

## LOCAL INTEREST IN PLAYS IS REVIVING

Drama League Preparing for Season of Activity.

### LITTLE THEATER TO OPEN

Two Opening Events for Next Month Announced—Writers and Players to Have Chance.

After two years which the war made years of little done, the Portland branch of the Drama League of America has come forth from its hibernation and is making up a programme for fall, winter and spring. Already well established with the public, it proposes plunging right into a series of dramatic events, lectures by noted dramatists, playwriting competitions, story-playing hours and studio sociability.

The opening events will be the informal staging, in late November, of John Millington Synge's "The Playboy of the Western World," and a social satire entitled "The High Cost of Living." The first will be produced under direction of Mrs. Dent Mowrey and Miss Aileen Brong and the latter under that of Miss Nina Greathouse.

For the foregoing occasion it is expected that the league will be at home in new quarters considerably more central than was the little theater, used by the Portland branch before the war, at Twenty-third and Washington streets.

Players to Have Chance. The directorate contemplates giving several groups of Portland players a chance from time to time to stage their interpretations of one-act plays, the new little theater aiming to become the hospitable center for community interest in the drama and its performance.

Prior to the war the Drama League of America had grown, since 1910, through its branches in 13 cities, to a membership of 15,136 and an affiliated membership of 100,000. Through the league's efforts, a number of great numbers of good one-act plays were given to a steadily-growing public, and through the co-operation of libraries and clubs drama knowledge was spread.

One purpose of the national league is to raise the standard of dramatic appreciation in America. "We are suffering from recreational inertia," said Percival Chubb, a speaker before the Drama League's national convention once. "There is a certain sterility of imagination, a passivity toward our amusements. In the reading circle we have the blight of the book. Instead of literature's meaning music sung, drama acted, it has come to mean only the black character on the printed page. We shall only get forward when this ceases to be so. The only basis of sound appreciation is activity. My vision runs along the line of the junior department, high school department, rural department or any educational work that involves dramatic participation.

Participation is Keynote. "Dramatic participation" underlies the whole plan of the revived Portland branch, which is now getting its committees for the year together. So far as arranged these committees are: Finance—Mrs. Ernest H. Mayer. Play-producing—Mrs. Walter Warren.

Play-reading—C. H. Gray, instructor in English at Reed college. Properties—Mr. H. Baker. Education—Mrs. William Wood. Publicity—Mrs. Herald Sawyer. Membership—Mrs. Charles E. Sears. Music and Art—Mrs. Campbell. The newly-chosen officers of the Portland branch are: President, Mrs. Edwin Seely; Secretary, Mrs. William Wood; Treasurer, Mrs. Dukehart; Directors, Mrs. Margaret Bissell, Mrs. Foster Johnson, Mrs. G. M. Woodley, Miss Laura Northrup, Miss Helen Pipes, Miss Nina Greathouse, Miss Aileen Brong, Miss Bertha Stuart, Mr. Babcock, Roscoe Nelson and H. H. Herdman.

## PRESS FROLIC TONIGHT

LIVELY MIDNIGHT SHOW AT HEILIG FOR OCCASION.

Special Late Car Service Arranged. Egyptian Dancer to Head Entertainment Programme.

The Portland Press club will present tonight at the Heilig its first big vaudeville show since pre-war days. Eight features have been programmed tonight by Frank Coffinberry, former manager of the Orpheum, who is in charge of the bill. Fantages, the Orpheum, Hippodrome, Lyric and Alcazar have all contributed live turns. The programme will be headed by Madame Ammon-Irkuta, Egyptian dancer.

Franklin T. Griffith of the street railway company notified the Press club yesterday that special car service would be maintained to accommodate the homeward-bound crowds after the show, which commences at 11:30 P. M. Mayor Baker has instructed the police department that the midnight curfew ordinance is suspended as far as the show crowd is concerned. A ticket or reserved seat coupon is to constitute a street pass for tonight.

Tickets to the "midnight frolic" were placed on sale at Sherman, Clay & Co.'s yesterday morning, and last night the office reported the house as more than half sold out. The sale will continue at the Morrison-street music house until 6 P. M. today, at which time it will be transferred to the Heilig box office. The entire house is offered at \$1 a seat, boxes and loges included.

"The frolic is going to be the opening wedge for a live programme of stunts on the part of the Press club," said Fred J. Brady of the entertainment committee yesterday.

ROAST MUTTON 10c.

At Frank L. Smith, 225 Alder street. Roast beef... 18c Roast pork... 20c Pork chops... 20c Mutton chops... 20c—Adv.

Idaho Fair System is Changed. BOISE, Idaho, Oct. 20.—(Special)—The Idaho state fair, which is now being held as a private corporation and operating as such, although receiving state benefit, has turned over to the citizens of Boise the entertainment features and will devote its attention exclusively to promoting and enlarging the fair exhibits. The Boise citizens plan to put on a wild west programme at the fair.

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# To Change the Calendar Seems Quite an Undertaking — but



## 1675 Pairs of Women's Shoes in Two Extraordinary Lots

Here is an opportunity to secure good durable shoes in the latest styles at marked economies. Every pair in the sale is from our regular stock and is the most unusual kind of value. Broken sizes but nearly all sizes in each group.

### Lot 1—Shoes, Pair

\$4.85

Black kid and patent button shoes with Louis, Cuban or medium low heels, some have cloth tops. Black kid cloth top lace shoes with Louis heels. Also a limited number of tan lace shoes with cloth tops and military heels. All sizes but not in every style.

### Lot 2—Shoes, Pair

\$7.15

Black kid button and lace shoes with military or Louis heels. Brown and gray kid lace shoes with Louis and military heels. Black kid lace shoes with gray cloth tops. Patent button shoes with black or white kid tops. Some J. & T. Cousins shoes in this lot.

No Phone Orders—No Exchanges—No Approvals

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## Pingocraft

It's something new. Another way to make clever little gifts. Fun to do and not too difficult—if the children do it mother and dad will want to help and vice versa.

Pingocraft sets consist of a varied assortment of models cut from wood with all sorts of paints to color them artistically.

A demonstration in the art needlework store will show just how to do it.

Among the articles ready to paint are match holders, book ends, yarn holders, telephone stands, thread holders, flower holders, handkerchief boxes, glove boxes, electric light stands, twine holders.

These outfits are \$1, \$2 and \$2.50. Instruction free.

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—Meier & Frank's: Housewares Section, Basement.

## EXTRA! Galvanized Ash Cans

Limited Number on Sale

\$2.98

It has been some time since we have had any of these galvanized ash cans to sell at \$2.98.

Well made ash cans that are 26 inches high and 15 inches in diameter. Heavy steel band at top and steel slats give added strength to these cans. One illustrated. Just 200 of these cans at \$2.98. Get yours early.

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Pre-Holiday Sale 10,000 Yards

## Laces and Embroideries 25c

Bought many months ago at very favorable prices we can offer these laces and embroideries at about present wholesale cost. Women planning holiday articles or who are doing home sewing for themselves should benefit by this unusual sale. Many of the materials are IMPORTED.

Laces and embroideries suitable for baby touseaux, children's undermuslins, dresses, neckwear, women's undermuslins, house dresses, boudoir caps, camisoles, petticoats, negligees, bed spreads, art work and numerous other uses.

Included in the lot are Filet,

Cluny, Crochet, Platt Val., Net Top, Shadow, Venise and Bead Top Laces in white and ecru 1 to 12 inches wide. Also 17-inch Swiss and cambric corset cover embroideries, 6 to 12-inch Swiss, cambric and long cloth skirting, embroidery galloons, beading and bead top edges. Eyelet, floral and blind work designs.

## Remnants of Laces 19c

Sample pieces of allover laces, Venise, net top and shadow laces in white and cream. 18 to 36 inches wide. 1/2 to 1/2-yard lengths.

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## Fur Capes and Coatees

They are what well-dressed women wear all winter long with their slender-line suits and tricotine dresses. Without the bulkiness which is a necessary part of most fur coats, these are quite as warm as necessary and very ornamental.

Eastern mink, Japanese kolinsky and marmot are in the collection.

Prices start at \$150 and go to \$750.

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## Photo Albums

Do you keep your kodak pictures in a photo album or do you let them get "scattered around?" If you have no album your pictures will soon get lost. We have an exceptionally good line of photo albums ready for your selection. Prices are moderate ranging from 20c to \$8.

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## Witchery!

Witches, hobgoblins, black cats, broomsticks, masks and all sorts of Halloween favors for dances, dinner parties and children's affairs.

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## Twelve New Books 85c

Reprint Editions

"Nameless Man," by Natalie Lincoln.  
"Bruce of the Circle A," by Harold Titus.  
"Men Who Wrought," by Ridgwell Cullum.  
"Wishing-Ring Man," by Margaret Widdemer.  
"Gun Brand," by James Hendryx.  
"Laughing Bill Hyde," by Rex Beach.  
"Three of Hearts," by Bertha Ruck.  
"Vanguards of the Plains," by Margaret McCarter.  
"Extricating Obadiah," by Joseph Lincoln.  
"Abandoned Room," by Wadsworth Camp.  
"Red Pepper's Patients," by Grace Richmond.  
"Mary Regan," by Leroy Scott.

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## Stationery Sale

Crane's Stationery, pink, blue, lavender, etc., regular and long shaped envelopes, box, special 47¢.

Cabinet Box Stationery, 48 sheets paper and 48 envelopes to box, 4 colors, box 73¢.

35c Correspondence Cards, 24 cards and 24 envelopes to box, pink, blue, buff, gray and white, box 27¢.

50c Bicycle and Whist Playing Cards, package 39¢.

\$1 Poker Chips, box special 89¢.

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## 35c Colored Outing 29c

Just received. Excellent heavy quality pink and blue plain colored outings suitable for pajamas, etc., especially desirable for children's nightwear. Short lengths from 2 1/2 to 7 1/2 yards. 27 inches wide. Regularly priced at 35c yard—special at 29c.

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## "Satin Skin" Preparations

We have a full assortment of the dainty Satin Skin toilet preparations.

Satin Skin Cold Cream, 55c and 27c.

Satin Skin Vanishing Cream, 35c.

Satin Skin Face Powder, 35c. Satin Skin Rose Tint, 30c.

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## Toytown and Dollville Invite the Children

They have searched the entire realm of fairyland for toys, dolls and other playthings to make this holiday season one long to be remembered for the joys it brings. In all their history these twin capitals of the Juvenile Kingdom have never made a braver showing.

The children are welcome to view their wonders at any time.

—Meier & Frank's: Fifth Floor, Sixth Street.

## Orders for Personal Greeting Cards

for Christmas and the New Year are assured of our best unhurried attention if entrusted to us now. We have all the appropriate forms. Samples gladly submitted.

—Meier & Frank's: Stationery Shop, Main Floor.

## WE'RE DAILY SELLING SUITS IN OCTOBER AT PRICES MORE SUGGESTIVE OF JANUARY

MOST of us know that the hand of time will turn backward next Sunday morning, when rightly-regulated clocks the country over will be set back an hour. Few but will consider this a good thing. And all of us—not only the feminine part of us but everyone affected by the price of women's apparel—will regard it as emphatically "a good thing" to be able to purchase fashion-favored fall apparel NOW at prices that usually obtain only months from now.

It's a good thing for our customers and

for ourselves. Good for our customers because they can buy new suits at substantially lowered prices when there is yet practically a full season's wear ahead. Good for us because the great activities of our buyers while in the market in purchasing more than the ordinary complements to offset delivery shortages then considered inevitable and happily scarcely realized have filled our stocks to overflowing. And we have decided to reduce them now in quick order while the garments are still practically new and a large popularity due them.

## A Small City of Women's Suits Have Had Their Prices Cut

\$37.50 TO \$39.50 SUITS	\$65.00 TO \$68.50 SUITS
\$27.25	\$46.75
\$45.00 TO \$49.50 SUITS	\$75.00 SUITS REDUCED
\$31.45	\$54.65
\$55.00 TO \$57.50 SUITS	\$85.00 TO \$98.50 SUITS
\$37.55	\$68.50

One, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine hundred suits! Every single one of them reduced in price. But NOT reduced in quality. Any woman who wants the best should see them. They are silk lined. They are man tailored. They are in dark browns, dark blues, black, Algerian reds, soft biscuit and taupe shades. Their materials include peachbloom, tinselone, silvertone, plain velour, chevrons, tweeds, oxfords and velour checks.

Plain straight line suits and the very new and youthful ones with flaring peplums are among them.

Many only reached here a few weeks ago. All of them were specially selected for our own regular Autumn stocks this season.

Suits one wants to wear in the morn-

ing for a business appointment or shopping tour. Handsomely embroidered suits for club meetings, formal luncheons, afternoon concerts and evening lectures.

Young "nifty" suits for college women, high school girls and debutantes as well as carefully planned extra size suits for large women.

This great October Sale brings the best types of simple fine suits at savings of at least ten dollars and sometimes as much as thirty dollars. But don't just take our word for it—please see for yourself—it's worth while.

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## Just Look at These Blouses at \$4.85

Here's one of white crepe de chine with a round pleated collar and it fastens in back exactly as though it had come from across the seas.



Algerian red scroll embroidery on beige colored georgette is the story of another of these wonderfully good "buys."

Ivory toned net with lace trimmed frills is betwichting.

Beads and blue and gold embroidery are the features of another georgette, this time in nasturtium color.

And for anyone who wants plain waists, there are crepes de chine in white or pink with Peter Pan collar pointed at the ends and hemstitched.

Of course all are very "special" at \$4.85.

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## High Time for Flannelette Nightgowns

Such pretty ones are here. Wouldn't be surprised if some one thought that the medium wide stripes in pink, blue, brown or lavender and white were of real French flannel.

Slip-on models in narrow stripes have short straight sleeves and low necks just like nighties that are less warm.

Then for the woman who says "yes, I want flannelette but not the plain Jane kind"—there are open-down-the-front sorts with wide trimmings of contrasting plain color or else daintily figured braids.

Priced \$2.50 to \$3.95.

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## Extra Good Coats for 40 Girls, \$12.50

They came here not many weeks ago to sell at \$16.50 and \$18.00 but we have had such a rush of other new models since that we must make more room for them.

"Barbara Ann" in the picture is wearing one. As you see the material is velour with indented stripes of silky plush. Some of the collars and cuffs are all plush, others are banded with plush to look like fur trimming. Four colors, green, brown, taupe and black. Sizes 10 to 14 years.

Scores of New Coats for 3 to 6-Year Girls \$7.95 to \$12.50

Almost everything that little girls and their mothers like.

Plain and fancy corduroy, plain chinchilla, checked and striped velour.

Simple straight ones or trimmed with plush.

Coats for Girls of 8 to 14 Years \$13.50 to \$18

Novel combination plaid and plain plush coats entirely new. Lovely plain colored velvety coats in wine, brown, orange and deep mulberry shades in which any girl can imagine herself a fairy princess. Then there are the serviceable coats of serge, basket weave and chevot in dark colors for school.



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Ready With Warm New

## Blankets and Comforters

These chilly evenings necessitate having warm blankets and comforters. MEIER & FRANK'S is ready to supply all needs in blankets and comforters for fall and winter. Today we particularly feature one special lot of blankets and comforters as follows:

Blankets \$12.35

Regularly \$16.00. Fine quality all wool Pendleton army blankets that weigh 6 pounds. DOUBLE blankets. Limited number.

Comforts \$5.95

Regularly \$7. Good serviceable comforts filled with the best clean white cotton and covered with silkoline, silk mull border.

\$2.25 Feather Bed Pillows \$1.85

These are the famous "Emmerich" pillows filled with new feathers and covered with fine quality art ticking. Size 21x27 inches.

Best quality Pendleton Indian blankets \$12.50. Auto robes \$15. Steamer rugs \$18.50. Couch covers, 60x108 inches \$18.50.

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