

**CLARENCE LOSES HIS RED TIE**

Nixies Department at Postoffice is Running Over.

**MANY WILL MISS THEIR GIFTS**

Inefficient Addresses Will Cause Many to Fall Short of at Least One Christmas Remembrance.

E. N. Bowles, who has been placed in charge of the "nixies" department of the Omaha postoffice, has in his possession a number of packages mailed in Omaha but unaddressed and without return addresses. Some of the packages contain articles of considerable value and special efforts are being made to locate the owner or sender of these, although the officials have very little data to aid them in their search.

"If the postal department could only impress upon the minds of some people that it is just as important to write an address on mail matter as it is to drop it into the postoffice, then a lot of trouble all around could be saved," said Mr. Bowles.

One of the packages Mr. Bowles is troubled about is a valuable leather pocketbook, mailed without an address and the only mark of identification is a card bearing the words "Merry Christmas from Emma." Another package, wrapped with colored ribbon and wrapped in scented paper, but unaddressed, contains a valuable ladies' hat, with two large willow plumes. It is a large package, yet it weighs but little and could be delivered if it was addressed. It is from "Frankie to darling."

**Devolves on Parents to Chaperone Girls**

Superintendent E. U. Graff believes the school authorities would be usurping the prerogative of the parent requesting that school girls be chaperoned when on the street at night. "The good officers of the school officials," he said, "are used to improve social conditions as much as possible, but we would meet with opposition from parents if we should attempt to demand that girls be chaperoned always when out at night. We want to co-operate with the home, but it seems to me that the responsibility for the children rests with the parent solely after school hours." While not disagreeing with the demand that has been made by some civic organizations for a better system of chaperonage, he disclaims the right of school officials to interfere with parental control.

**Oyster Adulterators In for Regulation**

Dr. E. W. Connell has declared relentless war on adulterators of the oyster. "I have instructed the meat inspectors," said Dr. Connell, "to see that no liquid is added to oysters. They are now packed solid and customers should see that they are so solid. If the meat inspectors find them with cold water standing over them they will be at once condemned. To add water to oysters not only adulterates them, but also renders them less palatable." Dr. Connell said that in his purchases he had found the practice of watering oysters common with several merchants.

**J. P. ENGLISH WILL NOT PROSECUTE DR. UPJOHN**

Dr. William C. Upjohn, who was blamed for the death of Mrs. Besse Sawyer by a coroner's jury on the strength of statements by Mrs. Sawyer's husband and sister regarding an alleged operation, will not be prosecuted by County Attorney English's office.

A transcript of the testimony before the coroner's jury is being prepared for the county attorney's office, but a half day's investigation by Deputy County Attorney Magney has convinced him that it would be impossible to secure conviction. Without the testimony of Mrs. Sawyer's husband and sister regarding her statements made to them before her death the state could not hope to convict, and this testimony under the rules of evidence would have to be excluded as hearsay by the court.

**SUPERINTENDENT GRAFF SENDS CHRISTMAS GREETINGS**

The season's greetings to school teachers, city officials and numerous friends have been mailed from the Board of Education by Superintendent E. U. Graff. As the most adequate expression of the Yuletide spirit Superintendent Graff has selected a quotation from Ralph Waldo Emerson:

Let me go where'er I will,  
I hear a sky-born music still;  
It sounds from all things old,  
From all that's young,  
From all that's fair, from all that's foul,  
Peals out a cheerful song.  
It is not only in the rose,  
It is not only in the bird,  
Not only where the rainbow glows,  
Nor in the song of woman heard,  
But in the darkest, meanest things,  
There always, always something sings.

**PARK BOARD WILL MEET TWO TIMES NEXT WEEK**

The Board of Park Commissioners will hold a meeting on the afternoon of December 27 at 3:15 o'clock to dispose of routine matters. Home Miller, president of the board, is not expected to attend, as he is now in the east. R. J. Curdish will not attend the meeting on December 27, but another meeting will be held December 29, at which he will be present. All interested in the work of the Park board are invited to the meeting on December 27.

**Desperate Shooting**  
Pain in the chest require quick treatment. Take Dr. King's New Discovery for safe and sure relief. 50c. \$1.00. For sale by Beaton Drug Co.

**A Delicious Beverage.**  
Have you tried STORZ OLD SAXON BEER? If not you are missing a treat. It is a typical "old world" brew, full bodied and of exquisite flavor. Order a case today. Phone Chas. Storz, Web. 1290, Ind. 3-1241.

Key to the Situation—See Advertising.

**High School Lads and Lassies Enjoy Christmas Fete Day**

The last day of school for the year of 1911 at the Omaha High school was observed with all due Christmas eclat in both the morning and afternoon classes yesterday and teachers threw all ideas of lessons to the winds and allowed their students to indulge in everything from "fudge parties" to impromptu anecdote talks in which everyone present took part.

One room resembled a Christmas bazaar for about ten minutes while the girls opened several mysterious boxes and passed them around. Many of the teachers who did not believe in so strenuous an observance as "fudge parties," filled the bill by reciting everything from Shakespeare to James Whitcomb Riley to their students.

The boys in the domestic science department decorated a Christmas tree and held a lengthy feast of Christmas candies and cookies, all of their own making. The girls have been all week making up "dainty" boxes for the youngsters at the Creche mission under the direction of Miss Neva Turner, the domestic science instructor. Each little tot at the mission will be surprised to find a box of pure school-made candy in his stocking on Christmas morning.

**Miss M'Hugh Extends Greetings to Pupils**

Principal McHugh of the Omaha High school has issued a Christmas letter to the teachers and students of the school, expressing her thanks for their co-operation, which has aided in making this year such a successful one, and extending her Christmas and New Year's greetings to all. She commends the boys of the school especially on account of their swearing off from the smoking habit. Following is her letter:

**To Both Teachers and Pupils:**  
"Now that we are parting for the holiday vacation, I wish both teachers and pupils a very merry Christmas. In looking over this year's work I feel that we have achieved a large measure of success. We have all joined in trying to increase the spirit of self-control until I am sure that the time is not far distant when the "polite" idea shall be unknown among us.

"We have all learned that the honor of the school is safe in the hands of the pupils. The recent action of the boys in taking care of the use of tobacco near the school, and the action of a club of boys who voluntarily pledged themselves to not use tobacco in any form for a year, show this. The lessening number of cases of discipline in the office show also the increasing spirit of order.

"This result has been brought about by the loyal working together of pupils and teachers with the office force. Enough has been done to make us feel that we have earned our vacation. I hope one and all will lay aside all thought of school work and get as much rest and joy out of the holiday season as possible.

**Dahlman Closeted With Official Pen**

Mayor Dahlman is locked in his office threatened with writer's cramp. He is signing the waterworks bonds at the rate of three in a minute. They are delivered to him in bunches of 200. There are 8,250 to sign and the mayor has computed the labor he will have performed when all are signed. There are thirteen letters in his name and, not counting punctuation, he will have written 107,250 letters when his signature has been attached to all the bonds. Milton Barlow, chairman of the Water board, attaches his signature to the first line and beneath it is the mayor's autograph. Comptroller Fred Cosgrove endorses the bonds on the last line. Above these three signatures City Clerk Dan Butler places the official seal of the city. Probably \$7,000,000 of the bonds will be floated in the first issue to cover the original cost of the plant and contemplated improvements and extensions.

**Local Iron Foundry Gets Big Contract**

To the Paxton & Vierling Iron Works of Omaha the Union Pacific Railroad company has awarded one of its largest foundry contracts for next year. In the past the Union Pacific has had most of the wheels for its freight cars and the heavy work for the engines made in Chicago. During next year this work will be done in Omaha and at the foundry of the Paxton & Vierling people. As a result of the new contract the foundry people will increase its working force by adding something like sixty men. The work will be turned out from time to time, as needed, the delivery covering all of next year.

**LILLIAN BROWN TAKES SOME CARBOLIC ACID**

Lillian Brown, a domestic living at 842 South Twenty-third street, swallowed carbolic acid at Fourteenth and Douglas streets at 8 o'clock yesterday morning, and she is now in a dying condition at St. Joseph's hospital. The woman swallowed the acid while walking along the street, and F. O. Bradshaw, who lives at the Chatham hotel, witnessed the act as he was passing. He tried to prevent her from swallowing the drug, but she eluded him.

The Brown woman has been sick for the last few months and it is said dependency caused her to take the deadly poison. She told the physicians at the hospital that when she started from her home yesterday morning she did not intend to kill herself until she got back there, but she was taken suddenly ill and wanted to end it all.

**BUILDERS' EXCHANGE TO ELECT ON JANUARY SECOND**

The Omaha Builders' exchange will hold its annual meeting and election of officers on January 2 from 11 to 5 o'clock in the exchange rooms in the Barker block. The annual dinner will be held at 6 o'clock, after which the builders will go to the Orpheum, where 150 seats have been reserved.

**The last opportunity and the best opportunity Economical gifts of furniture---the durable, practical and useful kind of gifts**

**HUNDREDS** have not bought their gifts yet; their last opportunity is Saturday. For these hundreds we offer the greatest and most economical furniture gifts that we have yet presented. In addition to a wealth of odd-bit pieces, we have made unusual prices on seven articles for Saturday only. These are called *extraordinary Christmas bargains*. We also show the most complete line of other durable Christmas gifts. Furniture is the lasting, useful kind of gift, and we show a wonderfully excellent group of desks, beds, work tables, smokers' stands, muffin stands, tea trays, tea tables, foot rests, Morris chairs, sideboards, dining tables, candlesticks, pedestals, costumers and occasional tables. They are all *economically priced* for the last shopping day before Christmas. Most of them have January sale prices. If you are among the hundreds that have not bought your Christmas presents, visit this store Saturday and you will get the most pleasing and worthy gifts at inexpensive prices.

**\$5.50 FUMED OAK MAGAZINE STAND—\$3.75**

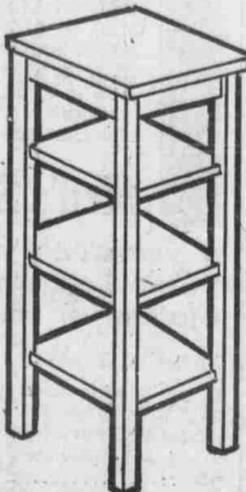
(Like Illustration.)  
This article is built of selected oak and is so substantial that first impression gives true insight into its many excellent qualities. There are three thick shelves. It is tightly put together, and will not become rickety within a few months, but will endure for years. For Saturday only it is priced at \$3.75.

**\$5.50 TABLE COVERS—\$2.25**

These Table Covers are of Silk Velour, Damask, figured Silks and Tapestries of all colors and designs. They are 24 inches wide and one and a half yards long, and are worth as high as \$5.50. The Saturday price is \$2.25.

**TABLE RUNNERS—\$2.50**

A large collection of Table Runners, in Oriental designs, which are 20 inches wide and from one and a half to two and a half yards long, are included in the Saturday special offering at one price of \$2.50.



**\$2.25 HASSOCK—\$1.25**

These hassocks are made of genuine Spanish leather; and are bargains at the Christmas offer price of \$1.25.

**\$1.00 COCOA DOOR MATS—65 CENTS.**

These are handy, useful little articles of exquisite quality. Size, 16x27 inches. The one-day price is 65 cents.

**\$1.00 TAPESTRY PANELS—65 CENTS**

Made with beautiful scenic views and Gainsborough heads, these panels are the greatest value in the city for 65 cents. The size is 12½x17 inches.

**\$4.00 IMPORTED TABLE COVERS—\$3.00**

Beautiful colored designs characterize these covers, which are done in metal tapestry. They are 16x27 inches, and are worth up to \$4.00.

**Gifts of sentiment, service and durability**



**\$44.00 Martha Washington Sewing Table—Solid, selected mahogany; beautiful inlay; roomy compartments for sewing materials, excellent model ..... \$35.00**



**\$35.00 Colonial Desk—Mahogany, oak or cirsassian walnut; height, 44 inches; solid heavy writing bed, 29x35 inches; strong, modest lines; beautifully built, \$25**

**\$20.00 Mahogany Dressing Table—Beveled French plate glass mirror, 16x20 inches; size of top, 20x30 inches; uncommonly rich design ..... \$14.00**

**\$17.50 Bridge Whist Set—Solid mahogany, with handsome inlay; furnished with playing and score cards; size, 12x14 inches ..... \$14.00**

**\$10.00 Book Blocks—Solid, choice mahogany; beautiful inlay; exquisite model ..... \$7.50**

**\$8.00 Silk Lamp Shade—Imported from France; finest quality; gold fringe; attractive and dainty ..... \$6.00**

**\$75.00 Italian Marble Figure—"Music," lines are dainty and graceful ..... \$50.00**

**\$34.00 Old English Clock—fumed oak, quaint design, accurate ..... \$20.00**

**\$33.00 Accommodation Table, Solid mahogany, for books, writing, magazines, etc. .... \$23.00**

**\$47.50 Italian Marble Figure—"Iris," imported from Florence, handsome ..... \$32.00**

**\$15.00 Italian Bust—Pure Italian marble, finely and truly carved, unusual design ..... \$10.00**

**\$75.00 Italian Bust—"The American Girl," finely carved by master hand ..... \$50.00**

**Solid Mahogany Tea Tables—Beautiful patterns. \$20.00**

**Ladies' Desk Chair—Oak and mahogany ..... \$3.75 and up**

**\$13.00 Oak Hall Chair—Very pretty model ..... \$8.00**

**Colonial Mahogany Mirrors—French plate glass, \$13.00 and up**

**Costumers—Fashioned in oak and mahogany ..... \$2.00 and up**

**Tabourettes—Fumed and golden oak, strong ..... \$2.25**

**Oak Drop-leaf Table—Size 36 inches ..... \$8.00**

**Magazine Stand—Solid oak; strong ..... \$3.50**

**Umbrella Stands—Oak and mahogany, zinc drip ..... \$3.50**

**Mahogany Sewing Tables—Made in the best woods, handsome designs ..... \$13.00 and up**

**Oak Drop Leaf Table—Size 36 inches ..... \$8.00**

**Mahogany Stands—Made to endure; attractive ..... \$3.00 and up**

**Cellarettes—Oak and mahogany; some with special attachment features. \$15.00 and up**

**Smoker Sets—Very select 50c and up**

**\$5.50 Ladies' Desk Chair—Imitation mahogany ..... \$4.00**

**Sectional Book Cases—Macey and Gunn design; oak and mahogany ..... \$12.00 and up**

**Smokers' Cabinets—Oak and mahogany; strong and durable ..... \$3.50 and up**

**Pedestals—Oak and mahogany ..... \$2.50 and up**

**\$16.50 Mahogany Settee—Upholstered in denim; strongly made ..... \$12.00**

**Telephone Stand and Chair—Solid oak; strong built ..... \$5.50**

**\$25.00 Tilting Top Table—Solid mahogany, an unusually fine specimen ..... \$20.00**

**Ladies' Writing Desks—Birch, mahogany and oak. \$12.00**

**\$200 Mahogany Hall Clock—Beautifully figured wood; beveled French plate glass door; 92 inches high; accurate; handsome design and wonderful value, at ..... \$140.00**

**\$35.00 Colonial Electric Torches—Solid mahogany; height, 60 inches; very acme of beautiful creations; graceful list of furniture, per pair ..... \$27.50**

**\$55.00 Pineapple Post Twin Beds—Solid mahogany; exquisite design; strongly constructed; graceful lines; all sizes. \$37.50**

**\$25.00 Ladies' Desk—Made of handsome birch; dainty and graceful; height, 36 inches; heavy writing bed, 26x29 in.; selected wood, exquisite workmanship ..... \$20.00**

**\$31.00 Sheraton Nest Tables—Selected mahogany; inlaid lines; created by the best of modern designers; particularly useful table ..... \$25.00**

**\$12.50 Colonial Fern Dish—Solid mahogany; special brass bowl; very pretty model ..... \$10.00**



**\$53.00 Folding Card Table—Solid, choice mahogany; special, roomy compartments for cards, chips, etc., size of top, 49x40 inches. \$45.00**



**\$23.00 Ladies' Desk—Solid mahogany, beautiful inlay; height, 39 inches; writing bed, 25x28 inches. \$18.00**

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