### IN THE SEVERAL COURTS mercy of the court, for two jurors who had refused to sign the verdict unless this was done, one of them had come to him COMMISSION ORGANIZES to be sent would in every way be worthy of Oregon, from the varied character of its immense products. Every branch JOIN NATIONAL VETERANS and stated that this action had been ld be well represented. FIREMEN'S CLAIMS COME UP FOR and that for himself he did not wish the The Oregon commissioners to the expo The Oregon commissioners to the expo-sition are: E. V. Carter, Ashland; R. Alexander, Pendleton; A. Geiser, Baker City; C. H. Thompson, Baker City; E. L. Smith, Hood River; H. B. Thielsen, Salem; A. J. Johnson, Astoria; Mrs. Edith Tozier Weatherred, Portland; J. H. Bur-gard, Portland, and A. P. Tifft, Port-land. The next meeting of the commis-sioners will take place March 11. It is noteworthy that several members OREGON DELEGATES TO BUFFALO OREGON'S SPANISH WAR MEN TAKE court to consider the recommendation for HEARING. mercy. A stay of 30 days was granied to allow defendant's attorney to prepare a ELECT OFFICERS. ACTION. bill of exceptions. Safe-Cracker Long's Bad Record Pre A. P. Tifft, of Portland, President-Legislature Censured for Not Making ALTSCHUL'S CASE ARGUED. vents Him Receiving Mercy, Henry E. Dosch, General Superin-Appropriation for the Monument Which the Jury Asked.

The claims against the City of Portland known as the "firemen's claims," came up before the Circuit Court yesterday for final trial. The proceedings were had before Judges Sears, Frazer and George. This is the first case tried under the new law, which was signed by the Governor on Monday, allowing the Circuit Judges of the fourth circuit to dispense with a jury pon the agreement of counsel, and have

agreement, the periods of the different employments, the names of the firemen, the amounts of salary allowed by the charter of 1882, the sums actually paid to the men, and the balance due if the legal contentions of the plaintiff are found to he true, were stipulated, as shown in a carefully tabulated statement prepared by W. T. Branch. This was marked as the principal exhibit in the case. The claims amount to over \$30,000. A vital question in the case is whether the claims sued upon were presented to the proper author-titles for approval or rejection.

A. L. Powell, who was secretary of the Board of Fire Commissioners under Mayor Frank, testified that W. T. Hume made such a demand, and he chaffed Hume about making a demand for back pay. Mr. Powell did not remember all of the particulars, as it was so long ago. M. M. Bloch testified that a demand was made to the Fire Commissioners and others at different times. At noon the case was adjourned until today, because of illness in Mr. Long's family. Additional evidence will be submitted.

The charter of 1830 provided specific salaries for the firemen, who for years were paid a reduced scale. Mr. Gleason, in his opening statement, asserted that the men whose clatths are involved in this suit never eigned any agreement to take less than the positive amount provided for by the charter. The city, in one instance, had to pay \$11,000 of these claims under a Supreme Court decision.

was yesterday sentenced to five years in the penitentiary by Judge George. When him to keep his purse. When he recovered from the effects of the liquor, he found himself under arrest for iarceny, and pleaded guilty. He was questioned wheth-or he had ever been in San Quentin Peni-was had ever been in San Quentin Peni-

All the Points in the Columbia Southern Suit Involved. The case of Charles Altschul vs. the Columbia Southern Railway et al, was argued before Judge Bellinger on an order to show cause why a receiver should not be appointed. The points at issue in the suit are the same as those in the numerous suits brought by Drake C. O'Belliy against the railroad and its of-ficers. Altschul is a purchaser of Z-shares of stock from Drake C. O'Belliy, is a resident of San Francisco, and pres-ident of the Willametic Valley and Cus-cades Mountains Williams Weares Board

apon the agreed both the law and the fact theo of more of the Judges. The present series of cases being important both to the fire-men and the city, it was deemed best to dispose of the whole matter before three Judges, with Judge Sears presiding. The various claimants were represented The various claimants were represented City Attorney City Attorney and its management by bringing these suits, and that the assessments com-plained of have been paid by President Lytle and all the stockholders, except O'Reilly. Affidavits have been filed sup-

### Court Notes.

Mrs. Anna Woods was appointed admin-istratrix of the estate of her father, J. L. Smith, deceased, which consists of \$300

Thomazine P. Scott was appointed ad-ministratrix of the estate of her mother, Thomazine Endey, deceased, comprising \$1175 cash, notes valued at \$825, and real estate appraised at \$2990.

Bertha Johnson, as guardian of her son, Andrew Johnson, a minor, was authorized to compromise a claim against the O. R. & N. Co. The young man was run over by a train of the defendant at Viento, in July last, and his leg had to be ampu-tated. He contended that he was thrown from the train by a brakeman, and the company asserted that Johnson was rid-ing on a truss rod and fell off the car. Damages in the sum of \$150 were agreed

PIONEER OF 1841.

upon

### Death of Charles R. McKay, Indian War Veteran.

Charles R. McKay, who died Monday FIVE YEARS' SENTENCE. Burglar Long Does Not Receive Ex-treme Mercy. J. A. Long, convicted of cracking the safe of the Blue Mountain Ice Company. Was yesterday sentenced to five years in the penitentiary by Judge George. When was yesterday sentenced to five years in the penitentiary by Judge George. When asked 'whether he had anything to say why the sentence of the court should not be pronounced upon him, Long arose and stated that if granted a new trial he could establish his innocence. With considera-ble hesitation, he admitted that he had previously been sentenced to five years in the Salem prison for larceny, and said that he had been pardoned after serving two years. He asserted that he had been on a spree with another man who asked him to keep his purse. When he recovered from the effects of the liquor, he found himself under arrest for larceny, and

pleaded guilty. He was questioned wheth-er he had ever been in San Quentin Peni-tentiary, and, after a considerable pause, answered in the negative. As the sen-tence was pronouhced. Long declared: "That's five times what the jury wanted ince to have." Judge George explained that, while the jury had brought in a verdict of guilty, recommending the prisoner to the extreme

## tendent of Exhibits.

The Oregon State Comimission to the Pan-American Exposition, at Buffalo, was osity Easterners have in an exhibit from organized yesterday by an election of these Oregon. officers, at room 710 Chamber of Commerce building: President, A. P. Tifft, of Portland; treasurer, H. B. Thielsen, of Salem; secretary, John H. Burgard, of Portland. Executive committee-E. L. Smith, of Hood River; H. B. Thielsen, and A. P. TIML.

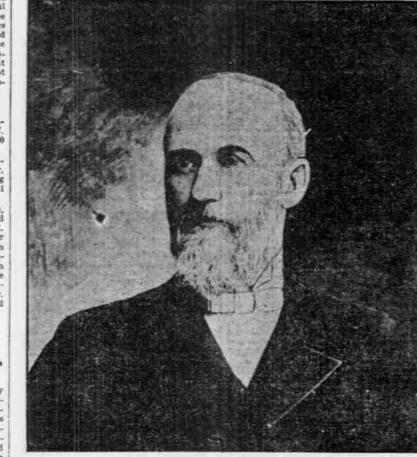
## Henry E. Dosch, well known as secre-

It is noteworthy that several members of the commission formerly lived at Buf-falo or adjacent territory in the Emptre State, and know the interest and curi-

MATINEE TODAY.

### "Uncle Tom's Cabin" Will Be Given at the Metropolitan.

Such has been the demand for seats for "Uncle Tom's Cabin" at the Metropolitan tary to the State Board of Horticulture, this week, that the management has de-



### THE LATE DR. E. P. FRASER.

was appointed general superintendent by the commission to take charge of Oregon exhibits at Buffalo. He will start from Tom's Cabin" has been seen in Portland the exhibits at Buffalo. He will start from Portland about April 1, and will be at Buffalo during the entire exposition, which opens May 1. It was dicided to ask that all persons wishing to send exhibits to the Oregon building will communicate at once with General Superintendent Dosch, at his office 205 Washington streat as the coloffice, 246 Washington street, as the co-lection of exhibits will begin immediate It is important that no time should be lost in getting Oregon's exhibit in or-der, as the journey, by freight, from this city to Buffalo, will take about 18 days,

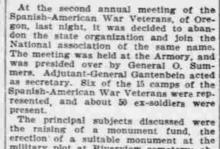
question that it has lost none of its old-

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.-A postoffice has been established at Phoenix, Spokane

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ty, Washington, will be discontinued after February 25, mail going to Boston,

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military plot at Riverview cemetery; ob-servance of Memorial day; consolidation with the National Spanish-American War

with the National Spanish-American War Veterans: organization of a state branch of the Army of the Philippines; receiving reports and the passage of resolutions. Among the matters creating the warm-est discussion was the action of the Leg-islature in failing to make an appropria-tion for the monument. This action was strongly disfavored and the second and

strongly disfavored, and the ways and means committee will not be mentioned in the resolutions to be tendered to friends

A report of the committee on buttons thowed that \$3000 had been received from

the sale of these articles. About 3990 was used for expenses, of which 5160 was for manufacture of the buttons. The residue was given to H. W. Scott, as custodian

of the monument fund. There are on hand 6000 buttons, to be sold when the occasion arrives to dispose of them. It was announced that the money ap-propriated by the Legislature to reim-burse the volunteers for the clothing sold them would not be available for

of the veterans,

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it is expensive to get lumber delivered so far out.

A member of the committee having the switch proposition in hand said yesterday that besides these inducements at least 36 carloads of feed would be required at Montavilla alone, besides the large territory off to the south and east, and on the whole he is confident it can be shown wanted to extend into the town, but its construction is waned so freight of every kind may be delivered from the main also a small freight depot. The Sub-Board were made by those present. Found Gold Nugget. A little excitement has been occasioned in Powell's Valley by the finding of a % gold nugget on the farm of W. Stanley out on the Base Line road. It was picked up in the gravel and is about the Wanted to extend into the town, but its construction is waned so freight of every kind may be delivered from the main ine. Lumber, coal and wood yards ars main line of the O. R. & N. were built these would soon be established. Much building has already been done at Mon-tavilla and much more is in progress, but the meeting. the meeting.

## for a number of years, and the way it has been received this week proves time popularity. Washington Postal Orders.

County, Washington, to be supplied by special service from Spokane Bridge, Willis J. Kesinger has been appointed

The postoffice at Lapush, Ciallam Coun

The people of Montavilla, through the Sub-Board of Trade, are going to make a vigorous effort to build up that thriving suburb. This organization will resolve it-self into an improvement association, as well as being a part of the Portland mers Camp, C. E. Baty; Harrington Camp, J. Kemp; Camp, H. C. E. McDon-ell; Corvallis Camp, George Telfer; Rose-burg Camp, F. W. Hay. The committee Board of Trade, and will work to secure material advantages. A number of com-mittees appointed at the last meeting are





a Spur From the O. R. & N.

sold them, would not be available for 90 days, as the bill falled to carry an emerg-ency clause. The relief committee reported having received \$50. Nearly all of this sum has been expended. Resolutions thanking members of the Legislature who were friends of the ex-soldiers will be presented, a committee being appointed to draft the document. Special mention will be made of Repre-sentatives Poorman and Story and the Military Board of the state. As to observing Memorial day, the local

size of a hazelnut and when tested was camps will assist to the best of their found to be pure gold. It has often been asserted that gold would some time General Summers stated that the vetbe found in the gravel pits of Fowell's Valley, but outside of finding a very faint color by prospectors this nugget is erans' association in Oregon was disor-ganized, each camp acting to suit itself.

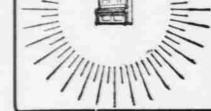
By reasor of a lack of complete organiza-tion the best results cannot be obtained. This statement brought up the question the first gold found of any consequent. The find may start a gold excitement. as to the advisability of dissolving the state association and joining the National organization. Under the constitution and WANT A RAILROAD SWITCH. by-laws of the larger order a business-like association could be formed, but there would be fewer offices. It was de-Residents of Montavilla Working for

cided, after long discussion, to merge the state into the National organization and that a committee be appointed to arrange for the consolidation. This committee, which is composed of a representative of every camp present, is as follows: Sum-

out the desires of the encampment. The state association is to be in effect until the change is made. After the business of the evening was completed social talks were made by those present.



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