

**Central Cigar Store**  
321 South 16th Street  
Neville Block

Big Reduction on Staples and Novelties  
Inventory shows too large stock on hand, therefore we have decided to reduce our large line of tobaccos and cigars and novelties, by

**BIG REDUCTION IN PRICES**  
It is absolutely necessary to make room for a large bill of goods recently purchased, so that prices on our large stock of tobaccos, cigars and smokers' novelties are going down to cost, and in many cases, way **BELOW COST**

This sale will only continue until such time as we shall have sufficient room to provide for several large shipments which are now due. **Sale Begins Saturday.**

**SPECIAL PRICES ON TOBACCO**  
16 oz. Duke's Mixture, regular price 45c; on sale, beginning Saturday 25c  
16 oz. Briar Pipe Smoking Tobacco, regular price 45c; beginning Saturday 25c  
16 oz. Durham Tobacco, regular price the world over, 65c; beginning Saturday 35c  
8 oz. Dot Smoking Tobacco, excellent quality, regular price 25c; Saturday 15c  
4 oz. Dot Smoking Tobacco; on sale Saturday 8c  
10c pkg. All Leaf Smoking Tobacco; Saturday, 2 for 10c  
5c pkg. Fashion Cut; Plus; can buy it, beginning Saturday, 2 for 10c  
5c pkg. Gold Cut Tobacco; can buy it, beginning Saturday, 2 for 10c  
50c pkg. of Horsehoe or Star Chewing Tobacco; on sale, beginning Saturday 43c

**BIG REDUCTION ON CIGARS.**  
Famous High Sovereign, a well known clear Havana piece of goods, sold the country over at \$6.00 per box or 12 1/2c each; on sale, beginning Saturday, at 10c each. Per box \$4.50  
Stephan Brice—Every smoker is familiar with this extra quality 5c straight cigar; on sale, beginning Saturday, 50 for \$1.50  
Wyoona—5c straight choice piece of goods, 25 for \$1.00  
Fay—Excellent smoke, 5c straight everywhere; beginning Saturday, 25 for \$1.00  
Los Profetas—50 in box; on sale, beginning Saturday, \$1.50  
Havana Pickings—A nice mild smoke; 12 in box; beginning Saturday 25c

Don't miss this opportunity to lay in a supply of cigars and tobacco at prices that will probably never be again offered in Omaha.

**AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA**  
City Officials Studying Up on the Water Works Contract.  
WANT ROYALTY PAID IN CASH  
Proposed Amendments to the City Charter Taken to Lincoln To Be Presented to the Legislature.

The city officials have lately been scrutinizing the contract of the Omaha Water company with the city in order to discover a way to put that company on the same basis as the other public service companies in the matter of their royalties. The telephone, gas and electric light companies pay their royalties in cash each year, but the Omaha Water company pays its quota in a certain number of hydrants known as annuity hydrants. It simply furnishes the city forty hydrants at a \$50 rate. A small balance amounting to \$300 this year, to make up the 2 per cent royalty, is paid in cash. This arrangement was made several years ago at the time of the passage of the law imposing a royalty on the public service corporations. The ordinance was passed making this special arrangement. Some complaint has been heard from the other corporations on this account. The position is about the same each year, but the company pays its clerk in trade at the retail price. The water company, now that the hydrants are in place, pays out no cash. A year ago Mayor Hoctor vetoed the water bill on the ground that the annuity hydrants were some of them located on railroad property, where they did not belong to the city, being fenced in and not available in case of fire. A move was made at that time to secure an amendment to the ordinance to compel the water company to remove any hydrant designated as unnecessary by the city council. This was found a proposition involving the vested rights of the company in their contract. The same is said to be true in regard to the royalty. The company maintains that it has the contract right to turn in the annuity hydrants instead of paying cash. The semi-annual water claim has not yet been submitted to the city council. It is said that when it is the finance committee will examine it closely to see that the eight hydrants placed in Hoctor Terrace are not included. This order locating the hydrants was opposed by the incoming administration and the order was vetoed by Mayor Koutsky.

**Entertain for Mrs. Williams.**  
Mrs. James G. Martin and Mrs. James W. Martin entertained for Mrs. Arthur L. Williams, wife of Bishop Williams, Wednesday from 3 to 6 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Martin, Twenty-third and P streets.

The members of St. Martin's Episcopal church were especially interested. Invitations to the number of 150 were issued. The residence was thrown open and the rooms were fully decorated in red and green. The effect was heightened by the use of special electric bulbs in the parlors. A lunch was served during the hours of the reception. Many guests responded to their invitations and expressed themselves pleased with the entertainment. The efforts of the hostesses were ably seconded by Mesdames L. C. Gibson, L. H. Greer, W. G. Blount, A. L. Lott, A. L. Branstead and Miss Florence Smith.

**Suburban Station Completed.**  
The Union Pacific road has practically completed its suburban station on the Lane Cut-off at Thirty-second avenue and B street. The structure is valued at \$2,000 and is one of the creditable buildings of the city in railroad architecture. The contractors have been working on the structure for about a month. A passenger and freight station will be maintained. The station is reached by the Hanscom Park car in its South Omaha extension on the West Side line.

**Charter Bill Goes to Lincoln.**  
S. L. Winters and W. C. Sears went to Lincoln yesterday morning to make the recommendations of the South Omaha charter revision committee. Which recommendations have been drafted in the form of bills and amendments to the charter. These matters will be placed in the hands of one of South Omaha's legislators, presumably J. M. Tanner, for recommendation and promotion to passage. It is said that the matter of the Nebraska Power company may be suggested to the legislators to grant the city wider authority in the matter of erecting a power plant on the municipal basis. In South Omaha a petition is being worked up to ask the legislature for an amendment authorizing the city to issue bonds in the regular way for the erection of a municipal power plant as a substitute for the present project, which is considered uncertain of results by the promoters of the bond proposition.

**Family Troubles in Court.**  
Edward Shork and his brother, living at 310 Bancroft street, Omaha, but who are in the employ of the Cudahy Packing company, answered to Judge Crawford yesterday morning to the charge of assault and disturbing the peace, because on arriving home Wednesday afternoon the older brother forced Mr. and Mrs. Ehlers at the point of a gun to desist from hauling the

**OUR GREAT Clearing Sale of Men's Suits and Overcoats Continues**



This sale is positively the most remarkable clothing sale ever held in this or any other city.

In addition to the sweeping price reductions is the fact that we have included in this great semi-annual event the famous "Alfred Benjamin" clothes, "Feichheimer Fischel" clothes and others of the very finest ready-to-wear garments in the world.

We still show a great variety of patterns and nearly every size, for Saturday

\$25.00 and \$30.00	SUITS AND OVERCOATS	\$16.75
\$18.00 and \$20.00	SUITS AND OVERCOATS	\$12.75
\$12.00 and \$15.00	SUITS AND OVERCOATS	\$8.75
\$10.00 and \$11.00	SUITS AND OVERCOATS	\$6.75

**Clearing Sale of Trousers**

\$3.50 Trousers on Sale Saturday, at \$2.25	\$4.50 Trousers on Sale Saturday, at \$3.00
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All trousers that sold up to \$3.50, including odd trousers from \$1.00 and \$12.00 suits, in the clearing sale Saturday at \$2.25.

Your choice of trousers, sold up to \$4.50; also odd trousers from \$15.00 and \$18.00 suits; a great value for the clearing sale at \$3.00.

**BRIEF CITY NEWS**

**New Root Print It.**  
Douglas Printing Co. Both 'phones.  
Smoke House for Smokes, 316 S. 15th.  
Darlow Advertising Agency, 230-4 Bee.  
Rodolph F. Swoboda, Public Accountant.  
Sinehart, photographer, 18th & Farnam.  
Joseph Gahn, pianist, 215-16 Karbach blk.  
Kays, photo., removed to 16th & Howard.  
Gloves Cleaned, Thos. Kilpatrick's glove Dept.  
Equitable Life—Policies, eight drafts at maturity. H. D. Neely, manager, Omaha.  
Lansdown Park Dancing Club—The regular bi-monthly dance of the Lansdown Park Dancing club will be held at the Rome hotel this evening.  
After a fire you want your money. Keep your insurance papers and money in the American Safe Deposit vaults in The Bee building; \$1 rents a box.  
One Year and Then Divorce—One year lacking two days of married life was the record of Everett Thurman, who was granted a divorce in the district court Thursday by Judge Estelle against his wife, Lillian Thomas, on a plea of cruelty. They were married in Omaha January 16, 1908.  
William Maier Company, Builders—Articles of incorporation were filed Friday morning in the county clerk's office by William Maier company, which will conduct a business as builders and contractors. The capital stock is \$25,000 and the incorporators are William Maier, Maria Maier and Herbert H. Stubbendorf.  
L. E. Griffith & Co. Bankrupt—The firm of L. E. Griffith & Co. of Omaha has gone into bankruptcy upon the joint petition of certain creditors holding claims against the concern amounting to \$68,348, and upon the admission of the firm of its insolvency. The Griffith company expresses its willingness to be adjudged bankrupt because of inability to pay its debts as they come due. Petitioning creditors are W. H. Bell & Co., E. L. Spencer and W. C. Greene Company, all foreign corporations.  
Active Salesmen—See Want Ads.

**At the Theaters**

**"The Honeymooners" at the Krug.**  
Another of those screamingly successful songs that have made musical comedy so popular and the name of George M. Cohan famous throughout the country was presented at the Krug Thursday night. "The Honeymooners" furnishes fun and entertainment that is going for, and, although really a revised and improved edition of Cohan's "Running for Office," was as well received as a new play. It can hardly be said that it is the best play that has visited the Krug this season, but it is safe to say that it is among the top-notchers.

The home-town honeymoon of a prohibition mayor candidate and his New York City wife offers the opportunity for most of the fun, it happening that he is a widower with a daughter attending a university at a nearby New Hampshire town and his wife also has been married before and has a son who is engaged to his stepfather's daughter. Neither the prohibition candidate nor his new wife know of the other's former matrimonial history and each does his best to keep his child from being heard of by the other. The added complications that arise when the son is taken for the new coachman and the daughter for the new cook upon their arrival at the home of their respective parents, and the latter's attempts to explain to each other their apparent infatuation for the unknown newcomers are convulsive and lead to several strenuous situations.

As the son of the remarried widow, Willie Dunlap, proves to be clever and won many curtain calls during last evening. His voice is of a peculiar quality that is winning, although out of the ordinary, while his dancing shows much skill and he has some stunts, particularly several walking stunts, that are new. As the sweet school girl and stepdaughter of the prohibition candidate, Miss Anna Wheaton easily wins favor and goes to the heart of her audience with her singing and dancing, particularly the latter. The rest of the players are well cast, while the chorus is large and comely enough to add spice to the production with its usual line of ensembles and several sets of natty costumes.

The engagement continues till after Saturday, with the usual matinee on Saturday.

**ABSOLUTE CURE OF SKIN ERUPTION**

Broke Out on Hips and Legs—Was So Sore, Irritating and Painful that Little Sufferer Could Not Sleep—Scratched Constantly and Kept Growing Worse.

**CUTICURA'S EFFECT QUICK AND PERMANENT**

"When about two and a half years old my daughter broke out on her hips and the upper parts of her legs with a very irritating and painful eruption. It was not until October, when I noticed a little red surface and a constant desire on her part to scratch her limbs. She could not sleep and the eruptions got sore, and yellow water came out of them. I had two doctors treat her, but she grew worse under their treatment. Then I bought the Cuticura Soap, Cuticura Ointment and Cuticura Resolvent, and only used them two weeks when she was entirely well. This was in February. She has never had another rough place on her skin, and she is now four years old and used only a little of the bottle of Cuticura Resolvent and less than a box of Cuticura Ointment. Mrs. R. R. Whitaker, Winchester, Tenn., Sept. 22, 1908."

**WOMEN**

Everywhere Use Cuticura Soap and Cuticura Ointment  
For preserving, purifying and beautifying the skin, for cleansing the scalp of crusts, dandruff, itching humors, and for removing dry, thin and falling hair, for softening, whitening and soothing red, rough and sore hands, for soothing irritations and alleviating weaknesses, and for many sensitive, anti-septic purposes as well as for all the uses of the toilet, bath and nursery. Guaranteed absolutely pure and may be used from the hour of birth.

Complete External and Internal Treatment for Every Kind of Itching, Burning and Aching of Cutaneous Origin. It is the only Cuticura Ointment, or Cuticura Soap, that is made in the United States. It is the only Cuticura Ointment, or Cuticura Soap, that is made in the United States. It is the only Cuticura Ointment, or Cuticura Soap, that is made in the United States.

**Y. M. C. A. POW WOW SUCCESS**

T. F. Sturges Addresses Members Present at Rally to Lay Plans for Anniversary of Association.

The "pow-wow" or membership rally held last night at the Young Men's Christian association was well attended and much enthusiasm and interest in the object of the meeting was manifested. There was music, vocal and instrumental and stereopticon views were shown in addition to the speaking. T. F. Sturges of the Twentieth Century Farmer made a rousing talk in behalf of increasing the membership of the association and there were several members of informal remarks.

January 31 is the forty-first anniversary of the establishment of the association in Omaha, and the object of the gathering last night was to lay plans for celebrating the ensuing two months in an effort to add 1,000 members to the association. The present membership is 2,615.

**REPUBLICAN CLUB TO ELECT**

Executive Committee of Central Will Be Chosen at Meeting Held January 28.  
Members of the executive committee of the Central Republican club will be elected Thursday evening, January 28. This was decided upon at a meeting of the club last evening. The executive committee will be composed of the officers and the five others to be elected. Proxies will not be allowed at the election, it being the expressed wish of those present last evening to elect the strongest men possible to the positions and it was thought the use of proxies might work against this.

With the election of an executive committee the preliminary work of the spring campaign will be begun. Several applications for membership in the club were received last night and accepted.

**Closet-Peabody Open in Kansas City.**  
KANSAS CITY, Jan. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Closet, Peabody & Co., manufacturers of collars and shirts, Troy, N. Y., have established at Kansas City a salesroom and warehouse for the accommodation of their southwestern trade. The new office will cover the Omaha territory.

**HIGHEST IN HONORS**  
**Baker's Cocoa AND CHOCOLATE**  
50 HIGHEST AWARDS IN EUROPE AND AMERICA

A Cocoa of inferior quality or artificially flavored soon ceases to be palatable; but the genuine BAKER'S COCOA never loses its relish by constant use. It is a perfect food, preserves health, prolongs life.

**WALTER BAKER & CO., LTD.**  
Established 1780 DORCHESTER, MASS.

**Nebraska Clothing Co.**  
FARNAM & 15TH

Men's 50c Underwear for 29c  
Men's Shirts at Cut Prices. \$2.00 Shirts at \$1.25  
Sealskin Caps at 25% off  
Men's and Boys' Heavy Caps  
Children's Stocking Caps 19c

Men's Combination Suits Worth \$1.25, Saturday 69c  
Men's Stockinette Top Shirts Saturday, 45c  
Any Neckwear Except Blacks Saturday, 25c  
Men's 25c Wool Mitts Saturday, 9c  
15c Wool Hose, 8 1/2c

**Shaw-knit Sox, 12 1/2c**

**NEWS OF THE ARMY CIRCLE**  
General Court-Martial Ordered to Convene at Des Moines Today—Leave Granted Lieut. Gordon.

**MISS RAINES GETS RINGS**  
Establishes Claim to Diamonds and Judge Leslie Awards Them to Her.

**Back from the East.**  
Mr. Robert Shulman, the popular manager of the Omaha branch of the Goodyear Raincoat company, has just returned from a trip to the Goodyear headquarters, located at New York, where he went for the purpose of making his selections of spring styles of men's and women's cravettes, raincoats and silk waterproof coats, such styles as are best suited for this town and calculated to meet with the approval of the most discriminating buyers.

**Magic City Gossip.**  
Best rubber goods—said here. Cressey, Herman Kueger, Twenty-seventh and J streets, is reported ill.  
If you are sick or don't feel well, see the Osteopath, Hanson block.  
Mr. Digh is building a cottage home at Thirty-second and U streets.  
Jetter's Cold Beer delivered to any part of the city. Telephone No. 8.  
Mrs. J. C. Cook, Twentieth and Washington streets, is reported seriously ill.  
COAL! Try Howland's celebrated Silver Creek. Office 438 N. 24th St. Tel. South 7.  
A children's home has been organized by Rev. Mr. Williams for the saving of negro children.  
Boy Shoes—Sold, extra good value, all sizes, at 47 1/2c pair.  
Rev. and Mrs. F. T. Ray left last night for Sanberry, Mo., for a short visit with Mrs. Ray's brother.  
Patrick Brennan is visiting his son, Michael Brennan, as he is on his way home from Indiana to O'Neill, Neb.  
Dr. John De Fox, Osteopath, graduate of the American School of Osteopathy, Hastings, Neb., next to postoffice.  
The infant son of E. Jackson, 272 D street, died yesterday morning. The body was sent to Denison, Ia., for burial.  
Ed Trapp has the contract for moving five cottages at Eleventh and Missouri avenues to Seventeenth and Missouri avenues.  
Mrs. Pete Lavelle has applied for a divorce on grounds of cruelty and nonsupport. She claims the custody of her four children.

**MAN DEAD? IT MATTERS NOT**  
Whether Albert N. Wisler is Alive or no Ultimate Importance in Insurance Suit.

**Quality" patent and kid shoes at \$2.00 a pair. These are \$3.00, \$3.50 and \$4.00 goods. Cressey, The Showman.**  
The South Omaha High school basketball team and the Senior Young Men's Christian association team will meet in a matched game this evening at the gymnasium for the benefit of the Letter Memorial church.  
The home of Dan Andrews, Thirty-ninth and Q, was burned early Thursday morning from too hot a fire in the stove. The loss was almost complete. The family escaped in their night clothing. The property was insured for \$750. The fire made the department a long, hard run.

**Heals S.S.S. OLD SORES**  
Before any sore can heal, the cause which produces it must be removed. As long as the blood, from which our systems receive their necessary nourishment and strength, remains impure and contaminated with disease germs, any old sore on the body will remain open, and resist every effort made to heal it. The nerves and tissues of the flesh around the places are continually fed with unhealthy matter and nature is simply disposing of the poison by draining it from the system through the sore. The only cure for an old sore is a thorough cleansing of the blood, entirely ridding the system of the cause. S. S. S. heals old sores by removing every particle of impurity from the circulation. It goes down to the very bottom of the trouble and so completely cleanses the circulation that there is no longer any impurity to drain through the sore, but the place is once more nourished with rich, healthy blood. S. S. S. heals the sore from the bottom, the place soon fills in with healthy, firm flesh, the tenderness leaves, all discharge ceases, the skin regains its natural color and when S. S. S. has thoroughly cleansed and purified the blood the place is permanently healed. Book on Sores and Ulcers and any medical advice free to all who write.

**S.S.S. HEALS S.S.S. OLD SORES**  
THE SWIFT SPECIFIC CO., ATLANTA, GA.