

Successful Year at Burgess-Nash

General Manager Dailey Reports Largest Sales in History of Store.

"The best year since the beginning of the store. Sounds hackneyed, doesn't it?" remarked J. F. Dailey, general manager of Burgess-Nash yesterday. "But that's what it has been. This last month has been remarkable."

"The outgoing of merchandise has been balanced and there have been no radical reductions for the benefit of late comers. A possible exception to that, possibly, in some of the toys, which we preferred to reduce than to warehouse until next year."

"Lack of cold weather has brought the clothing end to just a little above normal, but at the same time, the absence of storms and rains has kept the roads open so that people living in this trade territory have been able to take advantage of that fact and come into Omaha. We hope for the day when the roads of the state will not be forced to rely on the whims of climate."

"The coming year looks good for Omaha and this western country. The money spent in Omaha this year has not gone, for the most part, to buy necessities, but little luxuries. This in itself shows that Omaha is experiencing good times."

"As a newcomer, I have had many people remark on the manners and ability of the salespeople in the store. They are as full of pep at closing time as they were at 9 in the morning. T. P. Remond is responsible, to a great extent, for the success of the past year. I mean those last two statements."

An eastern retail publication recently referred to the 41 per cent increase in business volume of the Burgess-Nash company as the outstanding retail event of the year.

Pleaded Guilty, Now Seeks to Have Trial

Lincoln, Dec. 24.—Sentenced to 10 years in the penitentiary after he had pleaded guilty to robbing a street car, Chester Morgan began a fight in district court today for his freedom.

He asked that the plea of guilty be set aside and he be given a new trial. District Judge W. M. Morning, who sentenced Morgan, is hearing the case. Morgan's attorneys declare due to nervous excitement he did not know what he was doing when he pleaded guilty to the charge.

Tunnels Are Found, but Stills Are Minus; Rum Nets \$115 Fine

Columbus, Neb., Dec. 24.—Jake Henry, 46, single, parted with \$115 in county court, representing the fine imposed after state agents raided his home in Humphrey. The state agents say that Jake is building himself a new home in Humphrey with underground tunnels. They found a chicken house under construction with a basement. On the concrete floor in another outbuilding stood a stationary engine and a feed grinder. Beneath the engine the state agents said was the cutest little trap door opening into an underground tunnel which extended 20 feet or more to an excavation beneath the garage.

Six Fined for Shooting Affray

Former Prize Fighter Imported to Get Rick Lindsay, Woman Testifies.

Six persons were fined \$10 each in municipal court yesterday in connection with two shooting affrays Sunday night.

One was at the Trivoli roadhouse, formerly the Dublin inn, on the West Center road, and another occurred in front of the Dodge hotel.

The persons fined were Mrs. Ruth Stiff, Dodge hotel; Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Ruffery and Tom Adams, Millard hotel; Tom A. Frost, Dodge hotel; and Joe Brown, taxi driver.

Mrs. Stiff told detectives that she brought Tom Adams, a former prize fighter, from Chicago to "get" Rick Lindsay, proprietor of the Trivoli roadhouse.

After an argument at the roadhouse, in which several shots were fired, the party went to Sixth and Pierce streets.

Here Joe Brown deserted them, and when they found his taxi in front of the Dodge hotel on their return to the hostelry they broke several windows, and more shots were fired.

Charles Wilder, clerk at the Dodge hotel, arrested Monday on a charge of maintaining a disorderly house, was dismissed in municipal court.

GOTHENBURG—A. C. Clark, manager of the Gothenburg Poultry association, has completed arrangements for the fourth annual poultry show, January 2, 3 and 4.

Life Insurance Merger Approved

Illinois Concern Found Able to Assume Business of Omaha Company.

By Associated Press. Lincoln, Dec. 24.—Approval was given today by K. C. Knudson, acting head of the Nebraska insurance bureau, to the merger of the Commonwealth Life insurance of Omaha with the Standard Life insurance company, Decatur, Ill., with its contemplated removal to St. Louis.

Eight examiners for the states of Iowa, Missouri and Nebraska conducted an inquiry into the affairs of the Standard and reported that the Standard was financially able to assume the added obligations of the other company. The appraisers are said to have made independent appraisals for all assets.

About three years ago, the controlling group of the Decatur concern purchased a majority of stock in the Omaha corporation. The joint ownership is said to have brought about the consolidation. Under the authorizations granted today, all stockholders in the Commonwealth will receive shares in the Standard.

Combined capital is listed as \$380,000; surplus \$482,000 and assets \$7,981,779. Total insurance policies amount to \$82,000,000. The Commonwealth's declared income is \$1,228,329 for 1922 of which \$500,905 was premiums on Nebraska policies. During the year the Standard earned \$1,610,399 gross with \$36,969 from Nebraska business.

The merger committee goes before the Illinois insurance department for approval before it can be finally consummated.

Invested in German Socks. Shipment Arrives in U. S.

Columbus, Dec. 24.—P. H. L. Meyer, who recently returned from Germany after selling his farm which he bought two years ago and investing the \$50,000 proceeds in socks so he could get the money out of the country, has received word from Chemnitz, where the order for the socks was placed, that the entire consignment has just

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been shipped to Chicago, where they will be held by the customs officials until Mr. Meyer claims them, and pays the duty which will amount to nearly another \$25,000. The shipment comprises more than 8,000 dozen of men's, women's and children's socks and stockings. Meyer found several prospective purchasers for the goods but he can not close a deal until the goods arrive. All he wants now is to get his money out of the \$50,000 worth of socks he owns and invest it in Platte county farm land.

The Nebraska

The Event That Well Dressed Women Wait For

Our Year-End Clearance

THE NEBRASKA'S ENTIRE WINTER STOCKS OF

Women's Coats, Dresses, Suits and Beautiful Furs

One-Half Off



DOWN goes the curtain on 1923!—and with the closing of the year comes the closing out of all women's Winter Coats, Dresses, Suits and Furs. Preparations for 1924 demand immediate disposal of all garments—our policy is absolutely all-new stocks—the newest styles every season—it makes this sale doubly interesting to all well-dressed women. Choose Wednesday as follows:

OUR ENTIRE HIGH GRADE STOCK WOMEN'S

Cloth Coats ONE-HALF OFF

Choose Wednesday as follows:

- All \$ 24.50 Coats at... \$12.25
- All \$ 34.50 Coats at... \$17.25
- All \$ 39.50 Coats at... \$19.75
- All \$ 49.50 Coats at... \$24.75
- All \$ 59.50 Coats at... \$29.75
- All \$ 64.50 Coats at... \$32.25
- All \$ 69.50 Coats at... \$34.75
- All \$ 74.50 Coats at... \$37.25
- All \$ 84.50 Coats at... \$42.25
- All \$ 89.50 Coats at... \$44.75
- All \$ 98.50 Coats at... \$49.25
- All \$110.00 Coats at... \$55.00
- All \$125.00 Coats at... \$62.50
- All \$149.50 Coats at... \$74.75

OUR ENTIRE STOCK OF KARAML, DUKANA AND

Plush Coats ONE-HALF OFF

Choose Wednesday as follows:

- \$ 49.50 Pile Fabric Coats \$24.75
- \$ 59.50 Pile Fabric Coats \$29.75
- \$ 64.50 Pile Fabric Coats \$32.25
- \$ 69.50 Pile Fabric Coats \$34.75
- \$ 74.50 Pile Fabric Coats \$37.25
- \$ 79.50 Pile Fabric Coats \$39.75
- \$ 84.50 Pile Fabric Coats \$42.25
- \$ 89.50 Pile Fabric Coats \$44.75
- \$ 98.50 Pile Fabric Coats \$49.25
- \$110.00 Pile Fabric Coats \$55.00
- \$125.00 Pile Fabric Coats \$62.50
- \$135.00 Pile Fabric Coats \$67.50
- \$149.50 Pile Fabric Coats \$74.75

Our Entire High Grade Stock

Silk and Wool Dresses ONE-HALF OFF

- All \$24.50 Dresses at... \$12.25
- All \$29.50 Dresses at... \$14.75
- All \$34.50 Dresses at... \$17.25
- All \$39.50 Dresses at... \$19.75
- All \$44.50 Dresses at... \$22.25
- All \$49.50 Dresses at... \$24.75
- All \$59.50 Dresses at... \$29.75

- All \$64.50 Dresses at... \$32.25
- All \$69.50 Dresses at... \$34.75
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- All \$89.50 Dresses at... \$44.75
- All \$98.50 Dresses at... \$49.25

OUR ENTIRE HIGH GRADE STOCK WOMEN'S

Fur Coats ONE-HALF OFF

- All \$145.00 Fur Coats \$ 72.45
- All \$174.50 Fur Coats \$ 87.25
- All \$198.50 Fur Coats \$ 99.25
- All \$225.00 Fur Coats \$112.50
- All \$249.50 Fur Coats \$124.75
- All \$274.50 Fur Coats \$137.25
- All \$298.50 Fur Coats \$149.25
- All \$350.00 Fur Coats \$175.00
- All \$398.50 Fur Coats \$199.25
- All \$495.00 Fur Coats \$247.50
- Muskrat Coats, Hudson Seal, Marmink and Near Seal Coats

OUR ENTIRE HIGH GRADE STOCK WOMEN'S

Fur Scarfs ONE-HALF OFF

- All \$14.85 Fur Scarfs at \$ 7.45
- All \$24.50 Fur Scarfs at \$12.25
- All \$34.50 Fur Scarfs at \$17.25
- All \$39.50 Fur Scarfs at \$19.75
- All \$49.50 Fur Scarfs at \$24.75
- All \$59.50 Fur Scarfs at \$29.75
- All \$64.50 Fur Scarfs at \$32.25
- All \$69.50 Fur Scarfs at \$34.75
- All \$74.50 Fur Scarfs at \$37.25
- All \$84.50 Fur Scarfs at \$42.25
- All \$98.50 Fur Scarfs at \$49.25
- Beautiful Squirrel, Fitch, Mink and Fox Scarfs

OUR ENTIRE HIGH GRADE STOCK WOMEN'S

Winter Suits ONE-HALF OFF

- All \$34.50 Suits at... \$17.50
- All \$39.50 Suits at... \$19.75
- All \$44.50 Suits at... \$22.25
- All \$49.50 Suits at... \$24.75
- All \$59.50 Suits at... \$29.75
- All \$64.50 Suits at... \$32.25
- All \$69.50 Suits at... \$34.75
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Our Entire Stock of

OUR ENTIRE STOCK WOMEN'S

Blouses and Skirts

1/4 OFF

Children's Winter Coats, One-Half Off

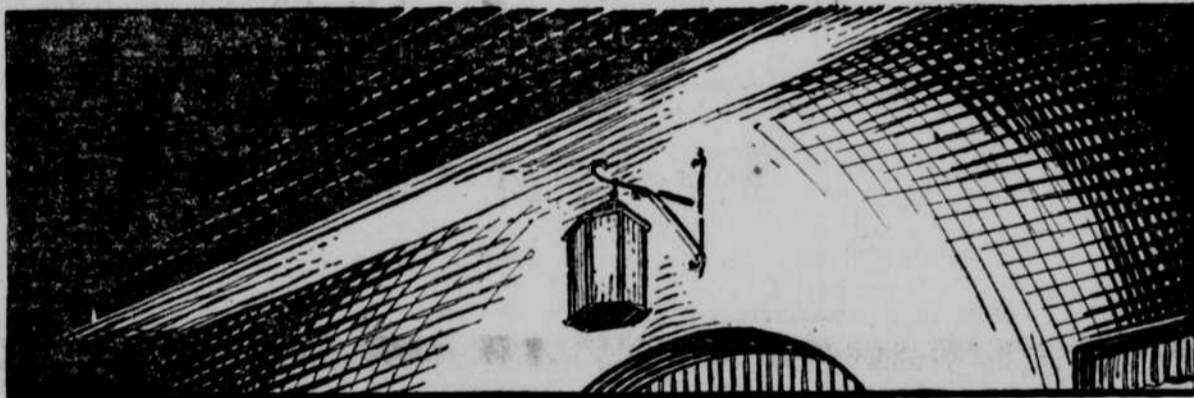
- All \$12.85 Coats at... \$6.45
- All \$14.85 Coats at... \$7.45
- All \$16.50 Coats at... \$8.25
- All \$17.50 Coats at... \$8.75
- All \$19.50 Coats at... \$9.75
- All \$22.50 Coats at... \$11.25
- All \$24.50 Coats at... \$12.25
- All \$29.50 Coats at... \$14.75

OUR ENTIRE STOCK WOMEN'S

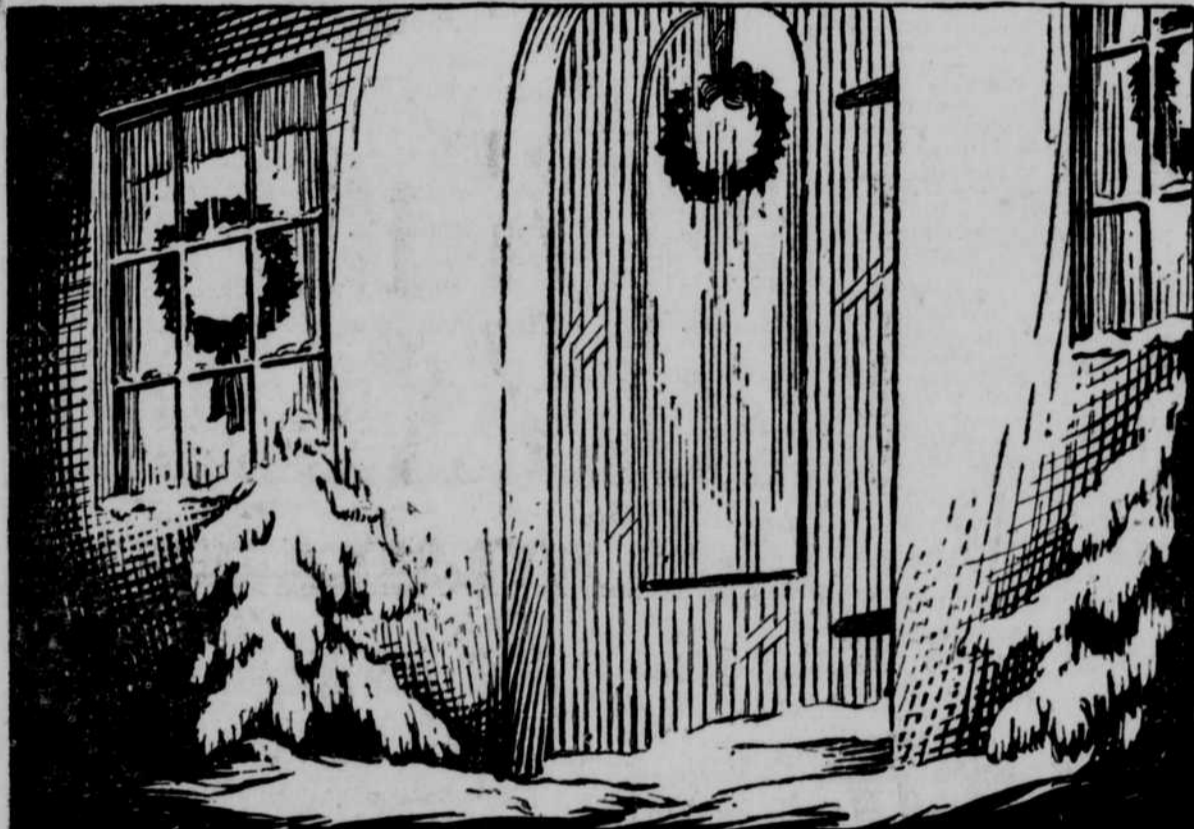
Silk and Wool Sweaters

1/4 OFF

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FARNAM AT FIFTEENTH ST.
CORRECT APPAREL FOR MEN AND WOMEN



"Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men"



Christmas Cheer

Light—shining porch lights and brightly-lighted windows—radiates Christmas cheer.

Tonight—Christmas night—aid in spreading that good cheer. Let happy, bright light pour forth from every window and porch light.

Streets lined by houses, smiling with light, are happy streets. Let's make all streets happy this Christmas night.

Everywhere, send forth the spirit of Christmas—"Peace on earth, good will toward men."

Nebraska Power Co.