vindale Trail, enjoyed their annual Christmas dinner Sunday at the C. L. of C. hall. Those present were Wayne Frey and sons Steve, Mike and Sam, of Fort Wayne, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Frey and son John and Robin of Bryan, O., Mr. and Mrs. Charles Frey and son Billie Joe and daughter Lou Ann of Noblesville, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Frey, daughters Angie, Maria and Valerie, and son Dan of Willshire, O., Mr. and Mrs. James Frey and sons Gary and Randy of Decatur, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Butler and daughters Jacque and Judee of Chicago, Ill., Mr. and Mrs. Keith Frey and daughters Karen and Kristene of Decatur, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Frey and daughters Brenda and Pammy of Decatur, and John Frey of Decatur.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Butler and daughters Jacque and Judee of Chicago, Ill., spent last weekend with Mrs. Butler's mother, Mrs. Fern Frey of Vindale Trail.

## Society

MARY ANNETTE TUTTLE IS MARRIED DEC. 22  
December 22 at 4 p.m., the Zion United Church of Christ was the scene of a wedding ceremony which united in marriage, Mary Annette Tuttle and Gilbert Matamoros, Jr.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George C. Thomas of Monroe, R. R. 1, while the groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Matamoros of Houston, Texas.

The church was decorated throughout for the Christmas season. The altar vases held white chrysanthemums and white gladiolus with the seven branch candelabras being used on either side of the steps leading to the altar.

The couple were unattended, entering the sanctuary together and proceeding to the altar to organ music played by Mrs. Fred Fruchte, the church organist.

The bride was attired in a misty pink two piece dress with matching shoes and a veiled pill box hat. Her corsage was of matching pink roses.

While the couple stood before the altar, Neil C. Thomas, brother of the bride, sang "Jesus Stand Beside Them." The pastor, Rev. Wm. C. Feller, performed the double ring ceremony using the ritual of the United Church of Christ. At the close of the service, while the couple knelt at the altar, the soloist sang "The Lord's Prayer."

At 5 p.m. a four course wedding dinner for sixteen guests was served in the Four Seasons dining room beside a beautiful white flocked Christmas tree and before the fireplace. The table was decorated with Christmas candles and holly. A beautifully decorated two tiered white wedding cake graced the center of the table before the bride and groom. This was cut and served during the dessert course.

The couple and the bride's small son, Matthew, left December 30 for Junction City, Kansas, where they will make their home on lot No. 33, Friendly Trailer Court. Matamoros is a career man in the medical division of the U. S. Army.

Mrs. Carl Bauman will be hostess to the Sacred Heart Study club, Wednesday at 8 p.m.

The Adams county home demonstration club chorus will meet at the Farm Bureau building in Monroe, Monday at 7:30 p.m.

Mrs. Lester Sheets will be hostess to the Eta Tau Sigma sorority at 8 p.m. Tuesday.

The Catholic Ladies of Columbia will have a pot luck dinner Tuesday evening beginning at 6:30 in the C. L. of C. Hall. Mrs. Melvin McBurnes and Mrs. Elmer Wendel are co-chairmen for this meeting. There will be a business meeting following the dinner and games will be played. Meat and rolls will be furnished for the dinner by the committee.

The Civic Department of the Decatur Woman's Club will meet Monday at 7:45 p.m. at the I&M social room.

The American Legion Auxiliary Juniors will meet Monday at 4 p.m. at the Legion Hall.

The Decatur Fireman's Auxiliary will meet Monday at the fire station at 7:30 p.m. Mrs. Jack Rayer is the hostess.

The So-Cha-Rea will meet for dessert bridge Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Richard Deininger.

Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. the Poca-hontas Lodge will meet at the Red Man's Hall.

Wednesday at 2 p.m. the Historical club will meet at the home of Iva Miller. Anna Hancher will be the leader.

The Zion Lutheran Missionary Society will meet Wednesday in

## Tax Collections In State At New High

INDIANAPOLIS (UPI)—Indiana income tax collections, boosted by a mid-year change in the tax rate, rose to a record high in 1963.

The State Revenue Department said Tuesday that collections during the year amounted to \$229 million, an increase of slightly more than \$15 million over those for 1962.

The old 1.5 per cent gross income tax was replaced July 1 by the new 2 per cent adjusted gross income tax approved by the 1963 Legislature. That tax and the 2 per cent sales tax which went into effect Oct. 24 are now the state's main revenue sources. The first 61 days of the sales tax produced some \$2.8 million with reports for December not due until later this month.

Gasoline and fuel taxes—revenue primarily dedicated to highway use—amounted to \$117 million, an increase of slightly more than \$3 million over 1962.

The only tax which showed a decrease in collections was that on real estate sales. Under a change in the law levied on the old law, the tax was levied on the sale price or equity and was collected at the time of the transaction. The 1963 Legislature changed the law to make it a tax on capital gains.

## Locals

Mr. and Mrs. Neil C. Thomas and sons Drew, Scott, David and Gregg of Lafayette, and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Iddings and daughter Mary Ann of Pleasant Hill, O., were in Decatur Saturday to attend the wedding of Mary Annette Tuttle and Gilbert Matamoros, Jr.

Sunday evening, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Jones entertained with a dinner at the Four Seasons restaurant in observance of their 40th wedding anniversary. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Miles Jones and children, Jack, Jane and Jennifer, Long Island, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Glen Mosier and children Laura and Clay, Ohio City, O.; Alta and Karen Kraft.

Allen Birch, Kenneth Habegger, and Bill Stuckey of Monroe Boy Scout troop 72 attended the Order of Arrow banquet, Tuesday at the Simpson Methodist church, Fort Wayne. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Howard Habegger.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Aeschli and children, Joyce, Keith, and Janet, have returned to their home in Jackson, Miss. after spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Niblick of this city and Mr. and Mrs. Iva Felber and daughters, Berne. Other guests at the Niblick home were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Miller and son Paul, Fort Wayne, and Mr. and Mrs. Burton Overholt, Kalamazoo, Mich.

County highway supervisor Lawrence Noll was sick over New Years with the flu.

### New York Stock Exchange Price MIDDAY PRICES

A. T. & T., 13 1/4; Central Sov. 27 1/2; DuPont, 23 3/4; Ford, 50 1/2; General Electric, 86 1/2; General Motors, 79 1/2; Gulf Oil, 47; Standard Oil Ind., 64; Standard Oil N. J., 75 1/2; U. S. Steel, 53 1/2.

the parish hall at 1:30 p.m.

The Elks Lodge will be the scene of a meeting of the Beta Sigma Phi sorority Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

The district meeting of American Legion Auxiliary district 4 will be held January 9 at the New Haven American Legion Hall. Unit 330 will serve as hostess. Unit 43 members are asked to make reservation before January 6 with the organization president, Mrs. Walter Walchle, or Mrs. Imogene Dick 3128 Lillie street, Fort Wayne.

### BUFFET DINNER

ALL YOU CAN EAT  
Every FRIDAY & SATURDAY Night  
5:00 to 9:00 P.M.

BARBECUED RIBS,  
CHICKEN or FISH  
With DRINK and DESSERT

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ADULTS — \$1.96

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