

### BIRD PARADE MOST GORGEOUS AFFAIR

Wonderful Array of Singing Talent and Fine Colors March Down Farnam.

#### ROBINS LEAD PROCESSION

By A. R. GROH.  
Did you see the bird parade? All the birds in Douglas county, marching down Farnam street and through the business section of the city! Sure! You didn't see it? Well, I'll tell you about it.

It took hours to pass. For there are probably three times as many birds as people in Douglas county, say 600,000.

The only human being in the parade was Miles Greenleaf, the grand marshal. (He's a "bird," too, but hasn't any feathers.)

First came the robin division, 150,000 strong. Marching twenty abreast and with only three feet between ranks, this division alone was four miles long!

Then came the red-winged blackbirds, who live in low places around the city.

**Easy for the Kids.**  
"Caw, caw, caw." Here come the crows. A fine division of big fellows. "These crows are 'duck soup' for the kids," the grand marshal told me. "They build great big nests out of coarse twigs and they build them out where everybody can see them. Not satisfied with that, they sit around and holler about it and call in the neighbors and show 'em the nest. No wonder the kids find 'em."

Here's a division of respectable sparrows. Not English sparrows are these. The English sparrows, which are nearly as numerous as robins, were barred from the parade, because of their bad reputation. These are chipping sparrows, which live in vines, field sparrows which nest out in hot, open places, song sparrows and the big Harris sparrows.

Western meadow larks come next. They're singing, and well they may for they are about the most beautiful singers in the country.

Next is the woodpecker division, the northern flicker or yellow hammer, downy, hairy and red-headed

woodpeckers, with beautiful colorings.

**And the Little Wren.**  
Here come the chickadees, the cow birds, goldfinches, house wrens, bluebirds, bronzed grackles, chewinks, bluejays, Baltimore orioles. The oriole weaves its nest into a wonderful sack-like form that hangs out at the very end of a branch.

The parade is already about fifteen miles long, but still they come, each division with a different song. Rose-breasted grosbeaks and brown thrashers pass and then comes a small but gorgeous division of cardinal birds. All red are they except their faces, which are black and they are singing most entrancingly. Then come the wood thrushes.

Well, well. Look, who's here. Who! Who! Why it's the owls—screech owls, long-eared owls and short-eared owls.

Here comes a fierce division of log-gerhead shrikes or "butcher birds," bloodthirsty fellows, who kill small animals and weaker birds, and then stick their bodies on barbs and thorns and tear them to pieces.

**Have Color and Can Sing.**  
Another brilliant division follows, the scarlet tangers, crimson colored, with black wings. Splendid singers!

And the parade ends with a division of kingfishers, birds which nest in the ground near the river and catch fish for their living.

Hello! What's this rag-a-tag, bob-tail rabble following in the wake of the parade? Why if it isn't the English sparrows, chirping and squabbling and "chewing the rag!" They were ruled out of the parade, but they come tagging on behind, anyway.

"We're just as good as any bird," they say. "Can't keep us out of this parade."

You didn't think we had so many birds here, did you? Neither did I until I interviewed the grand marshal and other well-informed bird lovers.

And these aren't all. They are only the principal kinds. There are dozens of other varieties that are seen here.

#### Saloon Keepers Plead

##### Guilty to Amended Charge

Amos Bray of Millard and Henry Anderson of Florence, saloon keepers arrested in raids by Sheriff Clark several weeks ago, pleaded guilty in county court to keeping disorderly houses and were fined \$25 and costs each. At the instigation of the county attorney's office the charges were amended from selling liquor after hours.

### REV. F. W. LEAVITT SCORES DR. BALTZLY

President of Ministerial Union Declares Lutheran Pastor's Utterances Unpatriotic.

#### COMMENDS SAVIDGE STAND

Rev. F. W. Leavitt, president of the Ministerial union of Omaha and pastor of Plymouth Congregational church, takes issue with Rev. O. D. Baltzly of Kountze Memorial Lutheran church for what he terms Dr. Baltzly's unpatriotic stand on the United States war with Germany. Mr. Leavitt says:

By F. W. LEAVITT.

In The Bee of Wednesday evening Rev. Oliver D. Baltzly is quoted as saying that all day Tuesday he was kept busy answering telephone calls of people who approved his published utterance in opposition to the present course of the United States, and that only two criticisms came to his ears.

I desire, in just as strong and public a way as possible, to speak for the patriotic majority of Christian men and women who did not call up Dr. Baltzly to point out the error of his conclusions and the wrongfulness of his public stand.

The utterance of Rev. Charles W. Savidge is on a far higher plane as to fact, reasoning and morals. Mr. Baltzly cannot be denied the right to have his private opinions, but if he persists in rallying about himself the unsympathetic element of our population, he will fall to the rear and miss the greatest opportunity of his life to help in the spiritual liberation of mankind—of the German people in particular.

President Wilson, knowing more than any of us could, of intrigues and outrages, kept the nation out of war until the moral sense of the nation was thoroughly aroused and the pressure for war became irresistible. Even if no American lives had been lost and no American property damaged, we ought to ally ourselves with all our power against the ruthless destroyer of human lives and human rights, of national safety and international covenants.

We can hold up our heads and bear our sacrifices, knowing that America is once more true to the righteous principles that animated the founders of our nation.

**Berg's** 1621 FARNAM **Berg's**

## Announcing a Selling Event for Saturday That The Women of Omaha Will Long Remember

*A Truly Marvelous Sale of Suits, Coats and Dresses and briefly we'll tell the reason for it*

When our country recently declared war, we surmised it would give many manufacturers with large stocks on hand an uneasy feeling. We immediately dispatched our buyer to New York to take advantage of the opportunity if they began unloading.

Our surmise was correct; many of our manufacturers offered cut prices and we bought merchandise last week at prices unheard of since the European war began. They're all in stock and they go in this big sale Saturday. You just can't afford to miss it.

### HERE ARE TWO OF THE SUIT BARGAINS

Suits that were \$25, for

# \$15.95

This lot includes serge, poplin, wool jersey and gabardine suits, in tan, apple green, gray, rose, navy and black and white checks. The styles are tailored or semi-fancy in the season's best models; sizes are 16 to 44.

Suits that sold to \$45, for

# \$29.95

This lot includes high grade models from New York's foremost suit makers. Materials include new novelty cloths, such as gunnyburl and burella, also taffeta, silk faille and silk jersey, in the season's best style.

**IN ADDITION ALL OTHER SUITS IN STOCK ARE PRICED AT EXCEPTIONAL REDUCTIONS**

**Charming Dresses Underpriced**

## \$14.95

For Dresses to \$21.50

**Smart New Coats at Reductions**

## \$14.95

For Coats up to \$21.50

**Charming Dresses Underpriced**

## \$19.75

For Dresses to \$31.50

**Smart New Coats at Reductions**

## \$19.95

For Coats up to \$27.50

All Other Dresses Offered at Special Prices

**A Special Saturday Offer in WAISTS**

Georgette and Crepe de Chine Qualities That Are Often Found Elsewhere at \$6.50 or Even Higher.

## \$4.95

(In all the new shades.)

**FREE SATURDAY** With Every Purchase

Something every woman will want, a beautiful hanger for waists or dresses, heavily enameled in pastel shades, with nicked hook and with two rubber tips at each end to keep the garment from slipping off. One with every purchase.

# Berg's

**WOMEN'S SHOP**

**A Beautiful Stock of SILK SKIRTS**

Taffeta Silk Jersey	Khaki Kool Pussy Willow
\$7.50 Silk Skirts, for.....	\$5.95
\$10.00 Silk Skirts, for.....	\$7.45
\$12.50 Silk Skirts, for.....	\$9.95
\$15.00 Silk Skirts, for.....	\$11.75

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## ORCHARD AND WILHELM COMPANY

414-16-18 S. 16th St.

### Noteworthy Drapery Specials

**Voile Curtains**  
In ivory and ecru, with lace edge front and bottom; excellent values for \$1.50 pair.

**Window Shades**  
Made up, all ready to hang; 36 inches by 6 feet, special, at 40c  
36 inches by 7 feet.....45c

**Sofa Pillows**  
Carefully made up and covered in assorted cretonnes, extra values, Saturday 95c

**Curtain Voiles**  
Of a quality above the average; extra special, Saturday, 18c per yard.....

**36-Inch Muslins**  
Especially desirable for bedroom curtains; special, 11c per yard.....

**36-Inch Marquisettes**  
In a wide variety of dainty designs; special, Saturday, 15c per yard.....

**Dainty Silkolines**  
Of rich colorings, in wide variety; Saturday, per yard..... 14c

**Cretonnes**  
In every desirable pattern, design and coloring. You can see and study here to every advantage. See the Saturday specials, at, per yard—  
18c, 23c and 35c



**Attractive Reed Rockers**  
Extra Values **\$10.50** Saturday

Carefully built by hand of select reed stock, finished baronial black and daintily upholstered in pretty cretonnes. Reserve stock limited.

### Stirring Saturday Specials

From the Midwest's Greatest Showing of Dependable Floor Coverings

A goodly selection of cross-seam rugs, made from travelers' samples, at prices that mean a saving up to 50%. A big assortment of regular rugs at special prices as follows:

9x12 Axminster Rugs, at \$19.95, \$21.95, and \$23.95.  
9x12 Brussels Rugs, at \$14.95, \$15.95 and \$16.95.  
9x12 Velvet Rugs, wonderful values, at \$17.95 and \$19.95.  
6-9x7-3 Wilton Rugs, at \$12.95; 6-9x9 Velvet Rugs, \$12.95.  
Patterns and colorings to suit every requirement.

**Wire Door Mats** One of these at your door will save its cost many times over; 18x30-in. size... 75c

**Headquarters for Good Linoleums**  
Five carloads of Linoleums received during the past week speaks well for our ability to please you in Linoleums. Every desirable pattern, coloring and quality you will find here.

Inlaid Linoleums, per square yard... 95c  
Printed Linoleums, per square yard... 60c



**Massive Colonial Dresser**  
Extra Value, **\$22.50** Saturday

Best dresser you'll see in many a day at anything like the low price quoted. Carefully built of quartered oak, nicely finished, golden polished; size of top 22x42 inches; bevel plate mirror 24x30 inches.

### The PROOF of the HERRICK Superiority

Is the satisfaction it gives its thousands of users.

**Built of Oak—Lined**  
with spruce wood, with either plain or white enamel interior finish, wire shelves, removable ice-drip pan, dry circulation and thorough insulation are a few of the features that make the Herrick supreme. Priced—  
**\$17.50 to \$35**  
For Family Sizes



**New Reed Carriages**  
For Baby's Outing Days

Designed in every detail with an eye to baby's and mother's comfort and convenience.

Reeds are choice imported stock, finished in baronial browns, French gray, ivory, black and natural. 25 styles to select from. Price range—  
**\$19 to \$58**

### Jacobean Oak Dining Set, 5 Pieces

4 Chairs and Table  
**61.50**

Suite includes four full-boxed Spanish leather slip-seat dining chairs (like cut), built of quartered oak, and finished Jacobean, and a 54-inch dining table (like cut), built of select quartered oak, and beautifully finished Jacobean; table can be extended to 6 feet when emergency demands.



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WATCH FOR AD ANNOUNCING OPENING OF OUR MEN'S STORE AT 1415 FARNAM STREET NEXT WEEK.



# Last Day! Saturday!

At 6 P. M. Tomorrow

## The 10-Day Free Trial and Easy Payment Offer Closes

On the World Famous

# Frantz Premier

## Electric Cleaner

Don't delay! Monday will be too late! You must get your request for the Free Trial in today or tomorrow at the latest, because this great offer closes promptly at 6 p. m. Saturday. Remember—tomorrow is positively the last day.

We will send you one of our superb, BRAND NEW, easy gliding and deep cleaning Frantz-Premier Electric Cleaners—our very latest model—on 10 days' free cleaning trial.

Remember—this Free Trial does not cost you a penny—absolutely no obligation to buy. We want you to see for yourself how the Frantz-Premier picks up threads, lint and ravelings and every speck of dust and dirt.

Clean your carpets and your rugs with it. Try it on your furniture, your mattresses, radiators, walls and portieres. Try it in all the nooks and corners. Subject it to every test you can think of.

And then if you are not more than delighted with the cleaner, we will send a boy to get it. But if you simply can't get along without it, then you may keep it and pay down as first payment

## Only \$2.50 If You Decide to Buy After the 10 Days' FREE TRIAL

Then you can pay the balance in small, easy monthly payments, thirty days between each payment. And remember you are getting the rock-bottom price and the VERY LATEST MODEL.

You buy direct from the manufacturers—A BRAND NEW machine right from the factory, and, best of all, on the easiest kind of easy payments.

**Telephone Douglas 4894 or Write Today Sure**

Simply telephone us today or tomorrow and say that you saw our ad in The Bee and that you want the full details of this great offer. We will see that you get a Frantz-Premier Cleaner on Free Trial this very day. Don't put this off a minute. Telephone your request at once to our factory branch, 701 World-Herald Building, Douglas 4894, or write us. Remember, Monday will be too late.

# The Frantz-Premier Distributing Co.

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