



50x100 on south side of Glisan street, between Sixth and Seventh. Fine hotel site. Cement sidewalk. Excavation made for cellar. B. M. LOMBARD,

514 Chamber of Commerce.

Let us have our election free entirely from the question. Let us elect first-class men to office."

class men to office." Dr. E. M. Hensel said; "I did not hear the sermon, owing to a critical case I had on hand, but to precipitate the sa-loon question into the coming election is not good judgment, however honest Mr. McVicker may be in his own convic-tions." "Mr. McVickers simply put up a straw

man and tried to knock him out," said R. Sheppard.

R. Sheppard. "Unnecessary and uncalled for at this time," was the verdict of L. B. Chip-man. "The saloon question should cut no figure whatever in the coming elec-tion."

"There was no occasion for the ser-mon on saloons as far as St. Johns is concerned," said W. H. King. "It is a question which should not be interjected into our coming election."

Councilman T J. Morahan declared; "I heard Mr. McVicker, but I do not want to say anything about the sermon. I will say this, that it would be better for all the people of St. Johns to pull together to found a clean and model city,

and not kick and pull back against everything that is being done." A mass meeting will be held in the early part of March when a nonpartisan ticket will be nominated. This is the pro-gramme of the Commercial Association, but these will also be another ticket in but there will also be another ticket in the field, which will probably represent opposition to the Commercial Club peothe field.

AS TO THAT FORTY DEAD LINE

Dr. Cressey Cites Accomplishments of More Elderly Men.

PORTLAND, Feb. 27.--(To the Editor.)--In the report of my remarks concerning the age of man's greatest accomplishment given in The Oregonian of yesterday I was er-roneously quoted as saying that most of the greatest achievements in the military art have been accomplished by men of ad-vanced years. What I ald, however, was this, that while the physical exposure and stress of war are better endured by those withis the of action are most frequently adduced by those who place the "dead line" at 40, the claim is hardly justified even in this narrow sphere. The whole question is perhaps somewhat trite, but still interesting. Hannibal, when he malutained binaself in this differ the defeat of Hasdrubal against afor a symmetry, was over 40. At 50 he displayed as Chief Magistrate of Carthage in ability in administration not less than his dill in bottle. Caesar developed mili-vity genius in middle age, won his Gallic vity genius in middle age, won his Gallic vity genius in middle age. Won his Gallic vity genius in 50 and at the bat-tie of Pharsalia was 32. PORTLAND, Feb. 27 .- (To the Editor.)-

tle of Pharsalla was 52. Wellington was about 46 at the battle of Watseloo. Napoleon, indeed, showed a de-clina in power of execution shortly after his 40th year, but no campaign was more bril-liantly planned than his final scheme to overwhelm the English and Prusslans in Belgium and its failure was undoubtedly due to periods of physical prostration. Had Na-poleon been simply the General, had his physical strength not been perpetually over-taxed by tireless execution of far-reaching

"There is one way in which the billboards can be abolished, and that is by raising the license to such a figure that

boards.

So spoke a member of the Council yes-terday, when asked what remedy could be taken to abolish the unsightly signs that mar the beauty of the City of Roses. Whether the Council will con-sider the question at the coming meeting is not at present known, but the Coun-rilmen, headed by the Mayor, are on record as against the billboard, and stand for civic improvement in the strictest record as against the billboard, and stand for civic improvement in the strictest sense of the word. Mayor Williams has maid that the billboards are unsightly, and others declare that billboards hide a multitude of sins and stand between the garbage ordinance and the enforcement beaued by concepting from sight hears geroage ordinance and the encoded in thereof, by concessing from sight heaps of garbage and rubbish thrown in vacant lots surrounded by the boards. Through-out the dity this state of affairs prevails. Cacant lots surrounded by the signboards are used for dumping grounds. Heaps of rubbish that would not dare be thrown on vacant lots did not the boards hide is from public gase are to be found in the center of the city, and within a few blocks of the public buildings.

Chamber of Commerce Acts.

Following up its intention of waging war against all transgressions against the laws of cleanliness, the Chamber of Commerce yesterday held a meeting at which a majority of the members of the Chamber of Commerce Civic Improvement Board were present. A permanent organization was formed, to be known as the Chamber of Commerce Improvement Association, and with this will be merged the Civic Federation, for the strength that is to be gained through the

along the lines originally laid out by President W. D. Wheelwright, of the Chamber

The heard consists of J. C. Ainsworth L Mills, S. M. Mears, N. E. Aver Thomas McCusker, J. N. Teal. In organ izing for the duties these resolved them selves into an improvement committee and elected Mr. Wheelwright chairman and M. Mosessohn secretary. The plan of campaign was discussed in a general way and the appointment of subcom-mittees arranged for, the appointments to be made public within a short time.

This committee decided that within the present week, if the Marquam Theater a secured for the purpose, id call a mass meeting citizens to arrange for us campaign in favor of civic nent. At this meeting it is would the vigorous improvement. planned to have 500 representative citi tens present and the club women of the dity, Addresses will be delivered, the cits. city districted for the war, and com-mittees appointed in each district. Every effort will be made to get the representa-tive men and women of Portland inter-ested in the movement. the movement.

It is intended to secure the services of pecial police officer to assist in bring-before the courts all who disregard ordinances regarding civic matters and to attend to the prosecution of tho who persist in disobeying the law. A An attorney will be employed to give his entire time to the work and a stenogra-pher will take care of records, warnings, rosecutions, complie data on exemplary itizens in this respect, and on those who the opposite

Schedules will be kept of all building permits issued, of every improvement ordered, of the removal of trees, and every item that goes to make the city uglier or more beautiful. Sub-commit-tees will be appointed to watch every branch of civic improvement, one will devote itself to vacant lots, another to billboards, still another to trees that need trimming, and these subcommittees will

act in conjunction with the committees of the several districts. Special effort will be put forward to interest women and in making their homes more I. Records of every complaint will be filed and the history of the case kept on record until the transgressor concurs in the will of the association.

The association will also grind an ax and keep it in readiness for those who disabuse the splitting ordinance, enforcement of which is lax. This evil will be under the eye of the association and spe-cial afficers will swoop down upon those who dare to break the law in this re

Thief of Police Hunt will again instruct his force to enforce the splitting ordi-nance and will see that the officers obcy their orders. The Chief's orders regarding contractors who persist in filling streets with building materials are hav-ing a wholesome effect. The movement for civic improvement is

becoming more united, different organ-isations throughout the city are becoming Interested and taking steps to aid in the work; the Commercial Club will soon get busy and the task goes merrily on. There is determination enough behind the movement to cause it to succeed. It is a movement that enlists the sympathics movement that enlists the both of citizens and officials.

Birdseye View of the Fair.

Secretary Roed reports that 50,000 more of the large colored posters, showing a birdseye view of the Exposition grounds, are to be distributed throughout the country. Already 20,000 of these posters have been distributed, and by this means the Centennial is being well advertised.

In what manner the bequest to Green C. Love, made by his father, the late Captain Lewis Love, shall be conveyed to him by the executors of the will is for Judge Webster to decide. share of Green C. Love is onesixth of the residue of the estate which will amount to about \$100,000. A codicII in the will provides that if he shall die without issue his share shall be divided among the other legatees proevised to each, Green C. Love alleges that his sister, Mrs. Mary Stafford, influenced their father, who was years old when he executed the will, to add this codicil to it. The son on this ground contested the codicil, and asks the County Court to decree that he shall receive his share absolutely. The hearing of the case was concluded esterday, and a decision will be ren dered shortly.

Father's Will.

FONDNESS FOR NEEDLEWORK

Witness Testifies That the Contest-

ant Grew Angry at Her.

Accusing Her of Hiding

His Thimble.

Objected to Daughter-in-Law.

Green C. Love is 55 years old and his present wife is No. 2, with whom he ecame acquainted through a newsp per advertisement which he inserted. She is a clever woman and a good mu-sician, but she failed to make a favorable impression with Captain Love. Consequently when he sexcuted his will be included in it a clause to the effect that the share of her nusband should be entirely independent of her, and she was not to get anything even through the generosity of her lord and master. Green C. Love is a minister in the Spiritualist Church. The provision of the codicil of the will concerning chil-

dren affects his interest in the estate because only his first wife bore him children and they have all died. He has grandchildren, but it is a legal question whether they come within the terms of the will.

Love's Fancy Needlework.

Mrs. Nannie Finck, a granddaugh-ter of Captain Love, testified that Captain Love never approved of his son Green securing a wife through the medium of the advertising columns. She also testified that Mrs. Green C. Love told her confidentially she had been divorced from a former husband only five weeks before she married Gmen. Branching of to another subject Mrs. Finck testified that Green C. Love frequently devoted his time to fancy needlework, at which he was quite expert. He had accused her of hiding his thimble on several occa-

Mrs. Green C. Love, the witness, said. was anxious that Captain Love should pass out and once wrote a letter saying she wished he would die.

Captain Love was a pioneer of Portland, and left a fortune estimated at \$1,000,000.

WOMAN ACCUSED OF PERJURY

She Declares That Motive is to Extort Money.

For swearing to a marriage affidavit that Miss Randolph was 15 years of age, when in truth she had only passed her when in truth she had only passed her lifth birthday, Mrs. D. Berkman was ar-rested by Sheriff Word yestarday after-noon on a charge of perjury. She was subsequently released from custody and allowed to return to her home. Sheriff Biesecker, of Vancouver, Wash, where the affidavit was subscribed to before the County Clork last Fall, came here with a

Whether the Deep River Logging Com-pany is liable for damages on account of juries sustained by James Harvey in a collision between two trains of the com-pany's logging railroad, is a question to be decided by a jury in Judge Frazer's The trial of a suit for \$4106 dam-instituted by Harvey was begun court. yesterday morning and will be con Harvey is an itinerant vender of September 1, 1996, he was traveltoday. ing in Wahkiakum County, Washington where the logging railroad is located. He boarded a flat car to ride to the end of

o. A. Hairington states that Airs. Berk-man called upon him in relation to this matter some time ago, and informed him the Randolphs were trying to compel her to pay them money, as alleged damages, threatening if she did not do so to have

her arrested. Pending a further investi-gation the Vancouver Sheriff set the ac-cused at liberty, as she could be readily found when wanted.

RODE FREE AND GETS HURT.

Question Now Is Whether Plaintiff

Can Recover Damages.

the line, a distance of four miles. A co lision took place with a train loaded with logs and Harvey sustained several broken ribs and injuries to knee. and back. He says he has not yet fully recovered As a legal proposition Convert and

A series of church meetings will be held tonight at 8 o'clock at the homes of differ-ent church members in various portions of the city, to prepare for the evangelisti campaign which will shortly be started here under the direction of Dr. J. Wilbur Chapman, a sketch of whom was given in The Oregonian, February 12. At these meetings it is expected that decominational lines will be lost sight of and that people will attend the services nearest their own homes,

Evangelistic Campaign.

THEY WILL BEGIN ONIGHT

No Denominational Lines Will Be

Drawn, but All Will Prepare

for Dr. Chapman's Work

in Portland.

The list of services tonight follows: First English Church, Evangelical Associa Uon-At the homes of: O. Yates, 230 East Sith street; leader, C. C. Snyder, W. P. Mulheron, 344 East Eleventh; leader, J. H. Small. Charles 344 East Elev As a legal proposition Coovert and Stapleton, attorneys for the defendant, contend that the company does not carry passengers for hire, and the company is not responsible for accidents to persons who induige in free rides. D. Malarkey, 679 Multhoush street; leader, C. S. Bradford 344 East Elevenin; leader, J. H. Smail. Charles Harch, 400 East Seventh street; leader, Frank

Mrs. Sophrona Gibson, who

celebrates her 90th birthday at the

home of her daughter, Mrs. T. H.

Starbuck, at Mount Tabor, was born

near Bangor, Me., March 1, 1815. She

was the eldest daughter of Israel In-

galls, who, after having moved to

Ohio, died of the cholera in 1830, leaving her to aid her mother in the sup-

port of a large family of brothers and

slaters. At the age of 24 she was

married to Davis Gibson, of Illinois,

who afterward became well known to the pioneers of Oregon. In 1852, Mr.

Gibson, with his wife and four small

children, headed an emigrant train of

100 wagons and crossed the plains to

Oregon. That year is a dark spot in

the history of the Oregon trail. The

party was overtaken by the cholera

along the Platte River, and before th

members could leave the river, they

months after leaving Illinois the weary

oxen toiled down the western slope of

The family settled on a farm in Polk

County, near Salem, which Mrs. Gib-

son still owns. Mr. Gibson died in

the Cascades into the long-sought Ors-

family all excaped, and six

had buried half their company.

TODAY CELEBRATES HER NINETIETH BIRTHDAY



January, 1894, aged 82. / Mrs. Gibson has four sons and two daughters. She divides her time between h some on the old farm and her daughters, Mrs. William Patrick, of Tillamook, and Mrs. Starbuck, of Portland. She is exceptionally vigorous in mind and body.

Gibson

gon Valley.

therefore is

Esther P. Ransom was appointed in the County Court yesterday administratrix of the estate of her husband, James W. Ransom, deceased. The estate is valued at \$5000.

The inventory and appraisement of the estate of Daniel H. King, deceased, was filed in the County Court yesterday. The assets amount to \$3111 and include a claim against the O. R. & N. Co. for \$5000 damages for causing the death of Kins on November 21, 1904, and \$500 for his span of horses and demolishing his farm wagon.

the affidavit was subscribed to before the County Clerk last Fall, came here with a for estarrh.

Albert Bittner, 573 East Main street: leader W. P. Mulheron. Rev. William Travis, 90 East Nineteenth street; leader, P. A. Spencer. Mrs. Mathews, 629 East Ash street; leader, George A. Thompson. Mrs. Young, 2 East Twenty-eighth street; leader, Rev. A. J. Montgomery, John Hampton, 397 San Rafael street; leader, Rev. R. M. Jones. D. J. Horsman, Laconia and Hayes streets; leader, D. J. Horsman, South Portland district-At the homes of: Mrs. C. H. Hale, 289 Hall street; Mrs. M. L. Driggs, 175 Arthur street; Mrs. A. H. Mc-Gowan, 961 Corbett street; Mrs. H. N. Smith, 229 Curry street. Mispah Presbyterian Church-At the homes of: Mrs. Walter Parsons, 745 East Twenty-first

bit wire, Walter Farsons, 100 East Eighth street; J. Cousins, 662 Bast Eighth street; P. Kelly, 540 East Thirty-fifth; H. Pershin, 1161 Division street, Richmond; W. H. Harrison, 640 Pophar spreet, Midway; Rov. J. R. Mc-Glade, 508 East Seventeenth street; Kenilworth Church, Gladatone avenue and East Thirty-citth street.

gath street. Centenary M. E. Church-At the homes of Mrs. J. D. Les, 29 East Fifteenth street 3

W. Boozer, 351 Oak street, ied by H. R. Beck-with: Mrz. Bobert Berger, 826 Corbett street, led by I. M. Baldwin: James F. Failing, 245 Eleventh atreet, led by W. O. Haines: C. H. Kopf, West avenue, Mount Tabor, led by Mrz. C. H. Kopf, W. E. Keeler, 156 Noorth Twenty-third street, led by W. E. Keeler, J. C. Mar-tin, SI4 East Salmon street, led by J. C. Mar-tin, SI4 East Salmon street, led by J. C. Mar-tin, Mrz. W. Morton, 2739; Fourteenth street, led by Leo W. Murtin; Mrz. W. S. Me-Canton V. Guire, 188 Lownsdale street, led by W. J. Wilder; Mrs. Eleanor Olmstead, 400. Presco street, led by Miss Daisy Stites; Missen Quarn etreet, led by Miss Dairy Silteer, Minsen Quarn-berg, 657 Gilsan street, led by E. M. Ruinyan; Mr. and Mrs. Rosvold, 826 Missouri avenue, led by Mr. Rosvold; Mrs. T. J. Spooner, 289 Hal-sty street, led by Miss C. O. Millspaugh; A. T. Webb, 603 East Morrison street, led by Miss Clara L. Webb; John Wise, 575 Main street, led by John Wise; Mrs. C. A. Wooddy, 397 Tauthing Miss. Control Miss. 2007 Twelfth street, led by Miss Mina B, Morford; Mrs. H. E. Wrightson, 358 East Twenty-eighth street North, led by J. D. Bushnell.

Procee Possil, H&I East Twenty-eith street. Weatminister Presbyterian Church-At home of John A. Patierson, 315 Cherry street. List of residences and leaders-Rev. J. Whit-nomb Brougher, D. D. 201 Eleventh street, led by Dr. Brougher: LaGrand Baidwin, 748 East Ankeny, led by Mrs. L. M. Baldwin; G. W. Boozer, 351 Cak street, led by H. R. Beck-with Mrs. Barner Barner 202 Cochta street.

Phoebe Fossil, 642 East Twenty-sixth street.

TO AID AN OREGON VETERAN

It is Necessary That Addresses of Officers Be Obtained.

SAN BERNARDINO, Cal., Feb. 22.- To the Editor.)--If you will publish the following you will greatly oblige, and muyhap he the means of assisting an old ploneer and veteran of Ore-

gon's early days: Richard W. Masters was a member of Com-pany B. Wasco County. His discharge papers were lost in a fire at Yuma some 30 years ago, and now, old and in 11 health, he desires to find trace of his company officers, or those who could prove his identity, that he may apply for that help which is so justly due him from the state. His Captain was 0. Homerson, Lleuten-ant J. T. Jeffrien, Orderly Sergeant J. H. Smith. Sergeant F. Wolf and Colonel Nesmith. Some of the privates were: William Ward, Richard Monroe, William Gatus and William Barrett. If any of these be living and will address Mr. Masters at Palo Verde, San Diego County, Cal., they will confer a great favor. Trusting you will give space to an old of eran, I am, sincerely, M. L. PARUELS.

Asks Aid for Distressed Family.

Charitably inclined citizens of Portland have been appealed to by Rev. and Mrs. H. J. Holzapfel, of 683 Thurman street, for aid in supporting a woman and six children living in North Portland, who have been desorted by the husband and father. The case is a particularly sad one. The youngest child being an in-fant in arms prevents the mother from securing the work necessary to support herself and little ones. The rent upor the present home of the family is due to day and payments upon a stove which the woman has purchased are in arrears to such an extent that the dealer from whom it was secured has demanded its return or the balance of the money.

Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Holzapfel have expressed a willingness to assist the family as much as posible, but it is not within their power to give all that is required and they ask others to telephone to them should they desire to help the deserted wife and children. Rev. H. J. Holzapfel's wife and children. Rev. H. J. telephone number is Main 4055

Two Prisoners Still Free.

No trace has been found of Ben Darwin and Frank Dnartrahe, two of the four men who escaped from the City Jail last Friday night. Resorts have been searched in vain, but it is suspected that the men left the city immediately upon gaining their freedom. Investigation into the cause of the jail delivery is still under cause of the jail centery is still inder way by the Folice Commissioners, Testi-mony has been taken from Jailer Lillis and Captain Moore, who were in charge of the station and jail on the night of the break. Chief Hunt has also been asked to explain things in connectio with the police system, and the finding of the commission will probably be made public today.

These who wish to practice econom should buy Carter's Little Liver Pills Forty pills in a visl; only one pill a doge

Rev. E. E. MoVicker, of the United Evangelical Church, of St. Johns, has caused much discussion by his sermon on the coming April election in that place. In his sermon Mr. McVicker as sumed that a movement was being made to open St. Johns to saloons so that the city might have the income from the licenses for municipal expenses. Yester-day members of the St. Johns Commercial Association were interviewed as to the effects of Mr, McVicker's discourse and nearly all condemned his taking up the matter at all at this time, saying precipitate the question was uncalled

St. Johns Discusses Talk by

Rev. E. E. McVicker.

SALOON QUESTION INVOLVED

Commercial Club Members Think the

License Proposition Should Not

Be Considered in the Com-

ing April Election.

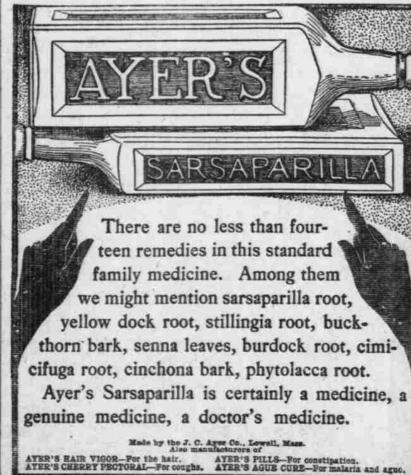
A. S. Douglas, president of the Com mercial Club, said: "It seems that Mr. McVicker wants to stir up some excitement at this time. I heard his lecture, and what he said was all right, but there is no particular call for it at this time. J. C. Crome, secretary of the Commer-cial Club, added: "I heard the sermon. It was the same old story about saloons. There was not sailed story about saloons. There was nothing new in what Mr. Mc-Vicker had to say. At this time to throw the saloon question into our com-ing election is bad judgment, and it ought not to be allowed to cut any figure about the salowed to cut any figure whatever in our municipal election. Why burden the incoming officers with the saloon question? The better way, in my judgment, would be to keep the sa-loon question entirely out of the com-ing election and then let the whole people whether they want saloons, or not, If they vote for them, that will settle and if the majority vote way,

taxed by tireless execution of far-reaching plans of every description evolved out of plans of every description evolved out of his labyrinthian mind with almost superhu-man energy for the benefit of his empire, it is unlikely that his powers would have shown any diminution. Von Moltke during the France-Germais War was 70. Bismarck 55. The greatest results have been achieved at no special time of life. Poetry is the lan-guage of youth, philosophy, the expression of age. Times, circumstances, development and incidental conditions determine the result, her neither law nor experience places a limit but neither law nor experience places a limit of age to man's ability for achiev GEORGE CROSWELL CRESSEY.

Mount Hood Rallway Corporation.

Articles of incorporation of the Mount Hood Rallway Company have been filed in Ogden. Utah, the company having a paid-up capital stock of \$110,000, the whole stock to he \$25,000. All but one of the incorporators are Utah men, but the principal reason for forming the company was to build a railroad up the Hood River Valley. This will be the first work done, and the incorporators have expressed the intention of commencing the road at once. The incorporators are William H. Eccles, president; Thomas D. Henry H. Rolapp. Dee, vice-president; secretary; and David Eccles, treasurer H. H. Spencer, David C. Eccles, Joseph A. West, all of Ogden; Charles W. Nib-ley, W. W. Riter and George Romney, of Salt Lake; and Charles T. Early, of Wasco County, Oregon.

Piso's Cure is an effectual remedy for cold on the lungs. All druggists, 25c. against them, that will settle it that way



Mrs. Sophrone Gibson

unsel for Harvey, takes the position that the company made a practice of permitting everybody to use its line, and therefore is liable.

Court Notes.

killing