

WOMAN BOUND AND ROBBED

Bold Robber Takes Diamond Ring from Finger of Mrs. Kramer.

HE PUTS GAG IN HER MOUTH

Gives Back Bracelet—Secures Entrance on Pretext of Being a Student in Search of a Rooming Place.

One of the boldest and most daring holdups perpetrated in Omaha for some time occurred at 11 yesterday morning, when a highwayman entered the home of Mrs. Lillian Kramer, 115 North Twentieth street, bound and gagged the woman, threw her on a bed, stole a valuable diamond from her finger and rifled the place. Mrs. Kramer, who is a widow of 47 years was home alone when she heard

the door bell ring. Responding to the ring Mrs. Kramer was met at the door by a very well dressed young man who asked to be shown about the rooms, intimating that he was a student and wanted a homelike rooming place. The stranger was shown all the rooms on the first floor and then taken to the second floor. When in the front room of the upper floor the stranger asked Mrs. Kramer if any one was home and when given a negative reply drew a revolver from his pocket and ordered the woman to keep still and not yell on penalty of death. He then commanded Mrs. Kramer to show her where she kept her money, which she did.

Secures the Money. The money was kept in a bed room on the first floor and the highwayman kept his victim covered until he was shown the purse. Throwing down his revolver the holdup took two stout ropes about two feet in length, from his pocket and bound Mrs. Kramer's wrists and ankles. After this had been accomplished the highwayman took part of the kimono

which Mrs. Kramer was wearing and stuffed it in her mouth, after which he bound the gag in her mouth with a piece of muslin cloth he took from his pocket. Having his victim bound, gagged and helpless the stranger took a diamond ring from Mrs. Kramer's finger and a bracelet from her arm. The latter article he gave back saying, "Oh, you can have that." He then took \$20 in money from a purse. After securing all the loot he wished, the holdup unbound the rope around Mrs. Kramer's wrists, saying he would give her a chance. Having done this he warned his victim from notifying the police, intimating if she did so, he would come back and kill her.

After much work Mrs. Kramer extricated herself from her bonds and crawled through a window and ran to a neighbor, from whence she notified the police. The description of the man as given by Mrs. Kramer tallies identically with that of the man who is going about town with another man trying to rent rooms. While one man is shown through the rooms the other man ransacks the place.

COUNTY ISSUES ULTIMATUM

Commissioners Will Refuse to Accept City Prisoners After Feb. 1.

OLD SQUABBLE OVER CLAIMS

City Has Big Bills Against the County and the Commissioners Have Some Big Counter Claims.

With a view to forcing settlement of the financial claims between the city and the county, the Board of County Commissioners issued an ultimatum to the city council that the county will refuse to accept city prisoners after February 1 unless the city pays the county \$50,000 for keeping of city prisoners for the last ten years. The city has claims of approximately \$200,000 against the county for special street improvement taxes and interest.

Some of these taxes have been in default for more than twenty years and compound interest has been accruing at the rate of 1 per cent a month. The county may refuse to consider these taxes as owing the city and take the view that they are due the street improvement districts as separate entities.

Callus Against the City.

The county's claims against the city aggregate \$1,000, the principal items being feeding and caring for city prisoners and doing road work for the city. The commissioners appointed Stockton Heth, county purchasing agent, to represent the county in appraising the cells in the old county jail. City Purchasing Agent Richard Grove is the city's representative on the appraisement board. He and Mr. Heth must appoint a third member. The city built the old county jail at a cost of \$18,000 and the county provided cells and other equipment. It was agreed that the county should lease the jail until a new county jail should be provided, when the city should take the

old jail and purchase the equipment, the purchase price to be determined by a board of appraisers.

Postmaster General Wires for Parcels Post Information

Postmaster General Hitchcock has wired Postmaster Wharton of Omaha asking that he at once send an approximate estimate of the number of incoming and outgoing parcels handled at the Omaha postoffice and the substations during the first seven days of the operation of the parcels post system. That includes the business up to Tuesday evening. The report will be wired to Washington soon.

A complete and accurate account of the parcels handled in every postoffice in the United States is to be required at the end of fifteen days. This is a part of th

regulations made at the very outset, and the postoffice is keeping a record with this in view. But the earlier request for an estimate of the business up to that night, came as a surprise.

CLERKS AND CARRIERS DISCUSS PARCELS POST

Two hundred clerks and carriers of the Omaha postoffice met Tuesday evening at the call of the postmaster in the court room in the postoffice building to consider and discuss the regulations governing the handling of the parcel post business. The executive committee met with the body; George A. Clifner, assistant superintendent of mails, was elected presiding officer, and William J. Brown read the provisions of the parcel post law. The provisions were discussed section by section.

The President and Judiciary Use of newspaper Advertising is the Road to Business Success.

Your Choice of the House Sale of MEN'S SUITS AND OVERCOATS at \$15. Begins SATURDAY, JANUARY 11. THE VALUES RANGE UP TO \$40.00. (Furs and Fur Lined Overcoats Excepted.)

MIDWINTER CLEARING & WHITE SALES. EVERY section of this store contributes its share of the great saving possibilities. It is now your bargain harvest time. ORKIN BROTHERS. THE MOST PROGRESSIVE STORE IN THE NORTHWEST.

Here's Rare EMBROIDERY Values. That have set a new standard for real value giving. For instance: SPECIAL Cambric and Swiss Embroideries, from 5 to 15c. Also Corset Cover and Skirting worth to 25c, special Thurs. day, the yard. Lace and Tucked Lawn for waists, assorted designs, 18 to 20 inches wide, well worked on good grade of cloth, eyelet and conventional designs, up to 75c value, the yard. 49c.

Rich New FURS 1-2 Price

That's the way we offer you our entire stock of high grade fur coats, fur sets, and separate pieces in this great midwinter clearance sale Thursday

A TIMELY sale indeed—just at the time you need furs most. If you have a need of this sort this is indeed your one great opportunity. The furs are of the finest possible quality, the styles are the season's very latest, and the saving represents exactly one-half the original or regular price. Let the following serve as an idea:

YOUR CHOICE 1/2 REGULAR PRICE

Table listing fur coats and sets with prices. Includes: SPECIAL—Russian Pony Fur Coats, regular price \$75; Clearance Sale price \$37.50. SPECIAL—Marmot Fur Coats, regular price \$95; Clearance Sale price \$47.50. SPECIAL—Russian Pony Coats, regular price \$90.00; Clearance Sale price \$45.00. SPECIAL—Caracul Fur Coats, regular price \$150; Clearance Sale price \$75.00. SPECIAL—Near Seal Fur Coats, regular price \$95; Clearance Sale price \$47.50. SPECIAL—Russian Pony Coats, regular price \$150; Clearance Sale price \$75.00. SPECIAL—Near Seal Fur Coats, regular price \$100; Clearance Sale price \$50.00. SPECIAL—Russian Pony Coats, regular price \$100; Clearance Sale price \$50.00. SPECIAL—Near Seal Fur Coats, regular price \$100; Clearance Sale price \$50.00. SPECIAL—Russian Pony Coats, regular price \$100; Clearance Sale price \$50.00.



Our Entire Stock of Fine Mink FURS go at One-Half Price

THE following includes mink furs of the highest quality, consisting of beautiful matched sets, separate muff and scarfs. We believe the assortment to be the largest and the best in the entire city. Come early Thursday morning and get your choice of the entire stock at exactly 1/2 the regular price.

Table listing mink muffs, sets, and scarfs with prices. Includes: Mink Muffs, regular price \$30, Clearance Sale price \$15. Mink Sets, scarf and muff, regular price \$150, Clearance Sale price \$75. Mink Scarfs, regular price \$50, Clearance Sale price \$25. Mink Sets, scarf and muff, regular price \$100, Clearance Sale price \$50. Mink Scarfs, regular price \$125, Clearance Sale price \$62.50. Mink Sets, scarf and muff, regular price \$250, Clearance Sale price \$125. Mink Scarfs, regular price \$250, Clearance Sale price \$125. Mink Sets, scarf and muff, regular price \$450, Clearance Sale price \$225. Mink Scarfs, regular price \$500, Clearance Sale price \$250. Mink Sets, scarf and muff, regular price \$500, Clearance Sale price \$250. Mink Scarfs, regular price \$750, Clearance Sale price \$375. Mink Sets, scarf and muff, regular price \$1000, Clearance Sale price \$500. Mink Scarfs, regular price \$1000, Clearance Sale price \$500.

A Timely Sale of UNDERWEAR. Presenting extreme opportunities for saving. Women's 50c UNION SUITS, 39c. Women's cream color, extra size, cotton fleeced lined union suits, 50c values, Wednesday. Boys' UNDERWEAR, 45c. Boys' "Wright's" fleeced lined shirts and drawers, all sizes; Sale price, garment. Boys' UNDERWEAR 25c. Boys' and girls' flat fleeced lined vests, pants and drawers in all sizes. Sale price, garment. Children's UNION SUITS 25c. Children's cream color cotton union suits, Sale price. Women's 60c VESTS, 50c. Women's white part wool vests and pants, regular 69c values, at garment. Orkin Bros.—Main Floor.

Here's a SHOE Sale For Everybody. That presents the biggest and best values offered in town. Women's \$3 and \$3.50 SHOES \$1.98. The leathers are gun metal calf, vici kid skin, tan calf skin, patent colt and black velvet, heavy or light soles; button, lace and velour models. All sizes; \$3.00 and \$3.50 values, pair, \$1.98. Women's \$1.50 JULIETS 98c. Women's leather house Juliets, plain toe or with tip rubber heels, sizes 4 to 8, regular \$1.50 value, pair. Women's \$2.25 LINED SHOES, \$1.69. Women's warm lined shoes in lace and button. Plain toe or with tip, regular price \$2.25, pair. Women's \$1.25 CROCHET SLIPPERS 89c. Women's crochet slippers, in combination colors, all sizes. Regular price \$1.25; sale price, pair. Children's 50c LEGGINGS, 39c. Children's Jersey leggings, regular price 50c; sale price, pair. Men's \$3.00 SHOES for \$1.95. Men's shoes in gun metal calf, box calf, patent colt & tan calf. Button and blucher styles, late models. All sizes. Regular price \$3.00, pair. Men's \$3.50 and \$4 SHOES, \$2.45. Men's \$3.50 and \$4.00 shoes in all leathers; for dress or every day wear, button and lace styles; a special in Thursday's selling at \$2.45. Men's \$4.00 STORM BOOTS \$2.65. High top storm boots for men, black or tan viscolized calf skin, bellows tongue and buckles, full durable soles, broad toes, all sizes. \$4.00 values, pair. Little Gents' \$2.25 SHOES, \$1.69. Little girls' storm shoes, with buckles, heavy soles, black only, sizes to 1 1/2, regular \$2.25 values, pair. Army Shoes \$2.65. 200 pairs of men's regular United States Army shoes, winter weight. Name of maker and inspector stamped on every shoe. Tan calf skin in blucher style, government foot form last. These shoes are sold to soldiers at \$4.00 the pair. All sizes; we offer them to you, the pair, at \$2.65.

Mid-Winter Sale of LINENS. Brings you values like these: 85c TABLE LINENS, 59c. 72-inch mercerized table linen, new designs, extra weight, 85c value, yard. \$1 TABLE DAMASK, 79c. 70-inch cream table damask, for hard wear, \$1 value, special Thursday, the yard. \$2.75 PATTERN CLOTHS, \$1.98. 72x72-inch pattern cloths, large range of patterns, \$2.75 value, special. 45c HUCK TOWELS, 25c. 18x36-inch all linen huck towels; red, white or blue border, 45c value, each. \$1.49 LINEN NAPKINS, \$1.15. All linen napkins, extra heavy weight, good patterns, \$1.49 value, dozen. \$2.75 BED SPREADS, \$2.19. Full size scalloped bed spreads extra heavy, \$2.75 values, for \$2.19. Orkin Bros.—Main Floor.

Men's SWEATERS. In the Clearing Sale SPECIAL Men's Coat Sweaters, in heavy quality, shawl collar. Regular price \$1.25; Clearance Sale price, each. Men's wool sweaters, just the garment every man needs for these cold days. Regular price \$3, each. Men's wool sweaters that sell regularly at \$3.50, Clearance Sale price, each. Men's high grade flannel shirts, in gray, brown and blue. They have the military or lay-down collar, a regular \$3.00 value, Thursday at \$1.19. Orkin Bros.—Main Floor.

Muslin UNDERWEAR Bargains--Note These Examples. 39c Muslin DRAWERS, 15c. Made of good quality muslin, finished with ruffles of embroidery and cluster tucks, regular 39c values; Sale price for Thursday. 85c Muslin GOWNS 42c. Good quality muslin. Full length 42 width; many styles, slip-over effects, square or V-shape, button front, daintily trimmed with embroidery lace insertions and tiny tucks, regular 85c values offered Thursday for. \$2.25 Muslin GOWNS \$1.49. Sleeveless slipover style, trimmed with cluny medallion insertion, ribbon drawn and finished with satin ribbon bows; regular \$2.25 values. \$1.00 PRINCESS SLIPS 49c. Nainsook with round yoke of embroidery edged with lace and ribbon drawn, skirt has ruffle edge with lace. Regular \$1.00 values, in the big sale Thursday for. 25c CORSET COVERS 10c. Made of nainsook, trimmed with lace embroidery, insertions and ribbon drawn, regular 25c values. Sale price. Muslin and nainsook, elaborately trimmed with lace insertions and ribbon drawn, also deep embroidery flounce. Regular \$1.50 values. Nainsook corset covers and drawers, and corset cover and skirt, trimmed with embroidered lace, ribbon run beading, tucks and medallions. Skirt or drawers finished with ruffle edged lace or embroidery. \$1.00 values. \$3.00 and \$4.98 UNDERMUSLINS, \$1.98. Mused underwear, consisting of princess slips, gowns, drawers and petticoats of good quality muslin, nainsook and batiste, daintily or elaborately trimmed with lace, embroidery, medallions, tucks, and ribbon drawn. Regular \$3.00 to \$4.98 values, Thursday. 25c CORSET COVERS 10c. Orkin Bros.—Main Floor.

A WAIST Sale. Women's new lingerie SPECIAL shirt waists, made of fine batistes and voile, trimmed with lace and embroidery insertions, dainty lace medallions, high and low neck styles. Regular \$1.50 values; Sale price. Women's \$3.00 WAISTS, \$1.98. Lingerie waists, made of voile and batiste, elaborately trimmed with cluny lace and embroidery designs, high or low neck styles, regular \$3.00 values, sale price. Women's \$3.50 WAISTS, \$2.48. Lingerie waists, made of good quality voile, elaborately trimmed with German val lace, tiny tucks and embroidery designs, usual value to \$3.50, sale price. Orkin Bros.—Second Floor.