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could not agree with Kay, then, Chief Gritzmacher and Inspecto admit that he is too valuable a

the city executive board have discovered what they believe to be a pool among contractors to extort a larger sum from the city for blades for the propeller of the fireboat than the articles are worth. John Montag and L. T. Perry of the committee denounced the manner in which bids were submitted at a spe-cial meeting this morning. All the bids were rejected and the city auditor was instructed to advertise for additional proposals.

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the contract to the winnameter live works. It was discovered by the city auditor a short time after the meeting, that the check for 10 per cent of the bid of the Willametic Iron works, as required from all contractors, had never been certified and for this reason the bid was informal. The committee then began to investigate. They discovered that the Columbia Manufacturing com-pany was the only company that could manufacture the sort of propellers asked for. sked for.

"This business shows there is some-thing wrong on the face of it," said John Montag this morning. "If the Willamstie Iron works can furnish these propellers for \$100 and deliver them in three weeks why should the manufacturer ask \$230 and compel us to wait for seven weeks before de-livery?"

STATE EDITORS CONSIDER FIXED ADVERTISING RATE

A fixed advertising rate based upon eirculation for the various papers com-prising the association was discussed at a meeting of the executive committee of the Oregon Press association at the Commercial club today. The members of the committee are C. L. Ireland. More: R. J. Hendricks, Salem; E. H. Flagg, St. Helens; P. W. Bath, Hillsboro; J. C. Havter, Dallas, and Albert Tosler. J. C. Hayter, Dallas, and Albert Tosler, Portland.

There was also a discussion as to There was also a discussion as to the advisability of accepting patent sheets that contain advertising. Advertising contracts should be made through the publishers of the papers and not through the publishers of the patent absets, it was insisted. The committee will be in session until 5 o'clock this afternoon.

Br. Ecuse to Sectors. A lecture will be given tomorrow even-g at 8 o'clock in the Fourth Presby-rian church, First and Gibbs streets, the Rev. E. L. House, D. D., on "The World's Mastarpless." It will be the fifth of the course given by the South Portland Library association. Miss Shorey will be vocalist and Miss Clumpp accompanist for the ostealon. There will be no charge for admission.

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AUDITOR IS INSPECTING **GAS COMPANY'S BOOKS**

City Auditor Thomas C. Devils and G. Grutse, his chief deputy, are in-parting the books of the Portland Gas impany by order of the special com-lities of the dity council which is con-diting an inquiry into the husiness at-dirs of the orporation. This impec-on was ordered at the request of J. N. cell, one of the attorneys for the Port-and Gas company in the investigation recondings.

The auditor will be prepared to suit mit his report to the committee We needey night, when the investigation will be will be resumed. Subposed are being served by police today on witnesses the committee desires to have in attendance. Among those who will be called to tee-lify are the proprietors and editors and reporters of the Morning Oregonian.

SEIZED WITH CRAMPS, IS EXPECTED TO DIE

Attorney J. R. Stoddard was taken yesterday to St. Vincent's hespital from his home. East Twenty-sixth and Tag-gart streets, and there is little hope for his recovery. Mr. Stoddard and his daughter re-turned Triday from a trip to California. He showed no strengther of the strengthere is not the strengthere in the strengthere of the

violent cramps. Dr. J. H. Ha. Dr. E. H. Parker and Dr. William were called in consultation, but

of the Giness. Physicians believe that the trouble is the result of internal complications from which Mr. Stoddard has suffered for months, but which received no medical attention

Adele Elizabeth Dammasch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Dammasch, were married at the residence of the bride's parents, 585 Fifth street, 'isst Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock, the Rev. W. G. Eliot Jr., pastor of the Unitarian church, officiating. By a misunder-standing, many of the friends of the couple had been led to believe that the wedding would occur this evening. A reception, from 7:30 to 9:30 o'clock, will be held tonight at the residence of the bride's parents. Immediately afterward Mr. and Mrs. Bchopff will leave for San Francisco on their honeymoon trip. G. Ellot Jr., pastor of the Uniternal church, officiating. By a misunder-standing, many of the friends of the wedding would occur this evaning. A reception, from 7:30 to 5:80 ofclock, will be held tonight at the residence of the bride's parents. Immediately afterward Br. and Mrs. Schopff will leave for San Francisco on their honeymoon trip. COURT TAKES BAXTER CHILDREN FROM PARENTS

COURT TAKES BAXTER

Judge Fraser this morning ordered Christins Baxter sont to the county jall for five days for contampt of court, and turned over the three Baxter chil-dren, Frank, Ors and Louis, to the Boys' and Girls' Aid society. Lewis Baxter and his wife will be tried on the charge of contempt of court next Wednesday afternoon The Baxters live in a secow below the North Pacific mills. The parents when ordered to produce the children in court hid them on Swan island.

WOMAN BURNED TO DEATH AT GREENHORN

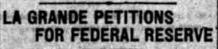
(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Baker City, Or., Feb. 24.—About- 2 O'clock this morning at Greenhorn City. 40 miles weat of Baker City. Miss Maggie Brady, 20 years of age, was burned to death while asleep in her house that was consumed by fire at that time.

house that was consumed by that time. Miss Brady was a domestic employed by Lon Cleaver at Greenhorn. She was in the house alone and it is supposed was caught unswares by the flames and was unable to escape. Pieces of her remains, hones, hair, etc., were found in the ruins. The house was completely asstroyed

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MODERN WOODMEN HERE

Charles E. Whelan of Madison, Wis-consin, supreme lecturer of the Modern Woodmen of America, is in Portland on a tour of inspection of the state. He is delivering a series of lectures to the various camps in Oregon. During the coming week he will deliver addresses as follows: Moday evening. Astoria: Tuesday, McMinnville: Wednesday, Modern Wood-men hall, Abington building, Portland; Tursday, Salem, and Friday evening at Salem. Mr. Whelan has lectured in each of the 37 states in which the order is represented and has the reputation of being one of the order's most fluent speakers. In addition to his connection with the Modern Woodmen he is past grand master of the Masonic grand lodge of Wisconsin and has served as a member of the state legislature. He has been elected and reelected mayor of Madison, his home oity. In company with J. S. Simmons, state deputy, he will make a tour of eastern oregon, where he will deliver a series of lectures and will then go into the state of Washington. Charles E. Whelan of Madiso



CLERK WHO EMBEZZLED HUGE SUMS ON TRIAL

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Investigations in connection with the discovery of a pool of blood and the bloody handkerchief in the parret of an empty house, near the corner of Four-teenth and Thurman strests Saturday aftarnoon, has led the detectives to be-aftarnoon, has led the detectives to be-Completer ad Varian. (Jamail Series.) Warsaw, Fob. 26.—Thirty-one persons were killed and 15 wounded here today in a fight between Bocialists and Nation-



Anne Beatrice Sheldon.

KING OF DOPE FIENDS

DIES AT POOR FARM

to Oregon in 1852. He has retained many of his old ideas and still drives a team of oxen. He is an enthusiastic pioneer and has taken a great interest in marking out the old Oregon trail across the plains. He has undertaken the plan independently, but is receiving the plan independent supp

CHAMBER CAN'T BUY OR CHARTER THE KILBURN

admit that he is too valuable plain clothes to be kept long of Both Jones and White of Kay's use of stoolpiceons and quent protection which had to them. White also walked of Royal saloon and refused to when he violated the law a down the door of a storeroom action Kay was personally of The board of trade was notified to-day by the owners of the steamer F. A. Kilburn in San Francisco that the steamer is neither for charter nor for rale. Efforts had been made to secure the Kilburn for the Portland-Alaska run, but the announcement today will put a stop to the efforts. The commit-tee, it is said, will endeavor to secure steam schooners for the Alaska run. when he violated the law and hicked own the door of a storenoom. For this action Kay was personally consured by action Kay was personally consured by mended. The same is true of arrests made on the Quelle cafe. Mayor Lane expressed disapprobation of the act of Kay in sending H. L. Mé-Cabe, a 19-year-old boy, into the dis-orderity house over the Peeriess saloon to associate with fallon women and drink with them in order to secure ev-dence warranting arrests. He informed members of the force that such methods would not be countenanced.

FORTY THOUSAND IN

The city water board was the suc-cessful bidder this afternoon on \$21,500 of improvement bonds. The board will pay a premium of 5.5 per cent. The remaining bonds of the \$40,854 issue will go to P. L. Willis at a premium of 5.11 per cent.

SUNDAY CLOSING WAR (Special Dispatch to The Journal Spokane, Wash, Feb 28.--Ti Enforcement league this morning out warrants for the arrest of prominent saloonkeepers charging with violation of the Bundar law. Two hours after Bundar betweet the State Sta

RAILROADS WIN IN **CITRUS FRUIT CASES**

(Journal Sporial Service.) Washington, Feb. 26.—The supreme court has reversed the ruling of the in-terstate commerce commission and the decision of the United States circuit court of the district of California, which affirmed the same, in the so-called cit-rus fruit cases. Railroads running out of California appealed from the rulings of the commission, and their contention that the shippers had nothing to say about routing the fruit was sustained. Justice Peckham wrote the opinion, which was unanimous.

PROCESS ORDERED IN

which was unanimous. Country Parmbouse Barned. (Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Lebanon, Or., Feb. 26.—The farm resi-dence of Neal Loftin, which is about seven miles from Lebanon, was com-plotely destroyed by fire Saturday night with nearly all its contents. Mrs. Lof-tin was in Salam visiting and Mr. Loftin was absent: The loss is about \$1,500, partially covered by insurance.

cert is now assured. If you have re-turned or are to return the cards, please call at the theatre this atternoon or evening and get your seat tickets. The regular sale of seats opens at the Marquam tomorrow morning at 10 vclock. The concert will be not only a musical success but an important so-clety avent. Fifteen months are Anne Beatrice Sheldon left Portland for Paris, Berlin and London to study ad-vanced vocal music, and she now re-turns to her home town with her fine voice trained by the best singing maa-ters in the world.

An Essentia

From the Philadelphia Frees. "I hear your wife has become or religious; a regular attendant at chu isn't she?" "Tea, she finally successed in get pew No. 24." "What, is that so important?" "Oh, yes; the stalmod glass win throws a pink glow over that pew, it's so becoming, you know."

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(Washington Bureas of the Journal.) Washington, D. C., Feb. 28.—The su-preme court today granted the state of Washington isave to file a bill and or-dered process in fits suit against the state of Oregon involving the ownership of tide lands and fishing rights in the Columbia river.

SUIT AGAINST OREGON

BEGUN AT SPOKANE

tide lands sites. In the case of the state of Gregon igning the secretary of the interior, involving tills to swamp lands in Kin-math reservation, the court set April 3 for dute of hearing.

CONVICTS AT SALEM