

Pre-Inventory Men's Suit and
Overcoat Sale

Choice, Any Men's Suit or Overcoat in
the house, worth up to \$30.00, Satur-
day, one day only. **\$17.50**

Choice, Any Men's Suit or Overcoat in
the house, worth up to \$22.50, Saturday,
one big day's sale, priced **\$13.50**

Never were finer garments offered for sale. Every new style in all the wanted patterns and
colors are here to choose from. Tailored by the best ready-to-wear manufacturers in America,
including Michael Stern, and Garson Meyer's made garments. Saturday is the last day of Our
Pre-Inventory Sale. Take advantage of these remarkable bargains Saturday.

Men's Trousers—Last Day of Our Great Pre-
Inventory Sale—\$2.50 Pants, Saturday, **\$2.00**
\$3.00 Pants, Saturday, **\$2.50**
Fancy Vests—Worth up to \$4.00, Saturday, your
choice, at **\$1.50**
Youth's Suits—Worth up to \$10.00, Satur-
day, your choice, at **\$5.50**

Pre-Inventory Sale—Boys' Clothing—All Our Best
grades of Boys' Suits and Overcoats. That regu-
larly sell up to \$5.00 and \$6.00, Saturday a re-
markable money saving sale, your choice—
at **\$2.50 and \$3.98**
Boys' Pants at 50c—In all wool materials,
Knickerbocker style, all patterns and colors, 50c
Boys' Corduroy Pants—Saturday wonderful values,
at **85c and \$1.00**

BENNETTS

Flowers For New Year's—A Beautiful Floral Dis-
play, in all the wanted varieties, at popular prices

Our Store Will Be Closed All Day
Monday of Next Week to Celebrate
New Year's Day

Order Enough Groceries, Meats and Fruits to Last
Until Tuesday—Saturday.
Tuesday (Our Annual Lifen Sale and Our)
January Furniture Clearance Sale Begins

Hundreds of Ladies' Tailored Suits,
Coats and Fur Sets Left

To Be Cleaned Up at Popular Prices Saturday

This Pre-Inventory Sale Ends Saturday Night at 10 o'clock. Come in Sat-
urday and note the wonderful values this great sale has to offer. Below are a
few items of interest. Note the reductions.

Choice of Any Wool Suit in the
entire house, including all
styles and shades, values up
to \$50.00. This great Pre-
Inventory Sale for only **\$25.00**
High Grade Fur Sets at One-
Third Off, including all our
black Lynx, black Wolf and
Fox, together with Fisher Rac-
coon and Mink sets. In all the

popular styles and beautiful
trimmed sets. **35c OFF**
Any Black Coat—The best qual-
ities and styles on the market
—regularly sold up to \$45.00.
Your choice for only **\$25.00**
Any Ladies' Colored Coat in our
entire stock, all lengths and
patterns; values that can't be
excelled anywhere for less

than \$45.00. Your choice
Saturday **\$19.50**
100 Girls' Coats at Half Price
and Less—These Coats are the
broken sizes of our regular
\$10.00 and \$12.00 lines; in
navy, brown, gray and red—
sizes from 6 to 14 years. Sat-
urday a wind-up sale—re-
duced to **\$5.00**

Big Handker-
chief Sale
Saturday

3,000 Beautiful Handkerchiefs,
used for decorating purposes dur-
ing the holidays, will go on sale Sat-
urday. These Handkerchiefs
would regularly sell as high as
25c Saturday, Four Big Groups—
At **2c, 3c, 5c and 10c**
Slightly Wrinkled Ladies' Neck-
wear; slightly wrinkled by Xmas
shopping, 200 dozen dainty
pieces, values to 35c, a Big Clean-
Up Sale Saturday at **5c**

HALF PRICE SALE
On All Sample
TOYS AND DOLLS

We are selling all these goods
far below their actual value, that
our stocks may be all cleared out.
Pick your toys or dolls and pay
just half the regular price.

Big Har'ware Bargains
Pre-Inventory Sale Saturday

1,000 pieces standard high grade im-
ported blue and white enameled
ware, including dishes, coffee
pots, rice boilers, Berlin kettles,
sauce pans, mixing bowls, etc., ac-
tual values to \$1.25—
a Big clean-up sale, **49c**
Heating Stoves, **73c** Saturday.
Regular make **73c** Saturday.
Galvanized Pails, 15c values Saturday
at **10c**
Tangle Scrub Brushes, 15c values—
Saturday at **10c**
\$2.00 Wash Buckets Saturday, **\$1.49**
Saw Grip Pans Saturday, **10c**

Big Pre-Inventory Sale
Men's Furnishings

Men's 25c Wool Hose; special
sale at 19c, or three
pairs for **50c**
Men's Underwear—Any of
our \$1.50 wool garments—
Saturday special at **\$1.00**
Men's Pyjamas, all our \$2.00
outing flannel garments;
Saturday special at
only **\$1.50**
Boys' \$1.50 Wool Sweater
Coats—Saturday extra spe-
cial, at **\$1.00**

Big Corset Sale
Saturday

Our regular line of 75c Cor-
sets in all lengths, short,
medium and extra long,
made of fine batiste or con-
til, with two pairs of hose-
supporters, model beauti-
fully trimmed, Saturday
bargain value, **49c**
at pair **49c**
Also some big values in our
\$1.00 \$1.50 and \$2.00
grades.

Pre-Inventory Shoe Sale Saturday

Hundreds of Ladies' Shoes, Remarkable Values—Cut
for Quick Moving Saturday, to **\$2.19**
2,000 pairs of Ladies' very fashionable, good wearing and well built shoes, in patent
leather and velvets, with the popular short vamp, plain toe, in button or
lace—placed on sale Saturday, the last pre-Inventory cut price sale day, for a mere
fraction of their actual value. See them in the window and be here early Saturday.
We have your size and they cost but **\$2.19**
200 pairs of Men's—all the broken sizes and small quantity stocks
of our regular lines in small sizes; Saturday a big clean-up sale,
your choice for only **95c**
Saturday's Final Pre-Inventory Slipper Sale
LADIES' SLIPPERS **\$2.00** ones for **\$1.45**
Good warm house slippers, beauti-
fully trimmed with fur, come in
black, gray, red and brown—
clean up sale Saturday only **95c**
MEN'S SLIPPERS **\$1.75** ones for **\$1.25**
Good warm house slippers, beauti-
fully trimmed with fur, come in
black, gray, red and brown—
clean up sale Saturday only **95c**

Bennett's Big Grocery—Extra Specials for Saturday

Pride of Bennett's Flour, sack **\$1.30**
Bennett's Excelsior Flour, at **1.00**
per sack **\$1.50**
Bennett's Best Coffee, 3 lbs. **\$1.00**
Free Salad Bowl.
Bennett's Breakfast Coffee, two
pound can for **48c**
Free Three Assorted Dishes, three
Teas, assorted, pound **60c**
Free Salad Bowl.
Teas, assorted, pound **60c**
Free 3 Sauce Dishes.
Tea Siftings, pound package **1.00**
Bennett's Capital Blueberries, three
packages for **25c**
Monarch Cut Asparagus, large can
and 10 stamps **25c**
Bennett's Capital Blueberries,
Strawberries, Black Raspberries
and Red Raspberries, at **15c**
Fruits—Special for Saturday
Remember to order enough to last
all day Monday—New Year's.
Big Orange Special Saturday
SUNRISE—Our regular 40c grade,
our regular 45c grade at **25c**
Fancy Cooking or Eating Apples—
per peck **40c**
Extra large Florida Grape Fruits
for dozen **1.50**
Extra fancy Imported Figs, lb. **50c**
Peaches, New, California, lb. **1.00**
2 large plain Lettuce Saturday, **5c**
Extra fancy Potatoes, bushel, **85c**
We received yesterday another
large quantity of extra fancy
Country Cooking Butter, fresh
from the country. For a big
special Saturday we will sell it
at, per pound **35c**
Also a large quantity of the best
country table Butter fresh
from the farm, a big special
bargain Saturday, at per
pound **32c**
Peanut Butter, 2 jars **20c**
and 10 stamps.
Galliard's Pure Olive Oil, quart can
for **75c**
Macaroni, Star or Crescent, 2 pack-
ages for **25c**
Double stamps on Granulated Su-
gar, Butterline and Cheese.

Saturday Candy Specials

Bennett's Finest Chocolate—
our regular 50c a pound kind—
a rare bargain Saturday at only,
per pound **29c**
Assorted flavored, plain and bitter
sweet chocolates, regular 40c and
50c per pound candy, a special
feature for Saturday, per pound, at
only **25c**

Basement Bargains
Pre-Inventory Sale

35c Washer Funnel— a
household necessity—for
only **10c**
Breadboards, 10x14, Saturday—
cut to **10c**
Toilet Paper, large, flat and rolls,
8 for **25c**

Books Greatly
Reduced

A Pre-Inventory Clean-Up Book
Sale.
3 great tables filled with book
bargains; 1 lot of leather bound
books by Poe and other English
and French classics, Saturday,
at each **15c**
1 lot of books worth up to 50c—
stocks left over from Xmas lines;
Saturday, for **19c**
1 lot of Picture Books, at **5c**
1011 CALENDAR SALE
1 lot worth to 50c, Saturday **10c**
1 lot worth to 75c, Saturday **19c**

Pre-Inventory
Jewelry Sale

Our entire stock of High Grade
Jewelry, excluding Diamonds and
Watches—a big clean-up sale at
25% DISCOUNT.
Including all Silverware, Novel-
ties, Clocks, Leather Goods and
Umbrellas.
Pre-Inventory Diamond Sale—
10% DISCOUNT
Pre-Inventory Watch Sale—
20% DISCOUNT
Saturday is the day that offers
greater values in our High Grade
Jewelry than any one day of the
year. Don't miss this great op-
portunity to buy just the things
you have needed and want, at
bargain prices.

Pyrography Wood Sale
Tuesday

Hundreds of Slightly Soiled
Pyrography Wood Pieces, left over
from the Xmas stock, placed on
sale Tuesday, at—
LESS THAN HALF PRICE
Including boxes, pipe racks,
stools, umbrellas, racks, tables,
waste baskets, etc. Come Early
Tuesday—2d floor.

CRAIG BACK FROM CONFERENCE
Believes National Government Should
Look After the Rivers.

ONE STATE CAN DO NOTHING
Unless There is United Action It
Would Be of Little Use for One
State to Make Any Move
in the Work.

City Engineer G. W. Craig, who was the
first of Nebraska's representatives to re-
turn from the conference in Kansas City,
which was called by Governor Stubbs to
discuss the sanitary conditions of the Mis-
souri river, believes that nothing can be
done unless the action of the states is con-
coordinated.
"Every city along the river," said Mr.
Craig, "is in the habit of pouring into the
stream most of its garbage. None of the
doctors who were present at the meeting
would venture the opinion that the preva-
lence of typhoid is due to this wholesale
garbage disposal, but they all believe that
it is a contributing cause."
There are two ways in which the matter
might be remedied. One is for all the
cities to adopt some means of destroying
refuse by a crematory or something like
that, and the other is for them all to
adopt some means of chemically treating
the water which will destroy the impurities
before it is given out for consumption.
"In my opinion and in the opinion of
many of the engineers who have con-
sidered the matter, nothing much can be
done with river sanitation until the federal
government establishes a bureau of public
health and supervises the whole thing. If
one state should go ahead and do
something to improve the Missouri the
whole expenditure could be rendered use-
less by the carelessness of a state on the
other side of the stream. Whether or not
the government has the constitutional
right to establish such a department is
not a matter for our opinion, but we know
how much it would help."
Mr. Craig and Health Commissioner R.
W. Council were the representatives of Ne-
braska, and Dr. Council was appointed a
member of a committee to draw up a re-
port on general conditions of the river
and resolutions for further action. W. C.
Hoad, professor of engineering in Kansas
University and sanitary engineer to the
Kansas Board of Health, is the other
member of the committee.

FAREWELL LUNCHEON BY
SOCIAL SERVICE CLUB

Dr. Rev. George A. Beecher and Mrs.
Harriet M. Heller, Guests
of Honor.
The Social Service club will give a lunch-
eon at the Commercial club Saturday
afternoon at 12:30 o'clock as a farewell
to Mrs. B. A. Beecher, who leaves the
first of the year to assume charge of the
missionary house of Kearney, and Mrs.
Harriet M. Heller, whose resignation as
vice-president of the Detention Home
takes effect the first of the year. Both
have been valued workers in social ser-
vice. Judge A. L. Sullivan is president of
the organization, which now has over a
hundred members.
Injured in a Fire
caused by a fall lamp Buckles's Ar-
riving Sales. Cures burns, wounds, scalds,
sprains, etc. Guaranteed. 50c. For sale
by Beaton Drug Co.

Old Guard to Make
Brave Showing on
Inauguration Day

Last Sad Rally of Shallenberger's Gold
Lace Brigade at Lincoln—Planned
Surprise Leaks Out.

Adjutant General Harigan has started
something, on the eve of leaving his posi-
tion.
As a result Colonel Charles E. Fanning and
Colonel Ed Getten are busy holding con-
ferences. At the office of Colonel Fanning,
in the Bee building, and at Colonel
Getten's cigar store, prominent democrats
of both the Shallenberger and Dahlgren
factions have been dropping in quite num-
erously the last few days and laying their
heads together.
In an unguarded moment "Judge" John
J. Mahoney and "Joe" Butler fell to talk-
ing on the street corner about the trick
that is to be pulled off, and when Colonel
Fanning was seen he pretended to be real
unhappy that the news of the contemplated
coup had got abroad.
"All I will say about it is that I, in com-
mon with other members of the governor's
staff, as I suppose, have received orders
to report at Lincoln in uniform and bear-
ing side arms on inauguration day," said
Colonel Fanning. "As Governor-elect Al-
dritch has not yet named a staff, perhaps
he desires to see just how a military mob
of prominent people look in regulation
staff uniforms; or it may be we are to do
the courteous thing by the new chief mag-
istrate just to show that Governor Shal-
lenberger wants to honor his successor to
the full limit."
Holding Deputy Oil Inspector "Tom"
O'Connor, who was reported to know all
about the proposed surprise, dodged any
direct replies to questions, but admitted
he understood there would be some fun
at the inauguration.
"They may be going to capture Govern-
or Aldrich for all I know," said O'Con-
nor. "No telling what will happen when
that gold-laced bunch congregates for an
occasion that closely resembles their own
funeral, so far as an outsider can see.
The best I can tell you is that Colonel
Fanning and some of the others have
something up their sleeve, and if they in-
sist on sticking at the heels of the new
governor, awaiting his orders, he may con-
clude he would like to have them with him
on his official trip, or some of the best
looking, at least. But after all, if Governor
Aldrich, or anybody else, should begin
ordering them around, for instance, such
a thing as a mutiny and the capture of
the officer is not impossible. Maybe that's
what they have in mind."
"Phaw, they couldn't capture a piece
of fish on Friday," out in Street Commis-
sioner Flynn, "and yet, I can see chances
for much courteous jousting should the
Dahlgren colonels all show up and pour
coals of fire on the heads of his dearest
opponents by kindly treatment."
George Year Pittsburg Breaks.
PITTSBURG, Dec. 28.—The gorge in the
Allegheny river at Prosper, Pa., broke
early today and steamers of the various
interests with tons of coal boats made it
in Pittsburg harbor, the word to the cap-
tains in time for seven tons to pass Davis
island dam before the ice came out of the
Allegheny. All the ice will be permitted
to break before the remainder of the fleet,
ten tons is started. The shipment will
amount to about 15,000,000 bushels of coal.

UNITED SURETY IS INVOLVED
Company with Big Nebraska Risks
Gets Into Litigation.

APPLICATION FOR A RECEIVER
Action Instituted in Baltimore—Re-
sulting Complications May Cause
Inconvenience Among As-
sured—Agencies Charged.

Six thousand Omahans and other Ne-
braskans who have surety bonds issued by
the United Surety company of Baltimore
will learn with some concern that applica-
tion has been made for a receiver for the
company. Many other Nebraskans have
fidelity and burglary insurance in the
United Surety company.
Omaha insurance men believe it likely
that the application for a receiver which
was made in Baltimore a day or two ago
will be granted, because it has been known
for some time in insurance circles that the
affairs of the United Surety company
have been rather involved. Six months ago
the company reorganized, cut its capital
stock half and elected a new president,
Edwin A. Poe of Baltimore, a member of
the famous Princeton college family of
that name.
Until two months ago the United Surety
company was represented in Nebraska and
Iowa by the Farnam Smith company. This
succeeded on the Nebraska side of the
river by the Royal Indemnity company of
which F. W. Heron is president and E. L.
Culver is secretary. The Iowa and was
given to an Iowa company. The two com-
panies have continued as the agents up to
date.
If protracted litigation shall result from
the receivership application, it is likely
that a great many of the men and com-
panies for which the United Surety com-
pany has some surety will be compelled to
renew this, for their surety must in the
nature of things be continuous and un-
interrupted.
That the United Surety company will one
way or another extricate itself from present
embarrassment in the application for a
receiver is generally held quite likely.

DEATH CLAIMS PIONEER
SALESMAN

Pioneer Furniture
Salesman is Dead



MATHEW WILSON SWAIN.

Passes Away at Clarkson Hospital,
Where He Was Ill Two
Weeks.

Mathew Wilson Swain, manager of the
upholstering department of the Miller,
Stewart & Beaton Co. furniture house,
died early Friday morning from cancer of
the stomach at the Clarkson hospital,
where he had been ill for two weeks. He
was 60 years old.
Mr. Swain was one of the oldest furniture
salesmen in the west and had been en-
gaged in the work for forty years. He
had been connected with Miller, Stewart &
Beaton for eight years, and numbered
among his friends some of the most promi-
nent people of Omaha. He was an employe
of the Charles Shriverick Furniture com-
pany and of the Dewey & Stone Co. be-
fore he began work for the Miller, Stewart
& Beaton Co.
The illness which caused his death has
been Mr. Swain's for the last month. He
was ill in Detroit, Mich., and went
into the furniture business. He later
moved to Toledo, O. In 1912 he came to
Omaha. Three children survive Mr.
Swain, two sons and a daughter. The
daughter is Mrs. Irene Arthur, 1829 1/2
street, with whom Mr. Swain lived. The
sons are F. W. Swain, 315 1/2 Park street,
and Harold Swain, 1225 1/2 12th street.
Swain was a member of the Knights Me-
morial church for eighteen years and the
funeral will be held from this office,
probably Monday afternoon.

The Bennett Company

"FIT" clinches a sale with some
"QUALITY" appeals to others
"STYLE" uppermost with a third
No matter which class you're in
Dorothy Dodd
Shoes Challenge Your Attention
Their Fit, their Quality or their Style
Win You Over
"LET US SHOW THEM TO YOU"
\$4.00, \$4.50 and \$5.00

REVOLUTION AFFECTS WOMEN
Portugal One of Most Backward of
Nations in Recognition of Its
Women.
The revolution in Portugal will greatly
affect the women, though this point seems
to be generally overlooked in the prophecies
regarding the country's future, which are
being made on all sides.
There is indeed room for improvement,
says the queen, for the Portuguese women
share with their Spanish sisters the dis-
tinction of being the most backward,
ignorant and down-trodden in Europe.
Among other nations the real individuality
even is unrecognized, for they are
generally classed with their neighbors in
Spain, and as persons they have no status
at all. The women of the upper classes
had the indolent, vacant lives of most of
the aristocracies of southern Europe.
They are not educated, as we understand
the word, and take not the smallest in-
terest in the political life of their country,
or in the world outside their narrow ken,
while their menfolk look upon them as in-
ferior creatures intellectually. This idea is
instilled into their minds from their earliest
childhood, and they accept it complacently.
The rich women discard the native dress
and wear gowns from Paris and London,
and the social life of London, Operia and
other large towns is gay and frivolous.
They take no exercise, but lounge away
their time in idleness and amusement
with their heads, and they soon lose
their youthful appearance and good looks.
The idea of a woman undertaking pro-
fessional work is received with much dis-
favor by the Portuguese, both men and
women. They consider that a woman loses
her position at once if she does
work for which she receives payment, and
indigent widows and spinsters think it far
more dignified to pass their lives existing
on the charity of friends and relatives than
to carve out a career for themselves.
It is true that there are few openings
for them to enter, and the women of the
middle classes who must earn their own
living generally take up teaching as a
profession, but the majority are so badly
educated themselves that it is often a
matter of the blind leading the blind. Efforts
have been made to remedy this state
of things, and the work that Queen Maria
II did toward helping forward the educa-
tion of girls is little known and never
recognized in this country.
The women of the peasant class are
active, vigorous and sensible creatures and
they redeem their sex from the general
charge of sloth and helplessness. They
work quite as hard, and in many places
harder, than the men, and by their labor
they contribute greatly to the national
revenues. The weight that they carry on
their heads is almost incredible. They will
go off gaily bearing a basket of fruit and
vegetables which it takes two people to
lift, and in the wine districts the baskets
of grapes are heavier still.
The costumes of the women vary in dif-
ferent districts and they are picturesque
and convenient. They rarely wear shoes or
stockings, and their skirts are pulled up
under a girdle below the waist which en-
ables them to walk with greater ease.
Their headgear mostly consists of a bright
colored handkerchief under a quaint, flat,
soft, black hat, which is unbecoming, but
comfortable when carrying heavy loads on
the head. Some of the peasant women
possess gold chains and other ornaments
which have been in their families for gen-
erations and have been handed down from
mother to daughter.
WOMAN IS ROBBED AND FINED
Burglar Enters House While She is at
the Police Station Arrang-
ing Bond.
In addition to the burglary of her home
while she was in jail, Mrs. Minnie Golden,
colored, suffered the final misfortune of
being fined \$100 and costs by Judge Craw-
ford Friday, for selling liquor. Mrs. Golden
was arrested several days ago. While she
was awaiting bond, word was brought
about the woman's residence at 1922 Cum-
ing street had been entered by a thief.
Percy Hughes, who was arrested as
having committed the burglary, testified
at the trial that he had frequently been
in the house and had obtained beer. This
fact served to strengthen the charge
against Mrs. Golden.
Deer Shooting in Hay State.
After having protected deer for ten
years, Massachusetts granted an open ses-
sion of six days. In this period 1,000 deer
were killed by hunters who had paid the
state \$200 for the privilege. Selling at
\$1 per head on the hoof deer for which
it had no particular use was a stroke of
business on the part of Massachusetts
that makes the world's most un-
lucky. Naturally, the sport was not very
good, the creatures having become so
tame through long immaturity that they
might have been knocked at the head
with the butt of rifles had this been
in accord with the ethics governing the
amusement of slaughter—Springfield Re-
publican.