

GOOD TIME TO BUY LUMBER

Building Expert Says Reduction in Prices is Due to Oversupply.

CANE GOODS COMING BACK

Old Style of Furniture is Finding Decided Preference Among Buyers Who Are Looking for the Latest.

Another drop in the price of lumber during the week seems to be indicative of a general and widespread tendency in regard to the movement of the market in lumber of most if not all of the grades used most extensively in building in this part of the country.

"I do not believe the bottom has been reached by any means in the lumber market," said a man who does extensive building and who is in a position to know and read constantly the general market.

"The present reduction is due not so much to the decrease in demand as to the greatest excess in supply.

"Winter is the best time for the owner of a house," said a man who has recently completed a new home in the west part of the city.

Furniture men report a "coming in" or renaissance of cane furniture. Chairs with cane bottoms and cane backs are getting to be the "rage" again.

The beauties of the olden style are well illustrated in a house recently completed on Sherman avenue.

"People ought to be careful what estimates they make on a house of a given size and costing a given price," said a local architect.

Deeper and Deeper Goes the Knife

Read with care the striking list of genuine bargains presented below. You have our assurance that every item means a substantial saving to you, and you must know also that it is our aim always to offer only such merchandise as is THE VERY BEST OF ITS KIND.

Coat and Suit Bargains

A mixed lot of real German Caruel Coats, heavy satin lined, finely finished, made to sell at \$20.00, \$25.00 and \$30.00, will go on sale Monday at \$12.98.

Left on hand about 50 good style Suits, taffeta silk lined, well tailored, black, blues, browns, tans, checks and plaids—just right to the dot for early spring wear.

Evening and Opera Coats—newest styles; cream, white, pink, blue, brown, tan, black; embroidered and braided; those that were \$50.00 and \$60.00 will go on Monday at \$35.00—and they're beauties.

The \$40.00 kind will go at \$25.00. Those which were \$35.00 will go at \$19.00; and a few Opera Capes which were \$15.00 will go down and out at \$9.98.

One interesting lot of Coats, new styles, semi-fitting, others loose; blacks, browns, reds and fancies, worth up to \$18.00, will go with a rush on Monday at \$7.50 each.

Children's Coats—checks, plaids, fancies; worth \$5.00 and \$6.50, Monday \$1.98 each.

All Furs and Fur Coats—one-third off what are already low prices—don't overlook.

Now Hie With Us to Basement

We mention only a few of the good things—large 11-4 Cotton Blankets, worth \$1.25, will go quickly Monday at 69c.

11-4 grey Blanket, all wool filling, worth \$4.50, Monday's price \$2.69.

All Robe Blankets in stock at half former prices.

32-inch Madras, worth 15 cents, on Monday 7 1/2c yard.

15c Flannelettes, 34 inches wide, yours on Monday at 9 1/2c.

50c Scotch Flannels, Monday half that price, 25c.

MAIN FLOOR

Women's Underwear—Natural wool ribbed, regularly \$1.00, on Monday 50c.

Children's All Wool Vests, Pants and Drawers, worth up to \$1.00, 69c and 49c.

Women's Hosiery, the 25c fashioned split foot, three for a half Monday—3 for 50c.

Men who cannot come in person Monday should be represented by delegate or proxy—for there'll be snags for men. A lot of fine worsted rib Underwear, Lucerne make, usually \$1.50, Monday 98c.

And unmatchable bargains in Shirts, Drawers or Union Suits.

Here's a Special which you cannot afford to miss if you wear pyjamas. All those which sold up to \$1.75 will go Monday at \$1.29.

Just a little lot left of the famous Cashmere Sox purchase; plain, fancy and some silk mix—worth a half—Monday 22c.

Holiday Suspenders, which sold up to \$1.50, Monday 50c a pair.

There will be Linen Bargains Galore—Our stock was so large, our preparations so extensive, that notwithstanding the fact that we were swamped with customers during the first days of our great sale—we have hundreds of splendid bargains left and prepared for Monday's selling.

The discount from Sets still holds good. The 20 per cent off Cloths and Napkins still rules—all the radical cuts still prevail—aye, and more—for odd lots and slightly soiled lots will be cut still deeper Monday.

We had neither space nor time for white goods so far. If you will come Monday we will sell you 10c India Linon for 6 1/2c; 12 1/2c quality at 8 1/2c, and the 15c grade at 10c a yard.

28 pieces of fine medium heavy, imported, fancy figured white goods, formerly 50c, on Monday 29c a yard.

No Abatement—No Cessation in the Rush at the SILK SECTION

At no time since we have been in business have we seen such remarkable crowds. Now take notice—we will prepare to invoice in a few days. This is your chance for unmatchable bargains—Monday will be a hummer. All black Silks of every kind, 20 per cent off. Crepe de Chines, worth 85c and \$1.00, at 79c and 55c a yard.

Don't pass the Dress Goods section—a look at the signs and the goods or the counters will explain why.

Lovers of China

We are going to sell on Monday in the basement, a few 100-piece sets of Austrian China which sold from \$13.50 to \$18.00, at \$9.45 a set. You will have to come early if interested.

And remember the 20 per cent discount off all China and Glassware will last only a few days more—it behooves you to get busy if at all interested.

Gloves

The remarkable Glove Sale will continue on Monday. All the elbow length Prime Imported Kids, worth \$3.50, at \$2.49 a pair. All that is left of the special purchase \$1.50 Kids will go at 89c. All our cashmere, wool and golf gloves for ladies and children, worth up to \$1.00, on Monday, without reserve, at 29c a pair.

Books—Last Call

All religious books, Bibles, Testaments, Prayer Books, Hymnals—Protestant and Catholic—one-half off. All Rosaries one-third off. \$1.00 and \$1.50 Copyrights 29c. Few sets remaining, one-fourth off what were already low prices.

Now for the 2nd Floor Again

Children's department—a lot of Coats for 2, 3 and 4 year olds, exactly one-half former prices. 2, 3 and 4 year old white Russian blouse dresses, sold up to \$1.50, at 79c each.

Corsets—Her Majesty, Nemo, C. B. a la Spirite, which sold up to \$5.00, on Monday at 89c a pair.

Silk Skirts, blacks and colors, sold up to \$7.50, at \$4.89. Closing out a lot of Ferris Waists—G. D. and Kabo Corsets, broken lines, were \$1.50, at 49c.

Fine French hand made Underwear 20 per cent off. Children's Drawers, hemstitched, cheap at 25c, Monday 10c. Beautiful lace trimmed Skirts, a remarkable bargain at \$3.95 each.

We have just jumped around from place to place in this ad as the matter has been handed into us. We hope we have listed just enough to awaken your interest. Never before such a sale. Never before such genuine bargains. We beg of you to come in the morning, early. Comfort and satisfaction for both.

Thomas Kilpatrick & Co.

LESLIE PAYS IN CUPID FEES

Does Not Care to Take Chance on Holding Out Contrary to Law.

By an agreement between the county board and County Judge Leslie the \$1,500 Judge Leslie collected for performing marriage ceremonies between January 8, 1908, and July 1, 1907, will be paid over to the county treasurer.

BUSHEL A DAY FOR EACH NAG

Rate at Which Horses that Are Starving to Death Devour Feed.

Barney McCormick was arrested by Detective Savage Friday night on the charge of obtaining goods by false pretense.

TIMELY REAL ESTATE GOSSIP

Conditions in Omaha Better Than in Many Other Cities.

BUILDING MAY BE LESS IN 1908

Some Real Estate Dealers Predict that People Will Wait Hoping for Reduction in Price of Material.

Viewing the real estate situation in Omaha and other cities in various parts of the country, the dealers are of the belief that conditions on the Missouri river are, like the banking situation, a great improvement over the situation in other cities.

Reports from other sections are scarcely to be compared with the real estate and rental business in Omaha. Returning from Washington only a few days ago, F. D. Wead of that city building said: "I have a circular almost as large as the front of a daily newspaper. It is printed in small type on both sides. It would appear to be a list of bargain books or the entry list for a season's horse races, but it is not. All that paper is used to list the vacant homes for rent in Washington by one firm."

Mr. Wead said he did not think it could be said of Washington that it is a city of rented homes, as congressmen and senators are usually presumptuous enough to

buy homes when they are first sent to the capital city, and the larger part of the homes are owned. After each house it is designated whether or not the property will be rented to colored people.

Others who have correspondents with firms in New England report that there has been very little activity during the past six weeks, the larger manufacturing cities suffering especially. A great many workmen have been laid off and this has cut down the incomes on the cheaper tenement properties, making collections of rent difficult, the selling of property for investment almost impossible. Money conditions are said to be severely felt in all the New England states.

Charles Irwin, a Denver attorney, who was in Omaha during the week said: "Colorado, Wyoming and Montana undoubtedly feel the money stringency and things are not as active as usual, but we expect things to open up with a rush in the spring in Colorado."

From Seattle come the information that there is much activity in farm lands, and the large amount of building under way has been hindered by money conditions, which has caused mortgage money to soar. Almost the same report comes from the south, while along the Ohio river it has been learned from correspondence that conditions are stationary and money very high.

While there is some talk of the year 1908 being a duplicate of 1907 as a year of home building, the opinion seems to prevail among the real estate dealers that fewer homes will be erected during the coming year. There are more houses empty, for one reason, and the general hope of lower values and lower material will probably hold operations off during

the year. Byron R. Hastings is authority for the prediction that while 1,000 homes have been built during the year 1907, there is little prospect that so many will be built in 1908. Mr. Hastings does not believe that too many houses have been built for the growing population, but enough have been added to the dwelling places in Omaha to release a number of desirable homes for rent. A few months ago it was almost impossible to find a desirable home for \$25. There are a large number of the lists now ranging from \$25 to \$40 which are desirable residences.

President W. T. Graham of the Real Estate exchange has already won distinction among the members. Calling a special meeting for Thursday noon, telephoning others to attend and then forgetting all about the meeting himself is the stunt which distinguished Mr. Graham. Numerous hotels and restaurants were called up, but Mr. Graham disappeared as completely as though someone had removed the force of gravity in the vicinity of where he stood and he had shot off into the saturated ambient.

Since the Real Estate exchange has recommended new street signs for the business and residence districts of Omaha, it is the opinion of D. C. Patterson that the exchange would do a good thing if a reward were offered for the arrest and conviction of boys who tear down or deface the signs. "There is little use putting up signs which will be marked for all the rocks in the neighborhood," said Mr. Patterson. "I know of no one who will be more inconvenienced by new signs than the real estate dealers, and for one I would like to see liberal rewards paid for information leading to the arrest of the vandals who tear down street signs."

A sample of the new street signs to be used in the business district of Omaha

has been placed at Sixteenth and Farnam streets. The four way sign is fastened to a public service pole on a steel bracket, while the letters placed on malleable iron "boards" are riveted and are of white metal. They should last for a quarter of a century. Another suggestion made by Mr. Patterson is that an ordinance be passed requiring all who build cement sidewalks in the future to imbed the name of the streets at the corner in blue stone or some material which may easily be seen.

John A. Scott, one of the delegates of the Omaha Real Estate exchange to the national rivers and harbors congress, spoke of the good to be derived from the meetings, at the special meeting of the exchange Thursday. Mr. Scott said: "No one appreciated what the opening of river transportation means to this western country until they had heard the question discussed and comprehended some of the facts. I believe the best thing we can do now is to go to Sioux City, January 22 and 23, where the Missouri River Navigation congress is to be held. We must remember simply because we say so to Sioux City. It does not mean that it is to help Sioux City especially. It is to help all the cities in the Missouri valley and Omaha is interested."

OFFICER FREE WITH HIS GUN

Woodridge Hones Neighborhood and Then Shoves Pistol Under Noses of Couple.

An indignant citizen called up the police station late the other night.

"Send the patrol wagon out here, a policeman is running amuck," he said.

The following day he told his experiences to friends.

The citizen was calling with a young woman at a house near Twenty-sixth and Farnam streets when the entire neighborhood was alarmed by quick revolver shots. The women sought shelter and the men bravely ventured out to view the slaughter done, to seize the murderer or murderers and to find what aid they could to the bleeding victims.

Instead of the massacre they found only

Pollerman Woodridge, erstwhile sanitary officer, with an empty and still "smoking revolver." He explained he was just trying to shoot a dog.

Later the young man took the young woman to the house where she is staying during her brief visit in the city. The house is at Thirty-third and Farnam streets. They were standing at the gate behind the shelter of a tree saying good night when a voice suddenly demanded "hands up" and a revolver was thrust from behind the tree into their faces. The young woman screamed and fled and the young man faced what he supposed to be a highwayman. But it was the same officer who now sternly bade him begone, saying he had no right to be talking with a young woman at that hour of the night.

SEVERAL REAL ESTATE DEALS

South Omaha Woman Pays Ten Thousand Dollars for Poppleton Avenue Home.

Quintella M. Freshner of South Omaha bought the home near Twenty-ninth street and Poppleton avenue of A. E. Becker for \$10,000. The Becker home being one of the most desirable residences in Hanscom Place.

J. H. Devine has sold through J. H. Dumont & Son eight lots in Riverside Park addition to John Mack. Mr. Mack intends to erect a large modern home as soon as spring opens.

George & Co. have renewed the lease for the ground floor of the Board of Trade building for the coming year at a rental of \$1,000. This space rented a few years ago for \$2,500 and George & Co. had a lease for five years, the rent advancing \$1,500 in a few years.

Dr. H. Gifford has sold through J. H. Dumont & Son his farm of 900 acres in southwestern Douglas county to William Weidenhof of Jefferson county, the consideration being \$20,000. The farm is known as the C. E. Mayne ranch and has two modern farm houses as well as other improvements.

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Handsome Home of an Omaha Attorney

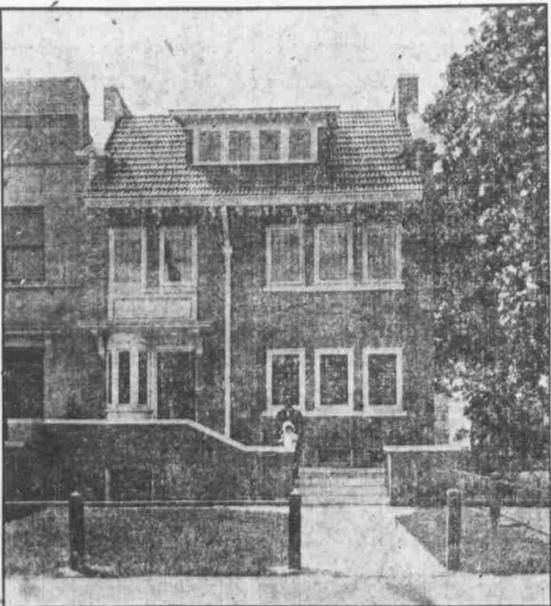
The home recently completed by Attorney A. S. Ritchie at 213 Douglas street is an excellent model of up-to-date design suited to a city like Omaha. It is compact and yet roomy, built of common material and yet moulded into a beautiful whole.

It is a modest two-story and attic building set just a little back from the street. Advantage has been taken of every opportunity for variety of effect and salient treatment. The entrance porch instead of being merely applied to the building is really attached to it by being enclosed within a wall running parallel to the building. The wall is broken by the posts marking the entrance and is capped by a course of white stone. The overhang of the roof with its shadow helps the wall of the porch to line the house up with the street while at the same time it assists the white window and door frames to provide agreeable contrasts on the front of the little building. The roof gives the comfortable effect of a man with a broad-brimmed hat pulled down over his eyes to ward off either sun or rain.

The interior of the house is very attractive in its excellent use of comparatively small spaces, and in the thoroughly simple and consistent treatment throughout. The living and dining rooms are practically one apartment separated only by bookcases standing out into the room as screens. But while separated by these bookcases they are united by similarity in the lines and the effect of the woodwork character which harmonizes with the mission furniture of the room.

It is very rare to find a house as small as this, architects say, which is so completely designed and finished. Even the tables and chairs are especially selected with a view to harmonizing with the delicate whole.

It is a type of building with the compactness of the flat and without the severely rectangular and uncompromisingly fixed lines of the flat.



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G. M. NATTINGER, Sec'y.

W. R. ADAIR, Ass't Sec'y.

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On certain dates you can get first-class round trip tickets to any part of the West or Southwest—Missouri, Kansas, Colorado, Arkansas, Louisiana, Texas, Oklahoma or Mexico. The rates are a little more than

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