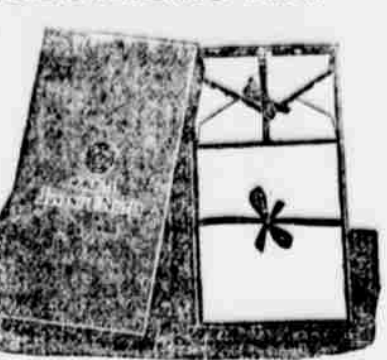


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Stationery Department

We carry the largest and most complete line of books, stationery, calendars and... HOLIDAY JUVENILE PAPER. Holiday Juvenile Paper, Fine quality cream...



Bibles & Testaments

Text Bibles, grain cloth cover, red edges, contains 12 maps and family record...

98c

Teachers' Bibles, marginal references, Egyptian seal bound, red under gold edges...

98c

Last Call for Monday and Tuesday

Grand Clearance Sale of all Holiday Goods. Everything goes, nothing reserved, from the most expensive to the cheapest. Visit every department from the basement to including the third floor.

Doll Go-Carts Reduced to Cost

Expensive goods to be sold at figures within the reach of all. These bargains can be found at Bennett's only. Elegant Go-Cart, stands 25 inches high, extra fine upholstery...

Black Boards.

Not another store in Omaha will sell blackboards at prices like these. We marked them low at the beginning, but owing to an overstock we place them on sale at these LOW PRICES.

Black Boards, on frames, 42 inches high with roller chart, regular price \$3.00, sale price \$1.98...

Boys' Tool Chests

at reduced prices—Special sale to close. Tool Chests, regular price \$1.20, sale price 90c...

Only a few left—Expensive Rocking Horses go fast at these prices.

Rocking horses, well braced and nicely finished, can be used on rockers or iron wheels. Special sale prices for Monday: Regular price \$5.75, sale price \$5.25...

Hook and Ladders.

Overstock on one size only. These will be sold at cost or less. Come early if you want one of these. Regular \$6.00, sale price \$5.00.

Candy Department

Our stocks are large and everything guaranteed strictly pure. English Walnuts, 12c per pound...

Woodenware Dept.

A complete line of useful household articles in Woodenware at the lowest prices. A few extra specials for Monday and Tuesday...

Furniture Department

Great closing out sale of children's Rockers, at prices that will move them quick, they make an elegant present.



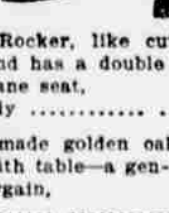
Child's Rocker, like cut, a good strong and durable rocker, price 75c



Child's Rocker, like cut, large size, price 85c



Child's Rocker, like cut, made of maple and has a double wove cane seat, price only 95c



A well made golden oak finish high chair, with table—a genuine bargain, price 68c

Crockery Department

Monday and Tuesday merry Christmas whirl in prices. Look at these items and see the wares—never equalled world leaders.

- Five gold leafage gift Tea and Coffee—gorgeous decorations— 35c
Table of beautiful—choice at—plated new top— 25c
Cut Glass Art Bottles— 90c
Parlor Cuspidors—Imported china—fine decorations—the one dollar 39c
English Jet Bead Decorated Teapots—choice of three sizes— 49c
China—Teapot—Bread—Wine—flower— 25c
Hanging Vases—collet flower—new— 75c
Rainbow Color Vases—Fancy Palace Vases—Table of Bisque— 90c
Tea—table Sets—three pieces— 85c
Sugar and Cream—pieces— 35c
Basket of Pineapples and Strawberries— 10c
Jewel Night Lamps— 10c
Jewel Night Lamps and Globes— 20c
Fancy Soap Dishes— 25c
Fancy Oil Lamps— 25c
Table of Gift Cake and Fruit Plates— 25c
Beautiful Salad Bowls— 25c
Cracker Jars and Chocolate Pots— 48c
Shackles—Globe—Lamp— 75c
Reclining No. 2 Shade Lamps— 1.98
Globe Lamps— 2.25
Cameo Plaques— 15c

Gifts in the Drapery and Carpet Department

Third Floor. Best to look through drapery department. Many a splendid article for the home. Such as Lace Curtains, Table Covers, etc.

LIKE CUT—very effective Lace Curtains, hand-made by the manufacturer, regular at \$2.25 pair—sale price, pair— 1.98

REMEMBER our immense variety of Rugs, in latest designs and patterns, ranging in price up to— 65c

Trunk Department. A special holiday drive in this department. No better stock in Omaha to choose from. We have them in all the sizes and styles.

When Xmas comes the CARPET SWEEPER business booms. Hundreds of them are bought for gifts. Our sweepers are the famous Russell Carpet Sweeper Co. of Grand Rapids, Mich.

Butter Dept. Pure and fresh from the country. Country Roll Butter— 15c
Pickles—small— 8c
Mince Meat— 12c
Preserves— 9c
Canned Solid— 20c

Hardware Dept. The most complete hardware stock in the city. We carry an elegant line of useful articles suitable for Christmas presents.

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No better values ever offered. Try us. Tea—splendid value— 38c
Coffee—a good drink— 12c
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GENERAL MILES CENSURED

Secretary Root Severely Reprimands General for Schley Discussion.

SAYS HE VIOLATES THE MILITARY LAW

President Roosevelt Directs the Action of the War Portfolio, with Intent of Terminating Whole Controversy.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—A determination on the part of the administration to absolutely terminate further discussion of the Sampson-Schley controversy took shape today in the publication of some remarkable correspondence that has passed between Secretary Root and Lieutenant General Miles relative to the latter's interviews with the press on the subject.

When the interview officially appeared it attracted considerable attention, but after the lapse of two days without any sign of official action the conclusion was general that the interview would be ignored. Therefore, the publication today of the full correspondence on this subject created much surprise. It is seldom that so severe a reprimand is administered to an officer of so high a rank in either service.

Parallels in Meade Case. The nearest parallel of late years was that of Rear Admiral Richard Meade, who, upon returning from a cruise in Venezuelan waters with the White Squadron, accorded an interview to a New York newspaper, severely criticizing the administration for its lack of vigor in dealing with the Venezuelan question. The outcome of that case was the early retirement of the rear admiral from active service.

That General Miles appreciates the situation is shown by the deep concern he manifested today and his frequent visits to the office of Secretary Root. It was necessary for him to write two letters to meet the demands of the department and even then there was no expression of satisfaction on the secretary's part at the second explanation. However, Secretary Root himself regards the incident as closed. At least he does not propose to take any further action unless obliged to do so.

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