Ready to Take Up Land Fraud Cases.

WILL BROOK NO DELAY NOW

Says President Is Greatly Interested.

NONE GUILTY MUST ESCAPE

United States District Attorney for Oregon Will Have Conference With His Agents This Morn-Ing to Secure Data.

Francis J. Heney, United States District Attorney for Oregon, reached Portland last night, and is now quartered at the Hotel Portland, ready to take up the work of investigating the Oregon land frauds where he was com-

pelled to drop them to go to Washing-ton on other business.

The grand jury will be called on Tuesday morning, and between that time and this the District Attorney will call in the reports of the Government men who have been working on the inwestigations in his absence, will sift out the evidence that has been gathered in the weeks elapsed since the adjournment of the grand jury, and will decide what to put before that body and what to pass up for the terms

Conference This Morning.

Work will begin this morning, when a conference will be held between Mr. Heney and T. B. Neuhausen, who has been in charge of the investigation during the absence of the chief, and some plan of work will be mapped out for the rest of the term.

Mr. Heney had but little to say last

night other than to speak of the inter-est taken by President Rooseveli in the Oregon investigations and to re-lierate the assertion that the investi-gations would be pressed to the end.

"There is nothing that I can say at this time." said Mr. Heney, "for I have not as yet had time to see any of the men who have been working on the cases while I have been gone. I do not know what has been done, or what can be done, until I see the reports of the men who have been guarding the Gov-ernment interests for the past two

"In the morning I shall call in the reports of the special agents and others who have been wonking with and under Mr. Neuhausen, and will then be able to see what may be done, and what I shall bring before the grand jury. I called that body for Tuesday morning in order that I might have a inted work, and see where I was in the

President Deeply Interested.

"I might mention the deep interest displayed by President Roosevelt in the outcome of the investigations and the prosecutions consequent to them," continued the speaker. "The President is very much interested, and wishes to see the cases taken to as early a conclusion as possible. He wishes to see ne guilty man escape, and desires to stop the 'graft' that has been practiced the years that are past."
"What about the Booth-Kelly case

and the cases of Bridges and Booth, of

Mr. Heney was asked.
"I don't know anything about these cases, whether they will be taken up or not," the attorney answered. "I will have to see what has been done in my absence, and see if it will be atble to lay the cases before the jury it the short time left in which to consider them. But I can make no statement as to what cases will be considered until gathering the evidence in my absence."

Mr Heney states that he comes back to Portland determined to prosecute to an end those cases which have been already instituted by indictment, or which may be brought out by the future action of the jury. From today on until the end of the June term of the ourt the work will be actively pushed It is also the opinion of Mr. Heney

Binger Hermann in Washington for destruction of public records is a strong one, and will result in conviction. "They will convict Mr. Hermann on that indictment," the attorney said when the matter was spoken of during

PREVENTS A SERIOUS FIRE.

Policeman Teevin's Presence of Mind Saves Building From Destruction.

Officer Teevin prevented a serious fire in the building occupied by the F. E. Beach Co.. First and Alder streets, yesterday afternoon about 3 o'clock turning in an alarm before the blaze, which originated in the cellar, had gained much headway. Officer Teevin was standing in front of the building when he smelled smoke. Upon investigation he found smoke issuing from the ventilators leading from the cellar beneath the

He opened the cellar doors and found a plie of shingles on fire. Realizing that it would be impossible to extinguish it with a bucket of water he had procured he turned in the alarm. The fire was extinguished without difficulty by the chemical company first to reach the scene. The fire originated by a spark dropping down the flue, the cap of which had dropped off. The shingles which caught fire were surrounded by barrels of oil and paint. If the fire had spread and ignited the oils and paint a very serious conflagration would have re-

WILL HOLD MASS MEETING.

Business Men to Discuss Closing of Grand Avenue.

Property-owners on Grand avenue and business men affected by its being closed up between East Stark and East Pine streets, will hold a mass meeting tomor-row evening at 7:30 in the East Side Justice of the Peace Courtroom, on the cor-ner of Union avenue and East Washington street, to take steps looking to the repairing of Grand avenue. The Mayor, members of the Executive Board and the Council are invited to attend this meet-ing and hear what the property-owners and business men have to say, with a slave all pain cures wind only and distribute.

Business men on Grand avenue between East Stark and Morrison say the closing of Grand avenue has diverted all traffic from Mount Tabor and eastward almost entirely from that part of Grand avenue, and that to them the conditions are now almost as bad as when Morrison bridge was closed.

SPEAKS ON THE PRIMARY LAW One of Law's Drafters Explains Its SAYS CHARGES WERE PROVED Inception and Nature.

The People's Forum met last night at the Knights of Pythias Hall to listen to an explanation of the direct primary law by Thomas G. Greene, one of authors of the original draft of the

The meeting was opened by a vocal selection by Miss Week, who was accompanied by Miss Davis, the audience being so pleased with the selection that the singer was compelled to respond to

Dr. Stephen S. Wise, who presided, in-troduced Mr. Greene, who spoke on the subject of the direct primary law. He reviewed the history of the incepetion of the movement in Oregon and told how it happened that the original bill was drafted and finally whipped into shape as it stands today on the statute books.

Hunt Investigation So Termed by Flegel.

Declares Police Committee Had Verdict in Mind Before All Evidence Was In, and Did Not Regard Valuable Testimony.

"That the saloons were violating the ordinance was proved by the testimony of George H. Howell, Lester Humphrey, Withrow, Johnson and the reports of Of-ficer Lee showing that eight saloons were open in one night," said A. F. Fiegel yes-terday afternoon, in speaking of the ex-oneration of Chief Hunt. "There was furstands today on the statute books. The evidence that the saloons had pust buttons at their side doors. Also door



PRANCIS J. HENEY, UNITED STATES DISTRICT ATTORNEY FOR OREGON.

simple inclination nor the whim of some set of men who had hobbies to ride. It was the outcome of an universal desire on the part of the people for relief from the established political rule. By that it is not meant a revolt from a party creed, but rather a swinging of the pendulum back towards the simplicity of the first days of the Republic when the Nation was strictly speaking, a government of and for and by the people, not an instru-ment in the hands of political bosses or parties. The direct primary law was

the Roseburg Land Office—will they be considered by the present grand jury."

Mr. Heney was asked.

The speaker followed the last and spoke law from the first to the last and spoke of the recent case before the Circuit Court of Multnomah County, at which the principles of the law were uphold by the tribunal. The argument was very plain and interesting, showing clearly the advantages of the new law and its need

SAYS THOUSANDS ARE COMING after I have seen those who have been Charles W. Sherman Declares Exposition is Well Advertised.

A bright, optimistic talk concerning the

influx of Eastern travel to the Lewis and Clark Exposition was given yesterday by Charles W. Sherman, of the firm of Sherman & Harmon, insurance agents. Mr. Sherman had just returned from a six weeks' trip to the East, during which time be visited New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Michigan, Wisconsin, and other points. "I am glad to say that I found the Lewis and Clark Exposition very well adver-tised, even in the rural communities of the East and Middle West, thus showing the value of printers' ink and the effect of letters written by people of Oregon to their Bastern friends," stated Mr. Sherman. "People in the cities there, of course, knew about our Exposition, having read about it in the newspapers, but I was much struck with the eagerness for information about the subject displayed by people living in rural districts played by people living in that discrete. Farmers were especially anxious about agriculture in Oregon, and as to the Exposition. Thousands upon thomands of them are coming here this Summer. While in Denver, Colo., I talked with one of the Grand Army officials, who is bus ily preparing for the National encamp-ment of the Grand Army in that city is September, and he told me that he and prepare accommodations to receive Denver about 200,000 visitors. He gave it as his opinion, based on inquiries received, that 70 per cent of these visitors will journey to Portland and vi our Exposition."

OAKLAND RABBI THREATENED Crank in Portland Writes to a Callfornia Clergyman.

Who is the "Bill" Miller, of this city, who is sending annoying letters through the United States mails from Portland to Rabbi M. Friedlander, of Oakland, Cal.? Threats of violence have been made in the letters to Rabbi Friedlander, who is the most amiable and respected of men. So far nine of such letters have been re-ceived. "I do not know anyone in Portland who could possibly have a grudge against me," stated Rabbi Friedlander in a dispatch, "and I certainly do not know reporter interviewed several prominent members of Hebrew congregations in this city last night, but none of them knew anything about the matter. The Police Department had not been advised. There are ten people of the name of William Miller in the Portland directory.

BUSINESS ITEMS.

If Baby Is Cutting Teeth,

keepers on duty after closing hours. "That the Police Department ! "That the Police Department had knowledge of these facts was shown by the testimony of George H. Howell and the admission of Commissioner Sichel that he had been informed of these facts by Mr. Howell. The testimony of Judge Hogue showed that last Fall he had in formed Chief Hunt that the saloons were employing all-night bartenders and that Jack Blazier had told him he was keeping

his place of business open after 1 o'clock.
"That the Police Department consented parties. The direct primary law was parties. The direct primary law was simply the call of the people for protection, the creation of an instrument by which they could shield themselves from the effects of politics and the evils of machine rule."

The speaker followed the course of the law from the first to the last and spoke of the recent case before the Circuit of Multnomah County, at which Court of Multnomah County, at which court of Multnomah County, at which court of the law were uphold by

their doors were locked.
"This, to my mind, shows beyond any reasonable doubt that every charge made was fully and substantially proven to be correct. The officers were instructed to see that the saloons were closed and to be especially careful to see that they were not overzealous in doing so and to not

look over the windows and trapsoms.

'I was certain what the verdict would be before the investigation was formmenced. I was informed the second day of the trial that the committee had reached a conclusion as to its reports and that the conclusion was reconsidered and the investigation allowed to proceed. nmissioner Sichel ridiculed the investigation in the Club before it was com-

"So of course I could not expect anything else. Nevertheless I believe the Commissioners cannot fool the general public. The newspapers have reported the public. The newspapers have reported the investigation fully and fairly and I believe the effort was worth while. It informs the public of the conditions and shows to them whether the Police Department made a fair and earnest effort to enforce the law or whether the proceedings were a sham and a mockery."

Fisherman Drowned in Silver Lake. BELLINGHAM, Wash., April 2.-A. B. Clark, a prominent merchant of this city, formerly a well known resident of this city, formerly a well known resident of Idaho, was drowned today in Silver Lake, 26 miles from here, by the capsixing of a small boat while he was fish-

COLDS CAUSE SORE THROAT Axative Bromo Quinine, world-wide Cold and Grip remedy, removes the cause. Call for full name and look for signature, E. W. Grove. 250



Bibles, Testaments and Hymnals at Reduced Prices This Week

The Meier & Frank Store

The reputation of the Meier & Frank Store for honest dealing and fair treatment dates back to 1857, when the founder of the institution received the first five-cent piece and gave value therefor

\$30.00 and \$32.00 Suits \$24.65

Great Easter offering of 200 Women's handsome Tailored Suits, in Voiles, Sicilians, Serges, Shepherd Worsteds and Cheviots, in blouses, Etons and jacket effects: tight-fitting and Norfolks; colors include blues, greens, browns, checks, blacks, tans and grays; the very best \$30 Just received by express, entire new line of Tan Covert Jackets, the very newest ideas, an unequaled display at prices from \$7.50 to.....

We are showing the latest things in Linen Suits, both Etons and Redingotes, hand-embroidered and fancy trimmed, at very low prices. Thousands of the prettiest Silk Shirtwaist Suits. New line of Shirtwaist Suits, white and colors, lace and embroidery trimmed, very pretty styles, \$20.00 to \$48.00 each. Our display of costumes and wraps is the grandest in the city.

Silk Petticoats \$5.45 | Japanese Silk Waists

For Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, 400 Taf-feta Silk Petticoats, a special purchase we are able to offer at about one-third below their value. These Skirts, made of superior quality Taffeta Silk, have deep accordion-plaited flounce and two rows of ruching; full width and splendidly made; colors are navy, royal, light blue, pink, white, light green, brown, tan and black; your choice. \$5.45

We are showing a magnificent line of new Jap Silk Waists, trimmed with round-mesh Vals. and Irish crochet laces and English eyelet embroideries, with small tucks and sideplaits; prices range from \$3.75 to \$30:00 each.

Entire new line of Embroidered Linen Waists, tucked and lace-trimmed; the grandest showing in the city, at prices from \$4.75 to \$65.00 See the hand-made French Waists.

2000 \$3.00 Axminster Rugs at \$

For all this week, another one of our great special sales of Axminster Rugs, 2000 of them, in all the prettiest colorings, Oriental or floral designs; size 27x60 inches. There isn't a household in town but what can find good use for from one to six of them. Mail orders will be filled. Every one of them worth \$3.00. Third Floor.... 500 Austrian Smyrna Rugs, reversible and fringed; regular \$1.50 values, on sale for, each.... 99¢

Some Enticing Easter Carpet Specials

'Devon' Velvets, new colorings, Oriental designs, rich and pretty effects; sewed, laid and lined, for, yard ... Tapestry Brussels, hotel quality, Orientals and florals, particularly well adapted for halls and stairs; regular \$1 value; sewed, laid and lined, for, yard Riverside Cottage Carpet, Oriental design; sewed, laid and lined; great value......

Easter Sale of Undermuslins \$2.00 White Petticoats for \$1.33 Ea.

500 White Petticoats of cambric'and muslin, with extra wide flounce, trimmed in fine embroideries, laces and cluster of tucks, separate dust ruffles; splendidly made; no skimping of material of trimming, \$1.75, \$2.00 Val..... 'Home-made'' Corset Covers, the best American manufactures; this special lot of 900 trimmed in fine embroideries and laces, beadings, ribbons and cluster of tucks; handsome styles; all sizes; the best \$1.25 values, on sale at this low price..... 550 pair of Women's Drawers, made of fine Cambrics and Nainsooks, trimmed in fine Valenciennes laces, embroidery and insertions; clusters of tucks; all sizes; the best \$1.00 value. on sale at the low price of, pair-mail orders will be filled Women's Cambric and Nainsook Gowns; all styles; trimmed in embroidery and lace edgings, insertions, beadings, ribbons; all our best \$2 values, on sale at low price of, each....\$1.33

Easter **Novelties**

The largest and prettiest display of Easter novelties in the city. Rabbits and chicks in all sizes. A thousand novelties for table decoration and to amuse the little ones. Hand-painted Easter Eggs in immense variety. Prices are within the reach of all, and range from

3c Up to \$1.00

WOMEN'S Knit Underwear

Women's imported Swiss ribbed, silk plated Vests, lowneck and sleeveless; cream, pink or blue, all sizes, 83c best \$1.00 values..... Imported Swiss ribbed white lisle Vests, hand-erocheted vokes, V or square 83c neck, best \$1 values ...

Philadelphia Lawn Mowers, none better, \$5.00 up; every one fully guaranteed. Drexel and Dewey Lawn

Mowers, \$3.00, \$4.50. Rakes, Shovels, Spades, etc.

Linen Sale

Mail orders promptly filled. Hemstitched Satin Damask Tea Cloths, 36x36 inches, 100 of them 46 inches, matchless value at this

Imperial Taffeta Silk 59c yd 5000 yards of Imperial Taffeta

Silk, 22 inches wide; a great variety of all the leading shades, suitable for waists. skirts, shirtwaist suits, trimming, etc.; superior quality, the best value ever offered at the low price of, yard ... 59¢

Great Footwear Specials

Women's, Misses' and Children's Fine Footwear at Easter-Sale Prices-New, up-to-date Shoes at actual manufacturing cost-This season's most desirable models in all sizes and widths-Every woman having Easter Footwear needs for herself or family to supply must be interested in these great special values:

Women's \$3.50, \$4.00 Shoes \$2.45

700 pairs J. & T. Cousins and Johnson Bros. fine \$3.50 and \$4.00 Footwear, in turn and welt soles, patent leather and kid, lace and Footwear, in turn and well soles, pattern widths; \$2.45 great special bargain for this sale at, pair...... 500 pairs Women's Low Shoes, tans, patent leather and kid,

Blucher Oxfords and Ribbon ties; all this season's very best models; all sizes and widths; \$3.50 values, on sale for ... \$2.45 1000 pairs Misses' and Children's Shoes, in kid and box calf,

all sizes and widths; great values-12 to 2, \$2.00 values \$1.25; 9 to 11, \$1.50 values \$1.05; 5 to 8, \$1.25 values 85c. Little Gents' vici kid, box calf and velour calf Shoes; sizes 10 to

131/2; best values we have ever offered, on sale

Trunks and Traveling Bags

- Cleaning up single numbers of fine Trunks and Bags-discontinued lines-way down below value. Third Floor, Basswood Box Steamer Trunk, duck covered, hardwood strips, drop front, two drawers, etc .-

34-In. \$12.00 Val. \$9.10 36-In. \$13.00 Val. \$9.60 30-Inch Steamer Trunk - \$9.50 Value for \$7.40 Each 38-Inch Steamer Trunk-\$11.50 Value for \$9.40 Each

24-inch full stock Leather Suit Case, leather lined, nickel lock and bolts; best \$9.00 value, on sale for \$7.45 24-inch full stock Leather Suit Case, straps all around, \$7.70 linen lined with collar pocket; reg. \$9.25 value, for .. \$7.70 24-inch extra heavy Suit Case, best \$8.25 value for \$6.65 Cellulite Cabin Bags, 15, 16 and 17-in., \$8.50, \$9.25 and \$9.95 each.

Easter Sale of Laces and Embroideries

Some very exceptional bargains in new, desirable merchandise 3000 yards of Corset-Cover Embroideries in an immense variety of pretty designs; best widths; values up to 75c a yard, on sale Monday and Tuesday at, yard 1000 pieces of Valenciennes Laces, Edges and Insertions; all the daintiest patterns for trimming Summer waists, dresses, infants' wear, etc.; 12 yards in piece, each... 45-inch Dotted Nets and Point de Esprit, white, cream and colors; values up to \$1.25 a yard, on sale at, yard. Imitation Irish Crochet and Venise Galloons, Edges and Insertions; values up to \$2.50 yard, on sale at, yard ...

Easter Glove Headquarters

Our Easter Glove display is at its best; size and style assortment is complete and only Gloves of known quality and satisfaction on sale

Perrins' real French Kid Gloves, extra quality, glace or suede, three-clasp, overseam, new shades, pair....\$2.00 Perrins' "La Mure" three-clasp; street and opera shades; all sizes; every pair guaranteed. Pair.....\$1.75 Perrins' Charmette; all new styles and shades, pair \$1.50 \$2.25 and \$1.75 3-clasp, self-embroidered backs, Pair..... Reynier Suedes in P. K. or overseam; black; pair \$2 and ... \$1.75 Valliers' Washable Kid Gloves; glace, 2-clasp, over-seam; all colors; wash in soap and water. Pair......\$1.75 "Uzar" 2-clasp Kid Gloves; new shades; best glove on \$1.00

Easter Sale in the Basement

Silver Fruit Dishes, stand with opal glass dish, regular \$5.00 value, on sale at the low price of \$4.13 Cracker Jars with silver cover, regular \$3.00 value. . . . \$2.37 Rogers "1847" Silver-Plated Pie Servers, \$1.75 values ... \$1.37 Nickel Baking Dishes, fancy cover, \$4.75 values, for, each. \$3.96 Nickel Chaffing Dishes, best \$9.00 values, on sale for, each. \$7.19 "Sternau" Nickel Coffee Machines, \$9.00 values for, each. \$7.20 Cut Glass Nappies, regular \$2.00 values, on sale for \$1.58 Cut Glass Vinegar Cruets, regular \$3.00 values for, each .\$2.39 1000 Glazed Jardiniers, assorted colors, special values-5-inch for, each 18¢ 6-inch for, each 28¢ 10-inch for, each \$1.50 8-inch for, each 53¢ 9-inch for, each 70¢ Basement. Mail orders filled.

New Trimmings New Persian Dress Trimmings. 1 to 10 inches wide, includ-

ing Japanese bands, 40c to \$5.00 yard. New English Embroidery, white, black, reseds and new blue; bands and appliques;

\$1.25 and \$1.50 yard. Very latest-Smoked or white pearl slides; square or oval, 2 and 3 inches long, suitable for belts or trimming, 50e to

\$1.50 each.

New Girdle Belts, in silk or satin, black, white and colors, 25c to \$7.50 each. Magnificent line of new Hand

Bags, 50c up to \$12.50 each. New Lace Veils, 85c to \$5.00. Lewis and Clark Souvenirs in

silver-plated ware. Paper Knives, Loving Cups, Stamp Boxes, Jewel Boxes, etc., 35c up to \$1.50 each.

Mission Clocks

Special sale of Mission Clocks. New patterns; every one guaranteed. 100 of them to be sold at these prices-

1-Day Models for \$1.39 8-Day Models for \$2.98

Alert" Alarm Clocks, equal to any \$1.50 Alarm Clock on the market; fully guaranteed; at low price of......98c Indian Souvenir Sachet Bags, 1 oz, of sachet in a nice burnt leather bag; great Razors, sold on 30 days' trial. If not satisfied, your money will be cheerfully refunded, set \$5.00 Lewis and Clark Stationery-Paper, Envelopes, Cards, etc.,

in immense variety.