BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES

DUFTH & MENEFEE, Attorneys-at-Law.

The legal firm of Dufur & Menefee ful in Eastern Ovegon. The senior mem-ber established his law office here in part-nership with his cousin some is years ago. dissolved this cont pursue the business on his private acpresent firm was formed. The gratifying of the patrons of this house, that its success with which the firm has met is business for the present year shows every but the legitimate reward of a knowledge indication of exceeding that of any reof the law and experience at the bar.

state. Completing his schooling at Portland academy, he engaged in various enterprises with signal success, and had attained the age of 20 before he turned his
attention to the study of law. He first
read in the offices of the well-known law
firm of Killin & Moreland, and was admitted to the bar in 1884. He established
his office in this city the following year
and soon won distinction as an able authority on Blackstone. Kent and the later
masters of law. Senator Dufur received
his first political preferment in 1894 when masters of law. Senator Dufor received his first political preferment in 1854, when he was elected a member of the state legislature on the independent ticket, serving with the utmost satisfaction to his constituency, which represented the reform element. In 1886, at the solicitation of a bost of friends, he again appeared in public life, this time as a candidate for state senator, to which office he was elected by a secure majority. It is but just to say Senator Dufor has manifested the same patriotic endeavor in the senats chamber that characterized his carrier as a member of the legislature.

Frank Menefes, the junior partner of the firm, is a native Oregonian, having been born in this city, where he received his schooling. He began reading law with his present partner in 1881, and was two years later admitted to the har. He became a member of the above firm in 1891, and at once took an active part in public affairs. He was elected city recorder in 1891 and 1892 and 1892 and in March, 1896, was appointed to fill the unexpired term of G. V. Bolton as mayor, to which honor he was twice afterwards called, being elected for two successive terms.

H. H. BIDDELL.

H. H. RIDDELL. Postmaster.

The United States has the most perfect postal system of any government in the world. This may be largely attrib-uted to the excellence of our railway sertraceable to the men who hold positions of authority or trust in the department. When one realizes the responsibility at taken his stock to an honest market.

young Riddell early determined to fit him-self for a professional career, and, with that commendable object in view, in the fall of 1886 entered the Wasco independent Academy, from which institution he grad-unted with honors in 1896. Upon completing his studies at the academy, Hayward commenced reading law with the well-known firm of Mays & Huntington, He later tank a course of lectures at the law school of the University of Oregon, continuing his studies with untiring rest in the offices of Doobs Relitages, Mallory tenuing his studies with untiring rest in the offices of Dolph, Bellinger, Mallory & Simon, one of Portland's foremost law farms. Mr. Riddell was admitted to the bar June 2. 1932, and immediately returned to The Dalles, where he prac-ticed with most gratifying success.

Responding to the appointment of Pres-

McKinley, Mr. which he has thus far conducted the office presages the utmost satisfaction in this branch of the service during his incumber for while Mr. Riddell is not a for cleaning, handling and preparing sker for political preferment, he has al-ys manifested a keen interest in pub-affairs, and holds his present office of his especial fitness.

The Dulles is one of the most important postoffices in the state. It is the distribut-ing point for all med directed to points in Wasco and Crook counties, and for the ajor part of the mail matter for Klickicounty, Wash, and Grant, Harney and Lake counties in this state. The city all is conservatively estimated at 50,000 seems per month, and the matter for other points possing through the office is very likely treble or quadruple that amount. This will be readily apparent when it is realized that nearly 36 postofare supplied direct from the office als city. Counting the four daily trains and the various stages and steamboats daily arriving and departing from this point, there are eight mails per day received and forwarded. This necessitates the employment of three efficient assist-

It is an interesting fact, not generally At its an interesting fact, not generally known, that postofflees receive their rating by virtue of the amount of stamps sold during the course of the fiscal year.

They are rated also by the population of the community in which they are situated. Towns of 10,000 population or having a postoffice selling \$10,000 worth of in 1877, since which time it has been contextually attended by himself as sole proposition. ing a postomice selling \$10.00 worth of the \$10.00 worth of \$10.00 worth o expect that convenience and distinction at ried can be found.

The stock carried at present is replete

PARLEY & PRANK.

Harness and Saddlery. It may be doubted if there is a name caps, boots, shoes and furnishing goods more widely and favorably known in the Clothing is bought from leading manufac-anddicry and harness business in Oregon turers of the East, and the line is thorthan that of G. J. Parley. It may be sughly up-to-date in point of styles. Fine said without injustice to others that he boots and shoes from the celebrated Miller is one of the most prominent merchants and Cahn & Nickelberg factories are carin his lime in this section of the state, ried in all grades, from the rough but. The business of which he is now the sole proprietor was established in years ago footwear suited to the wardrole of the by L. D. Frank, and Mr. Fraley first most faultiessity dressed. The line of became interested in the house in 1882, From that time until Mr. Frank's demise, is very full and complete, and each article business was conducted by the first old bears the name of a celebrated manually and the sole bears the name of a celebrated manually and the sole bears the name of a celebrated manually and the sole bears the name of a celebrated manually and the sole bears the name of a celebrated manually and the sole bears the name of a celebrated manually and the sole bears the name of a celebrated manually and the sole of the state of the sole of the

mediately identified with the trade and tive lines. A line of trunks and vallees with the people, and many goods of his is handled, and many other articles too manufacture have since become known numerous to mention. manufacture have since become known among ranchers, farmers and cattlemen as a standard of excellence for goods of their kind. Only the best of skilled & Company, the metropolitan talloring workmen are employed in the manufacture of harness and saddles, which are bracing the latest noveltles in suitings, the proprietors are watchmakture of harness and saddles, which are bracing the latest noveltles in suitings, and to keep the stock trouserings, vestings and top-coatings, are length for this best American watches, clocks and silvery, Feed and Sale Stable.

Livery, Feed and Sale Stable.

Livery, Feed and Sale Stable.

The above business has been conducted since January I, this year, by Mr. L. N. Wilson, a gentleman of varied experience ence and great ability, and make a special functions.

blankets, dusters and everything usually topt in a first-class barners shop. There is also a complete line of vecerinary remedits. It is gratifying to be able to state, as indicative of the revival of prospetty among farmers, ranchers and cattlemen, who compose a large upons.

but the legitimate reward of a knowledge of the law and experience at the bat. Both gentlemen have a wide acquaintance in Wasco and contiguous countles, and enjoy a formatic practice in this portion of the state.

Senator Dufur was born in Vermont March 5, 18th. Twelve years later his parents removed to Wisconsin, where young Dufur spant five years of his boynhood. In 1860 he came with his parents to Oregon, and has since resided in this state. Completing his schooling at Portland academy, he engaged in various estimated to the state.

Besides doing a general livery business, horses are boarded by the day, week or month, the proprietor giving them and the vehicles left in his care the same excellent attention his own stock receives. Another specialty of the business is the purchase and sale of horses, both for the whose but it is in no small degree directly stable and for patrons, and the buyer and traceable to the men who hold positions seller whose horses are sold at this stable of authority or trust in the department. may have the assurance that such has

tached to the official duties of postmaster.

I. A. Porter is a native of llinois. He the importance of installing men of sier-came to The Dalles seven years ago.

Img worth and character becomes at once and until he became proprietor of the se present postmaster of The Dalles. And until he became properietor of the Murchie Livery and Sale Stable, was in the employ of the well-known firm of Pease & Mays. He is an experienced judge of horsefesh, as is richly evidenced by the came in 1881 to Wasco country, while father engaged in stock-raising induces. young attorneys. He is a native Over judge of horseflesh, as is richly evidenced gonlan, having been born in Salem. April 6. 1868. He came in 1881 to Wasco country, livery service. He is, as well, a man of exceptional judgment in business affairs, and wheat-growing. Not contented with the inducements offered by farm life, who hold a title to the business property young Ribbell early determined to fit him. they occupy.

COLUMBIA PACKING COMPANY, Incorporated.

enterprise worthy of a much larger city, and one which contributes in miding to the appointment of Pres.

Country. about one-quarter being used up the records and collecting for the McKinley. Mr. Riddell assumed for butchering purposes and the bulance of the postofice in this city April shipped to the various points where stock taxes, thereby enabling the country to is in demand.

for cleaning, handling and preparing meats for the market. The refrigerator facilities of the market are unsurpassed and every appliance for handling fresh and cured meats in the most approved manner is afforded. During the packing season, considerable pork is cured, both for sale at the market and for whole-iale. There is a branch house at Wasco. Sherman county, which is in all essentials the counterpart of the parent mar

ket. The Columbia Packing Company's place of business, commonly known as the Cen-irel market, is in charge of E. C. Phir-man, a butcher of fifteen years' expe-rience in this city, and a man who exercises a discriminating judgment in the selection of stock for slaughter. He sup-plies the best hotel, restaurant and famty trude in the city, and his wide ac-quaintance brings to this market, as well, a considerable country trade. Mr. Phirman greets all customers with his proverbial pleasant welcome, and endea to give the best cuts that can be had to give the best cuts that can be the money anywhere in the state.

with the latest styles, and has been selected with especial reference to attracting the fashionable trade of the city. It includes complete lines of clothing, hats, the business was conducted by the firm, cle bears the name of a celebrated manu-and Mr. Farley has since retained his facturer. Gordon and Creedmore hats in former partner's name in the title of the first grade, and the Raven in a his bouse as a mark of respect. cheaper brand, are carried, while Gordon
On purchasing an interest in Mr. & Ferguson gloves and Standard shirts
Frank's business, Mr. Farley became im- are no less conspicuous in their respec-

THE DALLES MARBLE WORKS.

It may be doubted if there is an orise in The Dailles that covers with its rude a larger range of territory than the marble works which form the subject of Monuments, copings.

as far south as Prineville.

The Dalles Marble Works were established five years ago by Louis Comini and were immediately accorded the recognition worthly his exceptional skill as a marble and granite cutter, and as a business man of sterling integrity of character. In April hast Mr. Weeks purchased an interest in the business, and thereby added his own skill and experience to that of his able partner. It may take a curse can never be permanently effected until the patient resorts to glasses, and wearing those sujted to the partner of the patient resorts to glasses, and wearing those sujted to the patient resorts to glasses, and wearing those sujted to the permanent of this business; and the patient resorts to glasses, and wearing those sujted to the permanent of this business; the supplied with all the modern applications has a monument firm unsurpassed in the practical skill of its in the category of medicine.

They are designers and manufacturers as well as importers, of all kinds of statuary, and make a specialty of the finest monumental work. The products of these works, turned out during the last five years, now adorn some of the handsom years, now adorn some of the handsom. years, now adorn some of the handsom-est cometeries in the state, and it is fair to state that there is no house better equipped to meet the demands of taste

and culture in monumental work.

Comini & Weeks employ none but experienced marble and granite cutters, and much of the finer work is done by their own skilled hands. They carry engrav-ings of the latest designs of monumental work from Italian and Vermont marble and from pative and imported granites. Estimates are submitted with designs. and all work carries with it the guaran-tee of the firm.

Louis Comini was born in sunny Italy, but has spent many years on this side of the water. Before establishing the above business he was employed on the Cascade Locks, which bear mute testi-mony to the excellence of his workman-ship. F. D. Weeks was born in Massachusetts, but lived six years in Portland, this state, where he learned his trade in his father's place of business. When the war broke out he enlisted in com-pany E. of the Second Oregon, and salled on the first expedition to Manila, where he was taken sick with dysentery and spent six weeks in the hospital after which he was mustered out of the service and sent home to regain his health. He came to The Dalles in April, and has since been engaged in his present

ROBERT KELLY. Sheriff.

The sheriff of Wasco county, a man 36 cars old on June 16, 1896, came to this east in the year 1870, after the great fire in Chicago, where he had been engaged in the dry goods business. Owing to his then wife's failing health, he was advised by prominent physicians to locate on the highlands of Eastern Oregon, and. by prominent physicians to locate on the highlands of Eastern Oregon, and, after viewing the country over, he took up a farm E miles south of The Dalles and devoted his attention to the farming and horseraising business. There being and horseraising business. There being and a subject worthy of most favorable comment. We doubt if Oregon has another Dalles City, he established a postoffice and store located and laid out the town a county which can boast so well regulated and to the country cerk's office as this, and certainly there is none superior. no small degre toward swelling the vol-ume of business annually transacted in The Dalles. The company was organized of Kingsley.

Dalles City, he established a postoffice and store located and laid out the town tainly there is none superior.

of Kingsley.

In the year 1894 Mr. Kelly was urgently requested, and with some refuctance gave up his business in that vicinity, to accept the position of deputy sheriff, which office he held for four consecutive years. call in quite a number of outstanding warrants. In 1888 he was made a candi-date by the republican party for sheriff. and was elected by an overwhelming majority at the pells on the 6th of June since which time he has discharged the duties of his office with fearless disregard for the lawless element. Sheriff Kel no less scrupulous on the matter of Sheriff Kelly cierical duties, and has employed the best approved system of bookkeeping in filing the records of his office.

D. W. VALSE. Wall Paper, Paints, Olls, Glass, Etc.

D. W. Vause began business in The Dalles alk years ago as a member of the firm of P. Kreft & Co., which he succeeded a year later. He has gained a ceeded a year later. He has gain well-earned reputation for honesty correct business methods, as well as for his exceptional skill in his chosen line of work. He has demonstrated his ability as a first-class mechanic, and can point

with becoming pride to his work as seen on the interiors and exteriors of many of the finest residence and business blocks of The Dailes and Wasco county. His specialties are pulnting, paper-hanging and interior decorating.

Mr. Vause's store is located on Third street, in easy access of both the resilocated on Third dence and business portions of the city. Therein can be seen displayed a com-plete and select line of plain and decorative wall papers of the most delicate tints and exquisite designs, rang quality from the cheaper grades finest goods. The stock of paints and oils, which is also very extensive, includes a full line of the celebrated Masury paints The stock of paints and and varnishes, for which Mr. Vause is seif.
local agent. The stock of brushes comprises everything in the line known to
the trade. In window glass the stock is ment

designed to meet the local demand.

D. W. Vause halls from Albion, and, true to his nativity, followed the sen for a livelihood in his youth. On one of voyages to Portland, 18 years ago, he cided to quit the water, and accordingly settled in this state, where he has since resided, most of the time in The Dalles, In connection with his business here, he does curriage painting and commands fair share of the trade in this line.

DAUT OPTICAL AND JEWELRY COMPANY.

The Daut Optical and Jewelry Com is especially worthy of mention in a trade number of The Chronicle, as having one of the most attractive and artistic jew-elry stores in The Dalles. The elegance and newness of everything gives the im-pression that the contents of the beautiful showcases and windows have just come from the hands of the artists who made

complete in every detail, embracing the best American watches, clocks and sil-verware, in sterling and plate, ornamental

tapplied with high-grade goods. In no case are Emstern goods handled every critics of order for each being the product of the highest grade of watch and desiring a ready-made paramet, may see clock repairing, chronometer rating and the measures of the husiness, including a manufacturing handled with all the necessary concepts of harmost is an analysematic to the city and carry analyses are said to a parameter in a particular of the control of common control of the popular East End feed yard. The building as immended with all the necessary concepts and the measures a perfect it and adjusted to the city and carry analyses are said to a parameter in an intense three estants and shares which as the measures of th jewelry and watchmaking. A no less important feature of the business is the optical department, both members of the firm being graduate opticians of years' practice and invaluable experience.
The exestight begins to full at about the

age of 80 but many eyes are defective from birth or become so in childhood. The fact is," says an eminent oculist. perfect sight, without the use of prop-ly fitted spectacles, is a rare thing." I fective sight reacts in many ways, and marble works which the series opings this brief sketch. Monuments copings headstones tablets etc., from these works are shipped to the small towns along the Columbia river for more than a hundred miles, and into the interior settlements as far south as Prineville.

The Dalles Marble Works were established to the series of the series way but the right way. In such cases, however much medicine the suffernces of the series way but the right way. In such cases, however much medicine the suffernces of the series of the

passed in the practical skill of its individual members by any firm of the kind the lotions in the category of medicine. The stock of lenses carried includes everything necessary to correct every known variation from natural sight, and a specialty is made of grinding lenses to fill prescriptions of oculists in other citales and in Italian and Vermont marble. They are designers and manufacturers as well as importers, of all kinds of statuary and make a specialty of the finest monumental work. The products of these they will be supplied at a minimum cost.

and in cases where glasses are required they will be supplied at a minimum cost. The Daut Optical and Jeweiry Company is composed of Messrs, P. G. Daut and S. D. Stoufer. Professor Daut is a graduate of Philadelphia Optical College, the Trowbridge Optical College, of Winons, Minn., and of the Optical College of Parlin Germany, which is concepted to be ons. Minn. Berlin, Germany, which is conceded to be the first in the world. Mr. Stoufer re-ceived his sheepskin from the Trowbridge Optical College, of Winons, Minn. Both gentlemen have devoted years to their profession, and it is not too much to say there is no more efficient optical firm in the state than they.

ALEXANDER M. KELSAY. County Clerk and Recorder.

Alexander M. Kelsay, our present coun-ty clerk and recorder, is a striking ex-ample of the energetic and enterprising Western man, so frequently commented on by Eastern people traveling through the Western states. As a politician and a business man, he has made a career no less commendable than it has been successful, and his character as a citizen and

public officer is above reproach.

A. M. Kelsay first saw the light in Clinton county, Mo., in the year 1858. Leaving his native state he went to California at the age of 15, where he remained seven years. He came next to Oregon, settling in Wasco county, where he has since resided, following various business pursuits He still retains large interests in this county, and in the southern portion of the state, where he was for years engaged in

Mr. Kelsay received his first political preferment in 1884, when he was elected by a handsome majority to the official po-sition he has since filled with such credit to himself and satisfaction to the general public, having twice succeeded himself in office. Mr. Kelsay has a deputy and two

A. A. JAYNE. District Attorney.

The Dulles may be said to be especially them are men of education and experiis their own. Especially is this true of the legal profession, which is represented in this city by some of the brightest law-yers the country has produced. Among distinction within those who have won distinction within space of a comparatively few years take pleasure in calling attention to

A. A. Jayne, our present district attorney, Mr. Jayne is a native of Iowa, in which state he received his early schooling. He read law in the office of a prominent law from of Chicago and was admitted to the firm of Chicago and was admitted to the bar in 1888. In Colorado. He first prac-iced in Arlington, where he won an en-viable reputation for brilliancy, and later moved to The Dalles, where he has since resided. He was elected district attor ney in 1804, and the efficiency with which he has performed his official duties may the entire community, as is evidenced by best be judged from the fact that he has ceeded himself in office.

Mr. Jayne is still a young man, being yet in his thirties, and is no Jees promint as a citizen than as a master of his ofession. He is closely identified with various interests of The Uniles and of Wasco county, and has done much by his public spirit to pramote the general welfare of city, county and state.

C. L. PHILLIPS. Treasurer.

In no official position is it more essential that honesty and integrity mark the character of the incumbent than in the one which. has to do with the guarding and dispensing of public funds; and in no office which has been satisfactorily filled for an official term has the holder a better right to succeed him-

Among the public men of Wasco county who have had charge of the treasury department, none has received a more fitting tribute to his efficiency and probity than county treasurer, C. L. Phillips. Elected in 1896 by the small majority of one hundred votes, he discharged his official duties with such serua second time a candidate for the office, his utary. That it will very likely long recounty treasurer gives the same satisfaction to his constituents and the public at large. that was experienced during his first term. and it is not too much to say that he receives the commendation of members of all parties. his political rivals not excepted,

C. L. Phillips was born to Jackson county. Iowa, in 1852. In 1859 his relatives moved to Nebruska, in which state he received his early education. Seven years later the famly moved to Napa, California, and in 1871 to His first political preferment was in 1884, when he was elected county coroner.

L. N. WILSON.

but has been upon this coast for nearly 10 has been a merchant and resident of the years. During his residence here of the Dalles. The success he has won is but to past two years he has made a large cirlegitimate reward of a knowledge. cle of acquaintances.

BELLE C. RINEHART, M. D.

Civilization marches apace. A few years ago woman was unknown in the professions. and was looked upon as a usurper even in the fields of industry. The woman who was thrown upon her own resources had either to cook or ply the needle for a meagre livelihood. In exceptional cases she might teach a country school or give lessons in music or painting. Today she graces almost every walk of life. She is the mistress of the kindergarten, grammar and high schools; she is foremost in cierical and stenographic work: she heads the departments in many of our mercantile establishments, and is frequently the owner of extensive business interests which are conducted under her personal management, but it is in the profession and especially in medicine and surgery, that she has made her mark. There is now scarcely a city of any importance in the country that has not its able woman physician and surgeon. Scarcely a class is graduated at the leading medical colleges that has not its quota of feminine M. Ds.

Dr. Belle C. Rinehart is the widow of the ate Dr. W. E. Rinehart, before his death a prominent physician of this city. Always interested in medicine and surgery, her husband's large library and extensive practice afforded her ample opportunity to gratify her tastes, and, at the ltime of his demise. she had gained a knowledge of the profes sion which would have entitled her to practice; but, desiring to perfect her education. she took the regular course at the Both department of the University of Oregon. from which institution she received her degree. During her residence in Portland, she had a valuable experience in hospital practice. Returning to The Dalles, the doctor was at once tendered a most gratifying practice, which is the most genuine compliment the community could pay to her talent and skill as a physician.

> Medicine and surgery seem a natural field for woman. Her tenderness especially fits her for the care of the sick, while her delicacy of touch in operative cases renders her of the utmost value. Besides, there is a modesty in woman which is fittingly subserved by summoning a physician of her own sex, and when it is realized that four-fifths of the sickness requiring physical examination occurs among women, the propriety of woman in the noblest of professions is selfevident. Dr. Rinehart is a specialist in gynecology and obstetrics, and numbers among her patients many of the most refined and cultured ladies in the city. She treats children, as well, and is especially skilled in aural, masal and throat disorders.

Dr. Rinchart owns a beautiful home on the verge of the bluff, from which the city appears as a panorama. She has four interesting sons, to whom she is devoted, and has a wide circle of admiring friends. Her womanly sympathy for the suffering and open hand in giving for the support of all worthy charities amply attest the fact that received his education. He coume the sterner realities of business have not lessened the finer sensibilities of a noble womanhood.

SEUFERT & CONDON TELEPHONE COMPANY. Incorporated.

It may be asserted without injustice that no invention of modern times has con- untiring efforts in the behalf of clients. Ills tributed more to the dispatch of business than the telephone. For short distance communication its value is inestimable, and the time that is daily saved by this modern con. venlence, even in The Dalles alone, were it possible to compute it, would seem incred-

The Dalles is very fortunate in having a elephone system, which, for the efficiency of the service and the cheapness of rates, is without a competitor on the coast. This is all the more gratifying when it is stated that the company owning and operating this excellent system is a home corporation, composed of residents of The Dailes, whose in-

The Scafert & Condon Telephone Company was organized and incorporated in May, 1885. The best telephone apparatus that money could buy was purchased and installed, and the company began business with the good wishes and hearty support of their constantly increasing subscription list. Their Jane issue of the telephone directory would do credit to any telephone company in the country.

The Scufert & Condon Telephone Company now has offices at The Dailes, Eight Mile. Boyd. Dufur, Gorman's, Kingsley and Tygh Valley, on its own line, and has about four hundred subscribers in The Dalles who are securing telephone service at rates make it almost indispensable. The truth of this statement is bused on the company's published rates, which are \$1.30 per month for business houses and \$1.00 per month for residences. These rates are for individual lines, no party lines whatever being in use on this system. Thus the patrons of the home company are reapling the rewards of a patriotic support of home industry and enter-

RENRY L. KUCK. Harness and Stock Saddles.

The name of Henry L. Kuck, harness The county's acknowledgment of Mr. While maker and saddler, has for the past thirteen | ple's fitness for this office was appropriately years been prominent in his line of manufacture in The Dalles and throughout the his re-election to the assessorship in 1898. pulous care and manifest ability that, when wide range of country commercially tribvictory was a walkover. His second term as so may be judged from the fact that be has one of the largest and most complete assortments of harness and saddlery in Wasco

and suddlery trade, that his shop and sales- kitchen utensils, etc. In groceries the st Nevada. Young Phillips came to The Dalles farmers, cattlemen and turfmen all over the of city and country. country, as well as for the purchasers of This house is agent for "Cleveland" and horse goods in the immediate vicinity. He "Crawford, bleveles, "Garland" stoves and in the grazing districts of Idaho and Mon- ing solutions for the extermination of

line of harners and saddles, entirely the connection,

legitimate reward of a knowledge of the people's wants, of an endeavor to appr them in the best possible manner, ast years of fair und honorable dealing with have won the esteem and confidence of the public in a marked degree. Mr. Kuck has wide acquaintance with stockmen and me boys, from whom he receives so liberal patronage that cowboy outfits have much be his specialty, to which he devotes then for part of his own time and skill. The dezens of The Dalles have just paid a subday tial tribute to the worth and popularly Mr. Kuck, by calling him to serve the my in the responsible office of mayor.

C. L. GILBERT.

County Superintendent of Schools. The educational institutions of the United States lead the world and in many respec

our public school system is un-While this may be attributed to senn causes, not the least important of then ; the unquestioned ability and sterling work of the men and women occupying postion of responsibility and trust. The work of the public schools, with its various department and heads of departments, is conducted as methodically as that of the government potal service. As the County Superinter has the schools of the entire county price his personal supervision, it is apparent that his is a responsible position. Wasco Comty is fortunate in the present incumbert of that office

C. L. Gilbert is a native of Ohio, and was born near Mt. Blanchard, January 2, 188 where he spent his boyhood. He received his education at the National Normal school at Lebanon, Ohio. and, holding a lifedploma in this state, is especially fixed for the work he has chosen. After teaching several years in Ohio, he came to the coast in 1887 and became identified with the Los Angeles Business College, the largest listitution of its kind in Southern California. Remaining with them two and a half years, he came to this state in the fall of 1860, and taught at Hood River for over five year,

the last few years having acted as principal Upon coming to The Dalles he took an active part in educational matters, and h July 1896 was elected to his present officely a most gratifying majority. So satisfactorily did he display his executive ability ad fulfill the requirements of his official postion, that at the last election he was reisstated. Mr. Gilbert gained a valuable knowledge of county affairs while acting a deputy assessor under the administration of J. L. Koontz, and also in the office of the county clerk as deputy clerk.

HON. A. S. BENNETT.

Attorney at Law. Hon. A. S. Bennett, one of the most prop ment attorneys in Eastern Oregon, is an lowan by birth, having been born in Dabuque. June 10, 1854. Eleven years later be came with his parents to Oregon, where he reading law in the offices of Judge J. B Condon, and applied himself with such assiduous care that, in 1880, he was admitted

Since establishing himself in his profession in this city, Mr. Bennett has met with a de gree of success that can be directly altributed to his musterful knowledge of the many technical points of law, as well as his practice is an extensive one and his is a familiar face before the courts of this at several adjoining counties.

Mr. Bennett has not only one of the largest private law libraries in the state, it conta ing many thousand volumes, accumulated during years of practice; but, as well, on which is up to date in the matter of recent editions and late reference works. Hispaile of offices is fitted with especial reference the requirements of the busy lawyer, and to feature conducive to facilitating the business of the day is lacking.

Mr. Bennett has large and varied proerty interests which occupy no small anent terests are here and whose purpose it is to of his valuable time. He has recently half a handsome residence, that from an archtectural point of view, would adorn the mest exclusive boulevard.

W. H. WHIPPLE. Assessor.

W. H. Whipple was born in the good old state of Ohio, July 26, 1836, where he spent the first nineteen years of his life, and received his education. In 1822 he at panied his parents to lowa and laterto Kansas, where young Whipple was engaged b merchandising and various other enterprises conducted with his characteristic energy nd success. Always a hard worker Mr Whipple is essentially a self-mode man, and can attribute his success in life to the persistent and well directed efforts made when a young mun, and to his indomitable will-DOWNE.

Coming to Oregon in 1877. Mr. Whipple became interested in merchandising and later In contracting and building. Many of the fine residences and business blocks of Walla Walla, Milton and Dufur evidence his excellent workmanship. Mr. Whipple's first political preferment in the state was in 1816, when he was elected county as a unifority of three hundred over the fusion candidate of the three opposing parties. tendered by the fine unjority he received at

MAIER & BENTON.

Hardware and Groceries. The firm of Maler & Benton was formed in 1801 to succeed to the hardware business of Mr. Kuck is one of the most popular mer- A. Bettingen, Sr. A line of grocories #45 chants and manufacturers in The Dailes, later added, and the stock in both depart He has an ample capital for all the needs of ments is very full and complete. In hardhis business, and counts among his host of ware, everything in shelf and heavy goods patrons many old-time friends. His name is carried, including builders' hardware. has been so long associated with the harness | mechanics' tools, cutlery, stoves and ranges res have become a popular resort for is designed to supply the best family trade

transacts both a wholesale and retail trade. ranges, "Maltese Cross" brand fire and gar-and the limit of his trade encompasses all of den hose and "Russell" engines and thresh-Eastern Oregon and Washington. Indeed, ers. Fruit and spray pumps are carried in some of his goods have been sold to stockmen stock, as well as the ingredients for preparpests. Another feature of the business is the The stock carried consists of a complete sale of cord wood. A shop is maintained if