ALTON PARKER LEADS LAWYERS

Distinguished Company Is Gathered at Meeting of Bar Association.

(Journal Special Service.)

Portland, Me., Aug. 26.—A distinguished company gathered this morning in the City hall to attend the thirtieth annual meeting of the American bar association. Included among those present were many noted jurists and men who have served their state and nation in the highest official positions.

When 10 o'clock arrived, the hour appointed for the opening session, several hundred members, representing the pick and flower of the legal profession and every section of the country sat before the platform as President Alton B. Parker, of New York, erect, dignified and kindly-featured, appeared. He invited to the rostrum Ambassador Bryce, who is to deliver the annual address, and several others of the most famous members of the assemblage.

After expressing appreciation of the cordial welcome extended to the association by Portland, President Parker delivered his annual address, which was masterly in its logical construction and and perspicuous diction, and which was followed with the closest attention. His survey of the recent enactments of congress and of the legislative bodies of the several states interested his listeners extremely. His keen raillery at some apparent incongruities and absurdities of certain statutes provoked frequent merriment, while his learned, yet sometimes caustic analysis and comments upon more serious measures seemed to impress his professional brethren as judicial and comprehensive. It was a long paper, but the scholarly character of the address, and the bright humorous flashes which relieved the long review of state legislation served to induce patience and promote good nature among the listening lawyers.

Following President Parker's address came reports from Secretary John Hinkley of Baltimore, Treasurer Frederick E. Wadhams of New York and of the executive committee, which were of interest only to the members of the association. No general session of the association was held this afternoon, but there were meetings of the Association of American Law schools and of several of the sections.

Two interesting features have been provided for tonight's session of the association. Charles F. Amidson, United States district judge for the district of North Dakota, will present a paper on "The Nation and the Constitution," and Charles Prouty of Vermont, member of the interstate commerce commission, will be heard on the subject, "A Department of Railways; Its Legal Necessity."

DOCUMENT CLERK HAD WONDERFUL MEMORY

Death of Amzi Smith Great Loss to Senate Chamber of United States.

(Journal Special Service.)

Washington, Aug. 26.—Amzi Smith, superintendent of the senate document room for 40 years, who died at his home in Washington Saturday night, was personally known to every public man of a generation. He was gifted with a memory almost marvelous, which made him nearly indispensable. He systematized the office until he could in five minutes' notice recall any act of past legislation. He could supply any senator with information and frequently did so in the midst of running debates in which scurrying senate pages carried ammunition for both sides. He was a Union soldier in the civil war. He was so highly esteemed by congress that he was mentioned by name each year in the legislative, executive and judicial bill which carried the appropriation for his salary.

LIGHTNING HIT A SALEM HOUSE

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Salem, Or., Aug. 26.—The residence of George W. Gosser of West Salem, was damaged by lightning during the heavy thunder storm Saturday morning. A strip of about two feet on one side of the roof was torn in pieces. A rafter was shattered and the shingles and molding were torn off. At the eaves the lightning took the telephone wire and passed along it to the ground. The wire was burned in two but probably saved the house. No one was injured.

Wells, Fargo & Co. and the Pacific Express company move today to their new office in Wells, Fargo building, corner Sixth and Oak streets, and will be ready for business in their new quarters Monday morning.

LAND OFFICE DOOR OPENED AT NINE

Line at Roseburg Admitted After Patient Wait Since Thursday.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Roseburg, Or., Aug. 26.—The second rush for timber land at the United States land office here took place at 9 o'clock this morning, when the line of 16 weary applicants, some of whom had been in waiting since Thursday, were admitted to the office to file on the government land just thrown open for entry. To leave the line or go away without someone to hold one's place meant to lose it, and by this means several boys made good pocket money by holding places for some who went for meals at hotels. Others had their meals brought to them. Some came prepared with blankets, camp stools and chairs, and made themselves as comfortable as possible in the long wait of four or five days and nights.

The land office is in the upper story of the Caro block, and the stairway admitting people to the entrance is closed with folding doors, which has forced the timber seekers to camp outside on the sidewalk. They are lined up on Jackson street down to the corner of Washington.

Cruisers Say It's No Good.

Conspicuous in the line is S. J. Jones, commonly known around town as "Money Lender" Jones, who was relieving someone on Sunday, whether for pay or from the sympathetic feeling he had toward some poor suffering man who had so long to wait is not known.

The weather has been cool and a bonfire at night has been kept going to keep the landseekers warm.

But no matter if they have been so long in waiting they stand a chance of being rejected at the last moment, and some one who has just came in may get the desired claim.

Most of the land lies in Jackson county, and but small parcels in Douglas and Lane counties, and while there are many seekers after claims, the cruisers who know the land say there are only one or two good timber claims in the whole lot. But whether there is a million feet or only enough to build a cabin the land is taken up for timber, such is the demand.

LIST GROWS!

We Will Be Pleased to Take Home Bonds.

We, the undersigned, depositors and creditors of the Oregon Trust & Savings bank (closed), will be pleased to accept in full payment for our balances or accounts in that institution Home Telephone bonds of either issue, allowing the bank the regular price of par for bonds with 50 per cent stock bonus. This will give the bank a profit on its purchase and be highly satisfactory to the undersigned as we consider the bonds and stock at this price same as cash to us and a good investment and will allow us to quickly realize on our balances now in the Oregon Trust & Savings bank, (closed):

Pacific & Eastern R. R., on deposit	$156,500.00
Lloyd Smith, on deposit	940.00
Jefferson Myers, on deposit	3,500.00
B. Truby, on deposit	500.00
Ernestine Strandborg	Balance
James O'Brien, agent	Balance
F. A. Jones	Balance
Guy L. Johnson	Balance
Merritt G. Collins	394.00
C. H. Pierce	41.00
Mrs. Marion Gilbert	70.00
Miss Emma Hitsman	750.00
Julia Joham	11,100.00
N. S. Hanlef	600.00
Ethel Habighorst	300.00
Miss C. L. Prehn	50.00
Louis Wilde, on deposit	4,100.00
Tacoma Telephone company, on deposit	90,000.00
Omaha Independent Telephone company, on deposit	$20,000.00
Portland Home company, on deposit	2,500.00
James O'Brien, on deposit	285.00
Roberts & Co., on deposit	900.00
C. C. Craig, on deposit	925.00
L. W. Smeltzer, on deposit	625.00
E. R. Heckman, trustee, on deposit	14,000.00
Wilbur, attorney, on deposit	1,200.00
Annie K. Berridge, on deposit	55.00
John L. Day, on deposit	3,116.85
J. F. Greans, on deposit	150.00
A. H. Demks, on deposit	40.94
G. L. Allan, on deposit	50.00
N. N. Curtis, on deposit	100.00
F. Wyler, on deposit	110.00
L. M. Rutonic, on deposit	350.00
A. E. Burghays, on deposit	300.00
Fred Good, on deposit	30.00
A. L. Tetu, on deposit	200.00
D. C. Henny, on deposit	1,800.00
Haskel (Journal) on deposit	Balance
C. F. Fisher, on deposit	3,200.00
George E. Wagner, on deposit	200.00
Albert Freda, on deposit	50.00
Mark Roberts, trustee, on deposit	300.00
B. E. Clements, on deposit	360.00
Mrs. B. E. Clements, on deposit	100.00
Guy Frank, on deposit	50.00
J. Coyle, on deposit	137.00
Mrs. W. D. DeVarney, Albany, on deposit, balance	201.00
F. M. Coker Jr., on deposit	150.00
Fred Gavin, on deposit	120.00
Dr. Swensson, on deposit	Balance
R. A. Nielson, on deposit	Balance
Mrs. C. M. Lukenglile	755.00
Otto Herman	665.00
R. B. Condon	40.00
A. G. Roy	30.00
J. W. Boyer	528.00
Alex Sweek, trustee	1,240.00
Alex Sweek, personal	Balance
E. L. Sweek	Balance
Empire Electric Co.	12,000.00
W. B. Stewart	Balance
C. W. Muth	300.00
S. F. Fouts	Balance
Clements Syndicate on deposit	50,000.00
E. C. Erismann, on deposit	Balance
Thomas Gavin, on deposit	130.00
Dr. W. A. Cox, on deposit	Balance
F. S. Meacham, on deposit	400.00
Columbia Southern Irrigation company, on deposit	1,500.00
F. M. Colwell, on deposit	1,200.00
J. W. Walker, on deposit	525.00
J. W. Cullen, on deposit	400.00
L. K. Pearson, on deposit	742.00
William Cavanaugh, on deposit	470.68
L. B. Smith, on deposit	2,300.00
Edwin Coffman, on deposit	100.00
Mrs. E. L. Poulterer, on deposit	Balance
C. C. Brown, on deposit	1,000.00
W. Guy Jenkins	110.00
William Godfrey, on deposit	550.00
Dan Crossley	1,904.00
Robert Lee Ringer	153.50
J. J. Aschumander	Bal.
Judge G. H. Williams	975.00
F. A. English	40.00
J. O. Elrod	700.00
Jessie Moore	50.00
G. M. Frost	60.00
L. K. Moore	700.00
Moore-Frost Land Co.	908.23

WHEN EQUALIZATION BOARD SHALL MEET

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Salem, Or., Aug. 26.—An opinion has been given from the attorney-general's office in answer to an inquiry from F. S. Fields, county clerk of Multnomah county, in reference to the time of meeting of the board of equalization. He wished to know whether it should meet under the 1907 legislation or in the same time as it was previously accustomed to meet. The opinon was that the new law went into effect as soon as it was passed and therefore governs the time of the coming meeting. Under the new law the meeting will take place October 3.

DECEMBER FIFTEENTH IS DATE FLEET SAILS

Admiral Evans Ordered to Have Battleships Ready to Leave for Pacific.

(Journal Special Service.)

Washington, Aug. 26.—The president has issued official orders to the navy department to arrange all details of the forthcoming cruise of Admiral Evans' battleship fleet to the Pacific. This order has been issued with instructions that each head of a bureau be directed to take up a particular line of work in order that the 16 battleships may be in prime condition to start from Hampton Roads December 15.

Bureau chiefs will be expected to make estimates and report to the department. Provisions and supplies will be arranged and all possible attention will be given that everything be in readiness when Admiral Evans takes command early in December. Colliers carrying 150,000 tons of coal will accompany the fleet.

THREE WASHINGTON CONVICTS PAROLED

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Olympia, Wash., Aug. 26.—Governor Mead has approved the paroles of James Howard, John Kane and William W. Rowen.

Howard was convicted of burglary and sentenced from Franklin county for nine years. Recommendations were based in part on the affidavit of his two accomplices, sentenced at the same time, who swore that he did not actively participate in the burglary.

Kane's parole is in consideration of former good character and his youth. He is 22 years old. Rowen was sentenced for three years from Clallam county for embezzlement. Considerations in his favor were his good prison record and his age, 53 years, and the fact that he has dependent upon him a wife and two children who have been reduced to very hard circumstances.

HOMEBUILDER WHO GOT NO HOME SUES

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Spokane, Wash., Aug. 26.—The Washington Home company and its manager, E. E. Martin, have been sued by Charles Hill, of Almira, Washington, for not keeping promises. Martin promised Hill alleges, that he would mature a home contract for him in 20 months. Hill paid in $718.40 and waited four years and still he had no home. He got suspicious and has asked that a receiver be appointed for the company.

Martin is also accused of misappropriating $10,000 of the company's money.

The Washington Home, it is said, is run on the same principle as the Home Cooperative company of Kansas City and the Fraternal Home Builders of Portland, Oregon, both of which were broken up. Some of the men who were in the Portland company were at one time in the Washington Home. Martin held contracts in the Portland concern.

The Washington Home has contracts to the extent of $267,000.

ROOSEVELT SCHEMES TO AID RAILROADS

(Journal Special Service.)

Chicago, Aug. 26.—National incorporation of large corporations suggested by President Roosevelt in his Provincetown speech spells ruin according to the ideas of William J. Bryan in an article in the forthcoming issue of the Commoner. Mr. Bryan declares that this scheme would aid the railroads rather than shipper and producer.