OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

OFFICIAL RETURNS.

Largest Plurality for Congressman Lincoln County Makes Good Move for Ever Recorded.

Salem .- The official returns from the recent election give Chamberlain a plu-rality of 1,522 over Cake for United school for the young men and women States senator. While the official can-vass has not been made, Secretary of State Benson has tabulated the figures issued an order giving both Newport from the different counties, and the and Toledo money to establish high result is definitely known. There are school courses immediately, though the rected by the county clerks before the eventually be located was left to popuofficial canvass can be made. The of- lar vote two years hence. ficial returns gave Chambeflain a gain of 100 votes in Crook county, as compared with unofficial reports.

The total number of ballots cast was in the neighborhood of 115,000, the exact number not being reported by all and at the same time a large influx of counties. Since there are some voters capital caused large changes of holdwho do not mark their ballots as to all ings of property and promoted building offices, it is not possible to determine in Newport till now some \$20,000 of from the number of votes for any office new buildings are under way. the total number of votes cast. The largest vote was that for senator, which was as follows:

,	Amos (Prohibition)				y					3.78
	Cake (Republican)	K. e								50,89
	Chamberlain (Demo									52,42
	Cooper (Socialist)	 		 9		*	×	*	,	5,26
	Total								1	119 97

Party strength is computed according to the vote on congressman, and by this test it is found that the Republican plurality in the state is 38,762, Hawley having a plurality of 17,048 in the first district and Ellis a plurality of 21,714 in the second district. This is by far the largest plurality ever recorded for congressman in either district. The plurality, however, is about 4000 short of the plurality for Rooseyelt over Parker four years ago. The vote on senator by counties is as follows:

	United States Senator									
COUNTY.	Amos, I. H. (Pro	Cake, H. M. (Rep.)	Chamberlain. G. E. (Dem.)	Cooper, J. C. (Soc.)						
Baker	44	1,572	1,881	171						
Benton	65	1.071	1,063	38						
Clackamas	A 40.00	2,132	2,666	258						
Clatsop	184	887	2,666 1,245	236						
Columbia	90	898	732	203						
Coos	156	1,505	1,386	412						
Crook	83	684	936	107						
Curry	7	263	196	35						
Douglas	87	1,903	1,892	234						
Gilliam	16	453	448	24						
Grant	49	699	653	64						
Harney	18	466	395	58						
Jackson		1,702	2,182	261						
losephine	57	908	949	215						
Clamath	57	725	669	87						
mke		383	450	31						
Lane		2,981	2,322	-82						
Lincoln		1,940	2,339	232						
Linn	133	610	791	55						
Malheur			3,235	163						
Marion	40.00	631	491	79						
Morrow	444			793						
Multnomah	2 7 7 7	1,305	1,468	135						
Polk	41	442	354	20						
Tillamook			447	105						
Umatilla		2,071	1.777	155						
Union		1.550	1,567	183						
Wallowa		908		87						
Wasco	1 145	1,700	1.643	137						
Washington	208	1,911	1,778	120						
Wheeler	26	390	327	11						
Yambill	201	1,698	1.565	134						
Total	3,787	50,899	52,421	5.267						

UMATILLA DAM FINISHED.

Water Soon Ready for 20,000 Acres of Arid Land.

Hermiston .- The dam of the Uma tilla project is practically complete and the distribution is nearing completion as rapidly as men and teams can do the work. In a few weeks nearly all the men who have been employed on the project will have departed and one of the largest and best irrigation schemes city, \$28; wheat and barley chop, until the last: "Vice-President of the northwest will be in shape to \$27.50." water 20,000 acres of arid land. J. T. Whistler, chief engineer on the project, has already left for Portland, where he will open an office, having resigned his position with the United States reclamation service.

for the reclamation service, has stated mixed, \$16; clover, \$14; alfalfa, \$12; that he expects Secretary James R. alfalfa meal, \$20. Garfield here to visit the project about July 15. He will doubtless make a pound; ordinary, 7e; large, 6e; veal, tour of inspection of the various projectra, 8e; ordinary, 6@7c; heavy, 5e; ects and his visit here will doubtless result in helpful suggestions to the settlers. He will be the guest of the board of directors of the Water Users' association while here.

Land Sharks Bharks Busy.

Salem .- People from every other part of the United States as well as from every section of the state of Oregon continue to write the attorney-general for advice regarding the possibility of acquiring a prior claim to quarter sections in the Oregon & California land grant. Timber sharps are offering to locate anybody on a quarter section of this valuable land for all kinds of prices, and many people are biting.

"The people must learn that no attorney or timber cruiser or company of either," says Attorney-General Crawford, "can locate any person on a quarter section of this grant for either \$50 or \$500,"

Self Supporting Normal.

Weston State Normal states that if the per crate. school made the progress another term that it has during the term just closed, the institution would be self supportto maintain it.

ANOTHER HIGH SCHOOL.

Higher Education.

Newport.-Lincoln county marks an some of the abstracts yet to be cor- question as to where the school will

> Events have been coming thick and fast the past two months on Yaquina bay. The organization of a commercial club was almost instantly followed by a vote to establish a high school,

TOMATOES PAY WELL.

Grants Pass Farmers Double Their Acreage.

Grants Pass .- The tomato industry of Rogue River valley has made rapid strides, particularly since the erection of the cannery last year, and the small farmer and berry-raiser have found it profitable to set out idle land with the young plants. This year's acreage will be double that of last year, and it is anticipated that it will increase in like manner for several years, for the reason the cannery has a capacity to take all the growers can produce for the next five years; in fact, it is understood that the company will contract to that effect.

The plants do well here when planted in rows five and six feet apart, and planted in this manner they will usually produce from 20 to 40 tons an acre, and find ready market at \$10 a ton for canning purposes. The necessary expenses for harvesting and marketing are \$25 an acre. The tomato plant, if properly cultivated, will grow from four to five feet high, and cover a proportionate space. Visitors who have looked over the field where the matured plants are laden with fruit, have remarked that they looked more like trees than nomination of Sherman. which opens in August and extends plain American citizenship as Cannon

Owing to the soil and rank growth of the plant, many find it necessary to prune the vines after they have bloomed, so as to divert the energy

a net profit upon each acre.

Cherries by the Ton.

Cove.-It is estimated that, with the new cherry orchards coming in this season, not less than 200 tons of cherries will be shipped from here. and require twice the number of picking and packing crew of last sea-

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat-Track prices: Club, 88c per oushel; red Russian, 86c; bluestem, 90c; Valley, 88c.

Millstuffs-Bran, \$26 per ton; middlings, \$30.50; shorts, country, \$28.50;

Barley-Feed, \$25 per ton; rolled, \$27.50@28.50; brewing, \$26. Oats-No. 1 white, \$27.50 per ton;

Hay-Timothy, Willamette Valley, \$17 per ton; Willamette Valley, ordi-D. C. Henny, supervising engineer nary, \$15; Eastern Oregon, \$18.50;

> Dressed Meats-Hogs, fancy, 8c per mutton, fancy. 8@9c.

Butter-Extras, 25c per pound; fancy 24c; choice, 20c; store, 16c.

Eggs-Oregon, 171@181c per dozen. Cheese-Fancy cream twins, 13c per pound; full cream triplets, 13c; full cream Young Americas, 14c; cream brick, 20c; Swiss block, 18c; limburger,

Poultry-Mixed chickens, 11@111c per pound; fancy hens, 12e; roosters, 9e; fryers, 16@17e; broilers, 16@17e; ducks, old, 15e; spring, 15@201e; geese, 8@9c; turkeys, alive, 16@18e

Potatoes-Old Oregon, \$1@1.10 per hundred; new California, 2@24c per

Fresh Fruits-Oranges, fancy, \$3.25 @3.75; lemons, \$4@4.75; strawberries, 50c@\$1.25 per crate; grape fruit, \$2.75 @3.25 per box; bananas, 51@6c per pound; cherries, \$1@1.25 per box; gooseberries, 5c per pound; apricots, \$1@1.25 per crate; cantaloupes, \$2.75@ 3.25; blackberries, \$1@1.25 per crate; Pendleton .- President French of the peaches, 90c@\$1 per crate; plums, \$1

Onions-California red, \$1.65@1.75 per sack; Bermudas, \$2 per crate; gar-

lie, 15@20c per pound.

Hops—1907. prime and choice, 5@54c
per pound; olds, 2@24c per pound.

TAFT AND SHERMAN.

New York Congressman Nominated for Vice President.

Chicago, June 20 .- Taft and Sherman. This is the ticket of the Republican party, completed yesterday as the Republican national convention concluded with the nomination of James S. Sherman, of New York, for vice-president, amid a final roar of tumultuous demonstration. Again Taft's resignation as a cabinet officer nation has the reputation for wasting the vast assembly was swept with wave on wave of wild, exultant clamor, as the multitude, realizing that at last the work was done and the record made upon which the Republican party goes before the country, tary Taft, Secretary Root and Assist-united in one last, mighty outburst ant Secretary of State Bacon were pres-speaking of the number of materials in of enthusiastic tribute to the men ent. After the conference Secretary America's refuse heap which are worth who will bear forward the standard Taft was greeted by a dozen newspaper while considering as promising substiin the struggle now at hand.

Another inspiring picture was presented yesterday as the convention
named its candidate for vice-presiclean slate for my successor," said the
which are not now used for anything. phere, packed, as before, into solid no definite plans tonight as to when I the South burn or plow under 13,000,000 masses of humanity, with only here will leave Washington." and there a few vacant spots in the re-

From the outset it was distinctly a week. Sherman crowd, with galleries al-Speaker Cannon, only yesterday a candidate for president, but today here and a pillar of strength in the Sherman movement. The widespread presidency." affection for the old warhorse of the party was also shown by the crowds house several telegrams were sent to of delegates surging about him to Chicago and Mr. Taft intimated that

at 10:30 the nominating speeches for plans for the immediate future. vice-president began, with a limit of ten minutes to each speaker. On the call of states, Delaware yielded to New York, and ex-Lieutenant Govthe platform for a glowing speech placing in nomination Sherman as New York's choice for the vice-presidency. Now came a surprise, as the venerable Cannon, with his Lincolnlike visage and shaggy beard, emerged from the Illinois delegation, and, stepping to the platform, was yielded unanimous consent to second the

Such a picture of sturdy, homely, through November, men, women and appeared as he advanced before the children are employed to harvest the throng, which rose to do him homage, has seldom been seen before a national convention. His face was beaded with sweat, his collar had All raisers use racks. This keeps the fruit clean, holding the vine off the ground and preventing rot. It is estimated that \$200 can be realized as a net profit upon each acre.

Test cruisers.

Maryland and West Virginia Make a might result.

The organizers of the free cruisers.

The organizers of the free cruisers. S. Sherman, of New York.

From the outbursts of enthusiasm which greeted every mention of Sherman's name it was plain that the mind of the convention had been made up and that the decision was only to be recorded.

Now began the vote, taken amid confusion at first, which increased as the totals climbed upward to the nominating point. The result was never in doubt, as the totals of states were heaped one upon another. There were scattering votes, but the great body of delegates swelled the total of Sherman until it touched 816. With keen appreciation of the effect of climax, Chairman Lodge announced the result, reserving Sherman's huge total

"Vice-President Fairbanks gets one vote; Governor Sheldon, of Nebraska, 10 votes; Governor Curtis Guild, of Massachusetts, 75; Governor Murphy, of New Jersey, 77 votes, and James S. Sherman, of New York, 816 votes." After this the floodgates of wild enthusiasm were let loose, as floor and gallery joined in a pandemonium of demonstration for the nominee.

"Taft Is American Dauphin."

London, June 20 .- Most of the morning newspapers and the weeklies which came out today printed editorials on President Roosevelt's triumph in securing the nomination of Secretary of War Taft for the presi-dency. The Daily Chronicle says: "To save the life of his policies, he loses his life as president. It is an interesting phenomenon." The Daily Graphic describes Mr. Taft as an "American dauphin," adding: "There is something Napoleonic about this geese, 8@9e; turkeys, alive, 16@18e creation of new dynastic legitimacy for hens, 14@16e for gobblers; dressed, under the Stars and Stripes."

Hearst Gains 109 More.

New York, June 17 .- In the examination of 155 ballot boxes yesterday William R. Hearst made a gain of 109 votes in the recount of the disputed mayoralty returns of 1905, now going on before Justice Lambert, Nine hundred and thirty-six boxes have been examined so far and Hearst has gained 327 votes. There are 1,012 ballot boxes yet to be examined.

2,000 on Full Time.

Omaha, June 17 .- Two thousand shop employes of the Union Pacific Railroad Mohair-Choice, 18@181c per pound. will be augmented about July 1.

NEWS ITEMS FROM WASHINGTON, D. C.

WILL RESIGN IMMEDIATELY.

net July 1. Washington, June 20. - Secretary correspondents who desired to learn of tutes for wood pulp.

dent. The enormous throngs had war secretary, "and it will take me at The amount of waste remains after the waited through an hour of oratory, least ten days to settle all pending twinemakers take all they want. It sweltering in the heat-laden atmos- matters in the war department. I have makes excellent paper. The farmers in

Mr. Taft intimated that it would be mote gallery-the delegates in the within a few days. He will attend the broad arena below, the bright-hued thirtieth anniversary of the Yale class lines of femininity in the circling galleries, and over all the enveloping folds of Old Glory.

Within a rew days. He will attend the value class the soil to some extent, but not so with that which goes up in smoke.

Five hundred thousand tons of fiber day and Wednesday of the coming have been adhering to cotton seed every day and Wednesday of the coming have been adhering to cotton seed every

Asked as to his views on the viceready trained into choruses of Sher- presidential question, the nominee for stock no good. Cattle and sheep do man songs and an invading host of the presidency was non-committal. He not like the fiber, and the seed cake is Sherman marchers starting the asked for the latest news from Chi- better without it. A machine has been echoes ringing with a huge portrait eago as to who would be his probable invented, which, it is claimed, will sepof the New York candidate. Among running mate. Upon being told that arate the lint from the seed. Paperthe early arrivals on the floor was there was a movement in favor of Fair- makers think they can use it.

During the conference at the white grasp his hand and bid him welcome. he was expecting responses from grow in the southwestern part of the

PROTECT TIMBER.

ernor Timothy L. Woodruff mounted Timber Owners and State Will Work Together.

Wash., June 19.-Ar-Olympia. rangements have been made between State Fire Warden J. R. Welty and D. P. Page, Jr., chief fire warden for able for paper are without limit, but the new Washington Forest Fire association, for co-operation in fighting ficiently large to be worth considering. forest fires during the dry season this year. Mr. Page will put 100 deputies absolutely necessary that substitutes immediately into the field, who will for pulp wood be found, but it is combe paid by an assessment upon the ing. The forests are still able to furassociation. These deputies will be appointed state fire wardens at large, with power to make arrests and furcutting and growth. Makers of paper ther enforce the forest protection anticipate a scarcity of pulp wood, and laws. The state fire warden will is- it is this which prompts the active melted to a rag, which hung limp laws. The state hre warden will is-about his neck. His vest was thrown such as the such as t of the tree into the fruit instead of vine and foliage.

All raisers were racks. This bear contained to burn stashings without sending duplicates to the deputies above referred to, and these

tion association control 2,500,000 acres of timber land in western t cent an acre-for the season's work. immediately available.

be put in the field and paid out of an respectively. appropriation provided by the last legislature.

Blue Outlook in Alaska.

Seattle .- Michael Davis, the representative in Seattle of the miners' union at Fairbanks, today received a cablegram from R. Burns, secretary of the Tanana Mineworkers' Union, in which it is stated that the optimistic conditions which reports have indicated prevail at Fairbanks have been exaggerated.

"Operators are bankrupt," says the message, "and \$150,000 in time checks are unpaid. Dumps are mortgaged be-fore taken out. The pay system is rotten and corrupt. Men are brought in here and beat out of their wages. Many are leaving the country is disgust. The output will be small this date. summer, unless our demands are met."

No Trouble at Panama.

Washington, June 23 .- Reassuring advices have been received by the administration regarding conditions in Panama. Dispatches have come from Chief Engineer Goethals, Commissioner Blackburn and General Counsel Rogers, of the isthmian canal commission. indicating the improbability of trouble at the coming elections.

Battleships at Honolulu.

Honolulu, June 20 .- The special service squadron, consisting of the battleships Maine and Alabama, which sailed from San Francisco June 8 in advance of the Atlantic fleet, has arrived here, one day ahead of schedule time. Secretary of the Interior Garfield, who was a passenger on the Alabama, was receiver by Governor Frear and other territorial and federal officials.

Metcalf Goes Home.

Washington, June 17.—Secreary Metcalf called on the President today prior to leaving for his home in Cali- of the interstate commerce commission per pound; olds, 2@2½c per pound.

tory rents and other fees would make the institution absolutely self supporting and it would cost the state nothing to maintain it.

per pound; olds, 2@2½c per pound.

Were yesterday placed on full time, after working short time since January 1. At Union Pacific headquarters it was stated that other departments which were cut down a few months ago to maintain it. for any other office.

SAVING THE WASTE.

Secretary Taft Plans to Leave Cabi- Paper Makers Looking for Cheaper

Materials. Washington, June 23 .- The American

tons of cotton stalks every year. That which is plowed under is not wholly lost, for it enriches the soil to some ex-

year. It has been fed to farm stock along with the seed, and has done the

Nobody knows how many million "Things seem to be in a chaotic state tons of cornstalks go to waste; but in quality they are ahead of cotton stalks, and it is believed can be made into paper, although it has not yet been done

on a commercial scale. Thousands of acres of wild hemp The preliminaries were brief, and these which would materially affect his country, particularly along the Colorado river. Its only use now is to shelter jackrabbits and coyotes, but it has splendid fiber, and tests on a small scale show that excellent paper can be made from it. Papermaking from straw is a well-established industry. Bookbinders use thousands of tons of strawboard. The straw which goes to waste

> only a few may be had in quantity sufnish materials for paper, but they cannot continue to do so for a great many

Washington, June 17 .- Rear-Admiral Dayton today reported that the Washington and have been assessed armored cruiser Maryland on a fourhour full speed, forced draught trial A half-cent per acre has been coll off the California coast, averaged ected in advance. There is, there- 133.1 revolutions of her engines per fore, a fund of \$25,000, with \$12,500 minute, and the armored cruiser West Virginia, under similar conditions, av-The state owns 65,000 acres of tim- eraged 131.8 revolutions. The averber land in western Washington, and age speed obtained with a slight ada force of about 25 deputies will soon verse current was 22.25 and 22.1 knots

> The revolutions may exceed those of the records of the contractors' trials, and opinions of the naval officials speak well for the work on the machinery of the vessels, which have been now in commission for three

Alaska Timber Burning.

Dawson, Y. T., June 19.-Forest fires are raging near Minto and along Lake Lebarge. Fifteen miles of Can-adian telegraph wires have already been destroyed near Minto, and for five miles along the lake.

Hundreds of square miles of valuable timber have been destroyed. The fires were set by travelers en route down the river in small boats. There have been over 800 arrivals here to

Georgia to Make Speed Trial

Navy Yard, Puget Sound, Wash., June 19 .- The battleship Georgia will sail for San Francisco Thursday morning, and incidentally will attempt to break all battleship speed records en route. The Georgia is the acknowledged speed queen of the Atlantic fleet, but her officers are desirous of establishing a record. Sustained runs under both natural and forced draughts will be made, and all records are expected to be smashed.

Opium Commissioners.

Washington, June 18. - President Roosevelt has appointed three commissioners to represent the United States on the international commission to investigate the opium question in the Far East. They are: Thomas Burke, attorney. of Seattle; Dr. Hamilton Wright, of Maine, and Dr. Charles Tenney, Chinese secretary of the American legation at Pekin.

Lumber Cases Decided.

Washington, June 18 .- The decision