

NO SECRETS NOW

Port of Portland Is No Star Chamber.

BOARD VOTES SO BY 3 TO 2

Public Business to Be Transacted Openly.

REPORTERS WILL BE ADMITTED

President Swigert and Treasurer Adams Favor Closed-Door Policy but Are Outvoted by Other Commissioners.

Star chamber sessions have gone out of fashion with the Port of Portland Commission. They are now obsolete by a vote of 2 to 2. No more will the reporters be invited to cool their heels in the hallways of the Worcester block while the commissioners behind closed doors are discussing public business. An attempt made at the meeting yesterday to go into executive session met with a positive check. Then it resolved itself into a free-for-all discussion on how such meetings should be reported by the newspapers, and the reporters present received a quantity of gratuitous advice.

The meeting had lasted about an hour and the proceedings were quite as dry as usual. Then when President Swigert took up the Ellis G. Hughes proposal in regard to the Brazeo property, things took on a livelier color. Commissioner Adams started the ball rolling. The president held some letters in his hand and was about to read them when Mr. Adams interrupted him.

"I would like to ask," said the Port of Portland treasurer, "if this matter be taken up without the presence of the reporters. The newspapers are putting the board in a poor light by their statements of the discussions that go on here and there is no occasion for it at all. The reporters can retire while we take up these subjects and when we are ready for them, we will call them in and they can get their facts from the minutes of the meeting."

President Swigert concurred entirely with Mr. Adams in his views. "This isn't the way the papers used to report the meetings," he said. "We allowed them to copy off the records of the meeting and in that way the public got the facts."

"Tired of Being Laughing Stock." Mr. Adams warmed up. "I am tired of being made the laughing stock of the community," said he. "For two years this board has been held up to ridicule and made to feel like the laughing stock of it and I don't propose to stand it."

As intoning the expressions of the president and treasurer Commissioner Willis seconded the motion of Mr. Adams that the board go into secret session. But there were other members to be heard from, and they expressed their sentiments in no uncertain tones. Vice-President Thomas was the first to take the floor in a way that showed he meant what he said.

"I want it understood right here," he explained, "that I won't stand for any star chamber meetings. We are a public board and the reporters have a perfect right to have every word that is said. It is a fact that at nearly every meeting, he continued, "the reporters are requested to keep some matters out of the papers."

"Which they always fail to do," echoed Mr. Swigert.

Let the Public Get the Facts. Captain Spencer has no use for secret sessions, and said so. "If the public can get the facts," said he, "it ought to be more satisfactory to the people. The minutes don't show all of the discussion. Of course, reporters should not misrepresent what is said."

"But they sometimes do," said Mr. Willis. "We have that same trouble at the Civil Service Commission meetings."

"The records of the meetings don't show the disposition of the members," said Mr. Thomas scornfully. "The reporters should be on hand and hear every word that is said. I am willing that every word of mine, as a member of the Port of Portland, be laid before the public."

"That is not the point," said the president. "It is this being held up to public ridicule by the misrepresentation of the papers that I don't like. In their efforts to get up a readable story the reporters overstep themselves. They find the proceedings here are dull and dry, so they stretch a point to make a story. It's the story they're after, not the facts."

Captain Pease Favors Publicity. Captain Pease had not been heard from up to this time, as he evidently did not think the subject worth all the fuss. "I don't see why we should send the reporters away," he said. "I can't see any reason for talking much about the Brazeo property, because we don't need it anyway. So far as the star chamber sessions are concerned, the commissioners ought not to say anything here that they would be ashamed to see in print."

Everybody had been heard on the subject and it was up to the vote. It was plain to be seen how the wind was blowing. The motion was lost, 2 to 3. Adams and Willis voting for it, Thomas, Spencer and Pease against it. The president did not vote and Mr. Driscoll was not present.

Mr. Hughes' Letters Read. So the open meeting continued and the letters from Mr. Hughes were read. One stated that there had been no error in the instructions given to the joint surveyor and the other contained a demand for the immediate payment of the purchase price of the Brazeo tract, \$10,000, adding that if the board failed to carry out its contract, he would take steps to compel it to do so.

The members showed no disposition to abide by Mr. Hughes' ultimatum, and after a lot of poring over of maps and technical descriptions of the land in question, Clerk Maher was authorized to write to Mr. Hughes to the effect that the commission stands ready to carry out its obligations under the original proposition.

MEETING WAS A FROST

WAY OF THE REFORMER IS NOT ENCOURAGING.

Patrick Henry Scullen Addresses Plegmatic Audience of 25 on His Labor Arbitration Plan.

10c Flannelettes 6c yd

Ladies' Waists

\$1.25 Wrist Bags 75c

35c Aprons 18c Each

\$12.00 Jackets \$4.60

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Friday at Meier & Frank's

The important day with important savings. The entire season has not duplicated the bargain chances of today. The Meier & Frank Company can, always have, always will offer equal or better merchandise for less money than you are asked to pay elsewhere. The following items attest the strength of this statement.

10c Flannelettes 6c yd
5000 yards of new Flannelettes—They haven't been in the house 24 hours—An immense variety of patterns and colorings; the regular 10c quality, 6c yard.

Ladies' Waists
Entire stock radically reduced for today:
Values up to \$6.00 for\$2.39
Values up to \$4.50 for\$1.39
Values up to \$1.75 for 63c

\$1.25 Wrist Bags 75c
100 handsome walrus Wrist or Shopping Bags, black or tan, long chain, the very best \$1.25 styles, for, today only at the low price of 75c.

35c Aprons 18c Each
20 dozen Ladies' fine, dainty lawn aprons, embroidery and tucked trimmed, also hemstitched, a big variety of the best 35c values, today only at 18c each.

\$12.00 Jackets \$4.60
Ladies' Covert, Cheviot and Broadcloth Jackets, tan and black, strapped seams, tight and half fitting styles, regular \$12.00 values, today only at \$4.60.

Autograph Albums
Six dozen Autograph Albums—handsome lithographed cover, all the 25c values, today only at the low price of 12c each.
Stationery Department

Merchandise Purchased on Credit Today, Tomorrow or Monday, Will Go On Your September Account

Today, 723d Friday Surprise Sale

VESTS 23c
About 35 dozen of the bargain Vests remain for today and tomorrow, the best offering of ladies' underwear we ever made—Lisle, cotton and mercerized Swiss ribbed, Richelieu ribbed, lace body and yoke, silk tape trimmed, white, light blue and pink, 50c values only remain—
23c Each

75c "Onyx" Hosiery 25c
Today, our great semiannual distribution of "Onyx" Hosiery for women, an event always looked forward to with great pleasure by the best portion of the shopping public—The values the grandest we have ever offered, 7300 pairs in this mammoth sale, a sale organized by the manufacturers who are desirous of educating the consumer with their product rather than through newspaper or magazine columns—Hundreds of styles, the quality the best, black lace hose, lace boot effects, black and whites, thousands of fancy combinations, silk embroidered novelties, every pair the well-known "Onyx" brand, all sizes, per pair
Values up to 75c 25c
—See Fifth-street window display—



Ladies' Fine Neckwear
The new Neckwear keeps coming in magnificent assortment; this Neckwear Department had a special representative in the market this season and will be a decided feature during the fall and winter season. Prettier Neckwear, more exclusive Neckwear; the greatest variety ever shown on the Coast. Silk and cotton novelties from the best makers, who confine their lines to us in Portland. Keiser Mexican Drawn Work novelties. Lace Collars, superb variety up as high as \$45.00 each. New line of Ostrich Feather Boas. Fall Neckwear needs can be best supplied here. Main Floor, near Fifth-street Entrance.

New Tan Corset Coats
No lack of fine style in the new tan Corset Coats. This illustration gives some idea of the gracefulness of the Covert Corset Coat. The strapping of the goods gives them a permanence of shape and fit that otherwise would be impossible to attain. They set off a trim figure with rare effectiveness. And more—these corset coats possess all the features of durability and good tailoring that you could ask for. All lengths, popular prices.

Men's Suits
A showing so far superior in extent and variety that comparison seems ridiculous. Look around before buying and you'll be easily convinced that Portland has but one cloak store and that is Meier & Frank's.



JURORS FOR SEPTEMBER

List of Talemans Is Drawn According to Statute.

From the jury list for the year the names of the following persons were drawn by Judge Charles Field, County Clerk Fields and Deputy Sheriff Marion R. Johnson. The talemans will be summoned to serve as Jurors in the State Circuit Court for the September term, beginning September 14:

- Ed Adams, mining engineer.
- Henry Albers, merchant.
- Frank Barker, engineer.
- George Barford, farmer.
- Charles Berthel, capitalist.
- A. H. Burrell, real estate.
- H. C. Brandes, restaurant.
- P. E. Brigham, merchant.
- D. C. Burns, grocer.
- H. T. Clark, superintendent Portland Iron Works.
- J. P. Compton, insurance.
- John Conroy, farmer.
- Thomas Connelly, capitalist.
- Samuel Craft, farmer.
- Isaac C. Davidson, real estate.
- George Dressel, farmer.
- Thomas Duff, grocer.
- P. A. Eddy, grocer.
- W. R. Ellis, secretary Rosenfeld, Smith & Co.
- Edward Ehrman, manager Mason, Ehrman & Co.
- Henry Eversing, grocer.
- John Everson, saloon.
- Marcus Fieischer, dry goods.
- B. F. Freeman, librarian.
- Robert M. Gatsert, real estate.
- I. Gevirtz, furniture.
- W. B. Glafke, fruit and produce.
- George Good, real estate.
- Maurice Goodman, merchant.
- J. W. Going, stores.
- George W. Gordon, builder.
- J. D. Hart, real estate.
- J. W. Hawley, building company.
- E. J. Hickey, yardman for Southern Pacific.
- Thomas Hilsop, real estate.
- D. W. Hoebing, insurance.
- J. B. Hornum, butcher.
- Charles E. Holtgreive, farmer.
- Eugene S. Jenne, farmer.
- M. J. Jones, Oregon market.
- George H. Keene, clerk.
- Fred Kendorf, merchant.
- M. J. Kinney, salmon canner.
- August C. Klosterman, capitalist.
- L. M. Lacey, livestock.
- Philip D. Lang, farmer.
- F. Leonard, barber.
- R. J. Linden, merchant.
- W. C. Manning, grocer.
- J. N. Matuschek, confectioner.
- Herman Metzger, merchant.
- W. H. McMonis, merchant.
- W. C. Noon, manufacturer.
- S. I. Ogden, farmer.
- W. E. Peacher, liveryman.
- John Pittenger, delivery man.
- William Porth, farmer.
- C. H. Prescott, Portland Can Company.
- LeRoy H. Parker, agent.
- P. R. Richards, grocer.
- E. B. Hoork, butcher.
- Lewis Shattuck, farmer.
- John F. O'Shea, Union Meat Company.
- W. W. Spaulding, Northwest Meat Market.
- S. A. Wishard, capitalist.

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MEETS HIM HALF-WAY.

Miss Daisy Lyle, of Portland, Wedded in East St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Aug. 27.—(Special.)—East St. Louis, Ill., served as a meeting place for Henry Meyer, of New York, and Miss Daisy Lyle, of Portland, Or., today. When they departed from the town they were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Meyer. The wedding was a romance which dated from childhood. When Miss Lyle was a little girl in New York she was the sweetheart of the man whom she married in East St. Louis. When she went to the State of Oregon they remained so true as they had been years ago, and continued regularly, when plans for their marriage were made.

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Muslin Underwear par excellence; values unequalled anywhere; last two days of the August sale; take advantage—

- 65, 75c Drawers, pair52c
- \$1, \$1.25 Drawers, pair79c
- 75c Gowns for47c
- \$1.25 Gowns for89c
- \$1.50, \$1.75 Gowns for\$1.45
- \$2.25, \$2.50 Gowns for\$1.75
- \$1.75 Skirts for\$1.39
- \$2.50 Skirts for\$1.69
- \$3, \$3.25 Skirts for\$2.50
- \$3.50, \$4 Skirts for\$3.00
- 25c, 35c Corset Covers17c
- 40c Corset Covers for25c
- 50c Corset Covers for35c
- 75c to \$1.25 Corset Covers53c



Last two days of the Annual August Linen Sales, the time of the year when all housekeeping and table linens can be supplied at a minimum cost. The offerings in every line are so tempting, the money-saving chances so many and great, that the housewife having the least idea of economy must supply all linen needs before 9:30 tomorrow night—Remember that included in this sale is our entire stock of famous
JOHN S. BROWN

"Shamrock" Linens

Table Damask, Napkin Sets, Tray Cloths, Doilies, Etc., the Table Linen that for a century has maintained the reputation for being best in style, pattern and quality—John S. Brown Linens are used by all the leading hotels throughout the world as well as being used by all the great railroads for their dining-car service—The wear and tear they are subjected to in this service demands the best money can buy.
—John S. Brown Linens Fill the Bill—

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rockpile, who have been enjoying a two days' respite, will resume work this morning, attired in new blue suits, comprising jumpers and overalls, and new brogans. The County Commissioners have also caused the rockpile to be inclosed and a road placed over it to protect the men from the sun or rain. William Daley, the escapee, has not yet been captured. In the event he is once more made a member of the party he will be supplied with a ball and chain to keep him company.

Game Wardens Not Busy.
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various charitable institutions in Portland, which have been paid, and also being requests to relatives, religious societies, etc. Incorporation articles of the Overbeck, Starr & Cooke Company, capital stock \$20,000, were filed in the County Clerk's office yesterday by Everett G. Starr, Louis M. Starr, Oscar E. Overbeck and James P. Cooke as incorporators. The objects announced are to buy and sell stocks, bonds, cotton, grain, etc.

Zionist Celebration.
All preparations have been completed for the joint meeting of the three Zionist societies of this city, which is to be held on Sunday evening, August 30, at 7:30 o'clock at the Talmud Torah Synagogue, corner Sixth and Hall streets. The meeting will be called to order by M. Ostrow, president of the Portland Lovers of Zion. The chief address of the evening is to be given by Rabbi Isadore Myers, R. A. of San Francisco. Rabbi Myers is an earnest and eloquent speaker and has for years been identified with the Zionist movement. Short addresses will also be given by D. Solis Cohen and Dr. Stephen S. Wise. A hearty invitation is extended to all those who are desirous of hearing an exposition of the principles of Zionism. This meeting has been called in commemoration of the Sixth International Zionist Congress which is now in session at Basel, Switzerland.