

EXEMPT AMERICAN BOATS FROM TOLLS, POINDEXTER SLOGAN

Washington Senator Sticks
to Position He Took in
Floor of Congress.

Washington, Feb. 28.—"At the time the Panama canal act was passed I made my position plain by stating on the floor of congress that I was in favor of the exemption of American vessels from tolls. I am still in favor of this exemption," said Senator Miles PoinDEXTER of Washington in an interview.

"I do not think the Hay-Pauncefote treaty in any way in conflict with this law. It would certainly be an absurd treaty for us to have made if the effect of it is as contended, namely: that Great Britain agreed with us that we, the United States, might spend our money and genius and lives in constructing a canal, costing some \$400,000,000, upon a territory in which Great Britain had no claim or jurisdiction of any kind whatever, and that we then would be permitted to use the canal on equal terms with Great Britain.

"It is inconceivable that such an absurdity should ever have been evolved. The treaty cannot properly be construed, in my judgment, to mean any such thing. If so by the same reasoning we would be prevented from fortifying the canal or holding it against our enemies in time of war, as the treaty expressly so provides as between belligerents. Manifestly, this is meant to apply to war between other nations, and not between ourselves and some other nation.

"The imposition of tolls upon vessels engaged in the domestic trade will tend to neutralize the effect of the canal, and make the water competition with the railroads almost as futile as it is now. In other words, the tolls may be made equal to the cost of the passage around the Horn and so the real value of the canal entirely destroyed. I am in favor of making transportation through the canal between our two coasts as free and easy as possible.

PORTUGAL IS TORN WITH REVOLUTION

Masses Want More Than Re-
public but Just What
Isn't Stated.

Paris, Feb. 28.—Portugal's latest revolutionary uprising is a very serious one, according to the best information it was possible to get here today from the disturbed little republic.

The censorship was almost airtight but enough news leaked across the border to indicate that the authorities have abandoned the attempt to keep order with the police, have called in the troops and that hard fights between soldiers and mobs had occurred in a number of places.

The revolutionists—the outbreak was understood to be half a strike and half a political uprising—were said to be using bombs and dynamite freely. How many had been killed could not be learned.

From all appearances the Portuguese masses do not consider that they have gained enough by the exchange of the monarchy for the present republic and want to upset the latter in favor of a freer government, perhaps not very clearly outlined in the minds even of those who seek it.

**CONDEMNED WOMAN
BIDS CHILDREN GOODBYE**

Little Valley, N. Y., Feb. 28.—Mrs. Cynthia Buffum, under sentence to be executed in April for poisoning her husband, said goodbye to her children today and left with Sheriff John Dempsey for Auburn prison, where she will spend the remaining weeks of her life.

**EMPLOYMENT AGENCY
BUREAU IS SUGGESTED**

New York, Feb. 28.—Establishment of a bureau by the department of labor empowered to start employment agencies throughout the country to meet the unemployed situation was urged today at the national conference of unemployed workers. Another resolution urged free state employment agencies and recommended that private employment agencies, operated for profit, be inspected at regular intervals and controlled by the government.

**SUSPECTED SMUGGLERS
FREED IN SAN DIEGO**

San Diego, Cal., Feb. 28.—Robert W. Harwood, Oakland newspaper man; Mortimer Miller and Julius Steele, American, held by United States customs officials on suspicion of having conspired to smuggle opium into this country, were discharged today for lack of evidence.

**SYNDICATE BUYS
MUCH WATERFRONT**

San Francisco, Feb. 28.—A local syndicate paid \$600,000 for two miles of Hunter Point waterfront, counting on a huge increase in its value when the Panama canal opens.

Mrs. Ward Fights Suffrage.

London, Feb. 28.—In an effort to combat the suffrage movement, which she strongly opposes, the New Statesman, a Socialist weekly, said today that Mrs. Humphrey Ward is organizing a women's council to sit permanently and advise the government concerning women's activities.

Vincent Astor Has Pneumonia.

New York, Feb. 28.—Vincent Astor has had pneumonia, though out of danger now.

New Lines Curtain Goods

Housekeepers who contemplate the buying of new curtain materials for their Spring housecleaning should not fail to inspect our stock of these goods—here you'll find unsurpassed assortments of the best styles and colorings, purchased direct from the best mills—thus bringing to you the best possible values—these examples:

CURTAIN MADRAS—shown in a great many neat and attractive printed styles, in border and all-over figured patterns, 36 inches wide—yard **10c**

CASHEMERE CLOTH—full 36 inches wide, shown in white and cream, with pretty figure and flower designs and in bordered styles. Priced at **15c**

PRINTED SCRIM—shown in an extensive variety of pretty designs in most any desirable color—they come full 36 inches wide—yard **20c**

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The new styles in medium and dark colorings, suitable for Furniture Coverings, Wall Coverings, Window Hangings, Cushion Tops, Laundry Bags, Box Coverings—**25c** All at one price—a yard

PRINTED SCRIMS AND MARQUISSETTES—also fancy bordered Scrim and Marquisette in white, cream and ecru—all the latest styles at—yard **35c**

PLAIN SCRIMS—in all widths and weaves, in white, cream and ecru—all prices at 60c, 50c, 40c, 30c, 25c, and 20c, down to—yard **15c**

SCRIMS AND BUNGALOW NETS—in white, cream and ecru—they come plain and in printed styles. Regular 40c, 23c 35c and 30c qualities—yard **23c**

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Early Spring Needfuls at Prices You'll Be Pleased to Pay

To start the ball rolling and open up the new season with activity in all departments, we announce a March Sale of seasonable goods at considerably less than the same qualities can be bought for a little later on. No other reason exists for the savings, which are simply Spring tonics to enliven interest. It will pay you to buy now for future requirements. Take advantage of the great bargains.

Spring Showing New Silk Gloves at 50c to \$1.00

An excellent showing of new spring silk gloves. Kayser and Niagara Maid, short two-clasp gloves, all double tipped. A good variety of weights in either tricot or Milanese silk, shown in all the season's best shades, and in all sizes. Supply your needs now.

**Sixteen-Button
Length at \$1 to \$1.50**

An attractive line of all the season's best shades in full 16-button length, all with double tipped fingers. Retail at **\$1.00 and \$1.50.**



An Irresistible Showing and Sale of Women's Suits of Pronounced Good- ness and Favored Styles—at \$16.50

In no former season have Suit styles been so pronounced as those which stand for the accepted vogue for spring, and never has greater charm been shown in materials and colorings. Becomingness is featured in many novel ways—the lines are graceful and taken all in all, fit, style and finish are happily combined with price lowness. Particularly attractive are those shown in the new Crepe Cloths in the new blues, new tans, navy, etc., and the popular French Serges in all wanted good shades—the coats come in the best models with set-in sleeves and are lined with fine Peau De Cygne—the skirts are shown in the nobby two-tier effects—It is a sale that is more than simply interesting—it is profitable both from the view-point of quality and value—you will find them to be irresistible **\$16.50**

New Styles Women's Waists \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$1.98, \$2.50

An unlimited variety of styles to select from in Marquisette, Lawn, Rice Cloth, Ratine and other materials—here you'll find styles and values combined in a manner to meet with your instant approval. We request your inspection NOW, while assortments are at their best—all prices from **\$1.25 to \$2.50.**



Some Specials at Our Notion Counter

Bowstring Machine Thread on sale at—6 for **25c**
O. N. T. Machine Thread, this sale at, 5¢ each—dozen **50c**
Twin City Silk Thread, priced at—6 for **25c**
"Peri-Lusta" Mercerized Thread at—6 for **25c**
King's 500-yard Basting Thread at—dozen **47c**
Corticelli Spool Silk on sale at—dozen **85c**
Dragon Basting Thread, this sale at—dozen **25c**
Taffeta Covered Featherbone—8¢ yard—box **90c**
Cotton Covered Featherbone—7¢ yard—box **80c**
Dress Weights—Nos. 3, 4 and 5 on sale at—box **50c**
15c Dress Shields, priced at—the pair **10c**

The New Ideas in New Dress Goods and Silks

Novelty is the key-note of absorbing interest in the patterns and weaves—Daring departures in color harmony have been attempted and with surprisingly beautiful effects. Brief descriptions follow of some of the more beautiful of the new things. We invite your personal inspection. It is no trouble to show goods here.

NEW CREPES DE CHINE PRICED \$1.50 TO \$2.00 YARD

Miles of them—the season's most popular silks shown here in the best weaves and weights—all 40 inches wide and of the finest qualities. All the correct new shades for both street and evening wear are included in these beautiful Crepes De Chine. You should not buy a yard elsewhere before you have seen the unmatched values we are offering from **\$1.50 to \$2.00 a yard.**

NEW CANTON CREPES, 40 INCHES WIDE, \$1.25 YARD

A high-class silk of soft, durable weave, comes in the popular new-rough finish and shown in all wanted plain colors in the shades that are most desirable for spring—they come full 40 inches **\$1.25** wide and are moderately priced at, yard.....

MORE NEW TUB SILKS, BEST \$1.00 QUALITY, 85c YARD

An endless assortment to select from in plain shades and in satin striped effects—pretty colorings in pin and graduated stripes in lavender, navy, brown, tan, black, etc. They come full 32 inches wide and are guaranteed fast color—they will wash like linen and will not slip or cut. Best \$1.00 Tub Silks, priced for this sale at, the yard..... **85c**

WHIPCORD AND HOLLOW-CUT CORDUOYS IN REGULAR 75c TO \$1.00 QUALITIES, THE YARD 50c

A special clearance of a fine lot of whipcord and hollow cut Corduroys—a very desirable fabric for children's garments and outing wear, comes in several weights and in most any desirable color—a very durable material full 27 inches wide in regular 75c to \$1.00 qualities, on sale at **50c a yard.** Anticipate your needs and take advantage of this great saving.

CHARMING NEW DRESS GOODS \$1 TO \$2 THE YARD

You will be tempted to immediately commence your spring sewing when you see these charming new dress goods—strictly all wool, high-grade fabrics in weaves, weights and qualities that will meet with your instant approval. Included are the new Cascade Checks, the new Waffle Checks, the ever fashionable Shepherd Checks, the new Granite and Crepe weaves and a great many others equally as desirable—not a shade or color combination is missing—it is a showing you should not fail to see. We are offering unmatched values in 46 to 56 inch widths at **\$1.00 to \$2.00 a yard.**

ALL-WOOL SILK-EMB'D GERMAN CREPE, 40 INCHES WIDE, YARD \$1.00

Just in by express, a special import order of the fashionable silk embroidered German Crepes—pure-wool fabrics full 40 inches wide, of light weight and soft clinging weave—they come in cream ground with rich colored, silk embroidered floral patterns—a material especially adapted for party gowns, waists and evening dresses. We have moderately priced them at, the **\$1.00**

New Silk and Wool 40-inch Poplins \$1.25 and \$1.50 Yd.

An extensive showing of the extremely fashionable silk and wool Poplins—they come full 40 inches wide and are shown in all the correct new colors—they are the celebrated R. & S. Poplins of soft, durable weave and bright rich finish. You will find them to be of unequalled quality at **\$1.25 and \$1.50 yd.**



Underpriced Distribution Laces and Embroideries

New, novel and strikingly beautiful patterns, well worth full prices, but sold for less because of the chance opportunity that prompted us to get them for less. Timely because fashion decrees their lavish use the coming season. A few of the offerings listed below as illustrations of the savings.

Just Try to Equal These Values in Dainty New Undermuslins

10c A YARD FOR VALUES TO 25c—Hundreds of yards of fine Swiss and Nainsook embroideries shown in dainty baby edges and insertions, both matched and broken sets in the most desirable widths—all fresh, clean embroideries that sell regularly up to 25c a yard, priced at, the yard..... **10c**

15c A YARD FOR VALUES TO 29c—An unlimited variety of beautiful, up-to-date patterns to select from, 18-inch Corset Cover and Flouncing embroideries; also exquisite edges from 9 to 15 inches, especially desirable for trimming under garments. They come in Nainsook, Swiss and Cambric and are the kind regularly sold up to 29c a yard—now on sale at..... **15c**

19c A YARD FOR VALUES TO 48c—A choice lot of patterns in the popular allover embroideries of fine Nainsook and Swiss, they are all made with fine, firm edges and they are crisp and new. Values to 48c a yard, priced at..... **19c**

25c A YARD FOR VALUES TO 48c—The Popular New Camisole Embroideries. Extraordinary are the values in this great lot of fresh, new embroideries—included are the popular Camisole embroideries, 27-inch Flouncings and 18-inch Corset Cover Embroideries—all made of the finest materials and shown in desirable patterns. Regular values to 48c a yard—this sale only..... **25c**

50c A YARD FOR VALUES TO \$1.25—At this great underpricing you have choice from many exquisite patterns in 45-inch Flouncings. They come in both batiste and voile and are the kind suitable for both dresses and undergarments. Regular values to \$1.25 a yard, on sale at..... **50c**

59c A YARD FOR VALUES TO \$1.00—A very fine line of 27-inch Flouncing Embroideries, including the dainty baby patterns, as well as the more elaborate designs—they are made of the finest batiste and are regularly sold up to \$1.00 a yard—now on sale at..... **59c**

\$1.39 A YARD FOR 45-INCH NOVELTY FLOUNCINGS FORMERLY SOLD TO \$2.75—An elegant variety of patterns to select from—the latest novelties in 45-inch Flouncings. They come in fine crepe, voile and rice cloth and in values to \$2.75 a yard—your choice at..... **\$1.39**

WONDERFUL SALE ALLOVER AND FLOUNCING SHADOW LACES, VALUES TO 65c THE YARD AT 25c

The assortment includes dozens and dozens of choice new patterns in the popular shadow Laces in the most desired meshes—they are shown in white, cream, and ecru—18 to 24-inch flouncings and 18-inch allover; also a fine lot of the popular Camisole laces—the kinds most suited for yokes, sleeves, trimmings, over dresses, underwear and party dresses. Regular values up to 65c a yard—priced this sale at..... **25c**

Our High-Grade Undermuslins Are Reduced

Fulfill All Your Wants of Dainty Muslin Underwear at a Great Saving—Finely Finished and Neatly Trimmed Gowns, Skirts, Combination Suits and Princess Slips—Regular \$1.50 Grades at, the Garment **98c**

THE GOWNS come in all this season's attractive styles—made of good quality nainsook and crepe in the popular slipover style, with short sleeves or high and V-neck with long sleeves. Daintily trimmed with fancy yokes, Swiss embroideries, laces and insertions.

THE COMBINATION SUITS come in the popular knickerbocker, princess or circular styles—in either cover and drawers or cover and skirt. They are made of good quality nainsook and crepe, neatly trimmed with fine laces, embroideries, insertions and ribbons. Shown in all sizes.

THE PRINCESS SLIPS are made of fine quality nainsook, also in pink or blue crepe. They are all neatly trimmed with dainty laces, insertions and embroideries—the skirts with deep flounces trimmed to match or with plain hem and scalloped embroidery edge.

THE SKIRTS are shown in the new narrow or medium widths with deep flounces of embroidery, lace or insertions run with ribbon. Also plain scalloped embroidery edge. They are made of fine quality crepe and nainsook. A fine assortment to choose from. Garments that sell regularly at \$1.50. On sale at..... **98c**

You Must See These Richelieu Improv'd Union Suits

Then you'll understand why we are so enthusiastic over them. With their arrival, women know absolute comfort, fit and style in underwear for the first time. Note the superior features. RICHELIEU "SEAMLESS" UNION SUITS, ALL REGULAR SIZES AT \$1.00, ALL OUTSIZES AT \$1.25.

Knitted thinner at the waist to make them form-fitting—the closest-fitting corset sets smooth and comfortable over the Richelieu. No heavy seams to press into your skin under the corset.

Made of durable, fine-ribbed materials, neatly trimmed and perfectly finished.

RICHELIEU UNION SUITS of medium weight cotton, shown in all styles, low or high neck, long or short sleeves and in ankle or knee length. All regular sizes at **\$1.00**, **\$1.25** outsizes at.....

RICHELIEU UNION SUITS, shown in low-neck, sleeveless styles, in ankle or knee length, made with fine lisle top and heavy cotton pants. Regular sizes **\$1.25**, outsizes at **\$1.50** only.....

THE NU-SHAPE UNION SUITS AT 50c Well finished, perfect fitting White Lisle Union Suits for women—shown in low neck, no sleeve styles in knee length, in the NU-SHAPE, all sizes, at, a suit..... **50c**

WOMEN'S SILK LISLE HOSE, 3 PRS. \$1 High-grade stockings made with fine lisle leg, with garter top and six thread heel and toe—all sizes, regular 50c grade, now on sale at **35c** a pair, or 3 pairs for **\$1.00**

