UNDERNEWCHARTER

Names That Are Written on City Hall Slate.

BUT MAYOR IS LIKE A SPHINX

Colonel Weidler for Secretary of Subcommittee on Fire and Police -City Physician and Health Commissioner Doubtful,

PROBABLE APPOINTMENTS UNDER NEW CHARTER.

Secretary of the Subcommittee in Charge of Police and Fire Departments -Milton Weidler. Chief of the Fire Department-David

Chief of Police-Charles H. Hunt, ex-

Superintendent of Street Cleaning and City Physician, Dr. J. C. Zan, in-

Health Officer-Dr. H. R. Biersdorf,

These are the men who will probably be appointed to the positions named at the meeting of the Executive Board next Tuesday. Mayor Williams yesterday declined to say anything about the candidates for any of the offices, but it was generally understood around the City Hall that all but two were certain of appoint-ment. The two referred to were Dra. Zan and Biersdorf. Their appointments were considered doubtful only because there were a number of applicants for their positions, and professional compe-tition may cause their removal. Outside of this their friends declare that they are

sure of their offices. The report that Colonel Weldler would be appointed as secretary of the subcom-mittee on fire and police while sudden, was not unexpected. For four years Colonel Weidler has served as secretary of the Board of Fire Com-missioners, and he has been unremitting in his attention to his duties, a fact of which the Commissioners have been given evidence. Asked about his appointment yesterday, Colonel Weldler said he had heard nothing of it, and that his sole attention in the past few days had been given to his books, which he wished to present in proper shape to the Executive Board.

Alex Donaldson is one of the very few superintendents of the Street-Cleaning and Sprinkling Department who have had no complaints made again them. Since his appointment last June not a single "kick" has been lodged against Donaldson. And this is a department which is generally complained of if a sprinkling cart should go one block out of its way. There is no doubt whatever as to the

appointment of Charles H. Hunt as Chief of Police. Of course, Mr. Hunt will say nothing. Mayor Williams also refuses to talk until the meeting of the Executive Board Tuesday, and that ends the matter for the time being.

The Health Board will undoubtedly be

reorganized, and it is a question as to whether Drs. Zan and Biersdorf will be appointed. As stated, there are applicants for their places, and the chances are in favor of the incumbents.

As the clerical work of all the boards provided for under the new charter will be directly controlled by the City Auditor, the office of that official will require ex-tra help. Another stenographer will probably be needed at once, and in time a second one will be required.

FLIEDNER IS QUALIFIED.

Mayor Williams Discredits Claim of Ineligibility. In speaking of the charge that William

Pliedner, an appointee to the executive board, was not qualified for the office, because he was not a citizen of the United States, Mayor Williams said yesterday that the claim of ineligibility was without foundation.

have heard," said the Mayor, "that "I have heard," said the Mayor, "that last night, "and not by any Congression-Mr. Fliedner has not been naturalized, al appropriation. We have money enough But he has taken out his first papers now to build a railroad that will pierce and he is an elector and that is the only the Copper River country of Alaska, and qualification required by the charter, exqualification required by the charter, ex-cepting a residence of five years in the the first of the transcontinental lines city. It is not necessary that he should be meant to the United States. We have naturalized in order to hold the office to ceased to expect anything from Congress. he is qualified for the office."

STREET COMMITTEE MEETS. Oil-Tank Ordinances Are Referred

to Common Council. reminiscences of the oil-tank days the Bentley and Rumelin measures, which have been laid over for weeks, were called up by the street committee of the Com-

mon Council yesterday for summary dis-posal. The Rumelin ordinance set Kill-ingsworth avenue as the limit of storage, and the Bentley ordinance, introduced by request, named East Water and East Madison streets as a place for storage. Only Chairman Rumelin, Bentley and Zimmerman attended the meeting, and the last of the three moved that the Bentley ordinance be adopted.

"I introduced the ordinance by request," rejoined Bentiey. "I do not favor granting any oil or other franchises until we have settled upon a policy, and then we shall do the work. We should not drive one company out and let the other in; if we are to have fuel oil let all the com-

"I have no objections to tanke except in the residence districts," said Zimmerman. "The manufacturers need it. They have to pay \$2 for slabwood that is not worth Those who have protested against the oil tanks are agents for Eastern wag-on companies, and proprietors of ware-houses from which the city derives no revenue. They are of no benefit to the city, not so much as the man who builds a single wheelbarrow and offers it for sale. They are simply consumers, not producers. I remember the time when we had no Eastern buggles here—no Eastern wagons and we had better times than we have now with the Eastern product," "That is not my opinion," said Bentley. "We must look forward."

"There is no motion," interrupted Chair-man Rumelin, "and the only thing to do is to refer the ordinance and the remon-

strances to the Council."

The motion was carried, although Zimmerman said he would like to vote favor-

The application of William M. Ladd for the vacation of East Water street from East Oak to East Ankeny, and of East Ankeny street from East First to the river, which has been before the Council for nearly two months, was favorably for nearly two months, was favorably acted upon. The vacation of the streets was asked for the purpose of affording a pany, said the site was needed by his firm. At present it could supply the needs of portland, but it did not wish to see all the business of Eastern Oregon, Washington and Idaho go to the Puget Sound country. The company would employ 500 country. The company would employ 200 men in the new mill, and in time the property will be taxable. The application will be presented to the Council in the form of an ordinance next Wednesday.

The application for the opening and extension of Fifth street from Pine to Burn-

side, was adopted as presented by the rep-resentatives of the Fifth-Street improve-ment Association. An amendment to the report of the viewers, so as to cut deeper into the lines of the Corbett and Philippi property on the west, and to make a cut into the Burnell property on the coutheast corner of Fifth and Ankeny streets, was corner of Pifth and Ankeny streets, was presented but was rejected on the ground Fire Chief Will Be Reappointthat it would cause a delay in the im-

The report of the Board of Public Works upon the West Side & Suburban (the Hillsboro line) franchise, which was re-ceived by the preceding Council, was

"The company will have to get a new redinance," observed Zimmerman.

Permission to build a railroad switch was granted to W. C. Bristol on Fourth street north of Hoyt, and to M. Seller & Co. to build an elevated roadway for the purpose of unloading cars at Thirteenth and Kearney streets.

City Officials to Visit Seattle. Mayor Williams, the members of the Common Council, the City Auditor and the City Engineer will make a trip to Tacoma and Scattle next week to inspect the general improvements made in those

ed by the Mayor.

With 200 Others Campbell Will Have to Pass Civil Service Examinations, as Provided by the City Charter.

The rumor runs through the City Hall two cities during the past year. The principal object of the trip will be to ascertain the benefits to be derived from the prophets say that it is more than a the bituminous macadam pavement. A rumor, a fact even. Mayor Williams has

FIRE CHIEF TO BE REAPPOINTED



great deal of this pavement has been laid | not denied it, neither has Mr. Campbell; In Tacoma, and more is under way in Scattle. It is said to be really a fine pavement, and on that point the city officers the new charter, he had not been notified

RAILROADS IN ALASKA.

Private Enterprise Doing More Than

Congress to Develop Territory. What Captain J. J. Healy thinks of

which he has been appointed. He is an elector, was a Councilman for years, a hook.

The Commissioner for eight years and "Our present plan provides for the co-every office will be practically declared." "Our present plan provides for the cooperation of five distinct companies for
the development of the Copper River
country. The corporations involved in the
scheme are: The Valdes & Copper River
Railroad, the Angio-Alaskan Construction
Company, the Copper River Mining Company, the Valdes Townsite Improvement
Company and the Central Alaska Exploration Company. Most of the money needed Company and the Central Alaska Explora-tion Company. Most of the money needed ment.

The good Captain then told why the

"I propose to make San Francisco my must pass the civil service examination headquarters after this," he said, "but It is not likely, however, that Mr I will spend a good deal of time in Port-

ment, and on that point the city onicers wish to satisfy themselves. The courtesies of the Northern Pacific will be exsies of the Council during the trip.

of it, he would not deny that he had occur
called to the Mayor's office for an interyiew. the new charter, he had not been notified

Mayor Williams is very busy these days. He has not much time to spend interviewing people whom he is not go-

ing to appoint.

And on the other hand, arises a cloud that threatens to cast a deep gloom over the glad feelings of Mr. Campbell and some 200 other prospective appointees. Seattle is not printable, but his views on whose positions are placed under civil structure subjects are good.

"Alaska will be developed by private said that all the appointments made at the structure of the structure of the said that all the appointments and will be developed by private said that all the appointments made at the said that all the sai Scattle is not printable, our subjects are good.

"Alaska will be developed by private enterprise," he said at the Portland Hotel last night, "and not by any Congression—last for only 30 days. The appointees will then have to pass the regular civil with all the available of the company with all the appointments made at the company the company with all the appointments and the company with all the company the company with all th service examination in company with all other applicants for the place, and the other applicants for the place, best man will obtain the prize.

There seems to be no doubt that the power of the civil service will be retro-active. In other words, instead of tak-

for the development of the enterprise comes from the East, and we are assured of sufficient capital to make the venture service rules of the new charter was not generally known yesterday afternoon, but the language of the charter is very exhotel register did not give Seattle as his plicit, and while the Chief of Police is residence, and it was impossible for the exempt from the rules and is appointed interview to continue.

IN TOMORROW'S OREGONIAN.

Additional to all the news and the customary departments, The Sunday Ore-

A NOTABLE REVIEW REVIEWED-Rev. M. Eells replies to Professor Mar-OUR ANCESTOR, THE MAN'ANIMAL-Science's latest find turns out to WHERE THE LEADING NEWSPAPERS ARE GIVEN AWAY-In Belgium

publishers have become rich on advertisements alone WHY WOMEN DO THE WORK OF MEN-Cessation of war made a vast ning for women and a vast inrush of women. MRS. ULYSSES S. GRANT-Mrs. John A. Logan compares the wife of the great American soldier with Napoleon's Josephine

OPPORTUNITY FOR SUCCESS-A Portland young business man takes the negative of the proposition, "Resolved, That the opportunities for success were greater 20 years ago than they are today."

MR. DOOLEY'S LETTER-A keen satire by Finley Peter Dunne on the Car-

ADE'S FABLE IN SLANG-Of what Horace had to stand for in order to win

LADIES! ATTENTION.

Are you interested in tailor-made suits? We have over 300 yards of the very latest patterns in one worsteds, tweeds and building site for the Standard Box Fac-tory. S. B. Cobb, secretary of the com-pany, said the site was needed by his firm. damage sale we'll close them out for No.

BUSINESS ITEMS.

If Baby Is Cutting Teeth,

land. Some of these days, too, Portland nor that any other applicant will be will have the Alaskan trade." the present Chief. His long experience in the department dates from 1881, when he entered the service. In the intervening time he has served in all the various grades of the department, and is thoroughly conversant with the details of his

When told that according to the best reports he was placed on the retention list, Chief Campbell said he hoped the reports were true. Further than that he had nothing to say. Outside of his ability had nothing to say. Outside of his ability as a fireman, it is said, nothing counted more with the Mayor and the board, than his daring in conducting the fight against the Standard Oil fire under adverse circumstances, and in personally superintending the retreat of the engines and losse companies from the burning bridges. Referring to the length of time the present accountments made by the Mayor will ent appointments made by the Mayor will

Meier & Frank Company | Meier & Frank Company

Blankets and Comforters, best styles and weights in white or gray, low price on every pair—Third Floor. Great clearance sale bargains in Small Wares and Dress Linings—Special reductions all through.

Store Open Tonight Until 9:30---Bargains in all departments.

During the Clearance Sale

Is a time for making new friendships as well as renewing the old. If there are any who have never been in the store let them come now and see how different it is from the other places of business. If there are any who have ever been turned away from this store for one reason or another let them come back and see how easy it is to right a wrong. The clearance sale continues to attract as never before.

Picture In a very satisfactory manner-Largest and best line of moldings and prices 25 per cent Framing below regular value during the great annual clearance sale.

Clearance prices on Brass and Iron Beds, Cots, Blankets, Pillows, Mattresses, Comforters, etc., etc. The most astonishing bargains ever offered in the Northwest.-Third Floor.



Boys' Clothing

Boys' Clothing that stands hard knocks-All the good styles and materials-Every suit greatly reduced—Boys' all 2-piece Suits in all-wool dark blue serge, black and blue cheviots and undressed worsteds.

All \$3.00 Values	now		 				\$2.55
All \$3.50 Values							
All \$4.00 Values							
All \$4.50 Values							
All \$6.00 Values	now			* +		* (4	 \$4.95
And so	on un	to	\$ 12	5	0		

Special line of boys' Knee Pants, ages 3 to 16 years, regular 60c values at the low price of, pair Young men's Suits in single and double-breasted sacks, best

styles and materials, regular prices \$7.50 to \$15.95 \$18.00, now \$6.30..... Young men's worsted Pants in medium and dark gray stripes, sizes 28 to 33, pair, \$2.60 to \$4.20

All woolen Waists and Blouses at great reductions.

All our boys' high-class Novelty Suits at great reductions during the clearance sale. - Second Floor.

Ladies' Underwear



Warm Underwear for women when nights and mornings are as cold as these, best styles, best weights, vests, pants and union

suits, complete line of sizes. .25 garments now . \$.50 garments now . \$.50 garments now .. .39 .75 garments now. .67 \$1.00 Underwear88 \$1.25 Underwear ... \$1.09 \$1.50 Underwear. \$2.00 Underwear \$1.69 \$2.50 Underwear .. \$2.09 \$3.00 Underwear \$3.57 \$4.00 Underwear Children's Underwear all at special prices.

Men's Collars 5c Each

Today we place on sale 500 dozen men's white Linen Collars-manufacturers' seconds in good styles-All sizes-While they last, 5c each, 50c dozen. Men's Linen Cuffs 10c pair-Men's Shirts and Neckwear at clearance prices-Men's Hosiery and Underwear greatly reduced.

Clearance Sale Prices Toilet Articles --- All Kinds



Note the big saving offered this month on all kinds of toilet articles-Decisive reductions all

Tooth Brushes 4c, 8c, 13c, 17c, 29c each. Nail Brushes, bone handles, 8c to 47c each. Hair Brushes 12c, 21c, 33c up to \$2.09 each. Clothes Brushes 19c, 27c, 39c to \$2.17 each. Shaving Brushes 11c up to \$1.00 each. Handle Bath Brushes 19c up. Whisk Brooms 4c to 75c each.

Pocket Mirrors, 15 different styles, 3c up. Hanging Mirrors, Triplicate Mirrors, all sizes and qualities from 17c up to \$5.00.

Ebony Goods, Hair and Military Brushes, Cloth and Hat Brushes, Mirrors, etc., below cost Pocket Combs 4c to 50c. Dressing Combs, all kinds, 4c up to \$1 each.

Comb and Brush Trays-Soap Boxes-Puff Boxes-Manicuring articles at very low prices. Drug Sundries-Everything at clearance prices-All Jewelry and Fancy

Goods at big reductions. Sterling Silver Novelties at very low prices.

'Round the Store Men's Clothing was never so cheap in price

Thousands of Pictures at little cost. Rare bargains in all fine Undermuslins. Cloaks, Suits, Waists, Furs, etc., at clear-

Great Bargains in Laces and Embroideries. John S. Brown & Sons' fine Linens at low

All Waist and Outing Flannels marked down Silverware, Cut Glass, Cutlery, at clear-

Shoes for ladies, men and children at a big

"Gendron" Carriages and Go-Carts at clearance sale prices.

"Perrin's" fine Kid Gloves-All styles and Great bargains in Silks, black and colored

dress fabrics. Carpets at the very lowest prices. Odd pairs Lace Curtains one-third off. Special bargains in neck Ribbons.

Peninsular Stoves Reduced

A great sale of Trunks in all styles and sizes now in progress-Elevators Third Floor. Tempting values in all lines of Ladies' Neckwear-Silk and Ostrich Feather Ruffs-Novelty Neckwear. 1903 Wash Fabrics-About 50 more pieces of the very newest styles and weaves at clearance sale prices today.

Some Sample Grocery Pricings

Portland's Model Food Store saves you many pennies as the months roll by-These few prices illustrate well the saving on every article in the grocery line-'Phone Private Exchange 4.

2-1b Sliced Pineapple ... 15c 1-lb Jar Chipped Beef .: 25c 1-lb Libby's Bacon 25c 6 cans Libby's dev'd Ham 25c 3 cans Poppy Cream ... 25c Eagle Milk, can 15c 2 packages Gold Dust . 35c Lion Coffee, package 11c

Arbuckles' Coffee, pkg 12c 1-lb Cream Baking Pdr 35c Barataria Shrimps, 10c, 20c Smith's Kipp'd Herring 23c 2 1-lb cans Blue River

.....25c Oysters 1 quart C. & B. Oil ... 65c 1 quart Cooper's Oil \$1.15 Blue Label Catsup, bot 20c

1-lb. can Royal Baking Powder 3 cans small Oysters 25c 3 cans Peacock Oysters .. 15c 2 packages Malta Vita 25c 2 packages Grape Nuts . 25c Clear Lake String Beans, can Log Cabin Syrup, 25c to \$1.25

1 gallon Garden Drips .. 75c 100 lbs D. G. Sugar . \$4.85 18 lbs. D. G. Sugar . \$1.00 3 cans Iowa Corn ... 25c 3 cans Iowa Tomatoes 25c 2 cans R & H Asparagus 45c 2 bot. Snider's Catsup, 35c 1 quart Hill's Olive Oil 90c 1 package Fig-Prune 20c

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the Charter Board, said: "The appointments can only be temporary in their nature, I think. As I remember the provi-sions of the charter, it is stated, but perhaps not as clearly as it might have been, that all appointments made in cases of emergency should be for 30 days only. But if the Civil Service Commission has

not prepared a list of eligibles by that time, the Mayor could of course renew the appointments for 30 days more." R. W. Montague, another member of the Charter Board, agreed with Mr. Mills. "The appointments made by the Mayor at this time will only be good for 30 days," said he, "excepting those positions which are exempt from civil service rules. At the end of that time they must all be certified by the commission, Still," said Mr. Montague, "this will not make any large number of changes. In the first place, the members of the Civil Service Commission are themselves all appointed by the Mayor, and will not be likely to be severe in their treatment of men whom the Mayor has already appointed to of-

last, A. L. Mills, who was chairman of fice. And in the second place, the mer who now hold the positions will have a considerable advantage over outside ap-plicants in an examination, because they will have had some experience."

BROWNSVILLE WOOLEN MILLS.

Sale of Men's Heavy-Weight Suits. The tailors didn't get them out in time, so they could be sold during the holiday trade, and now they must be rushed out away under regular price to make room

for Spring goods. These are the reasons the Brownsville store are selling the best suits they have ever made at just a little above halfprice. The patterns are the nicest and ington street, between First and Second,

Water for Pueblo Steel Works. PUEBLO, Colo., Jan. 16.-In view of last ' have been laying out a big ditch and pipe

WEDDING WISITING CARDS W. G. SMITH & CO.

style of cut the best and latest. A look Company has been purchasing water for into the windows of the store, on Wash-the Pueblo steel works. Practically all the water rights along St. Charles Creek were bought up, and three great reser-voirs built, and for some time engineers

Washington Building

year's drouth, the Colorado Fuel & Iron line from Fremont County to the steel Company has been purchasing water for works, and today the purchase of water rights covering 5006 acres of land was completed.

Over Litt's

Hood's Sarsaparilia will purify your blood, expel all traces of disease and give you strength.