MICKEY PLAYS TO GALLERIES

Charges He Had Seen Letter Saying Omaha Merchants "Fixed" Assessor.

UNABLE TO MAKE GOOD ON ASSERTION

Letter, When Finally Produced, Contains No Such Charge—Merchants Asked to Appear Before the Board on Tuesday.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, July 31.—(Special.)—A spectacular performance was given today at the session of the State Board of Equalization when Governor Mickey was forced to back down from a public assertion that he had seen a letter written to a Lincoln man by an Omaha merchant saying that the county assessor in Omaha had been "fixed" by the Omaha jobbers.

The other members of the cast were Attorney H. H. Baldrige of Omaha, who represented County Assessor Reed and the Douglas county board, and J. E. Miller, head of a well known retail establishment in this city, with other members of the state board and a bunch of newspaper reporters as spectators.

Governor Mickey has said positively and distinctly eleven times in succession to the State Board of Equalization: "I stand for the square deal. I'm honest and want to do my duty, yes sir," and he had repeatedly made the assertion that he had seen a letter received by a Lincoln merchant from an Omaha business man stating in effect that Assessor Reed had been "fixed," and the Lincoln merchants should "fix" their assessor instead of trying to boost the Omaha assessment.

Forced to Say Who Had the Letter.

Forced to say who had the letter, Governor Mickey said the letter was written by J. E. Baum to J. E. Miller, who had shown it to him.

Other members of the board who have served with the governor for a considerable length of time suggested sending for Mr. Miller to bring up the letter, not doubting, of course, that the governor was telling the truth.

Miller Makes Denial.

Just before Mr. Miller reached the governor's office H. H. Baldrige appeared and Governor Mickey repeated his charge. Mr. Baldrige took a turn with Miller when the latter came before the board.

"Did you receive a letter from Omaha that Assessor Reed had been fixed?" asked Baldrige.

"No, sir, I did not," answered the governor's bondsman.

"Did you show Governor Mickey a letter from Omaha saying Assessor Reed had been fixed?"

"No, sir," answered Mr. Miller, "I got a letter from Omaha saying the merchants of Lincoln should not protest the assessment of the Omaha merchants, but it did not intimate that the Omaha merchants had 'fixed' their assessor. It said if I remember correctly that the Lincoln merchants should look after their own assessment, but I will not say the letter in the least reflected on Mr. Reed. I wanted to show the letter to the governor, but I could not find it when the governor called upon me. I think I showed the governor my answer. The letter also said the railroads are not assessed high enough."

"Now, then, Governor Mickey," exclaimed Mr. Baldridge with some heat, "you have made a statement here in front of these newspaper men that Mr. Reed, our county assessor, has been "fixed" by the merchants of Omaha to keep down their assessment. Mr. Miller tells you and this board that the letter he received did not charge that Mr. Reed had been fixed. You have made a serious charge against an honest official, a charge that no man would want to stand against him. Now is your chance to correct your statement. Will you tell this board and these newspaper men you were mistaken?"

Governor Mickey Dodges.

"I will do my duty," replied the governor. "It is our duty to look into the assessment of every county and I intend to do my duty. I am for the square deal, yes, sir."

"Then why don't you admit you were mistaken in your charge against Assessor Reed if you are for the square deal?" chimed in Secretary of State Galusha.

But instead of doing so Governor Mickey turned to Mr. Miller and said:

"Have you any evidence that Omaha merchandise is not assessed high enough?"

"None that I can give this board," answered the Lincoln merchant. "I have the agency reports, which are confidential."

"Have you anything else?"

"Yes, sir; common report."

"Have you anything else?"

"Well, we know they are not assessed high enough. If you want to know anything more, why don't you send for the Omaha merchants. Ask them if they are assessed high enough. They can tell you," answered Miller.

"Your county assessor says Lincoln wholesale merchants are not assessed high enough," said Galusha. "What about that?"

"Well, send for them. I will defend the Lincoln merchants. Let Omaha merchants protest then," said Miller.

The board, acting upon the advice of the attorney general, concluded to invite the merchants of Omaha interested to appear Wednesday morning, having no power to compel their attendance. The county assessor, however, will be summoned to appear.

The letter written by Mr. Baum to Mr. Miller, which Governor Mickey said contained the statement that Assessor Reed had been "fixed," was finally produced, as was also the answer by Mr. Miller. Mr. Baum's letter is as follows:

Letter of J. E. Baum.

OMAHA, June 30, 1906.—J. E. Miller, President Commercial Club, Lincoln, Neb.: Dear Sir—It is currently reported in Omaha that your club again intends to make a protest against the assessment of stocks of merchandise in Omaha. If I am wrongly informed in this, then I wish to apologize in advance for writing this letter, but if I am correct I hope that my letter will receive your serious and careful consideration.

In my opinion, the great increase in taxation within the last few years on stocks of merchandise is due to the fact that the railroads, who should bear a large portion of the burden, are escaping with comparatively a small levy, and in order to put the various cities and counties in a position to raise a certain amount of revenue for their current expenses, without calling on the railroads for a heavy tax, this last revenue law was put through the legislature, so you and we have to thank the railroad companies for the unfortunate position that we find ourselves in.

One of the unfortunate features of this law is the extraordinary power given to the county assessors, which makes it possible, where an unfortunate selection is made, for an entire community to be placed on a basis that is relatively unfair and out of proportion to other counties, operating under an assessor whose ideas are otherwise. I think that it is generally admitted that Lancaster county has been extremely unfortunate in electing an assessor who has crowded the assessment beyond any reasonable limit and whose rulings are at variance with those of other assessors operating under the same law.

If this is true, your recourse is not against Douglas county or any other county of the state, but should be against the corporation influence that enacted the law and against the individual whose unusual interpretation of the law throws an unusual burden upon his constituents, and it seems to me the business men of Lincoln could better afford to direct their efforts toward a lowering of their own tax rather than toward raising the tax of other counties.

I recall a circumstance of one of your club members appearing before the state board last year and testifying that the assessments of the ——— was too low. I believe I am absolutely correct in saying that this gentleman has not for three years been in the establishment and has never at any time been beyond the office railing and in his one or two brief calls at our office did not enter the warehouse part of our building at all and could not possibly have seen through the walls and partitions to know anything whatever about the amount and condition of our stock.

Nevertheless our assessment was raised in an amount which increased our taxes several hundred dollars on this testimony and that of other equally vague and uncertain with reference to other stocks of merchandise in this city, the general result being an increase of 15 per cent for every business man in Omaha.

I am writing you this letter personally, because I feel that you do not realize the antagonism and hard feeling toward Lincoln that you are creating as a club and as an individual when you go into a transaction of this kind. I think Lincoln and Omaha could better themselves by working with each other rather than against each other and I have been in hopes that the recent visit of our Commercial club to Lincoln might be the beginning of a more friendly co-operation, and was much surprised at the newspaper articles indicating that there would be a repetition of last year's tax fight. I hope you will use your influence to avoid anything of this kind. Sincerely, J. E. BAUM.

Miller Indites Reply.

LINCOLN, Neb., July 7.—Dear Sir: Your favor of June 30, only came into my hands yesterday. Some unusual work had kept me away from my desk, hence the delay.

You address me as president of the Commercial club, and a little later speak of writing me "personally." I am, therefore, in some doubt as to whether I should give you merely a personal reply or write you officially as president of the club. As I did not wish to make the club responsible for my individual opinion or conduct, I presume it is better to make this letter a statement of my own position, leaving the club free to act as its board may decide. You are, perhaps, tolerably right in your opinion that the corporations are responsible for the present revenue law and, if it is true that they are, it is a reasonable presumption that their motive was not the best. I wish to add, however, that in my opinion the law is very much superior to any previous law on the subject in this state, and in all essentials the very best which could be enacted under our constitution. If you examined the constitution and provisions covering the raising of revenue you will agree with me that the legislature has very little real discretion. As to how the law should be executed and obeyed, I do not think that among honest men there could be two opinions. The law demands that all property shall be listed at its real value "in the ordinary course of trade." Such value every merchant is supposed to fix or ascertain at least once a year, and I have no doubt that when Omaha merchants take their annual inventory they enter upon their books the real value of their assets. Every one familiar with the situation remembers what a deplorable situation we were in under the old law, and when the new law went into effect, the merchants of Lincoln as a whole accepted in good faith and returned to the assessor the real value of their property. I believe the same is true of a large portion of the state.

It was, therefore, a good deal of a shock to those who had tried to play fair to find that as a whole the larger merchants of Omaha returned their stocks at figures so low as to make them appear ridiculous. It is useless to quibble as to how we know this. Any man familiar with the situation, who has ordinary intelligence and possesses himself with only fair means of securing the facts, can very closely state the value of any mercantile concern in the state. This point I am sure it is needless to argue.

When I appeared before the state board a year ago I urged them, in fairness to all concerned, to send for the Omaha merchants complained of and to take their direct testimony. This, it seems to me, would have been a very simple and fair way of settling the matter. For some reason, however, it was not done.

I do not agree with you that the feature of the law which puts great power in the hands of the county assessor is a bad one, neither do I think that Lancaster county should be condemned because it elected an assessor who, although far from infallible, has made an honest effort to obey the law and his official oath. How can an honest man swear that he has $100,000 worth of property when he knows that he has $200,000, and how can an honest assessor accept his statement? Let me insist upon it, my friend, real progress is not made by condemning the honest man, but by compelling the dishonest man to do his duty. All that the Omaha merchants have gained by their flagrant undervaluation has been the saving of a few thousands on state taxes, which any one of a dozen of them could have paid individually without embarrassment.

I certainly agree with you that the corporations are not paying their share, but I want to go on record as saying that I think their present assessments are fully as high as the average of all property in the state, perhaps higher; and that under our present law more can be honestly done in that direction. Of course I am not informed as to the personal views you had heretofore held on these subjects, but it is interesting to note an anti-corporation argument from an Omaha business man. There is a popular impression abroad that perfect harmony has existed between the business men of Omaha and the men who preside over our great service corporations, and to a considerable extent the policies of our state. If the present situation will put an end to this alliance the new revenue law will not have been enacted in vain, even though it fail in some other directions.

As to any antagonistic feeling between Omaha and Lincoln, if it exist at all, it must be largely considered. I feel sure that no ungenerous feeling of rivalry exists in Lincoln. Our own firm has never failed to give loyal support to Omaha's enterprises, having bought merchandise from your wholesale houses whenever it could be done to advantage.

In conclusion, let me say that if you and your associates feel that you are assessed unfairly or are in danger of being assessed unfairly, why not act on the suggestion which I mentioned above as having made to the state board last year and come down in a body to appear before them. With the friendliest personal feelings toward you and all other merchants with whom I have the pleasure of an acquaintance, I am, sincerely yours, J. E. MILLER.

Rains on Assembly.

The Epworth assembly began its meeting at Epworth Lake park this morning in a great downpour of rain, which stopped proceedings for a few hours, though none of the tent dwellers was drowned. A number of visitors went to the park after the rainstorm, but there was little doing. Tomorrow evening Booker T. Washington will deliver an address and hundreds of visitors are expected.

PROHIBITIONISTS NAME TICKET

Demand County Option Law of the Legislature.

LINCOLN, Neb., July 31.—Nebraska prohibitionists held an all day state convention at the Oliver theater today, with an attendance of nearly 200 delegates. A state ticket was nominated, with the exception of United States senator, which was passed over with the understanding that the state committee would designate the candidate. Following is the ticket:

Governor—Prof. H. T. Sutton, Bethany.
Lieutenant Governor—Rev. J. D. Forsythe, University Place.
Railroad Commissioners—J. S. McCleary, Beatrice; E. A. Girard, Monroe; Samuel Lichty, Falls City.
Secretary of State—J. M. Bell, York.
Auditor—W. E. Nicol, Minden.
Treasurer—W. H. Maddox, Falls City.
School Superintendent—Bert Wilson, Humboldt.
Attorney General—J. D. Graves, Peru.

The platform reasserts adherence to the principle of no traffic whatsoever in liquor, but insists that the people have the right to vote out the saloons by states, counties or municipalities, and to that end declares for the enactment by the next legislature of a county option law.

Declaration is made for the initiative and referendum; election of United States senators by direct vote; for a law prohibiting railroad passes and the granting of rebates; for a reduction of freight rates and government ownership of railroads, telegraphs and telephones.

Odd Fellows Picnic at Ainsworth.

AINSWORTH, Neb., July 31.—(Special telegram)—Today the Independent Order of Odd Fellows sand Rebekah lodge of four counties held their reunion and picnic here and a more representative set of people was never seen on the streets of Ainsworth. The counties represented were Holt, Rock, Keya Papha, Brown and Cherry and the business people of Ainsworth went to a big expense to prepare floats to represent their business, which it would be hard to excell. There was a special train of six coaches from O'Neill and the crowd was from 2,000 to 3,000. There was a game of basket ball played between Bassett and Long Pine Bassett won 6 to 0; purse $15. A $50 purse for a base ball game was played for by Bassett and Ainsworth. Score, Ainsworth, 7; Bassett, 3. There was to have been a balloon asceension but as it was ready to go it caught fire and burned in less than a minute. No one hurt.

Grandparents Awarded Children.

BROKEN BOW, Neb., July 31.—(Special Telegram.)—In the county court today Judge Humphreys decided that the three little Eaton children could go to their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Shepardson, who reside at Pender. Owing to the fact that Mrs. Lillie Powers, the aunt, has been heavily fined for maltreating the two little girls, the judge held that neither she nor the father were fit guardians for them. The children will be held in the custody of the sheriff until the grandparents send for or come after them, notwithstanding that Mrs. Powers has appealed to the district court. The evidence against her and the father today was damaging. Iva, the oldest girl, is still in the hospital.

Normal at Kearney.

KEARNEY, Neb., July 31.—(Special.)—With the opening of the model school the first department of the Buffalo county teachers institute was started under most auspicious circumstances at the state normal Monday morning. The institute proper will not open until next Monday, August 6, and by that time the little folks will have gotten over the novelty of being model pupils, and fully overcome whatever feeling of stage fright may attend their introduction to the institute. There are fifteen or twenty in attendance, and this figure will be maintained throughout the institute. The little folks are brought into school in a wagonette in the morning and returned to their homes in the same way at night. The institute proper will open Monday at 9 a. m., and continue for a week. The attendance promises to be unusually large and excellent instructors have been secured.

PRISONER PEACHES ON BROTHER

Will Hohl at Pierce Tells of Robberies at Osmond.

PIERCE, Neb., July 31.—(Special.)—William Hohl, a prisoner in the county jail from Osmond, charged with breaking the large window glass in the fronts of the Osmond State bank, drug store and meat market on the evening of the 22d of last June, has just made a confession. In conversation with Rev. E. J. T. Connely he said he had nothing to do with the glass breaking, but that it was done by his brother Fred. He says that after this was done they went to Billerbeck hardware store and his brother broke into the store and stole a double-barrel shot gun and some razors and knives. These he took home and carried them up into the attic of the house and hid them between the partitions of the house. Mr. Connely took the confession down in writing and showed it to County Attorney Van Wagenen. As Fred Hohl was out on bail the county attorney and sheriff went to Osmond and had Hohl rearrested on new charges. While there they searched the house occupied by Hohl and found the gun, razors and knives that had been stolen by Fred Hohl. Will Hohl also said that while here a week ago last Sunday his brother, at an opportune time, slipped a file in to him so he could file his way out. He turned the file over to County Attorney Van Wagenen.

Ashland a Division Point.

ASHLAND, July 31.—(Special.)—The Burlington authorities have declared Ashland to be a division point upon the line, and Ashland division time table No. 1 has been issued. This is the first time table covering regular through service between Ashland and Sioux City and the north. Incident with their order much activity about the Burlington yards has been manifest. Contractor F. Katz with four carloads of grading outfit and a large force of men has arrived and begun the work of grading for the extensive alterations now being made in the Burlington yards at this point.

Pearson Held for Shooting.

HASTINGS, Neb., July 31.—(Special Telegram.)—At the coroner's inquest held today over the shooting to death of Walter McCulla, at an early hour Sunday morning in the home of Barney Pearson, the jury brought in a verdict to the effect that Walter McCulla came to his death from a gun, probably held in the hands of Barney Pearson. There were several sensational features brought out, in which James McCune of Harvard figured as the mysterious man. Barney Pearson will have his preliminary hearing at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

News of Nebraska.

PLATTSMOUTH—A gentle, steady rain has been falling in this vicinity nearly all day.

SEWARD—R. E. Dunphy has sold his blacksmith business to Perry Bradley of Tamoria.

PLATTSMOUTH—John Corey has leased the Perkins hotel and will take possession tomorrow.

SEWARD—There will be a base ball tournament at Milford and two-day picnic August 15 and 16.

LONG PINE—The Brown county democratic convention will be held at Ainsworth on Saturday, August 4th.

BEATRICE—Mr. Jacob Payne and Mrs. Jessie Moose, both of this city, were married last evening by Judge W. H. Walker.

BEATRICE—The democratic caucuses will be held in this city next Saturday evening. The county convention has been called for August 7.

BEATRICE—Two boys named Routh and Quackenbush disappeared from their homes in Beatrice yesterday and at last reports had not been apprehended.

ST. PAUL.—A fine rain, accompanied by thunder and lightning, fell here last night. The precipitation amounted to .89 of an inch and was needed for the corn.

LEXINGTON—The interest in the exercises of the Dawson County Chautauqua is at fever heat, and the attendance far surpasses either of the former sessions.

PAPILLION—The first money under the inheritance tax law was received by County Treasurer Morrison last week. It was from the John Hahn estate. The amount was $154.

GIBBON—Another heavy rain fell here last night. It is getting too plentiful for threshing, as none has been done for about one week and the grain is still in the shock.

TEKAMAH—Deputy United States Marshal Sammons was here today on his way to Decatur with a bench warrant from the federal court for Frank Ingram, who is confined in the jail at that place.

SEWARD—Home talent will give "The Cowboy and the Lady" at the opera house here on August 17 and 18. Part of the proceeds will go to the promoters and to the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Seward band.

BEATRICE—Mr. Jacob G. Vreeland of Blue Springs and Mrs. Eliza Feather of Adams were married here yesterday in county court, Judge Spafford officiating. The groom is 72 and the bride 64.

LONG PINE—Mr. Orvil Conard and Miss Thearer were united in marriage at Ainsworth on Monday afternoon. Rev. Johnson performed the ceremony in the presence of a few close friends and relatives.

ALBION—Mike Burns, who was committed to jail some weeks ago, charged with the killing of Jack Morrison on the 5th of July, was given his liberty last Saturday by furnishing the required bond.

PLATTSMOUTH—The republican float representative convention, consisting of delegates from Cass and Otoe counties, will meet in Nebraska City August 16 for the purpose of placing in nomination one candidate for float representative.

BEATRICE—G. E. Liston, who has been in charge of the Western Weighing association's business here for the last few months, will return to Omaha to work for the association. He will be succeeded here by Charles Kinney of Omaha.

GENEVA—The republican central committee settled on August 20 as the date of the county convention, when candidates for county offices will be nominated and delegates to the state convention. The primaries will be held on the Saturday preceding.

BEATRICE—The board of supervisors held a meeting yesterday afternoon and took up the matter of reassessing Filley township. After considerable discussion it was decided to leave the assessment as turned in by the county assessor two years ago.

FULLERTON—The Nance county republican central committee met in the courthouse in this city and fixed August 13 at 1 p. m. in the county courthouse in the city of Fullerton as the time and place for holding the republican county convention.

TEKAMAH—Deputy United States Marshal Sides brought Louise Raymond, a Winnebago squaw, before United States Commissioner Singhaus yesterday, charged with introducing liquor onto the Winnebago reservation. She was bound over to appear before the grand jury.

SEWARD—Charles W. Warner of Beaver Crossing, who has been in California since the spring, died there last Wednesday. The remains will be brought back for burial. Mr. Warner was an early homesteader in this county and was one of the county supervisors the last term.

BEATRICE—Mrs. Biddle, who ran away from her home at Wymore a few days ago, was located here yesterday by the officers and taken to Wymore by her father. She is only 15 years of age and left her home about two months ago, causing her parents considerable trouble at that time.

CREIGHTON—The barn and granary belonging to A. Reynolds was totally destroyed by fire at 11:30 a. m. today. A team and harness belonging to George Le Branch was consumed in the flames, together with a large amount of grain kept for storage. Loss on team and harness $300; insurance, $200.

SEWARD—Samuel Pierson died suddenly at his home at Bee, Seward county, Friday, from neuralgia of the heart. He was 47 years of age and had lived in the county for twenty-five years. His funeral services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Wilcox of the Methodist Episcopal church from his late home last Sunday.

ST. PAUL—United States Consul Max. J. Baehr of Cienfugos, Cuba, is here on his annual vacation. The citizens of St. Paul are always heartily glad to greet their friend and esteemed citizen, Consul Baehr, and he in turn, with his usual pleasant smile, seems to enjoy shaking hands with his old neighbors. He expresses himself that the citizens of Nebraska should avail themselves of the opportunity to send Hon. E. Rosewater to the United States senate.

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ALBION—Several large yields of wheat have been reported in this county, among them being Frank Clark, whose crop averaged forty bushels to the acre. Charles Raymond of Boone precinct, who threshed last week, reports that by actual measurement of the ground, his wheat averaged sixty bushels per acre by weight. This is the largest yield yet reported.

BEATRICE—The Union Pacific company has a large force of men employed on its roadbed between here and Lincoln, which causes many to believe that the company is making preparations to put on through trains between Lincoln and Kansas City. Seventy-pound steel rails are being laid, and it is said the work will continue on south as far as Manhattan, Kan.

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LONG PINE—Long Pine was visited by one of the most violent wind and hail storms, it has seen for years, the storm lasted one hour, doing immense damage to property in the town, blowing in and breaking windows, tearing up trees and leveling barns to the ground. The hail did a vast amount of damage to the crops, especially the corn in the country east of Long Pine.

AGED NEBRASKAN'S ROMANCE

H. T. Cooper of Lowell, Aged Eighty, Weds Sweetheart of Youth in Ohio.

CINCINNATI, O., July 31.—(Special Telegram.)—After searching for nearly forty years for the sweetheart of his youth Judge Howard T. Cooper of Lowell, Neb., has at last found her and they were married last night in Columbus, her home. The bride was Mrs. Josephine Blake, 65 years old. Cooper is 80.

The couple were childhood sweethearts, but they drifted apart thirty-seven years ago and up to a few weeks ago Cooper had been unable to find any trace of her. He met her by chance while visiting in Columbus. During the interim of thirty-seven years both the bride and groom had married twice, this being the third venture for each. Judge Cooper will take his bride back to Nebraska, where he has a large farm.

Booher Nominated for Congress.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., July 31.—Charles F. Booher of Savannah was nominated for congressman by the northern district democratic convention.

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Local Record.

OFFICE OF THE WEATHER BUREAU, OMAHA, July 31.—Official record of temperature and precipitation compared with the corresponding day of the last three years:

	1906.	1905.	1904.	1903.
Maximum temperature	78	84	84	66
Minimum temperature	66	66	64	56
Mean temperature	72	74	74	61
Precipitation	.30	.00	.00	.22

Temperature and precipitation departures from the normal at Omaha since March 1, and comparison with the last two years:

Normal temperature	78
Deficiency for the day	4
Total deficiency since March 1, 1906	189
Normal precipitation	.13 inch
Excess for the day	.17 inch
Total rainfall since March 1	16.07 inches
Deficiency since March 1, 1906	3.35 inches
Deficiency for cor. period 1905	7.83 inches
Deficiency for cor. period 1904	3.78 inches

Reports from Stations at 7 P. M.

Station and State of Weather.	Temp. 7 p. m.	Max. Temp.	Rain-fall.
Bismarck, clear	70	74	.00
Cheyenne, pt. cloudy	72	84	T
Chicago, pt. cloudy	70	76	.00
Davenport, pt. cloudy	80	84	.00
Denver, cloudy	80	90	T
Havre, cloudy	82	90	.00
Helena, cloudy	84	84	.00
Huron, clear	84	86	.00
Kansas City, raining	74	90	T
North Platte, clear	84	88	.00
Omaha, cloudy	76	78	.07
Rapid City, clear	82	86	.00
St. Louis, clear	82	88	.00
St. Paul, clear	70	78	.04
Salt Lake City, cloudy	72	88	.04
Valentine, clear	88	92	.00

"T" Indicates trace of precipitation.
L. A. WELSH, Local Forecaster.

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FORECAST OF THE WEATHER

Showers in Nebraska Today, Cooler in West Portion—Showers Tomorrow.

WASHINGTON, July 31.—Forecast of the weather for Tuesday and Wednesday:

For Nebraska—Showers Wednesday, cooler in west portion; Thursday showers.

For Kansas—Partly cloudy Wednesday, warmer in southeast portion; showers and cooler at night or Thursday.

For Iowa and Missouri—Partly cloudy Wednesday, showers in west portion; Thursday showers and cooler in eastern portion.

For South Dakota—Showers and cooler Wednesday; Thursday showers.

For Colorado—Local thunder showers Wednesday and probably cooler Thursday and in western portion.

For Wyoming—Thunder showers Wednesday; Thursday fair, except showers in southern portion.

For Montana—Fair in west, showers and cooler in east portion Wednesday; Thursday fair.

Our Annual August Clearing Sale

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COME EARLY WEDNESDAY MORNING FOR BARGAINS

Our entire stock of Wash Dress Goods, consisting of the largest assortment of staple fabrics in desirable patterns we have ever had in August. All the proper materials—batiste, dimity, mercerized novelties, pongee silk, chiffon embroidered Swiss, etc.

15c goods, yard 5c
20c and 25c goods, yard 10c
25c and 35c goods, yard 15c
50c, 65c and 75c goods, yard 20c
Embroidered Waist Patterns, each 50c
Hand Embroidered Linen Waist Patterns, worth up to $6.50, each $2.50
All Linen Hand Embroidered Robes, were $20.00, each $5.00

CLOAK AND SUIT DEPARTMENT

A PERFECT WHIRLWIND OF BARGAINS.

$5.00 fine white Swiss and Batiste Shirt Waist Suits, each $1.50
$12 and $15 fine white Swiss and Batiste Shirt Waist Suits, each $3.98

White Linen Suits at less than the skirt is worth. Staple, desirable, washable.

$25.00 lines on sale at $9.75
$18.00 lines on sale at $6.98
$15.00 lines on sale at $5.00
$12.00 lines on sale at $3.98
$10.00 lines on sale at $2.50

A table full of dainty White Waists, lace or embroidery trimmed, each, 98c
All Peter Pan Waists, worth up to $3.00 ..... $1.50
Lingerie Waists, $2.50 ones, $1.35; $3.95 ones, $1.85; $5.00 ones, $2.15
White Lingerie Jackets—just the thing for evenings now and early fall—just half price—$3.00 ones, $1.50; $5.00 ones $2.50; $7.50 ones, ... $3.75
Long Batiste Kimonos, were $1.25, each 50c

Our Muslin Underwear business has been immense. These items will give an idea of what we are doing to clean up stock. An assortment of gowns at 98c—should be at least $1.25. Another table contains muslin skirts, deep flounce of embroidery, fine hemstitched tucks, etc., 98c. $20.00 values, skirts of cambric, with deep India linon ruffle, cluster tucks $1.49

COLORED AND BLACK SILK SKIRTS.
Two Lots. Unprecedented Offering.

All Skirts which sold up to $9.00 for $5.95
All Skirts which sold up to $15.00 for $7.95

BASEMENT

So great is our pressure for room that staple goods must also be sacrified.

All Calicoes, the best made, per yard 5c
32-inch Percale, in dark colors, 10c grade.
Staple Dress Ginghams, in neat patterns, the 12½c and 15c lines 9½c
All Novelty Dress Goods, Linen Suitings, Voiles, fine Madras, Crepes, etc., worth up to 25c, yard 10c

WOMEN'S KNIT UNDERWEAR.

Ours is the right kind. Many numbers which we carry the year round will be included in the sale, for we must get rid of the stock.

VESTS.	PANTS.	SUITS.
10c Vests 6½c	25c Pants 19c	75c Suits 50c
19c Vests 15c	35c Pants 25c	$1.00 Suits 69c
25c Vests 19c	50c Pants 39c	$1.50 Suits 98c
50c Vests 37c	75c Pants 50c	$2.00 Suits $1.35
75c and $1 Vests .. 59c	$1.00 Pants 69c	$4.00 Suits $2.48

WOMEN'S HOSIERY.

We will place on sale a reserve case of the "Empress," the best seamless stocking 12½c
Gauze Lisle, black, for, pair 25c
Rembrant open work and fashioned Lisle that were 50c, for 20c

AT 10 O'CLOCK—All broken lots of fine Imported Hosiery, plain lisle, lace lisle and embroidered, worth up to $1.50; our price, pair 69c

These are now displayed in East Window.

FOR MEN

UNDERWEAR—IN TWO LOTS.

25c and 35c qualities, balbriggan, rib and gauze 17½c
50c and 75c qualities, spring needle rib French balbriggan, each 35c
$1.00 quality Union Suits 69c
$1.50 quality Union Suits 98c

SHIRTS.

A lot of striped Madras, wide stripes, to clean the lot, each 25c
Regular $1.00 Shirts, popular brands 50c
Regular $1.50 Shirts, popular brands 98c
NECKWEAR—Scarfs, Four-in-Hands, Strings, 25c and 50c qualities—TWO FOR A QUARTER.

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