

MANY THE MILLS MAY CLOSE DOWN, ACCOUNT OF PRICE

Continuance of Industry Hangs on Willingness of Radical Administration to Meet Situation.

SAY PROMISE WAS BROKEN

Operators Assert They Can't Make Expenses Under Existing Pay for Cross Ties.

Closing down of 150 tie mills in the Willamette valley, throwing from 7500 to 10,000 millmen and loggers out of employment, is threatened unless officials of the United States railroad administration change the method of purchasing cross-ties...

Offer Is Withdrawn On December 10 the offer of the railroad administration was withdrawn, inspection rules made more stringent and the method of purchase altered.

The new method of purchasing cross-ties proposed by officials of the railroad administration adds from \$2 to \$3 to the cost of handling and deducts from \$2 to \$3 from the price formerly paid.

Wages of men employed in the mills and camps engaged in the tie business range from \$3.50 to \$7 per day and any reduction of the wage scale is impossible according to the employers.

Hamilton Institute Founder Will Speak On Commerce Topic

Joseph French Johnson, founder of the Alexander Hamilton Institute of New York, dean of the University of New York, and one of the foremost authorities on commerce and finance in the United States, will speak on commercial and financial problems resulting from the war at the members' forum of the Chamber of Commerce Monday noon.

Owners Ask Removal Of Radical Tenants From Present Homes

Portland radical organizations are having difficulty in maintaining a home as a result of the criminal syndicalism act passed by the present legislature and now in effect.

Soldier's Daughter Dies Ashland, Feb. 20.—The infant daughter of Mrs. Beecher Danford died at the home of Mrs. Danford's parents Friday.

1515TH FRIDAY SURPRISE The 40c "Shinon" Silver Polish 27c Cream silver polish that will not injure your silver-ware.—Main Floor.

1515TH FRIDAY SURPRISE "Red Ribbon" Toilet Paper 5c Dozen rolls 49c. Case of 200 rolls, \$7.75. Tomorrow only.—Main Floor.

TWO DAYS' SALE Large Assortment Good Fiction 39c Good, readable fiction of every description Friday and Saturday 39c.—Fifth Floor.

Meier & Frank Co. THE QUALITY STORE OF PORTLAND

1515TH FRIDAY SURPRISE Odds and Ends Stationery 16c 35c values. Boxed stationery—24 sheets paper and 24 envelopes.—Main Floor.

1515TH FRIDAY SURPRISE Good Leather Handbags \$1.98 Fitted with coin purse and mirror. Regularly \$2.50-\$3.50.—Main Floor.

1515TH FRIDAY SURPRISE Soft, Sheer Batiste 20c The regular 30c quality. Fine for underwear. 36-inch.—Second Floor.

1515 Friday Surprise Sales Is the Number of Weekly Bargain Events Reached in This Store's Onward March With the Holding of These Memorable 1515th

MEIER & FRANK'S 1515TH FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES 1200 Pairs Women's and Children's Lisle and Mercerized Lisle Hose Pair 35c Fine ribbed lisle and mercerized lisle hose in black, white, pink and blue. Discontinued numbers and odds and ends that would sell from 50c to 65c, if bought today. All sizes. Pair 35c or 3 pairs \$1.—Meier & Frank's: Hosiery Shop, Main Floor.

MEIER & FRANK'S 1515TH FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES \$2.00 All-Wool French Serge \$1.29 40 and 42 inches wide. Good wearing quality all-wool French serge in navy blue. 500 yards at this extremely low price tomorrow while any remains. Early selection is advised. All-Silk Jersey 1/2 98c Serges, Yard 59c Good quality navy blue and black half-wool storm serges—a splendid material for children's school wearables and for gym suits. 36 inches wide. An excellent value in this finely serviceable material tomorrow at yard 59c.—Meier & Frank's: Second Floor, Fifth Street.

MEIER & FRANK'S 1515TH FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES Women's Dresses \$12.45 A miscellaneous assortment of women's desirable serge, satin and jersey dresses at this greatly reduced price tomorrow while any remain. Tunic and surplice styles, straight-line dresses, some embroidery trimmed. Navy, black, brown and tan are the colors. Regardless of cost, former selling prices or present worth, tomorrow only \$12.45.—Meier & Frank's: Apparel Shop, Fourth Floor.

1515TH FRIDAY SURPRISE Women's and Children's Collars 25c Women's and children's collars, a few collar and cuff sets. Embroidered and lace trimmed styles, a few plain tucked satin and Bengaline roll collars, also flat sailor and round styles. 35c to 65c values.

1515TH FRIDAY SURPRISE Men's Colored Initial Kerchiefs 6 for 50c MEN'S mercerized finish medium weight lawn handkerchiefs embroidered with fancy colored script, old English and block letters. Full size handkerchiefs with 1/2-inch hemstitched hems. Regularly up to twice this price.

1515TH FRIDAY SURPRISE Willow Waste Baskets 49c Waste baskets made of round willow. Very durable. 14 1/2 inches high, 14 inches across the top. Made with handles. Very special for Friday Surprise at 49c.—Meier & Frank's: Fifth Floor.

1515TH FRIDAY SURPRISE Women's Vanity Cases 1/2 Sterling and gold filled vanity cases in engraved and plain styles. \$7.50 cases \$3.25. The \$10.00 cases \$4. The \$17.50 cases \$8.50. The \$20 cases \$9.—Meier & Frank's: Main Floor.

1515TH FRIDAY SURPRISE Imitation Jet Beads 39c Regularly 98c. Imitation jet beads in long fancy strands. Another special—25c to 50c hat pins, assorted colored stones, fancy tops. 5c.—Meier & Frank's: Main Floor.

MEIER & FRANK'S 1515TH FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES Chamoisette Gloves 43c These chamoisette gloves are the famous "Perrin's" make and are of an excellent quality. In black, white, tan and khaki with backs embroidered in contrasting shades. Two-clasp style washable gloves that are slightly imperfect. All sizes.—Meier & Frank's: Glove Shop, Main Floor.

1515TH FRIDAY SURPRISE Neckwear 59c Plain high neck net gumpes—collars are hemstitched with fold effect and have stays. 75c, 85c and 95c values. 2 for \$1.—Meier & Frank's: Neckwear Shop, Main Floor.

1515TH FRIDAY SURPRISE Women's Irish hand embroidered sheer Shamrock handkerchiefs in pleasing designs. Corded and hemstitched borders. 6 for 75c

1515TH FRIDAY SURPRISE Sale of 25c Cotton Challis, Yard 16c Good quality cotton challis suitable for women's house dresses and blouses, children's dresses, quilt covers, etc. Small dainty patterns and flowered effects, light and medium dark colorings. 27 inches wide.—Meier & Frank's: Second Floor, Fifth Street.

1515TH FRIDAY SURPRISE Sale 75c-\$1 Dresser Scarfs Only 50c Save a third to a half in this sale of lace-trimmed dresser scarfs in size 17x50 inches. One style with lace edging and insertion. Another style has lace edging and pink or blue embroidery.—Meier & Frank's: Center Aisle, Main Floor.

MEIER & FRANK'S 1515TH FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES Sale of Women's to \$10 Shoes Special for Friday, Pair \$4.85 As you can see, our Surprise Sale price tomorrow is, in some instances, LESS THAN HALF REGULAR. These shoes are all taken from our regular stock—a goodly number of the J. & T. Cousins make. Many different styles and leathers to choose from. Black kid with colored kid and cloth tops. Patent with black kid or cloth tops. Patent with ivory or white kid tops. Many other patterns. Nearly all sizes. No exchanges, no phone orders.

MEIER & FRANK'S 1515TH FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES Another Sale of Women's New "Economy" Dresses Stamped for Embroidery on Fine Chambray and Percalé \$1.79 Exactly as illustrated at right are these "Economy" dresses. Completely made and stamped for embroidery on blue chambray and white percale. Attractive slipover style with scalloped neck and sleeves, big full pockets. Sizes 36 to 44. This price—\$1.79—is less than it would cost you to buy the material alone.—Meier & Frank's: Needlework Shop, Second Floor.

MEIER & FRANK'S 1515TH FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES Women's White Coverall Aprons \$1.98 A very special Friday Surprise Sale of women's good serviceable white coverall aprons in long sleeve style with round, square and V necks. Limited number. Coverall Aprons 59c Dressing Sacques 25c Office Aprons 85c Dressing Sacques 39c

MEIER & FRANK'S 1515TH FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES Men's Shoes Pair \$3.65 An out-of-the-ordinary Friday sale of short and discontinued lines of men's serviceable shoes for street and work wear. Good durable shoes in lace and button styles with leather or Neolin soles. Broad, medium and English lasts. All sizes included.—Meier & Frank's: Shoe Shop, Third Floor.

MEIER & FRANK'S 1515TH FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES This Brown and White 9-Piece Cooking Set \$1.79 Fire-proof cooking sets consisting of one 7-inch covered casserole, one 8-inch bowl, one 8-inch nappy and six custard cups. Illustrated.—Meier & Frank's: Basement, Fifth Street.

MEIER & FRANK'S 1515TH FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES 2 Lbs. Royal Banquet Butter, \$1.10 Wax Beans, good quality cut beans, Oregon pack, case of 24 cans \$2.95; two cans 25c Iowa Corn, latest pack, dozen cans \$1.95; three cans 50c; 17c Italian Prunes, Red Ribbon, fine quality Oregon fruit, extra large size, latest crop, 25-lb. box \$4.90; 5-lb. box \$1; 40c Seeded Raisins, Sun Maid, Red Ribbon or Otter, 2 large 25c pkgs. 25c Molasses, Aunt Dinah's, fine for baking and cooking, small cans, doz. \$1.60; can 14c Molasses, Velva, finest quality table molasses, special for Friday only, No. 2 1/2 29c can 29c

MEIER & FRANK'S 1515TH FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES 2-Days' Sale of Men's and Young Men's To \$30.00 Suits \$14 Some of the suits in this Friday and Saturday sale are reduced to LESS THAN HALF their former values. \$50 in all taken from regular stock. Worsteds, chevots, cassimeres, tweeds and homespuns. The broad assortment of styles, patterns and colorings insures a satisfying selection to every purchaser whether advanced or conservative dresser. Many of these garments are suitable for Spring wear. Sizes 33 to 44 included, also a special lot of suits for extra tall and stout men in sizes 38 to 46. None on approval. None C. O. D. Alterations extra.

MEIER & FRANK'S 1515TH FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES \$6-\$6.50 Crepe de Chine Waists \$3.45 A very special grouping of fine heavy quality Crepe de Chine waists in white and all the popular light shades. Mostly tailored models. Styles with roll and flat collars. Many finished with hemstitching. They fasten with good pearl buttons. All sizes included, the selection is especially good in large sizes 42 to 46. Tomorrow only while any of a limited number remain \$3.45, instead of \$6.00-\$6.50.—Meier & Frank's: Waist Shop, Fourth Floor.

MEIER & FRANK'S 1515TH FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES Mrs. F's Lower Price Down Store EXTRA Another Whirlwind Sale—Come Early EXTRA 6,000 First Quality Pillows 33 CENTS Two Weeks Ago We Sold 2000 Pillows in Two Hours We do not expect this lot, large though it is, to last the day, for they are even bigger values than the pillows that went so quickly in our last sale. These are FIRST QUALITY pillows filled with 1 1/2 lbs. of genuine clean feathers and covered with heavy standard ticking that is all in one piece. These pillows are especially good for extra bed use and sofa cushions. If bought in the regular way they would sell for \$1.00. Thanks to one of the merchandising coups for which are Lower Price Downstairs Store is famous we can offer 6000 pillows while any remain tomorrow at 33c. Shop early.—Meier & Frank's: Lower Price Store, Basement Balcony.

MEIER & FRANK'S 1515TH FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES Boys' Separate Knickers \$1.49 Friday only. Regular values \$2.50 to \$3.00. Just 300 pairs, including wool mixed knickers in gray, brown, tan and green mixtures in all sizes 7 to 18 years, also corduroys in large sizes only 15 to 18 years. All full cut, well made, full lined. While any remain tomorrow—\$1.49.—Meier & Frank's: Third Floor, Fifth Street.

MEIER & FRANK'S 1515TH FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES \$7.50-\$9 Auto Robes \$4.95 Excellent values in good everyday-useful robes for autos, bed covers, etc.—at \$4.95 there is sure to be lively buying in this section. Plain wool-mixed robes in brown and blue colors. Good, large sizes. Edges are hemmed.—Meier & Frank's: Luggage Shop, Sixth Floor.

MEIER & FRANK'S 1515TH FRIDAY SURPRISE SALES Odd Pair Curtains 98c, \$1.95, \$4.85 These special price-groups were marked, respectively, at \$1.50-\$2.50, at \$3.40-\$6, at \$8-\$10.30. Nottingham lace, Marquisette, fine net and Irish Point—curtains—one pair of a kind—taken from regular stocks.—Meier & Frank's: Curtain Shop, Seventh Floor.