

CROOKED WORK, IS MONTAG'S CHARGE

Anyone Who "Sees Right Person" Can Pass Civil Service Tests, He Says.

LONG AND MAYOR CLASH

Lane Tells Local Rotten Hose Sold by Him Was So Rotten It Imperiled Entire City in Recent Fire.

Mayor Lane and John Montag, the latter chairman of the fire committee of the Executive Board, furnished sensational features during the special session of the committee yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Long struck back by denying the Mayor's statement, but there was none to refute what Mr. Montag said, who connected with the Civil Service Commission being present.

The fire committee was in session two hours, at the conclusion of which it but jingled without taking any definite action regarding alleged favoritism shown Mr. Long by Chief Campbell, of the fire department, or the charges indicated hanging over the head of Hydrantman Walter J. Phillips, who is also acting master mechanic.

Chief Campbell was present during the first portion of the meeting, but an alarm of fire from Ninth and Everett streets called him away in the department automobile, and he did not return before the session was over.

The chief features of the session were the repeated tiffs between Mayor Lane and A. G. Long, over rejection by the Mayor of contracts for two-third sized engines, and the scolding declaration by Mr. Montag, involving the Civil Service Commission. Mr. Montag made his statement when the matter of appointing a master mechanic for the department was under discussion.

"Gentlemen," said Mr. Montag, rising, "I want to tell you that any man, who sees the right person can, in an underground way, pass any examination called for by the Civil Service Commission and get 100. I would pay no attention to these allegations, but would have to know that the men certified are capable aside from the recommendation given them by the commission. I know a man who secured from the Customs-house papers which he used in passing a city examination, and he got 100."

Walter J. Phillips and Fred Wisnager are certified as eligible for the position of master mechanic in the fire department under civil service rules, but Mayor Lane, who is a member of the committee, refused to appoint either one until first-hand information is secured as to their ability.

On the matter of fire engines, Mayor Lane charged Chief Campbell with favoring Mr. Long. Chief Campbell emphatically declares that the specifications for the engines are open to every bidder, and that no discrimination is shown, but the Mayor retorts that the specifications call for items manufactured only by the American-France Company.

During the discussion, Mr. Long took occasion to mention fire hose, and sought to show that recent specifications furnished upon recommendation of Mayor Lane "are a joke."

Mr. Long ventured the assertion that the city will get some "bum" hose at cheap rates on these specifications.

Mayor Goes After Long. "That may be," replied the Mayor, "but I will say to you that, if the city gets anything more rotten than that hose with which the fire department was trying to work on that big fire in the North End several months back, the city will be going some."

first street, became the father of a 10-pound boy yesterday.

At Oregon City yesterday a baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Edward E. Brodie. Mr. Brodie is publisher of the Oregon City Enterprise, and his wife, Mrs. Imogen Harding Brodie, is one of the leading contralto singers of Portland.

William McMurray and John M. Scott, general passenger agent and assistant general passenger agent, respectively, of the Harriman lines in this territory, will leave tomorrow afternoon for Seattle to attend the opening exercises of the Exposition.

Benage S. Jewell, president of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, returned yesterday from a business trip to St. Louis, Philadelphia and New York. He reports that the officials of the company, whom he saw during his trip, endorse the aggressive policy of retention of his service which has been adopted in this city.

Governor Brady and party, of Idaho, will arrive in Portland at 6 o'clock tonight in their special car, Knoxville, en route to Seattle to attend the inaugural exercises of the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition which will be opened in that city Tuesday. The train will stop at the exposition city over the Northern Pacific at 11:45 o'clock tonight.

CHICAGO, May 29.—(Special)—Portland people at the hotels: R. F. Cox, J. Greene, C. W. Gardner, at the Congress; F. J. Jennings, at the Grand Pacific; E. W. Matthews at the Northern.

CHICAGO, May 29.—(Special)—Northwest people at Chicago: From Portland—Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Winford at the Grand Pacific.

From Carlton—W. A. Howe at the Congress.

Other Office Buildings, Hotels and Stores Will Also Be Decorated for Festival.

Something of the true Rose Festival spirit which will reign supreme in Portland during the week of June 5-12 became manifest yesterday when the management of the Wells-Fargo building began the work of decorating that majestic skyscraper. The spectacular feature of the embellishment of this building will be the 40-foot electrical fountain which is being erected on the roof of the structure and which will be operated by night throughout the Festival week with several hundred vari-colored incandescent lights.

The recently organized Hotel Managers' Association will begin their plans for dressing up their houses early in the coming week to be ready, not only for the Rose Festival, but for the delegates to the National Grocers' Association, which convenes here Wednesday.

"We'll get started within the next two or three days," said Mr. Meler, last night. "Our committee has sent out a notice to all members of the association, and from the interest which has been shown, I feel free to say that the business section of the city will be decorated and illuminated on a more imposing scale than it has been since the Clark and Clark Fair. The general understanding is that each business house shall follow its own ideas as to the plan of treatment, but I am sure that every merchant will outdo all former efforts."

Window decorations for the Festival are being installed by a corps of about a dozen decorators who represent a variety of houses and many of the stores, shops, banks, offices and business houses have already been arrayed with displays of Portland's queen flower.

By the middle of the week the float constructors will have the 30 set pieces which will appear in the Spirit of the Golden West parade completed and ready to be put in parade on a moment's notice. The electrical floats, the first that have ever been built in the Northwest, have been finished and the young men and women who will man them as kings, queens, courtiers and retinues will be ready for a dress rehearsal along toward the end of the week.

Conference between the Festival management and the Retail Grocers' Association, committees for the purpose of providing a program for the visiting delegates to the National convention who are to remain over through the week will be held as soon as the annual gathering is organized.

The massive banquet of Portland roses—Madame Caroline Testout—the official Portland flower, which will be sent to Washington as a present to the National Taft, will be prepared for shipment tomorrow and be forwarded by express to Senators Bourne and Chamberlain, Tuscarora flower, which will be sent to Washington as a present to the National Taft, will be prepared for shipment tomorrow and be forwarded by express to Senators Bourne and Chamberlain.

UNCLE SAM HELPS FESTIVAL. Permission Given for Grandstand on Lawn of Federal Building.

Portland's next Rose Festival has been officially recognized by the Postoffice Department. Postmaster Young having received orders from his superior directing him to permit the Festival Committee to erect a huge grandstand on the lawn on the Morrison-street side of the Federal building.

This in itself is a privilege, and through the mediation of Senator Bourne, the postal authorities will allow the Festival Committee to charge a fee for entrance, even though the grandstand will be erected on Government ground. The Morrison-street entrance to the Postoffice will not be blocked, Postmaster Young insisting on a clear space being left for entrance and egress throughout the Festival. In return for the double privilege of granting the Rose Festival by the postal authorities, the committee has promised to keep the award in good condition and put the used ground in shape when the festival period expires.

Montavilla Queen Contest. The votes in the queen contest in Montavilla are piling up rapidly. Yesterday the vote stood as follows: Miss Lulu Bryson, 216; Miss Della Burns, 214; Miss Beasie McKinson, 48; Miss Martha Jensen, 129; Miss Hope Nettleton, 25; Miss Aileen Troutman, 14.

This Store Will Be Closed All Day Tomorrow—Decoration Day Tuesday--The Meier & Frank Store's Great 9th Annual "June White Days" Every White Article Reduced; Except Contract Goods Tuesday the Great Annual June Merchandising Event—White wearing apparel for women, men and children, as well as white household effects of every description at the lowest prices of the year—This is a rare saving time—All white goods—bright, new, fresh and stylish are included—Every department filled to overflowing with bargain opportunities we guarantee you can't equal in the city—Sale starts Tuesday morning at 8 o'clock and continues for two weeks—Look to your needs and profit by the remarkable values being offered

SOCIETY NOT DEAD

Dr. Clark Says Christian Endeavor Stronger Than Ever.

JUNIOR WORK CONSIDERED

Best Ways of Reaching Children Talked Over at Afternoon Session of Rally—Pledge Also Discussed—Reception at Night.

Various matters of importance to the Christian Endeavor movement were presented at the afternoon session of the Christian Endeavor rally, held yesterday in the First Congregational Church, in honor of Dr. Francis E. Clark, National president of the organization.

Not a little of the benefit derived from the meeting was due to the suggestions offered by Dr. Clark as to matters relating to the administration of the society. Miss Luella Knapp, state superintendent on the work of that branch, in which she referred to the various needs and problems which confront it. One of the greatest drawbacks, she said, is the lack of leaders. In every church there is difficulty in finding those who are willing to take up the work.

Question of Prizes Answered. At the conclusion of Miss Knapp's remarks, a number of questions were asked regarding matters affecting the society. Answering the question, "Should prizes be awarded young people for attendance at meetings?" Dr. Clark said he saw no objection to that system if the right kind of a prize were offered. He disapproved of competitions, but where the prize was one that all could gain, it might be beneficial. Dr. Clark also expressed the conviction that the officers of the society in establishing a form of prize had not intended to frame hard-and-fast rules, but to present models for the guidance of the society. He did, however, urge following out the society's forms as much as possible, in order to preserve the identity of the organization.

Answering the query, "What is the best method of obtaining good attendance?" Dr. Clark believed that this could best be done in the junior branch by making the work interesting to the children; that in as far as possible, the kindergarten method should be employed. He advised that at the coming National convention of the society, to be held this summer in St. Paul, steps be taken to introduce into the work instruction in good citizenship, temperance and other practical subjects.

Rev. Mr. Patterson Talks. The other speaker of the afternoon was Rev. E. M. Patterson, of the Kern Park Christian Church. He Patterson spoke

BLUECOATS ON PARADE

MAYOR PRAISES POLICEMEN ON WORK AND APPEARANCE.

Patrolmen's Band Heads Inspection

With every arm of Portland's police department represented with the exception of the woman's auxiliary, in charge of Mrs. Lola Haldeth, the municipality's corps of bluecoats marched in review from the Municipal Court building to the Armory yesterday morning.

The patrolmen were divided into four companies, consisting of 24 men each, and commanded by Captains Bailey, Glover and Bary and Sergeant Endicott. Captain John Moore, filling the post of battalion major as usual.

The rear of the parade was occupied by 12 mounted patrolmen under command of Sergeant Crute and the patrol wagon, driven by Mark Gruber. Police Sergeant E. W. Cole, patriarchal police color-bearer, the flag borne being supplied for the occasion by the Spanish War Veterans, Sergeants Kell-

NAB CEMETERY THIEF

DETECTIVES ARREST PAINTER IN LONE FIR CEMETERY.

Albert Pys Confesses Robbing Woman's Handbag in Graveyard Two Weeks Ago.

In Lone Fir Cemetery yesterday afternoon a stroll among the graves of the departed was the downfall of Albert Pys, a painter, 20 years old. He was immediately possessed, however, by Detective W. H. Hyde and W. F. Reed, who were in ambush waiting for his appearance to arrest him as a thief who robbed the handbag of a woman in the same cemetery two weeks ago.

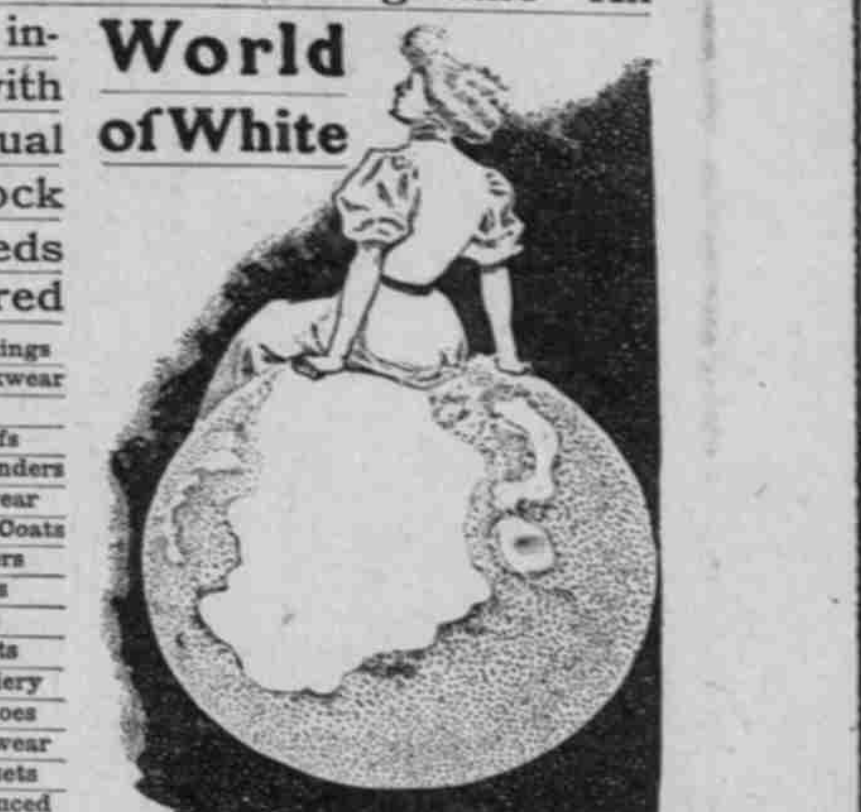
SEEVER'S FUNERAL TODAY

Well-Known Portland Man, Who Died in Baker City.

Funeral services over the body of Dale H. Seever, who died at Baker City, May 27, of appendicitis, will be held at 2 o'clock this afternoon. The funeral will be held at 2 o'clock this afternoon. Mr. Seever was a traveling representative for Marshall Wells Company, and well-known in Portland. He leaves a wife and two-month-old baby. His wife was formerly Eva Keenan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Keenan. Mr. Seever was a member of the Travelers' Protective Association, the Woodmen and the I.O.O.F.



READY FOR START OF ANNUAL PARADE AND REVIEW OF PORTLAND PATROLMEN. POLICEMEN'S HAND LINED UP AT CENTRAL STATION.



See Tomorrow Evening's Papers for Full Particulars of This Great Event Special Sale and Demonstration Gossard "Lace Front" Corsets

World of White

Women's White Suits, Dresses, Costumes, Skirts, Waists, White Millinery, White Cotton Goods, White Wool Dress Goods, White Silks of All Kinds, White Laces and Trimming, White Embroideries, White Gloves and Ribbons, White Handkerchiefs, White Hosiery, Underwear, White Leather Goods, Stationery, Cutlery, etc., White Parasols, White Flannels, Etc., All White Wear Reduced.

Muslin Underwear, Infants', Children's Wear, Table and Bed Linens, White Lace Curtains, White Curtain Material, White Art Linens, White Sweater Coats, White Aprons, Petticoats, Graduation Outfits, White Housekeeping Goods of Every Description, Silverware, Cut Glass, Pressed Glassware, Etc., Mail Orders Filled at White Sale Prices.

Men's White Furnishings, White Shirts and Neckwear, White Nightshirts, White Handkerchiefs, White Hats and Suspenders, Men's White Underwear, Men's White Suits and Coats, Men's White Trousers, Men's White Vests, Boys' White Suits, Boys' White Waists, Children's White Hosiery, Children's White Shoes, Women's White Footwear, Special Lots of Corsets, All White Wear Reduced.

NEW THROUGH SERVICE To St. Paul. The new Soo-Spokane-Portland train de luxe is the swiftest train between Portland and the Twin Cities. The equipment is the finest operated by any transcontinental line. Apply at local office, 143 Third street, for full particulars.

Brought From Boise to Face Charge. Tony Haasen, an Arizian peddler, was brought to Portland last night from Boise, Idaho, where he was arrested in quest of a warrant from this city, charging larceny by bailment. Haasen bought about \$400 worth of goods from the military establishment at 428 Washington street, owned by Miss L. A. Frazer. He was to pay for them when they were sold, a condition being that he was not to leave the city.

Peninsula Contest Close. The contest for queen, inaugurated by residents of the Peninsula district, in ride on the boat to be entered in the Rose Festival parade, at the present time, stands as follows: Lena Zygowsky, Wilkesville, Mo.; Anna Palumbo, University Park, Ill.; Myrtle Weather, North Altona, Ill.; Beata Pardy, Fondouka, Ill.; Vera Cummings, North Altona, Ill.; Hilda Brandt, University Park, Ill.

The breaking of the Kenehal Building Corporation paid dividends and bonus aggregating 24 per cent for 1908. The Atlantic Bank, of New York, paid 24 per cent.