

WASHERS REPORT

Trust Committee Fears Recall by Court.

END FURNITURE HEARINGS

Dealers Oppose Dropping of Investigation at This Time, as They Wish to Show There Is No Combine.

Investigation into the alleged furniture trust by a special committee of three of the Council will probably be completed this week. A meeting will be held at the City Hall at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning, at which several prominent furniture dealers will testify. It seems likely that other meetings will occur this week, and that the committee will be ready to formulate its report by Saturday.

Report at Next Session.

It is said to be the intention of the special committee to make matters as much as possible, while its report is in the hands of the Council. It is, therefore, presumed that the members of the committee will try to complete the investigation of the furniture trade before the next Council meeting. Councilman Vaughn, Democrat and a staunch supporter of Mayor Lane, is chairman of the special investigating committee, and Councilman Concanon, Democrat and Lane addressee, is another member; Councilman Baldwin, a Republican and author of the anti-trust ordinance under which the committee is operating, is the third member. Vaughn is the majority faction of the Council, and is, therefore, virtually without power on the committee, as the two Lane supporters can outvote the majority matter that comes up in the committee. The majority faction of the Council has determined to wipe out all committees appointed by the Mayor and to prevent the naming of others. They say that if the Mayor desires peace, he should recognize the majority and appoint some of its members as advisory to his special committees. Mayor Lane, however, smiles at such a suggestion and continues to place in charge those upon whom he can depend. Councilman Concanon is hence, virtually without power. He has been declared against him and his political followers in the Council minority. They are to be left without power if the majority members can do so by their votes.

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Regarding the intention of the majority of the Council to withdraw all special committees that are not to their liking, it is said that any attempt of the Council to abolish the special investigating committee will meet with strong objections from all of the prominent members of the furniture trade. It is said that the furniture dealers, wholesale and retail, will insist upon the completion of the investigation of their business, and that they will fight any efforts in the Council to recall the committee. They are to be left without power if the majority members can do so by their votes.

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KEEP THEM OUTSIDE CITY

Abattoirs Have No Place Inside the Limits, Says T. W. Vreeland.

PORTLAND, March 14.—(To the Editor.)—While all of our citizens are anxious to have the great Chicago packing concerns make investments in our city, and establish their plants here, it seems to me that it is against the policy of the city to allow any of these concerns to establish their works inside of the city limits.

Everyone who has had any experience in towns where packing-houses are conducted knows that such plants are more or less objectionable as neighbors. As long as there is plenty of room outside of the city limits equivalent to rail and water facilities, there is no need for putting such plants inside of the city. On the other hand, if the City Council grants permission to build the proposed plant at the old Zimmerman packing-house in South Portland, it will have to grant the application of every other butcher in the city who desires to slaughter cattle within the city limits. Simply because the Schwarzschild & Sulzberger people have a great deal of money and are promising to spend it, is no reason why the city can discriminate. A small man is entitled to the same consideration as a large one. Other cities have been making strenuous efforts to drive the packing-houses outside of the town limits. After a long siege Seattle has just succeeded in getting the Frye-Brush concern outside of that city. Los Angeles has had the same prob-

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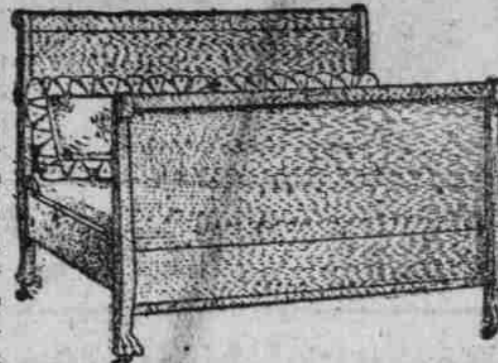
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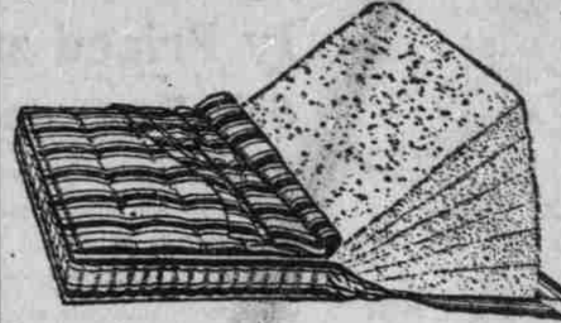
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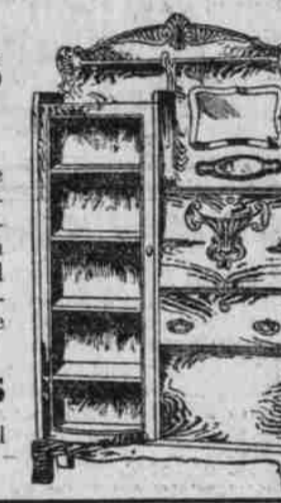
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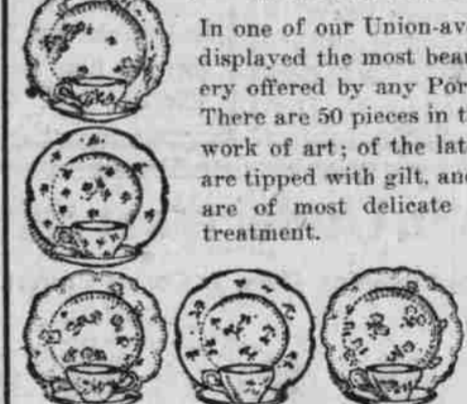
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