VETERANS OF CIVIL WAR FIX DATE OF ENCAMPMENT.

Assistant Adjutant of Department of Oregon Issues Order Changing Time Originally Decided On.

John E. Mayo, assistant adjutant for the department of Oregon, G. A. R., yes-terday issued an order, signed by Depart-ment Commander M. L. Pratt, fixing the ment in Portland, as June 25, 26 and 27 This order was printed, and will be sent this week to the several posts of the state The change is made from the middle of May, the time which was first fixed, for the reason that it is proposed to make the encampment the largest and most im-portant ever held in the state, which could not have been done were it held in

This afternoon at 3 o'clock committees from Sumner, George Wright, Lincoln-Garfield and Ben Butler Posts will hold a meeting to organize for making preparations for the encampment. Each poshas appointed a committee to assist jointly with others in making arrangements for the encampment. An early start is thus made, so special inducements can be made for the members of the posts of the state to attend this encampment. Subcommittees on railroad fares, entertainthe encampment will be appointed this

Assistant Adjutant Mayo has made up his report of membership for the past six months in the department for Oregon, which shows there are 1835 members in this state. In Portland the following is the report: George Wright Post, 140 mem-bers; Lincoln-Garfield, 82; Sumner, 91; Ben Butler, 25. The assistant adjutant has issued a circular to be sent to all soldiers and ex-sailors eligible to membership in this state, and these will be mailed this week. It has been found that a great many are eligible to membership who are a considerable proportion of this class into the posts, so they may share the advantages of comradeship and all the other benefits of the Grand Army.

INTERESTING GRANGE MEETING. Evening Star, Patrons of Husbandry,

to Conduct Educational Institutes. In spite of the bad weather, Evening Star Grange, No. 27, Patrons of Husbandry, held a successful meeting yesterday in Multnomah Hall, on the Base Line There was a large attendance, and many visitors were present from other granges. Among these were Miss Bertie Merrill, master of Gresham Grange, and Mrs. J. W. Shattuck, state deputy. A. Miller, master, presided. One member was initiated and seven new applications

were received and referred to committees. It was decided to enter the membership contest, which ends in May, when the state grange meets. It was also voted to place the Bulletin in the homes of all members of the grange. After the usual bountiful dinner and an hour of social intercourse, an interesting educational programme was rendered, under the direc-tion of Mrs. Annie Leaman, lecturer. There were musical and literary selections. Mrs. P. Kelly read a historical paper, giving an account of Evening Star Grange that was full of interest. Mrs. Eaton also read a paper. It was decided to make a special feature of educational pro-grammes. To bring this about a special committee, composed of Mrs. Annie Lea-man, Miss Spooner and L. H. Wells, was appointed. The object of this move is to secure addresses from prominent educators and agriculturists, to be given in open meeting in the afternoons of the

regular day of meetings.

The Grange Social Club will hold a social in the hall next Friday evening, for the benefit of the young people of the

CHANGE IN ROUTE.

Double Tracks Will Be Laid on East Harrison to East Twelfth Street.

ence tracklaying on East Harrison street, from the intersection of Grand avenue. A considerable Stephens Addition. Instead of going on East Harrison to East Seventh, and on East Sherman to East Twelfth street, the double tracks will be laid on East Harrison directly to East Twelfth street. Harrison directly to East Twelfth street, where the turn will be made to Clinton street. This change will do away with two sharp curves on the old route. Ralls have been distributed along East Harrison street, and a lot of fishplates have been stacked at the corner of Grand avenue. Here also a box of tools has been placed preparatory to commencing tracklaying. East Harrison street is to be graveled. and the property-owners are desirous that the double tracks should be put down at the same time the improvement is being made. It will reduce the cost of the work.

This charge in the route will throw the tracks four blocks north of Sherman street, but will probably accommodate more people, besides doing away with the two curves. The company will double track the Woodstock branch through to East Twenty-sixth street. It will probably go straight on Clinton to East Twenty-sixth street, and thus cut out two more curves, Iron has been distributed along Grand avenue, but will probably not be put down until Spring.

SPECIAL MEETING.

Movement to Improve Important Streets Leading to Albina Ferry. A special meeting of the Albina Im-provement Association has been called for next Thursday evening in Gomez Hall to consider street improvements. Every member will receive a special reminde by way of postal card to attend. Th object of this meeting is to start the improvement of a number of important streets under the new charter. The streets which it is desired to improve are mostly those between Goldsmith and River streets, and all of them will con-

nect with the Albina ferry landing. The preliminaries for the improvement of Albina avenue between Page street and the ferry landing, and Goldsmith street from the north end of the Goldsmith bridge to Russell street, have been started and are well under way. It is desired to improve at least two streets between Goldsmith and Loring, and also Loring street. If this can be accomplished it will provide good streets to the Albina ferry, All the streets leading to the landing are in a most wretched condition, and it is nearly impossible for a team to drag a loaded truck from the ferry to Russell street. Business is blocked and delayed in Lower Albina in consequence. Having set in motion the improvement of Albina avenue and Goldsmith street, the assoclation hopes to start the improvement

The Women's Missionary Society of the Mount Tabor Methodist Church held a profitable meeting at the home of Miss Sadie Prettyman, which was attended by 30 members. Mrs. H. L. Vail, the president, presided. An interesting programme was rendered. Miss Luse, a well-known elocutionist, was present, and favored the members with several selections.

Stockholders' Meeting.

The stockholders of the Washington Gulch Mining Company held their annual Guich Mining Company held their annual meeting yesterday afternoon in the office of Justice Seton, and elected directors and officers for the ensuing year. The direc-tors are: F. M. Franklin, A. Swang, A. L.

WILL MEET HERE IN JUNE

Keenan, A. D. Keenan and Henry Fricker. President, F. M. Franklin; vice-president, A. Swang; secretary, A. L. Keenan. The mines are placer diggings located five miles from Baker City. Considerable development work has been done, and a force of men are now at work. The com-pany is satisfied with the outlook for the mine and has spent considerable

V. Schmidt, a well-known real estate dealer, who has been sick, has recovered and is able to be on the street.

Joseph Hubbel has caused the arrest of John Crader on a charge of assault, the warrant being issued from Justice Seton's court. The case was to have been heard was not present, it was dismissed.

George Smith, who went to the Needles Cal., last Summer to assist Louis Paquet in building a steamer on the Colorado River, returned yesterday. After living in what he calls a desert, he is glad to get back to Oregon to enjoy a rain once

west Door Factory and president of the Albina Improvement Association, who has been confined to his home on Larrabee street with severe sickness, is able to be at the factory occasionally. He is slowly recovering.

A. K. Ballard, who was appointed Post-master at Milwaukie, has received his commission from Washington. His bonds have been approved. He will assume his duties as soon as he receives orders to do so from the department and will oc-cupy the quarters formerly used by Oscar Wissinger on Main street.

The funeral of Michael Curtin was held yesterday morning from his home, 845 Union avenue and St. Mary's Church, Williams avenue. The interment was in Calvary cemetery. Deceased was a landmark in Albina. He had been a resident of Albina almost ever since the first house was built there. He was born in County Kerry, Ireland, and was 48 years

NEED COUNTY INSPECTORS

Recommendations Made Concerning Inspection Work in Orchards,

(Extract from President E. L. Smith's Report to the Legislature.) Our horticultural laws contain many wise provisions, but are sadly lacking in the matter of inspection. The transportation companies notify the secretary of the State Board of all importations of plants and trees from outside the state, to whom consigned and point of destination. The secretary promptly notifies the Commis-sioner of the district, who frequently has to travel 100 miles to inspect a small con-signment of less value than the expense of inspection. Each horticultural district is as large as a good-sized state, and the Commissioner would have to be omnipresent to guard all points of import and export. The board has, I think, the power to appoint, but none to pay inspectors. What we need is an inspector in every considerable fruitgrowing county of the state whose duty shall be to see that the quarantine regulations of the board are enforced.

The inspectors would be required to devote only a small portion of their time to the work of inspection and their com-pensation would be nominal. An additional \$1500 yearly, with authority to pay inspectors, would lessen the traveling expenses of the Commissioners, would guard the principal points of domestic consump-tion, and of import and export, would lessen the liability of the introduction of new diseases and insect pests, would give the consumer sound, healthy fruit, would encourage and compel our orchard-ists to practice best-known methods, and prevent the utter demoralization of the markets by a flood of disease-infested fruits, fit only for the crematorium.

There has been a marked improvement in fruit culture during the past two years. The scientist is no longer ridiculed, and doubt has been followed by conviction as to the utility of modern methods. The spray pump has become universal in all retal orchards and small motors relieve the weary arms at half the former expense for spraying.

The experiment stations, the farmers' institutes, the Board of Horticulture, and especially the press, have been carrying nal work invaluable to the

A survey of the state has been made by lands of Oregon adapted to the growth of fruits are yet unoccupied by orchards, Careful estimates of the market value of our fruit products for the past two years show that they exceed \$4,000,000, and the area of our orchards is rapidly increasing. An industry of this magnitude, an industry that subdivides large holdings of land and enhances its value from \$29 to \$500 per acre, that builds numberless homes and contributes so greatly to the comfort of all our people, an industry of almost unlimited possibilities, is indeed worthy of the care and support of the state.

OUR CREDIT IS GOOD.

Eastern Capitalists Have Favorable Impression of Oregon's Stability.

L. Samuel, general manager of the Equitable Life Insurance Company for this district, has just returned from his annual trip to the home office in New York. Mr. Samuel reports that there is not a cloud in the financial sky in the East. He also says that Portland is well ss men of the firmest faith in the future greatness of "The whole country is in a prosperous condition, and there isn't even a sign of a

cloud in the sky of prosperity and finance," said Mr. Samuel. "Everywhere

finance," said Mr. Samuel. "Everywhere in the East the conditions are the same—good times and happy people.
"I have just made my annual trip to the home office, and had a good chance to meet some of the greatest financiers in New York. They all know of Portland, and all have a high opinion of the city's soundness for investments. They all know of Oregon and her resources, and I think they are always ready to loan money in this part of the country. Of course, they know of Seattle, Tacoma, Spokane and other places in the Northwest, but have better opinions of the soundness of Portland than of any of these cities, and are land than of any of these cities, and are always more anxious to do business here. They all say that Portland ranks with San Francisco in this matter, that these two cities are solid from the ground up. "While people know of Portland and Oregon very well, they have not as yet heard a great deal about the Lewis and Clark Fair, and many of them know nothing of it at all. However, it will not be

ing of it at all. However, it will not be long before they hear of it, and when they know that Portland is back of it they will know what kind of a Fair it is going to be. "One of the many things that impressed me was the way in which the work of making the great New York subway is being carried on in the midst of business. One would think that everything would be torn up, but, on the contrary, it is not. Not a bit of traffic is obstructed, and things are going on just as smoothly as if there was nothing being built but a water main. The earth and rock is holsted up through small holes and immediately hauled away, and there is not the slightest inconvenience. I wish the slightest inconvenience. I wish the peo-ple who are working on Seventh street could see the way it is done. If they were in New York they would have three or four times as many men, and if it rained they would use an awning. The work

that it has taken the Portland people months to do would be done in two days at the most in New York."

Champagne Comparison Champague Comparison.

Of a total importation of 360,706 cases by all brands of champague in 1902, G. H. Mumm & Co.'s Extra Dry reached over 125,000 cases, being 407,204 bottles more than any other brand. The magnificent quality and natural dryness of the Extra Dry of the now celebrated 1858 vintage, justly puts it in a unique position of pre-eminence.



"You can fool all of the people some of the time, and some of the people all of the time, but you can't fool all the people all the time."

There are hundreds of spectacle-wearers who have been victimized in the past 20 years by conscienceless opticians, and deceived into paying from \$7.50 to \$20.00 for glasses that would have brought a good profit at \$2.50. When we opened our institution and advertised prices on spectacles these same opticians, green with envy, shouted "FAKE"; but the public considered the source, and interpreted it as a bad case of trade jealousy. Their weird chant now no longer fools the people, and their narrow-mindedness and sordidness being exposed, and their business (conducted on the hold-up plan), having dwindled to nothing, they are forced to advertise "SPECTACLES AT LOWER RATES THAN FORMERLY." The people, however, will refuse to be caught by such bait, and will continue to go to the Oregon Optical Company, where QUALITY, PRICE and EXPERT SERVICE have ALWAYS been satisfactory.

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NOTE THESE PRICES
GOLD-FILLED FRAMES, guaranteed 20 years
NICKEL FRAMES, best quality, all styles
Finest Quality CRYSTAL LENSES, per pair
SOLID GOLD FRAMES, (best quality) heavy weight\$3.00

No optician in Portland, no matter what price he charges, can give you any better quality of goods than the above. A concern that will charge you \$20.00 one day for your glasses and give you the same glasses next day for \$2.50, is not a safe place to take your eye troubles.

We guarantee all corrections two years. Thousands of testimonials from reliable people open to those who are interested.





FREE MAIL

GOVERNMENT WILL NOT FURNISH THEM FOR RURAL ROUTES.

Patrons of the Service Must Supply Their Own Receptacles for Their Mail.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Feb. 7.—An erroneous statement widely disseminated in Western newspapers, that the Postoffice Department had decided to furnish free boxes for the rural free-delivery service, is causing much em-barrassment in the establishment of new rural free-delivery routes.

The fact is that though numerous suggestions have been made by the Department and in Congress for the furnishing of rural boxes by the government at cost, no action of the kind indicated has been either authorized or taken. The patrons of rural free-delivery service are required, as heretofore, to supply their own boxes from the list approved by the Depart-ment, these boxes then falling under the protection of the United States statutes in regard to the safe delivery of mails.
In denying that the Government contemplates furnishing free boxes to the patrons of rural routes, the Postal Department cites the following regulations:

"Those desiring the delivery must hereafter be prepared to put up, at their own expense, appropriate and secure boxes bearing stamp of approval of the Postmas

"When a rural free-delivery route has been uniformly equipped with boxes of the above-named description, the Department will consider these boxes as entitled to the protection of the United States stat-utes, which provide severe penalties for willful or malicious injury to them or in-terference with their contents.
"Rural curriers are not required to de-

liver mail to houses standing back from the main road, except in case of registered mail, special delivery and pension letters. The patrons are expected to meet the De-partment half way by affording the carriers every facility for the performance of their duties, by keeping the roads clear after a heavy snowfall, and using their influence to maintain the condition of the roads in all weather, up to the standard required by the Department.

allable packages, provided their do ing so does not interfere with the prompt handling of the mails, which must be made the first consideration.

"Rural carriers are requested to take postage stamps, registration and money orders with them on their trips for the ecommodation of their patrons.

"The establishment of rural free-deliv-ery at any poctoffice does not change in any particular the rate of postage on any of mail matter received or delivered from that office, except that the 1-cent rate on drop letters does not apply when such letters are collected or delivered by rural carriers. Drop letters so delivered or collected must be prepaid at the rate of 2 cents for each ounce or fraction there-of."

SOUTHEASTERN OREGON.

The Most Fensible Way to Tap Valuable Country. SALMON, POST-OFFICE, Or., Feb. 3 .-

(To the Editor,)-In the last issue of The Weekly Oregonian there appeared a communication signed by W. T. Burney, in which is described what he terms "the most feasible and profitable proposition" for tapping the Southeastern Oregon country. He states that by extending the line of the Oregon Water Power & Railway Company from its proposed terminus on across by the Cascades, by way of Mount Jefferson, and thence southeasterly to the east state line. His intentions are no doubt good enough, but he evidently is ignorant of the lay of the Cascades in ignorant of the lay of the Casacas in the vicinity of Mount Jefferson, as that country is quite rough, and I do not think that this "Mount Jefferson pass" that he refers to is even traveled by a wagon road or trail. At least no such pass is given on the late maps of the Interior De-I did not write to criticise, however, but

to describe a feasible route that would be far superior to the route he describes, in that the Cascades at the point of which I speak are very narrow, being deeply cut into by valleys on both sides of the mountains, and thus leaving a very narrow strip, where the proposed line would row strip where the proposed line wou be troubled with deep snows in Winter. The course to which I refer would branch off the proposed line of the Oregon Water Power & Railway Company at the new town of Baring, and would then go almost due east through a heavily tim-bered stretch of almost level land to the town of Sandy; from there it would go east up the Sandy Valley to the present site of Salmon Post-office. From the last named place there has been several sur-veys made along the route of the Mount Hood & Barlow toll road that were claimed entirely feasible. These surveys claimed entirely feasible. These surveys bring the proposed line to within seven or eight miles of the top of Mount Hood, at the foot of which there are at present two quite extensive hotels under construction. These places are at present making money for their owners in spite of the fact that a tourist must endure 60 miles of rough travel to get there, and so it can be readily imagined what a large Summer travel there would be were there a comfortable railroad connecting these places with Portland. From the foot of Mount Hood the proposed line could choose either of two routes, one of which would come out at Wapinitia and the other at Oak Grove, on the east side. From these two places it could go south along the Deschutes, taking in all the country the other route would and a lot besides. I might say in passing that in the vicinity of the two Eastern Oregon towns mentioned above there is a great and fertile farming section that would be opened by this route and be in direct connection

Burney. R. V. SEFTON.
P. S.—This route is the same one described recently by W. W. Cotton for a stage line to Mount Hood.

"I have been informed," said Mayor Williams yesterday, "that the signs of business houses have been stamped in the cement walks now being laid, contrary to the ordinance which has been passed by the Council. This ordinance provides for penalties of from \$20 to \$100 for viola-tions, and while it has been neglected in the past, I propose to enforce it strongly in the future, and every man who violates it will have to pay for his offense."

is set against, is the laying of signs in cement walks in front of business places. A man may set his name in front of his place of business, and then remove, leaving the sidewalk advertisement standing. The next occupant of the building would have the sign confronting him, and he would either have to have it remo or conduct his business with another man's name, and probably another style of business staring him in the face. At present there are a great many sidewalk advertisements, and most of them have been stamped in the walks during the past year. In most cases where a walk has been laid, there has been a request made to stamp in it the name of a saoon, bookstore or restaurant adjoining but it has not always been complied with. The few cases in which the advertisement was made, brought the whole matter before the Mayor, and he made the order for the enforcement of the ordinance.

New York Press.

Although Anna, Countess de Castellane, has received no social recognition to speak of, her presence in America is felt by the youngest generation. The fashion of dressing her two young boys has inter-ested scores of mothers. The two little Castellanes spend much of their time parading the avenue, between Forty-sev and Thirty-third streets. They wear en-tire suits of fur, from their peaked hoods to their fur leggings. George, the eldest, wears lynx, and his brother, Boni, wears

BOXES with Portland. After crossing the Deschutes it could go to Prineville and then on east along the route named by Mr.

NO FREE ADVERTISING. Mayor Says Signs Must Not Be Stamped in Sidewalks.

The particular offense which the mayor

The Fur-Clad Castellanes.

Russian squirrel. Their jackets, their trousers and their attached hoods are all

H. E. EDWARDS, 185-191 First St. baby Eskimos. It is a rather pretty fash-ion, for the children's faces are framed in

the clear pavement, but in his aunt's, Miss Helen Gould, private yard, he was permitted to tumble in real snow to his

heart's delight. These fur clothes for children are practical for sledding, as the

Bookcase

\$1.95

bookcase with brass rod for

A neat little open-front

fur. Rarely have such lively, prancing children amused the avenue. Boni dragged a sled the other morning across boy may simply wallow in heaps of snow without catching cold, but an obstacle to the popularity is the cost of the furs. The

chenpest fur suits fetch \$200.

Earnings of a Big Hotel.

New York Sun.

The lessee of a New York hotel who thought he had earned enough to retire from business and enjoy his fortune in leisure recently had an offer for his rights in the business that he has built up After a consultation with his attorneys he settled on \$8,000,000 as a reasonable sum There was no formal consent to sell for that amount, but that was the figure that seemed just after a hurried view of the situation. There came from the intending purchasers an intimation that they were of fur, and in this garb the boys look like basis. Luckily nothing definite was done

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the proprietor was quite satisfied to main in harness a few years longer. until the lawyers set out to make a more thorough investigation as to the value of the property based on the income it yielded annually. On that basis the hotel was vastly more valuable than it had at first been considered. The pro-prietor's personal profit for the last eight years had averaged \$1,000,000. In view of these profits, the price placed on the hotel was increased to a figure which it

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charged for sewing, laying and lining during this sale.

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sels Carpet Hassocks, full

size. Our own make.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., Feb. 7.-W Congressman Moody's funeral was be held at Waynesville today, the taking testimony in the contested Moody-Gue election case went on at Teyon, was quite impossible for the syndicate to pay. In view of the large amount he found himself to be earning annually.

Extension Table

This table is six feet long,

made from spruce, golden



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Are they discolored? Some, perhaps, missing, and your mouth has a repulsive appearance. You may look neat in other ways, but the moment you open your mouth the whole illusion is spoiled. Strange, isn't it that you will neglect this important feature? If your nose was broken you would rush to a doctor to have it fixed. Your teeth are just as prominent. Why don't you visit a dentist? Perhaps you are

Afraid of being hurt?

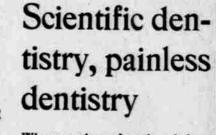
If that is the reason, cast your fears aside and come to our office without delay. We will not hurt you a particle, either in extracting or filling teeth; and you will be surprised what a difference it will make in your appearance. You can't afford, either for social or business reasons, to have a bad-looking mouth, leaving your health entirely out of the ques-

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