

### THREE MORE OUT EXECUTIVE BOARD

#### Recent Criticism Leads to Resignation of Fleischer, Peery and Wilson.

### LONG IN CITY'S SERVICE

#### Entire Fire Committee Follows Example of R. L. Sabin as Result of Effort to Oust Fire Chief Campbell.

Marcus G. Fleischer, L. T. Peery and Richard Wilson, comprising the fire committee of the City Executive Board, have resigned. They say that it is because of pressing business duties, precluding their longer continuation in the municipal service, but there is evidence to show that factional strife and bitterness in the Board also influenced these three men, as well as Robert L. Sabin, to vacate their positions. Mr. Sabin was chairman of the street committee, and resigned last week, principally for the reason that Mayor Lane severely rebuked him for recommending a long extension of time on an East Side fill contract.

When Mayor Lane reached his office yesterday afternoon and found a letter from Mr. Peery, which tendered the latter's resignation, he was not greatly surprised, for the other two members of the fire committee had already resigned.

#### Mayor Quotes Favorite Lines.

"Have you anything to say about these wholesale resignations?" the Mayor was asked.

"Only that sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof," the Mayor replied, laughing.

This is the favorite Biblical quotation of the Mayor, and one which he often calls into requisition.

That a very serious breach in the Executive Board has existed for several weeks, is well known to those who are in touch with municipal affairs. The first break came when Mayor Lane publicly rebuked Mr. Sabin for recommending a time extension without penalty, to the Pacific Bridge Company on the East Side street fill. This was followed two days later by Mr. Sabin's resignation, which was immediately accepted.

#### Hearing Aimed at Campbell.

Following close upon the Sabin incident, came criticism of the action of the fire committee in the matter of \$5 hydrants, which lay at Fourth and Market streets for two months untested and unaccepted, and for which Thomas G. Greene, chairman of the police committee, demanded an investigation. He introduced a resolution into the Board, at its session three weeks ago, and the investigation was placed in the hands of the fire committee. The members held two meetings, took testimony, but reported back that the blame for the matter could not be fixed. This called forth from Mr. Greene and Isaac Sweet, the latter a new member, caustic remarks, which clearly indicated that they were far from satisfied with the report.

Mr. Sweet declared that he attended the two meetings, heard the evidence and was prepared to say that the blame lay with Fire Chief Campbell. Mr. Greene also criticized the members of the fire committee, saying they were either insincere or incompetent, and urged that further investigation be made. The committee report was adopted, and future action of the Board will be had on the clause contained in the report, recommending "further consideration by the Board."

When the hydrant matter cropped up, and after Mr. Greene's resolution calling for an investigation was made, there was a strong suspicion that the real object of the affair was to find a basis for charges against Chief Campbell. When the last meeting of the Board was held, this became more than ever apparent, until at the present time, it is virtually conceded in City Hall that the Lane administration wants to "land" Chief Campbell. Why, it is unknown, but for a long time there has been a strong rumor current that it is desired by some to make more of a political machine of the Fire Department, which is now run on a strictly non-political basis, being under the civil service. Chief Campbell himself is a civil service employee.

#### Five Vacancies on Board.

Mayor Lane refuses to say what he will do regarding the resignations of these five members and other things connected with the affair. It is certain, however, that



L. T. Peery.

he will accept the resignations, and fill up the Board with new members. There are now five vacancies, and but five members on the Board.

The three men who resigned yesterday were old members and had rendered valuable service to the city. Mr. Fleischer, as chairman of the fire committee, gave careful attention to the details of the department, even going to fires in the night to note the work of the firemen and to observe conditions. The other members also paid extraordinary care to their work. Neither would say anything as to the unpleasant matter recently arising in the Board, but the fact that all resigned at once is too significant to be overlooked. However, Mr. Fleischer has intended making a trip to Europe for some time.

That there will be further investigation into the hydrant matter, is virtually certain. Who will conduct the investigation remains to be seen, but Mayor Lane now has the opportunity to make Isaac Sweet chairman of the fire committee, if he so desires, which would afford Mr. Sweet an opportunity to conduct the investigation. It can be said that the appointment of Mr. Sweet to membership in the Board has met with disfavor among other members,

and the fact that, at his first meeting, he so boldly attacked the members of the Fire Committee caused much comment.

### MAY GRANT FRANCHISE

City Attorney Is Instructed to Draft Ordinances.

A special meeting of the street committee of the City Council was held yesterday afternoon and the matter of franchises for the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company in Irvington and to the Swift Packing establishment on the Peninsula was discussed at considerable length. No representative of the company was present. The City Attorney was instructed to draft franchises for these two lines and to submit them at the next regular meeting.

Since the Council refused to grant the company a franchise to operate on Patton avenue, that being considered a connecting link in the boulevard system, another route must be obtained. The committee proposed to offer the company a franchise on Albina avenue to Killingsworth; on Pippin to Derby and north on Derby to the Swift plant. This is designed to be a double track.

City Attorney Kavanaugh was instructed to incorporate in this franchise all of the latest and most stringent regulations contained in the United Railways Company, which includes regulation of fares, sprinkling of streets, regulation of the traffic, number of cars to be operated, and all features said to be most desirable from the standpoint of the city.

Mr. Kavanaugh was also instructed to draft a franchise with the same clauses, from East Twenty-second to East Twenty-eighth streets, on Halley street. Councilman Kellaher wanted to include in this that the line should double track and run south on East Twenty-eighth to East Ankeny, over the East Twenty-eighth-



Marcus G. Fleischer.

street bridge and down East Ankeny street to the city, making a loop system, with cars running in each direction every ten minutes.

"I don't think the company would accept any such a franchise," said Councilman Wallace. "There are two parties to any agreement, you must remember."

"I know it," replied Mr. Kellaher, "but you see, the company is anxious to give the people good service, and this will give good service, so the company may accept it."

Mr. Kellaher evidently wants to fasten upon the company an obligation to cross the bridge over Sullivan's Gulch on East Twenty-eighth street, for which the company officially refused to pay its portion of the cost. The company denied ownership in the franchise across the gulch, but the City will endeavor to force collection of a portion on the bridge cost.

### FRESHMEN GET A HAZING

New Students of Medical Department Are Initiated.

Freshmen in the medical department, University of Oregon, were led a merry chase last night by the upperclassmen, the occasion being the annual initiation of a class, which numbers 18, was led about the downtown streets with ropes tied around their necks, and held by their tormentors. Huge signs were fixed to their backs, bearing the legend, "We Are the Roughneck Freshmen of the Medical Department, U. of O."

Various other pranks were played upon the freshmen. Their bodies were painted with red dye, that is guaranteed not to come off for months; they were fed on evil and unsavory dishes, and all sorts of devices were resorted to by the sophomores and juniors to make the underclassmen realize they are as yet outside the pale of full-fledged medics.

These pranks are played every year upon the freshmen, and next year those who underwent the mild hazing last night will preserve the traditions of the medical school by inflicting similar torments on the first class. In about a month the freshmen will be initiation at a smoker by the upper classes and from that time on they may consider themselves as fully initiated into the school.

### TRIES TO KILL WITNESS

Aged Indian Nearly Murdered by Friend of Accused.

Little John, an aged Indian and one of the Government's principal witnesses in the murder case of William Barkley, charged with killing of Sid O. Jacobs, has been almost killed by one of the friends of the man now awaiting trial. United States Attorney McCreary was notified yesterday morning of the attempted assassination of Little John by cutting his throat. Little John is 50 years old and it has been reported by the Government that some of Barkley's friends would try to put him out of the way before the time of trial. The affair took place on the reservation at Alturas. The aged Indian's life was saved by the timely arrival of an uncle of the prisoner.

### CAN YOU MAKE PIES?

Mrs. Wheelock will give two lessons in cooking today at Honeyman Hardware Store. Menu at 10:30: Spagetti with tomato sauce, chicken a la Daton, pumpkin pie, mock cherry pie. Menu at 2:30 P. M.: Rice and curry sauce and drop cakes.

Decisions by Judge Morrow.

Tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock, in department No. 2 of the Circuit Court, Judge Morrow will announce decisions in the following cases: Yanckwich vs Seip, motion; Elerath vs. Swatland, motion.

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Excavation for Modern Structure Will Begin as Soon as Site Is Cleared.

Another desirable Oak-street corner is to be improved with a large building. The northeast corner of Fourth and Oak, owned by the Lewis estate, bears a placard announcing that a new building is to be erected on the site, and offers for sale the frame house now on the ground.

This intersection already has the Board of Trade building at the southeast corner, the Weinhard block on the northwest corner and will have the Henry building on the southwest corner when that structure is completed.

While definite plans for the proposed building have not been decided upon, Robert W. Lewis said yesterday that it would occupy the entire 100x100 feet and be of modern construction. He added that when the present building is sold and removed, excavation will begin at once, which indicates that the building will be pushed to completion after once started. The height will be determined as soon as agreement is concluded with a tenant, or when it shall have been decided to erect an office building.

### CLARENCE CLEVELAND DIES

Youth Was Native of Portland and Well Known.

Clarence Grover Cleveland, 21 years of age, son of Albert Cleveland, one of the proprietors of the Fashionables, and a well-known Oregon stock dealer, died at the residence of his father, 331 1/2 Everett street, at 9:15 o'clock Sunday night, after a prolonged and severe illness, of pneumonia. The remains were taken last night by his father to San Diego, Cal., where they will be buried next to those of his mother, who formerly lived in San Diego.

Mr. Cleveland was a native Oregonian, having been born in Gresham, Or., on



The Late Clarence Grover Cleveland.

November 28, 1886. He was a graduate of the Portland Business College and was well known over Eastern Oregon, where he had traveled extensively as a stock buyer in connection with his father's business. Besides his father he is survived by one sister, Florence Ruth Cleveland, 18 years of age, who is in attendance at Mills College, in California.

### TAKEN UNDER ADVISEMENT

Question of United Railways' Track Privileges Still Unsettled.

Judge Wolverton yesterday afternoon heard arguments in the case of the United Railways Company and the Southern Pacific on the injunction recently issued in behalf of the Southern Pacific against the United Railways Company, which prevented the latter from making a connection with the Southern Pacific tracks. After hearing the arguments of attorneys on both sides, Judge Wolverton gave the United Railways Company 30 days in which to file its briefs and more for the attorneys of the Southern Pacific to make answer. In the meantime Judge Wolverton has the matter of the restraining order under advisement.

The case grew out of the desire of the United Railways to connect with the Southern Pacific tracks by means of a switch and permission was granted by the State Railroad Commission. The Southern Pacific Railroad contested the action of the State Railroad Commission and obtained an injunction.

### SALEM SCHOOL CROWDED

Registration on Opening Day Is 1554—Will Reach 2650.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 28.—(Special.)—The Salem public schools opened yesterday with 1554 pupils enrolled—an increase of 51, or over 5 per cent over last year. The

### Amusements

What the Press Agents Say.

Matinee at Hellig Theater.

There will be two performances at the Hellig Theater today, a special matinee at 2:15 this afternoon and the last time tonight at 8:15. The attraction will be "Coming Thru the Rye," which has delighted Portland theater-goers the past two evenings. The sensational "Salome Dance" is introduced by the charming Margaret Taylor.

"The Cat and the Fiddle."

Everybody is going to see the elaborate extravaganza, "The Cat and the Fiddle," at the Baker Theater this week. It is one of the biggest scenic productions ever brought to the city and introduces all those wonderful transformations and trick effects so famous in plays like "The Devil's Auction." Matinee Thursday and Saturday.

Bungalow Curtain at 5 o'clock.

The curtain at the Bungalow will rise promptly at 5 o'clock on "The Girl of the Golden West" this week. As no one can be seated while the curtain is up, it behooves all to get there early, so as not to miss the magnificent first act. "The Devil's Auction," Matinee Thursday and Saturday.

"Uncle Josh" at the Star.

Happy comedy and lots of it is to be found in the newest comedy-drama, "Uncle Josh Perkins." The play is by Lem B. Parker, whose name is to be found attached to many successful productions. "Uncle Josh" is at the Star all this week.

Dancing Sensation at Lyric.

The most unparalleled sensation of recent years is the wonderful Salome dance as performed by the Lyric Stock Company, "The Golden West" this week. As no one can be seated while the curtain is up, it behooves all to get there early, so as not to miss the magnificent first act. "The Devil's Auction," Matinee Thursday and Saturday.

Frances Sisson at Orpheum.

Miss Frances Sisson, until recently leading lady of the Baker Stock Company, will be seen with Franklin Underwood and George Blomquist at the Orpheum this week in "Dobba Dilemma." This trio is a recent acquisition to vaudeville, so well thought of that Martin Beck gave them a booking over the entire Orpheum circuit.

Police "Third Degree."

Newspaper readers have heard of the famous "third degree" of the police, the process by which offenders confess their crimes. This system is shown at the Grand this week in "The Criminal," an act of unusual merit. Roland West appears in five characters and through these the story of the crime is related.

Classy Dancing at Pantages.

Mack Malone and Mack, in a classy and spicy dancing act, will be at Pantages opening to the new program at Pantages Theater this week. The Heenan trio have a startling bicycle act, one that is seldom equaled in grace and daring. The mile race at the finish is a whizzer.

### ENGINE SENT INTO PIT

Narrowly Misses Crashing Into Crews of Strikebreakers.

KAMLOOPS, B. C., Sept. 29.—At full speed, the throttle wide open and a clear track ahead, C. P. R. engine No. 914 dashed through the yard here yesterday and plunged into the pit of the turntable while the amazed engine crew stood on the track and watched the giant locomotive land on its nose.

It is reported that a man was observed standing near the engine shortly before it dashed off and it is said he must have jumped into the cab, opened the throttle and then leaped. Had the turntable been set for the track occupied by the engine the big machine would have crashed into two cars occupied by strikebreakers.

### FAIR ATTENDANCE IS LARGE

Second Day at Umatilla Brings Out Many Gray-Haired Pioneers.

PENDELTON, Or., Sept. 29.—(Special.)—With much larger crowds even than marked the opening of the first day, the second day of the district fair was brought to a successful close late tonight. Being pioneer day, the distinguishing features of the attendance was the large number of gray headed and gray bearded pioneers, practically every section of both counties being represented by men who crossed the plains with ox teams. J. D. Lee, of Portland, was the principal speaker.

Tomorrow is to be political day, and though the prominent speakers promised by the state committees of the different parties will not materialize, it is expected that the debates will prove of more than usual interest.

### LOOT STORE OF CANDY AND PENNIES.

ALBANY, Or., Sept. 28.—(Special.)—The

store of Fox & Cummings, at Second and Jackson streets in this city, was robbed last night of \$2 in pennies from the till. A quantity of canned goods and candy was secured. The work appears to be that of boys.

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