

## Food Prices Show Marked Decline In Last 10 Days

Retail Costs Have Dropped  
From 10 to 30 Per Cent—  
High-Grade Flour Takes  
25-Cent Slump.

A marked decline in retail prices on foodstuffs during the past 10 days is shown by prices quoted in large downtown markets yesterday. The drop ranges from 10 to as high as 30 per cent.

The best grade of flour, which two weeks ago retailed at \$2.75 a 48-pound sack, was quoted yesterday at \$2.50, showing a decline of 25 cents.

Coffee which sold as high as 38 cents within the last few months was yesterday quoted at 22 1/2 cents a pound.

Best grades of butter were selling yesterday at 52 to 55 cents a pound. The same grade sold at 64 to 68 cents not more than 10 days ago.

Bulk cocoa has dropped from 18 to 15 cents a pound; mixed nuts, important as the yule-tide approaches, have dropped from 30 to 25 cents a pound; shelled popcorn has dropped 2 1/2 cents a pound and new retail at 7 1/2 cents.

There has been little change in prices of dried fruits and canned goods as yet. A marked drop in canned goods is anticipated by some dealers, however.

Southern vegetables, beets, carrots, turnips, shallots and radishes are selling at 7 1/2 cents a bunch. Recently they have retailed at from 10 to 12 1/2 cents a bunch.

Head lettuce is priced at 10 to 12 1/2 cents a head, having dropped from 15 to 20 cents a head; cauliflower is now 12 1/2 cents a pound and potatoes have dropped 5 cents a peck, being priced at 35 cents a peck yesterday.

### Humane Society Holding

#### Dog Said to Have Bitten Man

The Humane society is holding for observation a watchdog owned by John Glessman, 1118 Davenport street, upon complaint that the animal bit Joseph Coory, employee of a furniture store, when he went to the Glessman house on business.

The custodian of the Humane society's shelter at Eleventh and Nicholas streets stated that his investigation showed that Coory was bitten on the under part of a foot and he also explained that the Glessman dog was fastened to a chain and that a sign warned callers against the dog.

The dog will be held for 10 days to determine whether it has rabies.

### Policeman Who Took Bribe

#### Sentenced to Penitentiary

Eight months ago William J. Wilkening was a respected member of the Omaha police force. Yesterday he was taken by Deputy Sheriff Quackenbush to the state penitentiary at Lincoln to serve a year "at hard labor."

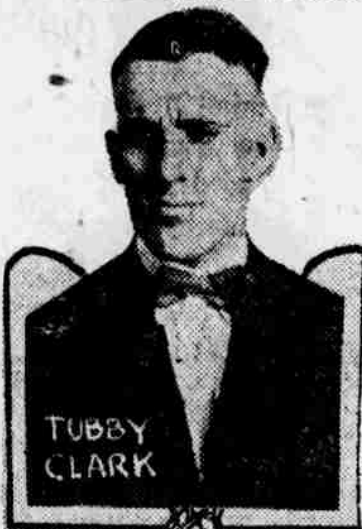
District Judge Troup sentenced Wilkening yesterday morning and Sheriff Clarke ordered him taken to the penitentiary at once.

Wilkening was convicted of accepting a bribe from Mary and Steve Toth, 1207 Izard street, April 14, and refraining from arresting them for alleged violation of the liquor laws.

### Booze Maker Fined.

York, Neb., Dec. 9.—Special.—Conrad Zeig was fined \$100 in justice court here on a charge of manufacturing intoxicating liquor.

## Manager Positive in Identification of Man As Empress Robber



TUBBY CLARK

Walfred Ledoux, owner and manager of the Empress theater, pointed to Glenn "Tubby" Clark in District Judge Troup's court yesterday afternoon and declared him to be one of two men who robbed him of \$3,140 the night of October 24, while he was putting the day's receipts in the theater safe.

Cross-examination did not break down Ledoux's positive identification. Clark has been arrested frequently heretofore on charges including automobile stealing, breaking and entering and receiving stolen property.

The identification of Clark by Walfred Ledoux will be bolstered to pieces by overwhelming testimony. Eugene O'Sullivan declared to the jury impelled to try Clark.

### Former Clarke Home

#### Purchased by Masons

#### For Refuge for Waifs

Transfer of the former home of Mrs. Frank N. Clarke, Twenty-second and Davenport streets, to the Masonic Home for Children society, to be used for a children's home was consummated yesterday when the deeds were signed by representatives of the home and owners in the conference room of the Conservative Saving and Loan. The consideration was \$25,000.

The property, 146 feet by 146 feet, includes the former Clarke home of 14 rooms, and three brick flats, all attached.

The property is directly south of the half block recently purchased by the board of education for the Central grade school site.

Remodeling of the structures will be begun Friday and according to home officials, the home will be ready for occupancy January 1.

### Plymouth Man Struck by

#### Hand Car Dies of Injuries

Beatrice, Neb., Dec. 9.—(Special).—Struck by a handcar at Plymouth, Neb., Tuesday, Edgar Schopp, 21, died of his injuries. He was the son of George Schopp, an old resident of that city.

### Give Your Furnace

#### A Treat

#### Buy Your

#### COAL

This Winter From the

UPDIKE LUMBER

& COAL CO.

Phone Walnut 0300

## Brief City News

**Former "Cop" Released.**—Robert E. Ford, former police officer, was held not guilty of charges of bootlegging by a jury in Judge Goss' court Wednesday afternoon.

**Pastor's Salary Raised.**—At the annual congregational meeting of the Kountze Memorial Lutheran church, the salary of the pastor, Rev. O. D. Baltzly, was increased to \$6,000.

**Alleged Thief Held.**—Paul Shrum, 3618 Clark street, alleged to have disappeared Monday with \$300 belonging to a grocer, his former employer, is being held for investigation at police station.

**Man Bound Over.**—Joe Tiro, 1608 Chicago street, was bound over for trial in district court yesterday charged with assault to do bodily injury to Arthur Fy, an employee of the Metropolitan Water district.

**Legion to Bury Victim.**—Funeral services for Jess Sillick, murder victim at a party last Sunday night at Thirtieth and Ohio streets, will be held by the Douglas county chapter of the American Legion at Hoffman's mortuary this afternoon.

**Injuries Serious.**—The condition of Mrs. Rose Laks, 75, inmate of the Jewish Old People's home, who was injured when struck by a street car Monday at Seventeenth and Charles street, is still serious, according to authorities at Frederick hospital.

**Zoning System Discussed.**—Trend of public opinion towards the proposed zoning system for Omaha was explained Wednesday night to members of the Men's club of Trinity cathedral by George Morton, president of the city planning board.

**Money Stringency Evident.**—Many suits in justice of the peace court involving sums ranging from \$10 to \$102 denote that a money stringency is evident.

**Receiver Asked.**—A receiver for the Farm Light and Power company was asked in district court yesterday in a suit filed by Thomas F. English, who alleges the concern is insolvent. The company was organized in July, 1919, and capitalized at \$100,000.

**Wrong Letter Brings Suit.**—Because a Western Union telegraph operator struck the letter "n" on his typewriter instead of "o," making the word "none" read "nine" in a message from Major S. R. Dubbar in Omaha to Fred S. Craig in Fort Sheridan last April, the company has been sued in district court for \$2,000.

**Architects Meet.**—Representatives of the Nebraska chapter of the American Association of Civil Engineers and of the American Institute of Architects met yesterday at luncheon in the University club to decide on a plan of promoting legislation for the creation of a state board of examiners for engineers and architects.

**Divorce Suit Protested.**—The suit filed a few weeks ago in district court by Joseph Zekonis for a divorce from his wife, Maggie, on charges of "desertion and extreme cruelty," was answered with vim and vigor yesterday by Maggie, who refuses to let it go by default. She protests in her reply that her husband should be in Chicago supporting her and the four children.

**Water Board Asks Loan.**—The Metropolitan Water board will make a formal request of the city council for a loan of \$125,000, with which to pay interest on gas plant bonds due January 1, and which should be forwarded to New York not later than December 20.

Remember  
Only 13 Days Left  
for Christmas  
Shopping

# BURGESS-NASH COMPANY.

"EVERYBODY'S STORE"

See the  
Special Values  
for Friday  
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## The Entire Main Floor of the Burgess-Nash New Building Is Filled With Beautiful Gift Suggestions

Realizing that our present store would not be large enough to take care of the increasing crowds, we opened the Downstairs Store and the Main Floor of our new building. The Downstairs Store is the place where children's dreams come true—Wonderland's Toytown. The Main Floor is a sort of a Gift Bazaar—holiday merchandise assembled from various parts of the store for your convenience. Great, broad aisles and wide, convenient counters heaped with all sorts of beautiful things for men, women and children, make it a joy to shop for the coming holiday.

Not only are there many lines of novelty gifts, but many of the counters contain articles of a practical nature. Among the sections in this great section are:

Luggage  
Books

Christmas Cards  
Handkerchiefs

Picture Frames  
Framed Mottoes

White Ivory  
Calendars Candy

and on some of the tables you will find different merchandise each day on which special prices have been placed. After you have selected your merchandise in this section you will find that there is a free wrapping desk where all parcels are wrapped for mailing; near the desk is the Postoffice where you may have your packages weighed and buy the necessary stamps.

### Framed Mottoes

Perhaps you have some friend that you wish to send a small remembrance or a thoughtful reminder of the joyful season of Christmas. Nothing could be more appropriate than a beautiful motto attractively framed. We are showing a varied selection on the main floor of the new building, priced from 75c to \$1.50.

Main Floor—New Building.

### Christmas Cards

Who did you forget last year? How many of your friends sent you a dainty Christmas card when it was too late you found that you had neglected to send them one? Make out your lists carefully and then bring it to our large Christmas card section in our new building and make your selection. Priced from 1c to \$1.00.

Main Floor—New Building.



## Gift Slippers

Almost complete assortment of "Comfy" felt slippers, boudoir slippers and mules make ideal Christmas gifts and practical, too.

### Felt Slippers

Felt slippers daintily trimmed with ribbon, soft padded soles, in many colors and styles. Priced from \$2.00 to \$4.50.

Mules in navy styles, and all colors. Priced from \$6.00 to \$7.50.

### Boudoir Slippers

Quilted satin boudoir slippers with flexible leather soles and heels, all colors. Priced at \$3.85.

Second Floor

### Leather Boudoir Slippers

Leather boudoir slippers with large pom poms in black, brown and red at \$3.50.

Main Floor—New Building.

### Calendars

There are calendars here that would appeal to every man, woman or child, and there is no gift that would be more appreciated by a friend. We have small ones, large ones, in fact, there is any kind of a fancy calendar here that you could hope for, beautifully boxed ready to give for Christmas. Priced from 5c to \$1.50.

Main Floor—New Building.

### Picture Frames

Perhaps you have a picture of yourself to put in a frame for a gift, or maybe someone to whom you are going to give a gift, has a picture that they want framed. Please them with one of these handsome frames on display on the main floor. There are all kinds and descriptions, priced from \$2.25 to \$2.75.

Main Floor—New Building.

## A Special Christmas Sale of Candy

to introduce our new candy section on the main floor of the new building. Friday we will place on sale delicious candy—the kind that every person enjoys eating, or to give to friends. It is fresh and made of the purest ingredients and priced very special for Friday.

Johnston's chocolate covered cherries, 98c lb.  
A large, juicy cherry, hand dipped in chocolate, with individual wrapping.  
Ye old fashioned peanut candy cut in small squares, 39c lb.

English plum pudding, \$1.19 and \$2.35 lb.  
Salted peanuts, Planer's blanched, 29c lb.  
Iced caramels at 49c lb.  
A complete line of fancy Christmas box candy from \$1.25 to \$10.00 a box.

Buy your Christmas candy now; very special assortment in the Toy Department, 39c lb.

Main Floor—New Building

Downstairs Store



## Crisp, Clean Christmas Handkerchiefs For Men, Women and Children

In the New, Large Section on the  
Main Floor of the New Building.

So many people let their supply of Handkerchiefs run low, during the scarce times, that there is a very large opening in most bureau drawers for mighty acceptable Christmas gifts of Handkerchiefs.

### Women's Handkerchiefs

Women's beautiful linen kerchiefs, plain hemstitched hems; also white and colored designs; plain and fancy initials from 50c to \$3.00.

### Children's Handkerchiefs

Children's handkerchiefs, three in box, 25c to 75c a box. They are in colors of white; also wonderful color combinations.

### Men's Handkerchiefs

Men's linen kerchiefs, initials, plain hemstitched hems and beautiful corded from 45c to \$2.00.

### Sport Handkerchiefs

Ladies' and men's sport kerchiefs in beautiful color effects, linen, lawns and batistes.

### Box Handkerchiefs

Men's and ladies' kerchiefs, three in box, linen, lawn, mull and batiste. 25c to \$2.50 a box.

Main Floor—New Building

## Nuts, 3 lbs., \$1

Drake Almonds, 3 lbs. for...\$1.00  
Pacans, 3 lbs. for...\$1.00  
Washed Brazils, 3 lbs. for...\$1.00  
Mixed Nuts, 3 lbs. for...\$1.00  
English Walnuts, 3 lbs. for...\$1.00

Downstairs Store

## Apples

4c each  
Delicious  
Jonathan  
Roman Beauty  
Spitzenburg

Downstairs Store

## Linens—Pillow Cases—Blankets

Make Handsome and Appropriate Gifts  
Here Are a Few Specials for Friday:

### Turkish Towel Sets \$1.95

Set consists of two towels and two wash cloths to match; these are of splendid quality, neatly tied with satin ribbon and boxed—a very appropriate Christmas gift. \$1.95 set.

### Huck Towels, 39c

Hemstitched huck towels of fine weave and quality, with fancy border, size 18x36 inches. 39c each.

### Dresser Scarfs, 85c

Dresser scarfs with blue scalloped edge and blue designs in center; these are of excellent quality; size 18x54 inches—85c each.

### Pillow Cases, \$2.50 pair

Pillow cases, size 45x36 inches; these have finished ends of crochet lace as well as handsome designs of solid embroidery; neatly put up one pair in box suitable for Christmas gifts. \$2.50 pair.

### Blankets, \$6.25 each

Bath robe blankets in handsome designs, complete with cords and tassels; neatly boxed. \$6.25 each.

### Wool Blankets \$12.95 pair

Beautiful plaid wool blankets, a soft, fluffy quality possessing great warmth; these are neatly bound with ribbon and are suitable for full size beds. \$12.95 pair.

Downstairs Store



## Two Big Shirt Bargains

At Our Farnam Store

Every fiber shirt in the house worth up to \$9.00 in attractive patterns, all sizes, will go at one price

\$8.85

\$4.85

## Velour Hats

For Friday and Saturday only, sale of Velour hats. Values up to \$25.00. Closing out at

\$8.95 and \$16.75

## Silk Hose

We have taken a wonderful lot of our very best Silk Hose values to \$3.00. For Friday and Saturday these will go on special sale for

\$1.45

Pray  
For Men  
1908 Farnam St.