

# CHEF HUNT FACES INQUISITION

ALL WITNESSES BUT TWO WEAR HIS LIVERY AND ONLY ONE GIVES DAMAGING TESTIMONY.

CHIEF HUNT, A. F. FLEGEL, HIS ACCUSER, AND SOME OF THE WITNESSES WHO TESTIFIED AT THE TRIAL

A. F. FLEGEL.



TWO VIEWS OF CHIEF HUNT.

OFFICER JONES.

SERGEANT SLOVER.

ANOTHER effort was made yesterday to stick the graft into Portland's Chief of Police, but that official got away with a reputation of being invulnerable, from a Police Commission investigation of his official conduct in the matter of closing saloons at 1 o'clock in the cold, gray dawn of morning.

In the detectives' room a police headquarters there was a boisterous gathering yesterday afternoon, with Chief Hunt in the role of bear, and Councilman Flegel as chief batter. General Beebe, as a model of military discipline, and Sig Sichel, a Senator and cigar merchant of note, were referees. Various employees of the Police Department and Judge Hogue appeared for the purpose of giving their part toward the tournament.

It was the adjourned investigation of the Police Chief on Mr. Flegel's charges that he is recent in the discharge of his duty. The specific charge was permitting saloons to keep open in violation of the 1 o'clock closing ordinance, made and provided by the highly virtuous City Council. The hearing was brought about because Mr. Councilman Flegel thought he had Chief Hunt in a corner. He made certain ugly charges against that officer, and General Beebe and Sig Sichel, who constitute the majority of the Police Board, sat in judgment. Mayor Williams is the minority of the commission, but he was frying fish of another catch at the City Hall, and could not sit with the others.

Chief Hunt's Men Testify.

All the witnesses examined with two exceptions wore the livery of Chief Hunt, and under such circumstances there could be no uncertainty as to the result. This, with a judiciary bound to stand by the officer of its making, rendered the case of Mr. Councilman Flegel hopeless. Flegel is a socialist, an uncomfortable fellow to have about, especially for Chief Hunt. Flegel is a bull in the hand-painted china shop which the present administration has set up. He refuses to be good, and if certain gentlemen had their way a stuffed club would be his portion.

He has a fashion of making things uncomfortable, and yesterday he excelled even himself.

Of course, the investigation reached nothing. After a dozen witnesses had testified in the premises, the tribunal got up, put on its hat and walked home.

It was commenced in the afternoon. It lasted until 5 and the three precious hours might just as well have been spent in speculating as to the assassin of the famous William Patterson. The trial was held in the detectives' room, a roomy apartment. It is all of 12 feet square, furnished with a few dilapidated chairs and pine tables. From the wall looked down the benevolent framed photograph of a gent who was hanged in the same room some time since. The legend on the picture, in the classic chirography of Joe Day, explains that the gent was guilty of "triple murder." There was a heavy stove and a library of obsolete city directories. A beautiful and inspiring forum it was. The best place to keep detectives I ever saw, but an unimpressive place to get at the truth.

Chief Hunt, in full uniform, looking vastly like Grover Cleveland, and smiling at intervals, sat at one side of the room. He washed-out, gray eyes, his faded mustache and heavy jaw marked him among all the others as a man of destiny, and his destiny had a cinch in the present instance. He knew it, and only once or twice was he disturbed by the men who were disturbing Mr. Flegel.

The disturbing Mr. Flegel sat opposite the Chief, where he had vantage ground for twisting the gaff. Flegel is as Norse as the first of the Vikings. He is big-featured, smooth of face and red. What he has the top of his head bossed stands up in brilliant fashion, and he glows and pulsates with wrath. He was up against it, and none knew but he he made his fight with all the more lust.

Inquisition is Informal.

The inquisition was as informal as an inquest over the body of a man killed by the railroad. General Beebe smoked many black cigars, Sig Sichel busied himself with displaying his diamond ring to best advantage. All the rest were policemen and newspaper men and Judge Hogue. They were all dressed in livery, and didn't matter much.

Mr. Flegel swore the witnesses because he is also a notary public, and the first one called was Sergeant Hogueboom. He testified that the defendant was in the saloons to close at 1 A. M. is being enforced, so far as he knows, and that was about all for him. Following him came one Harmon, a saloon keeper. Mr. Harmon is said to be square. I am sure of this, because Mr. Flegel announced for publication that he wished we had more saloon keepers like Harmon. He is well tailored and altogether a good looking sort. He came of his own accord to correct the impression that he had kept open saloons.

ner the youth of long ago, and Flegel cross-questioned him without mercy or benefit of clergy. Lee was between the devil and the deep sea and his story wandered somewhat.

He declared that while on the Alder-street boat one night last fall, October 2, in fact, he found various places, among them the Pullman, Royal, Webb, Olympia and Bohemia, open after hours, ready and inviting business. He reported them on the day following to the chief and, according to his first story, the Chief told him there was not sufficient evidence to make cases. Chief Hunt then looked him through and undertook to refresh Lee's memory by explaining that Lee and not Hunt had passed professional opinion on the sufficiency of evidence. Lee stammered and shifted uneasily and ended by verifying the Chief's version. He said he knew that no prosecutions grew out of his reports and Chief Hunt broke in with "That's up to Fitzgerald. I don't take the responsibility for failure to prosecute after the evidence has been furnished the prosecuting attorney."

During the Lee testimony there were several clashes between Chief Hunt and the members of the board on one side and Mr. Flegel on the other. It looked for one stormy moment or two as if there would be disorderly conduct and assault and battery, but nothing came of the clashing of opinions more than a few hot words and a general reddening of faces.

After Lee had concluded, Mr. Flegel asked for the copies of the Lee reports on the saloons which never were pulled.

and Chief Hunt, in a huff, lumbered down stairs for them. They showed that the officer had reported in writing against the houses named, finding a bad state of affairs against them. To Mr. Flegel's mind, as he expressed it, there was something significant in the fact that no prosecutions were ever brought against any of them, and that almost immediately Mr. Lee was transferred to another boat and told to mind his own business and not spend so much time writing out reports.

After that Judge Hogue was called, but was of no particular importance, and then, being unable to find Prosecutor Fitzgerald, whom Flegel wanted as a witness, the board, without more ado, got up, put its hat on and adjourned. Maybe sometime the bear-baiting will be resumed as unfinished business, but it's doubtful. What's the use? A. A. G.

Wiles, W. N. Jones, D. C. O'Reilly, Charles G. Briggs, Blummer Hoek, Edgar L. Lowell, Charles J. Cook, Fred T. Merrill, C. A. Ailsky, J. B. Kelly, W. H. Riddle, Dr. G. E. Watts, H. M. Covey, Guy E. Holman, C. H. Jackson, A. E. Mackay, W. F. Lyman, N. E. Ayer, William Soule, Telegram: A. J. Gill. About 30 names of persons who had signed their intention to join the club were handed Secretary R. L. Stevens.

WENT TO DR. LEGGO.

Derby Winner Had to Hustle to Beat Judge.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 22.—The handicap resulted in a spectacular finish between Dr. Leggo and Judge. The Derby winner was heavily played and had to be hustled all the way to beat out the pacemaker, Judge. Nigrette did not like the weight and swerved badly near the finish. About on long enough to get the show. Still, light-weighted, was expected to make a good showing, but failed miserably. Weather clear, track good. Results:

Six furlongs—Hurdwood won, Laura F. M. second, Trapper third, time, 1:29 1/2.

Five furlongs—Abbe Meyer won, Daruma second, Busy Bee third, time, 1:02 1/2.

Mile and a sixth—Hodge won, Dandie Belle second, Nellie third, time, 1:58.

Mile and a sixteenth—Dr. Leggo won, Judge second, Nigrette third, time, 1:47 1/2.

Seven furlongs—Flant won, Best Man second, Trapper third, time, 1:39 1/2.

Six furlongs—David Boland won, Eckersall second, My Order third, time, 1:14 1/2.

Books Hit Hard.

LOS ANGELES, March 22.—Lady Mirthful and Bronze Wing were the only winners at Ascot today, but several coupe were successfully carried through. Fobetta, played from 25 to 10 to 1, took the first race in a canter. Up-percut was backed from 7 to 1 to 3 to 1 in the fourth, but failed to finish in the money. Weather clear, track fast. Results:

Five furlongs—Fobetta won, Per de Lance second, Sun Mark third, time, 1:02.

Stamion course—Frank Lee won, El Verraco second, Teaser Crest third, time, 1:10 1/2.

Mile and a sixteenth—Hans Wagner won, Lord of the Ninth second, Ralph Young third, time, 1:47 1/2.

Mile—Langille won, Frangible second, Laura Phillips third, time, 1:42.

Stamion course—Lady Mirthful won, La-tolla second, Scottie's third, time, 1:11 1/2.

Mile—Strom Wind won, Golden Eye second, Winifreda third, time, 1:41 1/2.

Results at Hot Springs.

HOT SPRINGS, Ark., March 22.—Oak Lawn results:

Half mile—America II won, Sarasparilla second, Little third, time, 59.2-3.

Five and a half furlongs—Sorrento won, Lat. Fobias second, Miss Atalie third, time, 1:00.

Five furlongs—Jed Grills won, Jim Along second, Pillsbury's third, time, 1:01 1/2.

Six furlongs—Crown Prince won, Otto Sible second, Oudon third, time, 1:14.

Five and a half furlongs—All Black won, St. Francis second, Miss Gun third, time, 1:10.

Mile and a sixteenth—Dollada won, Falkland second, Colony third, time, 1:42-3.

New Orleans Winners.

NEW ORLEANS, March 22.—Fair Grounds results:

Six furlongs—Diaphanous won, Keogh second, Many Thanks third, time, 1:12-5.

Five and a half furlongs—Edith May won, W. O'Neil second, Kamahil Bey third, time, 1:07.

Mile and a quarter—Evelyn Kinsey won, Voice second, Homestead finished third, but was disqualified; Gold Age third, time, 2:09-3.

Six furlongs—Oce More won, Barnison second, Dr. Stephens third, time, 1:54-2-3.

Six furlongs—Fair Calypso won, Mayor Johnson second, Matador third, time, 1:14.

To Review Testimony in Bribery Case.

DENVER, March 22.—A committee was appointed by the State Senate today to review the testimony taken by the bribery investigation committee of the joint assembly on the charges of bribery against James M. Herbert, vice-president of the Colorado & Southern Railroad, and Daniel M. Sullivan, Postmaster of Cripple Creek, and recommend suitable action.

PERSONAL MENTION.

A. C. Churchill, a prominent fruitgrower from Newberg, is registered at the Portland.

Mrs. F. I. Dunbar, of Salem, wife of the Secretary of State, is spending a few days in Portland.

George H. Emerson, a well-known citizen of Hoquiam, is spending a few days in this city.

Will H. Parry, of Seattle, a member of the City Council of that city, is at the Portland Hotel.

Thomas Gibson, a big grain man from Duluth, Minn., is registered at the Portland Hotel.

W. R. Kurtz, a sheepman, who lives at The Dalles, is spending a few days in Portland. He is registered at the Perkins.

Mrs. Sarah A. Fastabend, grand matron of the Degree of Honor for Oregon, who lives at Astoria, is registered at the Perkins.

F. S. Murphy, who has extensive lumber interests near Perry, Or., is in Portland. He is stopping at the Hotel Portland.

Elder H. W. Decker, of Mount Tabor, will attend the general conference of the Seventh Day Adventists, which will be held in Washington, D. C., in May.

Mrs. B. R. Bradley, a well-known newspaper woman, who has recently been suffering from ill health, has now recovered and expects to be able to attend to her business duties in a few days.

WELLS, FARGO & CO. ANSWER

Deny Their Liability in Suit by Mayor Williams and Others.

Wells, Fargo & Co. have made answer to the suit of George H. Williams, Cleveland Rockwell, Perry G. Hinkle and others to recover about \$25,000 on account of stock in the Commercial National Bank sold for non-payment of assessments,

# FORMAL OPENING

THIS EVENING FROM 7 TO 10, OF

# R. M. GRAY'S 20th Century Store

The public is most cordially invited to attend. We feel no hesitancy in making the statement that this is the finest EXCLUSIVE MEN'S WEAR store on the Pacific Coast, if not in the United States. The merchandise we offer to the people of Portland is the choicest product of the best manufacturers of this and foreign countries. This is the exclusive men's ready-for-wear apparel store, latest in style, best in quality. Styles in vogue in New York and London today are the styles we offer to the men of Portland. It is no longer necessary for the gentlemen of Portland to send away for correct wearing apparel. It is at this store and more convenient for you. We solicit your patronage. We will put forth our best endeavors to please you. Courteous and gentlemanly salesmen ready to serve you in each department. Visit our store tonight, WEBBER'S ORCHESTRA in attendance. Decorations.

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## TO FORM AUTO CLUB

Portland Enthusiasts Hold the First Meeting.

## TO CHECK RECKLESS DRIVING

Purpose of the Organization Will Be to Promote Automobiling as Well as Head Off Unfair Legislation.

Between 50 and 60 of Portland's automobile enthusiasts met last night in the rooms of the Commercial Club and took tentative steps toward forming an automobile club. There was an attempt to organize a club last year, but it fell through, but now the work has been taken up in earnest and before another month passes, by Portland's Automobile Club will be a healthy organization.

Robert L. Stevens, Dr. E. Mackay, P. S. Malcolm and a number of others who are interested in automobiling issued a call for the meeting and they were agreeably surprised at the large attendance. Mr. Stevens, after getting the meeting together, was nominated as temporary chairman, but he declined to accept the position. Dr. Mackay, however, accepted the position and presided. P. S. Malcolm, Mr. Malcolm took the chair and explained the object of the meeting. He pointed out the necessity of the society or later forming an automobile club, and stated that he believed the time was ripe. The speaker said that he believed a club, such as was the intention of those present to form, would tend to stop reckless driving of cars. Mr. Malcolm said the club members would make it a point to assist in punishing all drivers who drove their machines faster than the speed limit. He also stated that as a club the organization would be in a position to head off any unfair legislation directed against automobiling. "When the public learned," said Mr. Malcolm, "that this club will place a restraining hand upon its members regarding the rate of speed and the manner in which the cars should be driven through the streets, they will not be disposed to cry for laws that will be detrimental to automobiling."

Before the meeting adjourned Mr. Malcolm appointed a committee on organization and by-laws. The chairman of this committee will be Dr. E. Mackay, and before the next meeting will be J. N. Jones and A. K. Bentley. It will be the duty of this club to obtain from several of the Eastern automobile clubs copies of their constitutions and by-laws and they will be used as a basis for the Portland organization. At the next meeting, which will be called shortly, a permanent organization will be formed. At this meeting the question of clubrooms will be taken up, as will also plans for entertaining visiting automobile clubs and excursions. The following were present last night and signified their intention of joining the club:

William Wallace, Charles Ilton, W. L. Keata, E. E. Miller, D. T. Hooeyman, H. E. Wood, H. W. Wynn, Ben Hoadway, J. A. Currey, Dr. C. E. Brown, Dr. J. M. Yates, E. D. Jorgensen, A. K. Bentley, G. F. Tucker, P. S. Malcolm, Lewis Russell, W. E. Trevel, J. E. Ainsworth, Robert L. Stevens, C. E. Runyon, Edward

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## BOWEN IS RETAKEN

Escaped Prisoner Arrested at Scappoose.

## WAS WORKING AT OLD TRADE

Man Captured by Officer Taylor and Sentenced to County Jail, Where He Escaped, is Returned to Serve Out His Sentence.

William Bowen, who escaped from the County Jail about a week ago, was recaptured near Scappoose yesterday by Under Sheriff Morden, and returned to the jail.

Bowen and a confederate were observed by Officer Taylor several months ago hiding back of a fence at Twelfth and Morrison streets. Taylor thought they acted suspiciously, and began to investigate. Slipping up to the fence, he covered the pair with his revolver. They were masks and carried weapons.

Keeping them covered, Officer Taylor cried for assistance. He was heard by a resident in the vicinity, who, acting upon the officer's orders, called the Central Station and asked for the patrol wagon, stating that an officer had captured two highwaymen.

When the patrol arrived Officer Taylor was found guarding the two men in the dark. Such were the circumstances that he had not dared to attempt to conduct his prisoners to a patrol box, for fear they would make a dash to escape in the darkness. On the way to the station Bowen admitted that he and his companion, seeing Taylor approaching, and not knowing him to be an officer, had prepared to hold him up. For his work Officer Taylor was promoted to the rank of Sergeant.

At the trial it developed that no actual robbery had been committed, and the two were convicted of simple assault and sentenced to 90 days in the County Jail.

About a week ago, while engaged in carrying wood into the jail, Bowen escaped. He returned to his room and went down the river to engage in highwaymen's occupation. Word was received by Sheriff Word yesterday that Bowen was at Scappoose, and Under Sheriff Morden was sent there. He returned with him.

## WELLS, FARGO & CO. ANSWER

Deny Their Liability in Suit by Mayor Williams and Others.

## SALE VACATED AND SET ASIDE.

The sale of the Seaside property in Clatsop County belonging to the estate of Joseph Hoadway, deceased, to G. D. Hauptman for \$25,000, was vacated and set aside yesterday by Judge Webster on the petition of Charles H. Carey, the administrator of the estate.

Jr. Carey informed the court that he has been offered \$25,250 for the property which includes the Seaside House and farm.

Turns Over Tax Money.

Tax money amounting to \$529,822

## FAMOUS SHE-DOCTOR AS CO-RESPONDENT

BOSTON, March 22.—Mrs. Harriet B. Farrington, of Newton, a suburb of this city, has brought suit for absolute divorce from her husband, Charles E. Farrington, treasurer of the American Chemical Company. Mrs. Farrington names Dr. Charlotte Irene Stockel as co-respondent. Dr. Stockel is one of the most widely known medical women in the United States. She is a physician of exceptional ability, holding certificates of four states. Dr. Stockel is the first woman to do ambulance duty in the United States, and at present is practicing medicine in Boston.

## NEVER FAILS TO CURE SICK HEADACHES.

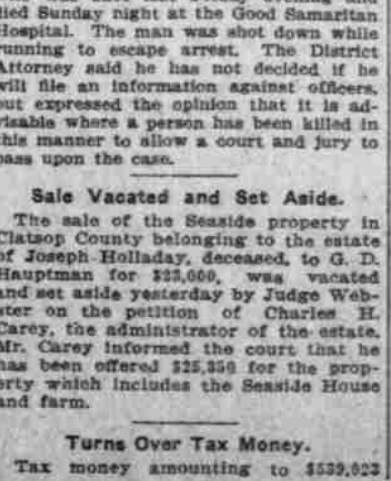
Never fails to cure sick headaches, after the very first dose. This is what is said by all who try Carter's Little Liver Pills.

## A Test of Ale

can be made almost anywhere.

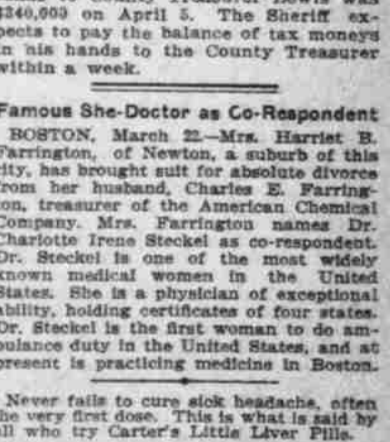
# Evans' Ale

challenges comparison. The most rigid and critical test is its strongest argument.



## WHEN OUT FOR THE DAY

You can make in a moment a good thing out of a bad one with water heated on an alcohol lamp, and a little



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