

## MEMBERS OF OLD PORT COMMISSION RECEIVE GRILLING

Charged With Bad Faith and Obstructive Tactics in Not Regarding Resignations, by East Side Business Men.

At the meeting of the East Side Business Men's club last night, a resolution condemning the old port commission for continuing to hold office when its members had agreed to resign when successors were appointed, was unanimously adopted. In speaking to this resolution, C. A. Bigelow, state representative, said the old port commission had indeed broken faith, for each member of it had signed a statement agreeing to resign one at a time as soon as the legislature should take action and their successors should be appointed. This agreement he had carried in his pocket a week, he said, before he had given it his support, and the new port law was then passed with the largest majority given any important measure considered by the legislature. The contention of the old port commission that the new port law is unconstitutional, said Mr. Bigelow, is not sincere, because its constitutionality had been passed upon and confirmed by eminent lawyers and Attorney General Crawford. The resolution which the Business Men's club adopted contained some forcible expressions and reads as follows:

**Bad Faith Charged.**  
"Resolved, that we view with disfavor the obstructive tactics and evident bad faith of the old board of commissioners of the Port of Portland in refusing to relinquish their throated hold of office in favor of the appointees provided for in an act of the last legislature; and be it further  
"Resolved, that the standing committee of this club continue to investigate the real cause of said withholding and the affiliation of the several members thereof with the public service or private corporations who have received benefits at their hands, with authority to employ counsel in regard to the granting of a franchise on the new steel bridge by said members of the Port of Portland commission to the O. R. & N. Co. and to similar actions of said board."

An agreement permitting the old port commission to continue routine business and to draw checks in payment of expense was made yesterday by the new port commission at its first annual meeting. The agreement was made, not altogether willingly, in order that the work of the government dredge in deepening the channel at the foot of Swan Island might proceed as contracted for by the old port commission.

**Agrees to Stipulation.**  
When the new port commission met yesterday it was found that Judge Munly, as attorney, had already agreed to the stipulation on behalf of the new commission. The stipulation had been drafted by C. E. S. Wood, counsel of the old port commission. M. O. Collins and H. M. Esterly, members of the new commission, expressed a fear that to recognize the power of the old port commission to make contracts or carry on business would at the same time recognize the old commission's legality and thus unseat themselves. Judge Munly gave assurance that this could be avoided as the agreement would be in force only until the controversy between the new and old port commissions had been adjudicated.

As originally drawn, the agreement had stated that the new port commission would not interfere with the old in attending to its "routine or business." Members Collins and Esterly insisted that the insertion of the word "or" changed the force of the entire agreement and would permit the old port commission to continue its work new and old, as it had done in the old days when there were no criticisms of its procedure. The word "or" therefore was stricken out.

## PARKER FAMILY LOSERS IN FIRE INSURANCE SUIT

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
Walla Walla, Wash., April 7.—Judgment has been given against Hollan Parker, Orrin G. Parker, his son, and May Rose Parker, wife of Orrin G. Parker, for \$15,500 and interest. In the noted case of the Walla Walla Fire

insurance company, a defunct Walla Walla concern, of which Dorsey B. Hill, former county clerk, is receiver, Hollan Parker, who is old and was once rich, made his money of Walla Walla county land and wheat. He now lives in Portland. The hearing was held in Seattle.  
The testimony in the case showed that the Walla Walla Fire Insurance company desired to enter the Indiana field for business and lacking the necessary assets to extend its business there, arranged to kite its resources by taking a note from the Parkers for \$15,500, which was added to its available assets. The Parkers were interested in the insurance company and when the note was given they accepted stock as a consideration for the note. Subsequently the insurance company passed into the hands of a receiver and the stock became practically worthless.

It developed yesterday that Hollan Parker had a prior mortgage on the property mortgaged to secure the note. Judge Tallman decided that the insurance company mortgage had precedence and that the property should be sold to satisfy this, the other mortgage claiming any balance that might remain.

## HAVE YOU BIG FEET? HAVE YOU SMALL FEET? MAYBE YOU'RE INSANE

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Paris, April 7.—Women with big feet and men with little feet are prone to insanity, according to a report read by Edmond Perrier before the Paris Academy of Sciences, the report being the work of Alienists McAuliffe and A. Marle.  
Out of 100 men, the report says, 18 have small feet, and out of 100 insane males 75 have small feet. To the contrary, 100 normal women showed 23 with large feet, and of the same number of insane women, 82 were found to have large feet.

## Uniform Legislation Sought.

Chicago, Ill., April 7.—Many prominent members of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners were on hand today at the opening in this city of a two days' special meeting of the association. Uniform legislation and department rulings are the subjects up for discussion.

## BUILDING CODE IS DISCUSSED

One Architect Before Realty Board Declares Most of Apartments Firetraps.

New officers were installed at the annual meeting of the Realty Board held in the Commercial club last night and an outline of an aggressive campaign for new members was agreed upon. City Building Inspector H. E. Plummer discussed the new building code, pointing out wherein it is an improvement over the old law and suggesting important and necessary amendments. Architect David L. Williams criticized the code, and John F. Carroll discussed the relation of the realty men to the newspapers.

Building Inspector Plummer defended the new code. He declared that the old ordinance was out of date, was defective in many respects and that the new law cured most of these defects, besides introducing new features and regulations which would grow in public favor as they are better understood.

Williams attacked the code, saying that it was patterned exactly after the Cleveland, O., ordinance and is wholly unsuited to Portland.

"Cleveland is a city with alleys. Portland is not," said Mr. Williams. "A man with just a little experience can see that the same building laws can not apply to two cities laid out on a plan so radically different as Portland and Cleveland."

C. H. Korell, a member of the realty board, also attacked the new building code, declaring that if it could not be done away with in any other way he favored initiating a law for its repeal. Mr. Korell further declared that nothing had ever happened in Portland which had such a blighting effect upon the upbuilding of the city as the operation of the new building code.

Architect Ernest Kroner stamped the code with his approval. He said that it is far more important that human life be protected by proper building restrictions than that builders of apartment houses and hotels get 15 or 20 per cent on their money.

Architect A. E. Doyle characterized most of the apartment houses in Portland as veritable fire traps. He defended the present building code and urged the realty board to lend its assistance in seeing that the code had a fair and adequate trial.

Other speakers were J. S. Winters and N. Vincent Jones. Mr. Winters made an address on the need of more apartment houses in Portland and Mr. Jones outlined a plan for regenerating the Realty Board.

Fleming and Hidden and the Gowen-Ida Trust company were elected new members.

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Both men and women will find it to their advantage from a money-saving point to purchase their Easter Outfits from Gevurtz Bros.' "Big Eastside Store." Low rents, economical organization and correct buying enable this house to offer garments of the highest class at prices which mean a great saving over those prevailing on the West Side of the river. We are quoting extra special prices, too, for this before-Easter Sale of Men's and Women's Suits.



**Ladies' Tailored Spring Suits**  
FOR  
**\$19.00**

ALL SIZES and VALUES from \$25 to \$30

The suits in this offering are made with jackets varying from 20 to 26 inches in length, many in the new box effect, with raised waist line, indicative of the Empire model. Effectively trimmed with new-style braids; shawl, sailor and notched collars. Skirts are plain gored, with apron effects, inverted plaits and habit back. Materials include serges, novelty mixtures, checks, worsteds and black satins. Coats have fine peau de cygne and fancy silk linings.

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See our great special offer in Millinery Section for the Easter time. These are exceptional values at our price. All the latest Spring styles, only. **\$4.95**



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## Pre-Easter Sale of Women's Fashionable, Ready-to-Wear Garments

Our new Spring and Summer stocks are here, ample and splendid, all arranged conveniently for your choosing—on the Main Floor. Never before have we been able to present such a grand showing of styles and sterling qualities. These specials for Saturday:

**Women's Suits at \$12.50, \$15, \$17.50, \$25**

The best Suit values of the season. Tomorrow we will offer a selection of about 600 new, stylish Spring Suits in a pretty range of colors in all sizes. These Suits, for quality of materials and tailoring, are unsurpassed. Made of fine French serges, imported English basket weaves and novelty materials. Some coats are artistically trimmed with self and contrasting colors of satin and braids; others are strictly plain tailor-made.



**Long Coats at \$8.50, \$10.50, \$12.50, \$15**

These garments are unequalled and will give the wearer absolute satisfaction. Why? Because they are made by men tailors in the newest style. Semi-fitting effects, with shawl or notch collar. Materials are all wool, solid colors, in serge, covert, broadcloth and a variety of novelty coatings. We have never shown better values and better assortments than these.

## Special Easter Sale of Women's New Style Shoes-Oxfords \$2.50

You will be delighted with our showing of this season's Shoes and Oxfords. Especially attractive are the new lines at \$2.50. Shoes, Pumps and Oxfords are here in the most fashionable leathers in both button and lace styles and in all sizes. The same qualities that are sold by the exclusive shoe stores at \$3.00 and \$3.50 are on sale here at **\$2.50**  
A special sale of Men's Shoes in vicid kid, gunmetal and patent colt leathers, button and lace styles, **\$2.49** priced at .....  
Children's Roman Sandals of patent colt leathers, all sizes from 3 to 8, regular \$1.50 values, on sale **99c** at, the pair .....



## A Great Sale of Easter Glove

**\$1.50 Cape Kid Gloves on Sale at 98c the Pair**



By a very fortunate purchase of several hundred pairs of the finest imported Cape Kid Gloves we are enabled to offer this out-of-the-ordinary bargain. Now is the time for you to supply your Easter glove needs. The assortment includes all the fashionable new shades as well as black and white. All sizes. Regular \$1.50 values specially priced **98c** at, the pair .....

## Sale of Women's Easter Hosiery

Recall the biggest Hosiery values you ever bought, and come to this sale expecting to see them eclipsed. You will not be disappointed—assortments are so large that every taste may be suited.

### Embroidered Hose at 50c the Pair

A particularly fine line of Women's Hand-Embroidered Lisle Thread Stockings, made with high spliced heel, sole and toe. They come in beautifully embroidered designs in ankle, boot and allover patterns and are shown in black and the latest shades.

Women's Lace Lisle Fine Gauze Stockings, shown in handsome patterns in black and colors, special **50c** values at, pair .....

Women's Fine Silk Stockings, in black, shown in qualities to suit all—**50c, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$2.50** a pair.

Women's Silk Hose in all the new shades specially priced at **\$1.50** a pair.



Women's Fancy Vests **69c** \$1 and \$1.25 Grades at **69c**

Women's Sweater Coats at **\$2.50 and Up**

A special sale of Women's Fine Form-Fitting Vests, made with fancy applique trimmed yokes of hand crocheted lace, all sizes in regular \$1.00 and \$1.25 values specially priced at **69c**

We are now showing a complete assortment of all the new style Sweater Coats with the popular V-shaped or high neck. They come in the wanted shades and white, and in all sizes.

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