

EYES OF BUSINESS WORLD ON OMAHA

Splendid Record of This City's Commercial Progress Gets National Attention.

BEATING BIGGER CITIES

Omaha	35.0
New England cities	33.3
Pacific coast cities	33.3
Western cities	28.5

That business here is booming lustily and is increasing at even a more rapid rate than in some of the more populous sections of the country is evident from a glance at the above table of comparisons. The figures represent the percentage of increase in the bank clearings for the month of September, 1916, compared with the corresponding month of 1915. The basic tables were compiled by Dun's Review and published in Saturday's issue of that periodical.

According to returns from 131 leading cities of the United States, there is a national increase of 47.4 per cent over the bank clearings of September a year ago. In money this expansion represents \$22,573,373,513. The bank payments of the recent September show the enormous growth of 68.8 per cent when contrasted with the corresponding period of 1915. Of course, these figures include New York, which itself shows a gain of 92.5 over 1913 and 55 per cent over 1915. Excluding the big metropolis, the country's clearings grew 35.7 per cent over last year and 38.8 per cent over 1913. Omaha's growth for the three years is represented by the very complimentary percentage of 59.5, thus gaining the nice lead of 21.2 per cent over the composite national expansion for the same time (barring New York City).

Omaha beats even Kansas City in its percentage of increase. Kansas City clearings for the last month were \$41,000,000, a lead of 31.09 per cent over September, 1915, but still a little more than 3 per cent behind Omaha's percentage growth. Omaha's clearings for the recent month were \$113,995,009 and for the corresponding month of 1915 were \$84,391,001.

Minneapolis, which is already behind Omaha in percentage of increase, will soon take the rear in dollars and cents also, if the present rate of progress continues. The Twin City showed \$124,195,477 this year and \$109,169,945 in 1915. Omaha was \$24,778,934 behind Minneapolis last year and now is only \$10,200,468 behind. This city, therefore, seems to have the pole as it rounds into the home stretch toward the goal of commercial supremacy.

Other Comparisons.

Lincoln's clearings are less than one-ninth of Omaha's and last year Lincoln was on the better side of a nine-to-one ratio. Denver shows a trifle more than one-half of the clearings here and so, also, does St. Paul. Denver, however, can boast of the handsome gain of 57.2 per cent in one year. It is such increases in the smaller cities which boosts the percentage growth of twenty-one western municipalities to 28.5 per cent as a general average. Omaha, with its 35.0 gain, is therefore 6.5 per cent more prosperous than its neighbors.

How some of the large cities have prospered is indicated by the following table:

September, 1916	1915	1914
Boston	\$ 778,243,942	\$ 875,243,711
Philadelphia	1,578,575,374	737,058,267
Baltimore	189,871,912	130,969,262
Pittsburgh	279,062,218	218,782,631
Cincinnati	144,179,700	108,423,360
Cleveland	321,649,227	136,970,110
Chicago	1,319,918,581	1,314,286,381
Minneapolis	124,195,477	109,169,945
St. Louis	441,538,521	322,853,520
Kansas City	416,000,000	311,225,193
Louisville	61,960,218	61,960,218
New Orleans	108,544,262	79,409,450
San Francisco	311,471,889	227,218,844
Omaha	113,995,009	84,391,011

Great Records.

New York City is swollen with war winnings. The following table shows the middle, south Atlantic and southern states have got most of the spoils:

September, 1916	1915	Inc.
N. Eng.	\$ 926,751,770	\$ 702,248,106
Middle	1,578,575,374	1,143,011,832
So. Atlantic	448,526,541	247,941,224
Central	891,476,374	605,579,668
South	2,668,270,145	1,951,339,729
Western	977,130,156	759,690,479
Pacific	682,689,929	503,828,521
Total	\$ 8,217,432,227	\$ 6,086,860,195
N. Y. City	14,350,941,186	9,264,352,278

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Dun's says that everywhere there is evidence of well-maintained business activity and notes uniformly prosperous conditions.

Omahans Want Flag Honored at Sea

The Omaha Manufacturers' association is neutral and wants to see Omaha-made goods go abroad to neutral countries without hindrance.

What action will be decided until the next meeting of the directors of the association. But the subject came up for lively discussion at the last meeting. A big miller in Omaha brought in the complaint at the last meeting. He has big European orders which he wishes to fill. He cannot get the necessary clearance papers to guarantee that the shipments will not be interfered with. The trouble applies largely to shipments of foodstuff to Norway and Sweden.

The ships carrying these things do not fly the American flag and for that reason America cannot guarantee their safe passage.

May Circulate Petitions For a Referendum Vote

General Manager Howell of the municipal water plant is identified with a movement to circulate petitions calling upon the city commissioners to submit to the voters, under the referendum law, the five-year street lighting contract granted to the Omaha Electric Light and Power company last Tuesday morning.

Mr. Howell has been in Chicago for three days, but is expected home before Monday morning when these referendum petitions will be distributed to circulators.

The new street lighting contract ordinance, if not impeded, will become effective October 18.

Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. For your cold and bronchial cough use Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. It cuts the phlegm, relieves congestion. Only 25c. All drugists.—Advertisement.

Church Asks the City for Fire Bell

Rev. Thomas Taggart of Bethel Baptist church has written the city commissioners a request for an old

discarded fire bell which has reposed in silence in the basement of the engine house at Eleventh and Jackson streets for a period of years. Before Omaha assumed metropolitan manners this bell hung in a lot of the fire house at Eleventh and Harney streets and its sound was heard throughout the town every time

the "wild, weird cry of 'Fire! Fire! Fire!'" aroused the citizens. The Rev. Mr. Taggart believes the old bell might be put to good purpose at his church by calling sinners away from the conflagration said to exist in certain regions. The city commissioners will give

this matter due consideration next week. **Asks Damages for Being Hit by an Interurban Car** Because he was struck by an interurban car of the Omaha & Lincoln

Railway and Light company, near Ralston, and thrown from the disc cultivator which he was driving, Theodore Novak, farmer, has filed suit against the railway company for \$10,000 damages. He complains that the car was traveling at forty miles an hour and was not in the control

of the motorman. Personal injuries confining him to his bed for several weeks were sustained in the accident. **Depends on the Paper.** Cincinnati is in last place in the St. Louis newspapers, and St. Louis is in last place in the Cincinnati newspapers.

BURGESS-NASH COMPANY.

"EVERYBODY'S STORE"

Sunday, October 8, 1916.

DOWN-STAIRS STORE NEWS FOR MONDAY.

Phone Douglas 137.

Announce for Monday

Our Second Anniversary Sale in the Down-Stairs Store

PRESENTING an aggregation of values of the most remarkable sort in merchandise of the most wanted kind. It's certain to be a most memorable event and you

owe it to yourself to be present, rain or shine, snow or blow. Just another forceful demonstration of the splendid values this big underprice section provides for you.

Smartly Trimmed Millinery Including \$3.98 Values, at



\$1.49

A LARGE collection of entirely new trimmed hats will be a feature of interest in the Anniversary Sale Monday.

There are sailors, tricornes, turbans and other smart shapes of the season, made of a superior quality of silk velvet. The trimmings are just simple enough to give the necessary style touch. Values that were \$3.98, Monday, choice, \$1.49.

\$1.98 Untrimmed Hats, 98c

A splendid assortment of the newest shapes in a good quality of silk velvet and plush, large and small sizes. Regular \$1.98 values, Monday, during Anniversary Sale, at 98c.

Pretty Craft Lace Curtains That Were \$1.35, for 77c

WHITE or ecru craft lace curtains, best quality yarns, all 2 1/2 yards long and very pretty designs. Curtains that were \$1.35, sale price, Monday, at, pair, **77c**

Knitted Wash Cloths, Good Size, Sale Price Monday; 1c

KNITTED wash cloths, good size, the sanitary kind; very special, Monday, in the Anniversary sale, at, each, **1c**

WOOL DRESS GOODS Regularly to \$1.50, at 49c

WOOL dress goods for dresses and suits, 50 to 56 ins. wide, including serges, panamas and fancy weaves, good line of colors. \$1.50 vals., yd. **49c**

Remnants of Scrims and Silkolines, 15c to 20c Values 5c

THE remnants range up to 10 yards in the piece. All perfect. The scrims are bordered; the silkolines in good colors. If sold from the bolt would be 15c to 20c yard, Monday, **5c**

Children's Black Cotton Hose, Monday, Special, 5c

CHILDREN'S black cotton hose, fine ribbed, seamless, subject to slight imperfections. Sale price, Monday, pair **5c**

Star Cut Table Tumblers Special for Monday at 9c

LEAD blown glass table tumblers, star cut and bell shape. Very special for Monday, at **9c**

FAMOUS "MINA TAYLOR" House Dresses

Regularly \$1.00 to \$1.25 Values

50c

SIMPLE, practical, and of course, becoming styles are the "Mina Taylor" house dresses. Carefully tailored of the best washable materials in good patterns and colorings. Regular sizes 34 to 44. Monday only **50c**.

House Dresses 25c

A limited quantity of gingham and percale house dresses in sizes 34 to 36 only. For Monday, only **25c**.



Group of Hand Bags in Anniversary Sale at 29c

HAND bags of unusual quality, some all leather, fancy or plain linings, some have mirror, all have coin purse, leather handles, special, at **29c**

Silver Plated Knives, Forks and Spoons, Sale, Each 10c

ONE big lot of discontinued patterns of heavy silver plated knives, forks, tea spoons, dessert spoons, table spoons, etc., choice **10c**

One Big Assortment of Jewelry Monday at 3c

ODDS and ends of brooches, cuff pins, scarf pins, fobs, cuff links, belt pins, hat pins, hair pins, etc., plain gold plated and stone set; your choice, at **3c**

One Quire Stationery, Regularly 15c, Monday at 9c

SPECIAL lot of boxed writing paper, 1 quire to box, good quality, regular 15c quality. Anniversary, sale price, Monday, box **9c**

Mercerized Table Damask Regular 50c Quality at 29c

HEAVY, close weave, mercerized table damask, 64 ins. wide, permanent finish, assorted patterns. Regular 50c quality, yard **29c**

Good Turkish Bath Towels Regular 19c Values, 12 1/2c

BLEACHED Turkish bath towels, good weight, double and twist weave, medium size. Regular **12 1/2c**

\$1.75 Three-Piece Aluminum Sauce Pan Sets, Monday, 98c

INCLUDING one of each, 1 1/2-quart, 2-quart and 3-quart sizes, regular \$1.75 value, at the set **98c**



\$1.75 Pure Aluminum Preserving Kettles, 10-qt. size, for 98c.
98c Aluminum Berlin Sauce Pan, with cover, 2-qt. size, for 98c.
\$1.50 Aluminum Berlin Sauce Pan, with cover, 6-qt. size, for 98c.

These Are Remarkable Values in Women's Fall Dresses \$14.50



DRESSES in crepe meteor in colors of brown, blue, black, plum, gray; full pleated skirt, large white satin collar and cuffs; sizes 16 to 38. Special, at **\$14.50**.

TAILORED SUITS, \$18.75

Suits in serges, diagonals, poplins; belted models, large collars, fur trimmed, all colors; in sizes 16 to 44. Special, at **\$18.75**.

TAILORED SUITS, \$15.95

In the newest diagonal cloth, belted models, button trimmed; colors, black, brown, green, burgundy and blue; misses' and women's sizes. Special, at **\$15.95**.

Women's Warm Winter Coats Were to \$7.50, Monday, \$1.00

FOR Monday we offer a limited quantity of women's winter coats. Splendidly tailored of such materials as zebelines, plaids and mixtures; sizes for women and misses; were to \$7.50, Monday, at **\$1.00**

Extra Special—\$1.00 Wool Flannels, at Yard, 29c

ONE of the largest manufacturers of men's shirts, women's flannel suits and skirts, children's dresses and flannel waists, sold to us his entire surplus stock of wool flannels in garment lengths, 27 to 54 inches wide, in blue, gray, tan, brown, green, etc. This sale is possible but once each year, and everybody that will want wool flannels for the coming cold nights, should attend this sale Monday. Yard **29c**

Women's Shoes and Party Slippers, Regular \$5.00 Lines, Special, \$2.95

TWO unusually attractive bargains for our Anniversary Sale—

We have transferred from the Second Floor Shoe Section about 1,000 pairs of women's high shoes and party slippers. They are our regular \$5.00 lines, Anniversary sale price, **\$2.95**.

This lot includes—
Women's patent button high shoes
Women's gun metal button high shoes
Women's black kidskin button high shoes
Women's satin dancing and party slippers
Women's cravanetted button high shoes



\$2.95

Women's \$3.50 to \$4.00 Shoes, Special, \$1.49
Another big lot of new Fall weight women's shoes. The values are \$3.50 and \$4.00. Sale price, **\$1.49**. This lot includes all leathers and a big assortment of different kinds, but not a pair worth less than \$3.50 and \$4.00. Anniversary sale price, **\$1.49**.

Real Linen Torchon and Cluny Laces, 15c Kind 5c

REAL linen torchon and cluny laces, R edges and insertions to match; desirable for trimming curtains; was 15c, Anniversary sale price, yd. **5c**

Men's Outing Flannel Night Robes and Pajamas

EXTRA good quality, well made, all sizes for the smallest or largest man. Night robes worth 59c for **33 1/3c**
Pajamas worth 98c, for **50c**.

Men's Heavy Union Suits Usually \$1.50, Monday 90c

SPRING needle ribbed, "Bodygard" brand, heavy two-thread Maco yarn, ecru color, all sizes, usually \$1.50, sale price, Monday **90c**

Three Special Values in Candy at 20c the Pound

INCLUDING home made, all cream caramels, regularly 35c; assorted cream chocolates, 8 flavors, regularly 40c; and chocolate peanut clusters, regularly 35c lb., for **20c**

Women's and Children's Knit Caps and Hoods, 10c

BIG selection of knit caps and hoods for women and children. Wide selection of kinds, styles and colors. Sale price **10c**

Boys' School Blouses in the Anniversary Sale for 18c

THERE are all sizes, 5 to 15 years, made of good quality percale, chambray, madras and sateen, in black, light blue and gray; also neat stripes; choice, at **18c**

Women's 75c Union Suits Special for Monday at 39c

HIGH neck, long sleeve union suits, ankle lengths, of white cotton, fleece lined, in regular or extra sizes; strictly first quality. Worth 75c. **39c**

Triangle Oil Mops, With Handles Ready for Use 15c

BIG Wonder Triangle Oil Mops with polished wooden handles, oiled ready for use. Anniversary sale price, Monday, special, at **15c**

