

Forty Years in Nebraska.

By WILL M. MAUPIN.
 Compared with many others my residence in Nebraska is somewhat limited, but 40 years in the good old state has given me an opportunity to watch the commonwealth's growth and development. However, little my part has been in the industrial and agricultural development of Nebraska. I have had some part in development along another line, in proof of which I point to five sons and five daughters, all born in Nebraska, four of the boys and four of the girls yet living.

Forty years is not long in the life of nations, however long it may be in the life span of man. The purpose of this article is not biographical, but historical; to point out some of the many things that have taken place in Nebraska since the 40 years ago when I landed in Falls City as a typographical tourist. That was in February, 1885, and with the exception of a few months' banishment to Iowa, I have been a resident of Nebraska ever since.

When I lit in Nebraska the population was less than half what it is today. The Burlington had not yet completed its line northwest to Billings, the Alliance-Denver line was not yet an idea, there were no railroads up the North Platte valley, nobody dreamed of irrigation, and the western half of Nebraska was practically an open range country. James E. Boyd, William A. Paxton and other pioneers in the stockyards may have been dreaming dreams about it then, but where South Omaha now stands was either unbroken sod or big corn fields, Omaha's depot was the old cowshed of sorrowful memory, the capitol building now about to be demolished was uncompleted, trolley cars were unknown.

Then the state's institutions were the capitol, the penitentiary, the Lincoln asylum and the Kearney Industrial school, the latter housing both boys and girls. Dawes was governor and the state house for not as numerous as the force now employed in the office of the state superintendent of public instruction.

The Burlington was just getting ready to build its bridge across the Missouri at Rulo, nobody thought of a railroad from Kearney to Callaway and beyond, the site of the present city of Scottsbluff, was a homestead. Sidney was little more than a military post, Fort Robinson at Crawford and Fort Niobrara at Valentine were garrisons, and Lincoln was scarcely larger than Hastings is now. Alliance was expected but yet unborn, and homesteaders in the extreme west and northwest had their annual scares of an Indian uprising.

Since that eventful day in 1885 the Union Pacific has constructed its North Platte Valley line from North Platte to Yoder, 185 miles, and the line from Kearney to Gandy, more than 100 miles. The Burlington has constructed lines between Alliance and Denver, and up the North Platte river from Bridgeport to Casper; also the line from Ashland to Sioux City, and completed the line from Lincoln to Billings.

Then Nebraska had but one normal school, at Peru. Now it has three others, Kearney, Chadron and Wayne. Instead of one insane asylum there are three. There are two penal institutions instead of one, two homes for soldiers and sailors instead of none, a separate industrial school for girls, a tubercular hospital, and an orthopedic hospital. The Rock Island belt across the eastern end of Nebraska, and the Union Pacific rebuilt its Omaha bridge and double-tracked across the state. The horse cars in Omaha and Lincoln have been supplanted by the electric cars, and the horse cars at Nebraska City and Red Cloud abandoned with nothing to take their place, unless it is the automobile.

During those eventful 40 years Nebraska has risen from about the 38th place in agricultural production to first place per capita and per acre. The dairy industry was unknown in Nebraska. Today it claims the largest creamery in the world, and Omaha is the world's largest butter market.

Then there wasn't a packing house in Nebraska, but today Omaha is the third largest packing center in the world, the second largest livestock market and the world's largest primary livestock market.

Forty years ago Omaha did not have as many miles of paving as the little city of Ravenna now boasts, and was the only city in Nebraska with any paving at all. Then the man who tried to till the soil west of Hastings was looked upon as being lacking in mentality and winter wheat simply could not be raised in the state. Now Custer county is the largest corn producing county in the state, and Nebraska ranks third as a producer of winter wheat. Nobody knew a thing about alfalfa then, but they do now, for Nebraska leads the states in alfalfa production.

In 1885 great piles of buffalo bones could be seen along the Burlington high line, awaiting shipment to fertilizer factories, and Buffalo "chips" were the main fuel of homesteaders in the west end of the state. Two-thirds of the state's population lived within less than 100 miles of the Missouri river, corn was the chief agricultural product. In fact it was about the only one. And politics was the chief industry of the citizens.

The University of Nebraska was embryonic, having less than 500 students, and the Agricultural college was yet unborn. Now the University of Nebraska has more than 16,000 students and the Agricultural college is one of the best known in the republic.

Woman Will Preside at Fraternal Meet



Mrs. Katherine Remington.
 More than 500 delegates are expected to attend the second annual session of the Nebraska Fraternal congress, February 12 at the Elks club. The convention program will be followed by a banquet at 6:30 p. m. Fourteen fraternal orders are members of the congress, which was organized by Katherine Remington, supreme banker of the Woodman circle. She will preside at the congress.

how-wows. There wasn't an electric light outside of Omaha and Lincoln, a telephone was an extreme luxury, the automobile was unthought of, and this particular printer chortled whenever it was suggested that some day somebody would invent a machine that would set type.

Forty years is indeed a short span, but the last 40 have been eventful, especially in Nebraska. Now that I have just completed that term as a citizen of Nebraska it is wonderfully pleasant to just sit and think of what has happened in this commonwealth during that space of time.

TWO NEW COURSES AT UNI OF OMAHA

Two new courses open at the University of Omaha next Tuesday. One is in principles of community organization and is of special interest to teachers, business people interested in community forces, and social workers. It is practically the same as one given in the University of Chicago.

The other is in criminology and is of special interest to law students and practicing lawyers and social workers and all interested in crime prevention.

Dairy Meeting.

Columbus, Neb., Feb. 7.—The Nebraska Dairy society will hold a cow demonstration and a dairy development meeting in Columbus February 12 under auspices of the Columbus Chamber of Commerce. A similar demonstration and meeting will be held at Humphrey, Neb., the next day.

Sues for Divorce.

Madison, Neb., Feb. 7.—Ira W. Hyatt of Norfolk has filed petition in district court of Madison county, for divorce from Irma Hyatt to whom he was married 19 years ago at Mason City, Neb. He alleges desertion.

Beauty

A Gleamy Mass of Hair

35c "Danderine" does Wonders for Any Girl's Hair



Girls! Try this! When combing and dressing your hair, just moisten your hair brush with a little "Danderine" and brush it through your hair. The effect is startling! You can do your hair up immediately and it will appear twice as thick and heavy—a mass of gleamy hair, sparkling with life and possessing that incomparable softness, freshness and luxuriance.

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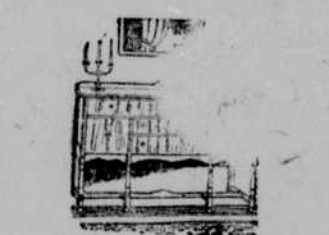
February Sale

EXTRAORDINARY

Year by year, for more than thirty years, an increasing number of thoughtful people have come to recognize that an Orchard-Wilhelm Sale is an event worth anticipating, worth attending and worth expending a shopping hour or two upon—we believe they always find it profitable.

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Large Mahogany Finished Bookcases, with glass doors and adjustable shelves **37.50**



Nut Buffets

—66-inch Buffet with matched veneers of genuine walnut, as illustrated, **50.00**
 —With Extension Table, five side and one arm chair; 8 pieces in all..... **125.00**
 —Same design with smaller Buffet and Table; 8 pieces in all **98.00**



Mirrors

12x18-inch richly gilded Mirror as illustrated **24.50**
 Several 22x12-inch gilded and polished upright Mirrors. Regular \$7.50 values for **5.75**



End-Table Bookcases

Built of gum finished antique brown mahogany. Special at **5.75**
 A new circular End Table in antique brown at **5.95**



Windsor Rockers or Chairs

An extremely good value in Fiddle Back Windsor Arm Chairs and Rockers in birch, finished monk brown, by Stickley Bros., is offered at **9.85**



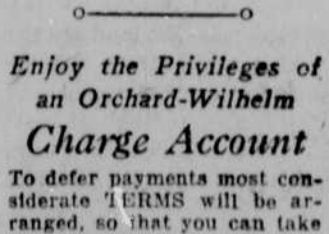
Every McDougall Kitchen Cabinet

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Kitchen Tables with Porcelain Tops

These tables have white enamel bases and 25x40-inch tops; 9.00 value. Special price is..... **7.50**



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Seamless Axminster Rugs

In view of the excellent quality of these Rugs we recommend them as a most desirable bargain; 9x12 size; formerly \$2.50; sale price special, at only **52.50**
 Other good Axminsters in the 9x12 size—
 \$35 9x12 Axminsters, **29.50**
 \$45 9x12 Axminsters, **37.50**
 \$54 9x12 Axminsters, **42.50**

Seamless Velvet Rugs
 A dependable quality is offered in good Oriental and small all-over designs. The regular 45.00 quality in the 9x12 size is offered at—
37.50

Congoleum Art Rugs
 (Without Borders)
 5.70 quality, 6x 9 size **4.35**
 8.55 quality, 9x 9 size **6.35**
 11.40 quality, 9x12 size **8.35**
 7.15 quality, 7-6x9 size, at only **5.35**
 9.98 quality, 9x10-6 size, at only **7.35**

Congoleum Rugs
 (Slightly Imperfect)
 9.00 quality, 6x9 size, at only **6.25**
 15.75 quality, 9x10 size, at only **11.25**
 11.25 quality, 7-6x9 size, at only **8.25**
 18.00 quality, 9x12 size, at only **12.50**
 Several hundred small Wilton and Axminster Rugs are in the sale at prices radically reduced.

Every Oriental and Chinese Rug Reduced

Examples—
 197.50 Chinese, Ivory ground, soiled, 10x8 **167.50**
 200.00 Chinese, taupe, line border, 11-6x9 **265.00**
 150.00 Chinese, Ivory, rose border, 9x6 **135.00**
 235.00 Anatolian, copper rose, neat border 9-9x7-11, at only **210.00**
 55.00 Persian, red ground, unwashed, 6-3x4-1, on sale at only **45.00**
 160.00 Picture Chinese, Eight Immortals, 5x8 **135.00**
 160.50 Chinese, in two-tone brown coloring, 9-10x8-2, at only **145.00**
 195.00 Kerman, medallion center, used, 13-10x9-3, on sale **175.00**
 150.00 Lilaan, rose and blue, 6-2x5-8 at **139.50**
 100.00 Iran, turquoise blue, 6-8x3-10 at **92.50**
 16.50 Hamadan Saddle Bag (Pr) 3-3x1-8 **14.75**
 27.50 Mosoul, Persian Pattern, 3-5x5 **32.50**



Inlaid Linoleum

1.65 to 2.00 qualities, 6 feet wide, special **1.25**
 2.25 quality, 6 feet wide, special, at **1.50**

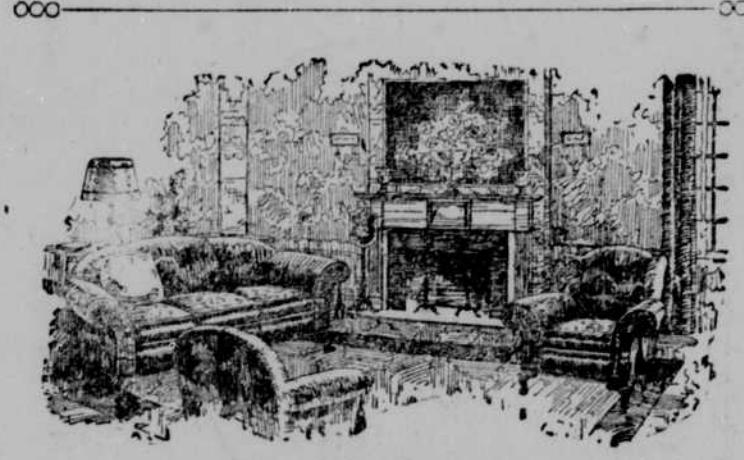
Printed Linoleum

1.10 and 1.25 qualities, 6 feet wide **.85c**
 1.25 and 1.40 qualities, 6 feet wide **.95c**

SECOND FLOOR

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2-Piece Living Room Suites

Consisting of Davenport and Hi-Back Chair. (Several styles, not previously offered, are now on sale.)
 In blue and taupe cut velour, two pieces **122.50**
 In rose and taupe jacquard velour, two pieces **138.00**
 In fine plain taupe mohair with cut velour cushions **178.00**
 In rose and taupe figured mohair, two pieces **184.00**

Low Back Chairs or Rockers to match—
37.50 39.50 52.00 54.00



Large Size, Three-Piece Queen Anne Bedroom Suite

In antique mahogany, including full size bowfoot bed, extra large dresser with large mirror and extra large chiffoniere. Regular 265.00 value; three pieces **169.75**

One of a Score of Equally Desirable Bargains from Our Bedroom Furniture Dept.



8-Piece American Walnut Dining Suite

This is a carefully constructed suite with slender lines, attractive finish and excellent accommodations, consisting of 60-inch Buffet, Extension Table, five Side and one Arm Chair, upholstered in tapestry **139.50**

Several eight-piece Walnut Dining Suites in the sale are offered at **159.00, 179.50 and 223.00**

363.00 eight-piece Black Walnut Veneered Suite, consisting of 66-inch Eight-Leg Buffet, 60x42-inch Extension Table, five Side and one Arm Chair **237.00**

90.00 six-piece Dining Suite, built of selected gum finished American walnut. Suite includes Buffet, Extension Table and four Chairs with genuine leather seats. Sale price **65.00**

And Many Others

Cretonnes at 49c

In this group of cretonnes you can find every conceivable design and color combination. Values range from 75c to even 1.50.

Marquisette Curtains

Plain Marquisette Curtains with Cluny lace insertions and edging; white and ecru; regularly 3.50. Sale price, per pair **1.50**

Fringed Curtains

Super Flet Curtains in ecru only, with bullion fringe; two good patterns, formerly selling at 4.75; special, at per pair **2.50**

Flet and Casement effects in most attractive designs are offered at, per pair—
2.65, 3.75, 4.85

Ruffled Curtains

Of sheer dotted marquisette in small and medium size dots; 2 1/2 yards long; each pair with tie-backs. Former price, 3.50. **1.79**

All One and Two Pair Lots of Curtains

Of which there are several will be sold at—
HALF PRICE

Curtain Materials of Artificial Silk

Plain and figured artificial silk Marquisettes, Gauzes and Casements, in cream, ecru, gold, bronze, oyster, etc. Regular 1.00 to 2.00 values. 36 inches wide, at—
58c 75c 95c

Duplex Window Shades

Green on one side, white on the other, of hand oil opaque shade cloth of exceptional quality. 32 inches wide; 6 feet long, special..... **95c**

Comforts

A few lovely silk and satin comforts with pure, new lamb's wool filling in lavender, blue or rose colorings. Values from 35.00 to 47.50 now—
19.00 to 29.00

Lloyd Carriage

55.00 large size fiber carriage in brown or ivory—
35.00

Children's Cribs

29.50 Ivory or White Bassinet with dust proof drawers below bed **15.00**

Easy Pack Bags

In FIRST QUALITY cowhide, with waterproof pockets, in tan or brown, **14.50**

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