

CITY AND COUNTY TREASURY SHOWS BIG GAIN IN YEAR

Balance on December 1 Holds Nearly \$1,500,000 More Than Same Time Last Year.

Nearly \$1,500,000 more was in the city and county treasury on December 1, 1919, than were in that treasury at the same time the year before, according to the latest report of County and City Treasurer Fredres.

On December 1, 1919, the treasury showed a balance of \$5,446,065.82. On the same date in 1918 the treasury contained only \$4,130,506.53.

Receipts during the 12 months up to December 1 from tax collections and miscellaneous collections of the county, city, school district, Metropolitan Water district and police relief and pension fund, were \$13,343,632.96.

Disbursements during the same 12 months were \$12,027,173.67.

The money on hand is divided as follows: County, \$1,224,732.23; city, \$1,809,114.22; school district, \$1,052,682.51; Metropolitan Water district, \$1,193,914.23; police pension and relief fund, \$167,502.03.

The report shows that both receipts and disbursements of the office have increased about 25 per cent in 1919 over 1918.

Expense of the City Government During 1919 Nearly \$2,000,000

The expense of the city government during 1919 was nearly \$2,000,000, being made up of the budget of \$1,800,000, which was apportioned at the first of the year, and also an overlap of \$150,000 on the police and fire funds, caused by increases of salary.

A levy of 35 mills which was fixed for 1920 will yield approximately \$1,950,000, to which will be added an estimated amount of \$350,000 which will be received in miscellaneous collections, making at total of \$2,300,000 which the city council will distribute during the next few days. From this total must be deducted at the outset the police and fire deficit of \$150,000 from last year.

The following are the estimates which the heads of the seven city departments want for 1920: Public affairs, \$132,800; accounts and finance, \$156,455; police, sanitation and public safety, \$550,000; fire protection and water supply, \$866,624; street cleaning and maintenance, \$186,500; parks and boulevards, \$174,500; public improvements, \$193,263. These estimates make a total of \$2,259,144, which must necessarily be cut at least \$100,000 to meet the limitations of the available funds for this year.

The expense of the municipal garage last year was \$57,000, this amount being distributed among the departments, according to the number of automobiles repaired.

Lack of Adequate Funds Delays Park Improvement

Thomas Falconer, city commissioner in charge of the park and boulevard department, in a summary of the year's work, states that his department was handicapped on account of adequate funds and that many washouts along the boulevards during the heavy rains last spring, incurred an unusual expenditure.

The appropriation for general park purposes last year was \$96,000, and \$14,000 was received from the wheel tax fund for maintenance of boulevards. The department also received \$20,000 from the road fund.

The important improvements of the year were: Straightening dangerous turns of boulevards; Elmwood park was given a new outlet to the west by opening a road connecting the main driveway with Sixty-fifth street. Twelve hundred trees were planted along the boulevards. A shelter house and picnic oven were installed at Riverview park. A bath house was erected in Jefferson square, at a cost of \$14,765.

Among the improvements planned for this year will be the curbing and guttering of Florence boulevard; Cuming street to Ames avenue; also Belvidere boulevard, between Fontenelle and Miller parks.

Humane Society Activity Increases Dog Licenses

From January 1 to December 1, 1919, the city clerk collected \$7,009 in dog licence fees. For three years previous to 1919 the average annual receipts was \$4,355.

The answer is according to W. W. Bradley, superintendent of the Nebraska Humane society, that this society took over the work of impounding dogs a year ago and efforts to induce dog owners to obtain license tags is reflected in the receipts.

Mr. Bradley offered the following statistical information for last year: Animals received at the city shelter, 1,151, of which 383 were released to owners and 768 were destroyed. Animal cases investigated, 2,173, involving 3,043 animals. Fifty-eight horses were ordered taken out of harness and treated until fit to be worked. Teamsters and owners admonished, 171. Dead animals removed from streets, 885.

Since the children's aid division was started during the fall, 513 calls were made and the welfare of 249 children investigated. Four complaints were made in juvenile court in behalf of mistreated children.

Lincoln Wholesale Firm Will Move to Omaha Soon

The E. R. Deputy Co., of Lincoln has purchased the property at Twelfth and Howard streets, and expects to move to Omaha within the next few months. The company is a firm of wholesale distributors of clothing, furnishings and notions, and manufacturers of work clothing. The sales force will be increased and the territory will become larger.

THOMPSON-BELDEN & CO.

The Scarcity of Good Merchandise Lends Added Importance to This Sale.

The dependability of everything in the Thompson-Belden store is a well established fact. Considering this—lower than usual prices have a particularly important meaning.

The Savings Are Very Real—Indeed.

A Clearance of Winter Apparel Brings Advantageous Prices

Women who desire ready-to-wear of the highest quality will appreciate the savings made possible by this January clearance. We offer, at this time, our entire regular stock of apparel. Garments skillfully designed, carefully tailored from the best of materials. Every one meeting the rigid standards which we have set up and maintained for many years. Sustaining the Thompson-Belden reputation for quality as well as the genuineness and completeness of all that a clearance means at this store.

Clearance Featured the First Day

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| \$55 Coats Friday for \$38.75 | \$129.50 to \$150 Coats Friday, \$98.50 |
| \$57.50 to \$69.50 Coats Friday, \$48.50 | \$155 to \$175 Coats Friday, \$129.50 |
| \$75 to \$89.50 Coats Friday, \$51.50 | \$180 to \$200 Coats Friday, \$144.50 |
| \$95 to \$110 Coats Friday, \$66.50 | \$210 to \$250 Coats Friday, \$179.50 |
| \$115 to \$125 Coats Friday, \$79.50 | \$275 to \$350 Coats Friday, \$229.50 |



All Sales Final—A Charge for Alterations.

Savings in Woolens

The best quality materials at most attractive prices

¶ GENUINE BOKHARA COATING—one of the most desirable and fashionable of the season's fabrics. In beaver, golden twilight blue, African brown—54-inch. **\$15 quality. For Friday, \$12.50 a yard.**

¶ ALL-WOOL SILVERTONE, 54 inches wide. All of the best colors. **Friday's special price, \$5.49 a yard.**

¶ WOOL-FILLED PLAIDS for children's wear. A wide range of patterns and colors. **40 inches wide, \$1.29 a yard.**

¶ COSTUME VELVET, \$3.49 A YARD—(36-inch—navy, taupe, Pekin, gray, Burgundy—(all fast colors). **\$5 quality for \$3.49 a yard.**

Two Hundred HouseDresses \$1.49

Percale dresses and aprons in light or dark shades and attractively figured patterns, and a fewingham and madras ones. Values to \$5 are offered in this sale for \$1.49. **All Sales Final. In the Basement.**

Sheets and Blankets

\$2.50 Sheets, Sale Price, \$1.98 Each Fully bleached, seamless sheets, 81x99-inch; are a double bed size, and are exceptionally heavy quality. A limit of 6 sheets to a customer.

\$5.50 Cotton Blankets, \$4.50 Large, first quality blankets in tan or gray with striped borders; are size 70x80-inch, and are quite fine for \$4.50 a pair. **Second Floor.**

The January Linen Sale Merits Careful Consideration

In connection with the announcement of this annual sale your attention is directed to the following facts concerning the linen industry as it is today:

Irish and Scotch manufacturers are paying fabulous prices for the available, meager supply of flax. On account of the chaotic conditions in the flax growing countries, the supply has diminished almost to the vanishing point.

The high flax prices, together with the greatly increased expenses of mill operations, have combined to make linen prices almost prohibitive.

Through our direct connection with Irish and Scotch linen houses we are advised and assured that prices will go still higher as the linen scarcer, for an indefinite period.

It is an almost daily occurrence to receive cancellations of orders from Belfast. Women should bear these facts in mind when purchasing linens. Stocks should be replenished now while good linens are still offered.

The Thompson-Belden linen stock is finely assorted with the best of Scotch and Irish linens which will be sold regardless of present price quotations.

Prices Are Now Lower and Qualities Better Than It Is Possible To Expect for Some Time To Come

- Heavy Irish Linen Table Cloths**
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| \$13.75 Cloths, \$10.89 |
| 22.75 Cloths, 17.50 |
| 25.00 Cloths, 20.00 |
| 30.00 Cloths, 25.00 |
| 35.00 Cloths, 30.00 |
- Napkins to Match Heavy Irish Linen**
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| \$15.00 grade, \$12.89 a doz. |
| 23.50 grade, 18.75 a doz. |
| 25.00 grade, 20.00 a doz. |
| 30.00 grade, 25.00 a doz. |
- John S. Brown's Fine Irish Linen Cloths and Napkins REDUCED**
- TABLE CLOTHS**
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| \$22.50 Cloths, \$17.50 |
| 25.00 Cloths, 20.00 |
| 27.50 Cloths, 22.50 |
| 30.00 Cloths, 25.00 |
| 35.00 Cloths, 30.00 |
| 40.00 Cloths, 35.00 |
- NAPKINS (To Match)**
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| \$22.50 quality, \$18.75 a doz. |
| 25.00 quality, 20.00 a doz. |
| 30.00 quality, 25.00 a doz. |
| 32.50 quality, 27.50 doz. |
- John S. Brown Linens have been sold here for thirty-three years.

Two Extra Specials for Friday

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| Heavy Double Damask Irish Linen Table Cloths \$12 quality, \$9.75 |
| Heavy Double Damask Irish Linen Napkins (22-inch) \$13.75 quality for \$11.89 doz. |

Finest Scotch Linen Table Cloths and Napkins to Match

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| \$27.50 Cloths, \$22.50 |
| 30.00 Cloths, 25.00 |
| 35.00 Cloths, 30.00 |
| 40.00 Cloths, 35.00 |
| 45.00 Cloths, 40.00 |
| 50.00 Cloths, 45.00 |
| \$20 Napkins, \$15 doz. |
| 25 Napkins, 20 doz. |
| 30 Napkins, 25 doz. |
| 35 Napkins, 30 doz. |
| 45 Napkins, 35 doz. |
| 55 Napkins, 45 doz. |

A 25% Reduction Friday on All Our Fancy Linen

Real hand embroidered Madeira pieces, which includes a splendid selection of

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| Table Cloths | Dollies |
| Napkins | Lunch Cloths |
| Center Pieces | Scarfs |
| | and Luncheon Sets |

Real Venetian lace centers, scarfs, dollies, lunch cloths and table cloths. Mosaic luncheon napkins and scarfs **All at a Reduction of 25%**

- Exceptionally Low Prices on Cloths and Napkins of Pure Irish Linen**
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| \$10.00 Napkins, \$ 7.50 doz. |
| 12.00 Napkins, 8.89 doz. |
| 12.75 Napkins, 9.89 doz. |
| 13.75 Napkins, 11.89 doz. |
| 17.50 Napkins, 13.98 doz. |
- Hemstitched Linen Damask Lunch Cloths**
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| \$ 6.00 quality for \$5.00 |
| 7.50 Cloths for 6.00 |
| 10.00 Cloths for 7.75 |
| 11.75 Cloths for 9.75 |
- Cloths (round design)**
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| \$13.75 (2x2 yds.), \$10.00 |
| 17.00 (2x2 1/2 yds.), 13.00 |
| 18.75 (2x2 yds.), 15.00 |
- Linen Huck Towels**
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| \$.75 Hemmed Towels, \$.50 |
| 1.50 H. S. Towels, 1.25 |
| 1.75 H. S. Towels, 1.50 |
| 2.00 H. S. Towels, 1.75 |
| 2.25 H. S. Towels, 2.00 |
- Huck Towels**
- Warranted ALL-LINEN Weft
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| \$.65 quality for 50c |
| .85 quality for 75c |
| 1.00 quality for 85c |

Towels, Toweling and Wash Cloths

Heavy Bleached Turkish Towels

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| \$.40 quality for \$.33 |
| .65 quality for .50 |
| 1.35 quality for 1.00 |
| 1.75 quality for 1.25 |

Heavy Linen Crashes (Scotch and Irish)

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| 60c Crash, 50c a yard |
| 65c Crash, 55c a yard |
| 75c Crash, 65c a yard |

Turkish Wash Cloths

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| 10c Wash Cloths, 8 1/2c |
| 12 1/2c Wash Cloths, 10c |
| 20c Wash Cloths, 15c |

Heavy All-Linen Checked Glass Towel

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| 60c quality, 50c a yard |
| 65c quality, 55c a yard |

Extra Special

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| 30c Crash, 20c a yard |
| Striped and Checked Toweling: |
| 35c Striped, 25c a yard |
| 40c Checked, 30c a yard |

Lace Trimmed Scarfs, reg. priced \$1.50, Friday at 95c.

35c Glass Towels, striped hemmed, 25c.

The Men's Shop Contributes to the Sale

Outing Flannel Nightshirts, \$1.50 Made by Steiner and Son; splendid, serviceable garments in desirable colors and all sizes.

Fine Ties For 75c each Neckwear purchased for the holiday trade and this January sale. The qualities and patterns are surprisingly beautiful.

Fibre Hose Only 50c a pair Eiffel hose, medium weight, fine and silky—come in cordovan, black, white, navy, gray, and dark or light champagne. 50c a pair while our supply holds out.

White Shirts Are Priced \$2 Negligee or pleated shirts with stiff cuffs, made by Cluett, Peabody & Co. They are values that cannot be purchased today and offered for this price.

Our January Shirt Sale

Offering Arrow, Earl & Wilson, and Eagle shirts with soft or stiff cuffs, in sizes 13 1/2 to 18

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| \$3 Shirts \$2.65 | \$5 Shirts \$4.15 |
| \$4 Shirts \$3.35 | \$6 Shirts \$5.15 |

\$7 Shirts are Priced \$5.85

Values you can't afford to miss. Values necessitating early shopping. **To the Left As You Enter**

Children's Coats and Hats Have New Low Prices



Most attractive coats of gray chinchilla, navy and brown mixed goods, silvertone, in Copenhagen or dark red, broadcloth and velvet, sizes are all the way from 2 to 14 years.

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| \$18.25 Coats for \$10.98 | \$28.50 Coats for \$22.49 |
| \$22.50 Coats for \$18.49 | \$40 and \$45 Coats, \$31.50 |
- \$50 Coats Friday for \$39.50**

BECOMING HATS

Of black velvet in shapes that are charming, and hats especially designed to match certain coats are to be had in velour and broadcloth, brown or black.

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| \$4.25 Hats Are Priced \$2.98 | \$9 and \$9.50 Hats, \$5.98 |
| \$6, \$6.25 and \$6.50 Hats Are \$3.49 | \$11.50 Hats for \$7.69 |
| \$8.25 and \$8.50 Hats, \$5.49 | \$12.50 Hats for \$8.49 |

On the Second Floor