

Goods Purchased on Credit Today Will go on Your March Account--We Are Portland Agents for Butterick Patterns

### Meier & Frank's 892d Friday Surprise Sale

# 100 Women's Spring Coats



## \$15 Values \$6.45 Ea

Portland's Leading Cloak and Suit Store fires the first bargain gun of the Spring season of 1907--100 women's handsome new Spring Coats at less than one-half their real value--a great special purchase made by the Cloak chief now in the New York market--All are 3-4 length garments--Checks, plaids and stripes in great assortment--Well made and finished throughout--All sizes--Coats that would find ready sale at \$15.00--every one of them--Your choice tomorrow only at this phenomenally low price, each

## \$6.45

See Fifth-Street Window Display  
No Mail or Phone Orders Filled--See the New Spring Suits and Waists--Immense Showing--Second Floor

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# 35c Handkerchiefs 16c

500 dozen women's fine Handkerchiefs at an exceptionally low price for tomorrow's 892d Friday Surprise Sale. Pure linen, in the new cross-bar and striped designs; narrow hemstitched border. Best 35c values, on sale tomorrow at this unusually low price, each. Buy all you want of them. No mail or phone orders will be filled at these special prices.

### Great Special Bargains in Women's Knit Underwear



"Harvard Mills" fine Ribbed Vests for women--Spring weight; high neck, long sleeves, or high neck and quarter sleeves; also ankle length tights to match, all sizes; finely made and finished; \$1 val., garment. **73c**  
"Harvard Mills" silk and wool Corset Covers for women. High neck and long sleeves--all sizes, fine quality. Best \$1.25 values, specially priced. On sale at this special low price, the garment. **98c**  
"Swan" Brand Swiss Ribbed Undervests for women--mercerized effects, in cream, pink and light blue; all sizes; \$1.25 values, at. **98c**  
Special lot of women's Swiss Ribbed Lace-Trimmed Umbrella Pants, all sizes. Great special values, on sale at this unusually low price. **43c**  
Women's Spring Underwear in all the newest and best styles. The largest and most complete stock in the city--best values, and all specially priced.

### Beautiful Bonne Femmes at One-Half Regular Prices

Our entire stock of Bonne Femme Lace Curtains on sale at one-half regular prices. All are heavily corded Arabians, magnificent designs, on heavy cable nets with wide lace ruffles; widths from 36 to 72 inches; great assortment to select from; values ranging from \$4.50 to \$12.50 each; your choice for a few days only at one-half regular selling prices. The shrewd housewife will **1/2 Price** anticipate her needs after Spring renovating; 3d Fl  
Double-face Tapestry Portieres, heavy fringe top and bottom; red, green, and red and green combinations; 50 ins. wide by 3 yds. long; handsome styles; \$4 values, at the pair. **\$3.20**  
Double-faced Mercerized Portieres, in two-tone effects, fringed top and bottom; 50 ins. wide by 3 yds. long; all the popular colors; \$6.50 values, on sale at, special, the pair. **\$5.20**  
New plain and figured Rep Portieres, tapestry borders; 50 in. wide by 3 yards long; grand values, pair, \$4.50, \$6.00 and..... **\$5.50**  
Custom Drapery Work our specialty. Orders promptly attended to. Window Shades made to your order at the very lowest prices. Estimates furnished. Best facilities for promptly executing all orders.

### Undermuslins

Women's fine Cambric and Nainsook Drawers, made with wide flounces of fine embroidery and clusters of tucks, insertions and lace edgings, beading and ribbons; at the pair. **\$1.22**  
Women's fine Nainsook and Cambric Gowns; made high neck and long sleeves; low round and square neck, with short sleeves; trimmed in Val lace, fine embroidery edgings, insertion, embroidered medallions, beadings and ribbons; \$2.50 values, at, each. **\$1.93**

### Extra Specials For Today

Boys' and girls' ribbed Wool Stockings, seamless foot, all sizes; great value at, pair. **29c**  
Children's ribbed School Stockings, fast black, seamless foot; sizes 5 to 9; regular 15c values, on sale at this low price, pair. **9c**  
Women's fast black Cotton Hose, sizes 8 1/2 to 10 1/2, full fashioned foot, shaped leg, welt or ribbed top; 35c and 40c values, at. **25c**  
**\$30 Rugs \$19.65**  
Portland's Greatest Carpet Store offers for a few days a very unusual bargain in 9x12 Brussels Rugs, 200 of them; a special purchase from a well-known mill enables us to place this lot on sale at the low price of \$19.65 each. A style and quality rug all other carpet and furniture stores ask \$30.00 for. Our regular \$25.00 value; new, original Oriental designs and colorings, in beautiful combinations; the best room-size rug ever offered for **\$19.65** the money; choice. **Sweepers \$2.35**

Special lot of National roller-bearing Carpet Sweepers, nickel-plated, with nickel protection plates; work easy and every one fully **\$2.35** guaranteed; \$3.50 vals.

### Groceries

Phone Exchange 4  
Meier & Frank's famous Mocha and Java Coffee, the usual 40c grade; special, the pound. **23c**  
Durkee Salad Dressing, small size, on sale at, each. **10c**  
Durkee Salad Dressing, medium size, on sale at, each. **25c**  
Durkee Salad Dressing, large size, on sale at, each. **45c**  
1-lb. can Griffin's Asparagus Tips, on sale at, the can. **20c**  
Victor Olive Oil, quarts, at. **75c**  
Keller's Marmalade, at, the jar. **30c**  
New California Navel Oranges, special at, the dozen. **25c**  
Royal Baking Powder, pound. **40c**  
1-lb. jar of Chipped Beef for. **25c**  
Lea & Perrin's Sauce, small size, on sale at, special. **25c**  
21 lbs. Granulated Sugar for. **\$1.00**  
1/2-lb. can Lowney Cocoa, at. **20c**  
1-lb. can Baker's Ground Chocolate, on sale at, can. **28c**  
3 packages Bromongelone for. **25c**  
3 packages Bon Ami, special. **25c**  
10-lb. sack Pastry Flour for. **30c**  
"Victor" Flour, none better, at, the sack. **\$1.10**  
1-gallon can Honeysuckle Syrup, on sale at, the can. **45c**  
10-lb. sack Yellow or White Cornmeal, at, the sack. **25c**  
1 lb. of Postum or Figgrule. **20c**  
3 cans Carnation Cream at. **25c**  
10 lbs. Whole Wheat Flour at. **25c**  
10 lbs. Cream Rolled Oats at. **40c**  
Puffed Rice, on sale at, package. **10c**  
1 package One-Minute Tapioca. **10c**  
2 1/2 lbs. Griffin extra Yellow Peaches on sale at, the can. **20c**  
2 1/2 lbs. Nun-Better Yellow Peaches, on sale at, special. **15c**  
3 cans of Smith Kipperd Herring on sale at, the can. **50c**  
1-lb. jar Sheppard Marmalade. **30c**  
2 lbs. Sliced Pineapple, at, can. **15c**

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# 5000 New White Waists

## \$2 Val. \$1.18 Ea.

5000 Beautiful New White Waists go on sale for Tomorrow's 892d Friday Surprise Sale at a tempting low price--Here's your opportunity to supply your Summer needs at a big saving--An immense assortment to select from--Made of fine quality white lawn with fronts of all-over embroidery, rows of lace insertion, tucks or fancy front with pin tucks to form yoke, or trimmed with lace and four 1-inch tucks on each side--All sizes Regular \$2.00 and \$2.25 values **\$1.18**  
--Buy all you want of them tomorrow at this low price, each.



### MEIER & FRANK'S 892d FRIDAY SURPRISE SALE

# Cups and Saucerson Sale at 11c Ea.

In the Big Basement China Store, for tomorrow's 892d Friday Surprise Sale, a bargain extraordinary in thin, plain white German China Teacups and Saucers--2000 of them to be sold tomorrow at this low price, each--Buy all you want of them--no mail or phone orders filled. We are the Portland agents for the "Peninsular" Stoves and Steel Ranges. On sale in the Basement. **11c**

### MEIER & FRANK'S 892d FRIDAY SURPRISE SALE

# 25c Wash Goods 12 1/2c yd. 20c Wash Goods 12 1/2c yd.

Two extra special offerings in Wash Fabrics for tomorrow's 892d Friday Surprise Sale--Handsome styles and materials for Waists and Suitings--The economical woman will anticipate her Summer wants  
2000 yards of Embroidered Voiles--blue, pink, green, tan and black. Very desirable material for shirtwaist suits, etc.; regular 25c values, on sale at this special price, the yard. **12 1/2c**  
2000 yards of beautiful silk effects in a soft mercerized material, with printed silk patterns. Regular 20c values, at, yd. **12 1/2c**  
See big Fifth-street window display of new goods. Take advantage.



### Great Towel Sale Continues

The greatest Towel Sale we ever planned is interesting hundreds of Portland's shrewdest housewives, hotel and boarding-house keepers--Towels of all styles, sizes and grades--The very best values of the year--Mail orders will be carefully filled.  
Hemstitched Linen Huck Towels, 20x39 inches. Greatest value in a high-grade towel we have ever offered. On sale at, each **29c**  
Handsome Linen Damask Towels, hemstitched, 18x36 inches. Values extraordinary during this sale at, each **21c**  
Great special lot Knotted Fringe Linen Damask Towels, 21x39 ins. **18c**  
Special values at.....  
Two lots of celebrated "Rubdry" Bath Towels. Made of long fiber Egyptian cotton. Beautifully made and finished. 21c and 29c Bleached Linen Turkish Bath Towels. The very best 75c values at..... **52c**  
Three Great Special Lots of Bleached Turkish Bath Towels. All sizes. Each, while they last, 9c, 12c and 15c.  
500 dozen Bleached Linen Huck Towels, hemmed. Size 17x32 inches. Great values. **12c**  
Bleached Linen Turkish Bath Towels. \$1 values..... **78c**  
500 dozen Bleached Cotton Huck Towels, 17x32 ins. Each **7c**  
500 dozen Hemmed Linen Huck Towels. 18x34 inches **14c**  
500 dozen Hemmed Linen Huck Towels, 19x39 ins. Great value for this sale at, each **21c**  
500 dozen Hemmed Linen Huck Towels, 19x38 inches. Best values in town at each..... **18c**

### WILDCATS IN CAGE

### Denver Men Accused of Promoting Fake Mine.

### ONLY HAD NATURAL CAVE

Stock Sold at 40 Cents a Share  
Through Lurid Story of Wealth Discovered by Spaniard in New Mexico.

George P. Clark, the expert who reported on the records in the City Auditor's office and who recommended changes in the system of keeping the accounts, admitted before the special committee of the Council yesterday afternoon, that never before he was engaged by Mayor Lane, did he expect the books of any city of more than 20,000 inhabitants. City Auditor Devlin does not consider Mr. Clark an expert on municipal accounts and does not believe that he had the authority as a qualified accountant to say how the records of the city should be kept. The testimony taken yesterday was not favorable to Mr. Clark.  
When the committee met Mr. Clark asked that he be allowed to qualify as an expert, inasmuch, he said, as Mr. Devlin had endeavored to discredit his standing as an accountant. He submitted several dozen recommendations and testimonials in documentary form but failed to produce any proof that he was an expert on municipal records. The recommendations he showed yesterday were from county officials in the Northwest as he has done considerable county work. He also admitted that in the first report he made out he declared Mr. Devlin and his department had declared this did not please Mayor Lane. He said the

Mayor ordered all personal references in the report omitted. Mayor Lane also insisted there was a big shortage in the accounts of the crematory which the expert was never able to locate.  
City Treasurer Werlein took the stand and his statement was not favorable to Mr. Clark, who, when he examined the records of the Auditor's office, did not count the cash on hand. The failure of the expert to do this was severely criticized by the ways and means committee.  
Mr. Werlein declared that the cash of the city could have been counted in three or four hours and told of the methods of accountants of bonding companies who inspect his books. The representatives of the bonding companies, after counting the cash in Mr. Werlein's office at the City system, Mr. Werlein called up the banks with which he has accounts for the city and ask for a statement. The experts themselves then take the answer over the phone.  
Mr. Werlein retaliated upon Mr. Clark for criticizing, in the report, the manner in which the employees of the city are paid. He declared that the system recommended by the expert was impractical. The employees are paid by warrant, whereas Mr. Clark thinks a payroll system should be adopted. Both Mr. Werlein and Mr. Devlin believed that their system was superior to the form recommended. Mr. Clark was asked to state what cities in the United States used the City system, he recommended, and admitted that Rochester, N. Y., was the only city of any importance that had adopted the form he favors.  
Joe Hutchinson, of the license department, was called and his testimony was relative to the intimations made by Mr. Clark that Mr. Devlin had attempted to influence him when he was preparing the report. Mr. Hutchinson declared he had never made a visit to the Chamber of Commerce building to see Mr. Clark.  
He said that once Mr. Devlin told him if he ever happened to see Mr. Clark, to ask him to drop in at the City Hall. He met Mr. Clark on the street and told him what Mr. Devlin had said but denied having carried any word about a "personal matter," as Mr. Clark expressed it in his cross-examination. Another deputy testified to practically the same thing.  
The investigation lasted the entire afternoon and the committee adjourned to meet again at the call of the chairman. When the committee will begin to make out its report is a question. Subpoenas were issued yesterday for members of the ways and means committee of the Council but they did not appear. This is the

second time they have refused to obey the summons and they were hardly expected at the meeting yesterday afternoon.

### POLITICAL CLUB FORMED

### SOUTH PORTLAND REPUBLICANS ARE ACTIVE.

Plans Made for Capturing Votes at City Election and Thorough Organization Recommended.  
Organization of the South Portland Republican Club, including the Fifth and Sixth wards, was completed last night, when a constitution was adopted and a future course of action outlined for the organization. The meeting was held in the Artisans' Hall at Front and Gibbs streets and was attended by all the precinct committeemen in the two wards.  
In addition to the regular business meeting, a number of prominent Republican speakers, including Chairman William Cake, of the County Central Committee, spoke on the work to be accomplished by the Republican party in Portland. Nearly every speaker hinted that by a thorough party organization a number of the present city Councilmen could be ousted from office and able men elected.  
Judge Cake was the principal speaker of the evening and strongly advocated the direct primary law, but contended that more harmony should prevail in the party in order to make it a success. He said in part:  
"The fundamental principle of the United States Government is that the majority must rule and the minority must be willing to abide by the decision of the majority. The people must manage their own affairs and will in time have an honest administration of their own party."  
Instead of the old party conventions, Judge Cake maintained that each precinct should decide upon the candidate to be supported first and it should then be acted upon by the ward organiza-

tion. In this way the central committee will be able to determine the sentiment of the entire party organization directly from the people. Other speakers of the evening were E. B. Caldwell, Willis Fisher, A. J. Fanno, Dr. H. J. Harris, W. H. Snyder and B. F. Jones. Enthusiasm ran high and at the close of the meeting President W. P. Lillis received 117 applications for admission to the organization.  
A smoker will be held the second Wednesday in May, when the new members will be admitted.

### Must Not Evade First-Class Rate.

Through no fault of his, Postoffice Inspector Riches was made to say in an article recently that the Postal Department had a right to open and examine sealed letters containing tobacco tags or other merchandise. This is not true. What Mr. Riches did say was this: That it is a violation of the United States statutes to enclose a letter, or other written communication, in an unsealed or tied package containing tobacco tags, newspapers or merchandise, for the purpose of evading postage at the letter rate. It should be borne in mind that unsealed packages go at a lower rate than sealed packages. Any sort of sealed package is considered a letter, and must be paid for at letter rate. It is not only a privilege, but also the duty of Postoffice officials to examine as to the character of the contents of unsealed packages, and this is now being diligently done, with a view of breaking up the practice of enclosing letters in unsealed parcels. The penalty for violation of Section 3887 of the Revised Statutes, which relates to the above-named practice, is a fine of \$10. The Postoffice inspectors are instructed to investigate every case of this nature coming to their attention.

### Mrs. Sage Gives \$100,000.

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.--Because residents of Sag Harbor, L. I., voted to add \$5,000 to her gifts of \$50,000 for a new school building, Mrs. Russell Sage has decided to double her original gift. It was announced yesterday. Mrs. Sage's gift will be used for the auditorium. The school will be known as the Pierson High School, both as a memorial to Mrs. Sage's grandmother, who lived in Southampton, and because Israel Pierson, one of Mrs. Sage's family, introduced the free school system into New York state.

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# FRANK L. SMITH MEAT CO.

226-228 ALDER STREET, BETWEEN 1ST AND 2ND STREETS.

### FIGHTING THE BEEF TRUST

YOU OWE IT TO YOURSELF.  
YOU OWE IT TO YOUR FAMILY.  
YOU OWE IT TO YOUR NEIGHBOR.  
YOU OWE IT TO YOUR CITY.  
YOUR STATE AND YOUR COUNTRY.  
YOU OWE IT TO THE FARMER AND THE LIVESTOCK MAN.  
YOU OWE IT TO SMITH.

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|-----------------------|--------|-----------------------|---------|-------------------------|---------|
| Beef Shanks for Soup  | 2 1/2c | Prime Rib Roast Beef  | 10c     | Fancy Porterhouse St'k  | 15c     |
| Lamb Liver            | 5c     | Best Round Steak      | 10c     | Fancy "T"-Bone St'k     | 15c     |
| Pigs' Heads           | 5c     | Beef Brains           | 10c     | Veal Rump Roast         | 15c     |
| Pigs' Feet            | 5c     | Breast of Veal        | 10c     | Loin Roast Veal         | 15c     |
| Beef Kidneys          | 5c     | Shoulder Roast Veal   | 10c     | Rib Roast Veal          | 15c     |
| Beef to Stew          | 5c     | Pork Mixed Sausage    | 10c     | Loin Veal Cutlets       | 15c     |
| Beef Necks to Boil    | 5c     | Frontquarters Lamb    | 10c     | Rib Veal Cutlets        | 15c     |
| Choice Brisket Beef   | 5c     | Shoulder of Lamb      | 10c     | Calves' Liver           | 15c     |
| Beef Liver            | 5c     | Lamb Shoulder Roast   | 10c     | Pork Chops              | 15c     |
| Oxtails, per pound    | 5c     | Our Own Pure Lard     | 12c     | Pork Loin Roast         | 15c     |
| Corned Beef           | 6c     | Beef Sirloin Steak    | 12 1/2c | Pork Steak              | 15c     |
| Lamb Stew             | 6c     | Small Porterhouse     | 12 1/2c | Legs of Lamb            | 15c     |
| Veal Shanks for broth | 6c     | Rolled Rib Roast Beef | 12 1/2c | Lamb Loin Roast         | 15c     |
| Veal for Stewing      | 8c     | Beef Rib Steak        | 12 1/2c | Lamb Rib Roast          | 15c     |
| Pork Hocks            | 8c     | Beef Loin Steak       | 12 1/2c | Lamb Loin Chops         | 15c     |
| Beef Sh'lder Steak    | 8c     | Leg Roast of Veal     | 12 1/2c | Lamb Rib Chops          | 15c     |
| Pot Roast Beef        | 8c     | Legs of Pork          | 12 1/2c | Our Own Hams            | 17c     |
| Rump Roast Beef       | 8c     | Side Pork             | 12 1/2c | Our Own Breakfast Bacon | 17 1/2c |
| Hamburger Steak       | 8c     | Pork Shoulder Roast   | 12 1/2c | Lamb Tongues, dozen     | 30c     |
| Beef Tripe            | 8c     | Leaf Lard             | 12 1/2c | Beef Tongues, each      | 45c     |
|                       |        | Pickled Pork          | 12 1/2c |                         |         |
|                       |        | Lamb Sh'lder Chops    | 12 1/2c |                         |         |