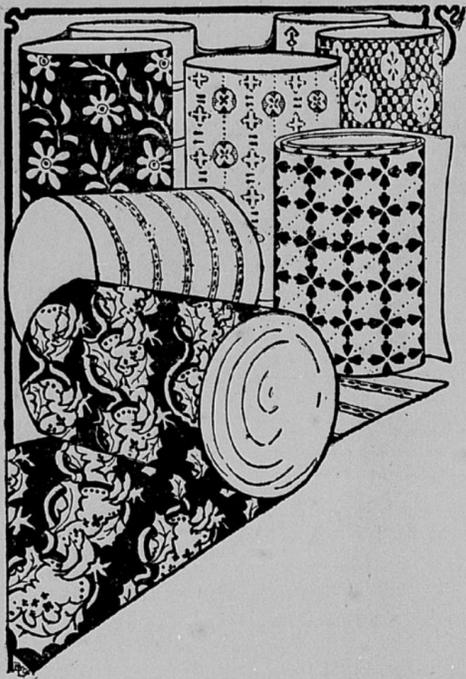


The BALLE - BRODERSEN CO.



Carpets, Rugs, Oil-cloths and Linoleum

China Mattings, Draperies, Portierres, Lace Curtains, Window Shades, Curtain Poles and Trimmings.



Spring house cleaning and refurnishing will soon be the order of the day—in fact, many have begun it already. What do you need in the way of new floor and window coverings? We were never better prepared than now to furnish carpets from America's leading mills that are notable for excellence of material, richness of color and artistic beauty of design. Many of the designs shown are exclusive with us so far as Crawford County selling is concerned. They are therefore not likely to become common like the general run of carpets and curtains. The maximum of quality at the minimum of price should be a magnet sufficiently powerful to draw crowds of interested home-keepers to our big daylight carpet and curtain department.

Lace Curtains---

We are showing a complete line of Mon Reve, Motifany, Cable Net, Mission Net, Edwardian, Snow Flakes, Linen Crash and Nottingham. The following numbers are a few of our latest arrivals:

No. 6540—An all linen crash curtain (plain weave) three yds. long. The edge is trimmed with crochet lace in one of the latest designs. It has a fine inch insertion border of Filet net, with oriental and english designs. The insertion is put in in a manner that gives it the new block border effect. The price is, per pair..... **\$5.50**

No. 30905—Missionet Curtains. An entirely new weave of curtains, has the appearance of hand woven materials. They are three yards long. Colors—green, red, arabian and white. They are the proper curtains for dens, drawing rooms, halls etc. The price is, pair..... **\$1.50**

No. 6084—Arabian colored English bobinett, with genuine cluney 2 inch wide lace edging and 2 1/2 inch cluney insertion, border to match. The part of curtain between border and edge has a 1 inch battenburg ring with elaborate hand worked design worked around each ring. The rings are 12 inches apart. The corner design is of renaissance braid and rings worked in by hand and put together with numerous fancy stitches **\$10.50**
The price is, per pair.....

No. 8037—Imported English cable net, 3 1/2 yards long. The most elaborate design ever in our stock. It has a plain center with a very wide heavy appearing border and extremely large corner design. The outer edge has a 2 inch border in design to match heavy heavy border. Color white. **\$4.50**
The price is very special, per pair.....

No. 6313—Imported bobinett curtains, 3 yards long. The border is 2 inch imitation cluney, insertion with 1 1/2 inch lace edge to match. On each side of insertion and next to edge, curtain has 2 inch strip of self trimming, giving it a very rich and handsome effect. Color white. **\$3.50**
Price, per pair.....

No. 6578—Is an arabian bobinett curtain with heavy border of same material, edge is trimmed with narrow crochet edging. About 3 inches from edge is another row of edging stitched on curtain, end and side trimmings crossing at the corners gives it a beautiful effect. This is one of the many new and popular flat designs we are showing this season. **\$2.25**
The price is, per pair.....

DELTOX---Grass Rugs and Runners---

Deltox Brand—Grass Rugs and Runners are the best makes we know of. They are woven tighter, the finish is smoother, and the warp is stronger than any other. They come in plain colors and plain colors with hand painted (oil color) borders in Grecian and Conventional designs. Very appropriate and suitable for porches, halls, dining rooms etc. Sizes 27 in x 8 ft., 36 in x 8 ft., 36 ft., 8 x 10 ft., 27 in. x 10 ft., 36 x 10 ft., 4 1/2 x 7 1/2 ft., 9 x 12 ft., 27 in. x 12 ft., 36 x 12 ft. and 6 x 9 ft.

Rugs, Rugs--

Beautiful Axminster rugs—floral, oriental and conventional patterns. A complete line of sizes from 18x36 inches to 12x15 feet.

Wilton Velvet Rugs---
One of the best wearing rugs made, come in an elegant line of patterns and colorings. Size 9x12 only.

Velvet Rugs---
Of this make we carry a fine selection, because we can always rely on a velvet rug to give perfect satisfaction. Sizes 8 1/2 x 10 1/2 feet to 11 1/2 x 12 feet. See our special 9x12 feet velvet rug at..... **\$19.00**

Body Brussels and Tapistry Rugs---
The most satisfactory rugs for dining rooms and bed rooms. We have them in all the new colorings and designs. Sizes 6x9 feet, 8 1/2 x 10 1/2 feet, 9x12 feet, 9x11 feet, 10 1/2 x 12 feet.

Wilton Rugs---
Absolutely the best wearing rugs manufactured. We have a number of patterns that are registered and obtainable here only. Some of them exact copies of imported oriental camel-hair rugs. The prices are lower than for years, but we have been advised that they will soon advance. All rugs now on hand will be sold at present prevailing prices. These rugs we have in most any size imaginable.

Sultana Carpets, Ingrain Carpets, Japanese Mattings, Oilcloths, Linoleums etc.,

Ingrain Carpets---
In all cottons, unions and in all wools. Our wool carpets are the well known (Leicestershire) make. We have sold them exclusively for more than twenty years. They are made of the very best (long fibered) carpet wool yarn. The yarns are all dyed clear through—not just dipped in coloring—as a great many others are. The selvages are nice and even so the seams will not look ragged. The prices are no higher, and in some instances lower, than inferior makes.

Japanese Matting---
We carry none but Japanese mattings and not say that they are not made with cotton warps, thus assuring ourselves that we are giving our customers the best mattings obtainable. The colorings and patterns are entirely new and different this year and the prices up to 75c per yard.

Oilcloths and Linoleums---
We are sole agents for Greenwich (Imported) inlaid linoleums, the highest quality manufactured. They are all finished with a nice smooth surface, the outlines of the patterns are clear and distinct. A comparison with other makes will convince you that Greenwich is what you want.
Oil cloth—printed linoleums—rug borders—etc., we carry in all widths and quantities.
We have a number of drop patterns in 2 yard wide linoleums that we are offering at very interesting prices.

We carry a complete line of curtain stretchers, curtain rods, portierres, window shades, carpet paper, stair rods, etc.

The Balle-Brodersen Co.
DENISON, IOWA.
Leading Carpet Department in Western Iowa

Stair Carpetings, Ingrains, Velvets, Tapistrys, Sanitary and Sultana. Prices 25 cents to \$1.15 per yard.

IS IT NOTHING FOR SOMETHING?

DOES THE CITY OF DENISON GET ITS MONEY'S WORTH EACH YEAR?

INCOME A THOUSAND A MONTH

Exclusive of Water Rates, Library, Sewer and Park Funds the City, but Debts are Heavy

The Review has no desire to indulge in captious criticism of the city administration. It is a republican administration and in its election it received the support of the Review. While this obligation, if any there be, rests lightly with the administration, the Review still feels itself in some measure responsible, and is willing to aid by careful advice, just as it is unwilling to hamper by unjust criticism.

Denison has an income of considerably more than a thousand dollars a month. The income from direct taxation is about eight thousand dollars, the mulct tax brings in \$3000, fines and licenses and miscellaneous revenues are between \$500 and \$1000 and the water rates more than pay for the water.

The problem of water, therefore, may be left out of consideration as

self sustaining, and it then becomes apparent, that Denison pays more than one thousand dollars a month, for the preservation of order, for street work, for lights and for legislation.

The people of Denison are just as well able to judge whether they are getting their money's worth as we are to tell them. Perhaps the improvements which have been made are worth what they have cost. Perhaps the money has been wisely expended, if so, if Denison is getting a thousand dollars worth of good out of it every month, no one has a right to complain.

It is unfortunate, however, that the city is largely in debt. The income has been substantially the same for a number of years, but it seems to be just as impossible to live within the income, as it is to construct a crossing at the Parlor Bakery corner that will not be muddy every time there is a heavy dew.

Denison is getting close to the limit of its water supply and the new Nicholsons well threatens to curtail it still more, but the city has no money to dig deep wells and its financial condition is such that negotiations to get the money from the banks of the city failed.

Now we understand that Denison is so badly strapped with its pitiful income of \$1000 per month that all street work is to be abandoned this summer and the work confined to the cleaning of crossings and the occa-

sional use of the King drag.

The Mayor in his Message, which by the way is something of a novelty for Denison, urges the aldermen to be watchful to their trust and to watch the crossings closely. The Mayor's advice is alright, though just why it is given to the aldermen we do not understand. Under the present law, practically all the responsibility for the city administration is placed with the Mayor. This was the intent of the legislature. The council is to legislate, the Mayor to execute. It is the Mayor's business to keep an eye on the crossings and to see that the necessary work of the city is done. The city council is not expected to do this and should not accept the responsibility.

The Mayor is the "whole works" under the present law and the care with which the aldermen may regard the crossings is of no practical importance.

The suggestion as to paving is an excellent one. The next step which Denison makes, and the step which it must make does it wish to deserve the name of "city" is to pave its main streets.

Before the paving is done, however, the streets must be graded and made ready, and before the grading is done the finances must be ready. Anxious as we are to see the work of paving commenced and valuable as we think the Mayor's suggestion, we think the first step is to re-organize Denison on a business basis, to learn to live with

in our income or at least to show a hundred cents worth of work for each dollar expended.

Purposely, it seems to us, the city officials have kept the people in the dark as to the finances of the city and the manner in which the money has been expended.

Much criticism would be avoided, if the public was taken into the Mayor's confidence. We would suggest that His Honor, being in a literary mood, write a second message and that he include in it some mention of facts as to the city's condition and a plain statement as to what he, with whom is lodged the responsibility, intends to do in the premises.

Mayor Rollins agrees that the figures given are correct. The income of Denison for last year was \$12,675 90. The questions before the people are these—was this large sum well expended, and, more important still, will the income of the city be wisely spent this year?

West Side Journal: Mr. John Richardson of Denison, patriotic instructor of the G. A. R. for Crawford county, was a pleasant caller Wednesday. He had been up making an address to the high school and grammar room pupils, which all seemed to enjoy greatly. Mr. Richardson served during the civil war in the same regiment with Mr. Isaac Patterson and he took advantage of the opportunity while here to go out and take dinner with his old comrade.

CONVENTION AT ARION

A Strong Sunday School Program Has Been Arranged for that Occasion.

There is to be a Sunday School convention at the Congregational church in Arion Sunday afternoon, April 18. The people there have taken a great interest in the matter and will read papers and arrange some musical numbers. Rev. DeFree of Denison will give his great talk on the true purpose of the Sunday School. Nothing better on the subject could be brought out. The county president, Prof. Van Ness, County Secretary Meyers, E. W. Pierce, Supt. Hoffman will take part in the program from Denison. The convention will begin at 1:30.

MAYOR NAMES COMMITTEE

The City Council Now Organized for the New Year With Good Committees.

At the late council meeting Mayor Rollins read the following committee appointments:
Street and Alleys—Holst, Green and Coon.
Water—Coon, Eggers and Wright.
Nuisances—Tucker, Holst and Wright.
Fire and Public Buildings—Green, Tucker and Eggers.
Finance—Eggers, Tucker and Wright.
Sewer—Wright, Eggers and Coon.

Methodist Church

The Methodist church took full note of Easter. The pulpit platform was made beautiful with banks of potted plants and the big structure given a spring-like appearance. The pastor gave a strong, deep sermon on the significance of the day to the people of the world and the choir with Mrs. Sibbert and Mrs. Boyle as leading sopranos sang most beautiful anthems. The evening was given over to the children of the Sunday School. The superintendent, Prof. Van Ness was not present, being out of the city, and so the burden of leading fell on the assistant, Mr. Voss. He went at it with a will, working even harder than if he had been at the helm all the time. The children of the primary department under the direction of Mrs. Voss and Miss Strahn sang and recited their parts very well. There were no failures and the people who heard them were pleased. The missionary collection from the Sunday School was taken during the day.

Going fishing? The fish bite best on tackle bought at The Book Store. Mr. and Mrs. Claire Butterworth of Dow City were among the Denison shoppers on Friday. Mrs. Adam Schneckloth went to West Side on Friday to visit her daughter, Mrs. Spottawood. J. C. Holden, General Claim Agent of the Northwestern came to Denison from Omaha on an important business mission last Friday.