POWER RATES TO BE **CONSIDERED TODAY**

ERNING RATES FOR 1920 FOR IRRIGATION PUMP-ING PLANTS.

HEARING TO BE INFORMAL

Information Received by Local Power Users So Indefinite That Scope of Effort Is Not Known— Rise Is Expected.

there will be held a conference be-tween the users of electric power for irrigation purposes and Public Servise Commissioner H. H. Corey of the Oregon Public Service Commission.

companies using power are not to determine from the communications they have received. All that is the meeting for this town.

"It is going to be simply a get to"It is going to be simply a get tosame time as it does so that there

The local users therefore have been working in the dark. They do not know the nature of the testi-mony they will be asked to present to contest the request of the Idaho Power Company for higher rates.

However, the local managers having been endeavoring to tabulate information for presentation to the commission to contest the expected claim that the power company is bewill make that the ranchers can afford to pay a higher rate

HEAVY SALE OF STOCK CATTLE DURING WEEK

sale of nearly 3,900 head of cattle lities.

and when it is remembered that Members of the team of speakers there were not more than 15,900 are as follows: Rev. C. W. Swander. there were not more than 15,000 are as follows: Rev. C. W. Swander, head of cattle in the county the sale Portland; Rev. R. L. Dunn, Astoria; in one week of 20 per cent of these H. O. Stone, Portland; Rev. Wm. J. indicates a large reduction if the Luscombe, Ontario; Mrs. Wm. Moll movement continues.

All of the cattle sold this week were purchased or contracted for by L. E. Tucker, a Montana huyer, who purchased a large number here last world in life and money; presenta-summer. The cattle already shipped tion of the evangelistic and financial

Cattlemen in the city this week declare that the movement is just started and that within the next two months further sales will be made which will reduce the total of Maiheur county cattle by more than 50 per cent. Some of the more pessimistic of them declare that 80 per

cent will be sold.

It is their view of the case that the cattle men are to veal their calves and sell their stock down to a minimum. The reasons they give are three: First, dry range prospects for this summer: shortage of range due to increased homestead entries of the 640 acre variety; and

high priced hay for winter. number of head sold during the week is as follows: S. M. Moulton. 353 head; Ernest Locey. 250 head; J. P. Smith. 150; C. R. Emison. 250 head, and R. H. Lockett and S. E. Stanfield, 1800 head.

HOW MANY WANT WATER

lem to solve, must be able to answer

The committee can not start a house to house canvas. It is up to the people to list their lots. If the It is up to

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FIRST BLOCK OF PAVING IN ONTARIO FINISHED THIS WEEK

Ontario has two blocks of finished paving. The first block was finished Wednesday evening and another was completed this morning. Before the week ends Superintendent Bostic of he Warren Construction company COMMISSIONER COREY TO CON- expects to have the paving from First FER WITH POWER USERS CON- street to the foot of the Hospital hill street to the foot of the Hospital hill on Third avenue, S. W., completed for traffic.

While the crews are being ass bled and the men familiarized with their work the progress is slow but will be increased greatly in the next week, Mr. Bostic says.

CHURCH WORKERS TO MEET HERE APRIL 18

At the City Hall this afternoon ere will be held a conference be-Bodies to Be Considered-Sunday School Convention Also.

Oregon Public Service Commission.

What the nature of this conference will be the managers of the local companies using power are not able to determine from the communications they have received. All that is

rion has been communicated with the lidaho Commission relative to churches, at which they will take the lidaho Commission desires common aims. They will also examine common aims. They will also examine common aims. They will also examine the church, as a whole, a more vital medium in will be a uniform rate for this sec- the various communities in this

county," said Rev. Cochran.
"The task which the churches set before themselves is a public and a social task. The welfare and activ-ity of the church is one of the most important of community undertakings, and the working together of the Protestant denominations, as exemplified in the Interchurch World movement signalizes the mobilization of Christian forces for a thoroughgoing and large scale treatment of these tasks. The addresses to be these tasks. The addresses to segiven at the county conference will enable everyone to visualize more clearly and in concrete form just what the churches' problems are, and thus enable us all to prepare for a direct and vigorous application of Christian principles to definite local

"The financial campaign the last week in April, is for the raising of a

Case, Eugene and to be shipped are going to re-stock the Montana range which was badly depleted last summer. campaigns, and the rally of denomthe complete organization of the

ONTARIO AND NYSSA **GET ALFALFA MILLS**

Sage & Cathey to Extend Operations
—Sell One of Two Mills Now in
Operation and Will Grind Alfalfa for Shipment.

Ontario and Nyssa will each he shipping points for alfalfa meal this leaving but one.

fall. Randall Sage and W. G. Mr. Ellitt also was left—and W. C. The men who sold or contracted fall. Handall Sage and W. G. Mr. Ellitt also was left—and w. C. property owners in the cathey, who have operated two small Tomlin, the other member of the they could send the one boy away to board, just does not know where his school and save money. Mr. Tomlin, the other member of the they could send the one boy away to board, just does not know where his school and save money. Mr. Tomlin was in Ontario Monday looking for termined to enlarge their field of ac-tivity and are going to increase the capacity of their mill at Nyssa to warrants. fifty tons daily so they can grind for the trade.

To do this they will sell the mill they have operated at Nyssa and in-stall a new one, with buildings and OF ONTARIO PARENT-TEACHERS TO IRRIGATE LOWNS? equipment in proportion. They will also establish if warehouse and packing equipment in their plant on the Sage ranch east of Ontario where a 30 ton plant has been in operation

Available Scon—Act Now.

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If the meal they need for their own large stock holdings but to care for thousands of tons of alfalfa for which there is a demand. The mill to be installed at the Nyssa ranch is known as the Roberts No. 42 and its housands of the school which there is a demand. The mill to be installed at the Nyssa ranch is known as the Roberts No. 42 and its housands of the school children for the year and to consider the question of parent-Teachers association. The local association has not been active this year and the question of whaf is to be done to increase interest in the association is uppermost in the minds of those who seek the betterment of the committee of the Commercial club, which has the irrigation problem to solve, must be also as to discuss plans for the school children for the year and to consider the question of which there is a demand. The mill to be installed at the Nyssa ranch is known as the Roberts No. 42 and its the largest mill of its kind manufactured.

M. A. Patch, who lives on the committee of the commercial club, which has the irrigation problem to solve, must be also as the constant of the school children for the year and to consider the question of what is to be done to increase interest in the association is uppermost in the minute of the country for two years.
With the additional equipment

HEYMAN BOUND OVER AFTER LONG HEARING

Legal Lights Engaged in Class at Close of Strenuous Day-Large Crowd Listens to Testimony Offered by State,

After a strenous all day hearing which was punctuated by clashes on the part of attorneys, Judge G. L. King held Lester I. Heynen, alias L. I. Hirsch, alias L. Harris, to the Grand Jury which meets at Vale April 26. Bond was fixed in the sum of \$5,500, which was turnished. Heyman and his attoren), Laying

ston Osborn of Chicago left Friday night for St. Louis, Mo., Heyman's

largest crowd that a preliminary hearing in Ontario has been favored with in years. The room was crowded from the opening in the morning until the close at 5:30 in the even-

The state represented by District Attorney R. W. Swagler, called but four witnesses: H. B. Cockrum, cashier of the First National Bank and A. L. Cockrum, president of that institution, occupied the stand most of the day detailing the steps in the negotiations which led up to the \$15,000 transaction upon which is based the charge of obtaining mone, under false pretenses.

According to their testimony Hey

In the meantime, however, prior to ship.

this disposition of the matter, and The directors determined to conwhile negotiations were continuing for a loan. Mr. Cockrum had Mr. Heyman prepare a financial statement, he said, which displayed a total asset of \$133,000 with no liabilities. All this took place on February 17.

W. F. Homan cashier of the On.

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Two Teachers Want Job Teaching

OWYHEE WATER RIGHTS TO BE ADJUDICATED

State Engineers to Surve Watershe! This Summer—Ca e May Be Heard Next Fall—Cillson Files Suit Against Ditch Company,

Having hold the premier position in matters of efficiency for many years the Ditch is at last to be subjected to litigation to determine its right to water from the Owyhee river. Nor is that all, the company is also being sued by one of its stockholders to determine how water in the ditch is to be divided.

These two matters were foremost at the meeting of the directors of the Owyhee Ditch last Saturday morning The testimony in Judge King's Of course, the directors and officials court last Friday afternoon drew the knew these matters were coming up but nevertheless they discussed

them Saturday. General Manager Ivan E. Oakes reported that engineers for the State Water Board had been in Ontario during the past month and announced that crews would be in the field about the first of May to start sureeing the Owyhee watershed and that it was possible that the case would be set for hearing this fall.

The engineers asked for copies of the Owyhee Water Report during the year but Mr. Oakes declared that without the permission of the direct-

Attach Stock to the Land Another phase of the situation is man first attempted to secure a loan brought to the front in the suit of this amount and actually signed started by W. P. Gibson of Nyssa to two notes covering that sum. These, it was testified, were not accepted, when he told A. L. Cockrum that P. M. Goerling at Wausau had \$35,000 of his, Heyman's money, and would be started by W. P. Gibson of Nyssa to treasurer. Mrs. Bruce Kester of determine the priority of water Vale was chairman of the meeting rights under the canal. It is Mr. Gibson's contention, it is said, to president until the meeting called for have the court rule that the land May 1. of his, Heyman's money, and would pay the sum on a draft, Mr. Cockrum testified that he said, "What is the use of these notes then, give us the draft and we will let you have the stock of the company must be attachment."

have the court rule that the said is the cultivation later. In other words, he miss the draft and we will let you have the stock of the company must be attachment. ed to the land represented in owner-

F. Homan, cashier of the On- length but no definite action taken.

School in County With One Pupil

This is a remarkable school dis-lin for payment, Mr. Elliott judged trict, and demonstrates how anxious that they might have served the are the people of Malheur county to Elliott home—ergo, he would not educate their children. There is order his wife to draw the warrants only one pupil in the district and two teachers want the job of instructing him. For his instruction Mrs. Oric weeks ago, thought her husband to be paid—\$100 per month. The fact that she has not had her warrant is the cause for trouble and the bringing of this fact to be paid.

bringing of this fact to light.

It apepars that a man named did not come back. Now the school has two teachers—Mrs. Cole dethat originally there were four pupils in the district, but one family to know where he is going to get with these of these. that originally there were took to know where he is going to know wher

When Mrs. Cole abandoned the puzzle solved.

The Ontario Parent-Teachers asso-

IMPORTANT MEETING CALLED WHO PUT DYNAMITE NEAR BIG STEAM PAVING ROLLER?

Manager Bostic of the Warren cil. ciation has been called to meet at the Construction company has a mystery. Woman's club to determine the win-High School building at 3 p. m. on April 16th. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss plans for a medical inspection of the school children for the year and to conlook over the paving on Third avenue, S. W., he found three sticks of dynamite lying near the wheels of the big steam paving roller, so planted that when the wheels crushed them Ontario would be rocked with the resultant explosion. Of course this did not occur for the dynamite is now buried deep in the earth where

M. A. Patch, who lives on the Oregon side, acros from Welser, was one of the many ranchers who came to Ontario today to attend the power hearing Mr. Patch on a call at the hearing Mr. Patch on a call at the Argus office, declared the lower man were numbered among the boys place to see some fun. Luckily hard to Ontario complete as soon as possible.

Manager Bostic believes that some logs around the oil well. When the school district is urged to attend the people responding around the oil well. When the people responding around the oil well. When the people responding around the silcks on the casing took the sticks. Mrs. Florence VanDyke, S. F. Taylor, William Kercher, W. L. Turbing the people responding around the silcks on the casing took the sticks. W. W. Chalmbers, V. P. Mchambers, V. P. Mcha

SPEAKER HERE TO TELL JUST WHAT NON-PARTISAN LEAGUE IS

Arthur R. Foster, a rancher from Clyde, North Dakota, who has seen the Non-Partisan League in action for the past five years, arrived in Ontario today and will speak at the Grange Hall this evening on the work of the Non-Partisan League. Aside from all the damage that the League has done from the viewpoint of taxation and state socialism, Mr.

Foster declares, the greatest damage is that of embittered class hatred which has split the state wide open made enemies of former friends and ruined he confidence of the people. That the League is losing its hold is positive, he says, as the rank and file of the members realize how they have been used by the clique which operates with the most emboldened tyranny ever known in an American commonwealth.

COUNCIL OF PARENT-TEACHERS ORGANIZED

Mrs. Will J. Roberts, of Arcadia. 'Vice President; Mrs. Thompson of Brogan, Secretory-Treasurer.

At a meeting at the City Hall last Saturday afternoon the County Council of Parent-Teachers associations was formed. The officers elected were: Mrs. Will J. Roberts of Arcadia, vice president; Mrs. Thompson of Brogan, secretary-treasurer. Mrs. Bruce Kester of

A committee to draft a constitution and by-laws was appointed, consisting of Mrs. C. E. Secoy and Mrs. E. Vingham of Ontario and Mrs.

Roberts of Arcadia.

Another meeting of the Council was called to meet in Ontario on May when the constitution and by-laws will be acted upon and new members added to the organization.

Not all the associations in the county were represented at the meeting last Saturday. Two parties started from the Owyhee and Warren districts but found that sand had so blocked the road that they could not

Mr. John M. Sheesley, the producer, has used particular care and judgment, which has brought him very gratifying results wherever the show

Ontario lawyers were beseiged this school house and took to teaching week with information concerning the difficulties of School District No: 62, or what is known as School District No. 62.

Blince its premiere performance in Philadelphia, the first week in January, "Let's Go" has enjoyed particular success. It is said to be one of the best musical attractions produced this year, inasmuch as it is trict No. 62.

This is a school District No. 62.

are so interpolated that the enter-tainment does not drag. It is a live-wire attraction, with plents a liveand snap. Not a suggestive line can fine wool which is given as the be found in the dialogue and the cause of the high price offered.

Local sheepmen are not worried

RACE FOR PRIZE OFFERED IN CONTEST

Judges in First National Civic Improvement Contest View Homes Listed as Entries for Prizes —Note Improvements Started.

Mayor R. W. Jones, City Engineer O. A. Kratz and Mrs. Irwin Troxell. the judges named by the City Coun-One day last week when he went to ner in the First National bank's lngs of twenty years of service look over the paying on Third ave. civic improvement contest, viewed this field of endeavor, and retire. the houses listed for honors on Mon-day. Mrs. E. C. VanPetten drove the

vastly improved if more contestants were entered, for most of the betterments being made are by those listed in the contest, who are the follow-

COUNCIL DEBATES HOW TO BUY FIRE TRUCK

TWO MEMBERS OBJECT TO METHOD PROPOSED; COUNCIL. NAMED COMMITTEE TO GIVE MATTER FURTHER CONSID-

LIBERAL OFFERS MADE TO CITY

C. C. Carter Offers to Give City Commission on Purchase—Another Agent Would sell at Cost—Other City Business.

After discussing whether or not he city should buy a fire truck and listening to an extended report on the condition of the fire department. the City Council at its regular monthly meeting Monday night took no definite action.

The council had explained to !! the method of financing the proposifion suggested by F. Leslie Body of the Commercial club, which was that of issuing warrants which a list of business men had agreed to take and

the banks to take the balance.
It was the method of finance that caused the councilmen to balk Councilmen Troxell and Laxon expressed the opinion that the peddling of warrants tended to discredit the city's finance while Mayor R. W. Jones took the opposite view and urged action.

After a lengthy debate Councilman After a lengthy debate Councilman Allen hade a motion that the city buy a truck. This motion failed from the lack of a second. Council-man Troxell then moved that it be referred to the Council as a committee of the whole to report at a later meeting. This prevailed,

While the salesmen for the various machines presented the merits of their offerings C. C. Carter, local agent for two of the machines con-sidered, told the Council that he would give the city the commission that would come to him from the sale of either. The Oldsmobile agent offered to put their machine in at cost and other inducements were made to get action from the Council Prior to considering the truck the Council turned out a grist of busi-ness in record time. Sidewalks were ordered and the usual list of bills

FIRST WOOL LEAVES FOR EASTERN MARKET

In putting his company together, Lester Seawell Inaugurates Wool Shipping Sea of 375,000 Pounds to Philadelphia-Price Offered 65c.

> While no reports of wool sales have been made so far this season the wool shipping season is on and pro the clip of Malheur county sheep is it is starting on its way to market.

shipment ther. Was that of Lester Seawell of On-"Let's Go" is one of the few musi-I comedies with a real plot. A 375.000 pounds to Philadelphia. The cal comedies with a real plot. A 375,000 pounds to Philadelphia. The clever story is worked out during the advance made on this wool is said to two acts, but the musical numbers have been 50 cents, and that Mr. Sea-

Local sheepmen are not worried over wool prices and believe that the early offers will be increased materially before the season progresses much further.

MULLEN TAKES HIS HAT AND LEAVES U. S. POSTAL SERVICE

W. H. Mullen, who for the past four years has been a mail clerk on the Ontario-Crane run, has resigned. With William Fiser, formerly of this city, he has purchased the Bodner Porwarding company at Crane, where he wil make his home. The new firm took over the business on April 1

In his letter of resignation to the department heads Mr. Mullen tersely judges named by the City Coun- tells the case against government the Comercial club and the employment when he said: "I take my hat, which represents the sav-

ONTARIO DISTRICT GIVES LIBERALLY TO NEAR EAST

Rev. W. J. Luscombe, general chairman of the committee on Near East relief work, this week completed the statement of the donatons of