

BRIEF CITY NEWS

'Townsend' for Sporting Goods.
Sift Certificates—Edholm Jewelers.
Have Root Print—Now Beach Press.
Christmas Trees Lighting Outfits—Burgess-Granden company.
Investment—Harney and Twenty-second streets. Ask Dumont, Keeline building, for particulars.
'Today's Movie Program' classified section today. It appears in The Bee EXCLUSIVELY. Find out what the various moving picture theaters offer.
Looted in Omaha by far the best known cure for the liquor and morphine habits. It gets results. The Furley treatment, 217 Farnam, Omaha. Phone Harney 514.
Speaks at Uni Club—Prof. Floyd R. Mechem of the law college of the University of Chicago will make an address at the University club today at 1:15 p. m., following luncheon.
Appeals Fine—D. Kilna, 2108 1/2 Chicago street, was fined \$10 and costs in police court for selling frozen apples. He appealed the decision to the district court and was released under bonds of \$200.
Gets Twenty Days—For stealing a pair of gloves from the Brandels store, Carl Tagman, 1407 South Fourth street, was arrested by Special Officer Pinn and sentenced to twenty days in the county jail.
The State Bank of Omaha, corner Street and Harney, pay, FOUR per cent on time deposits and THREE per cent on savings accounts. All deposits in this bank are protected by the depository guarantee fund of the state of Nebraska.
Mrs. Drake Wants Divorce—Mrs. Helen Drake, who has sued Jeremiah R. Drake for a divorce on alleged grounds of non-support, asserts that he is worth \$200,000 and asks the district court to award her \$25,000 alimony. They were married March 4, 1914.
Barrett Goes to Joplin—J. R. Barrett, traveling freight agent for Nebraska and Iowa, representing the Missouri Pacific, with headquarters here, goes to Joplin, Mo., where January 1, he will become commercial agent. His successor has not been named.
Tampers with Showcases—A five-foot thermometer was plucked rudely from its moorings in front of the Browning King & Company Monday night. The door of one of the outside showcases had been tampered with, but the thief evidently abandoned the effort hurriedly, as a screwdriver was found beneath the door.
Salesmen Meet—More than a score of the M. C. Peters Milling company of this city are holding a conference at Hotel Fontenelle. The meeting will be renewed Wednesday, and will close Wednesday today, and will close in the evening with an elaborate entertainment, given by the firm for its men. The latter represent the company in all parts of the country.
Rev. M. F. Leavens Here This Week—Rev. Robert F. Leavens of Fitchburg, Mass., who speaks at 8:15 o'clock this evening, December 28, at the auditorium of the City National Bank building and again at Turpin's hall, at Twenty-eighth and Farnam, on Sunday morning, January 3, is one of the strong and well known men of the younger set in the Unitarian ministry. He graduated from Dartmouth college, Hanover, N. H., in 1901. After teaching two years he entered the Harvard Divinity school and graduated in 1908. He was a Phi Beta Kappa at Dartmouth.

Ralph Leake Goes On a Vacation and Returns With Bride
Ralph Andrew Leake, star athlete and assistant physical director of the Young Men's Christian association, surprised other secretaries of the association Tuesday by introducing a bride upon his return from a Christmas vacation. He was married Monday at Keokuk, Ia., his wife having been Miss Opel Peck Hahn, daughter of Mrs. Lewis Newton Hahn of that city. After the first of the year the couple will be at home at 413 North Twenty-fifth street.

CITY LETS CONTRACTS FOR MORE MACHINES
The city council awarded to the Sunderland Machine and Supply company a contract for a stone crusher and engine, on bids of \$175 and \$272. This equipment will be used by the department of public improvements next season. The Sanitary Flushing Machine company will furnish a flusher for the street department at a cost of \$285.

OAK HILL KENSINGTON CLUB GIVES CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION, when the members dressed as kids; at the home of Hattie Gohse, 3429 South Fifteenth street. They are: Left to right: Elsa Kroupa, Clara Gohse, Hattie Gohse, Rose Pecha, Martha Schlottau, Etta Pinnow, Olga Starr, Libbie Kroupa, Bessie Pecha, Clara Starr, Helen Pecha.



SALESMEN AND MANAGERS GATHER
Heads of Branch Houses for M. E. Smith & Co. Here for Annual Conclave.
BANQUET THURSDAY EVENING
One of the largest business conventions ever held in Omaha is now in session at the wholesale and manufacturing plant of M. E. Smith & Co., who are among the biggest distributors of dry goods and kindred lines in the west. The territory covered by this firm extends from the Mississippi river to the Pacific coast; and every salesman and branch office manager in the employ of the company is in Omaha for the convention, which will last three days. All told, there are more than 100 men at the meeting, the purpose of which is to plan for the greatest year's business in 1916 in the history of the house, the business life of which is almost half a century. Several men of national reputation are on the program, among them being P. M. Short of the bureau of commercial research of the Curtis Publishing company; John Lee Mahin of Chicago, president of the Mahin Advertising company and Frank Stockdale of the editorial force of the "System" magazine, who has specialized in analyzing the problems of the retail merchant, and in endeavoring to find remedies therefor. The convention will last for three days and will end with a banquet at the Rome hotel Thursday evening, at which the entire sales force and department managers will be guests of the company.

INVITATIONS OUT FOR NEW YEAR'S OPEN HOUSE
Invitations are out for the New Year's reception at the Young Men's Christian association. Hundreds are being mailed to contributors and friends of the association. All members and friends are invited to attend the affair, which is an annual one. This year it will be held in the afternoon as well as the evening, the afternoon being intended especially as a reception for parents of boys belonging to the association. Directors of the organization, with their wives, will be in the receiving line, and all departments of the association will be open and will give

College Leaders Holding Annual Conference Here
Twenty college professors attended the opening session Tuesday morning of the fourth annual conference of the Western Association of College Teachers at Hotel Rome. William E. Nicholl of Bellevue college was acting chairman. More educators arrived for the afternoon session, and the conference is to continue for two days. Matters of a highly technical nature were taken up during the morning session, particularly the standardization of certain mental tests and their correlation with school abilities, by Prof. Irving King, associate professor of education, University of Iowa. By means of a chart and the plotting of curves he illustrated the relative speed with which pupils in the several grades were able to perform certain mental tests set before them. Clarence W. Schroeder, professor of social science, Tabor college, discussed the paper and called attention to the system already employed in New York City, Topeka, Kan., and other places of employing several special teachers to give their time to helping the backward pupils in the schools. He said that New York is getting much more efficient work now for the money expended since the system of mental tests has been instituted to find the backward children and place them under the direct charge of teachers specially employed to help them. Professors from seven western states are members of this organization. Representatives from five states were present at the first morning session. The states represented were Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, Arkansas and Nebraska.

GIVE FAREWELL SOCIAL IN HONOR OF JOHN ANDERSON
In honor of John Anderson, 2211 South Thirty-third street, who leaves soon to engage in Arizona mining business, the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor of the First Presbyterian church gave a farewell social Monday evening. It was held at the home of Miss Marie Berry, 1414 North Twenty-sixth street. A book was given Mr. Anderson as a parting remembrance of the Omaha Endeavorers. President George Scott making the presentation speech. Miss Grace Dudley and Clyde Archer won prizes in games that were played.

Missouri Pacific Hands Out Gifts for the New Year
New Year's presents in the way of promotions are rolling in upon the Missouri Pacific officials in Omaha, and with the promotions in all instances there are substantial increases in salaries. H. E. Taylor, for fourteen years with the Missouri Pacific and for the last three years contracting freight agent here, has received notice that January 1 he will become traveling freight agent on the Pacific coast, with headquarters at San Francisco. He will be under A. R. Malcolm, assistant general freight agent here, who was promoted to the position of general western freight and passenger agent at San Francisco. J. O. Phillip, who for several years has been contracting freight agent here, January 1 becomes commercial agent, with Omaha and suburbs as his territory. Advertiser and customer profit by the "Classified Ad" habit.

ST. LUKE'S IS NOW CITY EMERGENCY

Commissioner Connell is Authorized to Rent an Additional Hospital at Once.

EMERGENCY NOW EXISTING

Health Commissioner Connell brought to the attention of the city council what he regards as an emergency in the scarlet fever situation. After hearing statements by Dr. Connell, the commissioners authorized the expenditure of \$2,000 for maintenance of St. Luke's hospital at Twenty-second and Lake streets as a city institution for the next three months. The commissioner believes that emergency provisions will have to be maintained for at least three months. The building to be rented by the city will accommodate forty patients. There are fifty scarlet fever patients

now at the City Emergency hospital on Douglas street, which is the capacity.

Emergency Exists. During this year 305 scarlet fever cases have been reported to the health office, one-half recorded this month. There have been five deaths during the year, which the health commissioner regards as a low rate. In his remarks to the council he said that for every case promptly isolated and cared for, there is a prevention of three to five other cases. "I believe it will take from three to four months before the situation will have been relieved and normal conditions restored," said the doctor to the city council. He estimated the cost of maintaining the auxiliary hospital at \$25 a month. Physicians are again urged to report cases promptly and parents are advised to watch their ailing children with unusual interest.

LET CONTRACT FOR NEW MASONIC TEMPLE SCON

The contract for the building of the new Masonic Temple at Nineteenth and Douglas streets will probably be let in the next two or three days. The bids went in Monday.

A COLD WAVE

always brings a rush of emergency orders for coal. It is not possible then to serve all customers to the best advantage.

Don't Let Your Coal Pile Dwindle

A week of preparation is better than ten minutes without fuel. Why not let our 70 YELL-O WAGONS have the chance to serve you now?

Table with 2 columns: Coal type and price per ton. Economy Coal per ton \$6.50, Lump-Egg-Nut per 1/2 ton \$3.50, True to its name in furnace, heater or range per 1/4 ton \$1.85.

PHONE DOUGLAS 252. Sunderland Brothers Co. Main Office Keeline Bldg., 17th and Harney Sts. ONE OF OUR YARDS IS NEAR YOUR HOME.

Store Hours 8:30 A. M. to 6 P. M. Saturday till 9 P. M.

BURGESS-NASH COMPANY. "EVERYBODY'S STORE"

Tuesday, December 28, 1915. STORE NEWS FOR WEDNESDAY. Phone Douglas 187.

This Great January Clearaway of Women's Coats, Suits, Dresses, Blouses and Skirts

At 1/2, 1/3 and 1/4 Under Former Price Brought Forth a Wonderful Response

THE ready-to-wear department has been crowded continually since the opening of the sale, Monday, with shoppers eager to share in the wonderful values offered. It's a sale you cannot afford to overlook if you have a ready-to-wear need of any sort.

The garments combine smartness and perfect fit with tremendous price reduction, and have in full measure the high quality that always distinguishes BURGESS-NASH ready-to-wear.

The stock of Women's Coats, Suits, Dresses, Blouses and Skirts was practically unlimited, and, although much buying activity was shown, the assortment is still replete with all sizes and remarkable values.

All conveniently arranged for easy selection—with ticket bearing original as well as sale price. Plenty of salespeople to wait upon you. Owing to the sharp reduction in price please do not ask us to send on approval or to lay garments away.

WINTER COATS Half Price. Coats, were \$15.00, now \$7.50. Coats, were \$19.50, now \$9.75. Coats, were \$25.00, now \$12.50. Coats, were \$30.00, now \$14.75. Coats, were \$35.00, now \$17.50. Coats, were \$45.00, now \$22.50. Many others 1/4 underprice.

TAILLEUR SUITS Half Price. Tailleur Suits, were \$19.50, now \$9.75. Tailleur Suits, were \$25.00, now \$12.50. Tailleur Suits, were \$30.00, now \$14.75. Tailleur Suits, were \$35.00, now \$17.50. Tailleur Suits, were \$50.00, now \$24.75. Tailleur Suits, were \$75.00, now \$37.50. Many others 1/4 to 1/2 underprice.

Dressy BLOUSES Third Underprice. Blouses, were \$3.95, at \$2.64. Blouses, were \$5.05, at \$3.37. Blouses, were \$6.50, at \$4.34. Blouses, were \$8.50, at \$5.67. Blouses, were \$10.00, at \$6.67. Blouses, were \$15.00, at \$10.00. Many others 1/4 underprice.

Afternoon Frocks Half Price. Frocks, were \$25.00, at \$12.50. Frocks, were \$35.00, at \$17.50. Frocks, were \$50.00, at \$24.75. Frocks, were \$59.50, at \$29.75. Frocks, were \$45.00, at \$22.50. Frocks, were \$30.00, at \$14.75. Others 1/4 to 1/2 underprice.

CHILDREN'S COATS Half Price. Childrens Coats, were \$5.00, at \$2.50. Children's Coats, were \$7.50, at \$3.75. Children's Coats, were \$10.00, at \$5.00. Children's Coats, were \$12.50, at \$6.25. Children's Coats, were \$15.00, at \$7.50. Children's Coats, were \$22.50, at \$11.25. Many others 1/4 to 1/2 underprice.

COATS in the Basement Half Price. Coats, were \$5.95, now \$2.98. Coats, were \$4.95, now \$2.48. Coats, were \$5.95, now \$2.98. Coats, were \$7.95, now \$3.98. Coats, were \$9.95, now \$4.98. Coats, were \$12.95, now \$6.48. Many others 1/4 to 1/2 underprice.



Store Hours 8:30 a. m. to 6 p. m. Saturdays till 9 p. m.

Wednesday, We Feature

An After-Christmas Clearaway Sale of Smartly Trimmed Winter Hats

Including Values to \$17.50, in Two Lots at \$2 and \$4.50

BUY your midwinter hat here Wednesday—the prices are astonishingly low, the values extraordinarily good. Not a hat reserved—a complete clearaway "choice-of-any" trimmed hat worth to \$17.50.

The shapes are of beautiful Lyons' velvet, trimmed effectively with flowers, fur, gaura and some paradise. Our advice to all women with a hat need is to come early.

New Winter Flowers, Worth to 98c, Clearaway Price, 19c. Some edged with fur, others plain, including roses, French buds, etc., in all the most favored colorings. Worth to 98c, choice, Wednesday, at 19c.

Untrimmed Shapes, Worth to \$7.50, Clearaway Price, 69c. Any untrimmed winter shape in the house, worth up to \$7.50, go into this clearaway sale Wednesday. Including Hatters' plush, Lyons' velvets, etc., worth to \$7.50, at choice, 69c.

BURGESS-NASH COMPANY. "EVERYBODY'S STORE"

Burgess-Nash Co.—Everybody's Store—16th and Harney