

RESIGNS AT THE REQUEST OF LANE

J. D. Meyer Severs His Connection With the City Park Board.

POLICY OUT OF HARMONY

Letter From Mayor, Asking for Withdrawal, Assigns no Reason, but Friends of Meyer Say It Is Due to Politics.

At the request of Mayor Lane, Joseph D. Meyer has tendered his resignation as a member of the park board. In a written communication, received by Mr. Meyer yesterday morning, the Mayor asked that he sever his connection with the board, in compliance with which a letter was addressed by Mr. Meyer to the Mayor a few hours later. The Mayor in his letter assigned no reason for his action, which came as a complete surprise to the recipient. Mayor Lane said last night that he believed, in asking for the resignation, he was serving the best interests of the city, as he did not consider Mr. Meyer fully efficient for the position which he held.

Mr. Meyer had served two years on the park board prior to the adoption of

LEAVES PARK BOARD.



J. D. Meyer.

the present charter. When that went into effect he was appointed by Mayor Williams for a term of four years, which he served up to the time of his resignation yesterday. He has at all times been one of the most active members of the board, and has worked perhaps harder to bring about the beautifying of the present parks than any other one man. Because of his efforts in this line, the request of Mayor Lane came as the greater surprise to the friends of Mr. Meyer.

"I realize that Mr. Meyer has worked hard for the park system," said Mayor Lane last night, "but I do not consider that his efforts have been directed along the right line. In getting up reports in summer and planning grounds for children. For this reason I wish to surround myself with those whose ideas are in harmony with my own. I have nothing personal against Mr. Meyer, and it is for this reason alone that I have asked his resignation."

The letter from the Mayor asking the resignation was written Saturday, but was not mailed until Monday and was received by Mr. Meyer yesterday morning. It follows:

Mr. Joseph D. Meyer, Portland, Or.—Dear Sir: For some time I have felt that it was my duty to request that you tender your resignation as a member of the Park Board of this city and at this time you will kindly do so. I will esteem it a great favor. Very respectfully yours,

HARRY LANE, Mayor.

After the receipt of the letter, Mr. Meyer immediately complied with the request in the following reply:

Hon. Harry Lane, Mayor of Portland—Dear Sir: I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your favor of the 9th inst., received this A. M., and to assure you that it affords me pleasure to comply with your request, and in pursuance thereof I hereby tender to you my resignation as a member of the Park Board of this city, to take effect at once. Yours very truly,

J. D. MEYER.

The request of Mayor Lane came as a complete surprise to me," said Mr. Meyer last night. "I have nothing to say in regard to it except that I have complied with his wish. I have always felt an interest in the work of the board and have tried to do my duty as one of the members. Of course I realize that I differ from the Mayor in the matter of politics."

The friends of Mr. Meyer declare that he is one of the most valuable men to the city that ever served on the board, and that the action of the Mayor is due to political differences. They point to the fact that Mr. Meyer is a staunch Republican and that he was appointed by a Republican Mayor. They say it is undoubtedly the motive that has prompted the Mayor to get him off the board.

"It is true," said Mayor Lane, that Mr. Meyer did not sympathize with my candidacy for Mayor and has not been in harmony with my administration. This, however, was not the cause of my asking his withdrawal from the board. If this had been the reason, I should have asked him to resign when I first came into office."

Mr. Meyer has been very active in connection with the city administration prior to the election of Mayor Lane. He has served as a member of the executive board and acted upon the police committee. His superior on the park board has not yet been appointed.

Railroad Office Changes.
W. H. Ormsby, tracing clerk in the Northern Pacific freight office, has been appointed traveling freight agent, the appointment taking effect February 15. He will fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Sidney J. H. French, who has accepted the position of assistant chief clerk in the general traffic offices of the Harriman lines.

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10-lb. sack Graham Flour.....	23c	Gal. Log Cabin Maple Syrup.....	\$1.25	1/2 can Lowmeyer's Cocoa.....	20c
10-lb. sack Whole Wheat Flour, on sale at, sack.....	25c	Half gallon Log Cabin Maple Syrup, on sale at.....	67c	1/2 can Ghirardelli's Cocoa.....	20c
10-lb. sack Pastry Flour at.....	30c	Gal. Gold Medal Maple Syrup.....	90c	Griffon's Asparagus Tips.....	25c
10-lb. sack Cornmeal, sack.....	25c	Log Cabin Pinch Syrup.....	25c	21 lbs. Granulated Sugar.....	\$1.00
10-lb. sack Farina, at, sack.....	35c	3 cans Campbell's Soups at.....	25c	1-lb. can Walter Baker's Powdered Chocolate.....	28c
1-lb. Royal Baking Powder.....	40c	3 cans Griffin's Soups at.....	25c	1 lb. Ghirardelli's Powdered Chocolate, pound.....	30c
50-lb. sack "Victor" Flour, none better at any price, at.....	\$1.10	3 cans Gold Dust Tomatoes.....	25c	3 cans Pioneer Cream for.....	25c
10-lb. box Maco Vermicelli.....	45c	2 3-lb. cans Solid Pack Tomatoes, on sale for.....	25c	6 pkgs. Birds Eye Matches.....	25c
2 cans Blue Ribbon Oysters.....	25c	C. & B. Malt Vinegar for.....	25c	2 pkgs. Seeded Raisins at.....	25c
Libby's Veal or Ham Loaf.....	10c	2 jars Sayles' Smoked Herring, on sale at.....	25c	2-lb. can Sliced Pineapple.....	15c
3 cans Babbitt's Lye at.....	25c	1/2 can Libby's Smoked Herring, on sale at.....	10c	Durkee's Salad Dressing at.....	10c
2 pkgs. Toasted Corn Flakes.....	25c			All Naptha Soap, the bar.....	5c
3 cans Smith's Kipperd.....	50c			3 cakes of Wool Soap at.....	25c
Herring, on sale at.....	50c			1-lb can Shrimps at, can.....	10c

Judge Ballinger Will Make a Full Hand

New Commissioner of General Land Office Sure to Add Strength to National Administration

BY ARTHUR A. GREENE.

Old A. number of years I've had an overwhelming desire to meet a man who had actually been pursued by a public. Regularly each Spring—when the candidates bloom tra la la. I've been informed by various aspiring politicians, with an eye to the leaves and fishes, that numerous friends and taxpayers were urging them to run for certain offices, or to seek diverse and sundry appointments. It has always been an occasion for mirth and hilarity with me for I never believed that the office sought the man, however much, I might approve the academic theory. Yesterday, however, I met the man whose name I have heard so much of.

His name is Richard A. Ballinger and he hails from that obstreperous rival town Seattle, of which he was some time Mayor, and for several years a prominent and properly respected citizen, in spite of the fact that he was Mayor.

Judge Ballinger, as is of common knowledge, has just been named as Commissioner of the General Land Office in spite of his efforts to side-step the place. He is now on his way to Washington City, where he will assume his new duties on March 4 and he tarried for the day at the Portland Hotel yesterday, where it was his good fortune to meet him. He is the type of man who accomplishes things—energetic but deliberate, well-poised, confident, inquiring, with a conservatism born of years of varied experience on the bench and at the bar.

Judge Ballinger is still on the sunny side of life. He is already quite gray in the matter of mustache and hair. He came to the Northwest in 1890 and has been closely identified with the state of Washington since that time. He was elected Judge of the Superior Court and his opinions are held as models among the legal fraternity of the state. He codified the laws of Washington in a comprehensive form that his code is accepted generally as wellnigh a perfect arrangement.

In 1897 he removed to Seattle, his term as Judge having expired, where he entered the practice of the law, the style of his firm being Ballinger & Battle. He very soon became a leader of the Seattle bar and built up a lucrative practice. In 1904 he was elected Mayor of the city, his term having expired last Spring. His career as an officialholder is limited to three public positions. First as City Attorney of New Desatur, Ala., in the latter "Sey" Judge of the Superior Court of Washington, and Mayor of Seattle. He isn't a politician and office-seeking has been his last consideration. These three jobs came to him naturally because he wanted him, just as President Roosevelt and Secretary Garfield, that is to be wanted him at the head of the Government land department.

The Judge's father, "Dad" Ballinger, who read law in Abraham Lincoln's office and was a leading abolitionist before the Civil War, removed with his family to Western Kansas in the early '50s. The new Commissioner grew up in the atmosphere of the frontier, which had its margin at Larned then—before Dodge City and Bat Masterson figured on the map.

Later the young man was sent to a freshwater college at Topeka, and still later to Williams College, where he graduated in 1884. At Williams he was a schoolmate of James R. Garfield, who is soon to become Secretary of the Interior. A committee composed of Plowden, Stott, Coach Jimmy Langen and Dr. Frank Algeil. This is the second year Fenton has won the cup, and he may become the permanent possessor of the trophy by winning it again next year.

at Chicago, and after practicing for a number of years at Kansas City, he went to Alabama. He has been a consistent Republican during all the years of his manhood, having in many campaigns resigned his loyalty to the party which his father helped to organize.

It is an absolute fact that the Judge took the Commissionership under pressure. It might almost be said under duress. When originally offered the place by the President he declined; later Mr. Garfield wired him at the request of Mr. Roosevelt to reconsider and he asked for time to think it over. Then Mr. Roosevelt sent him a telegram 150 words long calling him to the post and urging him to serve as a matter of duty.

Now, Judge Ballinger had a law practice worth several times the \$5000 per annum which the Commissioner of the General Land Office takes down from the National treasury. Being also a man of sundry other business interests, under that place on the directorate of the Scandinavian-American Bank of Seattle, and having much substance at stake, he did some high and lofty thinking. But the credit to Mr. Roosevelt has found another man who will make a full hand at the work of righteously conducting the Nation's business.

During his brief stay in Portland,

CONTRACTORS WANT PAY FOR PORT OF COLUMBIA

Demand Pay for Street Work From St. Johns Council.

Recorder Thorndyke was instructed by the St. Johns Council at the meeting last night to proceed at once with the collection of all delinquent street assessments. G. J. Perkins, representing the street contractors, was present, and demanded that the contractors be paid their money, for which they had been waiting for some time.

A resolution was passed expressing the sympathy of the Council to the widow on the death of City Engineer William Wordsworth Goodrich, and the Recorder was instructed to convey the expression from the Council to her.

A proposition was received to fix the license and regulate the plumbing business in St. Johns, the object being to protect local plumbers from outside plumbers. It was decided to invite the plumbers of the town to submit an ordinance embodying their views at the next meeting of the Council.

On motion the St. Johns Transportation Company was granted an extension of time to April 15, in which to complete its ferry-bus now under construction. By its franchise the company was to have the boat finished by April 1, but bad weather made this impossible.

Extension of Richmond street is still held up by Mrs. Nancy Caples until such time as the Council rescinds all former proceedings. When this has been done, Mrs. Caples will give a deed to a right of way through her property. The former proceedings have a jog in the street, but to this she objects.

FOR PORT OF COLUMBIA

Chamber of Commerce Committees to Boost at Salem.

The Chamber of Commerce will send its rivers and harbors and navigation committee, together with such other members as are interested, to Salem tonight to attend a meeting of the delegations in the Legislature from Columbia, Clatsop and Multnomah Counties, who meet to consider the bill now pending providing for the formation of a port of the Columbia. This movement was started by the Chamber of Commerce to improve the towage and pilage service in the river between Portland and the sea. The bill has been referred to the members of the Legislature from the three counties interested and they have asked the Chamber of Commerce committees to attend and explain the bill.

LOOT MILLS COLLEGE SAFE

Robbers Capture Night Guard and Get Away With \$160.

OAKLAND, Cal., Feb. 12.—The safe in the Mills College was broken open last night by three men who secured about \$150 and made their escape. When they approached the building they captured the night watchman, threw him into a clump of bushes and warned him to keep quiet. He was too badly frightened to give the alarm until the burglars had disappeared.

SADDLERY MEN MEET.

Annual Convention of Northwest Is Now in Session in Portland.

The Wholesale Saddlery Association of the Northwest, representing the principal wholesale saddlery and saddlery houses of this section, is holding its annual convention in this city. The session was inaugurated with a banquet at the Portland last night at which 28 covers were laid. Otto Breyman acted as toastmaster, and toasts were responded to by George Law-

rence, Jr., Charles P. Mastin, A. H. Breyman, A. M. Cronin, Jr., and John Clarke, all of this city; L. Lichtenberg, of Los Angeles; G. Kompe, of San Francisco; John J. Wertner, of San Francisco; Mr. Van Vorhes, of Sacramento.

Commencing this morning the regular business meetings of the association will be held in Parlor G, Portland Hotel until Thursday. All the leading harness and saddlery firms on the Coast are represented.

WILL REPORT IN FEW DAYS

Board of Arbitration in Car Strike Not Yet Agreed.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 12.—The Board of Arbitration, which has been considering the demands of the carmen, met this afternoon and Chief Justice Beatty, one of the arbitrators, announced that the decision of the umpires will probably be handed down in a few days. Judge Beatty stated that he is now at work preparing the work of the committee, but that he will not be able to complete it before the committee has finally decided upon certain points.

These points are generally believed to be in regard to the settlement of hours and wages for the platform men, upon which point the members of the Board are known to be divided.

City Baseball League Formed.

The Portland City Baseball League, which was formed Monday night, is composed of six teams, each of which has made a deposit to guarantee that it will play through the entire season. The constitution and by-laws of the National Baseball League were adopted, and they will be followed as nearly as possible by the local league.

Mutnomah Club has entered the organization, and Manager Eastman, of the club team, is vice-president of the league. H. K. Smith was elected secretary, and C. A. Partlow treasurer. No one was elected president, as the managers could not agree on any person. It is probable that the old Lewis and Clark Exposition grounds will be used by the teams.

Those who practice economy should buy Carter's Little Liver Pills. Forty pills in a vial; only one pill a dose.

CRIES AND SOBS ALL NIGHT

MRS. T. W. TAYLOR IS RELEASED FROM JAIL ON \$2000 BAIL.

Mrs. Wilson still declares she will prosecute her husband and Mrs. Taylor on the statutory charge she preferred against them Monday afternoon, despite efforts by some of his friends to dissuade her, and in the Municipal Court yesterday morning, the would-be elopers were held for preliminary hearing tomorrow.

Both were committed to the County Jail in default of bail. Lawyers B. S. Pague and N. D. Simon have been engaged by the defense.

It is said that Wilson, who is the father of three little children, whom he deserted to flee with Mrs. Taylor, has spent large sums in recent weeks entertaining Mrs. Taylor. Where he secured this money is not known.

At police headquarters, Mrs. Wilson, who confronted him immediately after his arrest, accused him of stealing money, but he made no reply.

"You stole money, you wretch, to buy wine and dresses for that woman there," he shouted Mrs. Wilson at her husband as he stood at the desk at headquarters, waiting to be locked up. "But you left me and those three little children penniless, after kissing each one and saying you had business that would take you out of the city a few days."

It developed yesterday that Mrs. Wilson had suspected her husband's infatuation for Mrs. Taylor for some time, and that she had placed the case in the hands of a local detective agency. At headquarters, she loudly cried to him that she had documentary evidence he had lived with Mrs. Taylor several weeks under the name of Davis. Wilson made no reply, but did Mrs. Taylor, who is a slight, frail woman, much in contrast with Mrs. Wilson in physical proportions.

DR. BROUGHER MAY GO EAST

Portland Pastor Plans to Attend the Annual Baptist Convention.

The prudential committee of the First Baptist Church will meet this evening to take up again the question of obtaining an assistant pastor for the White Temple. It will also discuss the question of Dr. J. Whitcomb Brougher's going to Washington, D. C., to attend the Northern Baptist anniversary, he being president of the Pacific Coast Baptist Convention, which includes five states on this Coast. He is also one of the members of the Baptist Educational Commission of the Pacific Coast.

"We expect to ask the educational society to give us \$5,000 for McMillinville College," said Dr. Brougher last night. "This organization has the disposition of the funds which Rockefeller has placed in its hands for the establishment of colleges in the United States. Of course if we obtain an appropriation it will necessitate our raising a large amount. If I go East I will endeavor to have the North Pacific Anniversaries held in Portland next year."

"The Southern Baptist Convention will be meeting at about the same time as the northern convention, about May 15, at Richmond, Va. As they will be through with their business about the same time, they will then meet in the North American Baptist Convention at Jamestown, Va. If I go East I will probably visit New York, Jamestown, Patterson, N. J., and Chattanooga, Tenn., these being my former pastorate."

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Beef Shoulder Steak	8c	Sausage	10c	Our Own Breakfast Bacon	17 1/2c
Beef Pot Roast	8c	Veal Shoulder Roast.....	10c	Beef Tongues, each	45c
Veal Stew	8c	Veal Breast	10c	Beef Ro'd Rib Roast.....	12 1/2c
Soup Bones	2 1/2c	Beef Prime Rib Roast.....	10c	Lamb Sh'lder Chops.....	12 1/2c
Beef Plates	5c	Beef Round Steak.....	10c	Extra Choice Porterhouse Steak with a large Tenderloin	15c
Beef Brisket	5c	Lamb Frontquarters	10c	Veal Loin Roast	15c
Hearts	5c	Lamb Shoulders	10c	Veal Loin Outlets	15c
Beef Necks	5c	Our Own Pure Lard.....	12c		
Beef Stew	5c	Lamb Loin Roast	15c		
Pickled Pork	12 1/2c	Lamb Rib Roast	15c		
Leg of Veal	12 1/2c	Legs of Lamb	15c		

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