

FULL PAY FOR FIREMEN HELD UP

COUNCILMEN DESIRE TO KNOW TO WHAT EXTENT UNDERWRITERS WILL REDUCE INSURANCE RATES—GOOD TIME TO GET CONCESSIONS—BOUQUET FOR CAMPBELL

Portland's full-paid fire department is held up pending a reduction of rates on the part of the insurance companies. The members of the council met informally with the ways and means committee yesterday afternoon to pass upon the estimates and make appropriations, and when the fire department was reached, Councilman Flegel remarked that now is the best time in the world to get lower fire rates.

PREACHER SEEKS TO GET DAUGHTER

BET THAT NO ONE COULD ROB HIM



MRS. S. W. ANDERSON.

Before Judge Cleland, in the state circuit court this afternoon, the habeas corpus application of Rev. Guy T. Phelps of Hillsboro to secure possession of his little daughter, Oneatte Naomi Phelps, was heard.

GIRL QUARTET BOTHERS HOGUE

Four children charged with bold threat of yesterday all deny guilt - did not know the meaning of an oath - judge will consider.



MRS. FANNIE TATEM.

ONNEATTE NAOMI PHELPS.

Phelps avers that the custody of the Andersons was to be temporary only and that he had paid for the keeping of the infant.

NO GAMBLING AT ERICKSON'S

House in which Mrs. Minnie Fishbeck says her husband lost her savings suspends operations - no other gamblers affected, however.

Erickson's gambling house at Second and Burnside streets is closed, as a result of the two informations sworn to by Mrs. Minnie Fishbeck, before District Attorney Manning. The complainant charges that January 15 and 18 a 21 game was conducted by August Erickson and George Fuller contrary to the law.

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DITCHBURN CHARGES BEING INVESTIGATED

The investigation of the charges preferred against Attorney John F. Ditchburn by his former client, John Forbush, or Fabris, as he has signed his name in the course of correspondence with the lawyer, was begun before the grievance committee of the Oregon State Bar association at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

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DETECTIVES TELL CONFLICTING TALES

Four detectives searched the city with the victim of a robbery for two days but made no arrests. Their stories of the search conflict in important particulars. So marked was this conflict that Municipal Judge Hogue made some sharp inquiries this morning before he fined Lulu Liewellyn and Grace Reed (colored) \$10 as vagrants.

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