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Just come to our Men's Section and see the good things we have chosen for him.

Combination sets, mufflers, silk hose, handkerchiefs, neckwear, bath robes, pajamas, shirts, etc., all Practical.

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Tomorrow (Tuesday) at 10 A. M.

Our entire stock of beautiful Small Furs and Coats will be reduced, decidedly, in price. The greatest opportunity ever offered to Christmas buyers.

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HOWARD AND SIXTEENTH STREETS

Municipal Christmas Tree Now in Place



Lynch, Best, O'Conner, McDonald and Harle. COUNTY COMMISSIONERS LINE UP TO WATCH WORK OF DECORATION.

TAXPAYERS CHANGE FRONT CHRISTMAS TREE IS IN PLACE

Des Moines Men Oppose Compromising Rook Island Taxes.

WERE AROUSED OVER SUIT

Churches of Iowa Capital May Be Torn Apart When Ministers Demand Withdrawal from Saloon Petitions.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) DES MOINES, Ia., Dec. 22.—(Special Telegram.)—The Des Moines Taxpayers' league, which a short time ago protested against the suit to compel the Rock Island railroad to pay millions in back taxes, today appeared in the role of threatening to enjoin the officials of the county if they accept a compromise and take the \$100,000 to settle the suit.

Notice was served on the county board by Ralph Bolton that suit would be brought to prevent paying any part of the sum recovered to Klatt & Wright as commission on the deal under the contract they made, and the claim will be made any fee to the attorneys is illegal.

The firm has a contract for one-fourth of the entire amount collected.

Saloon Petitions Issue.

A new phase of the fight to defeat saloons in Des Moines appeared today when the pastor of one of the Methodist churches of the city accepted the resignation from the church of one of his prominent parishioners because the latter would not remove his name from the saloon consent petition.

It is stated that ministers all over the city will insist upon their members removing their names from the saloon petitions.

Temperance people were today refused by the Board of Supervisors the right to have checkers at the work of canvassing the petitions, and they filed a general protest against the saloon petition on the ground that there is no valid poll list for comparison.

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branches and place the large silver star at the top. I. K. Zimman, contracting agent of the electric light company, has charge of the decorating and will place over 1,000 incandescents on the spreading boughs of the forest giant. The tree was put in place Sunday by a gang of men, who worked most of the day to complete the task.

The lighted tree with its brilliant star containing almost 100 lights at the top, and the crowds of merry-makers singing Christmas carols around it on Christmas eve is expected to be one of the city's most beautiful sights. Hundreds of people will take part in the musical program and thousands will attend the reception in the court house and then witness the celebration outside.

Program for Celebration.

Following is the musical program for the municipal Christmas trees celebration: Five minutes of 8 church bells all over the city ring out.

Public school children sing Christmas carols 8 o'clock.

Band, grand march.

City missions children sing Christmas songs.

Band, "Dolorosa," poem d' amour.

United Presbyterian choir, two Christmas anthems, leader, Walter T. Graham.

Band, overture, "From Dawn to Twilight."

People, led by Mr. Carnal and band, "O Little Town of Bethlehem."

Band, intermission, "The Wedding of the Rose."

Roman Catholic choir, "Adeste Fideles," "God of Might."

Band, valse, "Eternelle Iverness."

Kountze Memorial choir, "Behold, the Lord is Come," Christmas anthem by Semper, German Christmas song; leader, Mr. Heigren.

People, led by Mr. Carnal and band, "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear."

North Side Christian church choir, five Christmas carols; leader, Mrs. Kirschstein.

Band, "Overture Celestial."

Mrs. Welpton solo, "O Little Town of Bethlehem," music by Sprouts (about 10:15).

Band, "Serenade Fantasia," for baritone.

People, led by Mr. Carnal and band, "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing."

"It is the Day of the Lord," "You Are Mine All," "Evening Song."

Band, a paraphrase, "Jerusalem the Golden," "Agnus Dei," from the Twelfth mass.

Crichton Glee club quartet, English song, "Glory to God," leader, Father Talmadge.

Band, "The Lost Chord," cornet solo by Dr. Laird.

People, led by Mr. Carnal and the band, "Ave Marie, cornet solo by Mr. Lutz.

Band, grand selection national melodies, "My Country, 'Tis of Thee," by every- one present.

The children of Trinity cathedral.

BARTHOLOMT WILL RETIRE AT END OF HIS TERM

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Representative Richard Bartholdt of St. Louis, who has represented the Tenth Missouri district in the house for twenty-two years, has issued a statement saying he will not be a candidate for re-election when his term expires in 1915. Only two other members of the house, Representative Payne of New York and Jones of Virginia, have longer records of service. He expects to work for universal peace.

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