

PROBE OF COUNTY COURT TO BE DEEP

Special Committee and Judge Cleeton Hold Conference Concerning Inquiry.

EXPERT TO BE WELL PAID

Members of Court to Appear Before Investigators and Explain Doings Under Fire—Affairs of Several Years Questioned.

Accompanied by A. F. Willey, an expert accountant, members of the special committee appointed by Governor West at the instance of the East Side Business Men's Club to investigate the affairs of the County Court, called on County Judge Cleeton and Commissioner Lightner and Hart yesterday morning to discuss the scope of the proposed investigation and ways and means of commencing it.

It was decided that Mr. Willey will be paid \$15 a day for his services and that he will report his findings to the committee, composed of C. W. Hodson, A. A. Cunningham and A. F. Miller, and that the committee will frame a report from it. Mr. Willey, who was designated by Governor West to assist the committee, will work under the direct supervision of the committee.

At the request of County Judge Cleeton the right was reserved for the members of the County Court to appear before the committee and explain under oath any matters which may seem hazy and at the suggestion of Judge Cleeton, the attendance of other witnesses who may be able to assist the investigation by testimony will be asked. The committee has its members agreed, no power to compel the attendance of witnesses by subpoena, but Judge Cleeton declares that he anticipates no difficulty in securing desired testimony.

Inquiry to Be Exhaustive.

As to the scope of the inquiry it was decided that it will cover all the points on which the County Court has been criticized. These include the construction of the courthouse, the fees paid the architects, the furnishing of the buildings at Multnomah Park, the system of keeping check on road expenditures, the efficiency displayed in the conduct of the various county institutions, the sale of the county lands, and the sale purchase of other properties. Certain phases of the investigation, it is expected, will extend back eight years, to the time when Commissioner Lightner assumed office.

In answer to questions Judge Cleeton informed the members of the committee that it has not been the habit of the County Court, until quite recently, to keep detailed minutes of its sessions. Succeeding County Courts had found it impractical, he said, to keep a record of all instructions given to supervisors, who, however, turn in each month a sworn statement of the amount of labor and material employed and purchased made. The committee says it will examine the Journal records of only important transactions, Judge Cleeton said. Large matters are handled by contract, he informed the committee, and copies of all contracts may be found in the records.

Ready Men to Testify.

It was understood that expert real estate men will be called to give testimony relative to the value of the gravel pit, which was sold to Moss Block for \$2,910, and sold by him to Robert Shaw, clerk of the County Court, for \$2250. Judge Cleeton referred to the gravel pit sale as a transaction of which the members of the County Court are not proud.

"Of course," said Mr. Hodson, "it would be unfair to hold the present County Court responsible for unwise contracts which may have been entered into by its predecessors and carried out after but I believe that the present County Court would be culpable had it continued inefficient systems, and that without regard to how far back their inauguration given to supervisors."

Because the County Court has been criticized in an evening newspaper for permitting the Sheriff and County Clerk to deposit money in their personal accounts in banks and draw interest upon it, Judge Cleeton requested that the committee go into this subject and report upon it in the legal rights of the County Court are with respect to such money. The Judge said that the County Court has absolutely nothing to do with it.

FISHERMEN RAISE CRY

Extension of Angling Limit is Opposed by Oregon City.

Oregon City fishermen, accompanied by their attorney, W. S. U'Ren, appeared before the State Board of Fish and Game Commission Monday and entered a protest against the proposed extension of an order of the Commission extending the dead line for net fishing in the Willamette River to 600 feet below the falls, down the river to the suspension bridge, or over three times the distance specified in the law.

At the request of the fishermen, the Commission agreed not to attempt to enforce its order until the members of the Board could visit Oregon City, investigate conditions in the river, and adjust the situation with due consideration to the rights of the fishermen and at the same time conserve the fishing industry on the Willamette and its tributaries.

One month ago the Commission issued an order making the closed season for salmon fishing on the Willamette conform to the closed season on the Columbia River. At the same time the Commission proposed to extend the dead line for net fishing at Oregon City from the statutory 600 feet below the falls to the suspension bridge, a distance of about 2000 feet down the river. This part of the Commission's order was made under that provision of the law which empowers the Commission, independent of specific legislative enactment, to close any stream entirely to fishing at its pleasure when such an order is deemed expedient for protecting the salmon industry.

The order of the commission changing the dead line for fishing purposes at Oregon City has not been enforced," said George H. Kelly, a member of the commission. "It has only been suggested. Our idea in proposing an extension in the dead line in the Willamette River at that point is to give salmon an improved opportunity for reaching the fish ladder at the falls and ascend the Willamette and its tributaries."

"It is the intention of the members of the commission next week to visit Oregon City and personally inspect the

river and conditions existing there with reference to the operations of the fishermen. It is the opinion of the members of the commission that as long as fishermen are permitted to cast their nets within 600 feet of the falls it is virtually impossible for any great number of salmon to reach the falls and ascend the ladder to the upper river and its tributaries."

CAPT. HINKLE TO DEPART

Artillery Officer Transferred to Corps at Fort Columbia, Wash.

In accordance with special orders issued by the War Department, Captain Francis M. Hinkle, Coast Artillery Corps, who was assigned recently to service with the Coast Artillery Reserve of Oregon, has been relieved from duty and will be assigned to the Thirty-third Company, Coast Artillery Corps, stationed at Fort Columbia, Wash. Captain Hinkle will be succeeded by Captain Robert W. Collins, Coast Artillery Corps, who has

HAINES' WIFE PROVES BEST SWELTER

LET, "THE COWARD."



Mrs. Robert T. Haines (Esther Van Eytlinge).

Esther Van Eytlinge (Mrs. Robert T. Haines), who is appearing with her husband at the Orpheum in the two-act play, "The Coward," is related to Ross Eytlinge, the noted actress, who died in New York recently. This week is her tenth in vaudeville. She is a sister of Isaac Lobe Strauss, a famous financier, and a cousin of the late Senator Maryland, who was a nominated twice for the Governorship of that state. Mrs. Haines also is a cousin of United States Senator Lawrence of Maryland. She and Mr. Haines were married 15 months ago in Baltimore, where the actress was prominent in society. Mrs. Haines declares he selected his wife from four actresses to play the part of sweetheart in "The Coward" because she portrayed the role naturally and with perfect ease, while her competitors for the place insisted upon being noisy in the quiet but telling part.

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Occupying Entire City Block—Bounded by Morrison, Alder, Tenth and West Park Sts.

Wednesday Is "Basement Day"

This morning our doors will open upon the greatest bargain event that has been offered to the thrifty women and men of Portland for many a day. The big Basement "Underprice Store" will be the scene of the feast. Tables will be laid for thousands; we want you to come.

Women's White Waists 98c

In the Basement "Underprice Store." There is room in every wardrobe for one or two of these Waists. Hundreds of shrewd women will profit by this offering of this season's styles in Waists made in the popular shirt style, with fancy embroidered fronts with white, stiff cuffs and collars. Are made of a fine linen material, which looks like linen and launders perfectly; sizes 34 to 44 bust. Priced exceedingly low this sale, your choice only 98c

House Dresses 98c

In the basement "underprice store," a sale of women's House Dresses, made of fine quality gingham in a new and attractive range of styles and patterns in all good colors. Priced special for only 98c

Petticoats 59c

In the basement "underprice store" an all-day sale of women's Gingham Petticoats of unusual quality in plain colors and in neat striped patterns, styled with plain embroidered flounces. All are good colors, 59c in assorted lengths. Special for this sale, ea. 59c

Children's \$6 Coats \$3.48

In the Basement "Underprice Store" a sale of children's smart, new, Spring Coats, made up of medium weight cheviot, black and white checks and mixtures, in such good staple colors as navy, brown, black and white and gray, they are well made and trimmed in contrasting colors, braids and fancy buttons, sizes 6 to 14 years, regular \$6.00 grades special at this sale \$3.48

Dress Gingham Special, Yd. 7c

In the basement "underprice store," a one-day sale of splendid quality Dress Gingham, in a large assortment of patterns, stripes, checks and plaids, light or dark colors, for making women's house dresses, aprons 7c and little girls' dresses. Special for this sale, yd. 7c

Outing Flannel 3 1/2c

In the basement "underprice store," a rare offering of good quality Outing Flannel in splendid colors and small, neat checked patterns, suitable for kimonos, nightgowns, underwear and children's 3 1/2c

Huck Towels 6 1/2c

In the basement "underprice store," an all-day sale of splendid quality cotton Huck Towels, size 16x32 inches, with colored borders, suitable for home use; especially good for hotels and rooming-houses; price, 6 1/2c

12 1/2c Draperies at 9c

Here's a rare good opportunity to save on drapery materials. In this lot we group 3500 yards of dotted swiss, in white, striped swiss in white, cream and eery, printed madras in beautiful floral patterns and deep rich colorings. Full 36 inches wide. Good 12 1/2c grades, offered special for this sale, yard, only 9c

Men's 50c Underw'r 35c

In the basement "underprice store," a sale of men's fine cotton Underwear in the medium weight for Spring wear. Fine close-ribbed cotton, neatly made and finished. A complete range of sizes. Excellent 50c grades, offered special for this sale at 35c

'Notion Day' Bargain Circle Main Floor

Wednesday is the day when dressmakers and thrifty housekeepers lay in their supplies of notions and small wares. Today's offerings are unusual. Take advantage. Collar Stays, the "Airlite," in black or white; our regular 10c grade, special, 7c a dozen, ea. only 4c

- Eksosilk Collar Stays, 40c dozen, or, ea., only 4c
- Spool Cotton, 6-cord, white or black, all numbers, regular 5c grade, offered special for this sale at 4c
- Darning Cotton, 2 1/2c grade, white or black, only 1c
- Shoe Laces, 4-4, regular 3 pairs 10c, at 6 pairs 10c
- Basting Cotton, 500 yards, 5c grade, special at 4c
- Hair Nets, all shades, on special sale at 5 for 10c
- Coat Hangers, regular 5c grades, special, 2 for 5c
- Hair Rolls, all shades, regular 35c grades, at 25c
- Skirt Hangers, wood or nickel, regular 15c grade, 9c
- Hose Supporters, regular 50c grades, special, 29c
- Skirt Markers, regular 25c grade, special, only 12c
- Hair Pins, wire, all sizes, 5c grade, sp/1, 2 for 5c
- Pins, 400 to the paper, regular 5c grades, only 2c
- English Twill Tape, regular 12c grade, special at 8c
- Pearl Buttons, 1 dozen on a card, 15c grade, 8c
- Ironing Wax, regular 15c dozen, special, only 10c
- 15c Dress Shields, sizes 2, 3 and 4, special for 8c
- 5c Buttons, black and colors, bone, special for 5c
- Hooks and Eyes, regular 5c grade, 2 cards for 5c
- 5c Dress Shields, silk, all sizes, special, only 19c
- 25c Oversleeves, special during this sale, pair, 17c
- 2c Featherstitch Braids, buy all you want for 7c

Hourly Sales Toilet Paper 4c

1000 Rolls on Sale 8 to 9 A. M. today, at the basement bargain circle, a great sale of 1000 rolls of Toilet Paper, two different grades, of fine "Egyptian Tissue" and "Waldorf," unusually good grades; large size rolls. Limit, 20 rolls to a customer, and none sold to merchants. Special, roll 4c

Women's Fancy Neckwear 25c Grades for 5c

9 to 10 A. M. today, at the basement bargain circle, a one-hour sale of hundreds of pieces of dainty Neckwear in fine lawn and lace effects in various attractive styles; stocks, jabots and side effects. Good grades, worth to 25c each, offered special for one hour only at, each 5c

Sale of Men's Work Shirts 50c Grade 39c

10 to 11 A. M. today, at the basement bargain circle, a monster sale of men's Negligee Shirts for the man who works; three styles in the lot, black sateen, blue chambray or black and white stripe drill; all good materials, cut full and long; sizes 14 1/2 to 17; one hour only 39c

Women's Handbags \$1.50 Grades 69c

11 A. M. to 12 today, at the basement bargain circle, a one-hour sale of genuine leather Handbags in assorted styles; some are leather-lined, fitted with strap handles and coin purses; are made strong and durable; good values at \$1.50 and \$1.75 each, special, only 69c

Sal Women's Union Suits Special, 25c

12 to 1 P. M. today, at the basement bargain circle, a rousing one-hour sale of women's Union Suits in the Spring weight, swiss-ribbed cotton, sleeveless, with loose knee; trimmed in lace, all sizes in the lot. Purchases are limited to 4 suits to a customer. Special, the suit 25c

Women's \$5 Hats for \$1.95

1 to 2 P. M. today, at the basement bargain circle, a sale of beautiful new tailored Hats, 150 in the lot, which we bought at our own price; hardly two alike. A sample line of all new Spring styles, just such as you are looking for. We offer them during this one hour at less than the cost of material alone; to say nothing of the making; worth to \$5, only \$1.95

1500 Yards of Fancy Silks \$1.25 Grades 53c

2 to 3 P. M. today, at the basement bargain circle, a sale of 1500 yards of beautiful fancy Silks in checks and stripes, splendid patterns and good color combinations, suitable for dresses, waists, trimmings, etc.; standard widths and excellent qualities at \$1.00 and \$1.25 a yard, offered special at only the yard 53c

Women's Corsets Reduced \$1.00 Grades 55c

3 to 4 P. M. today, at the basement bargain circle, a sensational sale of women's Corsets—three styles in the lot; all new Spring models, made of good quality German coutil with medium hip and bust; fitted with four hose supporters. Perfect-fitting, reliable corsets, sizes 18 to 30; well worth \$1 a pair, special, only 55c

Child's 51 Dresses 55c

4 to 5 P. M. today, at the basement bargain circle, a sale of 500 children's Dresses and Middy Blouses; dresses sizes 2 to 6, made in attractive styles, of good quality gingham, in plain colors or checks and stripes. The blouses are size 6 to 14. In three attractive styles, made of good materials in plain blue, tan or white. All are good grades at \$1.00; special price, ea. 55c

25 Pcs. Curtain Scrim 20c Grade 12c

5 to 6 P. M. today, at the basement bargain circle, a sale of 25 pieces of plain Scrim, excellent quality, 36 inches wide, in white, cream or eery, suitable for curtains and many other 12c purposes. A good 25c quality, the yard 12c

Sale Trimmed Hats \$7.50 Grades \$3.95

In the Basement "Underprice Store." For today we offer the first splendid sale of Women's Trimmed Hats—a big sample line, which we bought at about half the regular prices. All are good styles and colors the season's most wanted kinds; an assortment so broad that every taste may be satisfied; beautiful combinations of colors, pleasing shapes of frames; hats which if bought in the regular way would sell up to \$7.50 each. For today's selling only we price them at \$3.95



\$4 Hat Shapes \$1.95

To those clever women who trim their own hats, or who go to our milliners to have their own ideas carried out, we offer a complete sample line of hat shapes which we bought at very advantageous prices. The most desirable styles, small, medium and large; worth regular \$4 each, special for this sale \$1.95

Wire Frames at 25c

A sale of wire Hat Frames in black and white; all the most wanted shapes for making the new Spring hats. Offered special at only, each 25c

Hat Braids 59c Piece

In the basement "underprice store," sale of 400 pieces of Straw Braid in 10 and 12-yard pieces, fine or coarse straw; black, white, colors; piece 59c

52-n. Broadcloth Special Yd. 98c

In the Basement "Underprice Store," a sale of all wool broadcloth full 52 inches wide and made from fine wool yarns; it will tailor nicely into Suits, Coats, Skirts etc., and will give perfect satisfaction to the wearer, colors are brown, tan, gray, light or dark navy, red, garnet, green, champagne and black, a most extraordinary cloth, priced specially for this sale 98c only, at the low price of, yard 98c

5000 Yards Ribbon 1 1/2 to 3 Inch—Yd. 5c

A sensational offering of 5000 yards of all-silk Ribbon, splendid quality of silk taffeta, soft chiffon finish, 1 1/2 to 3 inches wide; black, white and colors; specially priced for Wednesday's sale only, yard 5c

75c Flouncings 33c

These are the making-up days for Summer, and far-sighted women are doing their sewing now. We specialize for today only a beautiful line of 27-inch Flouncings in scores of new dainty patterns, in fine, soft swiss muslin, worth up to 75c yd. 33c

Misses' Union Suits Special at 25c

In the basement "underprice store," a sale of misses' fine ribbed Union Suits in the Spring weight, loose knee, trimmed with lace, sleeveless; sizes 14 to 18 years. Special for Wednesday only at 25c

Nazareth Waists 11c

This offer for Wednesday only in the basement. Children's Nazareth Waists in medium weight for Spring and Summer; sizes 2 to 13 years. Every mother knows what these waists sell for regular. We specialize for the Wednesday's sale at only, ea. 11c

Boys' Negligee Shirts 39c

In the basement "underprice store," a sale of boys' Negligee Shirts in four different styles, blue, chambray and percale, in neat stripe patterns and plain line, in cream or tan, or fine black sateen. Sizes 12 to 14. Our best regular 50c qualities, special 39c

Groceries

- 50c Tea, Unco'd Japan, Gunpowder or Ceylon, 35c
- Bacon, best English style, special, the pound, 15c
- Hams, Eastern sugar-cured, special, a pound, 15c
- Raisins, Muscatel, off stalk, special, 3 1/2 pounds 25c
- Shoulders "Picnic Hams," special, the pound, 11c
- Pink Beans, extra special at five pounds for 25c
- Outsp Blue Label, offered special, a bottle, 18c
- Laundry Soap, offered special at 11 bars for 25c
- Babbitt's Cleanser, special for this sale, 3 cans, 10c
- Butter, "O. W. K. Special," 2-pound squares, 72c
- Pineapple, graded, regular 20c can, special for 15c
- Corn Starch, special for this sale, 3 cans for 25c
- Milk—Jersey Queen, Holly, or Yelohan; special price, 85c a dozen, or two cans at 15c
- \$1 Enameled Ware 49c
- Blue and white Enameled Ware, four-coated, white lined, with seamless bottoms, on sale in the basement today. The lot comprises 1-quart coffee pots, 17-quart dish pans, 2-quart coffee pots, 3-quart coffee pots, 4-quart sauce pans and covers, 5-quart sauce pans and covers, 6-quart sauce pans and covers, 5-quart kettles, 6-quart kettles, 14-quart dish pans; good values to \$1.00 each, for 49c
- \$1.75 Clothes Hampers at Only 75c
- Good strong willow. On sale for one day only.
- 25c Dishes for 10c
- Extra specials in fancy decorated China dessert plates, fruit saucers, oatmeal dishes, spice jars, hot-pot holders, pin trays, spoon trays, fern dishes, small jardiniere, cups and saucers, cake plates, salts and peppers, bon bon dishes, souvenir plates, toothpick holders, egg cups, bread and butter plates, pie plates, etc., worth to 25c; your choice 10c