

HAYDENS

Selling the celebrated BUTTERICK PATTERNS at reduced prices.

COPIES OF GRAND SPECIAL SALES

AT THE BIG STORE SATURDAY.

The arrival of new Spring Goods and remodelling and enlarging many departments preparatory to Spring Openings in all departments make great price reductions necessary. Saturday will be a great day for bargains.

HAYDENS

Showing the largest line of SPRING DRESS Goods.

The last round-up in the Clothing Department

More fall and winter garments here than we want at this time of the year. We are clearing them out at less than cost of manufacture.

Choice of all \$6.50 to \$22.50 overcoats at \$3.95 \$5.00 \$7.50 \$11.75

It will pay you to get one \$2.98 \$4.75 \$6.48 \$9.75 \$11.75

Men's Old Pants, worth up to \$6.50 at 95c \$1.75 \$2.25 \$3.75

50c Knee Pants for 25c.

We invite your most critical attention to our beautiful exhibit of men's, boys' and children's Spring and Summer Clothing.

Hats, Hats, Hats

Special sales from 2 p. m. to 5:30 p. m.

Fact No. 1.—We have the largest Hat Department in the city.

Fact No. 2.—We have the largest selection.

Fact No. 3.—We make the lowest prices on men's headwear.

The following items for Saturday—

Item No. 1.—Black or tan soft hats in railroad style for Fedora for 50c

Item No. 2.—A good fur hat, silk trimmed, leather sweat bands, in the following styles in the Railroad, the Pasha, the Military the Fedora and the Crusher, all colors 75c

Item No. 3.—A good neat spring stiff hat or soft hat, remember all styles and colors—they sell in other stores for \$1.50 for 1.00

Item No. 4.—We sell a hat at \$1.50—in the latest styles—that is worth fully as much as any \$2.00 hat in the village.

Hayden Bros. Dress Goods Headquarters.

New Spring Goods, in all the Latest Fashions Arriving Daily in Our

CLOAK DEPARTMENT.

New Suits in the latest styles, at \$6.00, \$8.00, \$10.00, \$12.00 and \$15.00.

New Silk and Satin Waists, in all the latest shades, blouse effects, at \$2.50, \$3.50, \$4.98 and up to \$15.00.

The finest lot of Shirt Waists, in the newest colorings and styles that was ever shown in Omaha, at 50c up to \$3.00.

50 dozen new style Wrappers, in light and dark colors, at 75c, worth \$1.25.

75 dozen Wrappers, in the latest designs and materials, at 98c, worth \$1.50.

Remodelling and Clearing Sale

We are enlarging and remodelling the Cloak Department preparatory to our grand spring opening and have concluded to close out all our Jackets on hand at about one-third price. They go on sale Saturday. Big bargains to be had.

All our \$5.00 Jackets will go in this sale at \$2.98

All our \$10.00 Jackets will go in this sale at \$4.98

Hayden Bros. Dress Goods Headquarters.

Saturday's Millinery Sale

New and pretty display of early spring fashions now ready for our many customers at Hayden Bros. Usual low prices. Violets, Geraniums, Sweet Peas, Nasturtiums, Pansies, Thistles, Foliage and an endless variety Grasses in all shades.

Prior to our grand spring Opening we are closing out the balance of our winter trimmed hats and all winter Millinery at your own prices. A rare opportunity to save money on stylish Millinery.

Hayden Bros. Dress Goods Headquarters.

HAYDEN BROS.

Big Black Silk Sale

Saturday Evening.

An immense purchase of high class Black Silks from two of the leading manufacturers enables us to offer exceptionally remarkable bargains in finest Waist and Skirt Silks. These are elegant brocade gros grains, brocade satins and brocade taffetas in all the newest designs, plain taffeta, plain Indias, plain black satin duchesse—all to be sold in one lot Saturday evening, commencing at 7:30 o'clock—

69c yard

Quantity limited to 1 skirt pattern or 2 waist patterns.

Hayden Bros. Dress Goods Headquarters.

Special Values in Ladies' & Gents' Furnishings.

1,000 dozen Men's Fine White Unbleached Shirts, made up with all the latest and newest improvements, 4-ply, linen bosom and 4-ply neck band, in all sizes from 14 to 17 1/2, made to sell at 75c, Saturday's price 25c

100 dozen Men's and Boys Suspenders, worth 15c, at 5c

500 dozen Men's Fine new Neckwear, string and hand bows, in all the latest patterns, worth 50c, at 15c

5 cases Men's Socks, in black and tan and fancy stripes, the regular 2 1/2 quality, at 3 FOR 25c

Men's Working Shirts, in dark and light colors, in madras cloth, percale and chevot, worth 60c and 75c at 25c

The largest line of Men's Fine Colored and White Shirts ever shown in this country at 39c, 45c, 75c and 1.00

Men's and Boys' Sweaters, in black, blue, maroon and green, at 50c

500 dozen Ladies' Fast Black and Tan Pull Seamless Hose, special value, only per pair 10c

1,000 dozen Children's Fast Black Bicycle Hose, double knee and heel and toe, worth 25c, at 10c

500 dozen Ladies' Muslin Drawers, worth 25c, pair 12c

Book and Stationery Sale.

Saturday we will sell Quo Vadis 1.3c

An elegant line of paper bound novels by best authors for one day at 5c.

Box of paper and envelopes for 5c.

Tablet No. 16, 3c.

100 visiting cards, engraved, with copper plate, for \$1.00.

Hayden Bros. Dress Goods Headquarters.

GROCERY BARGAINS SATURDAY.

- Strictly fresh new laid eggs, per dozen 10c
New extra fancy cranberries 0c
Separator creamery butter, extra quality 20c
Fancy separator creamery 10c, 12c and 14c
Fresh roll butter from the country 11c, 12c and 14c
Mustard Sardines per can 34c
Oil Sardines per can, only 34c
Pure Corn Starch, per package 34c
Java and Mocha Coffee, worth 35c 27c
Good whole Coffee just roasted 84c
Breakfast Cocoa per can only 9c
Quart cans Boston Baked Beans 84c
Best Columbia River Salmon, only 124c
1 pound cans Baking Powder, Saturday 9c
Gallon cans York State Apples 19c
Any brand of Soap, 10 bars for 25c
Silk Soap, Santa Claus, Domestic, White Russian, or any brand, 10 bars for 25c
Seedless Naval Oranges, per dozen 10c
Messina Lemons, per dozen 84c

New Evaporated Peaches, New Evaporated Apples, New Evaporated Prunes, New Evaporated Peas, Pure Food Department, Saturday only.

Hayden Bros. Dress Goods Headquarters.

Saturday, Big Specials in Meats.

- No. 1 California Hams 51c
Salt Pork 5c
Choice Pickled Pork 61c
Frankfort Sausage 74c
No. 1 Sugar Cured Bacon 81c
Premium Pickled Trips 34c
Spring Chickens, all fresh dressed at our usual low prices. At the Trans-Mississippi Headquarters.

Hayden Bros. Dress Goods Headquarters.

China Bargains.

- Largest line of Decorated Lamp Globes just arrived, from 89 cents up.
Doll Baby Cabs at 19c
All sizes Stone Beer Stines 5c
Engraved Goblets 34c
Nickel Plated Rochester Lamps, complete with shade \$1.49
Handy Lamps 20c
All sizes Decorated Plates 5c
All sizes and kinds of Jardinieres, 50c up.

Hayden Bros. Dress Goods Headquarters.

Hardware, Stoves and House Furnishings Department Sale.

\$1 folding ironing board, 69c; coffee mill, 17c; Japanned cuspidors, 7c; 10-qt. Japanned chamber pails, 18c; galvanized wash tubs, 39c; good sized dish pans, 9c; wood water pails, 23c; large tin water pails, 9c; tin cups, 1c; galvanized boiler 69c; feather dusters, 12c; a good quality butter knife, 8c; carpenter's hammer, 12c; combination comb and brush case, 7c; scrub brushes, 2c; 2-burner gasoline stove, \$2.29.

Hayden Bros. Dress Goods Headquarters.

TOURNEY OF FIRE FIGHTERS

Test of Men and Methods of Handling Apparatus Proposed.

GREAT FEATURE OF THE EXPOSITION

Chief Redell and Major Clarkson Working on a Plan to Bring Together the Firemen of the Country.

Major T. S. Clarkson, the assistant to the president, is engaged in arranging plans for the national tournament of firemen which is proposed by President Wood of the National Firemen's association, who was in Omaha a short time ago to confer with the exposition officials regarding the matter.

Major Clarkson has been in consultation with Chief Redell of the Omaha Fire department regarding arrangements for the tournament and says that the chief has entered most heartily into the spirit of the thing. It is conceded that such a tournament would attract thousands of people from all sections of the country.

It is estimated that a tournament in Omaha would attract fully 25,000 firemen and three or four times that many visitors. The last twenty years has seen many changes in the methods of fighting fires, and a great increase in the number and equipment of fire fighting. The tournament proposed includes the volunteers, as well as the paid fire departments, and it is conceded that there has been a great increase in the number of both classes since the last tournament.

One of the most essential features of a fireman's tournament, and, in fact, the principal object of the tournament, is tests of skill in fighting fires. The plan which has been contemplated by Major Clarkson and Chief Redell, although not fully matured, includes the erection of a temporary structure several stories in height, in some open space which is to be fired and the several companies competing for supremacy given an opportunity to show their speed and activity. This would give opportunity for the use of pumper ladders, and all the most modern inventions for fire fighting. Prizes of sufficient size to induce hot competition will be offered in the several classes.

Those who have kept in touch with the matter in its preliminary stages feel certain that arrangements will soon be made that will be entirely satisfactory to all concerned in the tournament, and that the successful tournament of firemen ever held in this country will eventuate in Omaha during the coming summer.

OHIO AND KENTUCKY LINING UP

Commissioner Richardson Sends Home Very Encouraging Reports. Special Commissioner R. W. Richardson, who has been in Ohio and Kentucky for the last week in the interest of the exposition, reports to the Department of Publicity and Promotion that the outlook for legislative action in both states is very promising.

At a conference held by Mr. Richardson with the leaders in both houses of the Ohio legislature it was agreed that a joint resolution would be introduced providing for the appointment of a state exposition commission and making an appropriation for a state exhibit. The Board of Trade of Columbus passed a resolution urging that the state should be properly and creditably represented and requesting the legislature to appropriate funds for this purpose.

The Commercial club of Louisville, Ky., passed a series of resolutions declaring it to be to the best interests of the manufacturing, agricultural and mineral industries of the state to be represented and urging all

interested to assist. It is urged that the fact that the trade relations between Kentucky and the states in the trans-Mississippi region have been inconsiderable is all the more reason why a fine exhibit should be made in order to secure a portion of this trade.

Mr. Richardson will devote more of his attention to expediting legislation in these two states, besides turning some of his efforts toward Indiana.

MISSOURI MONEY IS COMING IN.

Contract for Its State Building Will Soon Be Awarded.

ST. LOUIS, March 4.—(Special).—A meeting of the executive committee of the Omaha exposition commission will probably be called within the next ten days, for the purpose of awarding a contract for the erection of a state building on the exposition grounds. The call will be issued by the chairman, Colonel John O'Day of Springfield and meantime the aspiring architects will complete their plans and submit the same to the committee.

The necessary ground plan for the Missouri exhibit has already been secured by the president of the commission, Clark H. Sampson, and the locality is said to be a desirable one. It is the intention of the commission to not expend over \$10,000 on a building as it is deemed this sum will be amply sufficient for a temporary structure.

The main work now ahead of the commission is to secure the necessary money to make the Missouri exhibit a complete success. At the recent meeting in Kansas City some \$25,000 was reported as having been collected, and nearly all of this came from the cities. The country is yet to be heard from and letters of inquiry have been sent to each county and it is expected that each county can be depended upon to furnish in ready cash.

The commission estimates that it will require not less than \$50,000 to make anything like such an exhibit as the state should have, and it is thought that a considerably larger sum could be expended to good advantage. Letters have been sent to each county and by the time the next meeting of the executive committee is held the hands of the treasurer, it is not known at this time how much money has been subscribed in the country. Many of the county treasurers have been notified, but in most cases small sums were voted.

Anticipating that there will be difficulties in the road of raising sufficient funds in the usual way, the committee has resorted to another method for obtaining small contributions. A handsome exhibition button, or badge, as some call it, has been secured. It is duly inscribed as Missouri Exposition button and has the seal of the state stamped in the center. Persons desiring to possess one of these souvenirs can do so by enclosing their address and \$1 to the treasurer, F. C. Marshall, cashier of the St. Louis Continental Bank. All money arising from the sale of these buttons will be turned into the general exhibition funds. The committee expects that a large number of them will be disposed of during the next few weeks. Letters have been sent out by the secretary calling attention to the souvenirs. Assurances are coming in from all parts of the state from individuals and corporations stating that they will need space for their exhibits and when all these are added to the exhibit of the state now being provided, it is believed that Missouri will easily walk away with first premium.

EXTENSIVE RUSSIAN EXHIBIT.

Application for Space Comes Through. An application for space for a Russian exhibit on a large scale has been received by the Department of Exhibits. The application comes through Frederick Mayer, the French commissioner of the exposition, who vouchers for the responsibility of the parties making the application. These parties propose to occupy a large space adjoining the French section in the foreign building and in this they propose to install an exhibit which shall be gorgeous in its magnificence and conducted in true Russian style. In this section will be displayed costly furs

from the land of the czar, bronzes, stone-ware, carved stone tables, decorative furniture, artistic brassware, Russian carpets, etc. A Russian tea house will be reproduced in one part of the display and Russians in national costume will be in attendance at all times.

COLORADO MAKES GREAT PROGRESS

Managers of Departments Make Encouraging Reports.

The Colorado exposition commission is meeting with great encouragement in its efforts to have a fine exhibit of the many resources of the state. At a meeting held in the governor's office Wednesday night, reports were received which indicate that exhibition matters are in a very good condition and a large and fine exhibit is assured. State Mining Commissioner Lee reported that \$3,000 will be required for a creditable mining exhibit and he said a good share of this had already been secured and pledges were given to guarantee the balance.

Mrs. M. A. Shute, secretary of the State Board of Horticulture, who is in charge of the horticulture exhibit, reported that the friendly rivalry between the various sections of the state made it certain that plenty of money will be available for a fine exhibit of fruit extending through the entire exposition. Colonel R. E. Goodell, chairman of the department of coal, iron and oil, presented assurances from leading people connected with these industries of a fine exhibit in all these lines. The members of the commission were greatly pleased at the outlook and no stone will be left unturned to make the Colorado exhibit all that could be desired.

The state has been assigned the most prominent position in the Mines building and the mining exhibit will be made especially fine. The Denver commission also held a meeting Wednesday night and it was found that there will be no difficulty whatever in raising sufficient funds for the erection of the proposed Denver building.

Art Exhibit Plans.

Art Director Griffiths writes to the Department of Exhibits from Detroit that preparations for the art exhibit have now reached a point where he is able to state with authority that the display in the Art building will be first class in every respect. He says the best artists of New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Cincinnati, St. Louis, Pittsburgh and other art centers have promised to send their best works. These pictures have been seen by Mr. Griffiths, and he says that he bases his prediction on personal knowledge.

In summing up the situation, Mr. Griffiths says he has in hand sixty oil paintings from New York, sixty-three from Boston and Philadelphia, seventy-five from Paris and seventy-five at Detroit, among the last named being a number of the works of Scotch artists. He also has 225 water colors and drawings in black and white, making a total of 500, besides the large number of paintings in St. Louis, Cincinnati, Washington and Philadelphia which are available, and another large lot from New York artists who have promised to send their pictures after the close of the spring exhibitions in the east.

Bureau of Public Comfort.

Preparations are being made by the Bureau of Public Comfort to open an office on the sixth floor of the Paxton building alongside the rooms occupied by the Department of Transportation. Active operations will be commenced at once by this adjunct to the exposition. A force of men will be put to work to canvass the city and schedule the rooms where lodgers will be accommodated and the places where meals will be furnished together with the prices and such other information as will be desirable. All of this data will be tabulated and strangers will be provided with information without cost.

Arkansas Pushing Preparations.

The Arkansas Exposition commission is pushing things in that state and is going ahead with its preparations as fast as possible, relying upon the public spirit and generosity of the people to stand behind the commission by raising the necessary funds.

The state has been divided into districts and a vice president appointed for each with instructions to work up both interest and contributions. The secretary is advertising for bids for a building 70x70 feet in size. It is to be constructed entirely of Arkansas lumber and is to cost not to exceed \$7,500. The architects are given until March 10 to submit plans and the successful competitor must submit full specifications not later than March 20. The competition is confined to Arkansas architects. A large committee has been appointed to induce the railroads to co-operate with the commission by contributing to the funds of the commission and by granting reduced railroad rates on exhibits.

Indiana Commission.

Special Commissioner R. W. Richardson telegraphed The Bee from Indianapolis that the governor of Indiana will name a state exposition commission to provide for an exhibit from that state. The Chamber of Commerce of Indianapolis endorses the idea of having the state well represented at the exposition and urges the governor to take hold next Friday, at which time the commission is not in session, and the commission will be compelled to rely upon private subscriptions for funds with which to make an exhibit.

Plans for Girls' and Boys' Building.

The executive committee of the Women's Board of Managers was in session all day yesterday considering the plans for the Girls' and Boys' building. Several minor changes were made in the plan, but nothing was done to change the general character or size of the structure. The architects were directed to prepare complete plans and specifications for a special meeting to be held next Friday, at which time the plan will be taken before active work on the building.

Will Urge Canada to Action.

M. A. Hall, the resident British vice consul, will go to Ottawa at the request of the Department of Publicity and Promotion for the purpose of inducing the Canadian government to carry out the express intention of making a fine exhibit of Canadian products at the exposition. The matter has been at length dragged along in a rather unsatisfactory manner and Manager Rosewater is fearful that the Canadian government would drop it unless steps are taken to renew the interest of the government officials.

Change in the Offices.

The Department of Concessions has changed its quarters and now occupies a suite of six rooms on the north side of the top floor of the Paxton block. The large room occupied jointly by the Department of Exhibits and the Concession department is now used by the former and the small room adjoining, which has just been vacated by the Concessions department, will be occupied by Major Clarkson, assistant to the president.

State Educational Exhibit.

State Superintendent W. R. Jackson, in charge of the educational exhibit, his assistant, W. C. Stewart, and Prof. Barbour of the University of Nebraska, spent the day making a thorough inspection of the space assigned to the educational display in order to make a full detailed report to the Nebraska Exposition commission at its next meeting.

Miner Jumps Down a Shaft.

ISHPEMING, Mich., March 4.—Martin Armstrong, a mining man of considerable wealth and known throughout the Lake Superior region and western districts, while temporarily insane, brought on by illness, walked to one of the Lake Superior Mining company's shafts last evening about 6 o'clock, and jumped into the opening, falling 400 feet. His body will be sent to Marquette this morning for interment. He was unmarried.

Killed While Firing a Salute.

FRANKFORT, Ky., March 4.—Will Overton, assisting Arsenal Keeper Dixon in firing 300 guns in celebration of the Irish anniversary today, was blown almost to pieces and Armorel Dixon was badly hurt by a premature explosion. Overton belongs to a prominent family of this city.

SOME OF FUSION'S SECRETS

Populist City and County Committees Have Their Troubles.

DO NOT RECEIVE ENOUGH RECOGNITION

Held Session to Devise Ways and Means to Compel Holcomb to Appoint Populist Successor to Herdman.

Political secrets—particularly one or two regarding the nonpartisan manner in which the board of Fire and Police Commissioners make appointments—leaked out at a joint meeting of the populist city and county committees last night as a result of the fact that the two bodies got their wires badly crossed. It was a meeting called for the purpose of forcing Governor Holcomb to appoint another straight-out-and-out middle-of-the-road populist—one to be selected by the straight-out-and-out middle-of-the-road populists of the city—to succeed Commissioner Herdman, whose term expires this spring. In the course of the meeting, however, it developed that this is not the only piece of pie in sight, but that Commissioner Peabody is holding up a dozen or more other choice bites in the shape of positions as special policemen on the city police force.

The meeting assumed the usual populist tinge from the outset, a fight being precipitated at the first jump. Some of those present, claiming that the meeting was nothing more than the regular gathering of the Douglas County People's Independent Party club, members of the city central committee were invited to leave the meeting and to go to their homes. Among the regular club members, however, were several of the county central committee and these did not know what the real purpose of the meeting was. These smelled a mouse right away and came to the conclusion that the city central committee intended to robble up the spoil without letting their county brethren know anything about it. They were not notified by the statement of Chairman Ihm of the city central committee that he had sent invitations to all the county central committee to be present and that they must have mysteriously miscarried.

The suspicion grew in the minds of the county committee that it was really intended to leave them out in the cold and a fight was the result. Some of the city central committee did not see how their county brothers ought to have anything to say about a fire and police appointment, anyway, since it concerned the city alone. The discussion lasted for over an hour and finally harmony was restored by the passage of a motion that both committees should work together to have the right points given into Herdman's hands.

Mike O'Connell of the county central committee was elected chairman of the meeting and Mark Hanson, secretary of the city central committee, secretary.

CAT LET OUT.

It was in the course of the discussion on this matter that a little cat was let out of the bag and some inkling was given of the matter in which the Fire and Police board is preparing to appoint forty special policemen that it is proposed to add to the department during the exposition. Mike O'Connell was saying that he was one of the county central committee who did not know what the meeting was for and he continued: "I thought this was to be a meeting of the club and that we were to consider the matter that we had before us last meeting. That was the drawing up of a list from which Dr. Peabody was to select his complement of the special policemen that are to be appointed by the board. He told us that he did not care to pick out the populists who ought to be given the places and he left it to the central committee and the club. That is what I thought we were going to talk about. Now you are talking about

getting a place for one man when we have ten, twelve, fifteen places, or how many there are in a district. But he is appointing. We ought to attend to that, because no populists are being put on the department."

The only matter talked about, however, was the Fire and Police board appointment. There was but one opinion about the matter and that was that he must be a populist and that Governor Holcomb must be compelled to make such an appointment. There was a very evident fear that he is looking in some other direction for the man. There was a suggestion made that the committee be sent to the governor about the matter, but that did not meet with the prevailing sentiment.

"We ought not to go down on a bended knee to a mongrel," said John Tierney. "We deserve the place and we will have it. We want to see a populist forced to put a populist in the position of the secretary of the board to him on bended knee, but like kings to a servant of the people."

"Let us send to the governor to come to the office and confer with us in our meeting," M. Kinney said. "We are poor men and cannot send strong committees to him, but there should be some time in the very near future on the commission because it is our hard work that elected the state ticket. There are lots of men in state offices now for the sake of populists and work and again appoint another straight-out-and-out middle-of-the-road populist—one to be selected by the straight-out-and-out middle-of-the-road populists of the city—to succeed Commissioner Herdman, whose term expires this spring. In the course of the meeting, however, it developed that this is not the only piece of pie in sight, but that Commissioner Peabody is holding up a dozen or more other choice bites in the shape of positions as special policemen on the city police force.

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ARRANGING TELEPHONE TOLLS.

Conference Over Rates for Interstate Business Under Way. A conference of the representatives of the telephone companies of Nebraska, Iowa, Missouri and Kansas is now in progress in this city, the meetings being held at the local headquarters of the Nebraska Telephone company's exchange, Eighteenth and Douglas streets. The object of the conference is the discussion of interstate rates.

Heretofore there have been no fixed schedules for interstate business because there have been but a few of the lines in a condition to satisfactorily handle the business. Where interstate rates have been fixed the operators at the nearest points have generally computed them on the spur of the moment or guessed at what they ought to be. The present meeting's work is to arrange a classified schedule of interstate rates for use at all telephone stations in Nebraska, Iowa, Missouri and Kansas.

Meetings were held yesterday morning and afternoon. Further sessions will be held today and the work of getting out the tariffs probably completed. Those in attendance from other states are Messrs. Ballard, chief tariff clerk of the lines of Missouri and Kansas, and C. A. Dalzell, auditor of the Iowa Telephone company.

LITTLE PROSPECT FOR A FLOOD.

Missouri River Not Likely to Go on a Bender This Spring.

Persons whose property interests are endangered by high water in the Missouri river will take comfort in Forecaster Welch's statement this spring, that in his opinion there is no danger whatever of flood stages this spring. The weather bureau gets reports from Havre, Helena, Miles City, Williston, Pierre, Yankton and other points along the Missouri and the snowfall has been light in all these places. The water in the river is low along its course at the present time