

The Meier & Frank Store, Home of Butterick Patterns, Trefousse and Perrin's Gloves; Gossard, Nemo, Estelle Corsets; Infants' Goods

"Knee Deep in Bargains" in All Departments; and Extraordinary Carpet Sale

The Meier & Frank Store Great Sale Infants' Wear Sale of Special Interest to Mothers

Infants' Department, on Second Floor, Muslin Underwear Section. Infants' nainsook Dresses, with round and square yoke, skirts with ruffle of emb'd'y or wide hem; \$1.75-\$2.25 vals. \$1.19

Home-Furnishers Everywhere Will Take Notice The Meier & Frank Store Carpet Section, Linoleum Section, Rug Section and Art Square Rooms were busy from opening time until closing yesterday—the immense stocks to choose from make selections easy. The prices named are unequalled. The news should interest you

The Carpet Bargains Melrose Ingrain Carpet, 36 inches wide; regular 65c value; knee-deep bargain sale price, yd. 53c

The Big Rug Bargains 500 Axminster Rugs, beautiful colorings, Oriental and floral designs, 24 by 64 inches; \$2.75 value—knee-deep bargain sale price, each. \$1.67

The Meier & Frank Store Women's Hosiery 38c Values Up to \$1.50 in Lisle Hose

2000 pairs secured from one of the largest importing houses in the country. Plain and gauze lises and fancy hose in embroidered effects, also fancy lace in boot and allover effect, including oversizes, in an immense assortment of styles to select from; black, brown, tan, green, copenhagen, blue, gray, red, purple, hyacinth, white and others.

Special: Unusually Reduced Prices on Fine Tailored Suits Women's tailored and fancy suits at prices of unusual interest—The greatest assortment at exceptional values ever offered by any suit store in Portland:

Curtains and Portieres Many exceptional values in our Curtain Dept. for your choosing today and tomorrow. The bargains are matchless—Note the low prices

\$9 Wool Blankets \$7.05 500 pairs extra large white Oregon Lambswool Blankets, size 76x86, in pink and blue borders. Regular \$9.00 values, at this low price. \$7.05

A Great Sale Fine Muslin Underwear Department, Second Floor Women's Combination Suits, consisting of Corset Cover and Drawers combined, trimmed in either lace or embroidery; these suits fit beautifully over the waist and hips; no extra fullness; in all sizes. \$3.98

Have you seen "Billy Possum"?—He's the Cutest Little Fellow Imaginable—See him in our Toy Section, 3rd Floor, Take Elevator

Sale Traveling Bags, Suitcases An excellent assortment of Suitcases and Traveling Bags at "Knee-Deep-in-Bargain" prices, as follows—let us show you:

\$1 Alcohol Lamp at 85c Alcohol Lamps, just the thing for traveling—convenient, safe, clean, guaranteed not to leak or hold bad odor; contains automatic spring for holding burning-iron; will heat in a very few minutes; regular \$1.00 value, special today, each. 85c

Women's Shoes at \$1.98 5000 pairs ladies' button and Blucher Lace Shoes, from our regular stock, worth \$3.00 and \$3.50; they come in patent coil, gummetal and vici kid; extension soles, Cuban and military heels

In Our Grocery Phone Private Exchange 4 for any of the items mentioned below or for any other needs for the kitchen. Our stock of groceries is most complete and prices always the lowest. Take advantage.

BURDEN ON COUNCIL Mayor Says Park Board Not to Secure Prices. HUNT LOCATIONS MERELY Committee for Each Piece of Property Wanted, and Then Council Is to Make Offer, After Which Condemnation Proceedings.

that he was given a certain period of time in which to dispose of it. Offered to City Before. The valuation placed upon it prior to his taking it over was \$23,000; in fact, it was offered to the city for that sum, and the offer was rejected, or neglected, and now, if the Council wants to complete the purchase, it will have to condemn, in order to get a rate per acre that is equitable.

CHILD IS KIDNAPED Little Belle Hurlbert Taken From Couch School. GRANDFATHER SEEKS HELP W. H. Hurlbert Asks Police to Trace His Stepdaughter and Strange Man Who, He Says, Took Child; Department Lacks Authority.

FLOOD COUNTRY WITH ADS Commercial Club to Send Folders in Letters Broadcast. To attract widespread attention to Oregon and to secure as large a portion as possible of the colonist travel during the next two months, the Portland Commercial Club will issue today 500,000 copies of a unique folder intended for general circulation throughout the country advertising this state.

TO THE PUBLIC: In the Fall of last year we went to the retail butchers of Portland and offered to supply them with meat at a much lower price than the Trust was asking. We progressed favorably which was a bitter pill and costly dose for our opponents. What happened? The Trust sent its agents among the market men and used this argument: "If Smith is going to sell meat wholesale, let him take his retail ad out of the newspapers." It would be worth a few millions to the Beef Trust if it could double the retail price of meat in Portland; the exact thing that would happen if Smith could be nuzzled.

Judge Rice Candidate. CHEHALIS, Wash., Feb. 15.—(Special.)—A. E. Rice, of the Superior Court of Lewis, Pacific and Wahkiakum Counties, has announced that he will be candidate for an appointment as one of the two new

Supreme Court Judges, provided for by the bill of Senator Graves, which passed the Senate a few days ago. Judge Rice has recently completed his second term as Superior Judge of this district. Quarrel Over Chicken Costly. VANCOUVER, Wash., Feb. 15.—(Special.)—M. C. Charlebois was sentenced in the Superior Court this morning by Judge McCredie to pay a fine of \$5 and costs of \$39.50 in all \$44.50, for killing a chicken that belonged to Ed Melvin. The case had been appealed from Justice Court.

Mayor Lane has decided that the Park Board should not attempt to secure any prices on property sought for parks, boulevards and playgrounds, but it should put this burden upon the City Council, and he so declared before the meeting of the Council committee on parks and public properties, which met in the City Hall yesterday afternoon. The committee, therefore, voted a recommendation that the Council authorize the Mayor to name a board of three for each piece of land wanted, and that, after the values have been fixed by the board, to make an offer to the owner or owners. If the offer is refused a suit in condemnation is contemplated in each case. The Mayor thinks this is the only fair and equitable procedure.

Board of Appraisers Wanted. The committee on parks and public property, at its meeting yesterday afternoon, recommended to the Council that a board of appraisers for each piece of property that is recommended by the Park Board. This includes several tracts, among them the Smith property in North Albina; the Mount Labor district, Montgomery site just north of the Steel bridge on the East Side, and the Ladd tract, north of the Base Line road in Sunnyside. City Auditor Barber, Councilman Wallace and Park Commissioner Lewis were named as a committee to see W. M. Ladd as to the valuation of the property, 20 acres of which are wanted for the Sunnyside park. Under the city charter, the City Council has power to assess benefited property along a boulevard or near a park, and it is probable that property-owners will be assessed to a considerable extent, so that the \$1,000,000 available for the purchase of land will be virtually doubled.

Charging his stepdaughter with kidnaping her own child, his granddaughter, W. H. Hurlbert, 32 Northrup street, called at police headquarters last night and engaged in an animated discussion with Captain Moore as to whether the police should take action or whether he should seek legal assistance. W. H. Hurlbert is proprietor of a moving-picture show on Fourth street. His son, J. H. Hurlbert, father of the child, is employed by him in the management of the show. The alleged kidnaping occurred at the Couch school, Kearney and Lovejoy streets, yesterday morning. Pretty little Belle Hurlbert, granddaughter of the frate citizen, was the victim of the alleged plot and was surreptitiously carried away. Whether she was taken is not known. Her mother and an unknown man are charged with the conspiracy of kidnaping and its execution. The child is 10 years of age and is said to be remarkably interesting and pretty. She went to school yesterday as usual. Soon after 10 o'clock a woman and man appeared at the school building and asked to see the child. She presented herself and from that time no trace of her has been found. With the strange man and

FARMERS AND COUNTRY MERCHANTS: Ship us all the good fat chickens you can get hold of. We will pay as follows: Hens and Springs, alive, 14c. Hens and Springs, dressed, 16c. We want turkeys, too. We will pay: Live Turkeys, 17c. Dressed Turkeys, 20c. For ducks we will pay: Live Ducks, 15c. Dressed Ducks, 18c. For dressed meats we pay: Veal, under 120 pounds, 9c. Pork, any size, 8c. Large Veal, 7c to 8 1/2c. For eggs we pay the market price. All produce must be good, fat quality, and it must reach us in sweet, fresh shape. We will send check the next day. No commission charged on anything. FRANK L. SMITH MEAT CO., "Fighting the Beef Trust," Portland, Oregon.

FRANK L. SMITH MEAT CO. "Fighting the Beef Trust" 226 Alder Street (be sure to pass up the Beef Trust Markets). Albina—512 Williams Avenue and 791 Mississippi Avenue. Astoria—Twelfth Street, between Commercial and Bond, and 253 Taylor St.

FRANK L. SMITH MEAT CO. "Fighting the Beef Trust" When you come to our Alder-street market be sure you get in the right place. See that Smith's name and "Fighting the Beef Trust" are over the door and then come in. Our opponents have started markets around about us to trap you and they are charging much more for meat than we do and they are dealing out ice-car meats

ANNOUNCEMENTS. Dr. Horn, the optician, 3d Floor Sweetland, guarantees satisfaction or money refunded. No fancy prices. No really young and attractive woman ever gets off a streetcar backwards.