

## LITTLE FRICTION IN CHANGE TO U.S. CONTROL OF LINES

Local Railroad Men Expect to See Congestion Cleared Up in a Short Time.

While the local railroad men refuse to be quoted, they express the opinion that the change from private or corporate control will work out with so little friction that the change will hardly be noticeable. They are practically all of the opinion that the pooling of business and equipment will result in the speedy clearing up of all congestion of freight and that it will ultimately mean that shipments will reach destinations in much quicker time than has been the rule in the past.

Most of the railroad freight men are of the opinion that the pooling of business and equipment will mean that, for instance, if a consignment of freight destined for the Atlantic seaboard is sent out from Omaha, it will be hurried through, regardless of what road the consignment might desire to ship over. In this way, they contend, most of the congestion in yards and on sidings will be eliminated and the shipments will go through the terminals without being subjected to the long delays now experienced.

### Not to Change Men.

While railroad men see a director general in charge of the general affairs of the railroads, they do not anticipate any radical changes in management of the roads, or a shaking up of the personnel of the lines. They take the position that the men now at the heads of the various departments of the roads will be needed to direct the details and see that the ideas of the director general are carried out.

Relative to the stocks and outstanding bonds of the railroads, practically all of the railroad officials are of the opinion that after perhaps a short-lived flurry prices are going higher and that thereafter they will continue stable, with speculation cut out to a great degree.

They say that their reason for reaching this conclusion is that with the government in control of the roads the United States treasury is behind the plan and that there cannot be any great amount of fluctuation. Again, they say with a guarantee that the railroad earnings are to be maintained at a certain standard, there cannot be any reason for any great depreciation in the value of stocks and bonds. This, it is contended, will apply specially to lines that in the past have been considered somewhat weak.

### Grocers Urged Not to Sell More Than 1,000 Lbs. Sugar

Wholesale grocers are now urged not to sell sugar to retailers in quantities greater than 1,000 pounds at a time. This is one of a number of rules just issued by the federal food administration through the Omaha office. "Sugar should not be shipped on back orders, nor without a positive order from the buyer," the rules say. "Wholesale grocers should use every precaution to prevent duplication of sales which may give to a retailer the opportunity to have more sugar than is necessary for conservative distribution."

Conservative distribution, as the food administration outlines it, is the selling of sugar to town and city consumers in 2 and 5 pound quantities, and to farm and rural customers in 5 to 10 pound quantities. Flour, the rules say, should be sold to town and city customers in one-eighth to one-quarter barrel quantities, while it may be sold to rural and farm customers in quarter to half barrel quantities.

"Any advertisements tending to induce customers to increase their purchases of flour or sugar during the present national crisis," the rules say, "are decidedly against public policy."

### Y. W. Fund Campaign To Be Wound Up Friday

"Is \$100 all I have given to the Young Women's Christian association war work fund?" asked a business man as he walked into the office of C. F. Harrison, one of the workers in the committee hustling for the \$35,000.

"That is what the records show," replied Harrison. Thereupon the business man sat down and wrote another check for \$50.

"That is the way we like to have fellows come in," said Mr. Harrison. "Of course we have a good committee, and members are hustling hard, but how we do appreciate these fellows who hunt us up and volunteer to subscribe, or volunteer to raise their subscription!"

The committee has gone well over the \$30,000 mark, and the wind-up of the campaign work will be in progress today and tomorrow. Friday noon the committee will meet at the Commercial club for luncheon and the final figures will be totaled at that time. The goal is \$35,000 for Omaha.

### Council Grants Licenses To 200 Soft Drink Parlors

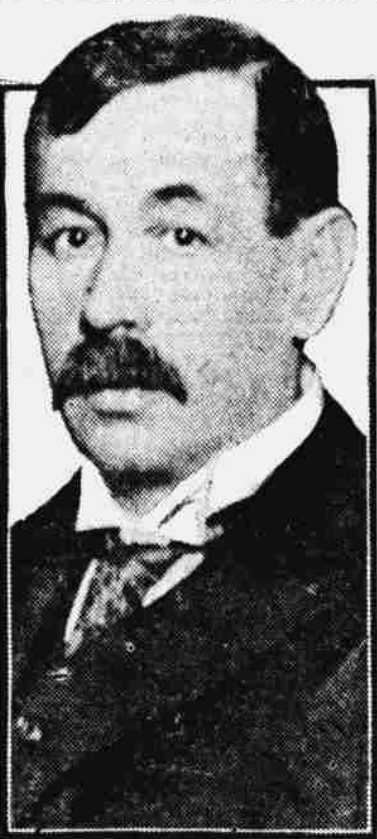
City council granted 200 licenses to proprietors of soft drink parlors. The only refusal was that of the California drug store, against which place a case is pending in court. The license fee is \$1 a year and the purpose of the ordinance is to permit the council to regulate these establishments in cases of violation of liquor laws.

## PIONEER CIGAR MAN CALLED BY DEATH

Frank Wirthsafter Dies From Heart Disease After Three Months' Illness; Funeral Services Friday.

Frank Wirthsafter, pioneer Omaha cigar man, died yesterday at his home, 110 Park avenue, from heart disease. He had been ill three months.

Mr. Wirthsafter was a resident of Omaha for 30 years. He came to this city from New York, where he was in the cigar business for a number of years. With his son, Edward, he



FRANK WIRTHSAFTER.

owned and conducted the cigar store in the Bee building.

Mr. Wirthsafter was a member of Omaha lodge No. 288, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Scottish Rite and Tangier Temple, Shrine. He was 54 years old.

He is survived by his widow, one son, Edward and four daughters, Fanny and Ida Wirthsafter, Mrs. C. H. Pill of Fort Dodge, Ia., and Mrs. Joe Wolfe of Omaha.

Funeral services will be held from the residence at 2 o'clock this afternoon. The services will be in charge of the Masons. Interment will be at Pleasant Hill cemetery.

### Big Food Saving Noted in Dining Car Service

Wheatless and meatless days and sugar control in the dining car service of the railroads of the country saved a vast amount of wheat and meat during the months of October and November. Figures available through the state food administration show that the roads of the country saved during those two months 469,508 pounds of meat, 238,098 pounds of wheat flour, and 25,699 pounds of sugar. The amount used was compared with that of a year ago to get the increase.

This great saving of meat, wheat, and sugar was accomplished despite the fact that 20 per cent more people were fed in the dining cars of the country during those two months.

### Waiter is Bound Over for Violating the Mann Act

William A. Moore, a waiter, was bound over to the federal grand jury under \$1,000 bond after a hearing before the United States commissioner on the charge of violating the Mann act.

He came here from Sioux Falls, S. D., with 18-year-old Ethyl Olson. He took the girl to the Windsor hotel, where the pair was arrested. Moore said he bought the girl's ticket, but that he bought it with her money.

The girl was held under \$500 bond, which was supplied by her brother. She has gone back to her home. Moore was unable to give bond and is in the county jail.

### Jardine's Chauffeur Offered Commission

Fred Swaine, chauffeur for City Commissioner Jardine, has been offered a second lieutenant's commission in the aviation corps as a mechanic. "The only thing that keeps me from going," Fred says, "is my six children and my wife." Swaine has been chauffeur for the city engineering department ever since the city bought an automobile for that department.

### PREVENT DISEASE!

Those little coats, worn day after day to school, should be cleaned, and kill every contagious disease germ. Do it now before it is too late.

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# Basement

Friday and Saturday

Now, in order to begin the New Year with clean stocks, we have gathered together all the splendid styles in Ready-to-wear---and in line with the policy that always has prevailed here, we make a radical clearance at this time of the year and so you are able to buy this splendid Ready-to-wear at very much less than it is worth. Very exceptional values in other needs as well.

## Dress Goods and Linings Remnants

Remnants and mill ends of dress goods, in lengths from 1½ yards to 3 yards, in almost every wanted weave and color, to be sold by the piece only. These remnants are worth many times more than we ask for them. Each piece..... 69c

Remnants of Linings accumulated from our regular stock in the very best quality satens, percales, foundation linings, etc. Values in this lot from 29c to 50c a yard, in lengths from one to three yards. Special for Friday, yd..... 19c

Several Thousand Yards of All Wool Challies and French flannels; accumulated from our season's selling; in lengths from 2 to 6 yards, worth 65c and 75c a yard, special..... 29c

Several Cases of Fine All Wool Mill Ends and Travelers' Samples of Dress Goods. Many pieces match up; in a large collection of all the new colors and almost every wanted weave. In two large lots, special Friday, each piece..... 10c and 25c Basement.

## Household Needs



"Ezy" Slipper Oil Mop Combination, a large oiled mop, chemically prepared dusting mop with can of oil; regular \$1.25 value..... 79c

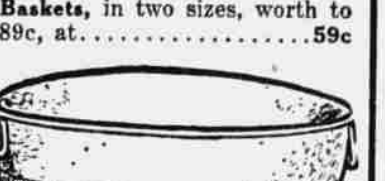
A Full Size Extra Well Made Wash Board, with White Metal Rubbing Surface..... 29c



A Five-Piece Set of "Mrs. Potts" Nickel Plated Sad Irons, Three Irons, Handle and Stand..... \$1.29

5½ Foot Extra Wide Ironing Board, at..... 79c Ironing Tables..... \$1.19

One Lot of Elm Splint Clothes Baskets, in two sizes, worth to 89c, at..... 59c



Small size Heavy Galvanized Wash Tubs, special..... 79c Medium Size Wash Tubs, special..... 98c Large Wash Tubs, special, at each..... \$1.19 Extra Large Wash Tubs, special..... \$1.29 10, 25 and 40-Watt Tungsten Electric Light Globes..... 22c Basement.

## Coats, Dresses, Suits Skirts, Waists, Etc.

For Women, Misses and Children at Prices Which are Wonderfully Reduced

We have grouped together these excellent and practical styles in wear for Women, Misses, and Children and re-priced them so low that no one with a need will lightly pass this opportunity by. In most instances they are styles copied from garments at much higher prices, and you cannot make a better investment than to purchase liberally in this sale. Remember, there is a long winter before us, and good, warm, stylish clothing is one of the most desirable things you can possess.

Two Big Bargain Days Friday and Saturday

## Over 1000 Women's Misses' and Juniors Warm Winter Coats Divided Into Five Bargain Lots

\$ 3.95 for Coats Made to Sell at \$5 to \$7.50  
\$ 5.95 for Coats Made to Sell Up to \$10.00  
\$ 7.95 for Coats Made to Sell Up to \$12.50  
\$10.95 for Coats Made to Sell Up to \$15.00  
\$12.95 for Coats Made to Sell Up to \$20.00

Every coat is a good style, just the kind of material and made the way you have wished for. Staple styles as well as the new big collar and fancy styles. Sizes to fit most anyone. Also extra sizes for stout women up to fifty.

## Women's and Misses' and Juniors Silk and Cloth Dresses

Over 800 Women's, Misses' and Juniors Taffeta Silk, Satin, Silk Poplin, Serge, etc. Dresses all divided into three bargain lots.

\$2.85 for Dresses Made to Sell Up to \$6.00.  
\$4.85 for Dresses Made to Sell Up to \$8.00.  
\$7.85 for Dresses Made to Sell Up to \$13.85

The greater part of the dresses are new. Right up-to-date styles. Others in practical staple styles. Good styles, good materials, etc. Good dresses at very low prices.

\$7.85—At this price take your choice of any Woman's or Misses' Fall and Winter cloth suits in the basement department. All new, up-to-date styles—good materials—good staple colors. Former prices \$10.00, \$12.50 up to \$15.00.

\$2.00—For Odds and Ends of Women's, Misses' and Juniors' Cloth Suits. About 150 to choose from. Many different styles. Not this season's styles, but good suits and styles for ordinary wear. Mostly small sizes, but just right for small women or large girls for school wear, etc.

### Skirts—Two Bargain Lots

\$3.69—For Several Hundred Women's and Misses' Silk and Cloth Skirts. Many different styles—\$4.00, \$5.00 and \$6.00 former prices. All new, up-to-date styles—all wool serges, poplins, fancy stripes, taffetas, etc.

\$2.00 for Over 600 Women's, Misses' and Juniors' Skirts. Made to sell up to \$5. Dozens of styles—many are samples, odd skirts, etc. All good styles, good wanted materials.

## Women's Silk and Cotton Blouses at Bargain Prices

\$2.85 for Hundreds of Women's Right Up-to-Date Styles. Georgette and Crepe De Chine Blouses, \$3.00 and \$4.00 values.

85c for Hundreds of Fancy White and Colored Cotton Blouses. Organdies, Lawns, Fancy Tissues, etc. \$1.00 and \$1.25 values.

\$1.85 for Women's Heavy Jap Silk, Tub Silk, Fine Elaborate Trimmed Lingerie Blouses. \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00 values.

15c for Hundreds of Women's Cotton Waists, 39c and 50c values. Slightly soiled. Small sizes, etc.

### House Dresses

95c for Women's Gingham, Percale and Fancy Wash Materials. Made to sell up to \$1.50.

### Bath Robes

\$1.95 for Women's Bath Robes—\$3.00 values—made of good heavy fancy bath robe material with cords to match—all sizes.

### Kimonos

97c—Take your choice. We have grouped all the Women's and Misses' Long Kimonos all together at this small price. Hundreds to choose from. Fancy flowered and plain crepe. Fancy flowered and plain heavy fleecy bath robe materials. Values up to \$1.95

### Children's Wear

49c for Children's Fancy Pattern Bath Robes and Kimonos. Up to \$1.00 values. One, two and three-year sizes.

69c for Girls' Fancy Pattern Kimonos—\$1.25 values. Ages 6 to 14 years.

## Domestics

36-inch Dress and Wrapper Percale, light and dark grounds, Friday, yd., 12½c

27-inch Fancy Outing Flannel, neat styles, heavy grade, per yard..... 12½c

The Genuine Amoskeag Fancy and White Outing Flannel, Friday, yd., 15c

Mill Remnants, 36-inch Fancy Silkoline and Comforter Covering, Friday..... 12½c

Best Indigo Dye Apron Gingham, all the wanted checks, Friday, yd., 15c

36-inch Bookfold Dress Percale, light and dark grounds, special, a yard..... 18c

## Draperies

One Big Table of Nets, Voiles, Madras and Marquisettes. These are odd pieces left, accumulated from the season's business—many are in desirable lengths. Special, yd., 10c

1,500 yards of Serims, lengths 10 to 20 yards, Special, per yard..... 5c

500 Window Shades, size 36x36, green color, ready to hang—complete with fixtures, 35c

400 Pairs of Nottingham Lace Curtains, beautiful designs, three yards long, white, cream and beige, special, \$1.49

2,000 Extra Heavy Extension Rods, extend to 54 inches; usually sell at 10c, special, each..... 5c

50 Pieces of Marquisettes and Fancy Swisses, 36 inches and 40 inches wide; very fine quality, regular 29c values, special, at..... 15c Basement.

## Shoes

Lot 1—500 Pairs of Women's Shoes, at \$1.00 a pair—Sizes in this lot are 2½ to 4, in patent and dull leather. Welted soles, button or lace style. Mat, kid or cloth tops..... \$1.00

LOT 2—1,500 Pairs of Women's Dress Shoes, at \$2.00 a pair—Sizes in this lot are 2½ to 6. Every style wanted, button or lace, full or patent kid, welted or hand turned soles. Leather Cuban or Louis heel. Every pair in this lot worth from \$3 up to \$4.50..... \$2.00

LOT 3—Children's Shoes, at \$1 a pair—Sizes 4 to 8; dull leather, vici kid, bronze and gray kid, button style, hand turned soles, stock tip..... \$1.00

LOT 4—Misses' Shoes, at \$2.45 a pair—Sizes 8½ to 12. In this lot of Children's Shoes are vici kid, dull calf; button styles; soles are made out of extra good sole leather, complete run of sizes from 8½ to 12; half double sole..... \$2.45

LOT 5—Boys' Shoes, at \$2.95 a pair—Boys in this lot are 13½ up to 5½. Tan or black, lace and button style. These shoes are made to stand hard wear and uppers will not get hard, per pair..... \$2.95 Basement.

Underwear

Women's Cotton Union Suits—Low neck, sleeveless, all sizes, a suit..... 85c

Women's Cotton, Slightly Soiled Union Suits, in high neck, sleeveless; ankle length, all sizes, suit..... 65c

Children's Cotton Peeler Union Suits—Ages 2 to 12 years, a suit..... 55c

Children's Vests and Pants—Odd lots and sizes. Gray and Peeler, a garment, 25c

## Hosiery

Women's Cotton Hosiery, in black; split soles, special, a pair..... 25c

Men's Cotton Maco Hosiery—With double soles, heels and toes; all colors and sizes, per pair..... 35c

Three pairs for..... \$1.00

Children's Heavy Black Cotton Hose—All sizes, at, 20c

per pair..... Basement.

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