

# "Half Yearly" Clearance Sale

Overtops Any Similar Selling of Wearables



Overtops Even the Inclement Cold Weather

An unprecedented disposal of wearables needed by "small women", misses, girls and infants; an irresistible event on

## Young Men's and Boys' Suits and O'coats

Young Men's Garments Go As Follows:

- Suits and Overcoats, were \$15, are selling at **\$10.00**
- Suits and Overcoats, were \$18, are selling at **\$12.00**
- Suits and Overcoats, were \$20, are selling at **\$13.34**
- Suits and Overcoats, were \$22.50, are selling at **\$15.00**
- Suits and Overcoats, were \$25, are selling at **\$16.67**
- Suits and Overcoats, were \$27.50, are selling at **\$18.34**

# 33 1/3% OFF

Buy Boys' Garments at These Reductions:

- Suits and Overcoats, were \$5.00, now going at **\$3.34**
- Suits and Overcoats, were \$6.50, now going at **\$4.34**
- Suits and Overcoats, were \$7.50, now going at **\$5.00**
- Suits and Overcoats, were \$8.50, now going at **\$5.67**
- Suits and Overcoats, were \$10.00, now going at **\$6.67**
- Suits and Overcoats, were \$12.50, now going at **\$8.34**
- Suits and Overcoats, were \$13.50, now going at **\$9.00**
- Suits and Overcoats, were \$15.00, now going at **\$10.00**

33 1-3% Off on All Girls' Coats and Dresses.

See the Following List:

- 45 Garments, now \$23.34, selling at **\$15.56**
- 37 Garments, now \$13.24, selling at **\$8.83**
- 75 Garments, now \$5.00, selling at **\$3.34**
- 18 Garments, now \$2.97, selling at **\$1.98**
- 110 Garments, now \$6.67, selling at **\$4.34**

33 1-3% Off All Small Women's Coats and Dresses, As Shown Here

- 118 Garments, at \$12.00, selling at **\$8.00**
- 23 Garments, at \$10.00, selling at **\$6.67**
- 222 Garments, at \$15.00, selling at **\$10.00**
- 225 Garments, at \$10.00, selling at **\$6.67**

Small Women's Suits 1-3 Off

- Any \$20 Suit, now \$13.34
- Any \$22.50 Suit, now \$15.00
- Any \$25.00 Suit, now \$16.67

All Girls' Fur Sets 1-3 Off

20% Discount on

INFANTS' WEAR, such as dresses, coats, bonnets, gowns, etc., 20% off.  
 GIRLS' FURNISHINGS, such as all underwear, sweaters, hosiery, gloves, mufflers and a thousand and one other items.

20% Off On These:

BOYS' FURNISHINGS, such as underwear, shirts, sweaters, hosiery, bath robes, etc.  
 YOUNG MEN'S FURNISHINGS, such as hats, shirts, sweaters, neckwear, underwear, hosiery, smoking jackets, lounging robes and the like.

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## Stock Yards Want to Raise Rates

### Railway Commission Asked by Company to Permit Increase in Charges for Switching.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)  
 LINCOLN, Jan. 5.—(Special.)—The Union Stock Yards company of South Omaha has applied to the State Railway Commission for an order to increase its rates charged for services rendered the railroads doing business within its yards.

In its petition the company sets out that it desires to change its schedule to include the following charges:  
 For live stock received from or delivered to connecting lines, per car, \$1, an increase from 75 cents.  
 For cars loaded with cinders or rubbish and cars loaded for Omaha proper, \$1, an increase from 75 cents.  
 For grain and other commodities from connecting lines, delivered to the Updike elevator, \$2 per car; for commodities other than grain delivered from the Updike elevator to other connecting lines, \$2 per car. For the first service there is now no charge made. Charge for second service is now \$1.  
 If cars empty cars being ordered and placed for loading and afterwards not used, no returned empty, \$2 per car; charge now, nothing.

On locomotives and passenger equipment delivered direct from one connecting line to another connecting line or received from or delivered to a connecting line, \$2 per car. The complaint sets out that it has thirty-four miles of track in its yards which run to the various packing houses and to the Updike grain elevator.  
 The complaint was filed this afternoon by Senator Frank Ransom, attorney for the company and it was signed by Everett Buckingham, general manager.

Trains against the following railroads: Union Pacific, Northwestern, Burlington, Missouri Pacific, Rock Island, Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha, Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, Wabash, Chicago & Great Western, Omaha Bridge & Terminal company, Illinois Central and Fremont, Elkhorn Missouri Valley.

## CUSTOMS COURT APPOINTED

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Hop: Alexander W. Wendell of Virginia at Zanibar, Zanibar; John Q. Wood of Hawaii at Venice, Italy; George Horton of Illinois at Saloniki, Turkey.  
 Treasury:  
 To be collector of customs for District of Duluth, Minn.: Levi M. Willcuts.  
 Interior:  
 To be registers of land offices: George W. Fisher at Topeka, Kan.; Thomas H. Bartlett at Lewiston, Idaho; Charles DeMoley at Vernal, Utah; Clyde B. Walker of Idaho at Juneau, Alaska.  
 To be receiver of public moneys at Vernal, Utah: Don B. Colton of Utah.  
 Commerce and labor:  
 To be supervisor of census for Fourth district of Missouri: Frank A. Moore.  
 To be supervisor of census for Twenty-third district of Pennsylvania: George W. Gerwig.

To be United States attorney for the Northern district of West Virginia: H. Roy Waugh.  
 To be United States attorney for district of Rhode Island: Charles A. Wilson.  
 To be United States marshals: James E. Fisher for the northern district of West Virginia; Frank H. Tyree for the southern district of West Virginia.

Postmasters:  
 Alabama: Prelate D. Baker, Mobile; James B. Washington, Tuskegee institute. Tennessee: William S. Easton, Chattanooga; Andrew W. Willis, Nashville, Virginia; John H. Kimberly, Fort Monroe, Vermont; Collins M. Graves, Bennington, New York; John McNally, Ossining; Mary R. Newland, West Point, California; Angus J. Dryman, Redding, Montana; Orson B. Prickett, Billings, Ohio; Judson N. Stone, Oberlin.

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## FREIGHT TRAFFIC ABANDONED

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Topeka, Wichita and in other Kansas cities was still weak today and much suffering resulted.  
 The mercury reached the lowest mark of the season at Topeka this morning, registering 3 degrees below zero. At Kansas City it was zero, Wichita reported 5 degrees above, Oklahoma City 14 above and Ardmore, in southern Oklahoma, 22 above zero. This is unusually cold weather for Oklahoma, and vegetation there has been frozen.

Trains Late to Chicago.  
 CHICAGO, Jan. 5.—Delay to steam and elevated railway trains today followed the stinging blast of last night. A light rain, which froze as fast as it fell, this morning made walking difficult and impeded traffic.

Trains from the west were from one to twenty hours late. The Overland Limited on the Chicago & Northwestern railroad was twenty hours late.  
 MILWAUKEE, Jan. 5.—The storm which prevailed throughout the night abated early today, followed by considerably lower temperature. Considerable damage to telegraph and telephone wires is reported.

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## Pains in the BACK

which streak up between the shoulders or through the loins and down the limbs. Very commonly these pains are associated with a "drawing" sensation at the back of the neck.

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from the north were reported nine hours late.  
 Another Storm Developing.  
 WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—Upper Michigan this morning was the center of the heavy snowstorm which developed yesterday over the plains states. It has gained marked intensity and is attended by high winds and heavy snow. Another storm is developing over the western portion of the Gulf of Mexico. A sharp fall of temperature is reported from the southern plains states and extreme southwest.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 5.—Pennsylvania today is in the grip of the coldest weather of the winter. The temperature was 9 degrees above zero at 7 a. m., the lowest of the present season, and equalling the coldest day of last winter. Zero weather is reported from the mountain districts of the state.

MERCURY IS FICKLE IN OMAHA

Slides Down Ten Below, Then Jumps a Few Notches Upward.  
 After registering the lowest temperature of the winter in Omaha—10 degrees below zero—at 8 o'clock Wednesday morning, the mercury took an upward turn and advanced until about 4 o'clock in the afternoon, when it registered 4 degrees above. During the night there was a gradual decline. Between the hours of 8 and 9 o'clock Wednesday morning Omaha experienced its coldest weather of the winter, the previous low record for the season being 9 degrees below, December 23.

At the weather bureau Wednesday night it was said the indications were for a continuation of the same conditions during the ensuing twenty-four hours, with no storms in sight.  
 Although the storm had spent its force Tuesday evening, schedules on all of the railroads centering in Omaha are still disorganized. At the Union station last evening all incoming trains were from one to eight hours late, and in several instances even later. There has not been an incoming train on time since Sunday, save a few local trains. All of the through or limited trains are running hours behind their schedules.

Street Car Service Improved.  
 The street railway company experienced no further delay yesterday and its cars were operated close to schedule time. Throughout the entire day crews of men were at work removing the snow from the right-of-way, and by last evening the effects of the storm were only slightly noticeable.

Strange as it may seem, the coldest place reported on the weather map was Flagstaff, Ariz., where a temperature of 22 degrees below zero was reported Tuesday evening and 20 below Wednesday morning. The coldest record in the Missouri valley region was 16 below at Beatrice, 12 below at Sioux City, 10 below at Omaha and North Platte, 8 below at Duluth, 6 below at St. Paul and Des Moines, and zero at Kansas City.  
 Clear weather is reported in the west with snow flurries up the valley, with a prospect of rising temperature in this vicinity Thursday.

## The Weather.

FOR NEBRASKA—Fair, with rising temperature.  
 FOR IOWA—Fair, not so cold.  
 Temperature at Omaha yesterday:

Hour	Deg.
5 A. M.	-10
6 A. M.	-10
7 A. M.	-10
8 A. M.	-10
9 A. M.	-10
10 A. M.	-10
11 A. M.	-10
12 M.	-10
1 P. M.	-10
2 P. M.	-10
3 P. M.	-10
4 P. M.	-10
5 P. M.	-10
6 P. M.	-10
7 P. M.	-10
8 P. M.	-10
9 P. M.	-10

MOVEMENTS OF OCEAN STEAMSHIPS.  
 Arrived. Sailed.  
 NEW YORK.....Twin Cities.....Erie.....  
 LONDON.....Lake Michigan.....Kaiser Wilhelm I  
 BOSTON.....Louisiana.....Sylvania.  
 BREMEN.....P. J. Wilstein.

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 1,500 Seats at 50c. Best Seats \$2.00

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 Best Sale Now on at the Auditorium.  
 900 Ring-side Seats, at \$2.00  
 All Other Arena Seats, at \$1.50  
 Balcony reserved seats, from 75c to \$1.50.

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TOMORROW NIGHT  
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 SUNDAY MATINEE—NIGHT  
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 Sir Gilbert Parker's Story  
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 Ladies' dress matinee daily at 2:15.  
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His acts are misconstrued and his motives questioned. Insinuation and innuendoes are freely made under the guise of the public welfare, but in reality to foster some private interest. Popular views are taken advantage of to discredit an official, who, after investigating all phases of a subject, may reach a decision at variance with some private interest.

"Many do not stop to think how seldom have government officials gone astray compared with their opportunities and temptations for wrong doing. In the history of our national life few of the men in high positions have been actuated by other than the highest and most patriotic motives. This should cause our people to hesitate to accept charges of base conduct against their public servants without investigation and proof."

### Lauds Ballinger's Acts.

"The press and magazines of the country for several months have been filled with charges against the present secretary of the interior and his conduct of the office he holds. These charges range from petty insinuations and innuendoes to direct charges of malfeasance and misconduct in office, which, if true, showed that he was unworthily discharged his trust. A moment's thought should cause an honest and fair-minded man to hesitate to accept such charges against a man whose whole life heretofore has been one of the highest rectitude and against whom no dishonorable charge has ever been made in either private or public life."

"Such a man is the present secretary of the interior. He is over 50 years of age, an honored graduate of Williams college and a lawyer of distinction. He came to our state in 1889 and has lived there ever since. He was a superior judge for four years and mayor of the city of Seattle, Wash., and his administration of that office has been a model for his successors. He accepted the office of commissioner of the general land office at the urgent solicitation of the high office to advance special interests. If he has sacrificed the people for private or personal gain, let it be shown. If, on the other hand, the people have been deceived and he has been unjustly accused, that should be shown, not only that justice may be done, but that the confidence of the public in the honesty and integrity of its public servants may be restored and strengthened and the animus of the attacks disclosed."

### Difference Only in Methods.

"Much has been said regarding his views on the conservation of our natural resources. This I shall not discuss at this time. I believe that it will be shown that his purposes and objects are substantially the same as those of the most radical conservationist, and the main difference is but one of methods. Assuredly there is room for an honest difference of opinion as to how our great natural resources can best be conserved. I may agree with some of the views of those who criticize the policies, the methods and proposals of the secretary, but that he is honest and patriotic in his views I have no slightest doubt. One thing is sure, we have had several years of talk about conservation, we have had platitudes piled upon platitudes in the most dramatic way, but no specific or detailed plans for conservation have been prepared and no plan submitted to the careful scrutiny of the people and of congress legislation that he considers necessary to effect the objects so much desired by all. He recommends the repeal of the timber and stone laws and the disposal of the timber separate from the soil. He recommends that coal deposits be separated from the title to

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the surface and that the coal be disposed of separate from the land by sale or lease. He recommends legislation to prevent the acquisition of power sites on the public domain by private persons or corporations with the view of monopolizing and controlling them against public interest. He has withdrawn all locations known to possess power possibilities on unappropriated lands outside of national forests over which his department has no jurisdiction and he recommends that congress pass a measure authorizing the classification of lands capable of being used for water power development and to permit their disposal through the interior department upon substantially the following conditions:

### Purpose of Investigation.

Mr. Jones then gave a synopsis of seven of the most important recommendations made by Mr. Ballinger, and continuing his remarks, said:

"Conscious of the purity of his motives and the rectitude of his intentions the secretary of the interior welcomes this investigation. I have presented the resolution calling for this investigation, not in his behalf or in antagonism to any other official of the government, but in the interests of good administration and in order that the people may know the facts of this deplorable controversy and for the judgment thereon of an impartial body."

"This resolution has been drawn direct from the view of monopolizing and more rigid, and a more thorough investigation secured, it should be done and will be welcomed by the secretary. He wants no whitewash; he wants no partial investigation, he wants it rigid, thorough, complete and conducted without fear or favor."

### Humphrey Speaks in House.

In presenting the resolution in the house, Representative Humphrey declared the time had come when the country demanded investigation of the whole matter underlying the so-called Pinchot-Ballinger controversy.

"Secretary Ballinger has demanded an investigation and has insisted that it shall be thorough and wide enough to include everything connected with him and his department," said Mr. Humphrey, who added:

"The country demands this investigation. Let us have light. As I have known Secretary Ballinger for many years, so I have known Mr. Pinchot for several years. I have been a friend of both and am today

"I believe in their public lives both have tried honestly to serve the public. If the facts demonstrate that either or both have been guilty of any act deserving it, let them be promptly removed from the public service. If there is nothing in these charges, then let us have an investigation that will make the truth so plain that it forever will close the lips of slander."

### CUMMINS WILL PROFIT ON LECTURE PLATFORM

Iowa Senator Said to Be Slated for Highest Price of Any Western Man.

DES MOINES, Ia., Jan. 5.—(Special Telegram.)—It was announced here today by a local chautauqua booking association that both Senators Cummins and Dooliver will be on the chautauqua platform for a large part of next season, especially after the 1st of July. It is said Senator Cummins is to receive a higher price per lecture than any western man.

The report of the collector of customs at this port shows that Iowa people paid duties in Des Moines on imported goods to the amount of \$23,000 last year. It was paid largely upon fine hosiery, laces and millinery goods.

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