

CLEAR MEXICO SEEN

John Barrett Avers Evolution Will Follow Trouble.

COAST ASKED TO AWAKEN

Panama-American Union Director Tells Progressive Business Men's Club of Great Chances Latin America Offers.

"There is an unusually bright lining to the cloud which now is cast over our sister republic, Mexico," said John Barrett, director-general of the Panama-American Union, before the Progressive Business Men's Club at the Multnomah Hotel, "but the political phase of the Mexican problem is too delicate for us to discuss. When the clouds have cleared away, however, you young men will see one of the greatest evolutions in history and Portland and Oregon and all the United States should be prepared for the great development of that vast area to the south of us. "Few of you men in Portland know little of me or my work, fewer still are aware of the vastness of the great territory combined in the 21 countries which comprise the great Pan-American Union, organized for the sole purpose of molding together in closer contact the whole Western hemisphere. "Trade Open to Coast. "The United States has not been alive to the great opportunities in South and Central America. Heretofore you have looked on us, speaking, as a South American, as 'dagos,' and what little you knew of Chili is limited to chilicon-chilo. "I want to see Portland and the Pacific Coast play a great role in the development of the opportunities to be had. Did it ever occur to you that the Amazon could more than swallow the Columbia River; that the big vessels which anchor in Portland harbor can navigate the Amazon for thousands of miles and have as good an anchoring place as your own harbor here in Portland? "Has it ever occurred to you that South America has the finest theater in the world outside of Vienna? Has it ever occurred to you that Buenos Ayres and Rio Janeiro are two of the most progressive and most beautiful cities in the world? Gentlemen, these are things on which to think and act at once. Why do you men, that within 1000 miles of the Panama Canal today there are 11 countries whose millions of people are demanding what we have to sell and have their rough products ready to ship to the American manufacturer? "Better Spirit Needed. "It behoves the United States and her progressive business men to become active and take another, longer and better look at Latin America, which should not be looked on in the future in the patronizing manner of the past, which will take place at the club's meeting place at the Multnomah Hotel next Thursday. J. H. Dundore will be the next president, as he was the only man nominated for the office who could accept. R. W. Blaset was named for first vice-president and chairman of the membership committee; Hamilton Johnston, second vice-president and chairman of the program committee; P. H. Kneeland, for treasurer, and Harold P. Jones, for secretary. Five men will be elected as the club's trustees, for which honor 13 were nominated, the 14th being Commissioner Bigelow, who declined to run, saying he felt it was not right he should hold any office so long as he is a city official. The 13 nominated for trusteeship are: Owen Summers, Jacob Knicker, Frank Bennett, Alexander Adair, Earl Clark, Shirley B. Parker, R. G. E. Cornish, John J. Spittel, G. F. Peake, Dr. J. C. Jones, C. H. Gussman, C. W. Fritz and Dr. W. C. Spencer. Mr. Barrett left for Puget Sound cities on the Shasta Limited yesterday afternoon.

CROP SURVEY IS MADE

O-W-R. & N. OFFICIALS LOOK FOR INCREASED GRAIN NEXT SEASON.

Farmers Advised to Do Extensive Seeding in Spring and to Grow Corn on Large Scale.

Following a survey of the crop situation in the grain belt east of the Cascade Mountains, the officials of the O-W-R. & N. Company traffic department finds need for advising farmers as to how to proceed with planting. The unfavorable season, so far, has left little grain in the hands of the growers.

Traffic Manager Miller and "Farmer" Smith have gone over the situation carefully and they believe that in view of the high price for cereals of all kinds and the probability of heavy demand in the coming season, wheatgrowers will get the results if they follow the course outlined.

"There are two situations confronting the farmer," says Mr. Miller. "One is the possible necessity for reseeded in the Spring and the other is the advisability of Spring seeding of land that otherwise would be in Summer fallow. All indications point to the fact that next year 1915 will see a demand for all forms of cereals in excess of the supply, and therefore it is probable we will have the largest acreage of Fall and Spring-sown grain in the history of the Northwest.

"Farmers who have retained enough seed for either reseeded in the Spring or Spring seeding in Summer fallow are fortunate considering the present price of wheat.

"The exceptionally high price for wheat will mean correspondingly high prices for all classes of feed, and farmers should grow as much corn as possible, as with proper selected seed and careful tillage of the ground corn will produce more stock feed than any other plant, and it has been demonstrated that with acclimated seed, corn can be grown successfully in all parts of the Pacific Northwest."

WEDDED BLISS IS SHORT

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Hats at 2.50
\$5-12.50 Trimmed Models
100 smart Hats in the group. Sailor shapes trimmed with fancy ostrich effects and flowers and stylish close-fitting shapes with ribbon and fancy feather trimmings.
\$2.25 to \$4 Untrimmed Hat Shapes—in silk velvet and silk plush—75c Friday's price.
—Second Floor, Sixth-St. Bldg.

MEIER & FRANK'S 1302D FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES

\$2 Gray Woolnap Blankets at 1.45
Full size. Good weight, with fancy borders. Popular for porch use.
—Ninth Floor —Temporary Annex

Meier & Frank Co.
1857 1915
THE QUALITY STORE OF PORTLAND
Fifth, Sixth, Morrison, Alder Sts.

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1.50 Feather Bed Pillows at 98c
Pillows filled with good clean feathers. Covered with good grade fancy art ticking.
—Ninth Floor Temporary Annex

Out-of-Town Mail Orders Filled From This Ad

IF RECEIVED WITHIN THREE DAYS OF DATE OF THIS PAPER
Ours is not exactly a mail order system—it is, rather, a systemized shopping service, which gives the personal attention of a trained shopper to every order.
Your order is studied and promptly filled with as much "intelligent interest" as if you were here yourself.
Should you come in person we will be glad, upon request, to have one of our experienced shoppers assist and conduct you to any or all of the 75 different departments. There is no charge.

Today--1302d Friday Surprise Sales!

Vast Stocks of Seasonable Goods Are Melting Away Under the Pressure of the January Clearance Sale!

Several weeks of wearing time yet, but the selling time of present stocks is rapidly passing—so we are not going to take any chances of carrying them over—therefore, prices are vigorously slashed to the limit; almost a maze of counters filled with just the things one wants now, together with REMNANTS, odd lots and INCOMPLETE SIZES. We've rummaged every line of goods and the results are great for you. For us, cleared decks for future planning.

So Much for the "Clean-Up" Stocks—Now for This Great Array of Surprise Specials
They have been gotten together with the desire to meet the expectations of our appreciative customers. The goods are from our REGULAR ASSORTMENTS of all-the-year-round stocks, which experience has taught us to provide—kinds and qualities which we expect always to have on hand.

No Over Valuations at Meier & Frank's—Proven Facts Only Govern Here
Reductions are either what we have been able to secure from manufacturers and are willing to turn over to our customers, or what we are satisfied to actually lose of our fair and rightful low profits to SELL these goods or in order to make Friday an even livelier shopping day than this BIGGEST AND BEST OF BARGAIN DAYS is now.

MEIER & FRANK'S 1302D FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES

1800 Pairs Imported \$1 Kid Gloves, Pr. 50c
Excellent quality imported lambskin in black, white, tan, mode, green and red. Overseam sewn, 2-clasp style. Women's sizes 5 1/2 to 7—but not every size in each color. No telephone orders. None C. O. D. None exchanged.
—First Floor, Sixth-St. Bldg.

MEIER & FRANK'S 1302D FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES

Women's Waists 98c
French Flannel, Serge
Navy, red and gray shades. Shirt style and yoked style with tucked front. Attached and detachable collars. Long sleeves with turnback cuffs.
—First Floor, Sixth-St. Bldg.

MEIER & FRANK'S 1302D FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES

Women's High-Grade 1.25 to \$2 Neckwear 55c
2 Pieces \$1
Organdie, lace, net, crepe de chine and Plauen lace Neckwear in collars, sets, vests and gimpes. Both foreign and domestic manufactured pieces.
—First Floor, Sixth-St. Bldg.

MEIER & FRANK'S 1302D FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES

Women's 50c to \$5 Handkerchiefs 1/2
No Telephone Orders—None Exchanged. Several hundred in the lot. All pure fine linen. Hand-embroidered in Madeira styles, real Duchess, Val, Armenian and imitation Venise trimmed. Also handsome colored effects included. Hemstitched and checked patterns.
—First Floor, Sixth-St. Bldg.

MEIER & FRANK'S 1302D FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES

50c to 1.50 Books 25c Slightly Soiled
Original editions—a good assortment of miscellaneous titles. Slightly soiled from display.—Sixth Floor, Sixth-St. Bldg.

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Women's \$1 "Richelieu" Union Suits at 58c
Good grade cotton, in a medium weight. High neck, long sleeves and knee length. Regular and oversizes included.
—Second Floor, Sixth-St. Bldg.

MEIER & FRANK'S 1302D FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES

Many Thousands of Ribbon Remnants 15c
All kinds, all colors and all styles of Ribbon included in this vast amount of remnants. Narrow and wide ribbons, lengths ranging from 3/4 to 3 yds. Narrow ribbons in bunches. Sold by strip or bunch only. No Telephone Orders. No Remnants Exchanged; None C. O. D.
—First Floor, Sixth-St. Bldg.

MEIER & FRANK'S 1302D FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES

10c to 20c Embroidered Edges, Insertions, Yd. 5c
Swiss and cambrie—some convent edges in lot. 3 to 9-inch edges, 1 to 2 1/2-inch insertions. All fast edges.
—First Floor, Sixth-St. Bldg.

MEIER & FRANK'S 1302D FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES

\$1 Japanese Brown Bamboo Fruit Baskets 49c
A limited quantity only to be disposed of Friday. Well woven, with popular style heavy handles.
\$1.50 Japanese Brown Bamboo Fruit Baskets 73c
—Temporary Annex, Eighth Floor.

MEIER & FRANK'S 1302D FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES

3.50 Silk Umbrellas 2.39
Men's, Women's Styles
Fast black, waterproof material. Full sized, in men's and women's styles.
—First Floor, Sixth-St. Bldg.

MEIER & FRANK'S 1302D FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES

Women's and Children's Hosiery Surprises
Women's 50c Silk Lisle Hose—Black and colors. Imported and domestic makes. 3 pairs \$1, pr. 35c
1000 Pairs Women's Hose—Lisle, silk lisle and fine cotton. Black, white and tans and large assortment of colors. Light, medium and heavy weights. Hemmed tops, wide garter and ribbed tops. Sizes 8 1/2 to 10. Today 35c 3 pairs \$1, the pair 35c
Children's 25c English Lisle Hose—Black and tan shades. Fine IXI soft-ribbed style, medium weight. Linen-finished heels and toes. Sizes 9 to 5 1/2 to 10. 5 pairs 90c, pair 19c
—First Floor, Sixth-St. Bldg.

MEIER & FRANK'S 1302D FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES

\$2 to \$6 Silk Chiffon Motor Veils Half Price
Very fine quality chiffon veils, broken assortments from our regular stocks. Hemstitched and fancy satin striped borders. Large size. Good assortment of colors.
—First Floor, Sixth-St. Bldg.

MEIER & FRANK'S 1302D FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES

10c Crash Toweling Yard 6 1/4c
Heavy quality crash for kitchen use. 15 inches wide.
—Third Floor, Sixth-St. Bldg.

MEIER & FRANK'S 1302D FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES

\$12 to \$18 All-Wool Steamer Rugs at \$10
These are Glenace Scottish Rugs—exactly 11 in the lot, but every pattern different. Splendid weight, all wool and good size. Friday only—as long as any of the lot remain—the price will be \$10.
—Temporary Annex, Fifth Floor.

MEIER & FRANK'S 1302D FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES

Women's \$5 Silk Umbrellas 2.69
Fine grade of silk, waterproof and fast color. Shades of purple, red, brown and taupe. Steel rod and frame. All the newest style handles, in large assortment.
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8c to 10c Outings and Flannelettes, Yard 5c
—Third Floor, Sixth-St. Bldg.

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20c Nainsook Yard 12 1/2c
36 inches wide. Fine quality for making of undershirts and children's wear.
—Third Floor, Sixth-St. Bldg.

MEIER & FRANK'S 1302D FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES

To 15.75 Trunks \$10 Mendel Drucker Make
Mendel Drucker make Steamer Trunks. Some full riveted construction, all with three-ply and lock-jointed basswood boxes. No. 1 capital trimmings and Excelsior Yale locks.
—Temporary Annex, Fifth Floor.

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Women's \$1.59 Princess Slips 49c
Made of fine quality Seec silk. Finished at top with lace insertion, ribbon-run beading and edge. Plain hemmed skirt. Come in white, canary, pink, blue and pea green. Sizes 16 and 18 years. Also pink and blue batiste slips, lace trimmed, sizes 6 to 16 years.
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Women's 1.25 Knitted Night Gowns at 79c
Spring-needle knitted Gowns, in a good medium weight. Plain style or with fancy yokes. All sizes in the lot.
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Very special price for Friday only. The Cream of Wheat—Popular cereal. 15c package
The Fancy Lemons—Lyon's. 360 size. 12c dozen
Ghirardelli's Chocolate—No. 3 cans. 75c; No. 1 cans. 25c
Blue Ribbon Butter—Fancy Oregon make. Roll 63c
Napta Soap—Economy brand. Six bars for 19c
Corn Flakes—Quaker brand. Four packages for 25c
Challenge Coffee—Popular blend. Three pounds. 69c; pound. 25c
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Barbara Hubbard said her husband treated her cruelly and frequently hu-

milated her by telling her he had married her only for her property. Later, she says in her complaint, Aaron Hubbard deserted her and she wants a divorce.

Helen M. Gale has brought suit for divorce from Rowe G. Gale, alleging desertion and asking custody of their two children.

New Brake May Be Tried.

A new automatic streetcar brake, which in cases of emergency drops a steel wedge under the wheels of a streetcar, bringing it to a standstill almost instantly, may be adopted by the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, as part of its "Safety First" apparatus. The new brake, which has been made by A. N. Wills, of Portland, was demonstrated at the car company shop yesterday.

When the emergency airbrake is applied the new arrangement automatically drops a steel wedge on the rail in front of the wheels of the car.

Georgians have sold \$3,000,000 worth of mules to British buyers.

Today 9:30 A. M.

Boys' \$2.50 Heavy Rubber Boots 50c
Men's \$5 1 1/2 Heavy Rubber Boots \$1.98
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