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Great Sale Manufacturers' Sample Portieres!

NE of the biggest windfalls that's come the way of our Drapery Store in many a day! Over 1000 | Sample Strips of Portieres,

Sample Portieres-not in pairs, but only one of a kind-all that a great Philadelphia mill had on hand. Buy them today at sensationally low prices.

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Sample Strips of Portieres, worth \$15 to \$17.50 pair, each Sample Strips of Portieres,

\$4.80

worth \$20 to \$25 pair, at each Our Willamette Sewing Machine

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GO-CARTS and Perambulators in a wide array of new 1911 styles now shown for first time. See the reversible handle, which may be changed from the front to the rear of the caran absolutely new this-year's-feature, also a score of other practical new devices.

> No greater assortments on the Pacific Coast than those shown in our big fifth floor. Be sure to see them today.

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Collapsible Go-Carts, with all the 1911 improvements. Blue, carmine or green. Priced from \$5.50 to \$20.

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B LANKETS are always a good investment in the Oregon climatethey may be used the whole year around. This price-reduction of almost 1/4 on White Wool Blankets in force all week. Full size, with pretty \$3.67 borders. Best \$4.50 Blankets

\$8 California Wool Blankets, large size with dainty pink and blue borders. Special this week \$6.50.

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\$2.00 at Purchase, \$1.00 a Week YOU cannot make a mistake when you buy the "Willamette" Sewing Machine. They

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a week until price is paid, and ask no interest. Willamette Model 104, shown in picture, priced at \$26.50.

Entire Stock of \$1 to \$1.75 Fancy Pillow Tops, Today 50c Each

A BOUT time to lay in a supply of fancy work for the long Summer hours at the beach and Summer resorts. Here's a rousing special on our entire stock of \$1 to \$1.75 tinted and

stamped Pillow Tops and Backs, fancy crash and linen Centers and Searfs. Beautiful floral, conventional and groyna designs in a wide range of pretty patterns. Oblong, square and round effects. Best regular \$1 to \$1.75 grades, specially priced for today at 50c

Specials for This Week Only in Fine Watch Repairing FIRST FLOOR, NEW BUILDING.

OUR Watch Repairing Shop is equipped to give excellent service at the lowest possible prices. Every bit of work done backed by the Meier & Frank Store's guarantee of satisfaction or your money back. Prices in force all week.

Watch Crystals, special 12¢ Main Springs, special at 69¢ Watch Cleaning, special 98c Above prices apply on all grades of watches.

On the Basement Bargain Square

Framed Pictures 25c

Great variety of popular subjects in pretty wood and metal frames. Daintily colored Reprints, Carbonettes and Facsimiles of famous studies. Regularly 50e, 25c special, each only

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Five thousand yards of fine Mesh Veilings in pretty magpie, dotted and plain meshes. Black and wide range of the season's

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Including some of the best known books for boys and girls, also odd volumes of popular fiction, suitable for older folks. wanted shades. Best reg-ular 25c and 35c 15c | Most slightly soiled and worn. Best 50c, 29c

OI WILL THE OUGGETHER SETS MAN ON FIRE

Printer Seriously Burned and Machinery Is Damaged by Fire and Water.

LOSS MAY REACH \$75,000

Prompt Arrival of Chemical Apparatus Checks Flames-Millon Newly-Printed Streetear Transfers Are Saved.

Damage roughly estimated at \$50,000 to \$75,000 was done by fire and water, and W. Nichols, terribly burned, escaped barely with his life, when a spark fron an open stove leaged into a can of gaseline, in the printing plant of the Dunham line, in the printing plant of the Dunham Printing Company, 561; First street, at moon yesterday. Three stories of the building, heavily laden with valuable machinery, suffered extensive damage by water, though the fire, by prompt action of the fire department, was confined to a relatively small space, considering the volatile nature of the fuel from which the blaze started. the blaze started. Nichols, who is regularly in the employ

of the Dunham Company, was doing an odd job for the Swedish Publishing Com-pany, having quarters in the same buildpany, having quarters in the same building. Suddenly the spark was thrown
from the stove, alighting in a can of
gasoline, eight feet away. There was a
blinding fiash which enveloped Nichols
from head to foot, setting his clothing
after and burning him severely on the
back, hands and face. Some missile, set
in motion by the explosion, struck him
on the forehead, inflicting a deep cut.

Man Is Seriously Burned.

All affame, Nichols rushed from the blazing room, leaving his outer clothing and a gold watch to be destroyed. He succeeded in extinguishing the flames in his clothing, and made his way dizzliy to the street, where passersby took him in charge and conducted him to the police station. Dr. Zlegler, finding the man to be seriously but not dangerously burned, ordered him sent to St. Vincent's Hospital in the Red Cross ambulance. Nichols lives at 1008 East Nineteenth street North, and has a wife and five children.

Fed by the volatile gasoline, the flames flew to every part of the room in which the explosion occurred, and ignited the walls, celling and floors, superficially. Nearly all the damage by fire was done in the plant of the Swedian Company and in the adjoining room occupied by the Dunham Company as an office. Dense clouds of smoke filled all parts of the building and poured out upon the street. For a moment the flames broke through the floor to the second story, and had the fire department been only a few minutes later, it would have been Fed by the volatile gasoline, the flames

the general alarm rang in, and quickly reinforced by other companies and the reboat, suppressed the flames before hey had seized upon more than 100 quare feet on the third story of the

square feet on the third story of the building.

The top floor of the building is occupled by the Dunham Printing Company, the Swedish Publishing Company and E. J. Schlegel, who does linotyping. In the Dunham establishment is a new and delicate press, bought recently for the sole purpose of printing transfers for the Portland Railway. Light & Power Company. It cost \$25,000. It was untouched by fire or water, but its delicate mechanism was injured by soot and gas. In the same room were a million transfers, just printed, which escaped damage. Schlegel's linotypes and the main portion of the Dunham plant escaped injury except by heat and water. The Swedish plant is a total loss.

Water Damage Sustained.

On the second floor is the plant of the Helly Press, damaged extensively by water. The first floor and part of the second are occupied by the Portland Machinery Companys whose stock suffered severely from water.

The building, owned by J. W. Cook, is comparatively new and is damaged to the extent of \$5000 to \$10,000. Heavy insurance was carried by all the losers, covering the amount of the loss. All will be severely hampered for a week or will be severely hampered for a week of

BUILDING PERMITS GAIN

PORTLAND SHOWS INCREASE OVER PEBRUARY, 1910.

Records Show City's Growth Is Not Diminishing - Seattle Notes Great Falling Off.

An error made by the American Contractor of Chicago a year ago would make it appear that Portland has at last suffered a decrease in the amount of building permits for February, when in fact the records show that Portland has kept up its great record and again attained an increase last month of six per cent over February, 1916. The American Contractor in March, 1916, credited Portland with building permits amounting to \$1.500.005 for February, 1916, when in fact Portland had a total of \$1.006.055, according to the ruary, 1910, when in fact Portland had a total of \$1.006,055, according to the records. a figure which in itself showed a healthy increase over the preceding February. The Chicago publication has now continued this same error and on a comparison with the \$1,600,005 the figures for last month, \$1.064,425, a decrease of 23 per cent is charged when a correct comparison should show an increase of almost six per cent.

Los Angeles, which city always has Los Angeles, which city always has had a healthy gain, shows a loss of 32 per cent. In Seattle, however, the decrease was even greater. In the Washington city during February, 1911, the cost of buildings, according to the American Contractor was \$491,245, while during the same period last year the value was \$1,253,415. Des Moines, lows, leads the country with a gain of 52 per cent. of 52 per cent.

Edlefsen delivers dry wood.

Elks Hope to Complete Fund Before Month Expires.

APPERSON TAKES CHARGE;

Retiring Exalted Ruler to Prepare Systematic Campaign by Which All Who Have Been Overlooked Will Be Found.

The Elks' 1912 grand lodge campaign will be in charge after next Wednesday of R. W. Apperson, retiring exalted ruler, who will direct the work of the soliciting committees with a view of collecting the desired \$125,000 fund before the end of the present month.

Mr. Apperson expects to assist the committees personally in their canvasses and will devote much of his own time to the work. Inasmuch as he will be relieved of his duties as executive head of the lodge at the first meeting in April, he will be able to give more attention to the subject than heretofore. In this campaign he will be assisted by the officers and members of the lodge, but the canvass will be conducted under the immediate direction of the finance committee and the treasurer. The Elks' 1912 grand lodge campaign

Although all committees have worke to the limit of their time and ability, many fertile fields of collections have not yet been touched. It is in these places that Mr. Apperson will direct his force of solicitation. Some com-mittees have finished their duties, hav-ing covered completely the ground as-signed to them. Others have made final reports with supplemental state-ments that certain prospective con-tributors had not been seen. In Mr. Apperson's search for funds he will visit the places that the first commit-tees were unable to approach.

Canvass to Be Continued.

Several down-town office buildings which house numerous likely contrib-utors of liberal offerings have not yet been covered. A corps of special can-vassers will go through these buildings within the next week or ten days, and within the next week or ten days, and, headed by Mr. Apperson, will make a special effort to see every occupant who expresses a desire to assist the Elks in their endeavor to make the 1912 convention one that shall do honor to Portland. The work of 99 committees thus far

has exceeded the expectations of the lodge and its officers. Many of the aplodge and its officers. Many of the appointed canvassers are men who have business that demands all or nearly all their time and attention. Yet they have found occasion to take a few hours from their work to visit their neighbors and receive their subscriptions to the grand lodge fund. Yet such a campaign can not cover the city thoroughly, and the Elks realize that many willing contributors will not be approached unless one man take charge of the entire movement and personally superintend the work. Lest

many good friends of the lodge who will give willingly if asked, but who hesitate to make their offerings vol-untarily, be overlooked, the decision to place the canvass in the hands of one man who shall report to the finance committee was reached.

Many Not Yet Solicited.

With more than \$75,000 already se-ured, the officers believe that Mr. With more than \$75,000 already secured, the officers believe that Mr. Apperson will have little difficulty in gathering in the remaining \$50,000 before April 1. Of this, nearly \$20,000 already is pledged. Besides a large number of generous givers have not yet been solicited. A still greater number of firms and individuals who can be depended upon for small and fair-sized offerings still remain to be seen. By a systematic raking of the city the By a systematic raking of the city the required amount can be raised with comparative ease, say the Elk enthu-

It is virtually necessary to complete the canvass by April 1, as the lodge wants to be certain of having the full fund by that time. The time for the Atlantic City convention is drawing near and the Portland Elks who al-

near and the Portland Elka who already have announced that they will
have an eighth of a million dollars for
entertainment purposes next year want
to "make good" when they go to the
1911 meeting.
As soon as the total reaches \$125,000
the fund will be deposited in a Portland
bank. When the delegates from Portland leave for the Atlantic City reunion they will take a certified check
for that amount with them to show to for that amount with them to show to the eager gaze of the assembled thou-sands, all of whom already are build-ing hopes of making Portland their mecca one year hence.

300 PRESENT AT FUNERAL

Many Friends Honor Memory of Miss Kathryn Cusic.

The funeral of Miss Kathryn Cusic, tho died suddenly last week, was held yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock from the Finley chapel, 261 Third street. Three hundred friends, many of them from the Meier & Frank store, where Miss Cusic had been employed for many Miss Cusic had been employed for many years, attended. Rev. Benjamin Young, of the Taylor-street Methodist Episcopay Church, conducted the services. Miss Cornelia Barker, an intimate friend, played the violin, to the music of which Miss Cusic was devoted. Members of the Taylor-Street Church choir sang several numbers. Only one relative of Miss Cusic, Nicholas, a brother, is living, and he came from San Francisco te attend the funeral. The body to to attend the funeral. The body will be placed temporarily in a vault and will be buried later in the Mount

RELATIVES ARE NOT FOUND

Name, Even, of Explosion Victim, Is Still Uncertain.

Police Aroused by Offenses Against Girls.

RESTAURANT MAN ACCUSED

Chief Cox Will Ask City Council to Pass License Ordinance, by Which Closer Regulation Will Be Possible.

girls, growing out of the arrest yesterday of George Cheptsan proprietor of the Peacock cafe, at \$2 North Sixth street, so aroused Chief of Police Cox yesterday that he will appeal to the City Council to enact a restaurant il-cense ordinance, through which strincense ordinance, through which stringent regulation will be made possible. It is proposed that the amount of the license shall be nominal, so that reputable places will not suffer, but by denying renewals to offenders the authorities will be able to suppress them. Cheptsas was charged with making an attack upon Annie Bird, 17 years old, who recently arrived from Albany and who recently arrived from Albany and who recently arrived from Albany and obtained employment in the restaurant. She is crippled and has recently been ill. His arrest was the outcome of reports made at headquarters by Sergeant Wanless and Patrolman Cameron. Wanless said that, acting on information from other girls who had been employed there, he had been watching the restaurant for some time. In the four days before his arrest, Cheptsas had employed three different girls. One had employed three different girls. One said that Cheptsas conduct had caused her to quit after four days. Another girl, employed in her place, left after one day. Miss Bird was then employed. Her hours were from 2 P. M. until 2 A. M.

Policeman Keeps Watch.

Sergeant Wanless directed Cameron to keep special watch. That officer saw the restaurant closed at 2 o'clock, but Chept-sas and the girl remained inside. Cheptsas prepared a meal and carried it to a box seat, turning out the lights in the main room. Then Cameron went to the rear of the restaurant, just in time to hear the girl scream. He burst in the door, to find the girl weeping. He placed Cheptsas under arrest. The girl was sent to the Y. W. C. A. to be held

ARE SEEN means like these that George Kavalin and Jim Tokas, now doing long sentences in a Federal penitentiary, obtained young girls in California and brought them to this city. Likewise Charles Peters, brought a girl from Redding Cal., and now stands under charges in the Federal court, while his victim is in the asylum, alleged to have been driven insane by his abuse. Several others have been sent to the rockpile. Gambling Is Charged.

> Eight men were arrested in another Greek restaurant at 263 Russell street. They were charged with gambling. A. Jahman, a clerk, and A. J. Berg, a civil engineer, were held, the others being released. They were William Linklater, G. W. Reilly, E. Jasman, R. Lollick, D. J. Moloney, E. Hendricks, and

> Patrolman Nelson found J. J. Farrelly, a youth of 18, living at 1976 East Twenty-ninth street North, buying cig-arettes in the store of Theodore Raca-tansis, at 391 Burnside street. As the proprietor had no one to leave in his store his arrest was deferred until to-

day.

Remembering the long list of arrests for gambling, illegal liquor selling, cutting affrays and offenses against girls emanating from these resorts, Chief Cox has declared war on the disorderly places, and will ask the City Council Disclosures of pitfalls for inexperienced to aid him in his campaign.

GLOBE TROTTER IS HERE Holland Newspaperman Is Walking

Around World on Wager. Gottfried Rodriguez, the Holland news-paperman, who is making a tour of the world on foot, will remain in Portland world on 1001, with relating the until next Sunday and then proceed to Seattle and into Canada on the last lap of his tour. The Amsterdam Telegraph, which is the second largest newspaper in Holland, offered Rodriguez \$5000 if he would make the trip under the following conditions: He must not carry any bagconditions: He must not carry any bag gage and must not use a train, he must wear the peasant costume of Holland and

must make his own way. Rodriguez started February 1, 1909, from Amsterdam and to date has covered over two-thirds of his journey, passing through Holland, Belgium, Switzerland, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Russia, Germany, Turkey, Greece, England, Scotland, Ireland, France, Spain, Portugal and Italy. He came to this country from Naples and worked two weeks in a New York feetowy to see starting money. New York factory to get starting money. When he arrived in this country he did not speak a word of English, but now he speaks it so fluently that he has taken to the stage as a means of mak-ing his livelihood while on the rest of his trip. While in Portland Rodriguez, who says he is the champion long-dis-tance welker of the world, will appear at the Lyric Theater.

Sunday Liquor-Selling Charged.

was sent to the 1. W. C. A. to be and as a witness.

Cheptsas defled the officers when taken to police headquarters. He said that he was a business man and a gentleman, a member of influential lodges, was worth \$15,000 and that he had influence with the district attorney and the courts. He declared that he would "fight to the highest court." "That is my business." he said, when questioned concerning the charge against him.

Henry Gallett, a salconkeeper, who succeeded recently to the interests of Pete Bruno, ex-"King of the Tender-loo." was arrested yesterday afternoon by Sergeant Riley and Patrol-man Ehmsen, on a charge of selling was the Bruno salcon, the Bruno salcon, was a seized as evidence, the word of a rooming-house at 252 Eleventh Henry Gallett, a saloonkeeper, wh he said, when questioned concerning the charge against him.

The police say that similar conditions are not uncommon, according to their information. Many young girls have been employed, and discharged if they been employed, and discharged if they are sented ill-treatment, by members of what the police regard as an organized with selling liquor on Sunday and without a license. The officers had been watching this place for some time, upon reports that liquor was believed the said of the said of

Stray Tabby Wants Home With Nice Yard

Life in Flat Too Confining, so Little Cat Advertises.

W ANTED-A good home for young cat; place with yard preferred. Phone A 5601. 440 12th.

This was the advertisement which was turned in to The Oregonian Saturday night, and which brought to Mrs. Fred Dundee, who lives at the address given, a number of inquiries yesterday. Mrs. Dundee explained to all comers that she did not want to put the cat out to board; that she merely wanted to give it away. "It is only a common tabby, you see," she said, "but I want-ed to give it to someone who would take good care of it. Here it is, this little black and white one.

"When we moved in here we already had this black cat," she continued, "and this black and white one was a stray we found here when we came. This one persists in fighting with the dog, but the dog and the black one get along all right together. So I thought it would be best to give this one away. I wanted to give it to someone who had a yard so they could let the cat out of doors. We don't have any yard here in this flat, and it's not good for animals to keep them indoors with the hard. to keep them indoors all the time. My husband works in the automobile shop, so we have to live near his work, "A lady telephoned to me this morn-ing from Woodlawn, and said she would come over for the cat Wednesday un-less someone else called for it. She

Cough Stop is sure. Plummer's, 260 Third street.

Edlefsen delivers dry wood.



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