Grand Opening Millinery Tomorrow

New Black Dress Goods.

We bought from a railroad claim agent 850 very fine rugs. They are all in large room sizes, in the best grades of Wilton, Axminster, Moquette and high grade Smyrnas. These rugs were consigned to one of the finest exclusive carpet stores in the west, but on account of having arrived too late, being delayed in transit, they were refused by the consignee. We were called upon to make an offer for the entire lot and for spot cash we bought a wonderful bargain, which enables us to offer Monday the greatest rug selling event that was ever known in Omaha. These are all the highest class rugs and guaranteed absolutely sound and perfect and in many instances at less than half price.

We offer one lot of 9x12 best grade Smith's Axminster, Sanford's Axminster and Sloane's

\$45 Rugs at \$19.98 \$35.00 Rugs at \$15.98 \$20.00 Rugs at \$9.98

We will sell all the 7-6x10-6 and 8-3x10-6 Smith's Axminster Rugs, and the best grade of all wool Smyrna Rugs, in beautiful oriental and best 9x12 Smyrna Ruge, that generally geometrical patterns-those rich, high class

All of the 6x9 best grade Smyrna, Axminster and Moquette Rugs that always sell at \$20,00, we offer them Monday at

\$50.00 Wilton Rugs at \$25 \$10 Rugs at \$3.98

There are only 12 in this lot-large 9x12 best grade Wilton Rugs. There is no better domestic rug made and they always sell at \$50.00. We have only of them and we offer them tomorrous t \$25,00each. This is without question me most phenomenal rug bargain

NO MAIL ORDER WILL BE FILLED. NONE WILL BE SENT C. O. D. AND NONE WILL BE SENT ON AP-PROVAL. FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED. NEVER WAS THERE

ofa size Mohawk Smyrna Rugs and all the very finest 36x72 Wilton Rugs that generally sell at \$10, we offer omorrow at .....

\$5.00 Rugs at \$1.98 \$3.50 Rugs \$1.25

One lot of the reg. ular Axminster and Moquette Russ in different sizes that generally sell for \$5.00 - we offer them as long as they ast at, each ......

Smyrga and

in two lots; all the large size squares in all the differ ent grades, worth up to \$6.50, go in one lot, each All the Ingrain Art Squares that generally sell

NEARLY THE ENTIRE BASEMENT WILL BE DEVOTED TO SELLING THESE RUGS MONDAY. THEY WILL ALL BE LAID OUT ON LARGE COUNTERS ALTHOUGH THERE IS A BIG LOT-BEST WILL GO FIRST AND WE WOULD RECOMMEND AN EARLY CALL

SPRING DRESS GOODS, SILKS, MILLINERY 19c SILKS 25c ··· SILKS 39c ··· SILKS 49c-69c ··· SILKS 98c ··· SILKS **Extra Special Foulard Sale** 

All the 50c quality corded wash silks, stripes and checks, very dedresses, etc., on sale at 19c yard.

An immense assortment of plaid taffeta for waists, moire silks, foulard silks and beautiful selection of 27-inch corded swive sirable for shirt waists, children's silk, very desirable for waists or ladies' and satin duchesse, plisse silk, children's entire summer gowns, every yard white and black china silks, foulard silks, worth 60c-on sale at 25c

Taffetas in plaids, plain colors, checks and stripes,

In this immense assortment you will find \$1.00 and \$1.50 silks, all of them 27-inch and 32-inch wides, many exclusive waist patterns, handsome foulard silks, corded taf-fetas, white, black and colored tuffetas, crepe de chine, open worked and grenadine effects, black and white corded, tucked and shirred silks, especially adapted for waists, dress fronts or yokes, all on bargain square at 49c and 69c yard.

In this immense assortment you will, fin some of the highest class waist silks, elaborately embroidered silks, applique silks, embroidered on chiffon silks, new satin twilled foulards-the majority of these are worth \$2.50 yard-on sale at 98 cents.

150 exclusive patterns, no two alike, of Cheney Bros. best quality satin finished twilled and jacquard effects, in all the extreme new spring colorings. They are the swellest Foulards ever shown. We place on special sale the entire lot at,

Special Sale of Fashionable Spring Dress Goods—\$4.00 Cloths, \$1.25

venetians, cheviots, homespuns, zibelines, golf cloths and many other all wool cloth fabrics, 50 to 58-in, wide, very de-sirable for tailor su ts, runabout skirts, jackets, capes etc. These goods are all in the latest colors and mixtures, and are worth up to \$4.00 a yard. Monday special price on bargain

all wool Granite. Cheviots, De Belge, French Vigeraux, also 30 pieces of the new satin solelis, in all the new spring shades, including black. These goods were purchased at a fraction of their value and usually sold for 75c and 85c yd., Monday on bargain square at, yd.

fress goods, in all the new soft clinging effects. All wool crepe de chine, all woo French albatross, silk and wool etamines, wool batiste, coliennes, pruncilas, poplins volles and many other new, tylish weaves, in every new int and color. Special sale Monday in dress goods lepariment, yard 85c

dress materials in fine cotton goods, including satin stripe mulls, embroidered French Tamise, silk warp mousselines, embroidered lace striped batiste, new foulardines, mercerized grenadines in two-toned and plain effects, and many choice wash fabrics, worth up to \$1 yd. Monday special price in 39c, 59c



WEEK

This is

ATTERN

and SPRING IMPORTED PATTERN HATS from Paris, Vienna, Berlin and Londonmodel hats from New York-High art creations from our own workrooms-

that vie with the finest imported goods-Altogether the most elaborate display and magnificent collection ever in Omaha.

At \$10, \$12.50, \$15, \$20, \$25, \$30, \$35

And these three Grand Special Bargains for Monday

sale 1,000 handsomely trimmed hats made up with the very lat-est material and the newest ideas, special price \$3.49.

At \$4.98 Also a hand-

ored and warranted to fit, ages 8 to 16, at-

of over 500 hats, some are copies of \$12.00 and \$15.00 pattern hats, Monday's special price, \$4.98.

Sale of Boys' Suits

For Easter and Confirmation.

Pants Suits, in single and double-breasted styles, finely tail-

\$1.98, \$2.98, \$3.98 and \$5.98

years, made of the finest English and German Clay Worsteds,

Serges and French Tricot in single and double-breasted, de-

signed with critical care at money saving prices-

Black Clay Worsted, Serge and French Tricot Knee

Boys' and young men's Confirmation Suits, ages 12 to 20

and New York hats, as well as many of our own ideas from our work rooms, well worth \$15.00, Monday at \$9.98.



sale for \$4.98.

Worth from \$40.00 to \$60.00

Tomorrow we give you choice for the first time of an entire sample line of Ladies' fine costumes and suits, made by one of the swellest New York manufacturers. This entire lot was sold to us for particular and pressing reasons at 50c on

The lot includes fine broadcloths and venetian suits in novelty skirts. These are all original and exclusive designs, not seen in any other line. These magnificent suits cost from \$40.00 to \$60.00 each. The tailoring, the designs, and fit leave absolutely nothing to be desired. Of all the bargains given in our suit department, these costumes and suits at \$22.50 each are the most remarkable Come early for first choice.

85 Silk lined suits

-Nobby up-to-date -Nobby up- to- date eton, blouse and bolero ble cloths and popular colors of the sesson—many of this lot are worth as high as \$30.00 each, choice \$14.85.

Be tons and Box Coats—made to retail at \$7.50 — of all wool coverts, good lining and to retail at \$7.50 — of all wool coverts, good lining and to retail at \$7.50 — of all wool coverts, good lining and to retail at \$7.50 — of all wool coverts, good lining and to retail at \$7.50 — of all wool coverts. wool coverts, good lining and strictly tailored, all sizes, on

continuance of our great Saturday sale-most remarkable suit offering ever held-

flounce with four rows of shirred ribbons, good linings and well bound, \$6.98.

**New Easter** styles

Men. Women and Children

New Styles at

More style-more quality-more wear and better fitting than any other shoes on the market-and they cost you a good deal less money.

See the

for \$15 & \$20

on special sale on bargain squares in the basement

29c, 39c, 59c, 75c,

Monday we inaugurate the most important lace sale ever held in the west. The character of the goods offered and the extremely low prices we laces and embroideries, and we dare say there is no showing to compare with it in this section of the country. Furthermore the values are the greatest ever known. It's a sale that gives you your choice of the best besides saving you more than half your money.

Laces and Insertings, in a great and varied black and cream silk escurial galoons, cotline of patterns, worth up to 25c a yard, ton and Arabian galoons, suitable for dress

trimmings, worth up to \$1.00 a yard, on sale 2c, 3½c and 5c yard

Fine Normandy Platte Valenciennes and

15c, 19c, 25c, 39c, 49c yard Fine embroideries and insertings, in Swiss

Special sale of black silk chantily galoons

Point d'Esprit Laces, the very finest pat-terns, extra good qualities, worth up to very choice patterns, worth up to lie yard,

10c, 15c and 25c yard 2c, 3tc and 5c yard Black silk all-over laces, suitable for dress 69C Yard

Very fine embroideries and insertings, extra quality Swiss, cambric and nainsook, up to 18 inches wide,

and worth up to 75c a yard 7C2, 10C, 15C, 19C

Manufacturer's sample pieces of all-over embroideries, of fine nainsooks, and lace all-overs, worth up to 75c, go on sale at .....

## \$1.50 Gloves at 59c

6,500 pair ladies' high grade real kid gloves bought from the New York Custom House at less than half the import price. Some were slightly mussed, the boxes a little broken but the gloves are in almost perfect condition, in every size, in black, white, reds, modes and greens, worth regular up to \$1.50 pair, go in this sale at

59c per pair,

### **50c Ladies' Hose** 10c and 18c

1,000 dozen ladies' fine imported and domestic hose, great variety of plain and fancy colors, including stripes, plaids, Richelieu and Rembrandt, ribbed, silk finished, all regular sizes, every pair fast color, full seamless, regular made, some with double heels and spliced soles, regular price up to 50c, go in this sale, pair, at-

10c and 18c

# \$5.00 to \$12.50

R. W. Richardson, Secretary of National Good Roads Association, Talks.

CAMPAIGN OF EDUCATION GOES ON Mr. Richardson is Engaged in Outlining Thoroughtare Laws for the Various States-Experimental

Train to Go Out.

R. W. Richardson, secretary of the National Good Roads association and chief counsel for that organization, returned to Omaha yesterday afternoon for a brief visit. Mr. Richardson has been engaged in Chicago for the last three months in codifying terial indigenous to the territory through the road laws of the several states of the which the road passes, thus demonstrating union for the purpose of preparing amendments which may be engrafted upon existing importing material. For this reason it is laws and at the same time bringing the necessary that all sorts of read-building states more into harmony upon the subject. At the instance of the association, bills have been introduced into the legislatures of many of the states on the subject of

been passed. "The most important bill thus far introduced," said Mr. Richardson, "is the one pending b fore the Illinois legislature known as the Drew bill. It provides that all ablebedied convicts in the state penitentiary shall be employed in preparing road material and that this material shall be delivered to the different counties of the state free on board the cars at the station where the penal institution is located. The rail-

roads of the state have indicated their in-tention of making a special rate on this Lowell, Girard and Hubbard, O., has in-TO IMPROVE THE HIGHWAYS source of supply. To Demonstrate the Work.

"Next month the association will send out principal points in Kentucky, Louisiana and Mississippi. The Illinois Central road has donated the cars and will carry the train free. The manufacturers of road machinery have contributed the machines and will send men along to operate them. The United States Department of Agriculture will send on the train experts in road-making, who will hold institutes at places where experimental roads will be

"It is the intention of the association to use in the different communities the mato the residents what may be done without machinery be carried, for in places where gravel can be secured gravel roads will be built, where rock can be secured the roads will be macadamized, and in places where roads and in some places they have already neither can be secured the advantage of well drained earthen roads will be shown. Interest is increasing in the subject of roads all over the country and if the trip over the Illinois Central to the south proves as successful as its promoters con

class of freight and will equalize the rate structed its wage committee to call upon according to distance, so that the counties the furnace owners next Tuesday and prein the remote ports of the state can ob- sent a demand for an advance in wages of tain the material at a cost relatively less 20 per cent, taking effect April 1. The than those which are located closer to the demand will include a restoration of the 10 per cent reduction made a year ago, and an increase of the same amount. Leaders of the union assert that a general strike PAYS FOR PUBLIC WORK WITH BOGUS PAPER a good roads train, which will visit the will be ordered if the advance is not con-

> BANK CLEARINGS FOR WEEK Decrease for One Day Attributable to Snow Storm that Checked Business.

The blizzard on Tuesday had a marked poses to have the streets kept in first-class influence on the business of last week, condition, His name is George D. Merriman, as shown by the clearing house report. The decrease of \$142,000 on Wednesday was di- done on the streets is that he paid for it in rectly caused by the almost complete sus- worthless checks. The laborers he empension of local business owing to the ployed are not philanthropists and they had storm, the effects of which were felt for the man arrested. the remainder of the week.

corresponding week of last year were: 1901. \$1,002.114 \$ 550.415 \$141.650 and set the men from the streets. \$88.223 \$114.705 \$10.44.855 \$112.75 \$131.080 \$1.016.4857 \$81.275 \$131.080 \$1.016.75 \$81.81 \$131.705 \$982.850 \$57.240 \$125.616 \$10.44.855 \$10.275 \$125.616 \$10 Puesday Wednesday Phursday Saturday Totals.

George D. Merriman Leads a Crusade of

Municipal Reform.

Police Interfere and Take Merriman in Custody, Believing Him

to Be Mentally Irresponsible. Omaha has a Colonel Waring who pro-

In response to an advertisement inserted The bank clearings for the week and the in a local paper fifty men reported to Merriman Friday for work on the streets. He

> and set the men to work removing snow His Paper is Bogus. All went well until it was discovered that the paper Merriman uttered was bogus. He deserted his workingmen and was not to be \$5,928,892 \$5.429.895 \$507,997 [found when it was time to cash in. Merriman was spotted Friday night on a Park av-

> > disguised in a grotesque manner. He wore time has been considering it for the ranch. progress without their knowledge. artificial jute whiskers and curiy locks of While in the east recently he took up the . The reasons assigned for the possible re-

quated silk hat. The man is no stranger to the Omaha po- scheme.

casions and has attracted the attention of the point where the water enters laterals perintendent of the company in this city officers. Merriman pretended to be a manufacturer it ferments. It then passes from the tank of hair tonics and engaged a booth at the to the grounds, where it is used to fertilize a rumor. When the headquarters first went Auditorium exposition. He hired a dozen

young women to take charge of a booth that was scarcely large enough for one and he was finally ordered from the building. He is about 40 years of age and has been employed as fireman in several business blocks in the city. Since he was locked up the ranch consists of 1,600 acres, six miles any possibility of the return to this city, he has made no attempt to explain his actions and the officers believe he is insane. Merriman will be kept in jail until Monday, when he will probably be taken before the insanity board. In case he is found t be sane he will be prosecuted for passing forged checks. Captain S. Nicoletti was duped by Merriman and filed charges against | Reports from St. Louis Indicate Possithe man

purchased shovels with worthless checks TO TEST ROSEWATER PLAN Practical Demonstration of City Engineer's Scheme for Sewage Disposition.

The first practical test in Nebraska of Andrew Rosewater's plan for the disposing of sewage will probably be tried at a ranch enue car by Officer Hareld and is now in the in Chase county owned by Councilman D. T. city jail charged with being insane and Mount and others. The councilman became interested in the plan when it was proposed

very coarse horse hair hung from his anti- matter with the other members of the com-

covered that he was very queer. Since ing tank, the water with the sewage run- lness toward Omaha. then he has acted strangely on several oc- ning into the tank from the bottom. Above will run for the flow of water from the tank. The sewage is retained in the tank until heard nothing of it. Speaking of the matthe soil

orchard which the owners hope to make appeared to like St. Louis. I have underproductive to a degree unknown in that stood, however, that they had become acpart of the state and the sewage will probably be used for that purpose. At present Louis. I hardly believe there could now be east of the Colorado line, but before the in fact I am almost positive of it." company is through buying it expects to have from 8,000 to 10,000 acres in the tract.

ble Return of Pacific Express Company.

Omaha may again be the headquarters of the Pacific Express company. An apparently well authenticated suggestion of this probability comes to The Bee from St. Louis, to which city the Pacific

company moved over a year ago: Representatives of the Pacific in Omaha change of base, but that does not necessarily imply that the story is without foun-At the time of his arrest Merriman was for the Saddle creek sewer and since that dation, for the negotiations might be in

pany and they have partially approved the cers nor their clerks have been satisfied with the new location and that the eastern According to ideas of the engineer, all of extension has not materialized. On the a bicycle and was severely injured. Officers the sewage from the houses will be run contrary, the extension of the Union Pacific who took charge of him at the time dis-

Inquiry was made at the office of the su-On the Chase ecunty ranch there is an isfaction among the men, for none of them climated and are more reconciled to St.

SETTLE WITHOUT TROUBLE

GOOD FOR OMAHA Employers Not Expected to Contest Demand of Hod Carriers' Union for Increased Wages.

According to the ideas of the secretary of the Brick Contractors' association the question of the raise in the wages of the hodcarriers will be settled shortly without trouble. At the last conference of the emplayers and the union the latter changed its demand so as to make the increase of wages cover only the mortar men and the men who carry the hod for the plasterers, the wages of wheelbarrow men and other labordeny having heard anything of the reported ers to remain the same. According to the idea of many of the contractors the number of men affected by the change will be so small that the increase can be paid without cutting any figure in the general re-