

WILL BEGIN TODAY

Mayor's Commission to Investigate the Sewer.

MEMBERS HAVE BEEN NAMED

Two Engineers, Member Grand Jury, Two Property-Owners and Representatives of Oregon Savings Bank and Executive Board.

Today a second official examination of the ill-famed Tanner-Creek sewer will begin. This investigation will be made by men selected by Mayor Williams, who announced his commission yesterday morning.

Four men were chosen by the Mayor, and four others will also accompany the party. W. W. Goodrich and G. Wingate, two civil engineers, will do the technical examining for the commission. John M. A. Laue, a member of the grand jury, represents that body. The property-owners are represented by N. C. King and E. B. Lamson, who were asked by Mayor Williams if they would look through the sewer themselves. The Oregon Savings Bank, with whose money the sewer was constructed by Riner & Riner, will send a representative, and City Engineer Elliott will be a member of the party. Rodney L. Gilman told the Mayor that as a member of the Executive Board he wished to see the condition of the sewer for himself, and will go through the big tube.

"I have no doubt that the sewer is defective, for I am sure there were mischief-makers at work in it," said Mayor Williams yesterday, after announcing his commission. "But it is best to learn both sides, and I have tried to have both sides represented on this commission. Mr. Elliott went along with the other examining the first day, and they found no defects while he was there. They went in after that, and made the examination as shown in the report."

Examination Begins Today.

The examination is scheduled to commence this morning, and will probably be finished within three or four days. It is expected that Mayor Williams' position will be defined in a communication to the Council to be presented at the last meeting of the month.

The bridge investigation committee is still resting. There is a well-authenticated report that the old draw of the Morrison-street bridge is being erected intact in a California town, and that much of the material of the old bridge will also be used in this way. It had been supposed that the bids were for the construction of the new steel bridge, and that some deduction would be made for the material in the old bridge, could it be used again. Nothing has been heard of any deductions from the contract price.

It was again stated yesterday at the Council meeting tomorrow a resolution would be introduced appointing a committee to investigate the City Engineer's payrolls.

YOUNG MAN IS MISSING.

Last Seen on River in Small Boat Filled With Iron.

Detectives and policemen are now engaged in an endeavor to unravel the mystery of the disappearance of William Tucker, a boy aged 18 years, who left St. Johns in a small boat filled with iron, one week ago yesterday, and who has not been seen or heard from by his relatives since.

Tucker's mother, residing at Midway, clings to the theory of accidental drowning, and the police also incline to that belief. Until a complete investigation is made, however, the matter will remain enshrouded in deep mystery. Notification was received at Police Headquarters yesterday, but up to a late hour nothing had been heard from the missing boy. Chief of Police Hunt ordered all patrolmen to keep a close watch for a boy answering Tucker's description, and special detectives were assigned to make a thorough investigation of the case.

Young Tucker had been staying with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Graves, at St. Johns, and attending school in that town. He is said to have been devoted to his studies, and to have liked his books. It was after returning from the day's duties that he left in the boat for the city.

"The disappearance is simply a mystery that none of us can understand," said Mrs. Graves last night. "William may have been drowned. He was an excellent swimmer, however. It was only last week that he and another boy got upset in the river, but they both swam to shore safely. I hardly know what to think of the case, but I believe that something has happened to the boy. Whenever he went away before, he always told us where he was going and when he would return. That night he said he would be right back. His mother fears he may be dead in the river." Young Tucker was attired in a dark suit when he left home. He is about 5 feet 6 inches in height, weighs about 135 pounds, has black hair and blue eyes.

MISS ETTA MILES DEAD.

Graduate of Good Samaritan Hospital Dies in Arizona.

Miss Etta Miles, a graduate nurse of the Good Samaritan Hospital, class of 1902, died in Tucson, Arizona, on Friday. Miss Miles contracted tuberculosis over a year ago and with the hope of effecting a cure removed to Arizona last March. The change failed to be beneficial, and after a lingering illness she succumbed to the disease.

The body was brought to Portland yesterday in care of Miss Miles' father and will be taken to Seattle today for interment.

Miss Miles was well known in Portland and a general favorite in the Good Samaritan Hospital, where she served a pupilship of three years in the training school for nurses.

\$12.50 THE POPULAR PRICE.

Over One Hundred Suits Sold Last Saturday.

As a stock-reducer, no sale in the history of the Brownsville Woolen Mills has ever equaled the one now running in full blast at our store on Third street, opposite the Chamber of Commerce building. Until January 1 we will sell the pick and choice of any suit in the store for \$12.50. The stock is all of this season's make and sell at and are fully worth \$12.50 to \$25.00.

We have full lines today of every suit shown in our windows.

BROWNVILLE WOOLEN MILLS STORE.

YOU SURELY WANT THEM.

Housekeepers and storekeepers, you certainly want gas and electric chandeliers, glassware, Lindsey and Welch burners for the holiday lighting. M. J. Walsh Co. carries the best line for residences, show windows and stores. See them at their showrooms, 242 Washington, or phone.

The January Delineator on Sale Today at 15c a Copy

Xmas Number "American Boy" Ready for Distribution

Holiday Sale Handkerchiefs

Women's unlaundered all-linen hand embroidered Initialed Handkerchiefs, three different styles; best 25c values at 2 for.....20c Women's hemstitched all-linen Handkerchiefs, 1/2, 3/4 and 1-in. hems, full size, value extraordinary, each.....15c Women's Swiss embroidered Handkerchiefs, hemstitched and embroidered, also scalloped edge and embroidered, 20c and 25c values, 2 for.....25c Women's hemstitched and initialed unlaundered Handkerchiefs, all initials, great special values for this sale, each.....15c Children's plain white initial Handkerchiefs, hemstitched, fancy box, great value, box.....15c Children's colored border Handkerchiefs, in fancy boxes, great special values for this sale, each.....15c Sale continues through the week. Men's Handkerchiefs at special prices.

Drug Sundries

Great List of Special Values

25c Bathasweet for, can.....15c 25c La Blanche Face Powder.....30c 25c Purify' Bay Rum for.....17c Eastman's Toilet Water, violet coloration and crushed roses, regular 50c value, for.....35c Eastman's Almond Lotion.....15c Java Rice Face Powder, can.....25c Eastman's Perfumes, all the best odors, regular value 50c oz., 2-oz. price, ounce.....31c All 25c Chamolis Skins, for.....17c All 50c Chamolis Skins, for.....17c Pure white velvet Chamolis.....7c 25c Purify' Violet Cream.....15c Cuticura Ointment, bottle.....20c Oregon wood souvenirs, ink wells, smoking sets, thermometers, match boxes, etc.; your choice.....2c Greatest showing of holiday boxes, Toilet sets, cigar boxes, work boxes, manicuring sets, etc., etc.

Holiday Pictures

Metal Photo Frames in an immense assortment of styles and sizes; regular prices from 25c up to \$1.45; for one week your choice at.....1-3 off Hand-painted framed Water Colors, all sizes, of every handsome picture, size 8x12; \$3.25 value, for.....\$1.50 Photographs, Views, Frames, in 2-1/2 inch brown frames, gilt trimmed, 5x7 inches, 25c values.....25c 8x10 Framed prints, color, 15c values, best 25c values, for.....10c

The Meier & Frank Store

Portland's Largest and Best Store

Holiday Merchandise Purchased Now Will Be Stored Free of Charge and Delivered Whenever You Say—Buy Now We have 1905 Calendars in Immense Variety, All the Newest Styles and Ideas—Christmas Cards in Many Styles A "Willamette" Sewing Machine Makes a Handsome Christmas Gift for the Housewife—\$15 to \$35—Second Floor

Santa Claus Arrives at 2:30 Today



We received word last evening from Old Kris, says he will be here right on the dot this afternoon and wants all the little ones and their mamas to come down and help him select suitable Christmas gifts for his big family—He told us last Friday he never had such an easy time preparing for his long journey—Assortments are so large and toys so good that his shopping at The Meier & Frank Store has been a continuous round of pleasure—This Santa of ours is a liberal as well as a jolly old soul, knows how to make the little ones happy, so why not arrange to come down this afternoon

Red painted double-seated Doll Swing, great special value at—each.....23c 28x28-in. two-side Game Board, many new features, regular \$1.75 value.....67c Large size Toy Clothes Wringer suitable for small garments, good as the best, great value at—each.....55c Nickel-rimmed Druhh, 12-in. in diameter, best \$1.00 value, on sale for.....69c All our \$1.35 Ping Pong Sets on sale.....45c All our \$2.50 Ping Pong Sets on sale.....75c All our \$4, \$4.50, \$5 Ping Pong Sets, set.....\$1.25 All our \$6.00 and \$7.50 Ping Pong Sets.....\$1.75 \$10.00-\$12.00 Sets.....\$2.50 \$20 Set for.....\$3.75

\$2.00 Steel Wagon \$1.43

Absolutely all wrought iron steel-gear Wagon, 14x28x4 3/4 inches, 12-in. and 16-in. wheels; best make Wagon on the market, \$2.00 value.....\$1.43 Velocipede with 14-in. rear and 20-in. front wheels, extra heavy steel rims, adjustable seat, easily propelled; best make; \$2.00 value.....\$1.55

Hip-Jointed Kid Doll, bisque head, curly hair, moving eyes, shoes and stockings, 16 inches long, 60c value.....43c

"KESTNERS" Famous large Kid Body Doll with beautiful features, bisque head, moving eyes, sewed curly wig, 24-in. size, regular \$2.65 value, for.....\$1.79

"Kestners" full-jointed Doll with moving head, closing eyes, elegant sewed curly wig, shoes and stockings, \$1.25 value, for.....89c

We can dress the above doll for 50c.

23-piece Decorated China Tea Set, all large pieces, regular \$1.50 value.....95c

"Defender" Gun, absolutely harmless, shoots soft rubber ball, elegantly finished barrel; each one in a carton; new model never before shown, 50c value.....35c

Steel Book-Shaped Bank, elegantly finished, absolutely new this season, fine lock, one in a box, 75c value, for—each.....47c

Smoking Jackets

Thousands of handsome Smoking Jackets for your selection—The prettiest and most serviceable styles and exceptional values are offered those who buy this week—2d Floor



200 gray Smoking Jackets, with neat black, white and blue plaid collar and cuffs, all sizes, great special value at.....\$4.50

Wool Tropic Smoking Jackets, in brown, navy blue and maroon shades trimmed with frog loops and satin braids, plaid lining, special values at.....\$4.75

Fancy Smoking Jackets in blacks, maroon and brown, fancy cord edge, plaid collars and cuffs, self-lined, great values at.....\$5.00

Fancy Smoking Jackets, \$7.50 to.....\$12.50

Silk Smoking Jackets, \$12.50 to.....\$15.00

Tuxedo Smoking Jackets.....\$15.00 Lounging and Bath Robes in an extraordinary variety, all the newest and best styles, ranging in price from \$2.50 to \$20.00.

Great Holiday Book Sale

500 copies of a new Cook Book, 100 ways of cooking eggs, 100 ways of cooking fish, 100 desserts, all for.....20c The Animal World, 500 illustrations, \$1.00 value.....75c International Stamp Album, \$1.50 value.....50c Limp Leather Classics, gift books—each.....55c Story of Mary McLane, special value—copy.....50c Charming Bible Stories, illustrated—each.....\$1.50 Children's Nursery Book, \$1.50 value, for.....69c Children's Wonder Book, popular story-tellers.....69c Teachers' Bible, reference, concordance—copy.....95c All the latest Copyrighted Books on sale at—copy.....\$1.08 Dictionaries, Dictionary Stands, Bibles, Hymnals. Books for Boys and Girls; board-covered Books, Linen Books. 1905 Calendars—immense variety, 1c to \$15.00. Christmas and New Year's Cards. Great showing.

Children's Fur Sets

A useful and pleasing gift for children is a handsome set of Furs—You will find our display the largest and best in the city



Child's White Coney Set, collar, muff and purse, unusual value at, set.....\$1.75 White Angora Set, collar, flat muff and purse, matchless value at, set.....\$2.50 Thibet Set, round muff and collar, great special value at, set.....\$3.00 White Lamb and Angora, flat muff and purse, special values at.....\$3 and \$4

Eiderdown Robes for Misses and Children

Children's Eiderdown Robes plain and crepe eiderdown, pink, blue and red, ages 2 to 14 years, regular \$2.25 and \$2.50 values for the low price of.....\$1.98 Children's Eiderdown Long Kimonos, sailor collar, ribbon trimming, blue, red and pink, ages 2 to 8 years, \$2.25 values at the very low price of.....\$1.89 Children's Fine Crepe Eiderdown Long Kimonos, pink, blue and red, ages 2 to 8 years, values extraordinary at this low price.....\$2.69 Boys' Eiderdown Bath Robes pink and red striped, ages 2 to 14 years, great values at \$1.75 and \$2.00 each. Misses' Fine Crepe Eiderdown Long Kimonos, 12 to 16-year sizes, \$4.00 and \$4.50 each.

Great \$1.00 Shoe Sale

The greatest shoe sale of our history is in progress this week—Cleaning up all broken lines, odds and ends at ridiculously low prices



400 pairs of Women's \$2.50 and \$3.00 Lace and Button Shoes, spring heel, good styles, all sizes, marvelous values at \$1.00 the low price of, pair.....\$1.00

400 pairs Women's Felt Juliettes, fur-trimmed, red, green, black and brown, all sizes great \$1.00 value, pair.....\$1.00

100 pairs of Vici Kid 1-Strap Slippers, all sizes, at the low prices of, pair.....\$1.00

Odds and ends in Boys' Kid and Patent Leather Dancing Oxfords, also tan and black Nullifiers, marvelous values for this sale at, \$1.00 pair.....\$1.00

Women's Felt Juliettes, fur-trimmed, black, red, blue, green and maroon, all sizes, marvelous values \$1.00 at, pair.....\$1.00

Misses' sizes, 12 to 2, for 55c pair. Children's sizes, 9 to 11, for 49c pair. Small sizes, 5 to 8, for 44c pair. Men's Felt Slippers, leather sole—Men's Felt Slippers, leather trim.....\$1.00 600 pairs of little girls' Lace Shoes, in vic kid, box calf, satin calf and kangaroo calf, all sizes—great values, pair.....\$1.00 200 pairs of Men's Slippers, in seal, Everett and black kid opera, imitation black and chocolate alligator, brown kid in Everett and opera style. Sizes 6 to 12—great special value at, pair.....\$1.00

Great Saving on Cut Glass, Silverware, Etc.

The big Basement Store is worthy a visit today—Useful and ornamental pieces of every description, suitable for Christmas gifts are all being offered at low prices



Beautiful Cut Glass Water Pitcher, medium size, elegant cut, regular \$12.50 value for, each.....\$9.97 Cut Glass Jelly Dishes, with or without handle, beautiful cut, regular \$4 value, on sale for.....\$3.12 Cut Glass Bon-Bon Dishes, \$2.00 value, for, each.....\$1.59 3-piece Carving Sets, stag handles, sterling mountings, in lined case, regular \$7.50 value.....\$6.14 Nickel Chafing Dishes with fancy cover, very best burner and style, regular \$9.50 value, for.....\$7.23 Nickel Chafing Dish with plain cover, medium size, handsome style, regular \$6.75 value, for.....\$5.49 5-o'Clock Teakettles with wrought-iron stand, our best \$4.25 value, on sale all the week at.....\$3.28 The "Sternau" Coffee Machine, silver-lined, practical; every housewife wants one; for this sale the best \$10.00 style on sale for.....\$7.50 Water Sets—pitcher and 6 glasses; beautiful set, regular \$1.00 value; your choice for this sale.....69c

Cloisnone at 1/4 Off

Choose from our entire stock of Silver and Copper Cloisnone Ware at 25 per cent reduction from the regular selling prices. Beautiful specimens in all styles and sizes. Also remember that our Cloisnone Ware isn't marked at a 200 per cent profit. That's what you are 1/4 Off asked to pay at the Japanese stores. 1/4 Off

Sale of Silverware

Rogers "1847" Cream Ladles, all patterns, best 75c values, on sale at.....38c Gravy Ladles, Rogers "1847," all patterns, 90c values, on sale at.....68c Cold Meat Forks, Rogers "1847," gilt bowl, regular \$1.00 value, for.....79c 50c Sugar Shells, 43c. 50c Butter Knives, 43c

Electroliers at 1/3 Off

For one week choose from our entire stock of Bronze Electroliers and Statuary at 33-1/3 per cent off the regular selling prices. Magnificent high-grade pieces in big variety; a pleasing holiday gift for man or woman (Basement).....1/3 Off

Haviland China Specials

Cups and Saucers, daintiest designs—75c values.....62c 85c values.....70c 90c values.....72c \$1.00 values.....82c \$1.25 values.....1.00 \$1.50 values.....\$1.10 When in the Basement take note of the grand assortment of merchandise and special values to be found on our 10c, 15c and 25c tables.

Glove and Merchandise Orders Sold for Any Amount—Particulars at the Glove Dept. Trunks and Traveling Bags, Every Good Style and Size and Immense Variety Principal Portland Agents for Butterick Patterns and Publications—Subscriptions Taken Artistic Picture-Framing to Your Order—New Moldings—Very Lowest Prices

Portland's Leading Cloak Store

Offers remarkable pre-Holiday bargains in women's desirable ready-to-wear apparel—Suits, Cravenettes, Tourist Coats and Furs, Waists, Petticoats, Etc., the very best merchandise—Every woman having garment needs to supply will do well to look here before buying elsewhere—Assortments the largest, apparel the newest, satisfaction assured

\$27 Suits for \$19.85

Women's latest-style Suits, medium and long jackets, fancy vests, crushed velvet trimmed, plaited skirt; navy, brown, grays and blacks; in chevion, mixtures and broadcloths; all sizes; every suit the best \$27.00 value; your choice at the very low price of.....\$19.85

\$32 Tourist Coats \$24.85

Women's Tan Covert Tourist Coats, strapped seams, belted back, box plaited, velvet trimmed, with or without collar; the very newest style garment; we've sold hundreds of them at \$30.00 and \$32.00 each; your choice for this sale.....\$24.85

\$16 Crushed Plush Jackets \$12.45

Women's 27-inch Crush Plush Jackets, tight-fitting, fancy braid trimmed and collarless; satin lined; a handsome, stylish garment that fashion demands; regular \$16.00 value; your choice.....\$12.45

\$32.00 Cravenettes \$24.45

Choose from our entire stock of \$30.00 and \$32.00 Cravenettes, 3/4 or full-length, plaited backs; all round belt, with or without collar; tan, olives, Oxfords; our best \$30.00 \$24.45 and \$32.00 values, for.....\$24.45

\$35.00 Cravenettes \$26.65

All our \$34.00 and \$35.00 Cravenettes in this season's leading styles; tans, Oxfords and olives; 3/4 or full-length styles; with or without collar; values extraordinary for this sale at the low price of.....\$26.65

