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CLEARING SALE BARGAINS

IN OUR LADIES' UNDERWEAR DEPARTMENT

50c AND 75c VESTS AND PANTS, either ribbed or fleece lined, clearing sale price 39c and 25c and \$1.50 UNION SUITS, extra heavy fleece, at.....

THE RELIABLE STORE.

Special Sale Saturday—Ladies' Fancy Neckwear

1c per dozen for all sized Pearl Buttons. 710 per pair for all sized Hose Supporters. 1210 per yard for all Silk Ribbons, worth 25c to 35c per yard. 5c for Handkerchiefs worth 10c, 15c and 20c. ICc for Photograph Frames worth 25c and 35c

Clearing Sale Bargains In Men's Underwear and Furnishings \$1.25 and \$1.50 quality Men's All Wool Underwear-Clearing Sale price-garment 75c Men's extra heavy Fleeced Underwear, 45c § 35c 39c MEN'S WOOLEN HOSE-Extra heavy, at, pair......19c 25c men's extra heavy Fleeced Hose. at pair. 12'c To Night Robes for men and boys, of heavy Outing Flannel, made very long and full-

25e WOOLEN MITTENS-For men and boys,

at, pair.....

\$1.00 SILK OXFORD MUFFLERS-In stylish

designs and colors-Clearing Sale price..... WAY MUFFLERS-In black, blues and reds. One of

MEN'S HEAVY LEATHER GLOVES and Mittens.

fleece lined, worth 50c and 75c per 50c 25c

39c Children's Golf Gloves,

Great Half Price Sale of Women's Ready-to-Wear Garments

Is now nearing its close. Despite the unfavorable weather conditions the first of the week our Cloak Department has been thronged daily by crowds of enthusiastic buyers.

HALF PRICE COATS AND SUITS NOT A FEW CHEAP OR SHODDY GARMENTS CULLED FROM OUR STOCK, BUT YOUR UNRESTRICTED CHOICE OF OUR ENTIRE HIGH GRADE STOCK



This is undoubtedly the greatest money-saving opportunity of the season. Improve it. EVERY COAT GOES-HALF PRICE-EVERY SUIT GOES 2.50 Beautiful exclusively designed costumes All our \$5.00 Women's Coats, during this sale..... in latest styles and most popular materials 4.00 at ONE-HALF AND ONE-THIRD PRICE. All our \$8.00 Women's Coats, during this saie..... 6.25 trimmed garments. 12.50 All our \$12.50 Kersey Coats, Skinner satin fixed, at..... 12.50 All our \$15.00 Peggy from Paris Coats—great variety of colors and 750 xale. 12.50 15.00 10.00 \$3.98 Skirts, All our \$20.00 Coats, \$5.00 Skirts, All our \$15.00 Tailor Suits, 7.50 at. \$7.95 Skirts, 3.98 8.75 st.00 and \$10.00 Skirts, All our \$19.50 Tailor Suits. 4.98 12.50 Beautiful Volle Skirts. All gur \$25.00 Tailor Suits, All our \$29.50 Tailor Suits,

FROM 8 TILL 9 A. M. Ladies' Wrappers. FROM 9 TILL 9:30 A. M. Women's Breakfast Shawls, FROM 9:30 TILL 10:30 A. M. 1.98 Ladles' \$5.00 Elderdown Robes, LADIES WAISTS—Worth up to \$2.50, come in Albatross, Vestings, Fiannels, Nun's Veiling. Brilliantines and some Silks. As long as they last— choice. 50c

Early Shopping Inducements.

Millinery News

We wish to announce that the well known and popular milliner, Miss Belle Knowlton, has assumed complete charge of the immense stock of Millinery at Hayden's and will be pleased to greet and serve all her customers and friends in her new location.

SENSATIONAL SATURDAY SPECIALS \$7.00 and \$8.. VELVET HATS—Trimmed with ostrich plumes and ornaments, at..... PATTERN HATS-\$10.00, \$15.00 and \$18.00 values, divided 8.00-5.00 Saturday into 2 lots, at. PRETTY STREET HATS-Worth \$2.00 and \$3.00, at ... 98c25c CAPS-All kinds, at

ALL OUR STOCK OF CHILDREN'S COATS AT HALF.

Groceries Groceries Tomorrow, Saturday, will be the last day of

48-pound sack High Patent Minnesota 18 pounds pure Cane Granulated Sugar package 7%c The best Pearl Tapioca, Sago, Barley Quart can Golden Table Syrup...... 74c 1 package California Figs..... Large bottles Sweet Pickles 5c 1-pound package Condensed Mince 1-pound can fancy Alaska Salmon Sc 2-pound can solid packed Tomatoes 7%c Lima Beans 74c

Choice California Peaches, 1b 5c 3 Crown Muscatel Raisins, lb...... 10 pounds Breakfast Ontmeal...... 20c Large bright Cape Cod Cranberries, qt. 71/2c 10 pounds good Japan Rice...... 25c New Colorado Honey, rack...... 12c Julcy California Lemons, doz..... Large ripe Bananas, doz..... Golden Rio Coffee, 1b..... H. B. C. Mocha and Java Coffee, lb 20c

the Big Sale prior to inventory. Large Juley Navel Oranges, doz 12c fleeced in plain or Fancy Golden Santos Coffee, 1b 15c Children's Hosefinest blend on the market, lb...... 25c 19c, great

Groceries Four Hosiery Specials

Ladies' Hose--In wool or heavy fleeced, with white feet, worth 25c and 19c 39c, at..... 19c

714c ribbed, worth 121c up to 25c, at 122c 25c Boys' Bicycle Hose

sizes, worth 15c and



In Our Corset Department

\$1.00 STRAIGHT FRONT CORSETS with Princess hip hose supporters attached, side and front, come in drab and white, clearing sale price Batiste, white, pink or blue, at.......... 39c CORSET GIRDLES of fine linen tape and

LONG HIP GIRDLES with hose supporters 49c at THE DOWAGER CORSET, double boned through-

out, made specially for stout figures. Velvet grip hose supporters attached, sizes 20 to 36, 2.00 FRENCH CORSETS, the newest designs

and materials, at, up from......2.50 EYE TROUBLE IN-



Main Floor. Money saving prices

Sheet Music

Saturday 14c Karama,

Uncle Sammy, Field Day, Seminole, Good Bye My Lady Love, She Was From Missouri, A Bit O' Blarney, Don't Cry Katle Dear. If I Should Say I Love You. Ever Thine Waltnes. Echoes of the Congo. Please Don't Bother Me. Merry Maidens.

Sheet Music By Mail 15c Billy.

Kate Kearney, Fighting the Flames, Yankee Girl, Good-Bye, Little Girl, Good-Bye, Satisfied. Troubadour. When the Bees Are in the Hive, Undercurrent, Memory's Dream Waltzes. Rambling Mose, Dance to the Moon Star of the Sea. FIT 'EM in our Optical Dept., All of these on Sale Saturday at 14c per

Gunpowder or English Breakfast 10 bars best Laundry Soap...... 25c Great reductions in every department Choice California Prunes, lb...... 31/20 prior to inventory.

Proprieter of Murray Succumbs to Congestion of the Brain.

SUSTAINS FATAL STROKE THURSDAY Men of Nebraska-Funeral

Nat Brown, one of Omaha's prominent hotel men and an old resident of the state and city, died yesterday morning in his apartments at the Murray hotel, of which hostelry he was proprietor and half owner

Plans Have Not Yet

Been Made.

for the last six years. Mr. Brown was stricken at 11 o'clock Thursday morning with congestion of the brain, remaining unconscious from that time until death. For the last week he was confined to his bed most of the time Thursday morning he felt some better and was about for a short while. His general health is said to have been uncertain for the greater part of the last two years. Th funeral arrangements have not yet been fully made, but it is expected the obsequies will be held Sunday, by which time rela

tives will have arrived. Mr. Brown was born in Michigan in 1847 and moved to Nebraska in the early '70s, settling at Crete, where for a number of years he was engaged in the livery business and managed a star stage route out of Crete. He then was identified with the Burlington ratiroad as traveling passenger agent, with headquarters at Omaha. Many of his former railroad associates speak of him as having been a hustler, a business getter and an excellent judge of human

He left the railroad business in 1885 to en-

It is thoroughly matured,

soft and rich.

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NAT BROWN DIES AT HOTEL gage in the hotel business, going to Lincoln, where he became manager of the Capital hotel. From Lincoln he returned to Omaha, to become proprietor of the Mernants and Drexel hotels. He then went to Grand Island, to take charge of a hotel, oming back again to Omaha six years ago to assume the managership of the Murray where he died. Mr. Brown was particularly popular with

the traveling public. He was generally known as a worker, of a whole-souled disposition and generous to a fault. He enjoyed a wide circle of acquaintances and friends. Of his immediate family he is survived only by his wife, formerly Colum bia Foster. His aged father and mother reside at Mitchellville, Ia., and there is some question as to their ability to attend the funeral, it is said, on account of their infirmity. Three brothers, Moses M. Alonza and Clarence, reside at Mitchellville; another, Leonard, is a resident of California; the fifth, A. R., lives at Cherokee, Ia. The three sisters are: Mrs Hattie Thorp of Denver, Mrs. Mary Milligan of South Dakota and Mrs. Louisa Huff of Des Moines.

GOOD STORY BUT WRONG PARTY

Peter Madsen of 1110 South Tenth Street Enters Disclaimer to Police Court Episode.

Peter Madsen and wife of 1110 South Eighth street enter a disclaimer to being the parties to a pathetic police court epiode in which the wife sacrificed the sayings of months to secure the release of he husband from jail. The sentiment is all right and the episode is all right, having occurred as reported; but it was not, they state. Peter Madsen and wife of 1110 South Eighth street who were the parties to it.

NEW YORK-Hotel Navarre, 7th Ave. and Sth St., is headquarters for Omaha people It is high class, central and reasonable

Holiday Week Brings Customary Quiet Conditions in Business World.

STORMS INTERRUPT TRANSPORTATION

Buoyant Sentiments Prevail in the Iron and Steel Industry-Increase in Gross Earnings of Railways.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30 .- R. G. Dun & Co. 's Weekly Review of Trade tomorrow will

say:

Holiday week brought the customary quiet conditions in the business world, inventories and preparations for annual settlements more polizing attention, except in some branches of manufacture where immediate deliveries were required. Severe storms also interrupted communication and ransportation, particularly at the west, but on the whole the elements were hopeful, for drouth was broken in the Pittsburg region. By this resumption of a boating stage on the rivers shipments of coal were made possible and the coke output restored to normal volume. Annual reviews indicate that the year has made a much better anowing than seemed possible at the outset, the second half comparing very favorably with the first six months and the amount of business on the books of leading industries promises still further improvement in 1965.

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Traffic returns of December indicate that gross earnings of the railways were 7.2 percent larger than in the previous year and foreign commerce for the last week at this port shows an increase of \$1.543,163 in exports and a very large gain of \$2.819,245 in imports as compared with 1903.

Buoyant sentiments prevail in the iron and steel industry. Quotations are not only fully maintained, but in many instances further advances marked the last days of the old year. The industry on the whole is in a remarkably strong position as compared with the close of last year.

Supplies of native hides are accumulating owing to the liberal movement of cattle, and the tone is easy, but small stocks of branched hides maintain that department. The leather market is strong in tone because it is believed that footwear manufacturers have small stocks on hand and will purchase freely in the near future. Although salesmen for New England shoe factories have secured few spring orders in the western territory owing to the high prices demanded the limited supplies in the near future. Textile manufacturing is progressing satisfactorily despite the peculiar conditions of the raw material markets.

Shows a Marked Improvement. NEW YORK, Dec. 30.-Bradstreet's to rrow will say:

Distributive trade generally is marking time, while past results and future prospects are subjects of consideration. A period of marked, even unexpected, activity in holiday goods of higher than usua quality has brought to a close a year which, because of marked improvement in the last quarter, has ended better than it began and certainly in far better shape than seemed possible at the turn of the year.

wholesale trade is naturally of the lightst at this season of stock taking and
nventory and storm area and with the
furry in raw cotton have been additional
hilling influences. Rather less than the
seual annual clearing sales have occurred
secause of the notable absence of stocks or
goods pressing for sale. Collections show
some effect from the recent heavy circuiadion of money in retail lines in enlarged
receipts. receipts.

Industry is of notably larger volume for this season of the year, especially in iron and steel and kindred lines of manufacturing. The cotton goods manufacturing trade has, however, been again unsettled by the slump in cotton to below cost of

DUN'S REVIEW OF TRADE production, and southern trade has been depressed in tone thereby. Other developments have been largely favorable. The drouth in the west has been pretty thoroughly broken by rains, the Ohio valley particularly being benefited through the

oughly broken by rains, the Ohio valley particularly being benefited through the enlarged movement of coal and coke and the freer movement of rail transportation. The improvement in the winter wheat situation further west has been a feature. Railway earnings are favorable in that increased earnings are quite general and the only drawback is the country-wide reports of car shortage.

Detailed telegrams to Bradstreet's show an exceptionally large holiday trade northwest. At the west an important feature has been the breaking up of the winter wheat drouth. Storms have delayed traffic and increased congestion. At the east distributive trade is quiet, while manufacturing, except at Fall River, is active. The iron and steel trade shows much more than seasonable activity in current demand and production and almost unprecedented confidence as regards the outlook for business and prices next year. Finished products are strong, tending upward, in fact. Prices of other metals have hardened this week, copper, on good demand, advancing to the highest point yet reached.

The also advanced. Southern trade feels 'in also advanced. Southern trade feels the slump in cotton keenly, but there is a disposition to believe that the south will not sacrifice its product at below production

Wool is low and stocks in dealers' hands are the lightest in years. This makes for strength in the finished product, business in which, however, is light. re the lightest in years, it is the first product, business in which, however, is light.

Business failures in the United States or the week ended December 29 number 18, against 239 last week, 209 in the like seek in 1968, 292 in 1962, 288 in 1961 and 229 in 1960. In Canada failures for the week numbered 20, against 37 last week and 15 his week a year ago.

Wheat, including flour, exports for the week ended December 29 aggregate 981,140 bu., against 1,980,798 last week 2,195,396 this week last year, 3,335,306 in 1962 and 4,818,471 in 1961.

Prom July 1 to date the exports aggregate Part of the States of the Sta in 1901.

From July 1 to date the exports aggregate 24.748.327 bu. against 86.150.786 last year, 129.058,725 in 1902 and 145.221,135 in 1901.

Corn exports for the week aggregate 15.82 342 bu. gainst 1.862.838 last week, 22.985 a year ago, 2.527.542 in 1902 and 270.336 in 1901.

From July 1 to date the exports of corn regeregate 15.500.331 bu. against 28.623,326 in 1902.

SAN FRANC. Oakland:

CONREID AND ROLLER SKATES

pera Company Will Come to Auditorium-Skating Sesson Opens Tonight.

The Auditorium directors yesterday au horized President Nash to close a contract with the Conreld Opera company for in engagement in Omaha, the dates to be fixed in the contract. On the basis of this action provision was made for the purchase of a suitable cartain and the buildng of dressing rooms at the Auditorium. The roller skating begins at the Audi-

tesigns Position He Has Held in Omaha for Period of Four-

John B. Ruth, who has been local manager for the Standard Oil company for ourteen years, has resigned, his resignaion to be effective January 1 Mr. Ruth has been identified with the Standard Oil ompany for twenty years altogether. He xpects to remain in Omaha and nossibly ill engage in business for himself.

Mortality Statistics.

Mortality Matistles.

These births and deaths were reported up o noon December 30 at the city hall:
Births-William Smiley, 225 Ohlo street, girl; John H. Lidington, 1712 Van Camp street, boy: Berton Christic, 1624 Parker street, girl; David Mirons, 948 North Twenty-seventh street, girl; J. Newbelin, 1967 South Twenty-seventh street, girl; Frank Terhard, 2174, Bouth Thirteenth street, girl; Frank

ieuthe-Harland P. Gibson, 1 year, Ban-oft a. et. Gus Conkson, 28 years, 512 arey street: Josephine Lusbek, 72 years, 3 Bouth Thirteenth atreet.

EVENTS ON THE RUNNING TRACKS

Glenn is the Only Winning NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 20.—Jockey Munro, who has been unable to furnish the stewards a satisfactory explanation of his ride on Joe Lesser in the sixth race on Wednesday last, has been barred from riding here for the remainder of the meeting. Mary Glenn was the only winning favorite today. Weather clear; track fast. Results: First race, five and one-half furlongs: Escutcheon won. Florentine second, Jade third. Time: 1:07.

Second race, six and one-half furlongs: Mary Glenn won, Miladi Love second, Fitzbriar second, Cedar third. Time: 1:09%. Third race, six furlongs: Optional won, Foxmead second. Dick Bernard third. Time: 1:35%. Favorite at New Orleans.

Foxmead second, Dick Bernard third, Time: 1:13%.
Fourth race, mile and three-sixteenths: Cataline won, Bengal second, Midshlpman third, Time: 2:01%.
Fifth race, mile and three-sixteenths: Hand Spinner won, Beaucaire second, Frank Rice third, Time: 2:02%.
Sixth race, five and one-half furiongs: Dallas won, Belle of Portland second, Tootsy Mack third. Time: 1:01%.
LOS ANGELES, Dec. 30.—Results at Ascot park:

race, mile and seventy yards: won, Helgerson second, Lustig Merwan won, Heigerson, third Time: 1:46 Bixth race, six furlongs: Happy Chappy Bixth race, six furlongs: Happy Chappy on, Tam O'Shanter second, Benlear third, won, Tam O'Shanter second, Benlear third. Time: 1:145, SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 30.—Results at Oskiand: First race, five furlongs: Glendene won, Saccharate second, True Wing third. Time: FRANCISCO, Dec. 30,--Results at

Second race, six and one-half furlongs: Heinault won, Wartimes second, Hipponax third. Time: 1:2214. hird. Time: 1:224. Third race, futurity course: David Bolan

won, Edrodun second, Gallant Cassie third. grour and Delmar race tracks. Time: 1:13. Union Jockey club holds an eig Patrick second, Serenty 1:444. Sixth race, mile and a sixteenth: Magda-lene won, Padua second, G. W. Trahern third. Time: 1:49.

WITH THE BOWLERS.

On the Omaha Bowling association alleys last evening the Drexel league team won two games of the three played with the Storz Blue Ribbon team. The feature of the contest was the fine bowling of Zimmerman and Schneider. The score:

DPEXELS.

950 936 963 STORZ BLUE RIBBONS. 908 888 1,078 2,874 523

Race Track Changes Hands. Race Track Changes Hands.

ST. LOUIS. Dec. 10.—Receiver John M.

Wood today sold the lease and improvements of the Union Jockey club to Jordan
Lambert of St. Louis, the highest bidder,
for \$63,000. Patrick Carmody, a former
stockholder in the club, made a bid of
\$62,905. Mr. Lambert, who is a cotton
broker, says the purchase was an investment, but it is rumored that it was made
in behalf of the syndicate owning the fair

341 368

3d. Total. 178 446 198 62

376

Fourth race, mile and fifty yards: lease on the property, one year of which triers won, Wenrick second, Barrack third.

copy, by Mail 15c

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., Dec. 30.—(Special.)—A skat contest, in progress among the devotees of the game of the Lieder-kranz society for the last three months, play being made each Thursday evening, came to an end last evening, the Japanese winning by a lead of 3,617 points. The standing of the teams is as follows:

RUSSIANS

1.426 O. A. Killan

1.065 F. Rath

2.965 C. R. Heusinger

2.551 G. Heidkamp

2.191 A. Meyer

2.191 L. Vett

2.120 C. Hofmann

1.784 F. Mahel

1.782 P. Weinhold

1.515 H. Postel

1.775 J. Schaupp JAPANESE. RUSSIANS. Vieregg ... Heyde ... F. Buechier Vieregg ... Lorentzen ... B. Peters ... Goehring ... Slevers .25.834 Tetal.

Intercollegiate Foot Ball League. CRETE, Neb., Dec. 30.—(Special.)—The Nebraska Intercollegiate Foot Ball league, composed of Bellevue, Cotnery Grand Island and Hastings colleges, meets in Lincoln December 31 to arrange schedules for 1995 and to award the state championship for 1994. Doane is the only claimant for the championship, as every other college in the league has been decisively defeated by it.

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Doane is making preparations for meeting a number of additional teams next season. It expects to play Tarkio and a Thanksgiving game with Creighton is talked of. Washburn and South Dakota are other possibilities.

Everything points to a most successful season next year at Doane. The same coach and eight 'varsity men make a good starter and many promising men from the high schools are expected.

Central City Defeats Old Rivals. CENTRAL CITY, Neb., Dec. 30.—(Special.)—The Central City High school basket ball five defeated their old rivals of the Geneva High school here last night by the score of 25 to 29.

Colonel Leutwein at Hamburg. HAMBURG, Dec. 30.-Colonel Leutwein. ormer governor of German Southwest Africa, who resigned that post some time go, arrived here this morning.

All that is best in whiskey near future. Textile manufacturing is pro-gressing satisfactorily despite the peculiar conditions of the raw material markets. Buyers of cotton goods are reluctant to place orders on account of the sharp de-cline in cotton, but the limited stocks and difficulty of securing prompt delivery hold prices steady. There is a good inquiry for export. you will find in Manager Gillan has secured J. S. Pitt of export. Woolen goods are advancing because of the upward tendency of wool and purchasers are more willing to place contracts at prevailing rates. Failures this week number 252 in the hicago as floor manager for the skating Old and these local men as assistant instruc-Clinton Higby, J. C. Carpenter, W. C. Failures this week number 200 in the United States, against 320 iast year, and 1) in Canada, compared with 17 a year ago. Davis, H. E. Wood, F. H. Schafer. Mr. Pitt has arrived and he and the others had an interesting time last night practicing. Underoof BRADSTREET'S REVIEW OF TRADE RUTH LEAVES STANDARD OIL Business for Last Quarter of Year Rye

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10 cents. Try the first one-you'll smoke the hundredth ALLEN BROS. CO. OMAHA-DISTRIBUTORS

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