# PUBLIC RCEREATION | Early Closing in WORK IS ADVANCING

Parks, Beaches and Schools Used to Great Advantage for Supervised Amusement.

# PARTMENT MADE LAST MAY

The department of public recreation was created by the city council and appointments made by the mayor last May. The members of the recreation board are: J. B. Hummel, W. A. Foster, Z. D. Clark, J. P. Connolly and C. G. English, the last mentioned being superintendent. The chairman of the board, Mr. Hummel,, is head of the park and boulevard department and, as a matter of fact, the work of the recreation department and the park department is closely associated that at times it is difficult to see the line of demarcation.

Mr. English came here July 20 from Chicago and entered at once upon a program of supervised recreation. He introduced supervised play at Kountze, Miller, Fontenelle, Bemis, Hanscom and Riverview parks, also at the Municipal field at Thirty-fourth and Leavenworth streets and at the City mission. During the play season there were 89,308 attendants at these recreation centers.

A playground base ball league was formed and a girls' volley ball tournament was among the features of the season. During August seventy-five boys and nineteen girls were awarded medals for having passed athletic tests,

Statement of Recreation Work. In connection with the work of the six months of his incumbency Superintendent Conglish offers the following statement: 'Summing up the summer's work in the playgrounds, one was impressed with the increased interest displayed by the

children in the parks because of a new manner of supervision. All the supervisors took an active interest in the welfare of the children. Their idea was not repression, just keeping children from getting hurt or breaking the apparatus; but preventing rowdies from monopolizing the playgrounds, exercising control over all classes, creating a democratic spirit; a spirit of fair play and to merge all the groups of children into a spirit of

active participation. "We issued during the summer season \$67 permits for base ball games. It is safe to say that there were over 19,000 ball players participating and taking advantage of public park base ball fields during the summer. It would be hard to estimate the thousands of spectators witnessing these amateur ball games.

"Although the season was not parficularly favorable for swimming there was an increased interest and participation by the people enjoying bathing and it became necessary to construct another bath house at the Carter Lake Beach. Even this added facility was taxed to the limit on several occasions. The attendance at the Carter Beach from the 15th of July to the closing of the Beach

Big Attendance at Beaches. "With the annexation of South Omaha we came into control of the Spring lake swimming pool which was operated about the same length of time as the Carter beach. During the season there was an attendance of 16,559, making a total attendance of bathers at public swimming places 92.805. As far as our records show there was a total attendance at the playgrounds and beaches of 192,118. It must be borne in mind that the attendance at the playgrounds does not mean spectators and other groups using the parks in places other than the playground lo-

During the last of October social centers were established at Kellom, Castellar, Monmouth Park, Central Park and Miller Park schools, with a paid supervisor for each center. In addition to the local supervisors, directors of music and athletics were engaged for the entire system of social centers. The work of the social centers embraces such activities as athletic and gymnasium work, orchestra drills, choruses, musical and literary programs, mass meetings and improvement club meetings. Eighteen mustclans have started a series of forty-six concerts at the social centers, the last to be given early in April. Supervised dancing has been opened at Hanscom park pavilion. Skating will be provided during the season at all bodies of water owned by the city and several tracts will be flooded from time to time.

The fellowing additional information is offered in a report which has been pre-The total amount set aside by the city

commission for recreation purposes was \$18,000,000, \$8,350.00 of which was used in the construction of the Riverview swimming pool and the balance for supervision of playgrounds and bathing beaches.

The golf course at Elmwood Park was constructed by Mr. Hummel of the park department, and with funds out of his department, which was a great assistance to the board, as they did not have money to carry out this work this year This course is pronounced by experts as one of the finest in the country, and it is the aim of the board to have it maintained in a first class manner.

It is the wish of the board to establish three or four playgrounds in the south end of town and also two in congested districts in the city, provided that funds are available the coming year.

## ARTICLES OF EVERY DAY USE IN ITALY ARE SCARCE

(Correspondence of the Associated Press.) ROME, Nov. 20 .- The scarcity of common-place articles of every-day use, such as needles, toliet supplies and drugs, is probably more accentuated in Italy than in any of the other belligerent countries, because these things have been supplied to Italy almost entirely by Germany. One of the branches of an American sewing machine company, for instance, reports it is no longer able to supply medium-sized needles, because these are made in Germany. It also appears an impossibility to buy a fever thermometer in Rome, as this is another article of German make. The suply of aspirin and a number of other remedies is exhausted at most of the pharmacies, and doctors are finding it increasingly difficult to get their prescriptions filled because of the lack of drugs.

The dearth of necessaries is rendered heavier to bear by the almost impossibility of getting goods from other countries and from the high cost of living. The cars for the transport of goods are all used for military purposes and Rome even is threatened by a sugar famine, although the manufacturers have sufficient for the needs of the whole country. The cost of living has altogether increased about four times and promises to rise

(Correspondence of The Associated Press.) to their staffs. LONDON, Nov. 20.—The early closing movement in London, which began under checks before lunch, and an appeal has been administered in the form of an order checks before lunch, and an appeal has been administered in the form of an order checks before lunch, and an appeal has

London to Apply
To About Everything

staffs due to enlistments in the army has made it necessary for the remaining the large establishments are following the banks have decided to concentrate their counter work into a shorter period, and before Christmas, fainting sales girls and before Christmas, fainting sales girls and before Christmas, fainting sales girls and

will close their doors at 3 o'clock. Much | cial cities for some years.

public office hours, and the depletion of don led the way among shops by ancounter work into a shorter period, and before Christmas, fainting sales girls and erations after the theaters have closed, thus give more reasonable working hours panting delivery clerks will not be seen this year.

compulsion with the saloons, and was been made informally to the public to compelling all clubs to close at 13:30 next taken up by some of the big depart- do banking business as early as possible. o'clock, except on Saturday and Sunday ment stores, has now spread to the The 3 o'clock closing rule has been cus- nights when they must be emptled at After December, London banks tomary in several of the largest provin- midnight. This regulation applies to all clubs from the most respectable old men's Omaha.

of the work of bank clerks is done after. The largest department store in Lon- gathering places in the west end to the workingmen's resorts in the east end But for the night clubs it makes burdness impossible. These concerns, where many young officers on leave have fallen into had company, only begin their opand now no time is allowed for their activities.

> Lovey Transferred. WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—(Special Telegram.)—Congressman Lobeck announced today that W. E. Lovey has been transferred from the Department of the 1-terior to the internal revenue off.c. at Dreaks.

## **ELECTRO-MAGNET FOR** TREATING DISEASES

Correspondence of the Associated Press. BERLIN, Nov. 30 .- The current number of a medical publication describes a new use of the electro-magnet in the treat ment of disease. The method is the result of the work of Prof. Bayr of Leipzig The treatment, which is employed in diseases of the intestines and in diagnosis, onsists of the introduction into the intestines of a harmless iron preparation, upon which the magnet, applied to the abdomen, exercises its attraction in such

a manner as to effect desired changes of position of the affected tract. These changes are so considerable that they can not only be felt, but can be observed. The process can be controlled with the help of the Roentgen rays, since the froncontaining tract is plainly delimited in the rays. The presence, extent and location of intestinal adhesions can be plainly observed, making the process of great diagnostic value. The magnet can also be used in diseases of the stomach, and the peristaltic motion can be excited by electro-magnetic massage.

Read The Bee Want Ads. It pays!

ORCHARD & WILHELM COMPANY-

# Sale Starts Monday, January 3rd, at 8:30 O'clock **FURNITURE**

SALE of house furnishings that is awaited every year with eager expectation by hundreds of Omaha's most careful buyers---And there is a Reason---Every piece of merchandise that goes into this sale is a genuine bargain. The price quoted represents an actual and substantial reduction from its true value and is a price that is made because for one reason or another we wish to remove it from our stock. January is the month devoted to stock clearing of this sort and to accomplish our purpose, prices are made low enough to make it worth your while to buy and even anticipate your wants.

# **FURNITURE**

INCLUDED in this sale is a quantity of fine, high-grade mahogany furniture in bedroom and dining room suits, in separate pieces, at corresponding reductions. These goods A CLEARING of Draperies, Curtain Materials, Portieres, Lace Curtains, etc., at prices seldom, if ever, equaled here or elsewhere. A careful reading will convince you. must be seen to thoroughly appreciate their extraordinary bargains,

## **Bedroom Furniture**

	Dearoom
Regular Price,	January Sale Price.
\$58,00	Circassian Walnut Bed, full size \$29.00
\$192.00	Pair of Twin Beds, Circassian wal- nut, the two for
\$28,00	Rolled foot and head, full size Bed, Circassian walnut
\$54.00	Dresser, Circassian wainut, mahogany drawers, cane panel back 39.00
	Chiffonier, Circassian walnut 22.00 Chiffonier, scrolled design, Circassian
	walnut
\$22.00	Dressing Table, American walnut 15.90 Dressing Table, triple mirror, Circas-
40000	sian walnut 25.00
\$24.00	Bedroom Desk, Circassian walnut 17.50
\$42.00	Ivory Enameled Bed, full size, cane in foot and head end
\$57.00	Ivory Dresser, glass and cretonne top. 42.00
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## \$42.00 Ivory Dressing Table, triple mirror, \$21.00 Oval table, enameled, glass top, cane \$14.00 Ivory Stand ..... 9.50 \$14.00 Enameled Somnoe ...... \$8.00 White Enameled Somnoe..... \$19.00 Mahogany Chiffonier ..... \$160.00 Hi-Boy William and Mary design, solid

# Living Room Furniture

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	Price. Sale	Price.
	\$57.00 Rocker, solid ma-	
	hogany frame, heavy scrolled design, uphol-	
	stered seat and back in	35
	brown figured denim	29,00
	\$42.00 Arm Chair, large	
	size, tapestry upholstered.	25.00
	\$19,00 Arm Chair, solid ma-	
	hogany frame, upholstered seat, back and side in	
	brown figured denin	29.00
	\$60.00 Arm Chair, spring cushion seat and cushion	
	back, green velour, mah'y	25.00
	\$32.00 Arm Rocker, wing	
	back, mahogany frame,	
	denim upholstered	18.50
	\$85.00 Settee, mahogany	
	frame, high back, uphol-	
	stered seat and back	
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	frame, high back, uphol-	
-1	Regular stered seat and back	42.50
91	Price.	
ч	\$100.00 Wing Back Rocker, velour uphol-	
Л	stered	60,00
я	70.00 Large Arm Chair, tapestry upholstered,	45100
il.	loose cushion seat	49.00
П	\$38.00 Tapestry Arm Chair, loose cushion	*0.00
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# Miscellaneous Furniture

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Regular Price.	Sale	nuary Price.	Re
\$21.50	Large Comfort Arm Rocker, Spanish leather, upholstered seat and back,		\$ 2
	golden oak frame	14.50	
\$19.00	Arm Chair, golden oak, leather seat and back	9,50	\$7
\$40.00	Leather Rocker or Arm Chair, loose	3,100	
\$12.00	Golden Oak Rocker, saddle wood seat	5.00	\$6
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Price. \$78.00 Arm Chair, genuine English Morocco.. \$30.00 \$56.00 Arm Chair, Morocco upholstered,

back and arms ..... 70,00

\$115.00 Sofa, mahogany base, upholstered seat,

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1	\$5.50 Golden Oak Bedroom Chair, wood seat. \$ 2	.75
	\$23.00 Golden Oak Library Table, scrolled de-	7
1.50	sign 18	00,
	\$9.50 Parlor Stand, golden oak 5	.50
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00.0	\$60.00 Mahogany Settee, cane seat and back,	35.00
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# Dining Room Furniture

	Regular Ja Price, Sale	Price.
	\$104.00 Buffet, Jacobean oak,	
	twist posts	52.00
	\$62.00 China Cabinet, Ja-	
	cobean oak	
	\$50,00 Dining Table, rolled	
į.	top, Jacobean oak	27.50
ř	\$32.00 Serving Table, Ja-	
	cobean oak	
	\$68.00 Buffet, mission de-	
	sign, fumed oak, heavy	
	planked top	45.00
	\$55.00 China Cabinet, mis-	
	sion design, heavy planked	30,00
	\$60.00 Dining Table, 54-in,	30.00
	round top, fumed oak	25 00
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	Cabinet, solid mahogany	
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•	\$60.00 Dining Table, 54-in.	
	round top, fumed oak	35.0
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a	Cabinet, solid mahogany	50.0
t.	Jacobean design	50,0
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# After-Holiday Sale of Bric-a-Brac

THIS section has experienced a particularly prosperous Christmas business, and as a consequence lines are badly broken and many odd pieces To clear this stock of all such items, great reductions have been made on many

beautiful articles that will prove extremely attractive upon investigation. Among Many Are the Following:



The lists of furniture items enumerated above represent only a prition of the hundreds included in this sale. It you fail to see what you want listed, come in ... You will very likely find just what you want.

\$30,00 Jacobean Serving Table . . . .

Regular Price.

\$14.00 Dining Chair, Spanish leather, slip seat,

\$19,00 Arm Rocker or Arm Chair, Jacobean de-

\$9.00 Rocker or Arm Chair, Spanish leather

\$27.00 Arm Chair, high back, Spanish leather

\$86.00 Davenport, fumed oak, spring cushion

\$15.00 Desk Chair, Elizabethian design, cane

\$26.00 Furned Library Table, magazine end... 16.00

\$23.00 Library Table, fumed oak...... 19.75

\$50.00 Bookcase, fumed oak, three doors.... 82.50

\$12.00 Library Table, fumed oak ..... 7,50

seat ......

Fumed Oak Furniture

sign, spring cushion seat and pad,

cushion back, uphoist'd in tapestry \$12.00

seat ..... 6.50

cushion seat and upholstered back., 19,50

seat, two large pillows in back . . . . 55.00

# Orchard @ Wilhelm Co. 414-416-418 South 16th St.

DRAPERIES

Portieres 4 8 1

4 Pairs Beautiful French Velour Portieres, green, with rose and green borders, \$47.50 values, for \$13.75 Pair.

5 Pairs Handsome Embroidered Velour Portieres, in old red, gray and green, regular values \$39.50, \$45.00, \$50.00, \$75.00, \$125.00,

\$13.75 per Pair.

75 Pairs Portieres, in green, red, brown-rose and combination of colors, from \$4.00 to \$45.00 pair: 1 pair of a style, reduced to

\$2.00 to \$20.00 a Pair.

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# Lace Scrim and Net Curtains

100 Pairs good quality Marquisette Curtains, in ecru and ivory, with picot edge front and bottom— Regular \$1.85 Values, for 85c per Pair.

More than 100 pairs of Curtains in lace, net and scrim, all styles represented. I pair of a pattern-Regular Values from \$1.50 to \$25.00 a pair, at One-Half
Price, 75c to \$12.50 Pair.

More than 50 styles of Curtains in scrim, lace and net, two pairs

only of a style Regular Values up to \$65,00 a Pair, at Reductions of 33 % % to 50%.

Fifty styles of scrim, lace and net curtains, from 3 to 6 pair of a

at Reductions of 33% to 50%.

# Portiere and Overdrapery Materials

Values from \$3.25 to \$17.50 Pair,

A great number of Sunfast fabrics-40 patterns in all-36 and 50 inches wide, all desirable colors-Regular Values from 85c to \$2.50 Yard, for 38c Yard,

# Upholstery Fabrics

25 Styles Tapestry and Plush-15 Styles Cretonnes—

> From 3 to 25 Yards of Each. Values up to \$1.25 a Yard for . . 12 lyc Yard.

# Curtain Nets in White, Ivory and Ecru

85c, 50c, 75c, 95c, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.95 At One-Half Regular Prices, 18c, 25c, 38c, 48c, 63c, 75c, 98c

Curtain materials, cream and colored madras scrim and curtain

35c, 45c, 50c, 75c, 95c, \$1.25, \$1.50, At One-Half Regular Prices, 18c, 23c, 25c, 38c, 48c, 63c, 75c



1 doz. Imported Printed Linen Covered Pillows-

\$2.95 Values, \$1.50

200 short lengths Decorative Fabrics, 25x50-inch Cretonnes, Damasks, Tapestries, Velour, for table runners, pillow tops, upholstering small pieces of furniture. fancy work, etc .-

# Values to \$5, for \$1.00 Each.

36 Cretonne and Printed Linen Pilow Covers, made up, ready for the pillow, regular 95c values, reduced to-

25c Each.

Table runners of French metal brocade, 18x50-in, and 54-in, long, \$6.50, \$6.95, \$9.00, \$11.50, \$12.95

For One-Half Price

Drapery Remnants

of curtain net, muslin, cretonnes, Sunfast draperies, damask, etc., from 1/2 to 3 1/2 yard lengths, at-

One-Half Price and Less.

# RUGS

O VER 350 Rugs are included in this sale. All sizes are represented—Rugs for large living rooms, bedrooms, offices, etc. These Rugs are from such manufacturers as M. J. Whittall, Bigelow Hartford Carpet Co., Hardwick & Magee and many patterns of Anglo-Persians, French Wiltons, Hartford Saxonys, Bundhar Wiltons. This is a stock clearing sale of odd patterns, unusual sizes and merchandise we cannot reorder for another season. The bargains are remarkable. A partial list follows:

×	erular Price. Si	January	
6 French Wilton Rugs, 9x12 size	\$65.00	849.50	1
7 Hartford Saxony Rugs, 9x12 size.	55.00	45.00	
8 Bundhar Wilton Rugs, 9x12 size	48.50	39,50	6
4 Mahal Wilton Rugs, 9x12 size	39.75	35.00	
9 Finest Body Brussels, 9x12 size	36.00	29.50	2
14 Axminster Seamed and Seamless Rugs, 9x12 size	28.50	22.50	7
5 Anglo-Persian Rugs, 8-3x10-6 size	40.00	43.50	4
9 Bundhar Wilton Rugs, 8-3x10-6 size	43,50	35,00	10

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	1 Plain Seamless Wilton Rug, 8-3; 10-6 size	.\$50.00	\$85.00
1	size		25.00
ı	2 Mahal Wilton Rugs, 8-3x10-6 siz		27.50
4	3 Hardwick Wilton Rugs, 6x9 size.		27.5
ı	7 Bundhar Wilton Rugs, 6x9 siz		25.00
1	4 Seamless Imported Rugs, 6x9 siz	e. 27.50	19.80
	10 Bundhar Wilton Rugs, 4-6x7-6 siz Many small Rugs and Hall Re		14.5
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# Special Sizes

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1	Body Brussels Rug, 6x6		\$17.50	\$14.50
3	Hartford Saxony Rugs, 9x9		45.00	85.00
1	Bundhar Wilton Rug, 4-6x12		30.00	22,50
2	Plain Band Velvet Rugs, 4-6x7-6.		15.00	12.50
1	Bundhar Wilton Rug, 4-6x9	8.	27.50	18.50
1	Body Brussels Rug, 8-3x8-3	(4)	28.50	19,50
1	Body Brussels Rug, 4-6x12	10	22.50	10.50

# Exceptionally Large Rugs

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l	Bundhar Rugs, 10-6x10-6 \$65.00	849 50	
L.	Body Brussels Rug, 10-5x12 55.00	50,00	
Ţ.	Bunhar Wilton Rugs, 10-6x12 68.50	57.50	
ι	Hartford Saxony Rug, 10-6x13-6, 77.50	65.00	
ŀ	Anglo-Persian Rug, 10-6x12 98 50	75.00	H
ľ	Bundhar Wilton Rug, 11-3x15 86 50	69.00	
l	French Wilton Rug 11-3x15 190 00	75.00	
ı	Bundhar Wilton Rugs, 9x15 70.00	49.50	

# Made-Up Carpet Rugs

A quantity of Rugs in sizes and to an horders. Also cross seam Rugs, made from Traveler's Samples, 2x12 size.

These Are Bargains at \$5.00 to \$22.50