TAZWELL ANSWERS: COFFEY IS DEFIANT

Municipal Judge Denounces Police Commissioner From Bench, Alleging Plot.

CHARGES ARE REPEATED

Member of Executive Board in Replying to Attack Declares Magistrate Is Not Acting for Best Interest of the Public.

TARWELL SEES CLIQUE AND COF-"DAMNABLY FALSE." *

There appears to be a little clique of officials, politicians and others in this city that appear to have control of the police department and want to gain control of the Municipal Court and the District Attornay's

office. Judge Tarwell.
Judge Tarwell's charges and insinuations, so far as they are di-rected at ma, are unqualifiedly false. Cammably false. I have no relations dampacor with the mea he hifts at and no desire to gain courtoi of anything. I adhere to my former statements, in which I have said that the Municipal Court is not backing the police department in its efforts to be a superior of the commission of the court is not backing the police department in its efforts to lean up the town.-Police Commismaner Coffer.

Charging a plot to replace him with a man who would become an acquies-cent party to a "vice syndicate," Municipal Judge Taxwell yesterday is-Municipal Judge Taxwell yesterday is-sued from the bench a statement in which he undertook to answer the charges of John R. Coffey, chairman of the police commission of the Executive Beard, alleging that Taxwell had shown undue favoritism and protection to un-destrables charged with violation of various municipal statutes.

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Commissioner Coffey replied by asserting that his activity in insisting on the enforcement of city ordinances as they existed was prompted entirely by a desire to see the laws enforced without any disposition on his part to play politics, which ordinarily includes the ment of chemies naturally acquired through political activities. In his statement, Mr. Coffey stands by his former declarations and defles Judge Taxwell and others among his critics to indicate. If possible, any particular in which he is not acting strictly in conformity with the ordinances of the city and in the interest of the general public.

Proof of Graft Defied.

Is Record in History of Linn and Benton County Institute.

Benton County Institute.

ALBANY, Or., Oct. 31.—(Special.)—L. R. Alderman, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, was the leading speaker at today's sessions of the teachers' institute for Linn and Benton County Institute.

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Proof of Graft Defied.

Thave absolutely no apology to offer for what I have done as chairman of the Police Commission of the executive board, said Mr. Coffey last night. Taccepted the appointment at the hands of Mayor Rushlight not for the purpose of graft or other sinister motives, but for the purpose of enforcing the laws as I find them. I took the position without a desire to purpose ward any friends I might have, or to reward any friends I might have. "If Municipal Judge Taxwell or any-body clase has any information of my sileged connection with any person whose operations are contrary to law, let them mention specific names and not researt to impersonalities, as has been their practice.

Tam informed that Isaac Strassberg, who is depended upon by Municipal Judge Taxwell to boluter up his charges against me, has been a macquerean for a number of years. According to my information, he came to Portland from Seattle eight months ago, after being cordered out of that city by the police.

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Undestrables Only Backers.

"My information is that Strassberg was discharged as a waiter from Mil-ter's Kosher restaurant, at Sixth and Pine streets, a few weeks ago. He is now working in the same capacity at Kessler & Lagerman's New York restaurant on Yamhili, between Second and Third streets. I am also informed that this resort is largely patronized by macquereaux and their female com-

panions.
"It is on this testimony that Judge
Taxwell undertakes to discredit my
work and to impuge my motives. It
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ts this type of men on whom lawell relies to bolster his assaults on a public official who has the temerity to assert himself and insist upon the enforcement of the law.

"Judge Taxwell suggests a grand jury investigation. I welcome such an investigation. I am ready and willing to assist him or any other individual in presenting to such an inquisitorial body all of the facts of which I may have knowledge. It certainly would not be amiss for the grand jury to inquire into the record and career of Max G. Cohen during the time he served as Municipal Judge on the recommendation and urgent request of Municipal Judge Taxwell during the absence of Taxwell on his vacation. The record of Cohen as acting Municipal Judge inmistakably warrants an investigation of his record.

"As 10 the sincerity, honesty and

"As to the sincerity, nonesty and purpose of my motives, as reflected by my record, I leave the general public to judge. As I end in the beginning, I have no apology to make. I am perfectly willing to stand on my record. That record satisfies me and I am satisfied it meets with the approval of a majority of the citizens of Perfland."

of Pertland."
"Wilful falsification," "crass ignorsnce." "monumental ignorance of the
law" are some of the epithets that the
magistrate hurls at his accuser, who
precipitated the controversy by giving
an interview in which he charged that
Taxwell hampered ridding of the city
of archestrables. undestrables

Coffey Piqued, Is Charge.

Touching the alleged attempt to get the Police Department, the Municipal Court and the District Attorney's office working together in the interests of the plotters, the statement says:

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I am informed that abortly after John B. Cuffey was appearated chairman or the Police Commission he complained bitterly that his orders to Acting Chief of Police Slover Fushlight; that there appeared a disposition on the part of the Mayor to make him a figurehead; that Waldemar Seton had been placed on the Police Commission to keep tab on his official acts and to handless him, and that he did not purpose to submit to such humiliating treatment, but preferably would resign.

ad resign.

It resigns to make time according to my interest the same time according to my interest the same time according to my interest the commissioner Coffer according to the former State resentative, and that the ca-Representative, and that the ca-Representative, and that the ca-Representative, and that the ca-Representative, and that the ca-Representative and the once conducted the brought by Poeter.

New location. Pettis, Grossmayer & two local altorneys, were to have a conducted floor, Wilcox bids.

around the City Hall corridors with number City Employs Involved.

The next thing we hear is that Sam Krasner, and of the proprietors of a notorious 'joins' at Fifth and Count streets, has become the administration stool-pigeon, and I am informed that witnesses can be produced to whom he has said that a certain city employs owns a quarter interest in the setablishment and has pisced him on such terms with certain city officials that he does not need to fear visitations from them. A waiter named Strassberg is authority for the assertion that at one time, when Detectives Show and Coleman were smarching for Krasner, shortly after the last city election, he took Krasner to his room in the Irwin Hotel and that the city smploys referred to was sent for and afterward took Krasner away with him, and that he employed immunity from police activity until County Detective Maher laid complaints against him. This same Krasner is said to have beasted that he supplied the city employs with a long list of undesirable establishments, minus only his even place, and that the man had given it to Mr. Coffer Certain it is that Mr. Coffey has exhibited long typewritium lists of such establishments.

Inquiry Is Threstened.

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I may add that certain assertions have been made to me relative to the radio on the Asian gambing house and Chinese gambing establishments which do not bring cradit on the present administration. I intend investigating them, and if my information is accurate, I think the grand jury might well do the same thing. If I procure corroboration of what I have been told, I shalt take more vigorous action in future than merely to reply to newspaper attacks.

It is my opinion that there is a little clique officials and politicians and others in this ty today who appear to have control of the Police Department and that they want to gain control of the Municipal Court and is of the District Atternoy's office. Then they could have their own way, and the sent would be such that decent citizens could have to hang their heads in shame. The Legislative resords of certain men are of of a character to imbut the people with unfidence in their deairs to do the right uting.

Those in touch with the situation had no difficulty in making out the identity of the persons obscurely referred to. The "ex-representative is Seneca Fouts, the "city official" is Joseph Singer, recently appointed market inspector, while one of the attorneys referred to is said to be Tom McDevitt, Jr., frequently mentioned as the one said to be scheduled to replace Taxwell on the bench.

TEACHERS GLEAN POINTS

SUPERINTENDENT ALDERMAN IS CHIEF SPEAKER AT MEET.

Attendance at Second Day's Session Is Record in History of Linn and

School, of Monmouth; advanced department, "Spelling," Miss Montana Hastings, of the faculty of the University of Oregon; rural deportment, "Organization of the Rural School," E. F. Carleton, of Salem, Assistant State Su-perintendent of Public Instruction; high school department, "Cars and Use of Library Books," Helen T. Kennedy, of the State Library Commission.

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First afternoon session—Primary.

"How to Begin Numbers." Maude
Laughead; intermediate, "Arithmetic."

R. W. Kirk, superintendent of the Corvallis public schools; advanced, "Composition." Montana Hastings; rural, address by Joseph Benner, one of Linn County's supervisors; high school, "Some Laboratory Methods." L. L.

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COURT CONTEMPT DOUBTED

Attorney Argues Sarcastic Letter or Closed Case Isn't Illegal.

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terday. The contention is that contempt in The contention is that contempt in the presence of the court may be pun-tahed summarily in the discretion of the judge, while for any other act an affidavit must be made 2f the circum-stances, and in no case, contends the attorney, is one in contempt for com-menting on a subject which has passed

While announcing that he had no intention of doing more than reprimand-ing Hagedorn, Judge Taxwell took the question under advisement until today.

WIFE GUILTY, SAYS JURY

English Husband Granted Divorce From Former American Girl.

LONDON, Oct. \$1 .- Guilty, was the verdict of the jury in the divorce court today in the case of Thomas Bescham, the opera producer, and Mrs. George Foster, against whom an action was



An Awful Sacrifice At Eilers Music House

\$100 Cash for Good Upright Pianos \$150 for Better Ones. \$200 for the Best!

(or pay \$4, \$5, \$6 a month, with 10 per cent added to these prices.)

Depend upon it, we are in earnest, determined to close out all of the pianos from the receivers right away - hence these astonishingly low prices. Let us tell you why:

Bring \$100 cash this morning to Eilers Music House and get a fairly good piano-choice of a roomful-or agree to pay \$110-paying \$10 now and \$4 a month, and have it sent home. Really very good pianos will go now for \$150, and the very finest that were carried by the defunct Music Company will be simply thrown away for \$200. If you want them on little payments simply pay 10 per cent extra.

The stock has been arranged in three great groups. Pick out any that you like in the first group for \$100. You can take the best you can find in the second group for \$150. And choice of a roomful of their very best for \$200.

There are three great groups of this entire stock of upright pianos. We snall not carry them a single day longer than necessary; hence the prices to close out quickly are as stated-\$100, \$150 and \$200. One and the same offer to each and all. First comers secure best choice.

Early last Summer the Perry Graves Music Company un-fortunately was forced into receiver's hands. Attempt was made to sell out at small prices enough of the stock to sat-isfy demands of insistent creditors. But this proved too slow. The receiver was then instructed to dispose of the entire establishment at whatever sacrifice might be neces-sary and stop expenses. Ellers Music House had the ready offer was accepted and affirmed by Judge Ga-

The Perry Graves Company was started in competition with another local institution of similar name. The finest stock of classical and popular music, the best known makes of mandolins, guitars, band instruments and all sorts of other musical instruments were carried in stock, as well as planos. When we were invited to bid on the stock we decided if successful to install a complete general music department in our new establishment at Seventh and Alder streets, which is now being done. In a very few days Ellers Music House of Portland will carry everything

known in musicdom, as we do also at Scattle, Spokane, and

We had to take the entire stock of planes in order to get what we really wanted. The Washington-street store was closed yesterday. The planos have been brought over to our new building. They are really in the way. Hence we must make quick sale of them.

There are some high grades—numerous medium grades and a very few cheap ones.

There are brand-new plones, second-hand planes and quite a number that have been out on rent a very short time.

time.

We have divided the stock into three groups. Instruments in group A go for exactly \$100. Instruments in group B go for \$150. Instruments in group C go for \$200. These are the cash prices. Time buyers will have to pay an advance of 10 per cent, but we'll make the terms of payment as easy as anyone may desire.

Place out your pranciple starts way. We propose to make

Pick out your prano right away. We propose to make

the quickest possible kind of work of this sale, hence this preposterous sacrifice.

They're upright planos, all of them, understand; they're good ones and go for exactly the prices put upon them, namely: \$100, \$150, \$200.

Our guarantee goes with each instrument sold for \$150 and for \$200, and we agree to accept at any time at these sale prices these instruments in part payment for any new Chickering or Kimball, or other highest grade piano, or for a baby grand or a player pione that we regularly sell.

Remember, this is the one great plane-buying opporinnity of years; come right away; telephone or write Ellers Music House, now at the corner of Seventh and Alder sts., the Nation's largest dealers in Pianos and Talking Ma-

EX-SECRETARY FOSTER BRINGS JOHN HAY INTO CASE.

Additional Agreement With China Made to Include Claim Accruing 40 Years Before.

WASHINGTON, Oct 81 .- The connection of ex-Secretary of State Poster, and the late E. H. Conger. Minister to China, with the payment of \$255,236 out of the Roxer indemnity fund to the helrs of General F. T. Ward, killed in the Chinese rebellion of 1862, was the subject of an inquiry started today by the House sub-committee on State Department expenditures. Mr. Foster, who acted as attorney for the Ward heirs and who, with Robert Lansing. heirs and who, with Robert Lansing.
obtained half of the sum as attorneys'
fees, testified that John Hay, Secretary of State, had expressly approved
a change in the protocol of November
7. 1991, under which China had guaranteed an indemnity fund to be divided
among the nations whose subjects were
injured.

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to pay the Ward claim out of the Boxer
fund, although the claim originated
pearly to years before the Boxer rehellon. He admitted that as attorney
for Mrs. G. M. Amidon, one of the
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the Chinese government to agree to this settlement of the old claim and he rend a confidential letter from Min-faster Conger in which Mr. Conger

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said that he had to stretch his instructions, and had great difficulty in bringing Prince Ching, the Chinese Premier,
to approve the plan.

Through the efforts of Minister
Conger and ex-Secretary Foster, Mr.
Foster said the Chinese government
was induced to ask the American Government to sanction the payment of
the claim from the Boxer funds Chairman Hamlin and Representative Dent,
of the investigating committee, were of the investigating committee, were unable to understand by what au-thority Secretary Hay could have di-verted the Boxer funds, except by an

"It required an act of Congress, apparently, to authorize the payment of part of the indemnity fund to China," said Representative Dent, "and I cannot see by what authority Secretary Hay could have used the funds to pay the Ward claims."

The investigation is likely o go into the question of ex-Secretary Hay's authority to make the additional agreement with China.

All Halloween Party Held.

A most successful Halloween party was held last night at the Daks skating rink, when six prizes were awarded for tasteful costumes and one prize awarded for the most unique

BERTHIL ANDERSON NAMED ELECTRICITY INSPECTOR.

Mayor Announces Selection in Anger After Reading Protest of Employers' Association.

A circular letter sent by the Employers' Association of Oregon denouncing Berthil Anderson, one of the candidates for the position of chief inspector of electricity, resulted yesterday in the appointment of Anderson to the position by Mayor Rushlight. The Mayor after reading the circular became en-raged and appointed Anderson immediately, declaring that before he read the letter he had not fully made up his mind as to whom he would appoint. The circular letter, dated October 26, has the following to say about Ander-

The Mayor has at hand the names of three eligible for appointment as Chief Ingent of Electricity. E. R. Shepard appearance of Electricity. E. R. Shepard appearance of Electricity. E. R. Shepard appearance and is a technical graduate from the University of California in 1904, with two years post graduate at Harvard, has several degrees and has had practical experience. He has previously been in the employ of the city as inspector at the trades school and also in the City English of the city as inspector at the trades school and also in the City English of the city as inspector at the trades school and also in the City English of the city as inspector at the trades school and also in the City English of the city as inspector at the trades school and also in the City English of the city as inspector at the trades school and also in the City English of the city as inspector at the trades school and also in the City English of the city as inspector at the trades school and also in the City English of the city as inspector at the trades school and also in the City English of the city as inspector at the trades school and also in the City English of the city as inspector at the trades school and also in the City English of the city as inspector at the trades school and also in the City English of the city as inspector at the trades school and also in the City English of the city as inspector at the trades school and also in the City English of the County is a spector of the city as inspector at the trades school and also in the City English of the County is a spector of the serious of the city as inspector at the trades achool and also in the City English of the County is a spector of the city as a

90 per cent of the workmen and do practically all of the general contracting work in this community.

However, the unions have indersed Berthil Anderson, who, it is said by those for whom he has worked, is incompetent and some have gone so far as to say they question his ability to pass the examination. From the best information that can be obtained from the Mayor's office, he is likely to receive the appointment. What a spectacle! The city attempts to induce enterprise to come to our community, whereby both capital and labor are allied for the mutual weifare of the community, and this individual, who some even go so far as to say is a Bockslist with anarchistic tendencies, is piaced in a position through politics, regardless of his fitness.

Further than this, in this special department, with his incompetency and union tendencies, it is possible for him to cause to every builder or owner of a small home, mansion or business block endless expense and to the open shop contractor embarragement in every possible way as regards time, expense and inconvenience to both builder and owner.

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EVARS' WIFE VISITS JAIL Former Cashier Rearrested and Is Held in \$10,000 Bond.

CORVALLIS, Or., Oct. \$1.—(Special.)

-Following his rearrest early this morning on complaint of Albert Shriber, one of the depositors of the First State Bank of Philomath, which failed October 15, James Evars was committed to the county jail at Corvallis in default of \$10,000 bail. Shriber deposited \$7000 two days before the bank Faron Cautel you Frankenthurn as Fremier, resigned today, owing to a

middle age, has a charming figure at this afternoon wore a fashionable

gown.

When quistioned, Evars refused to admit or deny that he was at one time known as Charles Evans and lived in Minnesota. His former wife is still Minnesota. His former wife is still living in Minnesota, but has not been informed of her ex-mate's implication in bank irregularities. Evers will have his preliminary hearing at Cor-

valls next Saturday.

At a conference of the stockholders and directors of the bank tonight \$13. 500 of the \$15,000 necessary to make the bank solvent was pledged, and the directors sail that the bank would be reopened in a few days.

"VANCOUVER TAX 14 MILLS

City Council Holds Special Meeting to Make Levy.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Oct. \$1.—(Special.)—At a special meeting of the City Council tonight the tax levy for the ensuing year was set at 12 mills for Greater Vancouver and 14 mills for Old Vancouver. This will raise about