

"The Merrill Star Advocate 2 February 1909."

HARRY KROM

SOLE OWNER

**Buys out his Brother Louis' Interests
in the Krom Clothing House, and
the Krom Mercantile Co.**

Harry Krom, who with his brother Louis have long been associated together as the owners of a chain of clothing stores, and recently a mercantile establishment as well, has purchased his brother's interests in the Krom Clothing House on First street, and the Krom Mercantile Co. on Mill st. Mr. Harry Krom is therefore the sole owner of these two business establishments, the former the clothing house having been in existence in Merrill for about eight years, the latter having been established two or three months ago. Louis Krom is looking after the Antigo store. The Iowa store has been recently closed out by the Krom brothers. The deal for the Merrill stores was consummated on Friday of last week.

AMOUNT OF TRANSACTION

KROM'S
STORE FOR MEN
Phone No. 96 J

Salesman Carlos Rahnbacher Merrill, Wis., 1906

Sold to Carlos Rahnbacher

Address _____

Suit	25.00
Cash	11.00
Bal.	14.00
Cash to	
	44

Printed figures at top of slip show amount paid or charged.

Krom's, three brothers (Meyer, Louis and Harry) owned stores in Antigo and elsewhere. The 1902-03 city directory shows: Krom Louis, clothing 820 E. 1st, res. Antigo and Krom Harry, mngr. 820 E. 1st, res. Hotel Searl (Hotel Searl at 1208 E. Main). In 1908 the address became 822 E. Main with no change of location. The above shows Harry buying out interests of Louis in 1909. Louis died 5 February 1930 and Harry 15 April 1932. Harry's son Arthur (23 years old) kept the store going. The Merrill Daily Herald 22 June 1932 carried a large advertisement of liquidation in response to a court order to settle the estate. In October 1932 Arthur moved the store to a location next to Fowler's Drug Store (916 E. Main). The Merrill Daily Herald carried a full page advertisement, 16 September 1936, with a note from Arthur "we are not renewing our lease and are quitting business."