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obstacles and succeed. Under the right sort pervision they learn to pursue this end without taknfair advantages.

Alertness and Kindred Qualities

ames stimulate alertness and often the co-ordination ind and muscle. A child learns to concentrate on the , to be quick to follow its shifting complexion, and se advantage of opportunities. Clear, logical thinking ne part of adults can often be traced to the early ing given by participation in various games. Certain also develop manual dexterity.

Knowledge Imparted by Games

Children learn many things from games. History, raphy, arithmetic, spelling, writing, reading, music many other forms of knowledge are embodied in ous games, and lessons learned while playing are easily nilated. Many games include the use of numbers, often small children accustomed to playing games are iliar with simple arithmetic before they go to schoool. s helps them to better understand the principles of hmetic spread before them by their teachers. In the ie way little tots are initiated into the mysteries of pelling and writing, making their way in school y. Older children reach a better understanding such subjects as geography and history through games certain types. They won't think of their lessons as Il or hard work if they amplify facts and principles eady made familiar through playing interesting, excitgames. For instance, think of the possibilities for kening curiosity and imparting knowledge in a game Macainating story of how people have Dro-

children, and wise adults can find much of value in the field, too."

Is It Dangerous?

A NOVEL thought has recently been voiced by Challotte Mlinar, who looks after matters pertaining toys for Arnold Constable & Co., in New York Challotte That thought is with respect to the lasting harmful effect and the precedent established through featuring by prices.

During September the store celebrated its 104th Alversary and, doubtless because the greater portion of company's toy business is done during the holidays very much effort was made to take advantage of this by ground to promote the sale of toys.

Miss Mlinar is featuring baby dolls and teddy but emphasizes quality, rather than price. She belt that to emphasize extremely low prices two months but the Christmas season will mean that this is the only that the public will be looking for in the toy depart when the holiday season actually arrives. She will find herself in this dilemma, however, because though her Christmas merchandise will be offer prices which reflect reductions that manufacturers been able to pass along due to their savings in laborate materials, she will not feature this aspect detriment of quality.

In chatting about Christmas aspects, Miss Mlina "I think it will be equal to last year, although I vinced that there is going to be a greater tend limit prices on individual purchases. For example basing my plans on getting the major portion of

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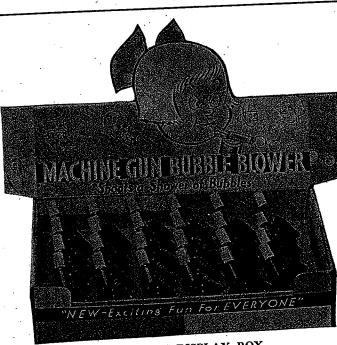
One of the popular items in Toy Kraft's Hand Painted Wooden Line. Have you seen samples of its Playthings? There are numbers with simple action, large and small, a wonderful assortment of Carts and Wagons, some new fashioned Pull Toys, including this Train and another equally as fascinating—all specially designed and built for Tiny Tots.

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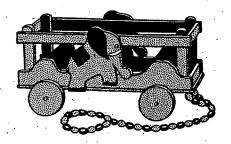
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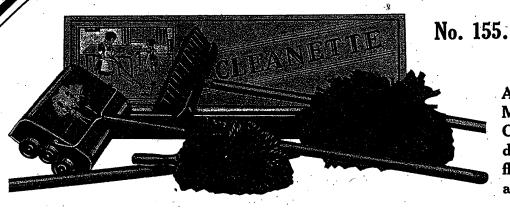
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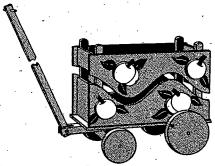
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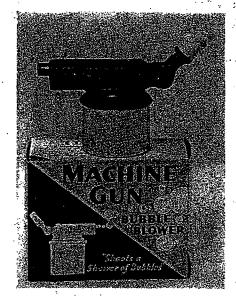
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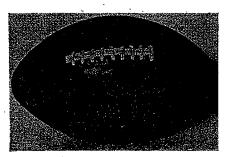


Dier-Thomas Corp.

This awsome looking Machine Gun is not nearly as fearsome as it appears in the picture because, as its attractive little display carton states, it "shoots a shower of bubbles." This Machine Gun Bubble Blower was the featured item in this display. It shoots a stream of colorful bubbles with unbelievable rapidity. Its exhibitor stressed its possibilities as a party favor for grown-ups as well as for children. Selling as a 25c number, it comes packed in a display box containing two dozen, or individually in the attractive two-color carton shown in the photograph. Of course, soap and complete directions are furnished in each box. It may be had in any one of three colors.

McKinnon Dash Co.

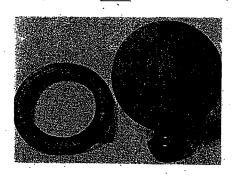
The pictured number is one of a large line of high-class Sporting Goods items made of leather which were shown in this display. Footballs with patented valve construction, Basket Balls embodying the same feature, Baseball goods, Striking Bags and Boxing Gloves were other numbers in a well rounded out line which is described by its manufacturers as offering the widest array of items of quality and price.





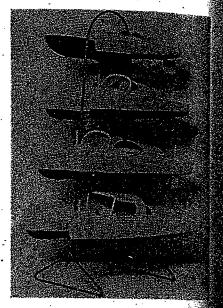
The Toy Kraft Co.

Featured at the McAlpin Hotel Toy Fair display was this Choo-Choo Train that carries a strange lot of passengers, characters with which tiny tots are most familiar. It is one of Toy Kraft's new toys this year and there are many more among the new numbers of The Toy Kraft Co. that are equally as fascinating. Humpty-Dumpty graces a bright red wagon and king's men all ready to try picking him up again; a Lion properly tamed is safely caged in a gorgeous Circus Wagon; and Mother Goose in a flowered bonnet proudly struts along with her market basket. There are Nursery Pull Toys with a fresh appeal in dainty shades of color, Carts and Wagons in attractive shapes and makeup for every season of the year and Sand Toys that will coax little children into the sunshine. Here are unusual values in Hand-Painted Wooden Toys, covering every price requirement through offering numerous numbers, in a suggested retail price range from 25c to \$2.50.



Essex Rubber Co.

Pictured here is an example of the line of Essex "World of Fun" playballs, which come in assorted colors and sizes to retail from \$1.00 to \$6.00. The manufacturers lay particular stress on the extra heavy double-ply rubber that is employed in making these playballs and they also point, as a selling feature, to the new patented all-rubber disappearing valve. These balls, which come in sizes to meet virtually any use, are guaranteed unbreakable. The Essex Swimming Tube shown in the photograph comes in three sizes and five assorted colors and retails at \$1.00 and \$1.50. They are individually packed in distinctive display boxes. Bridge Coaster Sets of green and yellow rubber and Rubber Quoits were also on

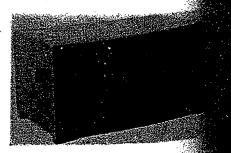


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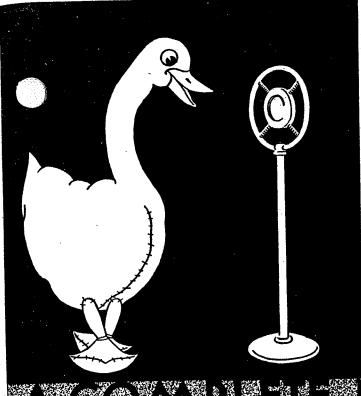
Pictured here is the display rack fu nished gratis by the manufacturer wit each initial order of assorted models "Fairycraft" Speed Boats. These com in five sizes, with spring motors which have a record of a quarter mile in fro five to eight minutes' time on one wind ing. Four sizes utilizing rubber ban for motor power were also displaye An adjustable rudder, insuring retu of the boats to their starting point was prominently featured. extremely light in weight, being co structed of shell-like Fairylite and are extremely durable. A retail pr range of from \$1.00 to \$7.00 is cove by these boats. The Chief Scout noe, made of the same material, in or green, fourteen inches in length retail for \$1.00, was also featured.

McGraw Box Co.

Typical of a line of Juvenile Chests may from Tennessee red cedar and Duco find which permits them to retain their lustressheen after years of normal usage, is number pictured here of the line show at the Toy Fair by this company. Toy Fair marked the initial showing line of walnut-finish Cedar Chests on display were the metal-covered Tranks



PLAYTHINGS-March



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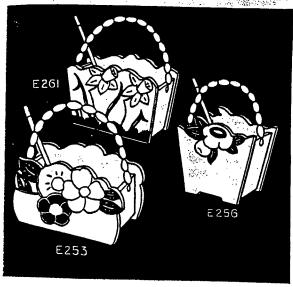
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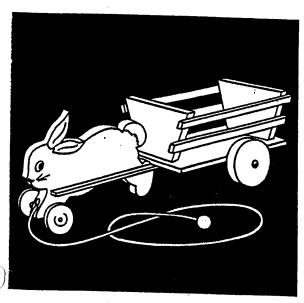
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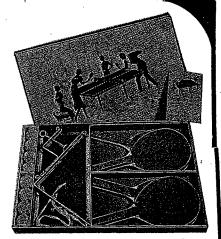
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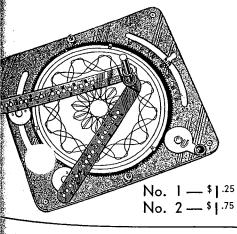
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News...Notes



The New Parkway Stroller

Several marked improvements characterize the new "Parkway Stroller" now being introduced by the H. C. White Company. First in importance from the mother's standpoint is its safety. By placing the rear wheels unusually far back, the stroller is given exceptional stability. The child cannot tip it over backwards, even if he stands on the seat! The brake is unusually good, too, taking a firm grip on the wheels, even when the rubber tires become worn down with usage.

Another popular point is its convenience. It folds with one simple motion, requiring only one hand—so that when mother lifts the baby out and holds him on one arm, she can close the stroller with the other hand and easily carry it into the house. It weighs only half as much as the ordinary stroller-so it's a simple matter to take it in and out of doors, put it into a car, or store away. In fact, it may even be hung up when storage space is limited.

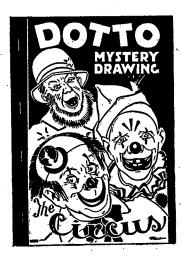
The size of the seat has been carefully planned to eliminate the need for bolstering the child up with additional pillows, and the comfortable padding of seat and back makes these quite unnecessary. The cushion in the seat is aerated to keep it always light and resilient.

The fabric is waterproof and washable. The charming hand-processed field flower design on the back will not rub off on dainty little garments.

The stroller may be had either with or without the folding canopy. And with or without a removable collapsible shopping bag which slips over the handle and also offers convenient transportation for baby's small belongings when en route to the park or playground.

Scheid with Durable

Lee Sheid is now associated with the Durable Toy & Nov. Corp. and will travel through the central west for that concern.

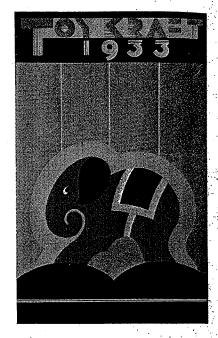


Dotto Mystery Drawing Book

A new product in the child entertainment field is the new Dotto Mystery Drawing Book manufactured by The Baltimore Salesbook Co. under the supervision of E. H. Gorton, Assistant Sales Manager. The book, "affording a creative pastime for entertainment and instruction," is heralded as a radical departure from the usual Dot Drawing. The Dotto Mystery Drawing Book goes the latter idea one better and adds the element of mystery. In executing a single drawing the young artist uses two leaves of his book, an original and duplicate. On the face of the original appears the numbers to be followed together with lines for tracing to lend detail to the finished drawing. The second leaf bears a carefullyprepared, real artist's sketch in red. The youngster follows the numbers on the original or guide sheet in consecutive order. After completing the circuit of numbers the guide sheet is removed by means of a perforated edge...and on the "magic" second leaf the young artist is surprised with a realistic illustration, in two colors! that has every appearance of being a freehand sketch of his own creation. There will be a series of three books offered this year, the first of which has just been issued. The motif of this first book is "The Circus." It features the adventures of "Sunny Dotto," a comic character who will appear in various roles throughout the Copy in the book which was writseries. ten by Walker Brooks of the Baltimore Salesbook Company, has a twofold appeal both to the parents and to the children, the latter in a special message which appeals to the circus-loving element of every boy and girl. The art work for the book was prepared by Howard Frech on the staff of the Baltimore Sunday Sun.

Milias Joins Tillicum Staff

Walter W. Milias has joined the sales staff of the Tillicum Sales Corp. and will cover the middle west. He was at the American Toy Fair in Chicago where he met many of his old friends.



An Artistic Catalog

The Toy Kraft Co., of Wooster, Ohio, have issued a most unique and attractive catalog. This catalog carries out in its design, illustrations and printing, the same artistic distinction for which the Toy Kraft toys are so well known. The cover is printed in green, red, black and silver. The illustrations give a rotogravure effect and illustrate the toys in the most realistic manner. Typography and press work are exceptional. This catalog is the work of Brian McQuillan, of Canton, Ohio, and is certainly a credit to the designer as well as to the manufacturer whose line is thus presented.

Makes Flowers Out of Paper

The "Magic Florist" made its bow at the Chicago Toy Fair, and buyers were shown how, by means of a simple, though patented principle, "pinked"-edge and variously colored tissue paper petal discs could be transformed by rapid manipulation. into the most natural looking carnations, and other posies, as if by magic. This novelty item, retailing for 25c, is a selfcontained package, the small box of nocket size holding the various material serving as a device for producing flowers. There is nothing comp about it, and both children and an older growth may find in the Strong Florist" artificial flower construction something decidedly entertaining unique. For preserving indefinitely floral creations can be coated with of paraffine; the effect resembling flowers of other days-when that rampant. Extra petals and wi for making flowers of various hues are procurable. The "Ma ist" is manufactured by the Rainb tain Co. of Chicago.

them. Toy dealers and department stores could arrange to send all their old and salvaged toys to a toyery or some charity that does the same work. Booths could be established in the toy department where customers could deposit both old and new toys. It must be remembered that the children who use these toys cannot afford to buy their own. Consequently, these toyerys are not causing any decrease in the normal toy business. However, dealers who will work out some plan so that their customers can contribute toys will find that their own toy sales will increase.

Windows That Speak for Themselves

THE F. A. O. Schwarz toy store, in New York City, relies perhaps more than any other store upon its yindow displays to create sales. A window decorating department and a staff of artists in charge of Mrs. owndes are maintained to dress the many windows. The stories told by these windows could not be better told a full page newspaper advertisement was used.

During the month of August, when the sporting pages the nation's newspapers were filled with news from the fratoga race track, and the happenings at the Hamble-mian, a very clever and timely display was installed. We window had a black background upon the center of hich was a silver whip surrounded by a horseshoe. The play contained a variety of games and books for both own-ups and children lovers of horses and horse-races. The of the articles on display were, Steeple Chase, Derby Sweepstakes, stick horses for children to ride on, as Colt, Minoru, Manifesto, and numerous juvenile books about horses.

diother timely window, which drew a great deal of tention from passersby, was one facing Fifth Avenue, during kites. A sign in the window read, "In China are flown on the ninth day of the ninth month to send wers to heaven." The window contained several mese kites and a variety of domestic ones.

s such timely windows and tie-ups with the day's cut events that attract attention and create sales of articles displayed. Every day, week and month is with such opportunities, and toy dealers who make uost of them are certain to show an increase in busi-

Football and Games

ITHIN a very few days the papers will be filled with accounts of the training programs of the variollege football teams and predictions for the year. Notball season is rapidly approaching. This season there an opportunity to feature football games for the grown-ups and the children. There are a number of football games on the market and experience in the shas shown the football fans enjoy playing these shome in the evening. Toy dealers are afforded to able opportunities to tie-up with some of the big arranging attractive window and store displays.

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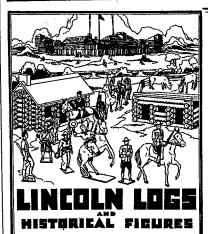
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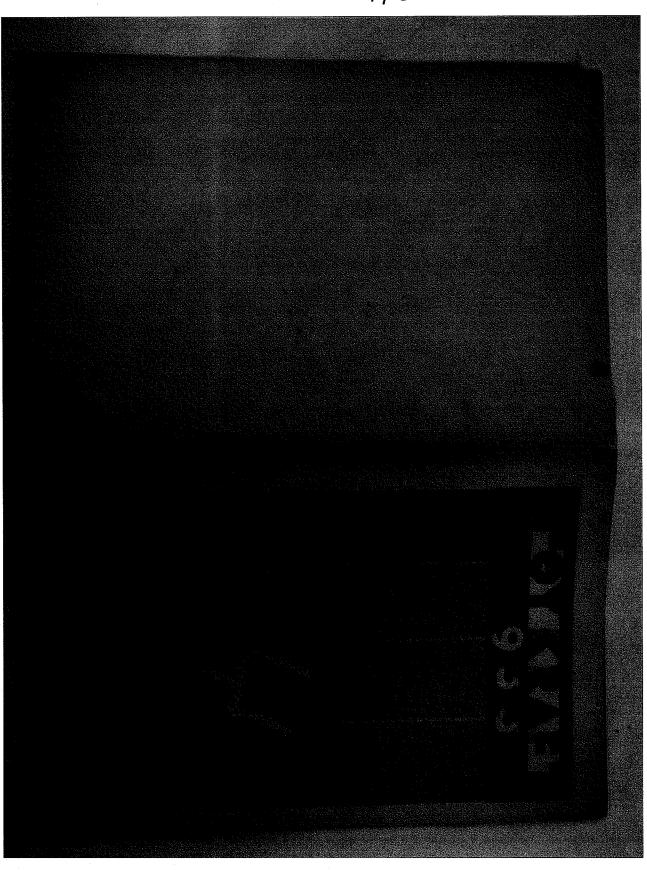


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