MAYOR SAYS CIVIL SERVICE USELESS

Department Should Be Wiped Out, He Declares, in Tilt Over Murphy Case.

Attorneys and Members of Commission Say Changes Too General. Sinnott Insinuates Rushlight Daren't Give Reason.

"I think the whole civil service should Mayor Rushlight yesterday afternoon, after the Civil Service Commission had taken under advisement the case of

taken under advisement the case of Cornelius G. Murphy, sought to be discharged for incompetency "for the good of the service."

With a strong probability that Murphy will be reinstated by the Commission, to which he appealed after dismissal by the Water Hoard, the Mayor said that he would prefer charges against Murphy, in case he was placed in his former position as chief of the meter division in the water office.

Attorney and Mayor Clash,
Reger B. Sinnott, counsel for Murphy,
and Mayor Rushilght, who caused Murphy's diamissal from the service, had
several heated tilts during the progress of the meeting, which was held at
the City Hall yesterday afternoon, Mr.
Sinnott declaring that it was not for
the good of the service that his client
was discharged, but for another reason not stated. The Mayor emphatically desied the insinuations.
Mr. Sinnott contended that proper
charges had never been filed against
Murphy, in that it had not been even
generally stated in writing what the
charges were. The only thing in that
line, he said, was a notice after his dismissal that he was discharged by the
Unter Board for the good of the service." Attorney and Mayor Clash,

H. M. Tomlinson, Deputy City Attor-ney, said that the charter requires nothing but a general statement and that "for the good of the service" con-stitutes such general statement in this

Definite Charges Wanted,

That scarcely seems to me to be what the statute requires," said P. L. Willis, one of the Commissioners, who was presiding. "It seems to me that the charges must set forth something definite and to say that a man is simply dismissed for the good of the service is not, in my opinion, just the proper thing."

"I think, too," said Commissioner Armstrong, "that the charge filed in this case is a little vague; that it would be better to have something more defi-

The Water Board discharged Mr. Murphy for the good of the service, but he knows and Mr. Jinnott also knows why it did not prefer mere serious charges; it was simply to let Mr. Murphy down easy," rejoined Mayor Rush-

"Yes, I know just why he was dis-charged," heatedly retorted Mr. Sin-nott, "I certainly know why he was discharged."

Mr. Willis then announced that the Commission would take the case under advisement and that it would announce its decision later. John F. Logan, one of the Commissioners, was unable to be present, ewing to the fact that he was engaged in trying a murder case

Murphy was bead meterman in the water department and was let out after it was found, as alleged by the Mayer and members of the Water Board, that he had been guilty of selling city ma-terials to junk dealers and appropriat-ing the mency. He denied the charges, No testimeny was taken yesterday afternoon, as the Commissioners de-cided that it is but a question of procedure, as to whether proper charges were filed, as required by the charter.

. COLORADO DOESN'T ACT

Oregon Wants Alleged Embezzler There Compromise Sought.

Unpleasantness seems likely to be engendered between Oregon and Colorado as a result of the failure of M. P. Capp. Sheriff of Boulder County. Colorado, to arrest Nell W. Turrell, wanted in Forlland to answer an indictment charging the largency by engenty of the colorado. dictment charging the larceny by em-bezzlement of \$3800 from the General Film Cempany, for which he worked

Turrell left Portland December 20, 1911, and returned to his old home in Colorado. After his departure his alleged defalcations were discovered and he was indicated by the January grand ture.

jury.

District Attorney Cameron, after waiting for more than a week for Sheriff Capp to arrest Turrell, requested Governor West yesterday to cammunicate with Governor Shaffroth, of Colorade to have the Colorado Ex-

communicate with Governor Shaffroth, of Colorade, to have the Colorade Executive investigate and ascertain why Turrell has not been apprehended.

Requisition papers have been issued by Governor West and are new in the hands of Deputy Sheriff Leonard, of Multnomah County. Mr. Leonard said yesterday that he has been waiting for several days for a report that Turrell had been arrested and Sheriff Stevena is ready to send a man to Colorado.

had been arrested and Sheriff Stevens is ready to send a man to Colorado after him as soon as so advised.

It develops that the District Attorney of Bauder County, Colorado, and A. J. Davis have been communicating with District Attorney Cameron by telegraph to have the prosecutor use his influence to bring about a compromise and thus eliminate the necessity of having Turrell brought to Portland to stand trial.

AFTERNOON TRAIN

To Dallas Leaves Union Depot. Southern Pacific train 75, Portland to Dallas, leaves Union Depot, not Jefferson street, via the East Side and Oswego, at 4:10 P. M. Train 107, Jefferson street, at 4:10, does not make connections at Oswego.

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More New Coats the latest among them are the striking black and white and tan and white rich striped Zibeline Motor and Street Coats. Motor style with raglan sleeve cut out just above the waist line. Fits up snug

Street Coats with fancy cut collars and long pointed tassel end at back, reaching below the waist line. They're stunning-priced at \$40 and \$45. The entire line ranges from \$12.50 to \$35.

HALF the women of New York seem to be wearing a bordered dress," writes one of our buyers! And every fashion magazine and authority substantiates the vogue for bordered fabrics, which has taken Paris, New York and the whole country by storm.

Bordered Suitings, \$2 | Bordered Pongees, \$1.50 Handsome Diagonal Suit-

A new showing of exclu-Yard, \$2 and \$2.50.

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Bordered Poplins, \$2.00 Bordered Challies, 65c-75c Scores of dainty new borsive bordered designs in dered patterns in French and tined for greatest popularity French Poplins, 48 inches domestic wool Challies. For this Spring and Summer. A wide, in exquisite colorings, house gowns, dresses, etc.; new express shipment, in Street and evening shades. 30-inch. The yard, 75¢ and smart hairline stripes, of

Swiss Challies at 18c. Shown at the flannel coun-

blues, greens, tans. Yd., \$1.25

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Modish models with medium low snowdrop design. Long skirt bust line, fitting long and models, with medium and low smooth over the hips. Support-ers attached. Actual \$6.50 stored grades, only \$6.50 stored grades for only \$9.75

Fashion Letter From Paris

16 Rue Ste. Cecile.

Paris, February 12.
Today the house of Drecoll held their formal opening. To summarize: skirts are slightly wider, but not exceeding two yards. Coats from hip length to 24 and 25 inches long, with long sleeves.

Taffetas are strong, also ratine. Checked and striped sultings shown prominently, also foulards.

Hand-painted taffeta evening dresses are displayed. Eyelet embroidery is feature of taffeta gowns. Chiffons in floral designs are numerous: some tallored models of Tussore.

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Many kimono sleeves are seen; also double effects in skirts.

The Bernard opening three days previous was especially notable for showing of tailored suits. The silhouette is the same; coats average 24-inch; fine stripes in tans, grays, mustard, champagne.

Martial-Armand show close-draped effects; many borders.

THE MEHER & FRANK CO.

The New Corsage Bouquets at 25c

THE fad of the moment—these A Corsage Bouquets, and they're beautiful! Worn peeping up above the waist line on the frock, tucked in at the first button of the coat, street or evening, and some of the smaller ones are worn in the hair low down near milady's ear. Used, too, for Spring Millinery! Loveliest of satin roses and dainty blossoms, when scented with sachet, are 25c well-nigh real. Choice today at

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shut-off attachment. from \$3.00 to 1/4 Off cial for today \$1.00



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\$5 Velvet Bags at \$3.48

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New Millinery for All Ages

WHETHER a pretty Cap for the baby, a jaunty Straw Hat for the school girl or miss, a smart, new Tailored Hat for the young woman, or for the middle-aged, you'll find ample selection among the splendid showing of Spring Millinery now ready!

Tailored Hats, two big shipments yesterday from Fisk and Hyland, with daily additions from our own trimmers. Principally Milans, at \$9 to \$20.

and rough straws in mushroom, sailor and upturned shapes, trimmed with gay ribbon bands and

Hats for Middle-Aged Women-Milans in black, white and natural, in upturned style, as pictured, trimmed with wings and ornaments, \$10 to \$15.

New Spring Plowers-the Children's Hats-Milans, hemps smaller varieties, especially good violets, pansies, lilaes, moss roses; French rose buds, hyacinths, etc. Single or in clusters, 49¢ to

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25c Royal Baking Powder, sp'l 1/2-lb. cn. 20¢

45c Beef Extract at 25¢ 80c Olives, bottle at 40¢ 10c Jelycon, 4 pkgs, 25¢ Jap Style Rice, 5 lbs. 25¢ C. & B. Chow Chow, 50¢ 40c Meierfrank Cof. 35¢ Special Coffee, lb. 25¢ 60c Japan Tea, lb. 32¢ Eng. Breakfast Tea, 21¢ Fancy Blended Tea, 32¢ Maine Corn, 2 cans 25¢ Eastern Succotash, 2 cans at the special price 23¢ Lima Beans, 2 cans 23¢

25c Walter Baker's Cocoa, can, only 19¢ Del Monte Table Pears selling at, a can, 20¢

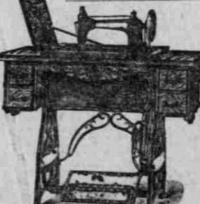
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25c Crescent Sardines, special, the can, 17¢

Red Beans, 5 pounds, special at only 25¢ Shredded Cocoanut, Ib. 16¢ Holly Milk, four cans, 28¢ Carnation Milk, 4 cans 30¢ 25c Monopole Salmon Steaks, can, special for only 20¢ P. V. Syrup, 3 cans at 25¢ C. & B. Mixed Pickles, pint,

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PHOUSANDS of thrifty housewives were eager to take advantage of this noteworthy opportunity to save on the season's supply of Kitchen Utensils and House Wares. 10c Le Page's Glue, only Sc 25c Liquid Vencer—it's a 50c Bake Shells, dozen at 39c

Veneer-it's a necessity these days for brightening up furniture, MAKES OUT pianos and woodwork. 25e bottle, as il- 19c 50c Liquid Veneer at only 41¢ 50c Johnson's Floor Wax, 42¢ \$1.00 Johnson's

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51 Wool Wall Dusters at 79¢ bread even50c Old Engl. Ploor Wax, 42¢
15c Brilliantshine Brass Polish,
special during this sale, 12¢
65c Hardwood Floor Mops 53¢
25c Lava Bread Toasters 19¢

10c Anti-Splashers at only 86

25c A. & J. Egg Beaters 19¢

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