

2-MILL TAX WANTED TO HOLD TEACHERS

Superintendent Deems Remedial Steps Needed.

HIGHER PAY IS REQUIRED

Injustice of School Assessments Asserted and Plea Made for Equal Burden.

Oregon schools must have increased income, based upon equal taxation of all property in the state, and the proposed 2-mill tax levy for general school purposes is directly in line with this need, in the opinion of W. C. Alderson, county superintendent of schools and president of the Oregon State Teachers' association, who declares that unless permanent remedial steps are taken the qualified teachers will seek employment in other states.

Indorsement of the proposed 2-mill levy was given by the State Teachers' association at its recent annual convention in this city, when a resolution was also adopted recommending repeal of the 6 per cent tax limitation law, insofar as it concerns educational matters.

Equal Burden Asked.

"More and more the public is beginning to feel that all property should bear an equal burden for the support of public schools," said Mr. Alderson. "Under present conditions, take Multnomah county for example, nine districts outside of the city of Portland, with an assessed valuation of approximately \$4,500,000, levied a special tax last year for the support of the elementary schools, amounting to \$500, or less than nine-tenths of a mill. Nine other school districts, with an assessed valuation of less than \$4,000,000, levied a tax of \$25,000, which is more than 6 1/2 mills special tax."

"These conditions exist perhaps in an aggravated degree in all of the other counties of the state. The wealthiest district in Multnomah county, outside of the city of Portland, with an assessed valuation of over \$2,500,000, paid a special tax of four-tenths of a mill, while Gresham with an assessed valuation of \$1,400,000, paid a special tax of nearly six mills."

Higher Salaries to Be Required.

"On account of the teacher shortage we are going to have to pay more money for teachers, which will necessitate higher levies. Teachers are demanding, on account of preparation required by the patrons of rural and city schools, a larger wage, which other states are meeting and which will deprive Oregon of her best teachers unless the same demand is met here."

"The object of this 2-mill tax is to provide for the present emergency and that all property in the state shall have an equal share in this burden. Also it provides that in the future, if the demand be not so urgent, school districts which have been levying an excessive tax may be the first to be relieved of any excessive burden."

"The 2-mill tax is sponsored by the State Teachers' association and its members are only asking the legislature that the question be submitted to the voters of the state, which will give ample time for general public debate on its merits."

"Unless something of this kind is done the educational facilities of the state will be seriously impaired. This also relieves the city of Portland from voting again on a 2-mill tax for the coming year."

MAX BLOCH REMEMBERED

DEATH OF LA GRANDE MAN

LOSS TO OREGON.

Deceased Well Known and Popular

and Factor in Business World.

Half Century.

To the passing of Max S. Bloch on Sunday night Oregon lost one of its well-known pioneer business men, one who had been engaged in the mercantile business in La Grande for more than 50 years. Mr. Bloch was esteemed by his many friends in La Grande, where he settled when about 18 years of age and where he became a factor in the business world in the half century he was in Oregon.

Mr. Bloch was born in Germany, but came to America when a lad and chose Oregon as his home. He was a member of the Masonic and other fraternal organizations. His death occurred at 7 o'clock Sunday. He had been in the city but a few days in search of health. Survivors are his widow, Mrs. M. S. Bloch of La Grande; a son, W. E. Bloch of 340 East Thirty-sixth street, Portland; two other sons, Milton S. Bloch, an architect of La Grande, and Dave E. Bloch, an advertising man of New York city, and a daughter, Stella Bloch of La Grande. The funeral services will be held at Holman's at 2 P. M. Wednesday, with burial at Beth Israel cemetery. Officiating will be Rabbi Jonah B. Wise and the Masonic order.

School Hears Tax Attorney.

OREGON NORMAL SCHOOL, Monmouth, Or., Jan. 12.—(Special).—C. L. Starr, a prominent tax attorney of Portland, addressed the student body at the state normal on Friday. He urged the practicing and teaching of more common business methods in the school. He also made a strong plea for the county unit and county central management of school affairs.

Consul Dresher reports that according to a census of the canal zone the civil population is 21,759, of whom 7931 are Americans. There are 10,517 men, 4314 women and 6428 children.

DAYTON
EYE SPECIALIST
FIFTH AND WASHINGTON STS.
608-599 SWETLAND BLDG.

Meier & Frank Co.
Established 1887
THE QUALITY STORE OF PORTLAND
700, Sixth, Morrison, Alder Sts.

January Sales To Bring Down Living Costs

Second Great Annual Drive Now in Its Third Week—SAVE on Wanted Merchandise of Standard MEIER & FRANK Quality

Continuing Sales

THE WHITE SALE of women's novelty underclothes and trousseau sets, hand-embroidered lingerie, silk underclothes, American nainsook undergarments, corset oddments, etc. Popularly priced and finer kinds of "undies" at marked economies. —Third Floor.

THE WHITE SALE of dainty things for baby, including long dresses and wrappers, French hand-made dresses, long hand-made skirts and flannel skirts, Rubens' shirts, etc. Substantial reductions from our regular low prices. —Second Floor.

THE CANNED-GOODS SALE which brings thousands of cans of standard and fancy new-packed fruits and vegetables at compelling savings in view of present market conditions. Worth buying in case lots. —Ninth Floor.

THE JANUARY SALE OF RUGS which brings discontinued patterns in high-grade Wilton rugs at more than the usual savings. The values range from the 27x54-inch rugs, regularly \$12, at \$7.75 to the \$130 rugs in size 9x12 at \$112.50. —Seventh Floor.

THE JANUARY SALE OF FURNITURE in which we offer dependable quality, easy-to-live-with furniture at genuinely big reductions. Featured this week are davenports, easy chairs, rockers and other living-room furniture. Your own terms in reason. —Eighth Floor.

THE SALE OF FITTED BAGS AND CASES in which we offer our entire fine stocks regularly \$35 upwards at 1/4 off. All sizes from the small over-night bags to regular-size suitcases. —Sixth Floor.

New Models in Women's Low-Top

Nemo "Wonderlift" Corsets

give the slim silhouette of youth, yet they are expressly designed for the large woman. They eliminate all corseting about the diaphragm, so that the figure assumes the natural lines and the fashionable uncorseted silhouette is achieved. At the same time the inner Wonderlift belt gives the necessary abdominal support.

Made in plain white coutil \$8, in fancy pink brocade \$12.



Nemo Corsets for Slender and Average Figures, \$7

Made of pink brocade with elastic top, lace trimmed. Free hip space and with light boning placed properly to make for the greatest comfort and best lines.

Girdle Top Nemo Corsets \$8

are designed for the figure with large hips. Made not too low, not too high, strongly boned and with elastic gores. Good white coutil.

Your Nemo Corset Is Always Here

The MEIER & FRANK Corset Shop specializes the Nemo corset because it is scientifically designed by anatomical experts for the modern woman. In it a woman can bend and stretch and move easily as she must in her daily housework. Or she can sit comfortably at a desk or stand without much fatigue because the Nemo helps to make her stand properly, balancing her body so that she is not wearied.

Nemo corsets are to be had in a great variety of models from \$4.50 to \$15.

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

Women's Sweaters \$5.95

Were \$6.95 to \$13.50

One and two-of-a-kind sweaters for women culled from our regular stocks are to be hurried out—many at half the original rates.

Some with tuxedo collars. A few slip-ons. A number of coat styles in novelty stitches.

Black, white, rose, purple, navy, brown and other colors.

All are so good in quality that we do not know how long any of them will be here. At \$5.95 they ought to disappear in a hurry.

—Meier & Frank's: Sweater Shop, Third Floor.

Sizes 44 to 54 in Blouses

That Really FIT

Extra-size blouses are a specialty of the Blouse Shop. There is a great deal of trouble taken to see that these blouses are exactly right. They are plain or more elaborate as desired. They are made well, for we believe that is the only kind of extra-size blouse worth buying or selling.

The materials are good enough to wear satisfactorily. Styles are designed to give long lines and the armholes are made extra wide so that there is no strain or pull.

Some of the finer blouses have real filet.

Extra size blouses in 44 to 54 may be had in plain voile at \$2.75. Strictly tailored blouses of heavy georgette crepe are \$11. More elaborate styles of voile are \$3 to \$17.50. Georgette crepe blouses with lace, embroidery or braiding \$7.50 to \$15.

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



Giving Late Comers Another Chance to Profit by the Sale of

Suits, Coats, Dresses

All \$20

When the Meier & Frank Fashion Salons gather all their oddments and announce a sale, Portland has come to expect wonderful values. Judging from comment, it was not disappointed yesterday. It will be equally delighted today.

Smartly-tailored suits, coats and charmingly-designed dresses are ruthlessly repriced to \$20, seemingly quite regardless of former costs.

SUITS of silvertone, velour, chevrons, serge, poplin.

COATS with and without fur collars.

DRESSES of satin, velveteen, serge and other materials too few of a kind to mention.

Autumn and winter garments of substantial quality sufficiently conservative in style to wear late in the spring.

Not all sizes in every style, but plenty of sizes for women and misses in the collection.

—Meier & Frank's: Apparel Shop, Fourth Floor.

All Our Women's Fur Coats

25% Less

The great January Sale of Furs offers straight reductions of 25% on short as well as longer fur coats of marmot, leopard cat, Hudson seal, sealine and near seal, together with coatees and capes of mole, nutria, kolinsky and Japanese mink.

Only one or two of a kind, so that instead of printing an itemized list of prices we shall ask you to come and see the entire collection.

Animal Scarfs, Throws and Chokers Specially Priced

This is the annual "let-go" of all our furs to clear stocks for the coming season. Animal scarfs of fox, lynx and wolf in the fashionable colors, including black. Prices start at \$29 for scarfs and \$5.85 for chokers. These can be worn all the year round.

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



To Lighten the Way of the New Year—This

Sale of Lamps and Shades

\$25.00 Polychrome Floor Lamps, \$19.75

\$19.75 Polychrome Floor Lamps, \$14.98

\$16.50 Mahogany Finish

Floor Lamps, \$11.98

\$15.00 Mahogany Finish

Floor Lamps, \$10.45

Standard height gracefully-shaped lamps (without shades) fitted with all electric attachments and ready to take a friendly place in your home as glad dispensers of light.

Lamp Shades 1/4 Off

\$15.00 Shades Are Now \$11.25

\$40.00 Shades Are Now \$30.00

In between those prices are a number of other specials at the same proportionate saving. Either silk or the newer painted parchment paper.

Table Lamps with Parchment Shades \$15

Excellent reading lamps for the living room. Particularly effective in their Italian color schemes. The paper parchment 18-inch shades have extremely good-looking painted designs.

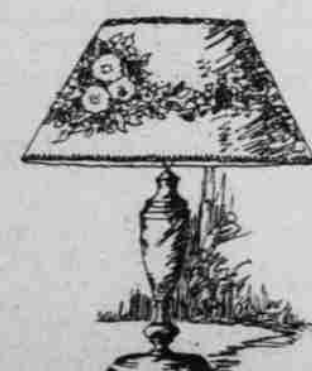
—Meier & Frank's: Furniture Gift Shop, Ninth Floor.

Electric Reading Lamps Less

During January

In the Electric Shop all the metal lamps, complete with art glass or silk shades, are to be had at the new price range of \$6 to \$28, instead of the former prices of \$12.50 to \$35.

—Meier & Frank's: Electric Shop, Basement Balcony.



"Dorothy" and Other Girls' Frocks Reduced



This is the time when charming frocks for spring and summer can be secured advantageously. Every tub frock of the finer sort for 6 to 14-year-old girls has been reduced. This includes the fascinating Dorothy dresses of hand-embroidered crepe or plain colored cottons, together with the more moderately-priced frocks of similar materials hand smocked, hand stitched or variously trimmed. Prices begin at \$9.

Savings of two or three dollars on one dress; four, five or six dollars on another dress and so on.

The lovely frock PICTURED is of pink crepe hand smocked in black and white and quite elaborately stitched at \$9.50.

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

Stamped Embroidery Pieces Half Price

\$1 to \$7.50 Kinds at 50¢ to \$3.75

Several hundred pieces gathered from all parts of the busy Art Needlework Store. Children's made-up dresses, sideboard scarfs, bed spreads, library scarfs, boudoir pillows and so on. Mostly made of tan cotton crash and stamped ready for embroidery.

New 1920 "Royal Society" Package Goods Just In

We have just received a good assortment of the new 1920 "Royal Society" package goods. See these new arrivals today.

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

Men's New Corduroy Suits

Just Received by Express in a Special Purchase

\$16.50

These are just the kind of suits men will want for present outing and workaday wear, for spring and summer sports.

Good tan corduroy Norfolk-style suits with sewed-on belt and khaki lining. The pants are made with belt loops and cuff bottoms.

Well-made, good-looking, service-giving suits in all sizes 36 to 44.

One illustrated. Excellent values at \$16.50.

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



Sale of 300 Remnants of

Veilings Each 25c

Plain and fancy mesh veilings in chenille-dotted patterns, bordered effects and scroll designs.

Fashionable shades of black, brown, navy, taupe and purple.

While any of 300 remain, EACH 25c.

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

Sale of 600 Wash Suits

\$2.49

Today, tomorrow and Thursday the Store for Boys offers 600 spick and span new wash suits at the low price of \$2.49.

Made of serviceable fabrics in light and dark blue, white, khaki and good-looking striped effects.

All the most approved styles.

Sizes for boys from 2 to 10 years.

Great values at \$2.49.

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



Center Aisle Bargain Square, Main Floor Sale of 5000 Yards

Plain and Fancy Silks

\$1.69

If bought and sold in the regular way these silks would be priced in our stocks at \$2.50, \$2.75, \$3 and even more.

Fancy messalines, taffetas, bengalines, Rajahs, gingham checks, wide ribbon stripes, Roman stripes, candy stripes, beautiful plaids, plain black taffetas and peau de soie, also crepes de chine. All are 36 inches wide except the crepes de chine which are 40-inch. All in desirable colors.

Silks suitable for dresses, skirts, waists, etc.

Early selection is advised.

—Meier & Frank's: Center Aisle, Main Floor.