MYERS PROPOSED EVERY FEW DAYS

Dr. Margaret Stratton Tells About Attentions of Late Salmon-Packer.

WILL CASE IS RESUMED

Evidence Introduced With Object of Showing Myers' Mind Was Polsoned Against Daughter, Whom He Cut Off With \$20,000.

That the late George T. Myers, the realthy salmon-packer, used to come to her house every few days and ask to marry him, was the statement ner to marry him, was the statement of Dr. Margaret Stratton, on the witness-stand yeaterday. She was one of the witnesses in the auit of Mrs. Georgia Frances Sievens, who is seeking to break the will of her father, Mr. Myers, on the ground that, at the time the will was made, his mind had been poisoned against her. He left all but 20,000 of an estate worth \$250,000 to George T. Myers, Jr., Mrs. Sievens' byother.

The suit was begun in the County

The suit was begun in the County Court several weeks ago, but was continued in order to give an opportunity for the attorneys to bring other witnesses to testify. The case was resumed yesterday morning, Dr. Stratton being called to complete her testimony on behalf of Mrs. Stevens.

Dr. Stratton said that Myers began paying his attentions to her within two weeks after his wife's death, and continued them, to her great annoyance, for the remainder of the year. She said Mrs. Jessie Dunham heard Myers when he tried to make love to her, as Dr. Stratton was always careful to have Mrs. Dunham present when her, as Dr. Stratton was always careful to have Mrs. Dunham present when Myers came. M. M. Whiting had a room in the same house, and Mrs. Stratton said he might also have heard what Myers said. The last heard of Mrs. Dupham, said Mrs. Stratton, she was in Parla. As for Whiting's whereabouts, Mrs. Stratton did not know. Dr. Stratton avoided the possibility of a collarse while she was on the witness.

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s collapse while she was on the witness stand yesterday by saying to the court that she was very nervous and asking for a recess. Her request was granted several times. She took advantage of the opportunity by going outside and promenading in the fresh air.

She said that Myers was a social drinker, carrying "about all he could stand the most of the time. His irritability was only increased by it." She once told Myers, she said, to go and live with his daughter when he had been complaining that he was not receiving proper

with his daughter when he had been complaining that he was not receiving proper
treatment at home. To this she said he
made answer, "That's another hell! Don't
call her my daughter, for she is not my
daughter, and never was."

It was the bellef of Dr. Stratten that
when Myers came to her in 1902, shortly
after the death of his wife, and said that
on the previous night he had come near
ending it all, he was joking. She said
yesterday that he told her he was about
to tump out the window, when some
niember of the family came in. She replied to him that it would have been well
if he had made a good job of it.
Regarding Myers' attitude toward Dr.
Robinson, who had treated his wife, Dr.
Stratton said:
"Myers said Dr. Robinson had destroyed
two of the happiest homes in Portland,

"Myers said Dr. Robinson had destroyed two of the happicat homes in Portland, his own and his daughter's. He said Dr. Robinson had undue influence over his wife and his daughter. Frank, as he called her. He said Dr. Robinson was an old devil, that he had hypnotized his wife and Frank, and that he (Myers) would shoot Robinson on sight. I told him that was absurd, and that he must know better, but he replied that he knew what he was talking about and knew they were hypnotized. He raved around like a caged llon."

The testimony of Mrs. Stevens, who took the stand yesterday afternoon, contook the stand yesterday afternoon, contook the stand yesterday afternoon, con-The testimony of Mrs. Stevens, who took the stand yesterday afternoon, confirmed the testimony of Dr. Stratton in

The case will be continued this morning.

MARQUAM STILL FIGHTING Asks Court to Deny the Injunction Sought by Ross Interests.

P. A. Marquam has not abandoned his fight against the United States Mortgage & Trust Company, the Title Bank, J. Thorburn Ross and the Oregon Company,

& Trust Company, the Title Bank, J. Thorburn Ross and the Oregon Company, for an opportunity to redeem from mortgage foreclosure the Marquam building. He fled in the Circuit Court yesterday his answer to the petition of Ross and the other defendants that an injunction be issued preventing Marquam from taking the depositions of Ross, George H. Hill, T. T. Burkhart, E. B. Sesbrook, W. A. Muniy, E. C. Mears and W. M. Gregory. Marquam has also filed a motion that he be allowed to file a second amended complaint, as he says new evidence has come to light since the first amended complaint was filed. In an affidavit he says he wishes to place Moses Billings and Francis I. McKenna on the stand when the case comes to trial, and that their testimony will go to show that the Title Bank kept down the income from the property in order to increase the indebtedness on it.

The answer to the petition denies that ing Henry Shaffer. The latter was shot Ross is merely a nominal party to the Marquam suit, and avers that he is one of those charged with collusion and fraud in connection with the execution sale of the Marquam property. Describes 10 and 10 an of the Marquam property. December 10, 1900. The answer further says that Ross, Hill and Burkhart are adverse parties within the meaning of section 826 of the code, amended in 1905, and that for that reason Marquam has a right to take their depositions. Hill is said to have other knowledge besides that gained as receiver waists and silk of the Title Bank, as alleged in the pe

M. Ladd, nor Burkhart have testified

W. M. Ladd, nor Burkhart have testified fairly or fully regarding the subject matter of Marquam's complaint.

Lastly, it is his contention that the court has no sutherfly to issue an injunction against his taking the depositions and prays that the temporary injunction be discharged, and the petition of the defendants dismissed.

SUIT TO ENJOIN THE CITY

Merchants Will Attack the Vehicle

Tax Ordinance Today,

Suit to enjoin the city from further collecting licenses under the vehicle tax ordinance which recently passed the City Council is to be filed in the Circuit Court today by Frank E. Freeman, It will be the contention of Mr. Freeman, who will act as atterney for merchants liable under the new ordinance, that, panding the decision of the voters on the referendum, the city has no right to enforce the law. City Attorney John J. Kavanauch submitted to City Amittor Barbur last week an opinion in which he held that the referendum cannot affect the ordinance until the vote is cast. Before that time the only way to prevent collection of the tax,

only way to prevent collection of the tax,

he contends, would be for the City Coun-cil to repeal the ordinance. The referen-dum petition recently filed bears 5200 names.

name. The ordinance passed in the Council over Mayor Lane's veto, after a stubborn fight among the Councilmen. Councilman Kellaher bitterly opposed it, threatening to invoke the referendum, which was

MANNING FILES AFFIDAVITS

Supports Contention That Ross and Associates Can Have Fair Trial.

Only the arguments of the attorneys for the state and for the officials of the defunct Title Bank, and the decision of Judge Cleiand regarding the motion of the officials that they be tried in some county other than Multnomah, now stand between the bank's officers and a jury trial. District Attorney Manning filed 47 affidavits yesterday morning in which as many Portland citizens swore that it was their belief that J. Thorburn Ross, T. T. Burkhart, John E. Aitebison and George H. Hill could be fairly tried in Multnomah County.

H. Hill could be fairly tried in Multnoman County.

The contention of Ross and his associates is that the newspapers of the city have so poisoned the public minu that 12 fair-minded and unbiased jurors cannot be found. In support of this contention the defendants' attorneys have filed is affidavits and the copies of 270 newspapers. Judge Cleland is to hear the arguments for and against a change of venue at 2 P. M. today.

Citizens making affidavits that Ross and his colleagues can be fairly tried in the Multnomah County Circuit Court,

Multnomah County Circuit Court, H. W. Scott, E. B. Piper, J. F. Carthe Multhoman County Chreuit Court, are: H. W. Scott, E. B. Piper, J. F. Carroll, C. S. Jackson, John Manning, H. J. Martin, Fritz Abendroth, H. Wolf, M. Sichel, G. A. Metzger, Jacob Rosenthal, S. C. Friendly, C. F. Adams, M. F. Brady, George W. Hoyt, Marcus Fleischner, Amos T. Huggins, J. Frank Watson, A. L. Mills, John B. Coffey, John Driscoll, Frank F. Freeman, John H. Middleton, Oglesby Young, G. W. Stapleton, George F. Martin, F. M. Johnson, Louis Hess, Daniel E. Bowman, Mat Foeller, F. Friedlander, W. J. Fullam, Ben Selling, Horace B. Ramsdell, Thomas C. Bloomer, M. M. Bloch, C. Gritzmacher, Phil Metschan, Jr., Morris Goodman, Grant Phegley, D. M. Watson, M. J. Blssaillon, Ralph Crysler, Thomas Hislop, T. T. Struble and A. W. Moore.

BICKERTON CASE DRAGS ON

Testimony in Divorce Case Expected to Be Concluded This Morning.

The contested divorce suit of Mrs. Iona Bickerton against Haughton C. Bickerton still drags on before Judge Bronaugh in the Circuit Court. It is expected that all the testimony will be before the Court this morning, and that opposing counsel will have fishished arguments before the hour for adjournment tonight. Mrs. Bickerton is seeking to obtain her divorce on the ground of duniverness.

erton is seeking to obtain her divorce on the ground of drunkenness.

It is Bickerton's contention that the entire trouble between himself and his wife has been caused by her many admirers. She is said to have invited a Mr. and Mrs. Rees to live with herself and husband to spy on him. Mrs. Rees, when placed on the stand yesterday, admitted that Mrs. Bickerton employed her to act as a sort of bodyguard, because she was afraid Bickerton might do her harm. Rees is said to have played a prominent part in the management of Mrs. Bickerton's business, and Bickerton believes he alienated his wife's affections.

Ruth Leibe has filed suit to obtain a

Ruth Leibe has filed suit to obtain a divorce from Henry A. Leibe. She says that last month he knocked her down while she had the haby in her arms, and that he often cursed her. She asks \$150-temporary allmony, and \$35 a month, he-sides a third interest in lot 18, block 3. Brainard tract. The couple married Oc

tober 24, 1995.
Charles H. Oakes has brought suit to secure a divorce from Frances L. Oakes, on the ground that she deserted him four months after November 3, 1906, when they

Ask Stay of Judgment.

Attorneys for W. C. Gibson, recently convicted in the Circuit Court of rob-bery, filed two motions yesterday, one in arrest of judgment on the verdiet, and the other to obtain a new trial, on the ground that there was no testion the ground that there was no testimony to show that Gibson had a loaded
revolver in his possession, and that
therefore the verdict was centrary to
law. The reason for asking stay of
judgment is that Gibson was unable
to make known to the court or to his
attorneys facts within his knowledge
which might have cleared him. It is
asserted that a disease of his mind
was responsible for this,

Calls Letter a Libel.

Suit to recover \$15,000 damages for libel on account of a letter written by A. H. Reudy, and printed in a local paper, has been filled in the Circuit Court by John L. Schuyleman. The letter was printed under the caption, "One of Brother Ross' Kind," and is characterized by Schuyleman as "false, untrue and defamatory." In the letter Reudy said; "I have a vivid recollection of how I was robbed of thousands of dollars, while the methods of the Title, Grab & Bust Company were be-ing lauded to the skies by this same disciple of high finance."

Forecloses Big Mortgage.

Percy H. Blyth has brought suit in the Circuit Court against the Colonial Investment Company to forcelose a \$25,000 mortgage. He asks \$25,00 attorney's fees. \$462.10 taxes and interest on the \$25,000 at 6 per cent from Sep-tember 5, 1967. The property in ques-tion is on the Cornell road.

Suitter's Trial May 14.

Nathan H. Suitter will be tried in the Arouit Court May 14 on a charge of kill-

\$4.95 SPECIALS

At Le Palais Royal, beautiful new net waists and silk petticoats, worth \$7.9%. 35 Washington street.

Mr. Nottingham Explains.

PORTLAND, March 29 .- (To the Editor.)—I notice that you made a mistake in today's Oregonian by saying that I opposed Statement No. 1 in the County Convention. I wish to state that I was not a member of the late convention, nor of any other political convention is not of any other political convention in milife. C. W. NOTTINGHAM.

The Oregonian did not say Mr. Not tingham attended the convention as a delegate. He went there as a visitor. At that time and until two weeks ago he was an opponent of Statement No. L.

Death of Christopher Fliedner.

Christopher Fliedner died yesterday at Christopher Fliedher died yesterday at his home at Stewart's station, on the Mount Scott raffway, at the age of 72 years and 3 months. A widow and four children survive him: Miss Ann Fliedner, Miss Claudia Fliedner, Mrs. H. G. Brockman and W. F. Fleidner, The funeral will be held this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock from Mountain rations.

Free candy with children's shoes at Rosenthal's. Seventh and Washington.

CALLS MEETING OF

Chairman Westgate Summons Republican Leaders for April 10.

PREPARE FOR CONVENTION

Gathering of Clans Will Be Held in May and Will Choose National Delegates and Nominate the Electors.

_Oregon's Republican state central com mittee was summobed yesterday by Chairman G. A. Westgate, to meet in Pertiand, Friday, April 10, for the pur-pose of calling a state convention and apportioning the delegates. The convention will meet about a month later and will choose four delegates-at-large to the National convention, which will be held in Chicago, June 18. The state convention will also nominate four candidates for Presidential electors.

Presidential electors.

The state committee will arrange for calling a convention in each of the two Congressional districts, for the purpose of choosing two National delegates for each district. each district. Oregon will have eight delegates in Chicago.

delegates in Chicago.

It is altogether probable that the old system will be adopted by the state committee, of selecting delegates to the state convention, in county conventions, and of selecting delegates to county conventions, in county primaries. This appears to be the method generally favored.

Other possible methods are, (I) electing state convention delegates in county primaries, in the manner of the direct primary law; (2) allowing the state central committee to choose them, or (3) allowing the county central committee.

owing the county central committee to name the delegates.

Direct Primary Cumbersome.

The direct primary method is deemed too cumbersome, since the primary law makes no provision for selecting delegates in connection with the regular primaries and besides, since there will not be enough time before primary day, April 17, to prepare for contemporaneous primaries, special primaries would have to be provided for later, and no funds are available to pay the expense. The two other possible methods—those of selection by atther state of country content. by either state or county central commit-

ties, are unpopular, since the cry of "machine" would follow.
Chairman Westgate says that the old method of choosing delegates to the state convention in all probability will be adopted.

adopted.

In the First Congressional District Claud Gatch is chairman of the central committee, but as he has been appointed to the Federal office of National Bank Examiner, since being elected chairman of that body, two years ago, it presumed he will take no part in the political affairs of the district. In that event, Gall S. Hill, of Albany, secretary of the committee, will probably issue the call for the district committee. In the Second District there is no central organization, so that the state committee must arrange for its convention.

Will Adopt Platforms.

It is expected that the state and dis It is expected that the state and dis-trict conventions will adopt platforms for the Republican nominees to stand on in the June election. There will be no op-portunity for the conventions to meddle with nominations, since all nominations will have been made in the primaries, April 17, probably three or four weeks before the conventions. Members of the state central committee are as follows:

Baker George Chandler, Baker City, Benton-George W. Denman, Corvallia, Claison-W. R. Hume, Astoria, Columbia-E. E. Quick, St. Heiens, Cooe-E. Mingus, Marshfield, Douglas-A. C. Marsters, Roseburg, Gilliam-C. A. Danneman, Condon, Grant-O. L. Patterson, Canyon City, Harney-H. M. Horton, Burns, Losephine, J. Carana, D. Danseller, J. Carana, Condon, Gant-O. L. Carana, Condon, Gant-O. L. Patterson, Canyon City, Harney-H. M. Horton, Burns, Losephine, J. Carana, Condon, Control of Canada, Harney—H. M. Horton, Burns,
Josephine—J. C. Campbell, Grants PassKlamath—W. B. Bowdoin, Klamath Palls,
Lake—F. P. Light, Lakeview,
Lane—E. C. Potter, Eugene,
Linn—G, A. Westgate, chairman, Albany,
Malbeur—W. H. Pullen, Vale,
Marion—Frank W. Waters, Salem,
Morrow—E. L. Freeland, Heppner,
Multnomah—W. W. Banks, Portland,
Polk—R. E. Williams, Dallas,
Sherman—E. V. Littlefield, Moro,
Tillamook—W. H. Cooper, Tillamook,
Umatilia—Lee Morchouse, Pendieton,
Wallowa—(No election),
Washington—E. B. Tongue, Hillsboro,
Wheeler—W. W. Stejwer, Fossil,
Yamhili—W. T. Vinton, McMinnville.

FILE THEIR DECLARATIONS

Candidates Officially Make Known Their Intentions.

Willard H. Chapin has filed with County Clerk Fields his declaration of intention to run for State Representative on the Republican ticket. He favors the Republican voters' choice. G. H. Allen. B. C. Altman, Fred J. Brady and L. D. Mahone, candidates for Representative, have filed their declarations, promising to support Stateffent No. I. John D. Wilcox has filed his declaration to run on the Republican ticket for State Senator, promising to uphold Statement No. I. Central committeemen have filed their declarations as follows: Republicans—Benjamin C. Dey, Precinct 90; H. B. Dickinson, 61; J. Anderson, 16; E. A. Austin, 42; W. F. Harris, 169; W. M. Cake. 29; W. H. Galvani, 17; Harry C. Stuart, 33; W. W. Sharp, 106; A. Siddell, 61; L. C. McClintock, 60; A. L. Finley, 23; C. C. Newesstie, 32; J. F. Cahalin, 12; O. W. Taylor, 73; J. M. Cook, 85; F. E. Watkins, 35; Emil Luck, 110; B. C. Lindsey, 101; Thomas Streiff, 111; Charles E. Sawyer, 30; R. J. Burley, 169; Thomas Newstead, 20; Louis Ebeling, 22; A. B. Ferrera, 39; S. W. Herrman, 35; C. J. Bush, 34; P. R. Mahoney, 80. Democrats—Joe Shannon, 15; Charles B. Heltkemper, 57; W. N. Neville, 71; T. J. Craig, 28; Charles Hyle, 61; A. P. Nelson, 64; A. P. Morrison, 109; James L. Davidson, 51; James P. Kennedy, 28. Willard H. Chapin has filed with County Clerk Fleids his declaration of

CHILDREN WILL ASSIST

Asked to Distribute Rose Festiva Advertising Matter.

Though the school children of the Port and public schools have been debarred from taking part in the Rose Festival next June, a way has been found whereby they may assist very materially in

Mount Scott raffway, at the age of 12 years and 3 months. A widow and four children survive him: Miss Ann Fliesiner. Miss Chaudia Fliedner, Mrs. H. G. Brockman and W. F. Fleidner. The funeral will be held this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock from Holman's parfors.

Free candy with children's snoes at Rosenthal's. Seventh and Washington.

Metager, jeweler, optician, 342 Wash.

VERY FIRST BAD SIGNS

SERIOUS KIDNEY TROUBLES FELT IN THE BACK.

Prescription Which Anyone Can Prepare at Home to Overcome Kidney Disease.

Take care of backache. A great many ases of kidney complaint are reported thout here, also bladder trouble and heumatism.

rheumatism.

An authority once stated that pain in the back, loins or region of the kidneys is the danger signal nature hangs out to notify the sufferer that there is something wrong with the kidneys, which should receive immediate attention. Only vegetable treatment should be administered and absolutely no strongly alcoholic patent medicines, which are harmful to the kidneys and bladder.

which are harmful to the kidneys and bladder.

The following prescription, while simple, harmles and inexpensive, is known and recognized as a sovereign remedy for kidney complaint. The ingredients can be obtained at any good prescription pharmacy and anyone can mix them: Compound Kargon, one ounce: Fluid Extract Dandelion, one-half ounce: Compound Syrup Sarsaparilla, three ounces. Shake well in a bottle and take in teaspoonful doses after each meal and at bedtime.

This preparation is said to restore the natural function of the kidneys, so they will sift and strain the poisonous waste matter, uric acid, etc., from the blood, purifying it and relieving rheumatism. Backache will be relieved, the urine will be neutralized and cleared and no longer a cause of frritation, thereby overcoming such symptoms as weak bladder, painful, frequent and other urinary difficulties.

This is worth trying and may prove just what many people here need.

the Rose Festival headquarters, on the fifth floor of the Swetland building.

The hope of the citizens behind the festival movement is that every one of the 23,000 boys and girls attending the public schools will call at headquarters and get a lot of these cards to send East of finding or relatives that movement. to friends or relatives that may be in-duced to come to Portland next Summer. It is realized that the school children of Portland can be made the most powerful agents of publicity for the great festal week if they will only show the proper interest.

while the festival people plan to dis-tribute probably 150,000 of these pro-grammes among the hotels, restaurants, stores, factories and other establishments, it is expected that the public school chil-dren will make use of at least 100,000 of them.

them.

Letters are now being prepared by Captain Speier, chairman of the water carrival committee, to be sent to the owners of every dock on both sides of the river from above the Madison-street bridge down below the Steel bridge, requesting them to arrange for a uniform scheme of decoration and illumination for the entire week, and particularly for the great marine pageant, on the night of

the entire week, and particularly for the great marine pageant, on the night of June 2.

The Viking Association, of Astoria, which embraces some of the most important social and athletic bodies of the "City by the Sea," will probably be represented in the water carnival in full force.

VETO LIGHTING ORDINANCE

Mayor Expected to Reject Bill Passed by Council Last Week.

That Mayor Lane will veto the ordinance passed at the last session of the City Council relative to city lighting seems a certainty. Investigation of the measure reveals the fact that it contains no maximum rate to be charged by bidders, and this alone is

SPRING SALE OF **AXMINSTER CARPETS**

Select your new Spring floorcoverings from these attractive carpet values-sale ending tomorrow in the Carpet Section -Sixth Floor.

BIGELOW AXMINSTER

600 yards of this famous weave, offering the choice of seven patterns, in Oriental designs and rich twotone effects. Regular price \$2.20 yard. Sewed, laid and lined, per yd. \$1.60

SMITH'S EXTRA **AXMINSTER**

500 yards, in four desirable patterns and color combinations. Regular \$1.85 yard. Sewed, laid and lined at, yard \$1.15

SAXONY AXMINSTER

500 yards of these floor coverings, in five, popular patterns and colorings; regular price \$1.60 yard. Sewed, laid and lined at, yard \$1.00

GREAT SALE THIS WEEK MISSION DINING-ROOM FURNITURE

TULL & GIBBS COMPLETE HOUSE FURNISHERS

AND UPHOLSTERY GOODS

Today in the

Drapery Dept.,

SALE OF

DRAPERY

believed to be sufficient to cause its rejection by the Mayor.

The present rate for arc lamps is \$5.30 each, and President Josselyn, of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, has said that he will not increase the price in the next bid. This, however, does not satisfy Mayor Lane, who is making a fight for municipal ownership of a lighting plant. For the reason stated, and because of other features which may be made known by the Mayor later, it is believed to be certain that the veto power will be used on the ordinance now under consideration by the Mayor. sideration by the Mayor.

PASSES THE 26,000 MARK Registration for Primaries Will

Close After Seven Days More. The total registration went over the

5.000 mark last night. At 5 o'clock the figure was 25.949. Republicans to the number of 20,293 had signed the books hesides 4,265 Democrats and 1250 unclassed. For the day up to 5 o'clock 441 voters had signed books. Of these 368 were Repub-licans, 73 were Democrats and 20 were of other political beliefs.

S. Kawamura, a Japanese, hardly able to understand English, attempted to "railroad" his signature through sester-day. He was at last made to understand

believed to be sufficient to cause its and was promptly turned down, as he was born in Japan. He is a waiter, 28 years old, residing at 225 Burnside street.
There are only seven more days in which to register for the primaries, including today. The books will close promptly at 5 P. M., April 7. County cluding today. The books will close promptly at 5 P. M., April 7. County Clerk Fields is keeping the office at the gums. allays pain, colic and diarrhoes.

Courthouse open until 9 P. M. in order to give busy citizens a chance to sign up.

If Baby Is Cutting Teeth

HISTORY OF THE WHITE HOUSE

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SAMPLE VOLUME FREE WITH EACH PAIR OF WHITE HOUSE SHOES FOR MEN-FOR WOMEN.

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