

ESTABLISHED JUNE 19, 1871.

OMAHA, SUNDAY MORNING, JANUARY 22, 1905.

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# BENNETT'S

"Nearly Everybody Trades at Bennett's"

After the stocktaking, like after the battle, the counters are strewn with dead—merchandise that has been knifed by the head of the house and ordered sold at what it will bring.

Our dry goods and ready-to-wear sections make the greatest showing of this kind. Odds and ends in LINENS, DRESS GOODS, SILKS, DOMESTICS, NECKWEAR, HOSE, UNDERWEAR and all kinds of merchandise can be picked up at a trifling cost. The early shopper will get the greatest benefit.

## ATTENTION, LADIES!

We have just received our first shipment of new 1905 suits and jackets—they will be on exhibition Monday morning—come and see them.

**NEW JACKET SUIT**—Cheviot serge, satin lined and piped, navy, black and brown, at..... **12.50**

**NEW JACKET SUIT**—Fitted back, straight front, pleats and back belt, satin lined, colors navy, black and brown..... **14.50**

**COVERT SUIT**—Same style and finish..... **16.50**

**BLOUSE SUIT**—Postillion back, fine broadcloth, finest satin lining, colors black, brown, navy and olive..... **19.50**

**BLOUSE SUIT WITH PEPLIN**—Shirred back and front, fine broadcloth, satin lining, colors navy, black and brown..... **19.50**

**NEW COSTUMES**—About one dozen of the very latest in silk and cloth, prices from \$65.00 to..... **32.50**

**NEW COVERT JACKETS**—The noblest ever shown..... **14.50**

**NEW PANAMA SKIRTS**—Colors navy, brown and black..... **5.95**

DOUBLE GREEN TRADING STAMPS ON ALL

## Black and Colored Dress Goods

MONDAY—TUESDAY—WEDNESDAY  
After Inventory Sacrifice Prices.

30-inch half wool poplins, worth 50c yard, at..... **25c**  
Double Green Trading Stamps.

60 pieces plain and fancy mohairs, granites, canvas cloths, serges, jacquards, worth 75c, 85c and \$1.00, all at..... **49c**  
Double Green Trading Stamps.

25 pieces novelty dress goods, all this season's latest styles, regular \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50 values, all at, yard..... **75c**  
Double Green Trading Stamps.

All the French and English novelty dress goods, beautiful and stylish high art fabrics, sold at \$1.50, \$1.75 and \$2.00, now, yard..... **98c**  
Double Green Trading Stamps.

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## Silks, Velvets, Crepe de Chines

MONDAY—TUESDAY—WEDNESDAY  
After Inventory Sacrifice Prices.

19-inch plaid wash silks, worth 50c, at, yard..... **25c**  
Double Green Trading Stamps.

19 and 20 inch fancy shirt waist suit silks, comprising all the broken lines, regular price \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50, all, yard..... **59c**  
Double Green Trading Stamps.

36-inch black taffeta, worth \$1.00, at, yard..... **75c**  
Double Green Trading Stamps.

36-inch guaranteed black taffeta, regular \$1.75 quality, now only, yard..... **1.25**  
Double Green Trading Stamps.

All silk crepe de chine, black, cream, brown, navy, lilac, gray and sky blue, regular \$1.00 quality, now only, yard..... **65c**  
Double Green Trading Stamps.

## AFTER INVENTORY SALES

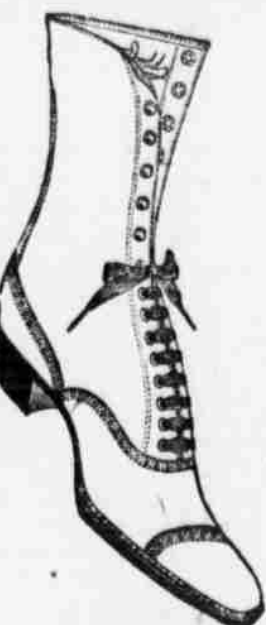
The genuine sweeping-out sales of the month begin Monday a. m. They will reach a climax before the week's end, and one of the sensations of the week will be the work of Wednesday, THE FIRST GREEN TRADING STAMP RED-LETTER DAY OF OMAHA'S Red-Letter year. Want you to watch Bennett's advertising very closely, want you to have all the advantages that a study of the advertising offers, want to have you more enthused over saving Green Trading Stamps than ever. HOW'S YOUR STAMP BOOK COMING?

## Pyrography! Pyrography!

**FIFTY \$5.00 GREEN TRADING STAMPS with each**

New Lot of Pyrography Outfits, Latest Appurtenances and Improvements, **Monday, each, \$1.79**

Art Section, Second Floor.



**BOOTS \$3.00-3.50**

**OXFORDS \$2.50-3.00**

## GREAT HARDWARE...DOINGS MONDAY...

**WHITE ENAMEL DRINKING CUPS**, a very useful and an extra good quality, comes in two sizes, No. 5 large size..... **16c**

Ten (\$1.00) Green Trading Stamps.

No. 4 size, smaller..... **14c**

Ten (\$1.00) Green Trading Stamps.

1-quart Corn Poppers, for Monday's sale..... **10c**

Ten (\$1.00) Green Trading Stamps.

Lady-Finger Cake Pans, made of the best tin, Monday..... **24c**

Twenty (\$2.00) Green Trading Stamps.

Square Bread Pans..... **9c**

Five (50c) Green Trading Stamps.

8-Hole Gem Pans..... **14c**

Ten (\$1.00) Green Trading Stamps.

12-Hole Gem Pans..... **19c**

Ten (\$1.00) Green Trading Stamps.

## Tabard Inn Books

Latest Copyright Fiction

"THE MASQUERADER," by Katherine C. Thurston..... **6.75**

"BEVERLY OF GRAUSTARK," by George Barr McCutcheon..... **9.95**

"THE SEA WOLF," by Jack London..... **12.50**

"MY LADY OF THE NORTH," by Randall Parrish..... **18.75**

"THE PRODIGAL SON," by Hall Caine..... **20.95**

"THE PROSPECTOR," by Ralph Connor..... **31.50**

These are six of the 5000 late books in the Tabard Inn Library.

A life-time membership costs you..... **1.18**

This membership gives you the privilege of exchanging your book whenever you wish for any book in the library, for the fee of 5c. The expense attached to Tabard Inn Library is hardly worth mentioning.

WHY NOT BUY A MEMBERSHIP MONDAY?

## Parlor and Library Tables

ONE-FOURTH TO ONE-THIRD CLIPPED OFF REGULAR PRICE

### Library Tables

Every one made of selected stock, hand polished and dependable construction. \$25.00 value, with large drawer and under shelf, turned posts..... **6.75**

\$35.00 value, with drawer and under shelf, French design, with..... **9.95**

\$45.00 value, large size, with French leg and finely wrought claw foot..... **12.50**

\$25.00 value, double pedestal style, massive proportions, a high grade..... **18.75**

\$25.00 value, architectural design, with turned top, at..... **20.95**

\$45.00 value, genuine mahogany, massive proportions, hand-carved base and corner blocks, at..... **31.50**

### Parlor Tables

Better see these space too limited to tell you much about them. Nearly 200 different styles and each marked at a generous value, beautiful ends bound, each..... **1.49**

\$45.00 quartered oak or mahogany finish, with under shelf and spiral..... **2.95**

\$70.00 value, selected quartered oak, French leg and under shelf, hand..... **4.95**

\$100.00 value, selected quartered oak, with under shelf, French design, with..... **6.75**

\$125.00 value, beautiful, hand-carved, with under shelf, fine polish..... **8.75**

\$150.00 value, beautiful, hand-carved, mahogany oval top, hand polished, at..... **9.50**

### Arts and Crafts

A goodly number of tables suitable for library, den and living rooms, all in weathered oak..... **3.25**

\$30.00 value, round top, with under shelf, mission style..... **3.95**

\$30.00 value, square top, with under shelf, in excellent construction..... **6.50**

\$30.00 value, round top..... **9.95**

\$30.00 value, 28x38 top, with drawer and under shelf..... **12.50**

\$30.00 value, 28x38 top, with drawer and under shelf..... **15.00**

### Colonial Tables

Pure examples of the colonial period in genuine mahogany, at less than manufacturer's price to close them out..... **5.95**

\$30.00 value, pedestal style..... **11.50**

\$30.00 value, round top..... **13.50**

\$30.00 drop leaf table..... **15.00**

\$30.00 drop leaf work table, with two drawers, at..... **15.00**

\$30.00 value, large size, with massive round pedestal, at..... **15.00**

### Third Floor

## Special Sale of Room Size Rugs

All short lines and odd rugs Monday in three lots:

LOT 1—9x12 Brussels rug, 9x12 Brussels, 9x12 Kashmir rug and 9x12..... **11.48**

LOT 2—9x12 ft., one size only, Brussels rug worth..... **15.00**

LOT 3—9x12 ft., one size only, Brussels rug worth..... **22.48**

1 yard lengths, ¼ border, ends bound, each..... **35c**

Fifty (\$5.00) Green Trading Stamps..... **45c**

1½-yard lengths, ¼ border, Velvets, Axminster, ends bound, each..... **65c**

Fifty (\$5.00) Green Trading Stamps..... **Third Floor**

## Drapery Section

Three specials you will appreciate.

SPECIAL 1—Remnants of curtain swags, 25 inches wide, from 1 to 12 yards in lengths..... **5c**

SPECIAL 2—Decorated and figured swags and mullin curtains, with plain and hemstitched ruffles, 50 inches wide, 1 yard long, worth..... **98c**

SPECIAL 3—Nottingham lace curtains, full size, about 2½ patterns to select from, worth \$2.50, for Monday..... **1.59**

THIRD FLOOR.

## CANDIES

Ten (\$1.00) Green Trading Stamps with pound Competition Mix..... **10c**

Ten (\$1.00) Green Trading Stamps with glass jar Assorted Candies..... **10c**

## CIGAR SECTION

Royal Banner, a good cigar, fifty..... **1.25**

Thirty (\$3) Green Trading Stamps..... **25c**

Fried Cake Twist, union made, 6 for..... **25c**

Five (50c) Green Trading Stamps..... **18c**

Havana Cigar Clippings, ¼ pound..... **18c**

Five (50c) Green Trading Stamps..... **18c**

## Bennett's Great Grocery

Largest Stocks. Greatest Varieties. Fresh table products at lowest prices.

And biggest business. Twenty (\$2.00) Green Trading Stamps with pound Golden Santos coffee..... **25c**

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Ten (\$1.00) Green Trading Stamps with Aluminum Coffee Maker..... **25c**

Ten (\$1.00) Green Trading Stamps with can Diamond 8 fruits..... **25c**

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# HALF PRICE SALE—Men's and Boys' Overcoats and Ulsters Only—CONTINUED MONDAY, TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY.....

## ATTORNEYS DEFY THE BOARD

Representatives of Heavy Taxpayers Refuse to Offer Evidence.

ASSERT THAT FIGURES ARE CORRECT

Condon for Kountze and Mahoney for Paxton & Gallagher Insist that Complainants Must Prove Their Case.

The personal assessment of the Omaha & Council Bluffs Street Railway company was increased from \$4,000,000 to \$5,000,000 by the Board of Equalization. This was done after a complaint declaring the assessment too low had been filed by D. C. Patterson, representing the Real Estate exchange, and the corporation by its president, Guy C. Barton, had consented to the advance.

By a vote of 4 to 2 the board decided to let the assessment of \$5,000,000 against the Auditorium stand, despite the fact that President Nash and Attorney T. J. Mahoney appeared the second time and made earnest requests to have the figures cut to \$4,000,000 on the theory that the building is a public enterprise, in debt and unfinished and deserving all the leniency in taxation possible. Hove, Evans, Zimmerman and Schroeder stood out for the \$5,000,000 assessment and won out after motions fixing the amount at \$5,000,000 and \$75,000 had been lost.

**Willis Complainants Heard.**

Two of the Willis land cases were heard—those demanding advances to the personal assessment of Herman Kountze from \$35,000 to \$60,000, and on the Paxton & Gallagher Wholesale Grocery company from \$35,000 to \$70,000. In the case of Mr. Kountze no raise was obtained, but an advance of \$12,000 was made on the Paxton & Gallagher assessment.

Attorney I. E. Congdon, who appeared for Mr. Kountze, absolutely refused to produce his client or his books or papers in response to the citation and was pointed in his remarks to Attorneys Pratt and Brown, who appear for the land company.

"Your tactics," said Mr. Congdon, "con-

sist of declaring prominent taxpayers liars and getting them in here to be placed on the stand and to be asked questions which I do not approve of and which I do not believe is backed by the law. The burden of proof rests with the complainants, and if they can show property in addition to that scheduled, that is their business. I do not propose for one minute to have the Kountze, who is now sitting at his desk in his bank, dragged in here and submitted to the taunts and insults that were heaped at Mr. Levy Friday afternoon. Incidentally I want to say that the Kountze family and the institutions which they control paid more than \$49,000 in taxes to Omaha and Douglas county last year. You have taxed everything they have and now want more."

**Declines to Produce Books.**

T. J. Mahoney appeared for the Paxton & Gallagher company, declaring that the citation did not compel officers or stockholders of the firm to appear or the bringing of books and that the burden of the proof of extra property rested with the complainants. The hearing in this case was prolonged. Attorney Pratt's evidence being kept out because it was adjudged hearsay and incompetent. After legal points were discussed at length by Attorneys Breen and Pratt and Countessman Zimmerman's motion to make the assessment \$75,000 instead of \$25,000, carried.

Attorney William Baird appeared to resist the proposed increase in the Omaha Bridge and Terminal company's assessment. He declared also that the tax commissioner had assessed \$45,000 worth of right-of-way included in the return to the state board, and aside from this \$45,000 worth of real estate lying outside the right-of-way. He asked for an assessment of about \$46,000 on the railroad proper. Action was deferred until this afternoon.

The total assessment on the new realty of J. L. Brandeis & Sons on Douglas street from Sixteenth to Seventeenth was reduced \$36,500 upon the recommendation of the tax commissioner after a complaint had been filed by the owners setting forth the price paid and other information.

The Episcopal residence of Bishop Wil-

liams of the Episcopal church was exempted from an assessment of \$12,500.

**Creighton's Assessment Unchanged.**

In the afternoon Attorney W. D. McHugh appeared for Count John A. Creighton in response to the demand of the Willis Land company for an increase from \$200,000 to \$250,000 in his personal assessment. Attorney Pratt introduced evidence to show that the net proceeds of the Speculator Copper mines at Butte, Mont., of which Count Creighton is president, were \$23,000 in 1904. The complaint was overruled and Count Creighton's assessment was allowed to stand at the Board of Review's figures, which are the same as those returned in the unknown schedule.

The assessment of the Omaha Bridge and Terminal company was fixed at \$100,000, or practically the same as last year; this in addition to \$38,000 assessments on realty. The proposed multiplication of the state board's figures by five was not made in this case or that of the Belt Line.

The Putnam company secured a decrease from \$25,000 to \$20,000 on the building occupied by Sherman & McConnell, at Sixteenth and Dodge streets.

After a hearing demanded by the Willis Land company the assessment of the Paxton Paper company was advanced from \$150,000 to \$175,000. The complainant wanted \$60,000. They offered to prove that Frank Carpenter admitted last year that the last inventory showed stock worth \$24,000, and \$50,000 worth of stock owned in the Kansas City Paper company, a foreign corporation, but were not allowed to do so, as such evidence was considered incompetent. B. G. Burbank represented the firm.

**Sonnenberg Says "Search."**

J. Sonnenberg, one of the leading pawnbrokers of the city, by shaking his keys in the air and giving the board permission to go through his establishment convinced the members that his declaration of an \$8,000 stock was truthful and a proposed increase to \$15,000 was not made therefore. Hearings for the grain men on largely increased assessments were postponed until Monday at 2 o'clock, the amount of business before the board precluding adjournment at the close of the five days' legal session. New protests, however, were shut off at 5 o'clock last night.

William Hayden, treasurer of the Hayden

Bros. company, appeared in response to the Willis Land company's complaint alleging that the personal assessment should be \$750,000 instead of \$250,000, as fixed by the Board of Review. In retaliation the Haydens filed a protest not only to the personal assessment, but to their real estate assessment as well, asking a reduction on the former from \$25,000 to \$15,000, and on the realty from \$25,000 to \$10,000, a total reduction of \$35,000. The board, except Zimmerman and Hove, seemed disposed to do this at first and did adopt a resolution according to the protest, but this was jerked back by Hove, who resorted to the rules and showed that the matter had not been referred to the tax commissioner. Hove and Zimmerman won a reconsideration after a vigorous fight. Mr. Hayden, who had proven exceedingly uncommunicative as a witness in the Willis case, was placed on the stand to give evidence in support of his protest. He said he thought \$15,000 a fair value of the stock, but doubted if it would bring that much at a forced sale, but he admitted that forced sales seldom brought as much as one-third of the inventory worth of similar stock. He admitted the firm had made a return of \$25,000 in 1900, but said he bought the stock less now than then. The personal assessment finally was fixed at \$200,000, a reduction of \$50,000.

**Brandeis Hearing Monday.**

At the request of John L. Kennedy the action taken in reducing the realty assessment of J. L. Brandeis & Sons \$35,500, was reconsidered, as the firm is not satisfied with the reduction and is prepared to try to show it should be more. The hearing was set for Monday.

W. L. Kierstead announced that C. E. Yost, president of the Nebraska Telephone company refused to appear to show cause why he should not make a sworn personal property return or submit to an increase from \$5,000 to \$15,000. Still he wanted the old figures kept on the books. On motion of Councilman Evans the Yost assessment was fixed at \$10,000. Hove and Zimmerman contended for the maximum assessment and Hove refused to accept any compromise.

A large number of small real estate protests were cleaned up, the tax commissioner's advice being followed in all cases.

**Don't Want Any Produce Results.**

## VICTIM OF MALPRACTICE

Augusta Peatr Dies from Effects of Some Doctor's Crime.

INQUEST DEVELOPS ALL BUT THE NAME

Dead Girl Told No One Who Had Been Treating Her and Authorities Are in Dark as to His Identity.

Miss Augusta Peatr, 23 years of age, died at St. Joseph's hospital from apparent malpractice of some physician, whose name the girl did not give before she died.

The inquest held by Coroner Bradley brought out the details of the young woman's death and the circumstances leading up to it. The jury found that her death was caused by an operation performed by some unknown person, referred to in the evidence as "the doctor on Cumming street," to whom the girl told a friend she had made visits. Drs. Louis Swoboda, J. S. Goetz and Mattie L. Arthur were placed on the stand and told of their visits to the woman in her hospital quarters, a dingy back room on the top floor of 666 South Fourteenth street.

Wirt Hoke, an employee at the Baumley & Johnson stables, was brought to the inquest in the custody of Chief of Detectives Dunn. The young man was placed under arrest several days ago when the inquest was held. Hoke was discharged. The occasion of his arrest was from the fact that for the last few weeks the woman occupied his room; being out of money and without friends, she applied to him. Hoke testified that he first made the woman's acquaintance at Mullen's music hall, between two and three months ago. Since that time she worked at the Millard hotel.

**Brother Present at Inquest.**

A sad feature of the inquest was the presence of William Peatr, the only brother of the dead woman. The brother came from his home at Norfolk and will take the remains there this afternoon for burial. Mr. Peatr sat throughout the proceedings

with bowed head. He said he had not been able to sleep for three nights, since the death of his sister's condition was wired from Omaha.

After the inquest, most of which was a revelation to the brother, he said his sister came to Omaha two years ago from Norfolk. Her father and mother are dead, but a married sister lives at Orchard and another sister is dead. The brother said the girl did not write home of her condition and movements as he now has reason to think they were. Miss Peatr sent money home on a number of occasions to help the invalid sister, now dead. There was nothing in the relatives to indicate the girl needed the advice or aid of a sister or brother, so William Peatr stated.

## FUNERAL OF JOHN McDONALD

Veteran Laid to Rest at Forest Lawn with Rites of Grand Army of Republic.

John McDonald, father of County Commissioner H. S. McDonald, former Sheriff John McDonald and William McDonald, was buried yesterday at Forest Lawn cemetery. Rev. Robert M. Stevenson, vice president of Bellevue college and former pastor of the Second Presbyterian church, conducted the service at the home of William McDonald, 229 Burdette street, where Mr. McDonald died Thursday morning. The rites were concluded at the grave by the members of Custer post, Grand Army of the Republic, of which the deceased was a member. Garfield circle, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows were represented at the funeral. Mr. McDonald was a member of Lanesborough lodge of Maryland, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. The pallbearers were all comrades of Custer post.

## CULMINATION OF A ROMANCE

Mrs. Mary Goodrich and Parke Godwin Quietly Wedded Friday Evening.

The marriage of Mrs. Mary Goodrich and Parke Godwin was solemnized at 8:30 o'clock Friday night at the residence of

Mrs. George Guy of 1913 St. Mary's avenue. Rev. Newton Mann officiating. Mrs. Goodrich is the widow of the late Charles Goodrich and mother of P. P. Goodrich of this city. The Goodriches were among the early residents of Omaha and Mrs. Goodrich still owns considerable valuable property in the city. The wedding was very quiet, no one being present but Mrs. George Karil of South Omaha, a sister of the bride, and Mrs. Guy, with whom she has made her home for the last eighteen months. The marriage is the culmination of a romance that dates back to the time when Mr. Godwin, a bachelor attorney, boarded with Mr. and Mrs. Goodrich, who then resided at Sixteenth and Farnam streets.

## COPSEY BILL NOT POPULAR

Omaha Board of Education Will Make Fight on Measure Before the Legislature.