METER IS DEFENDED

by Mr. Daly.

UNEQUAL DEMAND IS CITED

Commissioner Declares Distribution Principal Cost of Service and Says Present Policy Means Increase in Rates Soon.

PORTLAND, May 14 -- (To the Edttor.)-In justice to the officials of the Bureau of Water Works, as well as to myself, I will submit to you the fol-lowing statement of facts in regard to the meter controversy, and particularly as to the position taken by the Mayor as to the position taken by the Mayor on this question, hoping that you will give the same space in your publica-

should place a Commissioner in charge Warner. of the Bureau of Water Works, with the instruction that he should apply himself to a study of the needs of that bureau with the object of increasing its efficiency, service and economy in ad- Lone Man Lines Three Occupants ministration, furnish him with the best engineering service in the country, and then, after the Commissioner has devoted nearly two years to a study of the water system, has secured the advice of the engineers in charge, has investigated and found that the advice of those engineers was confirmed by the opinion of all hydraulic engineers the world over, to the effect that the only economical basis of constructing and operating the water system is by the use of meters; it is ridiculous, I say, that the Mayor should now, without any information on the subject, characterize the Commissioner as a fool, and say that all engineering knowledges. wledge on this subject is of no

Cost Declared in Distribution.

As a matter of fact, his honor has not taken into consideration what it costs to deliver water in the City of Fortland. He loses sight of the fact that water is a commodity; that while at its source it is free and in great quantity, and the cost of transporing a supply to the city has been met, yet the great cost of water service is in its distribution.

believe that I am capable of forming an opinion as to what would be most economical for the Bureau of Waof my department will compare favorably with any other in the city, from an economical viewpoint. There has been a decrease in expenditures in every bureau connected with this department since July 1, 1915. This reduction in expense has been most marked in the Bureau of Water Works, and the saving for the two and one-half years ending November 31, 1915, will, be approximately \$200,000 in this one bureau.

On the contrary, there have been no did members of the Portland Chamber of Commerce have been invited to attend a "get together" dinner at "a dollar a head" in the main dining-room of the clubrooms next Thursday evening at 6:30.

"The occasion will be strictly informal," says the invitation, "and for the purpose of providing means for new and old members to become acquainted, and for the further purpose of seeing what the Chamber has done and proposes to do in the way of alterations and betterments for the comfort and convenience ter Works: I believe that the record

On the contrary, there have been no economies of any kind whatsoever practiced in the Department of Public Safety (of which the Mayor has charge), not one item of expense having been eliminated. The Bureau of Health alone shows an increase in expense of more than 90 per cent, or early double the expenditures in 1912. Taking the record of the two departments into consideration, I believe the expression of this department when we want to consider the consideration of its members. "You now belong to the largest organization of its kind in the world. Come to this dinner and get acquainted —get together—get in harmony and get behind the directors and officials. "A good dinner and a good time are guaranteed." ments into consideration, I believe the expression of this department when we plead with the public to allow us to install meters that we may practice a greater economy is deserving of more weight than that of the Mayor, whose department has shown a continued increase in expenditures under his administration. ministration.

Irregular Demand Faced.

The statement that we have millions of gallons of water going into the sewers daily certainly would deceive the casual reader. There must, under any consideration, be eight to 10 months in every year when there will be millions of gallons of water going into the sewers of Portland, for the simple reason that in two or three months in the year we consume from double to three times the amount of water that we do in other like periods. Therefore, the city must always provide a supply equal to its greatest demand. When the demand is less, the difference between the demand and the supply must be discharged in the sewers.

The big problem facing the Bureau of Water Works is the matter of distribution mains. We are being compelled to and have been required for the state of the function of the function

tribution mains. We are being compelled to and have been required for years to increase the size of these distribution mains by relaying or dupli-cation, until we have at this time developed a sinking fund charge which amounts to more than half of all the Initiative Measure Asked. works.

It seems almost unbelievable that the Mayor would advocate a policy which, within three or four years, would mean a considerable increase in all water rates in the City of Portland and raise a barrier in the shape of sinking fund charge, which will make it impossible ever to secure a reasonable rate for water within the next 25 years, or the life of the bonds Issued for such construction.

Cost of Mains Shown.

The amount expended by the City of Portland for construction (not including the Bull Run pipeline and reservoirs) during the past four years is as follows:

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Dissatisfaction over the manner in which the Auto Transfer Association has been conducting business for the which the Auto Transfer Association has been conducting business for the which the Auto Transfer Association with the Auto Transfer Association has been conducting business for the which the Auto Transfer Association with the Auto seems almost unbelievable that

* 782,114.78 ond-ballot measure, 1012 ond-ballot measure, 1013 081,219,12 400,080,01 Amount assessed to abutting property and bonded...... 505,263,44

Total...... \$2,004.090,79 Funeral for Member of Grand Army Under the present system of opera-tion, viz., flat raies, it is necessary this year, and will be necessary dur-

this year, and will be necessary during the years to come, to continue this extravagant expenditure.

The amount of interest paid in 1914 was \$252.760, the amount deposited in the sinking fund in 1914 was \$254.460, and the total interest and sinking fund charge during 1914 was \$537.220. The increase in the sinking and interest funds during 1914 was \$2.544.19. At such a rate of increase within three years (and probably within two years) it will be necessary to permanently increase the rates.

The charter provides that the water rates shall produce sufficient revenue to cover the cost of operation maintenance, interest and sinking fund. If this interest and sinking fund is increased in the future as in the past, there is no other alternative except to increase rates, which should properly be reduced. The result would be that instead of securing a just and proper reduction for 90 per cent of the consumers, a permanent increase will be absolutely necessary.

The rates are now higher than they should be by reason of just such construction extravagance as is referred.

The rates are now higher than they should be by reason of just such construction extravagance as is referred to in the foregoing. The installation of metera is a sure method to put a stop to just that condition of things, which it is expected will make a reduction of rates possible, at the same of duction of rates possible, at the same of which it is expected will make a reduction of rates possible, at the same of which it is expected will make a reduction of rates possible, at the same of which it is expected will make a reduction of rates possible, at the same of the consumer can honestly pay for each conscillated the each of the careful and conscientious user of water will not be compelled to pay for the whitcomb, public accountants.

The rates are now higher than they should be by reason of just such constants. Housen'ts Hospital Cambridge, Mass. May 14.—Prospensive date of the Yerkes Observatory tory at Williams Bay. Wis., has discovered two companion bodies near covered two companion bodies near deal of three runs, while it is expected will make a reduction of rates possible, at the same of the large of the companion of the Yerkes Observatory tory at Williams Bay. Wis., has discovered two companion bodies near deal of three runs, while it is expected will an evercame a lead of three runs, while it is expected will be the vertical announcement received at the Harden of the policy of the providing an arrangement where-by each consumer can honestly pay most of his active life. For several years to make the form the companion bodies near deal of three runs, when the form the companion bodies near content of the providing an arrangement where the form the companion bodies near deal of three runs, while it is expected will be a some and

other fellow. Respectfully yours,
WILL H. DALY,
Commissioner of Public Utilities.

JOVIANS GET GOOD START Attitude of Mayor Criticised Six Performances at National Thea- College Crushes Washington ter Net Nice "Nest Egg."

With six performances at the Na-tional Theater yesterday the Jovians reaped enough funds to start a nice little nest egg rolling toward their ad-dition to the electrical parade at the

Rose Featival.

Melvin G. Winstock donated the thenter and the pictures. In addition to the regular programme an electrical garden was shown and in the middle of the control of the contr the stage a lovely fountain cast its vari-colored jets of water. Two little children, Louise Maxoni and Irving Jagger. in colonial costume, danced picturesque little steps about the fountain. More than 10,000 tickets were sold. At the evening's performance the 19 candidates for Rose Festival Queen were introduced by Phil Bates and each was greeted with enthusiasm. During the day addresses were made by J. E. Werlein, O. B. Stubbs and William P. on this question, hoping that you will tive the same space in your publication:

It seems ridiculous that the Mayor Skeene, F. D. Weber and Charles E.

SALOON HELD UP: \$6 TAKEN

Against Wall and Robs Till.

ter objected to holding up his hands.
Patrolmen Holland, Morris and Tully
and City Detectives Tichenor and Cahill visited the scene, but failed to find any trace of the man. He was described as 5 feet 6 inches in height, weighing about 135 pounds, about 35 years old, and wearing a dark overcoat and hat. His revolver was of blue steel.

nounced for Thursday.

All members of the Portland Chamber

On the contrary, there have been no ments for the comfort and convenience

MRS. DAVIS FUNERAL TODAY

Native of Ireland Who Resided Here Long Is Survived by Husband.

Hadassah Scott Davis, wife of John

Initiative Measure Asked.

Dissatisfaction over the manner in

Is to Be Held This Morning.

AGGIES WIN EASILY

by 5-to-1 Defeat.

WILLIAMS DROPS 13 OUT

Corvallis Twirler Allows but Three Hits to Visitors, While Murray, of University, Gives Five. Leader Makes Lone Tally.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COL. LEGE, Corvailis, Or., May 14.—(Special.)—"Bicky" Williams held Dobie's University of Washington men to three hits today and the college won handly by a 5 to 1 count. This victory puts the locals a step nearer the coveted Western division championship.

Murray, heaving for Washington, allowed only five hits, but these were mingled with errors. In the fifth,

mingled with errors. In the fifth, Fryor and Seiberts got on with a brace of singles, both scoring on a bad heave by Smith. In the sixth, Loof stopped one of Murray's shoots with his ribs, and scored when Seiberts drove out a double-base knock to left, Seiberts came in a moment later when McDer-mott threw away Morgan's easy bingle.

mott threw away Morgan's easy bingle,
Then, in the seventh, Smith doubled
and scored when Sweeney, substituting in left for Thompson, dropped
Loof's fly.

Williams heaved star ball all day,
striking out 12 men. Big Elmer Leader
scored the lone Washington tally in
the third. He was safe on Morgan's error, took second on a passed ball, went to third on Murray's out, and scored on Howard's hit. Howard was 23 Hits for 35 Bases Made

out in an attempt to stretch his bingle into a double. The diamond was in good condition despite rain in the morning, and the game was fast and clean. The Aggles played gilt-edged baseball throughout. Their conference standing at present is 800. The teams mix again tomorrow, when Selberts or Doolittle will oppose Bryant on the mound.

Washington O. A. C .-Dermott,

Totals... 30 1 3 3 Totals... 31 5 5 1
Summary—Two-base hits, Smith, Selberta,
Struck out, by Williams 13, by Murray 5,
Bases on balls, off Williams 3, off Murray
2. Passed balls, Leader 2, Weller 1, Hit
by pitched ball, Loof, by Murray, Stolen
bases, Howard 2, Fryor, Umpire, Salisbury. HAP HOGAN SLIGHTLY BETTER

Venice Manager's Life in Balance and Crisis Approaches.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., May 14.-"Hap Hogan, manager of the Venice Coast League team, who is suffering from pneumonia, was slightly improved to-night, but his condition was consid-ered still extremely grave. His physi-cian spent most of the night at his bedside.

It was believed that a crisis in his condition was approaching and tele-grams were sent to his relatives at Santa Clara. They said, "Hogan very

Hogan, whose real rime is Wallace L. Bray, was stricken a week ago. Onimet Makes Remarkable Plays.

BROOKLINE, Mass., May 14.-Francls Oulmet, the National amateur golf champion, in the first round of match play for the Spring cup at the Country Club today against H. P. Farringto, of Woodland made the third hole, 435

STANDINGS OF THE TEAMS,

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	W. L. Pet. Philadel. 15 5 .652 Cincinnati, Chicago . 15 10 .600/St. Louis . Boston . 13 10 .565 Brooklyn Pittsburg . 12 14 .462/New York .	11 12 11	15	Pet. .458 .444 .446 .301
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	Yesterday's Results.			

American Association—At Kanaas City Soutsville 3; At Milwaukee 3, Indianapolis—; Cleveland-St. Paul game postponed or count of rain; No other games scheduled, Western League—At Topcka 5, Wichita 4: 1 Omaha 17, Des Moines 5; at Denver 6, incoin 5; at Sioux City 5; St. Joseph 0.

Where the Teams Play Today.

Where the Teams Play Today.
Pacific Coast League—Portland vs. Oukland at San Francisco; San Francisco vs. Venice at Los Angeles; Los Angeles at Sait Lake.

Pacific Coast League—Oukland 3 games, Portland no games; San Francisco 3 games, Venice I game; Sait Lake 2 games, Los Angelos 2 games. Beaver Batting Averages,

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It is a Paramount Picture, made on the baseball grounds at Los Angeles. It shows the Portland and Los Angeles teams in action.

McCredie looms up natural as life, as does all the Portland team. In one inning you see Harry Krause pitching, Fisher catching and Nick Williams umpiring.

Do you know Hobart Bosworth, the great king of the picture world, is the Terrible Swede in the picture? He is the greatest of batters and home-run getters.

See Little Sunshine, the smartest and cutest kid in the whole world, as the mascot and main actor. If you baseball fans don't find this the greatest baseball picture of all, after seeing it, and are not satisfied,

claim your ten cents at the box office. Every kid fan, every old and young baseball fan, all the girl fans, must see this picture. Turn out in a body and boost the ball game to help the boys along.

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Standridge for Chicago Effective Except in Fifth Frame, When 2 Passes, Single and Triple Bring in 3 Tallies.

BROOKLYN, May 14.-Chicage made 3 hits for a total of 25 bases off three

Cadore,p. . 0 0 0 0 Appleton,p 4 2 0 1

New York 3, Cincinnati 1.

NEW YORK May 14 -The New York NEW YORK, May 11.—The New York Nationals made it three out of four from Cincinnati today, winning the last game of the series 3 to 1. Tesreau pitched a steady game for New York, while the Giants bunched hits on Lear.

Boston 4, St. Louis 5.

BOSTON, May 14 .- Held to two hits and without runs for eight innings today. St. Louis in the ninth overcame Boston's lead and won 5 to 4. Flve singles, an error by Maranville, when a double play which would have retired the side without score was possible, and two misplays by Cather contributed to the visitors' string. Score: Boston-

St. Louis B H O AF H O AE 0 0 30 Fpatrick, r 0 0 20 Moran... 0 0 20 Moran... 1 5 00 Cather, l. 213 00 Magee, m. 0 4 00 Schmidt, l. 0 2 00 Smith, 3. 1 2 22 Mrnvilles. 1 1 00 Gowdyc... 0 0 0 9 Hughes, p. 0 0 0 9 Goonnolly. 0 0 0 0 Huggins,2

Boston 10 0 1 2 0 0 0 0—1
Runs, Dolan, Miller, Long, Butler Bescher,
Fitzpatrick 2, Egan, Gowdy, Two-base hits,
Fitzpatrick Egan, Gowdy, Two-base hits,
Fitzpatrick, Egan, Gowdy, Double plays,
Hyatt, Home run, Gowdy, Double plays,
Hyatt, Home run, Gowdy, Double plays,
Hughes, Egan and Schmidt; Egan, Maranville, Schmidt; Smith and Maran-ville; Huggins, Butler and Miller, Base on errors, St.
Louis 2, Boston 2, Balls, off Hughes 3, off
Sailee 2, Hits, off Sailee 7 in 7 innings; off
Robinson 1 in 1 inning; off Griner none in
1 inning, Struck out, by Hughes 7, by
Sailee 1, Umpires, Quigley and Eason. Totals. . 1210 329 .272

Whitted and Dugey and doubles by

Pittsburg— Phitadelphia— Phitadelphia— B H O A E B H O A E B H O A E Ohnst'n, 1 2 0 6 0 0 Byrne, 3 4 2 1 1 1 1 Baird, m. 3 1 2 1 0 Becker, 4 1 0 0 0 1 Chman, 4 1 0 10 Cravath, 5 1 0 0 1 Vagner, 4 0 1 4 1 Whitted, 4 1 9 40 No., 2 ... 4 3 3 40 Niehoff, 2 ... 4 3 2 11 cerber, 3 1 2 1 4 20 Paskert m 4 1 3 0 0

Totals .32 7 24 13 1 Totals ..34 12 27 14 4 *Batted for Adams in ninth. *Batted for Chaimers in seventh. **Batted for Bixey in eighth.

Aberdeen Goes to Track Meet.

ABERDEEN, Wash., May 14 .- (Spe-Brooklyn pitchers today and won by 19 to 4, the scason's record score for Ebbets field, if not the National League. Twelve Cubs went to but in the second and hammered out eight runs off six singles and two triples. Williams hit to deep left for a home run in the ninth.

Standridge was effective except in the fifth, when two passes, a single and Myer's triple gave Brooklyn three runs. A single and a double accounted for the tally in the ninth. Score:

Chicago—

Brooklyn—

Brookly cial.)—Eight Aberdeen High School athletes will leave tomorrow morning to compete in the Southwestern Wash-

Cole After Philbrook's Record.

Cole, the Oregon Aggles' crack discus Cole, the Oregon Aggles' crack discus heaver, is hot on the trail of George Philorook's Coast record of 139.9 feet. Cole set a new Coast college mark of 135 feet 1½ inches at San Francisco a few days ago, and on the journey north when the Northwestern track delegates were storm bound at Red Bluff, Cal. a meet was staged for the benefit of the text was staged for

Four hundred students, from the third grade to the eighth, from moundi tain schools and city schools, some 32 more than 150 miles apart, competed 90 For three hours the match continued in some grades.

Four lists were used, three from the spelling books and the fourth from outside sources. Scores spelled every

were read. Following are the winners:

garment.

two days' school industrial fair.

Despite the heavy rain hundreds came today. The judges are working tonight to pass upon the thousands of Gain

EUGENE, Or., May 1t.—(Special.)—
The little one-room Davis schoolhouse on the Mckenzie River, 15 miles from Eugene, outspelled all Lane County in today's second annual county spelling contest.

PORTLAND, May 14.-Maximum temp third grade to the eighth, from mountain schools and city schools, some more than 150 miles apart, competed. For three hours the match continued in some grades.

Four lists were used, three from the spelling books and the fourth from outside sources. Scores spelled every word correctly until the outside lists were read.

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STATIONS.

n; third. Vida Plaster, Cotlage fourth, Ellen Tonseth, Coburg, grade-First, Beatrice Tidd, Genry Eugene: second, Edith Hickey, third, Hills Heath, Bethel, Orlando Holls, Patterson School. Rocky Mountains except in New Mexico, where it is slightly warmer.

The conditions are fuverable saturday for showers, followed by fair weather in Greson and Washington and for showers in idalic.

THE WEATHER.

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it grade—First Laura Ruin, Davis
d, Willa Edmisten, Thurston; third
i Bull, Blanton; fourth, Ethei Weather
Yornell,
enth grade — First, Pearl Lewis

man, Yarnell.

Seventh grade — First, Pearl Lewis, Marcola, second, Mar; Carney, Davis, third, Fay Hughes, Eugene; fourth, Fay Whities, Wildwood.

Eighth grade — First, Erdine Carrothers, Davis School, second, Ethel Redgers, Cottage Grove; third, Carman Harwood, Springfield; fourth, Ethel Judkins, Eugene. Six thousand children and their parents and friends are expected to take part in tomorrow's events in the two days' school industrial fair.

East Portland Dye Man Dies.

BEST SPELLERS IN LANE COUNTY
TAUGHT IN ONE-ROOM HOUSE.

Of 400 Pupils in Contest Scores Are Perfect—Thousands Defy Rain to Visit Pair at Eugene.

East Fortiand Dyc Man Inc.

P. J. B. Sagazan, president and man-ager of the East Portland and East Side Cleaning and Dyc Works, died carly in the morning of May 14. Mr. Sagazan was born 64 years ago at Tou-louse, France. He came to Montreal, Canada, when he was 25 years old. Mr. Sagazan had lived in Portland 12 years. Prior to his residence in Portland, he had lived seven years in San Francisco.

WEATHER CONDITIONS.

A low pressure area of decided character is central over Alaska and a large high pressure area is approaching this district from the ocean. Showers have fallen in the North Pacific states, extreme Northern Calimoria. Wyoming, Montans. North Dakota, Minnesota and the Canadian Northwest, It is much colder slong the eastern slope of the

FORECASTE.

Portland and violatty—Showers, followed by fair: westerly winds.

Oregon and Washington—Showers, followed by fair: westerly winds.



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