

FIGHT OVER HEALTH OFFICE PROBE NEAR

Mayor to Oppose Sitting by Council Members as Jury in Hearing.

MAJORITY KNOWN HOSTILE

Mr. Albee Favors Investigation by Disinterested Persons, Rather Than by Plan Provided in Mr. Daly's Resolution.

More troubles are in store for the regular meeting of the Council this morning, when Commissioner Daly will attempt to put through a resolution calling for an investigation of the methods of administration of the City Health Office by Dr. M. R. Marcellus. Mr. Daly has prepared his resolution calling for an investigation of Dr. Marcellus at a session to begin next Monday, with the Council sitting as jury. The resolution is the outcome of the fuss stirred up a week ago, when Mayor Albee and Dr. Marcellus dismissed Ira T. Beeman, a sanitarian.

Commissioner Daly first introduced an ordinance to cut Dr. Marcellus' salary in two. This ordinance is still pending.

Mayor Albee indicated yesterday that he would favor a thorough investigation of Dr. Marcellus and the Health Bureau, provided it was conducted fairly. He says he can see no element of fairness in the proposition of the Council sitting as a jury, inasmuch as a majority of the Council already has indicated personal feeling against Dr. Marcellus because of the dismissal of Mr. Beeman.

No charges have been made against Dr. Marcellus, and Mr. Daly says he plans to make none until Monday, when the investigation is taken up. They will deal with the administration of the Health Bureau, he says, and not with Dr. Marcellus' personal affairs.

Mayor Albee says he will bitterly oppose any plan to have a lot of questionable charges brought up against Dr. Marcellus, with no opportunity on his part to answer them. He says he will favor an investigation, but will ask for disinterested persons to sit as a jury.

Mr. Daly says he plans nothing that will be unfair to Dr. Marcellus.

Following is a copy of the resolution which Mr. Daly will present to the Council this morning:

Whereas, it has been called to the attention of certain members of the Council that there has been certain reprehensible conduct in the affairs of the Health Bureau of the City of Portland, and it is deemed necessary that the Council conduct an official investigation of the same, and it is hereby ordered that an official investigation be held on Monday, December 13, 1915, at 8 o'clock A. M.

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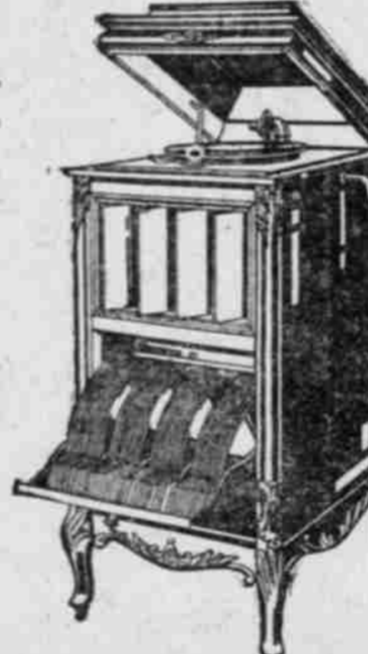
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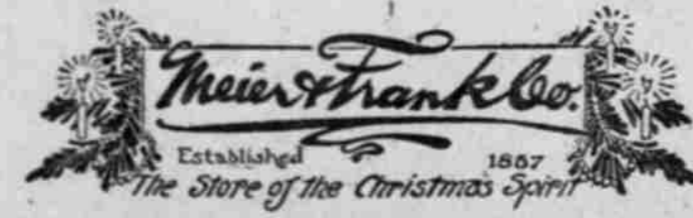
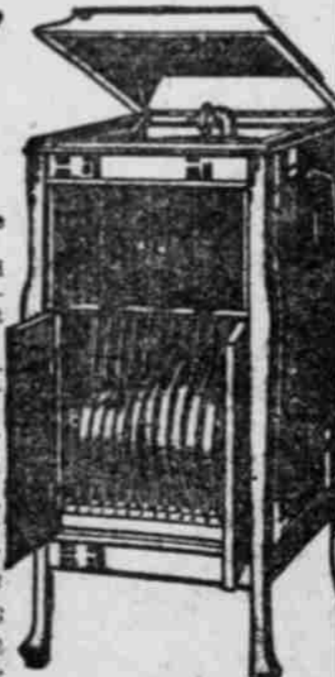
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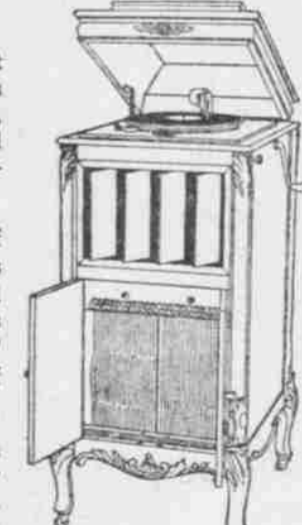
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