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OBERLIN, OHIO, December 22 1911

Mayor of Portland,  
Portland, Oregon

Dear Sir:-

Our Constitutional Convention meets early in 1912 in this State. We are going to consider the advisability of enacting some form of a bill for the Recall of administrative officials at that time. Could you favor us by replying to the following questions?

How much did it cost to secure the necessary signatures for a recall petition for the mayor?

How long did it take to secure the petition?

What is the biggest objection to the Recall in its operation?

Sincerely yours,

*Jerome D. Davis*

Los Angeles Calif.  
Nov. 28, 1911.

Mayor of Portland Oregon,  
Dear Sir:-

We have been informed that the bodies are to be removed from the Lone Fir cemetery, and as I have a little girl buried there I feel very anxious about the matter and will you kindly refer me to some one there that I may find out all the particulars. Enclosed you will find stamped envelope and trusting that we may hear from you soon.

I remain yours respt,  
Mrs. Tempa  
Downing.  
951. W. 46 St.  
Los Angeles Calif.

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A. G. Rushlight  
Portland Oreg

Hon Mayor and friend

Mr E. F. Dunlap has taken  
the examination for Chief  
Electrical inspector, Mr Dunlap  
is a friend of mine and  
I believe him to be fully  
qualified for the position  
and am satisfied will do  
justice to the office if  
appointed he has an extant  
reputation, and anything  
you can do for him will  
be greatly appreciated

Yours Very Truly

L. S. Dane

Call

Portland Oregon

10-24-11

Mayer. Rushlight

Dear Sir I wrote you some time ago asking you if you would give my husband or introduce for him to get a some thing lighter on account of his foot, as it was hurt from the ditch causing an on him last July and you kindly wrote and advised me that you would see Mr Gray and have him put my husband at some thing else - but he has failed to do so and has been out where Mr Davis works 6 or 8 times I guess he dont want to or else he would I guess



Mrs Gray dont care a bout doing  
any thing for my husband is one  
of the men that Mrs Gray offered  
\$1,00 and a day off if they would  
vote a Tioman vote and all the  
man did but a few and my  
Husband declined and I guess if  
you dont have a pull with some of  
those men you dont get any favors  
But Mrs Hushlight is only  
writing asking you if you can  
try and give my husband some  
thing he is sober - and a good worker  
he can do most any thing he is handy  
at tools, or any thing But since  
we came to Portland he dont know  
any one and has to work at any thing

to keep me from returning  
 Could you have him transferred  
 on to the Street Cleaning Department  
 or any thing that will help his  
 foot to get better and I will never  
 forget your kindness for he has lost  
 6 whole days and goodness knows  
 how many half days and they never  
 even afford to pay him for the time  
 he lost since the ditch caused ~~him~~  
 on him Mr. Rushlight will you  
 please look in to this at your  
 earliest convenience thanking you

Mrs Lester Davis

734, Mississippi Ave



Take up with  
another Dept

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Portland Ore 10-11-11

Respectfully - Mayor Rushlight -  
Dear Sir

I would like to ask a favor of you  
In regards to my husband's  
Position he works for the City on  
the Water Works putting in pipes  
and the ditch caused In on him  
<sup>July 20.</sup>  
and since then he can hardly  
use his foot but he manages to  
get to his work every day and he  
suffers all night with the pain of  
his foot and he went to see Mr. Gray  
and asked him for some thing else to  
do and he said they were going to put  
a truck on and he could have the  
job. well when the truck was put on



He gave it to some other man of  
course my husband is no  
Licence & chauffeur - but he could  
help for there is all ways & men  
accompany. those trucks one to run  
a truck and one help on load - now  
mayor - Rushlight my husband  
wants some thing lighter to keep him  
off of his feet until his foot gets  
better and he cannot afford to lay  
idle for we have 8 children my  
home and furniture was burned  
up & gone this coming January  
and no insurance and that leaves  
us to start all over a gain with out  
nothing and every thing is so high -

with shoes and clothing and rent  
and water- fuel- to buy and if he has  
to lay off what will I do for I am sick  
to and orderd to the hospital now, Mayor  
Rushlight will you kindly try and  
gain my husband some thing to do  
In stead of what he has for he lost  
a good deal of time and it has  
put us in very tight circumstances  
coming on the winter any word  
from you will greatly oblige me  
my husbands name is Luster Davis  
I will close hoping this will not  
Intrude on your Bussiness Affairs

Respectfully yours Luster Davis

734, Mississippi ave

Portland, Ore

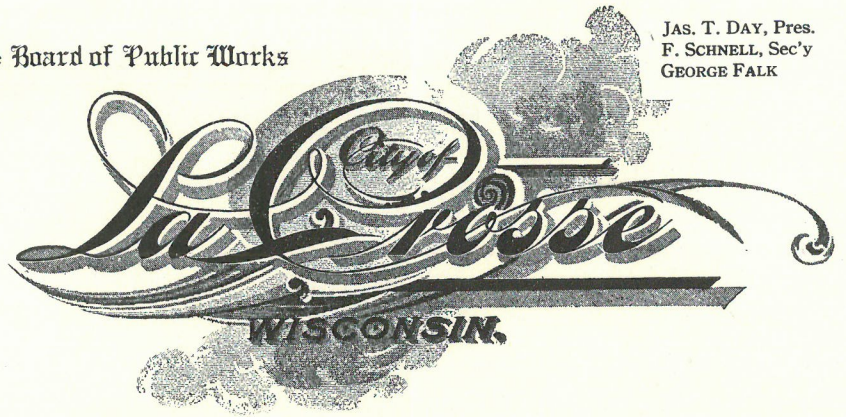


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Office Board of Public Works

JAS. T. DAY, Pres.  
F. SCHNELL, Sec'y  
GEORGE FALK



*La Crosse,* ~~September 21st 1911.~~

Hon' Mayor  
Portland Oregon

Dear Sir.

Will you kindly give me your experience and opinion  
in regards to the glazed sewer pipe Manufactured by the Thomas Glazed  
Cement Sewer Pipe Machine and greatly oblige.

Yours respectfully.

Ja s. T. Day.

Pres' Board of Public Works.



[Dole W]

Portland Sept 22 - 11.

To the hon. Mayor Rushlight.

Dear Sir: As I as a prominent Citizen of this City and an old pioneer, having come here first 20 years ago, and after a lengthy absence have decided to settle in this fast growing Place.

I wish to get an Appointment on the Vice Committee

I as an old Hotel and Restaurant man having seen all the little stunts in the Business

being especially adopted for it, being a naturally born Detective, my father was an officer of the German horse police (Lieutenant.)

I was 2 years in the Australian horse Police Service

I know a Bull Pen when I see one.

For instance there is "Levens Hotel"

I think what every City needs these days

are 1. First Class Hotel Inspector 1. for cheap Class Hotels

1. for Apartments 4 for Residences.

2 Character Certificate Clerks 1 Missie Inspector.

Every body who works must bear outside sign on sleeve, Male or Female like Bruce. Every Profession

same sign. Wholesale Merchant some thing

small merchant or other sign, Brokers Clerks

everybody a particular sign (small, neat)

Capitalist \$ Promoter \$<sup>7</sup> everybody a sign.



and every 3 months a new licence or Certificate  
in the label subject to challenge anywhere.  
Now the Female Parasites, those that about all  
they are now a days, they are everywhere except  
home, running around like lost sheep hunting  
for someone to show them a water tank.

All married women must cover face with heavy  
veil or sheets, Widows not must have X Cross  
black on Arms, all engaged to marry also veil  
they are not supposed to advertize their sweet  
beguiling false smile any more. They have what  
they wanted. All divorcees must wear yellow  
X Cross on Arms. Any women wants to marry  
must go under Examination with her face  
showing condition (Face veiled) 3 Doctor, each  
giving points, if pure maiden 100% if  
used some 90% and so on an old cow  
at 26 years 20% - then compute 3/60% pure.  
This to be shown to Male before Ceremony, if  
she lost child through malpractice, mention how many.  
This is the only way to purify the maiden of today.  
Then one seems to find them anywhere and  
every where, where a good woman should not be  
a Pest a nuisance to all except to those, who gets  
the benefit out of them some way or other, mostly  
people in Public - hospitals, Rose Hall men, Students, Con men, etc. W. Dole



New Orleans, La.

October 3, 1911.

Mayor, Portland, Oregon,  
Dear Sir,

Will you kindly send  
me the present Post Office  
Address of my husband,  
Charles E. Deal, whose  
last known address was:  
Market & Water Streets, Portland, Ore.

Very sincerely

Mary Deal,  
#1321 Chartres Street,  
New Orleans, La.

~~Char 74.~~



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*Denver, Colo.*

August 10, 1911.

To The Mayor of Portland,  
Oregon.

Honorable Sir:-

Will you please request one of your  
City Officers to let me know what prices are being charged  
for illuminating and fuel gas in your city, and if the  
Gas Company is owned by individuals, or by the municipality.

I wish to ascertain how the gas rates in  
Denver compare with the rates in your City.

Sincerely yours,

*Martin Dumm,*  
Staff Correspondent,

THE DENVER TIMES.

*100 1000 Cabot  
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DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE  
OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER

SAM'L M. WILHITE  
COMPTROLLER

April 13, 1911

Hon Joseph Simon,

Mayor.

Portland, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

I will appreciate very much if you will furnish me the following information concerning your City.-

- (1) Your total taxable assessed valuation for the current fiscal year.
- (2) Your tax rate for ALL municipal purposes for the current fiscal year, including the levy for Schools.

Thanking you in advance for the courtesy, I am,

Very truly,

*Sam'l M. Wilhite*  
City Comptroller.

W/F