

IS MAYOR AFTER SCALP OF CHIEF?

Belief General That This Is Real Object of Inquiry by Fire Committee.

DISPUTE OVER HYDRANTS

Chief Campbell Declares He Stopped Tests With Authority From Mayor Lane, and This the Latter Denies.

The fire committee of the City Executive Board will resume the investigation into the matter of the long delay in the testing of fire hydrants tomorrow afternoon at 1 o'clock.

Chief Campbell declared that he was at all times acting as an agent of the Water Board in ordering tests of hydrants, and that he was instructed by the Mayor after the latter heard of conditions as to the alleged defective hydrants.

What the Chief Says. "I had so much trouble over the Ludlow hydrants, furnished by Hoge & Swift," said Chief Campbell.

Mayor Contralets Campbell. Mayor Lane takes issue with Chief Campbell as to the alleged order issued by the Chief to have been issued by the Mayor.

Superintendent Dodge, of the Water Department, is sorry he ever telephoned to Hoge & Swift. He denies that he delivered the order said by the Chief to have been given to the Chief.

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Veterans Guests of Ladies' Auxiliary. The members of Company H, Second Oregon Volunteer Infantry, were the guests last night of the Ladies' Auxiliary to Company H at an entertainment in Women of Woodcraft Hall.

History of Controversy. The hydrant controversy has caused much trouble since Thomas G. Greene was a member of the Executive Board, demanding an official inquiry as to the responsibility for the delay.

When the fire committee made its report to the Executive Board, Mr. Greene criticized it, and said that having heard the evidence, he felt that the responsibility for the delay in testing the hydrants was very clearly fixed.

the following week in the resignations of the entire committee, making four resignations from the Executive Board.

MILLS WILL DEFEND IDEAS

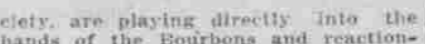
Socialist Will Meet Democrat in Public Debate.

The first Democrat to return from Salt Creek has appeared in Portland and has challenged Walter Thomas Mills to debate on "Socialism vs. Jeffersonian Democracy as a Cure for Trusts and Panics."

WILL TESTIFY AT FIRE COMMITTEE INQUIRY TOMORROW.



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SLEEPS SOUNDLY IN BOX

New Arrival, With Watch and Money, Dislikes Hotel.

Although he had a gold watch and more than \$10 in his pocket, Hans Ecklund, just arrived from Spokane, Wash., chose a dry goods box for his bed last night instead of hiring a room at a hotel.

The rich tones of a full-fledged snore greeted the policeman's ears, and he lifted the lid of the box.

OCEAN IN MIDWINTER.

Christmas eve, December 24, and New Year's eve, December 31, the S. P. M. train of the Astoria & Columbia River Railroad will run through to Seaside.

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H. M. DANIEL PASSES AWAY

Prominent Resident of McMinnville Dies After Active Career.

McMINNVILLE, Ore., Dec. 17.—(Special.)—Henry Martin Daniel died at his home here Wednesday of last week, aged 79 years 8 months and 20 days.

Only One "Bromo Quinine." That is LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE. Look for the signature of E. W. GROVE. Used the World over to cure a Cold in One Day. 25c.

WOMEN SWINDLED BY "ART" CONCERN

Unwary Part With Money to Be Taught to Paint Pillow Tops.

PROMISED LARGE RETURNS

Victims Pay \$3.50 to \$5 for Instruction, and Company Agrees to Buy Tops When Painted.

This It Never Does.

Now that the Postal authorities have successfully broken up the Von Nida apron scheme, they are turning their attention to other fake concerns that are preying upon the avarice of women and girls who are seeking employment.

PETARSSO CASE DRAGGING

INTERPRETATION OF TESTIMONY IS SLOW.

Defense Puts on Witnesses in Effort to Impach Evidence Given for Prosecution.

The Petarso murder trial is not yet in the hands of the jury. The necessity for interpreting nearly all the testimony, because an American jury, listening to an Italian case, has hampered counsel for the state and defense in their efforts to facilitate the trial.

The state rested yesterday, and four witnesses for the defense were placed on the stand. Mario Montrazo, interpreter at the coroner's inquest, was placed on the witness stand for the purpose of impeaching the testimony of Luigi Petarso.

SLEETH ARRESTED FOR LIBEL

Editor of Afternoon Paper and Its Manager Give Bonds.

Dana P. Sleeth and Melvin H. Voorhees, editor and business manager of a sensational afternoon newspaper of Portland, were arrested yesterday morning for criminal libel.

CITY MUST PAY SLEETH'S SALARIES.

Because Presiding Judge Gantenbein, of the Circuit Court, sustained the demurrer of Joe Day and others to the city's answer to their complaint, the city will be obliged to pay \$288 in salaries to the suspended detectives.

NEW LIGHT ON OLD OREGON

PROF. SHAFER WILL PRESENT MANY ORIGINAL LETTERS.

Tenth Annual Meeting of Oregon Historical Society Has Splendid Programme.

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and was engaged in the flouring mill business at various places until 1895, when he came to McMinnville and was actively engaged in superintending his mill here until a few days ago.

On January 30, 1891, Mr. Daniel was married in Salina, Mercer County, Ky., to Miss Sarah A. Driskell, who, during the tumultuous journey of life has been his devoted companion.

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ASK JINGLE SAM TO BOOST

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Harriman Lines Send \$1000 to Association and Promise Ample Advertising.

Rose Festival officials will take up at once with the postoffice authorities the matter of having every piece of mail sent out from Portland marked with an individual stamp.

WE INVITE YOU TO INSPECT

The Diking Sectional BOOKCASE

Examine carefully this superior Bookcase. Here are the points of superiority:

Absolutely dustproof—tops are doubly so.

Disappearing doors with patented door equalizer—smooth-running, noiseless, non-binding and removable.

Doors are cushioned, which prevents slamming and breaking of glass.

Each Section fits accurately—no unsightly metal bands spoil the artistic appearance.

Made of finest selected seasoned woods to match the woodwork or finish of the room.

Let us send our expert to your home and get a floor plan of your library. We will then suggest a Diking Combination for complete equipment or for expanding as your library grows. There is no cost or obligation on your part.

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Give back these materials and dyspepsia and indigestion flee and the whole machinery of man begins slowly to move and do its work.

What the stomach needs is nerve force, fluids for permanent home, nourishment and power. All these necessities it takes from the blood. If dyspepsia gives nothing to the blood, the blood gives nothing to the stomach.

This is common sense also, pure, simple and unalloyed.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are common sense pressed into high power into tablets. In these tablets are powerful essences which go into the stomach, digest food, stop gas making, prevent decay of food, enrich the gastric secretions, absorb the blood and give strength to furnish a better fluid for digesting the next meal.

Every physician knows what comprises these essences, every druggist has the same knowledge also. They are natural common sense digesters which do the work for the stomach quickly and easily. Every drug store carries them, 50c per package. Send us your name and address and we will send you a trial package by mail free. Address P. A. Stuart Co., 150 Stuart Bldg., Marshall, Mich.

sign Office, to gain permission to copy an abundance of material having an important bearing upon the "Oregon question," which occupied so much public attention in connection with the controversy between Great Britain and the United States, beginning in 1818 and ending on June 15, 1846, when the dispute was settled by treaty.

In connection with the reports of committees it is probable that something will be presented regarding the plans of the Society in the matter of beginning an effort to secure a permanent home, now sorely needed; also an outline of the programme to be followed at the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of statehood in February next.

Rose Festival officials will take up at once with the postoffice authorities the matter of having every piece of mail sent out from Portland marked with an individual stamp.

Among the most important announcements made from Festival headquarters for some time was the letter to President Hoyt, yesterday, in which General Manager J. P. O'Brien, of the Harriman Lines in the Northwest, enclosed \$1000 as a contribution to the general fund for the jubilee, which will be held the second week of next June.

The Harriman lines have already announced their intention of conducting a campaign of publicity all over the United States, making prominent mention of the main attractions of the Rose Festival in all advertising matter. Letters were sent out from the headquarters here and from the main offices of the Harriman systems in Omaha.

This action on the part of the Harriman lines places the Rose Festival on a National plane. It has already been recognized as an occasion of National importance by the full roads and from the first of the year until the opening of the jubilee it will probably be an interesting competition between the Hill and Harriman systems to see which of the two great trans-continental systems will get the most publicity.

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