

CONTEST LOOKS IN DEMOCRATIC CAMP

Faithful Arrive in Portland to Name Committeeman.

CHAMBERLAIN MEN TARGET

Dr. Morrow, Recognized by National Committee, Believed to Have Edge on Opponents.

Democrats were assembling in Portland yesterday to attend the meeting of the state committee today. There appears to be a feeling that the meeting will develop some interesting features, and if it proves to be a cut-and-dried affair the gathering will be a disappointment to the men who have traveled far to be present.

"The boys," explained Samuel Garland, who motored down from Lebanon, "thought that things were getting pretty hot in the committee, so they asked me to come. I'm not a member of the state committee, but I'm an old hand in politics. I resigned as state committeeman when I was elected to the state senate."

C. W. Tinsdale of Tillamook and James Mahoney of Pendleton were among the early birds to arrive. This morning's trains are expected to bring other active members of the committee. Efforts have been made to have every committeeman on the job and practically the entire crowd is looked for when State Chairman Starkweather calls the gathering to order at the Portland hotel.

Dr. Morrow Recognized.

There are several matters to be disposed of by the committee. One of the most important is to decide whether Dr. J. W. Morrow shall be the national committeeman; whether it shall be Newton McCoy or whether some compromise candidate will be elected. The indications are that Dr. Morrow has the inside track.

That the national committee recognizes him is substantiated in a message which he received yesterday from National Chairman Cummings, who addressed the doctor as national committeeman and wanted to know the program for the two days that Mr. Cummings' party will be in Portland.

What to do to entertain the national chairman and his friends on June 30 and July 1 will be decided by the state committee. Also this committee will probably say who shall be the reception committee and who shall preside at the meetings. These are matters of vast import and have worried more than one of the faithful.

Anti-Chamberlain Men Busy.

Grapevine information says that the committee will create the position of assistant secretary of the state committee and that some active man will be given the position. Information from the same source confirms the rumor that the state committee will handle the executive committee without gloves.

For some time an anti-Chamberlain sentiment has been spreading among the democratic ranks, but while three of the six members of the executive committee are far from friendly to the senator, it is not known how many, if any, of the state committeemen are affected. The anti-Chamberlain men consider themselves as defenders of the Wilson administration. It is within the range of possibility that if they have enough votes, the anti-Chamberlain men will show their teeth at today's meeting. As there will be a bitter determined fight against Chamberlain in the campaign next year, some of his political enemies consider that now is about as good a time as any to start something.

ALIENATION CHARGE DENIED

SECOND WIFE ANSWERS SUIT FILED BY FIRST.

Mrs. Merges-Whiting Contends Description by Dr. Whiting Took Place Long Before Remarriage.

Denial that she dodged service in the \$50,000 alienation brought against her in 1916 by the first wife of the man to whom she is now married, is made in an answer filed in the circuit court yesterday by Mrs. Mary Edwards Merges-Whiting, asking that the suit of Mrs. M. Whiting, first wife of Dr. Stanford Whiting, be abated.

Mrs. Merges-Whiting was served with the summons last spring as she was dining at the Multnomah hotel, nearly three years after the suit had been instituted in the local courts. She was out of the state for a long while directly following the action, having gone to California where she married Dr. Whiting, a surgeon well known in Portland.

Following a general denial of allegations of the complaint, Mrs. Merges-Whiting's answer points out that the description by Dr. Whiting of wife number one, of which she is accused of being the cause, actually took place July 29, 1914. Mrs. Iva Whiting should have brought her action well within the two years following, if she intended to bring any at all, contends the defendant. As it was the suit was filed July 15, 1918. On May 28, 1918, Mrs. Merges-Whiting, then Mrs. Merges, left for California. Up to that time, she asserts, she had lived continuously in Oregon.

Mrs. Merges-Whiting returned to this state March 2, 1918, and since that time has resided continuously, openly and without concealment, she avers, though the summons was not served upon her for a year later, or, to be exact, April 11, 1918.

The present Mrs. Whiting is the former wife of E. E. Merges, a Portland capitalist. Mrs. Iva Whiting is now working in the health department of the city and has not remarried. She has two sons, one six, the other eight years old. Alimony of \$125 a month was granted her by the divorce court.

MILL WILL COST \$60,000

Portland Flouring Company Plans Extensive Plant.

Plans for a new flouring mill to be operated by the Portland Flouring Company were filed yesterday with City Building Inspector Plummer by the Hurley-Mason Construction company. The estimated cost of the new structure is \$60,000 and it will be erected at the foot of Skidmore street in the northeast section of the city.

Several weeks ago plans were filed with the building inspector's office for the erection of a large cereal mill to cover a complete city block in the central east side, the construction of which is to cost approximately \$100,000.

SUMMER homes that require new furnishings can benefit by the exposition and sale of summer homefurnishings now in progress at this store. See displays in various departments. Many special values are obtainable.



THE exposition and sale of "Period" designs in sterling silver and high-grade Sheffield reproductions now in progress in the Ninth Floor Gift Shop will interest every one who appreciates silverware of the finer kinds.

Boys! Mothers! Fathers! Here's Wonderful News!—

500 Boys' New "Sampeck" Suits

MEN

5000 New Ties in a Sale

When you see the ties, note the qualities and compare the prices you will say that here are the

Best Values in Town

Merchandising mastery operated powerfully to our good interest and yours in enabling our Men's Furnishings Buyer, who has just returned from the east, to secure this choice collection on his latest trip.

90c and \$1.55

are our prices. All the scarfs are selected products of leading men's neckwear manufacturers. Qualities are distinctly of the better kinds. All the patterns and colors a discriminating dresser would want to choose from. Generously cut shapes in wide flowing end style. The "slip-easy" band will save your tie, time and temper.

—Meier & Frank's: The Store for Men, Main Floor. (Mail Orders Filled.)

In a 3-Days Sale

A Special Purchase Direct From the Maker

Brings These Remarkable Values

To \$30.00 Suits \$14.85

Sampeck suits are the Standard of America in boys' clothes. They are renowned throughout the length and breadth of the country for quality of materials, style, workmanship and service. They are excellent values at full regular prices as thousands of satisfied buyers in Portland will certify. Here is an opportunity to purchase new Sampecks—suits that are in every way up to Sampeck standard—at extraordinary savings.

Now Is the Time to Buy

Sampeck sales are of too rare occurrence to warrant one in waiting for the next. These suits will be found equal to every demand of the summer season and many forward-looking parents will buy them with an eye to the reopening of the school term.

Many Are All-Wool

and all are made of fabrics carefully selected for worth and wear. There are all styles including the popular waist-seam models. All new patterns and colorings, plain shades and combinations. All sizes for boys 6 to 18 years. All wonderful at \$14.85.

—Meier & Frank's: Third Floor. (Mail Orders Filled.)

Special Values in Smart Separate Skirts

Two underpriced groups:

At \$5

New plaid silk and poplin skirts in plain models with fancy patch pockets. Fancy plaid effects and plain black.

At \$10

A specially priced group of wool plaid outing skirts in a large assortment of patterns and colorings. Plain styles, patch pocket and button trimmed models.

White pique, repp and gabardine wash skirts are priced from \$2 to \$12.50.

—Meier & Frank's: Fourth Floor. (Mail Orders Filled.)

New "American Lady" Corsets

Very Modestly Priced at

\$2.95

Every American Lady corset is so designed and made as to protect and promote health. Each model is made for a particular type of figure. Look for the name "American Lady." It is your guarantee of correct style and full value.

Two new models on sale today, one of fine pink coutil, the other of fancy white brocade. Low bust and long hip models in sizes 19 to 30.

—Meier & Frank's: Third Floor. (Mail Orders Filled.)

2 Desirable New Models in Women's "Welworth" Blouses

\$2.50

The attractive blouse illustrated is made of satin finished waisting in Pierrot color. It is plaited and hemstitched. The other new Welworth model on sale today is equally desirable. Limited number. Here only in Portland.

—Meier & Frank's: Fourth Floor. (Mail Orders Filled.)

BABY WEEK

The recurrence of Baby Week at this store is observed by an exposition and sale of baby things that will be of interest and help to mothers solicitous for baby's health and comfort during the hot months ahead. Everything for baby is here in fine new assortments marked by quality throughout.

Consult Nurse Hubbard Free

We have secured the services of Nurse Hubbard of Chicago, infants' wear specialist, for this week. She will advise young mothers on the care and feeding of children, help plan layettes, etc. Nurse Hubbard demonstrates the advantage of Vanta pinless and buttonless garments for babies.

—Meier & Frank's: Baby Shop, Second Floor.

SEE our Fifth street window bearing the sign "No. 22" for display of the lambskin gloves advertised below. Watch our ads for later announcements of other special values in wanted merchandise to be featured in connection with window No. 22. Today's special:

Women's Fine Light Weight Lambskin Gloves

\$1.83

All of these gloves are PERFECT—brand new—just received in a special purchase consummated by our buyer when recently in the market. All are of fine quality lambskin and of reliable make. They're extraordinary values at \$1.83.

Fine light weight two-clasp lambskin gloves. Full P. K. sewn. White and white with black stitching. All sizes 5½ to 7. Every pair expertly fitted at \$1.83.

—Meier & Frank's: Main Floor. (Mail Orders Filled.)

Books Of Timely Interest

"The Peace President," an English estimate and appreciation of President Wilson, by William Archer, \$1.

"Problems of Peace," a message from a European writer to Americans, by Guglielmo Ferrero, \$1.50.

"Proposed Roads to Freedom," an attempt to extract the essence of Socialism, Anarchism and Syndicalism, by Bertrand Russell, \$1.50.

"Civilization," a vivid French book of happenings in the great war, by Dr. Georges Duhamel, \$1.50.

"A Little Gray Home in France," a book of the heart that will touch the emotions of every reader, by Helen Lavenport Gibbons, \$1.50.

"Fighting the Flying Circus," America's greatest ace tells America's greatest story of air fighting, by Capt. Eddie Rickenbacker, \$1.50.

—Meier & Frank's: Fifth Floor. (Mail Orders Filled.)

Furs Stored in Our Vaults

Valuable Winter furs should be placed in their natural surroundings for the Summer. Our cold storage vaults are kept constantly at the natural temperature for furs, where they are safeguarded from the ravages of moths. Furs entrusted to us for safe-keeping are also protected against loss by theft, fire, dust, water, damage of any kind.

Expert Repairing and Remodeling

of furs done now at special Summer rates. Phone Marshall 4600 or A 6101 and our auto will call for your furs.

—Meier & Frank's: Furs Received, Fourth Floor.

40c Black Sateen 29c

This quality is particularly desirable for the making of children's bloomers for playground wear. It is also suitable for men's shirts, women's undershirts, waists, etc.

Good medium weight black sateen, 30 inches wide. Yard specially priced at 29c instead of 40c.

—Meier & Frank's: Second Floor. (Mail Orders Filled.)

Down Store

Women's \$4.00--\$6.00 White Shoes \$2.98

A three days' sale of 500 pairs of women's white shoes—odd lots direct from the factory—some slightly soiled.

White kid lace shoes, white Sea Island duck lace shoes and white canvas lace shoes with leather soles and heels. Nearly all sizes 2½ to 8. Come early for best selection. Wonderful values at pair \$2.98.

—Meier & Frank's: Basement Balcony. (Mail Orders Filled.)