

Just 37 Shopping Days Till Christmas—No Matter Where You Shop, Shop Early

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY
CANDY SURPRISES
 40c English Almond Toffee 29c.
 40c Peanut Butter Chips 29c.
 25c Peanut Brittle 19c.
 —Main, Ninth Floors, Basement Balcony

Skirts Cut FREE
 —If materials are purchased here. We cut, sew and accordian, knife or box pleat skirts for \$1. We haste, fit and make ready to finish for a small charge any style tailored skirt you may select.
 —Dress Goods Shop, Second Floor

Meier & Frank Co.
 THE QUALITY STORE OF PORTLAND
 1396th, 1397th, Morrison, Alder Sts.

10c-15c Pattern Free
 —With copy of the Butterick Winter Quarterly at 25c. We are principal Portland agents for famous Butterick patterns and publications. Our experts will give you every assistance in choosing.
 —Pattern Shop, Second Floor.

Buy "Munsingwear" Now for the Family
 —Our great four-days' showing and sale of warm Munsing undergarments for men, women and children ends tomorrow night.
 —Main Floor.

This Is Only a Partial List of Today's Surprise Offerings—Look for the Equally Good Unadvertised Specials—

Meier & Frank's 1396th Friday Surprise Sales

1396TH FRIDAY SURPRISE
25c to 75c Fancy Ribbons, Yard 10c
 Broken lines fancy figured gros-grain ribbons, 1 to 3 inches wide, plain or picot edged. —Main Flr.

1396TH FRIDAY SURPRISE
Women's New 12½" Kerchiefs 5c
 Splendid quality lawn handkerchiefs, with rolled edges and prettily embroidered corners. Main Fl.

1396TH FRIDAY SURPRISE
50c-85c Allover Laces, Yard 39c
 36-inch silk finished allover laces in white and cream. Especially dainty for blouses. Friday only, yard 39c.

MEIER & FRANK'S 1396TH FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES
Flannelette Night Shirts 69c
 —Good weight flannelette sleeping garments for cold nights. All extra well made, finished with silk frogs and pearl buttons. Have military collar and pocket. Neat blue and pink stripes. Sizes 15 to 20.
35c Socks 25c
 —Good medium weight fine soft cashmere hose, with double toe, sole and heel. All sizes in black, white, natural and Oxford.
 —Men's Furnishings Shop, Main Floor.

1396TH FRIDAY SURPRISE
Good 15c Bleached Muslin, Yard 11c
 Good, medium-weight bleached muslin, 36 inches wide, free from starch and dressing. —2d Flr.

1396TH FRIDAY SURPRISE
\$2.75 to \$3.75 Waists Now \$2.22
 Mercerized values in Crepe de Chine waists in white and flesh. Lace and tuck trimmed. —4th Flr.

1396TH FRIDAY SURPRISE
Reg. \$1.25 Fancy Neckwear at 79c
 120 fine net and Georgette crepe collars—all daintily hand embroidered. Many shapes. Main Fl.

1396TH FRIDAY SURPRISE
Women's Pure Silk Hose Only 79c
 Mill run women's black, white and colored pure silk hose, with double lisle tops, soles. —Main Fl.

1396TH FRIDAY SURPRISE
8c-15c Laces for 5c
 —All the dainty laces that are so necessary for pretty holiday gifts—imitation Irish and Cluny laces and cotton torchons. Edges and insertions for curtains, art work and underwear. Friday only, yard 5c.

1396TH FRIDAY SURPRISE
\$1.25 Flouncings 69c
 —25-inch batiste flouncing for infants' and children's wear. Finished with dainty 5-inch ruffle.
 —Lace and Embroidery Shop, Main Floor.

1396TH FRIDAY SURPRISE
Best 15c Checked Nainsook for 10c
 Dainty for underwear and children's aprons. Full 36 ins. wide. Best 15c values, yd. 10c. —2d Flr.

1396TH FRIDAY SURPRISE
\$1.00 Heavy Table Cloths Now 75c
 Mercerized table cloths. A good heavy quality that will stand wear and tear. 64x64 ins. —2d Flr.

1396TH FRIDAY SURPRISE
85c Infants' Crib Blankets at 59c
 Infants' crib or carriage robes, white with pink or blue crocheted edges. Special at 59c. —2d Flr.

1396TH FRIDAY SURPRISE
Samples Fine Knit Underwear for 39c
 Vests of fine cotton and mercerized lisle with band and crocheted tops. Special 39c. —Main Flr.

MEIER & FRANK'S 1396TH FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES.
One-Piece Serge Dresses Special Friday Only \$12.55
 —Serge dresses are quite the fad of the hour—and never were frocks more becoming!
 —These are of fine quality serge in black, Burgundy, navy, green and brown, made on the new straight lines and blouse styles.
 —One particularly pretty model is surplice with half-pleated skirt and others have broadcloth or Georgette crepe collars and cuffs. All sizes—very special Friday only \$12.55.—Apparel Shop, 4th Floor

1396TH FRIDAY SURPRISE
Odd Pairs of Curtains Reduced
 —Good-looking, serviceable net, scrim and marquisette curtains at less than half the regular selling prices, because there is only one pair of a kind in each pattern. At these surprise prices:
 Fine \$1.50 Curtains... 49c
 \$2-\$2.50 Curtains... 89c
 \$3-\$4.00 Curtains... \$1.49
 —The quantity is, of course, limited—better come early!
 —Curtain Shop, Seventh Floor.

1396TH FRIDAY SURPRISE
Children's White Wool Coats \$8.50
 Sizes 3 to 14 years. Fancy all wool striped chevot, chinchilla and broadcloth. —2d Flr.

1396TH FRIDAY SURPRISE
\$1.25 Stamped Bath Mats at 98c
 Of good quality terry cloth, with pink and blue borders. Stamped for embroidering. —2d Flr.

1396TH FRIDAY SURPRISE
60c to 75c Gift Books for Only 50c
 Leather gift books—in boxes. Poetry, classics—a great number of titles at 50c. —Basement Bal.

1396TH FRIDAY SURPRISE
25c to 60c Gift Books for Only 19c
 Boxed and novelty gift books. Prose, poetry, etc. Buy for holiday gifts, 19c. Basement Balcony.

MEIER & FRANK'S 1396TH FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES
Silver Deposit Sugar, Creamer Pair 54c
 —A limited number of these attractive sugar and creamer sets in sterling silver deposit design and shape as illustrated. Always useful and very suitable for Christmas gifts. A limited number today at, pair 64c.
 —Basement, Fifth Street.

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MEIER & FRANK'S 1396TH FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES
Flour, 49 Lb. Sack, \$1.85
 —"Perfection" fine quality family flour at this low price today.
 Victor Coffee, freshly roast- 25c
 ad, our 30c blend, lb. 25c
 Tea Garden Whole Fruits, several varieties, Raspberries, Bing Cherries, Royal Anne Cherries, Pineapple, Cranberry Sauce, white 29c
 any remain, 40c jar, 29c
 Calif. Foot Jelly, Gordon & Dillworth's, limited quantity; 55c 19c
 jar, 19c
 Royal Banquet Butter, churned fresh daily; 75c
 2-lb. roll 75c
 Salmon, medium red Alaska fish, fine grade, No. 1 cans, doz. \$1.70; large can 15c
 Columbia River Salmon, Spring catch (Chinook fish), No. 1 flat cans, the dozen, \$2.60; large 22½c can 25c
 Clam Nectar, No. 1 cans, 4 25c for 25c
 Spaghetti, Italian style, Franco-American, No. 1 cans, 4 cans 25c for 25c
 Blue Label Catsup, one of the purest and best; doz. \$2.25; 20c large bottle 18c
 German Lentils, genuine imported, lb. 18c
 —Ninth Floor, Fifth Street

MEIER & FRANK'S 1396TH FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES
Framed Pictures at 59c
 —A large special showing of handsome framed pictures in a wide variety of subjects—landscapes, figures, etc., in antique gold frames. Beautiful for Christmas gifts, 59c.
 —Art Shop, Fifth Floor.

MEIER & FRANK'S 1396TH FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES
\$3.50 Silver Vanity Cases \$1.95
 —German silver vanity cases, fitted with mirror, memorandum pad, pencil and coin and powder compartments. Especially pretty for holiday gifts—Friday only \$1.95.
 —Jewelry Shop, Main Floor.

1396TH FRIDAY SURPRISE
\$1.25 "Warner" CORSETS \$1
 —The famous "Warner" corsets in models for all figures. Made of fine batiste and coutil. All sizes are included—Friday only \$1.
 —Corset Shop, Third Floor.

MEIER & FRANK'S 1396TH FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES
Friday Sale of Blankets
 —If you're looking for the very best quality of good wool blankets or fine cotton blankets, come here, see these specials Friday.
\$3.00 WHITE WOOLNAP BLANKETS \$2.45
 —Full bed size in white with fancy borders. Good values. Friday only \$2.45.
\$1.50 EMMERICH FEATHER PILLOWS AT \$1.21
 —Genuine Emmerich feather bed pillows, covered with fancy art ticking, filled with fine, new, clean, odorless feathers.
 —Blanket Shop, Second Floor.

MEIER & FRANK'S 1396TH FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES
Boys' "Goodyear" Raincoats \$2.98
 —Just 76 of these exceptional raincoats to make this Friday surprise sale a memorable one! Tan with black rubber lining—they are of highest quality, guaranteed absolutely. In raglan style and good length. Sizes 8 to 18 years—but just a few of each. Be sure to see these splendid raincoats at only \$2.98. And be sure to come early, for they will go quickly at this price!
 —Boys' Clothing Shop, Third Floor.

MEIER & FRANK'S 1396TH FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES
\$5 Silk Petticoats \$3.95
 —A large special sale of fine silk petticoats. All the newest and most wanted colors are represented in light and dark solid tones and changeable shades. Made with full flounces, trimmed with fancy shirring and small ruffles—exceptional values even for Friday surprise at \$3.95!
\$10.50 to \$12.00 SILK GOWNS \$7.95
 —Just 25 beautiful gowns of fine crepe de chine in white and flesh colors. Trimmed with edges and dainty inserts of Val. lace—Friday Surprise, special at \$7.95.
 —Third Floor, Sixth Street.

MEIER & FRANK'S 1396TH FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES
\$1.50 Mechanical Train \$1.19
 —Just as illustrated—iron locomotive and tender, 1 car, 10 sections of track. Friday only \$1.19.
 —Toy Shop, Fifth Floor.

MEIER & FRANK'S 1396TH FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES.
\$5.00 to \$6.50 Trimmed Hats \$3.95
 —Just 50 of these beautiful hats for a big Friday Surprise Sale. In this group there are sailors, turbans, tricorns and tams—in styles for women and misses. Of excellent qualities silk velvet, with trimming of feathers, gold and silver novelties and flowers—they are wonderfully smart.
 —Millinery Shop, Fourth Floor.

RATE ADVANCE CUT
 Freight Charges Increased Only 10 Cents a Hundred.
ORDER EFFECTIVE JAN. 1
 Shippers and Chambers Gain Point in Protesting Proposed Rises on Ground That Most Are Unreasonable Charges.
 An advance of 10 cents a hundred pounds on all westbound carload commodities now carried in schedule C of the freight tariffs of the transcontinental railroads, to be effective about January 1, was announced yesterday in a telegram received by W. D. Skinner, traffic manager of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle Railway, from R. H. Countiss, of Chicago, agent for the Transcontinental Freight Bureau.
 "This is a modification of the rates recently announced on westbound traffic, proposed some time ago, to which shippers of the West raised objections. In general, it is a reduction of the proposed increases.
 It was contemplated to advance freight rates generally quite sharply. Many lines of freight were increased 10 cents a hundred, while others advanced more sharply. Dry goods, for example, were to pay, westbound, an increased freight rate of 20 cents a hundred, and oilcloth and linoleum 25 cents a hundred pounds. Canned goods were to advance from 60 and 62½ cents to 72½ and 75 and 85 cents. It was also felt that the advance on the

steel building materials was unreasonable.
 A meeting was held October 24 with representatives of the chambers of commerce of the Pacific Northwest cities, and the new rates were considered in detail. It was decided the rates would be modified with the exceptions of steel tonnage and canned goods, which remain practically as announced.
DATA GLEANED FOR AGENTS
 Letters of John M. Scott to Tell of Country Lines Reach.
 A new way to advertise Southern Pacific trains has been devised by John M. Scott, general passenger agent of the Southern Pacific Company lines in Oregon. He has issued the first of a series of 12 train letters that will cover the next three months, each one being calculated to give the maximum of information about the chief trains operated by the system.
 A map down one side of the letter shows the country traversed.
 These letters are to be mailed to ticket agents of the Southern Pacific and other lines in the Pacific Northwest and Canada, and to steamship agents in Alaska.
35-PAIL WATER BILL \$2.50
 Woman Alleges Excess Charge for Supply for Furnace.
 Two dollars and fifty cents is what the city water bureau is trying to force Fannie Harrison, who lives at East Eighty-eighth and Mill streets, to pay for 35 pails of water, according to a complaint filed by her yesterday.
 She says she has a small hot-water furnace which she uses to heat four rooms for five months in the year. She says 25 pails of water fill the furnace, and no addition to the supply is needed, and she has insisted on payment of \$2.50 for the water.

NEW TRAIL IS INSPECTED
 PATH TO VERY TOP OF CASTLE ROCK IS HALF COMPLETED.
 Easy Ascent Up Precipitous Sides Is Afforded by Work of Permanent Construction.
 An inspection trip of the new trail being built to the top of Castle Rock by Henry J. Biddle, owner of the property, was made on Wednesday by John E. Yeon, Amos Benson, D. C. Freeman and W. A. Schwartz. The first three are well-known men of this city, and the last named is a deputy road engineer for Clarke County, Washington.
 The new trail up the precipitous sides of Castle Rock, the imposing monolith that stands near the bank of the Columbia River on the north shore, has been constructed for some distance, and it will be completed next Spring, when it will permit an easy ascent of this great rock.
 The party found the trail to be of the most permanent construction and declares it will prove a great tourist attraction when finished. They were not content to go half way up the rock by the new trail, but completed the ascent to the very top. The weather was not favorable to a good view, however.
 Mr. Biddle, who has six men at work on the trail, is building this scenic route from a sense of love for the outdoors, and the scenic possibilities of the Pacific Northwest. He also has laid out a park nearby, which will be known as Wacelila Park, the name being taken from the Indian village in that vicinity founded by Lewis and Clark when they made their famous trip of exploration to the mouth of the Columbia over 110 years ago.
 An English lighthouse has been equipped with a lamp that can be lowered almost to sea level in foggy weather, when it would be invisible in its regular position.

MEIER & FRANK CO.—THE QUALITY STORE OF PORTLAND
Now at Lower Prices
 — 4 STAIRWAYS—2 ESCALATORS—14 ELEVATORS —

1000 REMNANTS AT 1/2
 Short lengths of DRESS GOODS AND SILKS—a large assortment of desirable materials and colors for waists, skirts and children's dresses. Your choice Friday at HALF PRICE.

Men's Silk Ties for 25c
 A large assortment of newest silk four-in-hand ties for men.

Men's \$1 Shirts for 65c
 The famous "Paragon" shirt in good Fall and Winter patterns.

Women's \$1 Waists at 78c
 White waists in plain and lace-trimmed styles. All sizes.

Flannelette Petticoats 19c
 Children's white flannelette petticoats. Six to 14 years.

Women's \$1.25 Umbrellas at 95c
 Good black rainproof umbrellas, with a variety of handles.

25c Can of Talcum for 10c
 One-pound tin of Floretta talcum powder on sale Friday at 10c.

50c Boys' Caps for 29c
 Wool mixtures in checks, plaids, mixed shades—golf styles.

\$1 Women's Slippers at 69c
 Suede, kid and crocheted bedroom slippers. All colors and sizes.

\$5.00 Boys' Overcoats \$3.35
 Heavy gray mixtures in Norfolk styles. With heavy fleeced linings.

1000 REMNANTS AT 1/2
 Short lengths of GINGHAMS, PERCALES, VOILES, SUITINGS, etc. A large accumulation of good, serviceable wash materials to be closed out in the Lower Price Store Friday at HALF.

\$1.00 Table Cloths for 69c
 Mercerized table cloths, hemmed and ready for use. Size 64x66.

Sugared Peanuts 15c
 Delicious sugar-coated peanuts, from our Candy Kitchen, lb. 15c.

Good Jelly Beans, 15c
 Pure jelly beans, made in our Candy Kitchen—Friday, lb. 15c.