

PAYING PROBE STATE-WIDE

Lincoln Contractors May Make Request of Attorney General.

THOROUGH HEARING IN OMAHA

Tests May Be Made of Some of the Work to See if It Comes Up to the Required Specifications.

It is rumored that Lincoln contractors will request the attorney general of the state to institute a state-wide investigation into the methods of the so-called paving combines, paying particular attention to the brick paving block monopoly.

Exposures of the crooked wood block combine between the Kettle River and Republic companies at Minneapolis, named Omaha and South Omaha as points of operation.

Following the Morrison expose several cities throughout the country started investigations, among them Lincoln. Although no crooked wood block paving had been laid there, it was found that an ironclad monopoly existed on brick paving material.

Favors Thorough Probe.

Councilman Kugel, chairman of the council committee on paving, says that since there is to be an investigation into the letting of paving contracts in Omaha, he favors a thorough probe, including examination into the methods of all contractors who have laid brick, asphalt or crooked wood block.

Charles E. Fanning says none of the pavement he has laid rests on less than a five-inch base, but thinks a few measurements taken at random on some of the streets might prove that other contractors who have been underbidding him and expecting to "make profits on a cheap grade of work" have not conformed to specifications.

This base is built of crushed stone, sand and cement, or iron slugs. Mr. Fanning secured the waste scrap iron from the local foundry and used this on several streets near the foundry, but said it was too expensive to haul to remote districts.

Mr. Bandhauer was active in political circles in Omaha and held several positions of responsibility. He served two terms as a member of the Board of Education and two terms as deputy sheriff and for a brief period as deputy treasurer.

The funeral will be held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Masonic temple. Interment will be made in the Bohemian National cemetery.

All Peddlers Look Alike to Schneider

The C. F. Adams company, Sixteenth and Jones street, is defendant in action brought in police court to compel payment of licenses for peddlers employed by the concern.

NONE SERIOUSLY INJURED IN WRECK NEAR LARAMIE

Advises received at Union Pacific headquarters are to the effect that none of the passengers on Los Angeles Limited No. 7, wrecked near Laramie, Wyo., Wednesday, was seriously injured.

It has not yet been determined just what caused the wreck, but the indications are that it was a broken rail. The engine left the track while the train was running at about thirty-five miles an hour.

You will find that proglutins everywhere speak well of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. They know from long experience in the sale of it that in cases of coughs and colds it can always be depended upon, and that it is pleasant and safe to take.

BRANDEIS STORES Final Remnant Sale of the Year

All the Remnants of Cotton Goods Must Be Sold Before Invoicing. Not a Yard Will Remain. These Friday Prices Will Close Out All Odd Lots in One Day.

All the balance of the 6 1/2c and 7 1/2c Outing Flannels, in light and dark colors, will close out in mill lengths up to 20 yards, at 3 1/2c

One big table of remnants, in fancy and plain colored mercerized waistings and suitings, volles, seriettes, pongees, and other plain novelties of cotton fabrics, worth up to 25c a yard, will be closed out in mill lengths at a yard... 5c

All the balance of the remnants in comfort prints, worth 6 1/2c to 8 1/2c, will close out at 2 1/2c

Thousands of yards of 36-inch bleached muslins, in various grades, at yd... 5c

Full Standard dress percales and dress prints, large assortment of dark patterns, all 8 1/2c, 10c and 12 1/2c values, in mill lengths, at yd... 3 1/2c

All the \$1.00 to \$1.50 fine all wool Suitings, novelty weaves, semi-rough Suitings, at yard 50c, 79c, 95c

Fine Dress Goods Remnants, Serges, fancy Suitings, Broadcloths, Plaids, Checks and Stripes, 38 inches to 54 inches wide, yard 35c

SPECIAL IN BASEMENT CLOTHING DEPARTMENT An Entirely New Lot of Boys' Knickerbocker Suits

Juvenile Suits, in Russian and sailor blouse; also juvenile overcoats, ages 3 to 10 years, in various shades and fabrics—values up to \$4—Friday special 1.98

REMNANTS AND SAMPLE PIECES OF ALL KINDS OF ALLOVER LACES, EACH 25c

Also insertions, jabot laces, etc., 1/2 yard to 2 yards in each piece, on main floor.

French and German Val. Laces and Insertions Point de Paris, Plat Vals, torchons and elunys—narrow Armenian effects, lace edged beadings, etc., 2 1/2c-5c worth up to 10c and 12 1/2c yd., main floor, yd. 2 1/2c-5c

BRANDEIS STORES NEXT SATURDAY

Annual Clearing Sale MEN'S FURNISHINGS and HATS

MOST WONDERFUL SPECIAL BARGAINS IN MEN'S WEAR EVER OFFERED BY ANY STORE.

Men's 20c and 25c Neckwear will go at 5c Men's and Boys' Sweater Coats, worth up to \$1, at 25c Men's Silk Hose, worth up to 50c, for pair 15c Men's Lisle and Wool Hose, worth up to 35c, for 9c

Any Man's Hat in \$1.25 Our Entire Stock, Stetsons excepted 1.00

Any Man's Smoking Jacket or House Coat in Our Entire Stock 1.00

Men's Collars, up to 15c quality, at each, 1c Men's Shirts, worth up to 75c, will go at 29c Men's Shirts, worth up to \$1.50, go at 69c Any Man's Cap, worth up to \$2.00, at 35c

See the Windows See Friday Night's Papers.

Many Cattle Are Starving in Texas

DALHART, Tex., Dec. 28.—With sacks of alkalis tied to their saddles, herds of riding today over cattle ranges saving what cattle they may from starvation by giving them the cakes.

Reports from the range today were that many cattle were being found dead. Weather conditions today continue hopeless.

Slashed with a Razor, wounded with a gun, or pierced by a rusty nail Bucklen's Arnica Salve soon heals the injured part. Guaranteed. For sale by Beaton Drug Co.

DR. FORHAN'S MER-JA DENTIFRICE YOU'LL LIKE IT FOR THE GUMS AND TEETH LARGEST TUBE OF DENTIFRICE ON MARKET 25c

Miller, Stewart & Beaton Co. 413-15-17 South 16th Street. Our greatest annual furniture sale begins at 8 o'clock, Tuesday morning, January 2.

BENNETT'S Our Great Annual Linen Sale Begins Next Tuesday. Watch for Announcement.

BARGAIN FRIDAY

TREMENDOUS BARGAINS IN Plush and Fur Coats

OUR GREAT Pre-Inventory Clearance

is celebrated by a sale of Ladies' Coats that is without a par in Omaha's style circle.

PLUSH COATS—We have just bought 100 new ones at a saving of nearly half the regular cost; these coats are all of splendid quality silk plush, lined throughout with heavy satin, shawl collars, two large silk frogs; we have them in all sizes. Friday, your choice of these beautiful coats \$12.50

FUR COATS—Every Fur Coat in our stock greatly reduced—they must be sold before inventory; we offer you a beautiful selection of Near Seal and Pony Coats—about 50 coats in the lot—at prices reduced nearly one-half: \$100.00 Coats, now \$66.67 \$75.00 Coats, now \$50.00 \$55.00 Coats, now \$36.67

Your unrestricted choice of any Coney Fur Coat, Friday, \$20.00 A great selection of Children's Coats: Caracul, Bearskin, Broadcloth, etc. Your choice for \$2.00 Choice of any Girl's Coat in stock, sizes 6 to 14 years, values to \$12.00, now \$5.00

A Great Clearing Out Sale of Men's and Women's Slippers

We have a nice selection of House Slippers left from the Christmas shopping, which must be closed out without delay. If you failed to find a pair of house slippers among your Christmas presents, here is the opportunity to get a nice, warm pair at almost half their former price:

Men's tan and black, Everett and Opera styles, in all sizes from 6 to 11, values up to \$1.50, Bargain Friday, only 98c All of our Ladies' fur-trimmed felt house slippers, in red, black, brown, blue and green, Friday, your choice 98c

A SWEEPING REDUCTION of Dress Goods

Every remnant of Dress Goods in the store will go on sale Friday at just one-half the former price. An excellent selection of all the newest patterns and fabrics, suitable for Waists, Dresses, Coats, Suits, etc. Every one will be marked

Half Price Wash Goods REMNANTS

A big half-price sale of Wash Goods remnants, including gingham, percales, lawns, batiste, flannelettes, serpentine crepes, etc., as well as all lining remnants. These stocks must be reduced before inventory, hence this great sacrifice. Lengths from one to ten yards, and all at—

Our January Clearance Sale of Furniture, Carpets and Draperies

begins Tuesday, January 2d. This is a golden opportunity as prices will be reduced as never before. Watch papers for descriptions.

Our Groceries Always Lead In Freshness and Purity

Bennett's Best Coffee, and 20 stamps, pound 25c Bennett's Best Coffee, and 60 stamps, 3 pounds for \$1.00 Teas, assorted, with 75 stamps, pound 65c Teas, assorted, and 60 stamps, pound 58c Tea Siftings, with 10 stamps, per pound 15c

Double Stamps on Granulated Sugar. Double Trading Stamps on Butterine.

Cheese, full cream, and 10 stamps, pound 20c B. C. Minocemat, and 10 stamps, 3 packages 25c B. C. Baking Powder, and 100 stamps, 5-lb. can for \$1.00

Gaillard's Olive Oil, and 50 stamps, medium bottle 45c Diamond Crystal Table Salt, 10 stamps, sack 1.00

B. C. Sifted Early June Peas, and 10 stamps, 2 cans 25c Bulder's Salad Dressing, with 10 stamps, bottle 25c

Shrimps, 10 stamps, 2 cans 25c Seeded Raisins, and 10 stamps, 2 packages 25c B. C. Extract, and 20 stamps, bottle 15c

Van Houten's Cocoa, 5 stamps, can 15c Columbia Milk, and 10 stamps, 3 cans 25c Orange City Rusk, and 10 stamps, 3 packages 25c

Fluffed Beans with chicken, with 30 stamps, 2 cans 25c Five pounds Top Rice for 10 stamps, pound 25c

Cheese, Virginia Swiss, and 10 stamps, pound 25c Whole Tomatoes, with 10 stamps, 2 cans 25c

Country Gentleman Corn, and 10 stamps, 2 cans 25c B. C. Oats and Wheat, 10 stamps, 2-lb. package 25c Crackers, any brand, with 10 stamps, package 10c

The Best Known Office Building in Omaha

There is great advantage in being in a building which people can find easily. No building in Omaha, or as a matter of fact, in the entire west, is as well known as THE BEE BUILDING

Every man, woman and child in Omaha knows where it is and everyone who has ever been here knows how to find it. This is only one of the many advantages in having an office in THE BEE BUILDING

Room 300—Is a choice corner office having a north and west exposure, making this space attractive at any season of the year, on account of good light and ventilation. We will arrange this space, 12x12, suitable for tenant, and there being a vault in the room, it affords extra protection for valuables. Rent per month \$40.00

Room 416—Has a south and west exposure which makes a well lighted office, 12 1/2 x 10 1/2 feet in size. We are only asking 18c a square foot for this space which is very cheap rent, considering location and all conveniences furnished by The Bee Building. Price, per month \$18.00

Room 518—Don't pay for desk room space when you can rent a private office for the same amount. This room is 8x14, has a large window on the court, affording plenty of light and ventilation. Price per month \$16.00

Room 640—Size 8x12-6, having a frame and glass partition across center of room making two good sized offices with every convenience, and the rental price only per month \$16.00

Room 401—This room is located near the elevator and has a total of 192 square feet of floor space. This is a very desirable small office and location is convenient. Rental, per month \$17.50

Room 407—Is 12x12 1/2 feet and has two large windows on the court. Rental price, per month \$17.50

THE BEE BUILDING CO. Bee Business Office. 17th and Farnam Sts.

ESTABLISHED 1892 The Fair 1119-1121-1123 FARNAM ST. OMAHA, NEB.

On Sale Friday, Dec. 29, at 9 a. m., \$10,000 Sample Stock of Men's, Women's, Misses', Boys' and Children's Rubber Alaskas and Overshoes, sold to us by Goodyear Rain Proof Shoe Co. of St. Louis, Mo., and American Hand Sewed Shoe Co. of Omaha. Never again will you have the chance to buy goods at these Low Prices. Look for large "Fair" sign. S. E. Cor. 12th and Farnam Sts. No mail or telephone orders filled during this sale.

\$1 Storm Rubbers and Alaskas for children, misses, ladies and men, low and high heels 39c

\$1.50 values Children's, Misses' and Ladies' Arctics, one buckle 75c

\$2 values Boys' and Men's light or heavy one-buckle Arctics 98c

\$3.00 Boys' Rubber Boots and four-buckle Overshoes 1.24

\$15.00 Ladies' Silk Rubberized Rain proof Coats, all sizes 6.98

\$10 Ladies' and Misses' Slip-ons and mixed colors Raincoats, including Cravenettes 3.98

There are other great Bargains awaiting you here. Remember the date, Friday, 9 a.m. Look for big "Fair" sign

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Low Round Trip Rates to FLORIDA and CUBA

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Any Suit or Overcoat in the "Palace" Stock

\$10 Sat. Dec. 30th and that day only

Blues and Blacks included. Strouse & Bros.' "High Art" Clothes, "Franklin" System, Griffon Make and Famous Rochester makes go also at \$10.00

This means ANY Suit or Overcoat that sold at \$18, \$20, \$22.50, \$25 and \$30 up to \$30

See All Papers Friday Eve. Plenty of Stouts, Slims, and "extra sizes" up to 52. Your size is surely here.

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On the Want-Ad Pages of today's Bee will be found a great number of choice farms, ranches and western land offered for sale at reasonable prices.

Look them over. The property you are looking for may be there.

Turn to the Want-Ad pages now.