

MONDAY THE FIRST DAY OF THE GREATEST OF ALL SUMMER MARKDOWN SALES.

Bennett's July Clearing Sale

BOOKS AND STATIONERY
Two big tables of choice books, odds and ends that we have assembled in our stock taking. Books by prominent authors, sold from 25c to \$1.00, on a 100% basis. 150 boxes fine stationery, worth 50c and 75c, boxes slightly soiled, reduced to 25c. 100 boxes of 100 Souvenir Postals, worth two for five, Monday, per dozen, 50c. These include all silk jumper, silk dresses and wool dresses. Decorated Crepe Paper, all designs, roll, 50c.

HANKERCHIEF SALE
Eight hundred and fifty dozen Swiss Handkerchiefs, cross-barred designs, in a great clearing, Monday our 8 1/2c quality, at the special price, of each, 35c. Four hundred dozen Turkish towels, lace trimmed handkerchiefs, excellent 10c goods, sale price 5c.

What is to be the greatest July clearing in Bennett's history starts Monday morning. It's going to be the big sale of the year, with every department in the store putting out the best bargain it has ever assembled. Business conditions throughout the manufacturing and jobbing trade for six months past, as every one knows, have been very bad. The financial depression coupled with a long period of unseasonable weather have made conditions particularly favorable for a tremendous sale this year. Scores of makers of women's and men's apparel pressed for cash have made us enormous price concessions to move their goods. In most cases less than actual cost to manufacture was realized. To augment our own regular lines and to make this the strongest possible bargain clearance we purchased heavily with the result that we now put on a sale that for real money-saving possibilities has had no parallel in many years.

Practically the entire Bennett stock is involved in this gigantic clearing movement. Thousands of placards all over the store proclaim the matchless bargain offerings.

A Half Million Dollars Worth of Summer Merchandise to be Closed Out

Great Clearance Reductions in Garment Departments

Clearing sales that are sweeping in their character and scope. Summer apparel at unheard of low prices. Reductions so radical that they compel immediate clearing.
NOTE THESE MARK DOWNS ON THE SKIRT AND SUIT STOCKS.
\$15.00 Panama, silk and voile skirts, at \$2.95
\$5.00 Panama and fancy mixed skirts, at \$1.95
\$3.50 Panama and fancy mixed skirts, at \$1.95
\$8.50 Panama and fancy mixed skirts, at \$5.95
\$10.00 Panama, silk and voile skirts, at \$6.95

It's the sale that all Omaha looks forward to each year with ever increasing interest. Practically every dollar's worth of the merchandises is new this season bought for a discriminating public who know values. The opening of the Fall season must find every dollar's worth of summer goods gone. Monday is the first day of this, our greatest of all summer markdown sales.

Every item in these departments has a new reduced clearing sale price attached to it. Thousands of dollars' worth of the season's best merchandise must be closed out in this sale.

Lingerie Dresses

CLEARING WHITE WAISTS
\$1.48 white lawn waists, for 98c
\$1.50 white and light colored waists, for 49c
SILK PETTICOATS
Best \$7.50 petticoat, all colors, at \$3.95
\$1.50 Heatherbloom petticoats, for 98c
\$1.25 Plain black and white petticoats, for 69c

Wash Skirt Clearing

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\$1.25 Linen skirts, for 79c
\$1.75 and \$2.00 blue and brown duck skirts, for 95c
All linen-gored skirts, \$2.95
DRESSING SACQUES AND KIMONOS
\$1.00 Lawn sacques, lace or plain border, trimmed, for 49c
\$1.25 and \$1.50 long lawn kimonos, for 89c

Children's Dresses

Entire stock wash dresses regardless of price, any size, 1/2 Off

Clearing Sales in Hardware

One thousand pieces of blue and white enamel ware, best quality, imported Berlin sauce pans and kettles, with enamel covers, worth 60c and 75c, Monday sale, at 29c and 39c
White Enamel Water Tubs, 12-quart size, worth \$1.10; sale price Monday, 69c
Reduced prices on high grade lawn mowers:
\$5.00 Lawn Mowers, for \$4.00
\$6.00 Lawn Mowers, for \$4.50
\$7.00 Lawn Mowers, for \$5.00
Best 12c Rubber Garden Hoes, for 1.45
Galvanized Tubs, for \$1.10
\$1.25 Galvanized Tubs, for 95c
\$1.35 B. O. E. and Irons, for 95c
40c Sleeve Irons, for 30c
\$2.00 and \$2.50 Irons, for 1.50
\$3.00 Hammocks reduced to \$2.25
\$5.00 Hammocks reduced to \$3.50
\$10.00 Gas Ranges for \$12.50
\$15.00 Gas Ranges for \$18.00
\$20.00 Gas Ranges for \$25.00
\$22.50 Gas Ranges for \$28.00

Bennett's Big Grocery

Bennett's Excelsior Flour, sack \$1.00
And 50 Green Stamps.
Bennett's 3-4 Cakes Coffee, lb. 25c
Teas—assorted, lb. 40c
And 40 Green Stamps.
Tea Sifters, 50c
And 20 Green Stamps.
Bennett's Capitol Sweet Winkles, Peas, 5 cans, 50c
And 50 Green Stamps.
Best Tea, 50c
And 50 Green Stamps.
Ellen Sardines, 7 cans, 20c
And 50 Green Stamps.
DelaTour Ginger Ale, 2 bottles, 25c
And 20 Green Stamps.
Hartley's Pure Jams, Jar, 25c
And 20 Green Stamps.
Bayley's Lanchester Jars, 200
And 10 Green Stamps.
Bennett's Capitol Baking Powder, Pound cans, 25c
And 20 Green Stamps.
Wiggle St. Clair, 5 sticks, 25c
And 10 Green Stamps.
Gem Milk, 2 large cans, 20c
And 10 Green Stamps.
Bennett's Capitol Cocoa, 4-lb. can, 94c
And 10 Green Stamps.
New York Cream Cheese, lb., 20c
And 10 Green Stamps.
Swiss Cheese, lb., 25c
And 10 Green Stamps.

Gloves

One big lot elbow length silk and lace gloves, in broken sizes only, colors black and white, silk gloves 5/8 to 6, linen all sizes, regular \$1.25 quality, for 29c
16-button length, extra heavy silk gloves, double tipped fingers, all sizes and colors, positively the best silk glove manufactured, regular \$2 quality, for \$1.00

Hosiery

Women's fast black seamless hose, regular 10c line, sale price 5c
Women's full fashioned Burson hose, made without seams, 25c line, for 15c
Women's imported lace hose, black and white, best 50c line made, sale price, per pair, 19c
Children's imported 25c ribbed hose, for 15c

Underwear

Women's sleeveless vests, taped neck, arm, 10c kind, for 5c
Women's sleeveless vests, crocheted trimmed, 35c value, sale price, 15c
Swiss ribbed vests, plain and lace trimmed, 50c quality, sale price, 23c
Umbrella pants, wide knee, lace trimmed, 50c line, for 33c

Bennett & Co. Imported Black Taffeta Silks in Big Clearance

Also Haskell and the famous Cicola silks, world famous as the highest attainment in silk weaver's art. Pure dye silks of richest luster and finest texture. 20, 24 and 27 inch, all values up to \$1.35, in the July clearing, at, yard, 65c
36 inch fancy stripe and check taffeta, silk suitings, hair line patterns, shades of rose, and mulberry, positively worth \$1.25 a yard, in July clearing, at, yard, 29c
Great Dress Goods Clearance—Hundreds of dress lengths, high grade \$1.00 and \$1.25 wool suitings, plain, Panamas, and other purely seasonable fabrics, clearing them out at, yard, 25c
Best Wool Challises—Strictly all wool, greatest assortment of beautiful patterns, the usual 50c quality, clearing, at, yard, 25c
Imported Wash Fabrics—In great clearance, imported Swisses, English eyelet embroideries, embroidered muslins, fancy voiles, silk zephyrs, all art \$1.00 and \$1.25 goods, for 19c

Remarkable Underpricing on Summer Footwear

Clearing out the stocks is our sole object now. We have the goods and the inclination to make a record breaking sale. Monday the selling will reach white heat. Note these:
Women's Amazon Kid Oxfords, stylish bluchers, patent tip, light or heavy sole, best \$2.00 quality, for 1.39
Women's White and Gray Canvas Oxfords, in all sizes 3 to 8, leather or canvas covered heels, regularly \$1.50 and \$2 closing, 98c
Women's and Children's Canvas Oxfords, low leather heels, blucher style, regularly \$1.25 and \$1.50, for 89c
Children's laced and button shoes, patent vamp, tan or white top, regular \$1.50 shoes, for 79c
Children's Patent Oxfords in blucher style, hand turned, patent tip, sizes 3 to 5, regular 76c shoes, sale price 44c

Clearance Sale Markdowns Rugs, Draperies, Furniture

Some of the best bargains of the sale are to be found in our big third floor Furniture department.
\$15.00 Tapestry Brussels Rugs, full 8x11 feet, the season's best patterns, clearing, at, \$9.75
Best \$30.00 Axminster Rugs, 8x12 feet, floral and Oriental designs, clearing, at, \$16.75
Amsterdam Body Brussels Rugs, never less than \$32.00, 8x12-foot size, for the best money, sale price, \$18.75
Extra Heavy Ingrain Carpets, 60c quality, choice of fifteen excellent patterns, clearance at, 30c
Japanese Mattings, in carpet designs, 25c grade, for 21c
Fiber Mattings, 60c grade, for 33c
Rubber Door Mats, 18x20 inches, worth \$1.45, for 90c
Ruffled Swiss Curtains, 40 inches wide, large variety, \$1.00 and \$1.50, pair, 89c
Nottingham Lace Curtains, 60 inches wide, white or cream, big variety of 25.00 curtains; sale price, pair, \$1.65
Nottingham and Cable Net Curtains, 15 patterns that were \$4.00, clearing sale price, \$2.49
Clearing Remnants Curtains, 100% for Three-panel Oak Screens, silkline filled, all colors, special, \$1.59
Clearing Remnants Curtains, 100% for door panels, transoms and ash curtains, worth to \$1.50 a yard; clearing, each, 90c

Tremendous All Through the Furniture Stock

All kinds of Bedroom Furniture, Parlor Suits, also China Cabinets, Buffets, must be closed out within the next few days. French and a noted philanthropist, and Mrs. Billington Orteg, looking like a little Dresden china figure.

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Clearing Linens and White Goods

Every yard of goods in these departments now at a new reduced price. Table linens, and fine white goods, our choicest stocks, rarely priced as these are. Note these:
WHITE GOODS
25c Novelty waistings, yd. 12 1/2c
40c and 50c Novelty waistings, yard, 19c
8 1/2c India Linon, 5c
12 1/2c Linen finish suitings, 7 1/2c
50c Waistings, linen, 35c
18c Long cloth, 12 1/2c
35c French lawn, 19c
25c Persian lawn, 16c
19c 40-inch lawn, 12 1/2c
LINENS
50c 64-inch bleached damask, 35c
60c 70-inch bleached damask, 39c
60c 72-inch cream damask, 45c
\$1.00 72-inch Bleached Damask, at 79c
\$1.75, 20-inch, bleached napkins, dozen, \$1.35
12 1/2c Huck towels, each, 8 1/2c
12 1/2c Bleached Turkish towels, at 8 1/2c
12 1/2c all linen crash toweling, yard, 10c

Our entire line of fine pattern table cloths, and napkins to match at a straight reduction of 20%

Corsets—New \$1 Model Monday

Extra Special for the great July clearing sale Monday—only 69c for new, clean \$1.00 corsets, fresh from the factory. They're the acme of corset making, a model that conforms perfectly with the newest dress ideas—high bust, long hip. They're prettily trimmed with lace and ribbon beading. Come in all sizes, in the strong coutil and the dainty cool batiste, strong web supporters, front and side. It's a regular \$1.00 corset, but just for one day, Monday, we will sell them special at 69c. We want everyone to know how extraordinary this model is—be sure to get one. Remember, Monday's the day, and only 69c the price.

Laces, Embroideries and Ribbons Clearing

Wash Laces—In match sets, one to three inches wide, 25c and 30c quality, for 15c
25c quality silk heavy quality high luster Taffeta Ribbon, in all the leading colors, worth to 50c; sale price, 25c
2 1/2-inch silk heavy quality high luster Taffeta Ribbon, in all the leading colors, worth to 50c; sale price, 25c
1000 Embroidered Turnovers, all embroidered in the most artistic manner, 25c; special, 15c
Fancy Colored Bow Ties, to wear with laundered collars, 25c; sale price, 15c
Dress Slides—Fine nainsook, all sizes, worth 20c; special, 10c

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END OF WOMEN'S CONGRESS

Next Meeting to Be in London Early in May, 1909.

INCIDENT OF A GREAT MEETING

Amsterdam Appeals to the Delegates From This Country as Almost American—An Excursion to Rotterdam.

AMSTERDAM, June 27.—The committee of Dutch women who arranged for the International Woman Suffrage congress, which closed this week, deserve warm congratulations upon its success from every point of view. The president of the National Suffrage association of the Netherlands, Dr. Aletta H. Jacobs, is a woman of unusual power, and although only now in middle life she has been a pioneer in women's progress. She was herself the first woman to enter the medical university and receive a degree she had to get permission from the government. This was granted by the broadminded prime minister, Thorbecke, and a short time ago, when she had completed twenty-five years of active practice, the women of Amsterdam and vicinity came together in mass meeting, formed processions, marched to the little park on the Heerenegracht, where the statue of Thorbecke overlooks the wide canal, and decorated it with the wreath; after which they presented to the doctor a bronze Victory bearing a palm. Dr. Jacobs was the wife of C. V. Gerritsen for a number of years and at his death, three years ago, a distinguished member of Parliament. In 1884 he came with his wife to America to see to the placing of a part of their magnificent collection of books, which they had sold to the Creder Library of Chicago. These included about 6,000 volumes of history and economics and the largest collection in existence on subjects relating especially to women. Their handsome home still contains several rooms entirely filled with valuable books. During the congress Dr. Jacobs gave seven dinner parties and a large reception in addition to her official duties.

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caplity to give the official recognition which was so generously extended in Denmark. His honor declared he did not intend to notice the congress in any manner, as he had no sympathy with its aims, but as time drew near he decided that it might be well to hedge. He cultured well belongs to a patrician family, their residence is palatial and by sending out "at home cards" for an afternoon tea-Le Bourgmeister d'Amsterdam of Madame van Leeuwen seroit chez eux le Mardi—a compromise was effected; the affair was social, not official, and the suffrage body did not get in. It was really a handsome entertainment in this fine, old house, built and decorated in 1680, with tea served in the pretty garden. The women had a good time and the burgomeester was not hurt specially. He occupied a front seat at the opening of the congress and was surrounded by members of the council of state of the parliament and the municipality. It seems that there never was any hope of Queen Wilhelmina's recognizing the congress, because there is at present a clerical ministry which is bitterly opposed to women's democratic tendencies and especially to any further extension of the franchise either to men or women.

Dutch Character.

The Dutch have a stubborn tenacity of character which is trying when you come up against it, but it commands a great deal of respect, and because of it they have preserved their integrity as a nation. There is no other country in Europe where custom permits as much freedom and independence among women. They go and come and do as they like with no more comment or criticism than they would meet here. Complete coeducation prevails from the kindergarten through the post-graduate courses in the universities, and people come from all countries to study the general system of education. All of the professions, except clerical, have been for many years open to women, and they are engaged in all kinds of business. The husband is under no legal obligation to make any provision whatever for his wife at his death, but may leave her absolute property. Unless there is a marriage contract forbidding it, all the property the wife may earn or inherit becomes the possession of the husband and he may deprive her of all of it by his will. He may also dispose of the children without her consent. A tax is levied on families for every servant they keep, but when a man becomes a widower he is allowed one servant free of tax, on the principle that while he is away from his home attending to his business someone must be there to look after it and his children. A vast number of women who are left widows must engage in some outside occupation to support themselves and their family, but the government puts the full tax on the servant they are obliged to keep. When they protest they are told that they should stay at home themselves and do their housework and take care of their children. Women in Holland have no suffrage, but any man may vote if he earns eleven florins (less than \$5) a week. If his wife and children earn this amount and he is a loafer he still does the voting for the family. Any man may vote who has fifty florins in bank, or if his wife has earned this amount and put it in the bank he may not vote on the strength of it, but he may order the bank not to let her draw out the money.

Great Britain's Delegation.

One of the strongest delegations at the congress was that from Great Britain—Miss Christy Macmillan, holding two honor degrees from the University of Edinburgh. The four Scottish universities are entitled to two members of Parliament, "who shall be elected," according to the law, "by graduates of the university." As women receive their degrees from these universities exactly as men do, they have been for several years endeavoring to remove the barriers which prevent their being a vote for those members. Miss Macmillan has had charge of their case through all the courts, with an adverse decision in each, on the ground that although the law said "every graduate" it meant only every male graduate. The case is now in the House of Lords. Another interesting delegate was Mrs. Margaret Ashton, a prominent member of the Women's Liberal Federation, sister of the wife of Ambassador James Bryce, who is herself an anti-suffragist. Lady Steele, a delegate from Scotland, recently allowed

Inspiration of the Convention.

One does not know where to begin or where to end in describing these international meetings, and these letters come to a close with a notebook still full of unused memoranda. The great concert hall has been an inspiring sight, with large fias of all the nationalities affiliated with the congress grouped around the big organ, while the hospitality of the Dutch people has made a lasting impression upon every visitor. It is not alone in Amsterdam that social courtesies, teas, dinners, receptions and a big farewell banquet have been extended, but neighboring cities have welcomed the foreign guests. On the day following the Hague at its famous seaside resort, Scheveningen. An elaborate afternoon tea was given in the spacious new Palace hotel, and after an hour's rest the invited guests

Many-Titled Peer Hard Up

Present Duke of Wellington Needs Money More Than He Does Honors. LONDON, July 4.—(Special.)—Probably the present duke of Wellington, who recently availed himself of the privilege which he inherited from his famous ancestor of standing in the presence of the king of Spain with his hat on, would view with equanimity a plan for more nearly equalizing his honors and his purse. For it is no secret that the duke, who has often decried the latter. In other words he is one of the "hard ups" of the British peerage. The present duke can be said to have been treated pretty badly by Fate. There was a time when the title was worth much to his possessor. The first holder, the conqueror of Napoleon, had not only honors but money as well showered upon him. The British Parliament gave him \$2,000,000 and the grateful people of his country bought him his magnificent estate, Stratfieldsaye, in Hampshire, at a cost of something like \$1,000,000. In addition he was granted an annual pension of \$5,000 so that he appears to have been fairly well fixed in a financial way. Unfortunately, however, for the present duke, who is the fourth to hold the title, it was arranged that the pension, which was granted to the iron duke only to run for three generations and this expired with the death of the third duke in 1820. So the present holder of the title is "strapped." Stratfieldsaye is closed and awaiting a tenant, and Apsley house, the big Hyde park mansion so closely associated with the great duke is in the market for any fair price that can be obtained for it. A way out of the difficulty, could it be arranged, would be to permit the duke to sell his surplus titles. With these he is so heavily endowed that they cannot be anything but a mockery to their impetuous holder. To begin with he is K. G., G. C. V. O., and D. L. Then he is baron Mornington, earl of Mornington, Viscount Wellesley, Viscount Wellington, Baron Douro, earl of Wellington, Marquis Douro, Conde de Vimiero, Marquis de Torres Vedras and Duke de Vittoria of Portugal, Duque de Ciudad Rodrigo and a grandee of the first class of Spain, duke of Wellington and prince of Waterloo in Belgium. These titles were all conferred upon the

Innovations in Club Life

New Royal Automobile Club House Will Be Finest in the World. LONDON, July 4.—(Special.)—London is soon to have a "million-dollar" club house that will be twice the size of any other club in Europe—perhaps in the world—and is to cost more money for the structure and its contents than any other club house in the world. The Royal Automobile club of England is to inhabit this splendid structure as soon as it has been erected on the site of the old war office in Pall Mall. "Our new club," said the secretary, "is to cost for the building alone \$2,500,000. We hope it will be the finest club building in Europe, and it certainly will be the handsomest in London. "The Royal Automobile Club," continued the secretary, "has had phenomenal success. We have a membership of 3,500, and our members are finding the club more of a practical advantage than they usually are. We do not appeal alone to the social amenities of life. Through our touring department—another innovation—our members can be supplied with all requisites, including guides and interpreters, for extending motoring tours in all parts of the world. For instance, in foreign countries, members wish to take a journey to Monte Carlo, they simply give the order to us, and 'we do the rest,' arranging the taking of the cars on board ship, the preparation of all necessary documents and passports, and payment of all toll fees through France; in fact, providing all essentials of the trip. The members who take advantage of this service is saved worry of every description. Through our affiliations with other clubs—for instance, with the Automobile club of New York—our traveling members are sure of welcome reception wherever they go; and to all the information and assistance in foreign countries that we give to travelers from other affiliated clubs, whose members are visiting London."