

New Spring Merchandise in All Departments of Our Store—Suits, Coats, Waists, Millinery, Neckwear, Hosiery, Corsets, Etc., Etc.

# The Meier & Frank Store's Great Midweek Bargain Offerings

## 2000 Prs. New Lace Curtains \$5 Values at \$3.35 Per Pair



### \$6.50 Values \$4.65 \$8.50 Values \$5.35

Sale extraordinary of high-grade lace curtains just at a time when Spring housecleaning will likely demonstrate the need of new curtains here and there—Three immense lots—Large importer's entire reserve stock—Best styles—Values you never before had the opportunity to share in—Take advantage

15 patterns of lace, Arabian and Cluny Lace Curtains, with linen edges, made on good French nets, all finished with turned edges, great variety of handsome patterns to select from; let us show you. REGULAR \$6.00 VALUES, THE PAIR. \$3.35

15 patterns of Cluny and Lace Arabians, with linen insertings and edges, or wide borders; made on good French nets; best finish, handsome designs, large assortment to select from; let us show you. REGULAR \$6.50 VALUES, THE PAIR. \$4.65

## New Embr'd Swiss 75c and \$1 Yd.

In the Wash Goods Section, an attractive showing of new Embroidered Swisses in dainty colored stripes, dots and checks—all the newest and prettiest wash materials you will see this season—buy all you want of them at, the yard. 75c and \$1.00

## Women's \$5 Oxfords \$3.85 Pair

## Great Sale of Trunks--3d Floor

\$5.00 Shoes, \$3.85—2000 pairs ladies' fine custom-made oxfords, made by one of the best manufacturers in the country. Today we place on sale this extraordinary purchase in new Spring Shoes. The styles are the very latest. Every pair is fresh and direct from the maker. The leathers are tan Russian calf, brown vic kid, gumlats and fine glazed kid. The soles are hand welt; every size, from 2 to 8; widths A, B, C, D, E.; on sale at this special price, pr.—take advantage. \$3.85

34-inch duck-covered Trunk, iron center band, brass trimmings; one tray, art cloth lined; regular \$9.20 value, on sale at this special price, ea. \$7.70

34-inch duck-covered Trunk, waterproof-painted, Hercules brass trimmings, full lined, with two trays and straps from bottom to bottom; best regular \$18.75 value, on sale at this special low price, each—take advantage. \$15.95

## 10,000 Yds. 75c Face Veilings at 22c Yd.

Today and tomorrow, sensational two days' sale of new Face Veilings in black, brown, purple, light and dark blue and white; plain and dotted meshes, in grand assortment; values up to 75c a yard, on sale at this special low price, yard. 22c

## Society Puzzles

On sale in the Toy Department. Complete stock at 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.00 set.

## New Black and White Checked and Striped Suits—Large Display



Portland's Leading Cloak and Suit Store invites inspection of the new shepherd plaid and striped suits in black and white—The neat shepherd checks promise to enjoy an unusual run of popularity—You will find here a very large display of these suits in the season's latest fashions and including both strictly tailored and fancy effects, at prices ranging from \$22.50 to \$60.00—Let us show them to you—The new 1909 lingerie waists are ready for your choosing—An immense showing of new and attractive styles at prices ranging all the way from \$1.00 to \$40.00—New silk petticoats, new undermuslins, new corsets—Second floor

## Groceries Low-Priced Today and Tomorrow--Phone Ex. 4, A 6101

Best Eastern Sugar-Cured Hams, regular 18c value, on sale at this low price, lb. 15c  
Malta Vita, the ideal breakfast food—buy all you want at this price, package. 5c  
Yellow Cornmeal, in 10-lb. sacks, regular 35c value, at this low price, the sack. 27c  
New Evaporated Peaches, largest jumbo size, at this low price of sale. 12c  
Finest imported Figs, in boxes—buy all you want of them at this price, box. 20c  
Best California Glace Fruits, 2-lb. boxes, handsome burnt-wood boxes; the best regular \$1.50 value, on sale at this low price, the box—take advantage of sale. \$1.10  
New Crop Prunes, largest size—take advantage of sale at this low price, pound. 9c  
Complete stock of Garden Seeds at the lowest prices. On sale in the Basement Store.

## Arnold Knit Goods for Infants



Arnold's Knit Goods for infants. Complete line just received. The "Arnold" goods may always be depended on to be fine and soft in fabric, to wash and wear well, to be thoroughly made, with covered seams, and lock stitch. See them. Knit Nightgowns, 32 inches long, for infants, each. 75c  
Knit Underskirts, cotton crocheted edges, at, each. 75c  
Gertrude Flannel Skirt, silk-crocheted edges, each. \$2.50  
Gertrude Flannel Skirt, plainer finish, Arnold's, \$1.85  
Infants' Knit Vests, all silk, smallest, size 1, at. \$1.50  
Infants' Knit Vests, all silk, in Arnold's, size 2, \$1.60  
Infants' Knit Vests, silk and wool mixed, size 1, \$1.20  
Infants' Knit Vests, silk and wool mixed, size 2, \$1.30  
Infants' Knit Vests, 50 per cent wool, best quality, size 1, on sale at this special low price—take advantage. 55c  
Infants' Knit Vests, 50 per cent wool, best quality, size 2; buy all you want of them at this very low price, each. 60c  
Knit Diapers, 20-inch, our special sale price, dozen. \$2.75  
Knit Diapers, 22-inch, our special sale price, dozen. \$3.25  
Knit Lap Pad, 18x18, just the one you're looking for. 50c  
Carrage Pad, neatly edged with silk binding, for. 30c  
Knit Baby Bath Towel, 14x22, best on the market, at. 30c  
Knit Baby Bath Towel, 20x30, soft and best quality. 40c  
The "Arnold" Knit Bath Apron, 34 inches square, something new; on sale at the very low price of, each. \$1.25  
Knit Bibs, 9-inch, each. 22c  
Knit Bibs, 12-inch, feeding, each. 25c  
Knit Bibs, 12-inch, each. 35c  
Knit Diaper Drawers. 80c  
Arnold Traveling Pouch, on sale at this price, ea. \$2.25  
Wash Cloths, 9x9, each. 7c  
Knit Bed Slippers, sizes 5, 6 and 7, on sale, for, pair. 15c  
Knit Moccasins, white lace, on sale at this price. 20c  
Pinning Bands, at, ea. 30c

## 10,000 Pairs Tan and Black Hosiery--40c Vals. 26c Pair

10,000 pairs of women's black and tan Hosiery at a low price—Gauze cotton hose in various weights—black ingrain cotton hose with split foot, also black cotton hose in three weights—Black hosiery of guaranteed quality—Our own direct importation from Chemnitz, Germany—All sizes—Best 40c values—Buy all you want at, per pair 26c



5000 pairs of women's medium weight tan hosiery of superior quality—All sizes—Best 40c values on sale at this special 26c low price per pair—Call and see  
Mail orders will receive our prompt and careful attention—Send us an order today

## \$2.75-\$3 Cut Glass Nappies \$1.98 \$7.50-\$8 Nut Bowls for \$5.98

Today and tomorrow, a great special lot of 6-inch cut-glass Nappies, handled and unhandled; handsome cuttings; prettiest designs; \$2.75 and \$3.00 values, each. \$1.98  
\$2.50 silver-plated Nut Bowls, quadruple-cut, best design; a large assortment to select from; regular \$7.50 and \$8.00 values, on sale at, each. \$5.98

## Lace Waists, Handsome New Styles \$7.50 Values \$3.98

In the waist section, second floor, for today and tomorrow, an unusual offering of 300 women's lace waists—Beautiful styles in large assortment—Made of all-over laces and fine and coarse nets—made with fancy yokes of coarse lace and insertion, trimmed with soutache braid and solid one-inch tucking—White, cream, brown, navy, green, black; all sizes—Every waist in the lot regular \$7.50 \$3.98 value—Choice today and Wednesday \$3.98  
Mail orders will be promptly and carefully filled



## \$1.75-\$2 Drawers at \$1.29 Pair

## \$1.75-\$2 Flannel Gowns \$1.59

## Children's Flannel Gowns at 49c

## \$1 Aprons on Sale at 69c Each

Great clean-up of women's Nainsook Drawers, wide hand-embroidered ruffle; best styles, all sizes, finest materials; reg. \$1.50-\$1.75-\$2 values, pair. \$1.29  
Special lot women's Outing Flannel Nightgowns, in white only; trim'd in colors; kimono style and yoke effects; all sizes; \$1.75 and \$2.00 values, ea. \$1.59  
Children's Outing Flannel Gowns in colors; yoke style, plain neck, all sizes; regular 65c and 75c values—buy all you want of them at this low price, ea. 49c  
Special lot of women's large Gingham Aprons, blue checked, wide hems; the best regular \$1.00 value, on sale at this very low price, each—take advantage. 69c

## MARRIAGE IN DOUBT

### Many Licenses Are Issued on Which No Returns Made.

## EFFORT TO TRACE THEM

### County Clerk Fields Trying to Locate Couples, So as to Record Marriages if Performed—New Law Turned Down.

Were you ever married? This is the question County Clerk Fields is asking 22 couples who took out licenses to wed last year, but for whom no return was ever made to the Clerk's office. He is also asking the same question of 26 others who have taken out licenses since 1902.

Between July 1, 1902, and December 1, 1908, six years and four months, just about 11,600 licenses were issued. There are 38 instances in which the County Clerk has no record that the parties were ever married. Between January 1, 1898, and July 1, 1902, 14 years and 6 months, 11,600 licenses were issued, and no return has ever been made in 429 cases.

In order to preclude the legal entanglement which might arise where parties, having secured licenses but never having been married, left property to their heirs, County Clerk Fields sent to State Senator Coffey a bill compelling all County Clerks in Oregon to obtain the address of every man applying for a license, and that of the party swearing to the affidavit. The bill also provided for the punishment of persons performing a marriage ceremony and failing to return the certificate within 30 days of the wedding, and compelled them to register with the County Clerk the authority by which they were performing marriage ceremonies. But the bill was defeated. In a letter to Senator Coffey on the subject, Mr. Fields says:

"There is one church in this city, I cannot remember the name of the church or creed, in which they have no regular preacher. They take turns at leading or being boss. They assert that any member of the congregation has the right to perform marriage ceremonies. Any foreigner who had the right to perform marriages in his country, can lay claim to that right here, and they have performed ceremonies. I accidentally came across one that was performed by a man who made overalls in a factory here. He professed that he had the right to perform marriages in

his own country, and thought he had the same right here."

The County Clerk says that it is not uncommon for persons to have secured the marriage license and put it safely away, only to discover, after rearing a family, that they were never legally married. The list of those who have taken out marriage licenses since 1902, upon which the County Clerk has no record that they were ever married, is as follows:

August 18, 1902—George Lefebvre, C. Newcomb.  
October 2, 1902—William Toland, Mrs. Martha Gay, Spokane, Wash.  
November 12, 1902—George Honeyman, Gertrude Stebens, Eleventh and Columbia.  
July 1903—Joseph V. Cole, Ida Huber.  
August 11, 1903—John M. Bori, Frances M. Kisor.  
November 19, 1903—Ryland Richardson, Gladys Groves.  
Nov. 28, 1903—Harvey E. Kelly, Louise K. Handley.  
March 25, 1904—Eider Modrell, Margaret Stanley.  
April 25, 1904—Robert E. Bristow, Katie C. Warren, 543 East Oak.  
June 4, 1904—Charles Mishler, Ella Jenkins.  
July 22, 1904—P. O. Aubrey, Jessie Green, September 22, 1904—C. Barnes, Christina Jankov, Butteville, Or.  
October 11, 1904—H. C. Payne, Ruby D. Tucker, 290 Burlington, Los Angeles.  
December 2, 1904—J. Jones, Minnie Scherer, 1904—Granville Gross, Pauline Ritter, 749 East Fourteenth street.  
March 7, 1905—Oscar E. Higbee, Grace O. Reed, 345 Couch street.  
April 5, 1905—John R. Lhea, Edith Knapp, 2613 1/2 First street.  
January 3, 1906—George A. Stahley, Lena Mabel, 1906—Charles Harold Watson, Mary Elizabeth Dairymple, 707 Tillamook street, Yale, Wash.  
May 19, 1906—Karlo Sportin, Mary Magdalena, Astoria, Or.  
July 25, 1906—J. E. Cronan, Carrie Boche, Hotel Shelby, 412.  
May 28, 1906—Charles McCabe, Myrtle Walters, 405 Couch st.  
May 29, 1906—John J. Carney, M. C. B. Carney, 296 Nineteenth street North.  
June 19, 1906—George Weist, Lizette Weist, Scappoose, Or.  
July 5, 1906—W. J. McIntire, Bessie Marshall, Oaks Hotel.  
September 3, 1906—A. Capri, Nicolina Carlone, Spokane, Wash.  
October 12, 1906—Cecil Fred Butler, Bertha I. Stenger, Kelso, Wash.  
October 12, 1906—Charles Harold Watson, Mary Elizabeth Dairymple, 707 Tillamook street.  
December 4, 1906—J. W. Manciet, Blenda E. Stowell, 620 1/2 Washington street.  
December 7, 1906—E. Pomroy, Ruby La Graffel, 320 Second street.  
March 7, 1907—Fred Senn, Nora Idell Miller.  
April 1, 1907—Maurice Madson, Katherine Culland, 22 1/2 Seventh street.  
April 11, 1907—Thomas Small, Bridal Veil; Lillian A. Drake.  
April 22, 1907—A. J. Mahan, Spokane, Wash.; Hazel T. Cameron.  
September 7, 1907—Nick Gronovich, 27 Market street, Vancouver, B. C.  
October 28, 1907—J. W. Larry, 543 Raleigh street, Louis, B. C.  
February 29, 1908—James Ora Elkins, 129 Russell street; Florence Evangelino Busby, 129 Russell street; George Yarns, 164 1/2 Larkin street, San Francisco, Cal.; Effie Moore, 129 Russell street.  
May 4, 1908—Toan an Hulle, Emma De Paup, 3011 1/2 Gilliam.  
June 17, 1908—A. H. Hartung, May Joselyn, 129 Russell street.  
June 18, 1908—H. Clausen, Jr., Beatrice Anita Fichtner, 676 Ravensview Drive.  
June 20, 1908—Harry P. Stott, Nina E. Paul, Sheridan, Or.  
June 22, 1908—M. Fowler, Katie Moore, 225 Jefferson street.  
July 3, 1908—John S. Welch, May Baker, Lyman.  
August 1, 1908—Domenico Carbone, Concetto Guarnacio, 645 Baker street.

August 8, 1908—August Olson, Emelle Jonsson, 253 Front street.  
August 17, 1908—Hay E. Bullis, Josephine C. Young, St. John.  
September 1, 1908—Chris Elstie, Irene Gardner, 240 1/2 Second street.  
August 27, 1908—Neil Johnson, Louise Anderson, 126 West Park street.  
September 8, 1908—Patry Donafrio, Beatrice L. Lov, 292 Seventh avenue South, Seattle, Wash.  
September 30, 1908—John Gelineo, Minnie Tomich, 225 Mill street.  
October 1, 1908—Gay Lee, Nellie Graham, New Belmont.  
November 2, 1908—Emanuel Wallen, Wilhelmina Lundin, 410 Front street.  
November 2, 1908—James N. Hudson, Ida H. Vaughn, Chicago, Ill.  
November 24, 1908—Edgar S. Hadley, Beatrice L. Landers, Seattle, Wash.  
November 27, 1908—Fred Reifschlagen, Nellie Ross, Fourteenth and Saff.

## PORTLAND LOGICAL CENTER

### Whole State Working to Secure Headquarters New Mail District.

Everything possible is being done by local officials to secure the headquarters of the new railway mail district for Portland. There is a four-cornered fight for the headquarters, other aspirants being Seattle, Tacoma and Spokane. It is thought that Portland's chances are improved by this rivalry, for the whole of the state will stand together for Portland while Washington's representatives will be divided.

But it is thought that Portland's claims rest on a more substantial basis. Postmaster Minto explains that none of the other aspirants are so centrally situated as this city.

"We are doing all we can," said he yesterday. "To secure the headquarters for this city, Senator Fulton has written me he is at work on the matter and the other members of the Oregon delegation are busy as well. We are hopeful of landing it and in fact expect to get it for Portland."

Under the direction of the Portland Commercial Club, similar organizations throughout the state have taken up work for this end.

## Park Meeting at Kenilworth.

An enthusiastic park meeting was held last night in the Kenilworth Freeway Club, under the auspices of the Kenilworth Park Club. R. D. Merchant presiding, the object being to secure a park in some central point in that district. W. L. Boese, C. G. Sutherland, Councilman Rushlight and R. G. Rogers spoke in favor of the project. Ben Rieckland, of Woodstock, made an earnest talk for vigorous action. After the addresses it was decided to have as many residents as possible attend the meeting of the Park Board next Friday at 10 A. M. and ask for a park. The Olmstead plan, which covers 20 acres on the south side of the Powell road, between Twenty-first and Twenty-sixth streets, Robert Roher, R. D. Merchant and A. Miller were appointed to attend the meeting of the Seventh Ward Improvement League next Thursday night and ask co-operation.

## "UNCLEAN" IS GRAY

### Sanitary Conditions Bad in Local Schools.

## INSPECTORS FILE REPORTS

### Criticism Directed at Department Made by Physicians Employed to Look Into Situation—Water Supply Declared Poor.

Sanitary conditions are not up to the standard required for the best preservation of the health of the pupils of the Portland public schools, according to a report filed with the Board of Health, and read yesterday morning at its regular monthly meeting. Drs. L. J. Wolf and J. G. Abele, inspectors, submitted the report, which severely criticized the Ockley Green school, and others in general. The City Health Officer was directed to communicate with the Board of Education on the subject, calling it to the attention of the directors for action.

Conditions May Be Bettered.

City Superintendent Rigger, of the public schools, when asked regarding the matter last night stated that he had no knowledge of bad sanitary conditions, except that he thinks the drinking facilities can be materially improved, but not without a complete change in the system from the old style faucet to the modern bubbling fountain, such as is installed on the first floor of the City Hall, and which is absolutely sanitary.

One criticism by Inspectors Wolf and Abele, who have finished their first day's work in that capacity, is directed toward the drinking question in the Ockley Green school building. There the janitor, it is reported by the inspectors, is in the habit of wringing his mop in the sink in which the children wash and into which the drinking cups are suspended. It is a custom that is positively dangerous to public health, it is stated, and must be stopped. The system of drinking is poor, according to the inspectors' report. The cups, although suspended, hang so low in the sinks that dirty water is splashed all over them frequently, it is said; this is particularly true of the Ockley Green school, and more or less generally of nearly all of the buildings.

The written report follows:

"The lavatory facilities in most of the schools are either a minus quantity or the children are forced to wash and drink at the same sink. Drinking cups are usually suspended, but hang into the sink, and the sinks are seldom clean. At the Ockley Green school the sinks were

## dirty and the janitor's work slovenly done. The janitor is in the habit of wringing his mop in the sink alongside of the drinking cups."

### Try to Keep Things Clean.

"We do the best we can to keep things clean," said Superintendent Rigger. "Whenever we find a janitor doing such things as are said by the report to have been done at Ockley Green, we deal with him. We are dealing with some of them nearly all of the time, trying to keep the sanitary conditions good. I have no personal knowledge about the matters stated in the report and cannot say whether they are true or not, but an investigation will be had to determine. Of course, the drinking water could be improved if we had the bubbling fountains. It would be far better, I presume."

At the meeting of the Board of Health, Drs. W. E. Smith and F. E. Fisch were appointed additional inspectors in the public schools. The inspectors are now performing their duties as such only during the morning session.

## Delightful Music at Chamber Concert

BY JOSEPH M. QUENTIN.

IT is a gratifying sign of the growing musical culture of the city that we have opportunity to enjoy several good choruses making a specialty of male-voice music. One of the newest and most promising of these societies is the chorus and soloists that gave a concert last night at Elmer

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| Live Turkeys                 | 15c        |
| Live Ducks                   | 15c        |
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512 WILLIAMS AVENUE  
791 MISSISSIPPI AVENUE  
362 EAST MORRISON STREET  
CORNER TWENTY-FIRST AND JOHNSON STREETS (Adjoining Frakes' Grocery Store)  
188 GIBBS STREET (Formerly the South Portland Market)  
ASTORIA—TWELFTH STREET, BETWEEN BOND AND COMMERCIAL  
253 TAYLOR STREET (UNIONTOWN)

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| Breasts of Veal                        | 8c-10c | Round Steak  | 10c      |
| Veal Steaks                            | 8c-10c | Tenderloin Steak   | 12c      |
| Shanks of Veal                         | 6c     | Porterhouse Steak  | 12c-15c  |
| Shoulder Roast Veal                    | 10c    | Beef to Boil   | 5c-6c-7c |
| Better cuts of Shoulder Roast Veal     | 12c    | Shoulder of Lamb   | 10c      |
| Loins of Veal                          | 15c    | Legs of Lamb   | 15c      |
| Rib Veal Cutlets                       | 12c    | Lamb Chops   | 15c      |
| Best Rib Veal Cutlets                  | 15c    | Smith's Sugar-Cured Hams                                 | 15c      |
| Necks of Veal                          | 12c    | Smith's Sugar-Cured Breakfast Bacon                      | 16c-17c  |
| Sirloin Roast Beef                     | 10c    | Smith's absolutely pure kettle-rendered Lard, 5-lb. pail | 65c      |
| Sirloin Steak                          | 10c    | The best Creamery Butter you ever ate, per roll          | 75c      |
| Prime Rib Roast Beef, rolled, boneless | 15c    | Other Butter, per roll                                   | 60c      |
| Prime Rib Roast Beef, 10c-12c          |        | Oregon fresh ranch Eggs, doz.                            | 25c      |
| Other Roasts of Beef                   | 8c-10c |  |          |