## THE MOUNING OREGONIAN, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 29, 1900 September 8. The speakers ann PRUNES OF SMALL SIZE P. G. STEWART DEAD

Was a Member of Oregon Provisional Government.

OLDEST MASON ON PACIFIC COAST

Came With the Immigration of 1843, Which included Many of the Pioneers.

TACOMA, Aug. S.-Peter G. Stewart, aped SJ. died at the home of his son-in-law, L. C. Perryman, early this morn-ing. Mr. Stewart was the oldest Mason ing. Mr. Stewart was the oldest Mason on the Pacific Coast, and an Oregon ploneer. Three children survive him, Charles C. Stewart, of Tacoma; Mrs. Katherine Hannah, of Tacoma, and Beorge Stewart, of Portland.

George Stewart, of Portland. Peter G. Stewart was a member of the Provincial Government of Oregon. He was elected a member of the executive committee in 1844. The other members of committiee were Osburn Russell and the committee were condition was held May W. J. Balley. The election was held May 14, of the year above named. Mr. Stew-art came across the plains with the first great migration-that of 1843, which in-cluded J. W. Nesmith, Jesse Applegate, Duniel Waldo, W. T. Newby, M. M. Mc-Carrent, and many more. A very few of this group still survive, among them Almoran Hill, of Washington County, Gregon, As "the old watchmaker of Oracon City" Mr. Stewart is remembered by son City Mr. Stewart is remembered of many who came to Oregon in later years. Mr. Stewart was the only survivor of these who signed a petition for a charter for Multinounah lodge of Pree Masons at Oregon City. He was born September 6. 1808, in Stamford, Delaware County, N.  $Y_{\alpha}$  and came to Oregon early in the Max-locating in Oregon City. Some years after that he removed to Washington, as did also William P. Dougherty, who was an-other of three Masons that took the initia-City lodge, the latter making his home at Rigney, where he died about two years

# OREGON METHODIST CONFERENCE.

#### Programme for the Forty-righth Annngl Session.

ASHLAND, Or., Aug. 25-The pro-gramme for the 48th annual session of the Oregon conference of the Methodust church, which will be held in the Methochurch, which will be held in the Metho-dist Episcopal Church September 15 to 24, has been completed by a committee, consisting of Rev. J. T. Abbett, pastor of the church in this city and Rev. D. T. Summerville, presiding elder for this dis-trict. The arrangements for the enter-tainment of a large number of visiting ministers from all sections of the state, and distinguished ministers and laymen there existing the conference limits are outside the conference limits, are now being made by a local committee. Elshop E. G. Andrews, of New York, will preside over this session of the Ore-gon conference. Following is the pro-

aday, September 18-0 A. M. to 5 P. Threaday, september 38-9 A. M. 10 5 F. M., examinations, 7:50 P. M.-Greetings, W. B. Colton, Mayor of Ashland; Profes-sor C. A. Hitchcock, superintendent of Ashland, public schools: Rev. F. G. Strange, pastor of Ashland Presbyterian Church; response, Bishop Andrews, of New York. Now York.

Wednesday, September 19-8:30 A. M., neni of the Lord's Supper; organ-and business; 2 P. M., statistical a; 4 P. M., lecture, Dr. I. D. Driver;

seasion: 4 P. M., locture, Dr. I. D. Driver; 7:10 P. M., missionary anniversary, N. J. Jonkims, presiding; address by Dr. H. K. Carroll, of New York. Thurnday, September 30-5:30 A. M., busi-ness session; 2:30 P. M., W. H. M. S. an-niversary; address by Hugh D. Achieon, D. D.; 4 P. M., locture by Dr. J. D. Driver; 7:30 P. M., church extension anniversary, Rev. L. E. Rockwell, presiding. Ad-dressess A. S. Mullican, Rev. G. W. Gue. Hev. L. E. Rockwell, presiding. Ad-dresses, A. S. Mulligan, Rev. G. W. Goz. Friday. September 21-8:20 A. M., busi-ness accelon; 4 P. M., W. F. M. S. an-niversary; address by Rev. H. W. Kel-logg; 8 P. M., lecture, Dr. I. D. Driver; M. S. M., Lecture, Dr. I. D. Driver; M. S. M., Lecture, Dr. L. D. Driver;

missionary sermon by John Parsons, D. D. Saturday, September 22-5:30 A. M., Bust-

ssion: 4 P. M., lecture, Dr. L D. 7:30 P. M., educational rally, Rev.

W. Kellogg, presiding; addresses, W.
C. Hawley, Dr. Hugh D. Achison.
Sunday, September 33-9 A. M., confer-sonce love frast, T. F. Royal, of Salem, leader; 10:30 A. M., sermon, Bishop E. G.
Andrewa; J. P. M., ordination services, K. B. W. Schwarz, and some very good

are Governor Geer, Senator Brownell and Grant B. Dimick. The committee on arrangements comprises A. M. Shibley, John Lewellen, Samuel Raney, J. A. Reid, J. F. Loveiace and A. Lacey, all of Springwater.

JULY RECRUITS. Acceptances and Rejections at

Northwestern Stations.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 32.-A statement insued by the War Department shows the total number of recruits accepted for service in the regular army in July was 266, while SNB who applied were rejected. Of this number, 34 were recruited at Port-iand and 17 rejected, 12 of the 14 being infantrymen and two cavaleymen. In Seattle, 20 infantrymen and 16 cavalrymen were recruited, while 27 applicants were rejected. One-infantryman was recruited at Vancouver Barracks and three cavalry-men at Fort Walla Walla, while two in-fantrymen and one cavalryman were en-listed at Fort Wright, Wash.

DAN M'ALLEN'S CLOSE CALL.

Swam Out Too Far and Had a Hard

Time Getting Back. ASTORIA, Aug. 28.-Dan McAllen, of McAllen & McDonnell, had a narrow essuccessful a successful and a narrow es-cape from drowning, yesterday, at Long Beach, near Tinker's. He is a good, strong swimmer, but got out too far and had a hard time fighting his way back through the undertow. He was complete-iy exhausted when he reached the beach.

The Claisop mill is running overtime in getting out an order for 1.000,000 feet of lumber for the improvement of the jetty at the mouth of the river.

# MISS MURPHY RESIGNS.

Miss Everitt Appointed Matron of the Soldiers' Home.

SALEM, Or., Aug. 22.-Miss Myra E. Murphy today tendered her resignation as matron of the Oregon Soldiers' Home. and Miss Emma Everitt, of Portland, was appointed to fill the vacancy. Miss Everitt is a graduate of the Woman's Hospital in Pennsylvania, and has had general experience as a nurse.

#### STRIKE ENDED.

#### Nehnlem and Tillamook Fishermen Return to Work.

TILLAMOOK, Or., Aug. 28.—The fisher-men's strike at Nehalem and Tiliamook Eay was settled today, the fishermen agreeing to take 50 cents for large sal-mon, 30 cents for silversides and 5 cents for chums, All the fishermen are fish-ing tonight, and the cannerles will start up tomorrow.

#### McMinnville Notes.

M'MINNVILLE, Or., Aug. 28 -- Rev. Arnoid Lindsey, who recently returned from Nome, gave a talk on the condition of things in the far north Sunday evening. He blames the transportation companies for existing misery in that country, and says the companies should be forced to return to their homes all who have not the means to pay their own way.

The contractors expect to finish the dam at the Yamhili locks this week, but the work will not be fully completed be-fore the 1st of October.

#### Oregon Notes.

Myrile Point has placed a tax of \$a on dogs. A Chinaman was recently killed by a

cave-in at a Sparta mine. A report is in circulation at Eugene of a l2-cent offer for hops.

John Stewart, of Engene, has sent a carload of beef cattle to Portland. Charles Frazier, of Arko, was thrown

last week by a bror.cho and seriously hurt The woolen mill at Salem employs 100

hands and turns out \$15,000 worth of goods monthly Some farmers on the Tutullia, in Uma-

tilla County, are cutting a third crop of alfalfa. In the Silverton bills, Fall wheat ran

10 to 13 bushels and pats 11 to 17 bush

A hard rain has furnished a supply water in the Blue River district to the delight of miners.

Chinese are going to Gerdiner and Empire in considerable number for the sal-

FIRST SHIPMENT OF 1900 CROP RE-CEIVED AT SALEM.

Being First Drops, They Are Not a Fair Sample of the Crop, and Will Not Be Sold as First Class.

SALEM, Or., Aug. 28-The first load of dried prunes of this year's crop was re-ceived at the Willamette Valley Prune Association's warehouse today. This load confirms the report heretofore made that the prunes are running to small sizes. Manager Gile, of the association, says that this must not be taken as a cri-

that this must not be taken as a cri-terion of the crop, for the prunes thus far dried sare the first forps and are not a fair sample. The first gathering of prunes will be kept separate from the rest, and will not be put on the market as first-class fruit. J. B. Robinson, of Silverton, today executed contracts by which he sold 7000 pounds of hops to T. A. Livesley & Co. at 10 cents. Some surprise is expressed that a contract should be made for the sale of hops at 10 cents, when 11, and even 12 cents, has been offered. Most of the 10-cent contracts now being filed were

the 19-cent contracts now being filed were executed earlier in the season. It is probable that a contract executed at this time at 30 cents is in fulfillment of an oral contract made before the price raised to 11 cents.

BIG YIELD OF PRUNES.

Yamhill Italians Are Fine, and Petites Simply Immense. M'MINNVILLE, Or., Aug. 28.-H. G. Smith, representing the Flanders-Ocobock Company, of Portland, is in this county buying prunes. Yesterday he contracted for a large quantity at good figures. Mr. Smith has been in all the large orchards in this section. He says he never saw finer Italians nor so many of them, while the crop of Petites is immense.

The Crawford peach crop has been saved in good shape. It is estimated that 4000 bushels were produced on the William-ette River in this county, while nearly as many more were raised across the river

in Marion County. Late peaches are yet o be gathered. A few hopgrowers will commence picking September 1, but the majority of them will wait until Monday next. The them will wait until abonay heat. The hops have been improving the past few days, and producers are hopeful of a good crop, provided the rains hold off. Several growers have contracted at 12 cents. William Chapman, a ploneer of '45, who

has always raised as good crops of wheat as could be produced in Oregon on his farm near Sheridan, advances the theory that when the farmers go to burning their stubble, as they did a few years ago, they will destroy the insects and again realize old-time yields of grain.

TO TEST LIQUOR CLAUSE.

#### Title of Lands Conveyed to Pacific University Brought Into Court.

FOREST GROVE, Or., Aug. 28 - A suit is in prospect to test the legality of the liquor clause in the deeds to the land sold by Harvey Clarke to Pacific Un-versity. A test case will be made of the property recently sold by Mrs. M. J. MacMahon, of Portland, to A. B. Thomas, of East Communication of the second by Mrs. of Forest Grove. The property is a 25x100 foot corner lot. It was sold for 2300. The deed has not been recorded, but the money and the deed are deposited, and the transfer will be made as soon as possession of the property can be had. The forfeiture clause in each deed reads that if liquor is sold on the premises as a beverage, the land is to revert to Pa-

cific University. This case will have to be decided by the Supreme Court. C. F. Miller, who has the property leased, says he intends to hold possession until a decision is obtained.

# MILWAUKIE FRUIT. Petites Will Be Small, Running as

Low as 110s. MILWAUKIE, Or., Aug. 28.-The prune-driers are in operation. Prune men who have many Petites have been drying for several days. They say that the sizes will be as small as two years ago, but the quality will be superior. The trees are so loaded that they are breaking

down. Many ripe ones are dropping off, The sizes will run as low as 100s to 110s, and there will not be many 50s to 62s. Two driers will not start this seasor as the owners have only Mallans, which are a short crop. In some favored orchards the trees are well loaded with large-sized fruit, which will make 20s to There is a scarcity of help just now. Junction City Drier at Work. JUNCTION CITY, Or., Aug. 28-H. C. Bushnell started his prunedrier this morning. Several loads of prunes arrived. Mr. Bushnell expects to receive about 7000 bushels of prunes this season. He is paying 1/2 cent a pound for Petites and % cent for Italians. The fruit will average well in quality and yield. E. B. McElroy, of Eugene, who has a large farm near Monroe, will furnish the drier with about 600 bushels of Petites and 500 bushels of Italians. Professor McElroy says the orchards of the surrounding country are looking fine, and that the crop of pears, peaches and prunes is large.

can identify two of the men. Several men were noticed examining the prem-ises the previous day. Attorney Burch served notice last weak on the saleons and tobacco stores, re-questing them to close at 12 Saturday hight, and to remain closed until 1 A. M. Monday. No attention was paid to the notice. Mr. Burch made the rounds Sun-day merning and found the mileons open and doing business as heretofore. Since that time be has been actively making preparations to prosecute the offenders. It is probable that several arrests will active prosecution of violators of the Sunday-closing iaw begun. The saleon men are united, and declare they will fight the matter to the last ditch.

SAILOR PETERSON DEAD.

#### Lived for Five Days With His Skull Cracked.

PORT TOWNSEND, Wash. Aug. 3.-With his skull cracked from ear to ear, John Peterson, a sailor on the schooner Fannie Dutard, now loading at Port Hadlock, lived for five days, and then died at the Marine Hospital here. Durdied at the Marine Hospital here. Dur-ing a drunken row he was hit on the bead with a belaying-pin and knocked down the hold of the vessel, where he remained over night, and was then brought to the hospital. For five days he was delirious. A Coroner's jury is holding an inquest, and a charge of mur-der will be preferred against some one.

# STOOD OFF THE SHERIFF.

Insane Man in Skamania County Resists Arrest.

STEVENSON, Wash, Aug. 25.—Sheriff Green went up to Carson today to take charge of Fred Buhrer, who is insane. Upon the approach of the Sheriff and as-sistants, Buhrer ran into his house, armed bimmelf with a dubble here of charge and himself with a double-barrel shotgun, and himself with a double-barrel shorgun, and held the officers at bay. No shots were fired. Buhrer's hobby is that the people are trying to poison his stock. Armed with a club or gun, he will chase his own cows around for hours. Mr. Buhrer is a bachelor, and has lived on his farm near Carson for years.

# Military Orders.

VANCOUVER BARRACKS, Wash., Aug. 25.-Major James N. Aillson has been ordered to Seattle on business con-nected with the supplying of the transport Seward, which will sail from that city soon. Lieutenant Daniel F. Keller, Two

Lieutenant Daniei F. Keller, Twenty-fourth Infantry, has been busy at Fort Sherman, Idaho, with duties connected with the abandonment of the post. "Two pack trains left for Seattle last week for shipment to China. It is not expected that any more animals will have the post until shout the middle of

leave the post until about the middle of next month

### Tacoma Deadlock Ended.

TACOMA, Aug. 28.-The Mayor, Clty Council and the street-car company, who have been at loggerheads for the past month as to which should repair the bridges over which the street cars run, reached an agreement this afternoon whereby the city will do the work. If the courts decide that the car company is used to be a strength of the car company

is llable, the company will pay the city for the money expended for repairs. To Practice in Interior Department.

To Fractice in interior Department. WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—Percy R. Kel-iy, of Albany, Or., has been recognized as an attorney who can hereafter practice before the Interior Department. William M. Chandler, of Oro Fino, Ida-ho, has been chosen an agent to present claims before the Interior Department.

# Washington Notes.

Lind has arranged for the issue of bonds to build a \$6000 schoolhouse D. K. Pearse, formerly of Dayton, died in California recently, of cancer.

The residence of Thomas Scott, of Seat-tle, was damaged \$2000 by fire Sunday. A. P. Woodward, wanted for forgery, has been lodged in jall at New Whatcom. Eastern buyers are paying 70 cents a

hundred weight, or \$14 a ton, for barley at Walla Walla. A graduate of the University of Toronto is to be "professor of science" in the Eastern Washington Normal School. The O. R. & N. has granted a rate of \$9. Spokane to Portland and return, on account of the Elks' excursion September 5.

A death from typhold is reported at North Yakima. The victim is W. C. Wil-liams, a member of the Woodmen of Anton Gustavsen, the Swede with whom Deputy Sheriff Steward had such a ter-rible encounter near Steptoe Butte, was committed to the asylum at Medical Lake.

# IMPROVED SCHOOL SYSTEM

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COUN-TY SUPERINTENDENTS.

Fault Found With Clerks' Reports and the Practice of Changing Clerks Every Year.

SALEM. Aug. 28 .- Last January State School Superintendent Askerman sent to each County Superintendent a request for a brief written report of the educational outlook in his county, in addition to the regular statistical report required by law. He suggested a number of topics, but left the Superintendents at liberty to discuss others, if they so desired. Some of the Superintendents responded with of the Superintendents responded with complete and interesting papers, while others gave no attention to the request. A few have submitted such reports under the head of "Recommendations and Sug-gestions." The following are brief ex-tracts from these reports: N. W. Boland, of Clackannas—The pa-trons of the schools of this county indores the action taken by the Lacisature in

the action taken by the Legislature in fixing the age at which applicants may be granted certificates (I years of age for third grade). The tendency has been to have teachers who were too young. The Directors are alive to the fact that an applicant having a third-grade certificate, the average of which is above 90 per cent. is often more successful than an old

teacher with a higher grade of certificate but lower per cents in the different branches taught. Cierks' reports are not oraliches taght. Cierks reports are not up to what might be expected in many cases, the vital information being omitted. This very often necessitates the return of the report for correction. The prac-tice of changing cierks each year should be discouraged. School discipline seems to have lost much of its former harsh-ness and many schools report has corinstead of the first, as there is usually very little money to send out at that time. In case the school year is not changed so ness, and many schools report no cor-poral punishment during the entire year. as to end June 30, 1 would advise that J. T. Lee, of Clatsop-There are very few libraries in the schools of this coun-ty, but I hope the matter will receive more attention in the future. A plan has Here be no apportionment in January. H. A. Ball, of Washington-I think it would be a great advantage if the law were changed so the school year should

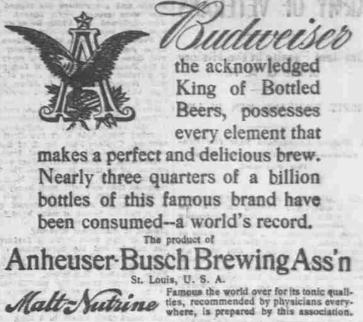
been started to have a circulating library and hopes are entertained that the differ-ent districts will join it. It seems to me end in July, instead of March, as at present. The law supposes that the County Superintendent shall have general super-vision ever the schools of the county. But it is evident that there is a limit to that there should be better provision made by the Legislature for finances to run our institutes. The fees obtained the number of schools that can be effect-ually supervised by one person. My own experience leads me to believe that this from examinations are not adequate for the expenses in small counties. I would suggest that the county be required to allow a seasonable amount for that purpose

number is not over 40. O. B. Miles. of Wheeler-Considerable useless apparatus may be found in sev-W. H. Bunch, of Coos-The past two eral of the schoolhouses. years have witnessed an unprecedented revival of the institute work in this coun-E. V. Littlefield, of Yamhill-The school law passed by the last Legislature is an improvement on the old law, and we hope that the remainder of the law will be ty. A mistake in the past was the em-If y. A matake in the past was the em-ployment of institute instructors, who used the opportunity to advertise some normal school or other institution of learning in which they ware personally interested, thus benefiting the few at the expense of the interest of the majority. If the State Superintendent could pro-gramme the entire state and artname to achieve the state of the state and streames to be settles used and streames to be settles used and streames to be settles used as the state and streames to be settles used as the state superintendent could pro-truct the state superintendent could pro-superintendent could pro-superint purged and many new features added. I would recommend that the school year and fiscal year should begin and end at the same time; that the manner of petitioning for changes in school district boundaries should be specified so as to permit changes; that the third-grade cer-tificate be raised to a higher per cent avgramme the entire state and arrange to attend every county institute, a great stimulus would be given this branch of educational work, Much good would re-sult to the office of district clerk were renge: that a small amount of compensa-tion be named for district clerks, accord-ing to the amount of moory received by the districts: that the law specify directly the law so amended as to permit any one, suitably qualified and who could give the required bonds, to hold that office. Qualifor what purposes school money may be used: that district clerks notify and file copies of teachers' contracts with the fication for the duties of the office, and not for voting should govern in the filling of the office of district clerk. Section 22. County Superintendent as soon as con-

title 3, of the school law, should be so amended as to make the entire 5 mills levy for school purposes available during the year for which it is levied. If the full levy could be used each year, the County Superintendent could furnish each distribut board with district board with a statement of the year's apportionment, thus enabling them to lay plans with some degree of definitetor, sm. Original widows, etc.-Emma J. Hallet, McMinnville, \$. Washington-Original-Anton Knabusr, Tacoma, \$3: special act August 9, Samuel M. Cole. Fuida, \$. Additional-Matthew G. Lawrence, Latah, \$2: Henry Hender, Pomeroy, \$12. At present, the delinquent fax list ness. very often contains the bulk of the school

G. A. Gregory, of Jackson-Schoolroom and school ground decoration has received considerable stiention, many un-sightly yards, having been cleared by re-moving piles of rubbish, rocks and stumps. In several cases, under the management of the teachers, a half day has been devoted to this work, and the men of the district came with teams and tools to asisst. Much interest has been awakened in the subject of school libraries, All the towns have a fair working collection of books. Ashland having 600 volumes

of carefully,selected, up-to-date works that are in constant use by the pupils. The more prosperous of the rural schools



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HARLOW & STOCKS.

Siz-Inch Streak 40 Feet Long in the

Drift That Glitters

With Gold.

COTTAGE GROVE, Or., Aug. 28.-An.

other rich strike has been made on the Harlow & Stocks group of mines in its

hemin district. After the big strike was made a month ago, Harkow & Stocke drifted on the ledge for 00 fast, 40 feet of which has a siz-inch streak that glit-

ters with gold. Fragments gathered after

a blast last Saturday were brought to this city today and assayed. They went \$13,600 to the ton,

Mining Stock Quotations

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SPOKANE, Aug. 28.-The closing bids for

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 25 -- Official closing

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NEW YORK, Aug. 28 .- Mining stocks today

Following are the transactions at the Oregon

SALTS.

SHALLANN,

**RICH STRIKE IN BOHEMIA** paratus, library, etc., and a forfeiture of school funds should be the penalty for

neglect of duty. E. E. Bragg, of Union-I would be glad to see the school year and June 30. In-stead of the present way (first Monday in March), then the school year would begin at the beginning of the Fall term of school. I would also suggest that it would be better to have the teachers' examinations in March and August instead of April and August. It would be better for the schools of this county if the April apportionment came on the third Monday

racts are made."

Northwestern Pensions.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 22.—Pensions have been granted as follows: Oregon-Original-Jonathan Prusit, Ver.

nonis, 38. Increase-Isanc Higgins, Dex-tor, 310. Original widows, etc.-Emma J.

Drowned in an Irrigating Ditch.

Drowned in an irrighting Ditch. HOOD RIVER. Aug. 28.-Victor, the 3-year-old son of Mr, and Mrs. Louis isen-berg, was drowned yesterday afternoon at their home three miles from this place. The child, while playing in the yard, fell into the irrighting ditch. The body was washed some distance down the stream, and was found by Professor W. F. Martin, who happened to be pass-ing.

of retreat he was providing for the 16-to-1

Washington Postmasters.

Idaho Notes.

A ledge containing 92 per cent of mag-esia has been discovered three miles

At Idaho Falls, it is reported that the Short Line will put another train on the St. Anthony branch.

Joseph Wilson, of Medimont, accident-ally shot and seriously wounded himself with a revolver while on a fishing trip.

Settlers from Iowa continue to arrive

J. C. Elder, of Moscow, is reported to

on no well pleased with the outlook for the sugar-best crop that he says he will plant 75 acres next season. Edward Stern's residence in Bolse was

Kootenal County and take up home-ends. Nearly a score have recently

Republicans.

from Albion.

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Abarreve, s. F. A., outlation services, 6:15 P. M., young people's meeting, ad-dress, Rev. H. W. Kellogg; 7:30 P. M., Twontienth Century Forward Movement, Bishop Andrews presiding, address, Dr. T. B. Ford, close with evangelistic services led by R. A. Atkins.

nber 26-8:30 A. M. busi-Mar Monday, September 26-539 A. 20., Dus-ness session; 7:20 P. M., temperance meet-ing, addresses, S. E. Meininger, Dr. G. W. Grannis,4

# ROAD TO MOUNT JEFFERSON.

Porest Ranger Aschoff Reports a Good Route.

OREGON CITT, Or., Aug. 2.-Forest Ranger Adolf Aschoff, of Marmot, whose district is from the summit of the Barlow wagon road southwest a distance 50 miles along the summit of the Cascade Bange, was here today. He recently ac-companied Head Ranger Dafar on a trip slong the summit of the mountains to Mount Jefferson, binging a trail on the way. It was found that an excellent wagon road could be made from a point on the summit of the Barlow road to Mount Jefferson at small cost, the prin-cipal expense being that of cutting out the limber or brush the necessary width. Mr. Aschoff says that there is some of the grandest scopery in the world along these mountain tops, and in places on a clear day views of socilous of Eastern festern Oregon and glimpses of the untaine in California and British Columitia can be had. The only drawback to the proposed roadway is the apparent scurcity of water in places along the mountain tops, but a more discovery of vertigation may lead to the discovery of Mount Jefmountain tops, but a more thorough intrians along the billsides. Mount Jef-billion and the billsides. Mount Jef-billion at the sasily reached from this of pipe. A trail or road along the back-ine of the Cascade Range would af-war reco ford an easier way to reach the famous hot mineral springs near the headwaters of the Clackamas and Molalia Rivers, as it as some of the mountain lakes vis-

Ited by so few people. Mr. Aschoff says there have been but few forest fires this senson, the blazes evidently starting from indian camps that were smothered in their inclulency. Benr and deer were plentiful, and thou-nands of acres of huckleberries are now ripe. Elk in bands of 15 or 20 are occa-sionally seen, but Indians from the Warm Springs reservation are slaughtering them whenever opportunity offers. The Indians are pleasiful in the mountains, bunting and gathering buckleberries. The older Indiana say that the Government gave them the privilege of hunting at will on the piana and mountains when they ced-ed the right to their lands, and consequently assert that they are not violating any law when they kill deer or elk, in or out of season, whether for foed or hides. Mr. Ascheff will call the attention of the Game Warden to this condition of af-Tairs.

# PUSHED OFF A TRAIN.

Bay last Saturday, and some very good catches have been made.

Will Seavey, of Eugene, has picked his early hops. They amounted to 8 bales. Last year the yard yielded 25 bales. now

Mrs. Julia Press, of La Grande, mourns the loss of one of her triplets, and fears another will live but a short time. J. D. McCully, of Wallowa County, shipped 15 carloads of sheep to Chicago, last Bunday, and will personally attend to their sale.

G. W. Dart, of John Day, recently sold W horses at Baker City. The larger portion of them were taken by Government buyers.

Silverton men dispute the report that a Willie Brown, of Salem, recently killed a bear and two cubs. They claim the henors for Silverton nimrods. Savaral thousand boxes of peaches will

be marketed this year from the farms of A. M. LaFollett, F. B. Jones and W. M. Egan on Mission Bottom, in Marion County.

William Donaldson's bicycle broke re-cently at Prairie City. In the conse-quent fall, one eye was injured, his fore. head was contused, and his lower lip torn nearly aff.

Chris Domeyer, who lives about eight Guard. The smallest brought \$17 and the largest \$30. They were grade Shortberne

A Weston paper figures that a carpenin places along the ter of its town has walked 182 miles in five years, carrying more than 30,000 gal-ions of water to milch cows, rather than build a milk trough, and attach a piece

L. E. Woodward's large barn at Arago was recently burned, with 70 tons of hay. He with difficulty saved his farm machinery, horses and 40 head of milch cows. The fire was started by his little children. Loss, \$2000; no insurance.

There is a strong demand and a first class opening in Roseburg for profitable investment in a croamery and cheese fac-tory, according to the Plaindealer. It adds that liberal inducements will be offered to secure such an establishment. R. Mellroy, of Enterprise, tried to re-move a wart from his left hand by the use of concentrated lye. He got rid of the wart, but the flesh in some places was burned to the bone and he was compelled to call a physician to save the hand.

The big livestock companies of Southern Oregon are having much trouble with men who blot out and alter stock brands. One company at Lakeview is suing five men for 175 head of cattle, whose brands are alleged to have been changed, and ask \$1000 damages beside the stock

Annie Edna, the Indian woman mur-dered at the Umatilla Reservation, was forced to drink a mixture of alcohol and water, with as much strychnine as it PISHED OFF A TRAN. Indianapolis Man Hurt at Oregon City Yesterday. OREGON CITY Or. Aug. 25-J. W. Wilson, a stranger, while stealing a ride this morning, was pushed off the billed baggage of the north-bound Southern Pacific Albany local passenger train, and sustained a serious fracture of the left ankle. Wilson is about 30 years old, and suys he lives at indianapolis. There will be a farmers picht at Columbia George will have a preliminary examination tomorrow.

#### Hop Contracts in Clacksmas.

OREGON CITY, Or., Aug. 28.-H. J. Miller, of Aurora, has contracted to purchase 10,000 pounds of hops from John Daly and P. H. Tuder, of Macksburg; 5000 pounds from J. S. and S. S. Jesse, of Needy, and 5000 pounds from J. and H. Osterholtz, of Marquam. Five cents per pound is advanced for picking, and an agreement is made to purchase the hops for 10 cents per pound, provided that they come up to the standard requirements

Crops Around Forest Grove. FOREST GROVE, Or., Aug. 28.-Pro-fessor H. C. Atwell, of Pacific University,

will begin drying prunes next Monday. Hopgrowers are here daily engaging pickers. At least \$500 will be earned by people of this place for gathering hops this season.

# COLUMBIA RIVER IMPROVEMENT.

Lewiston Chamber of Commerce Working for a Big Appropriation.

COLFAX, Wash., Aug. 25.-George Len-nox, secretary of the Colfax Chamber of Commerce, has received a letter from the Commercial Club, of Lewiston, Idaho, asking co-operation to secure the passage. letter says that if the Representatives in Congress from Washington, Oregon and Idaho will combifie and work together they can force the addition of an appropria-

tion of at least \$1,000,000 with which to begin the work, in the general river and harbor appropriation bill in the com-ing session of Congress, and makes the significant statement that they can force the appropriation or defeat the general appropriation bill.

### CENTRALIA RESIDENCE STONED. One Result of the Sunday-Closing

Agination. CENTRALIA, Wash, Aug. 28.-The residence of Attorney Frank Burch, in North Centralia, was stoned at 10:20 last night by unknown men. supposed to be

Wrapped in a blanket, like an Indian, white man showed up in Seattle last Sunday. That sort of garb was necessary because hobes had stolen his trousers while he was drunk.

The hay crop of Kitilitas Valley is estimated by competent judges to be fully 50,000 tons, and that portion of it which will be put on the market will bring the farmers fully \$300,000.

The State Grain Inspector reports that new wheat grades uniformily high. Of 112 carloads which he examined in one day, there was but one car that fell de

lay, there was but one car that fell de-low the standard set for No. 1 Farmer W. A. York, of Walla Walla, was incorrectly reported to have been found. His whereabouts remain a mys-tery. Many think him dead, though his relatives perservere in their search. A farmer's tam at Colfer thed her him

A farmer's team at Colfax, tied by him to a brace-wire of an electric light pole, was knocked down the 25th, when the lights were turned on. The owner re-ceived a pronounced shock when unlitching the team. Man and horses recovered

Eight hobos at Cheney were discovered by officers on the 26th, while robbing a man. One fell from the officers' fire, shot in a foot and a leg. The others deserted the town. The robbed man was Tony Anderson, a farm hand, who says \$55 was taken from him.

John Porath died recently at a hospital in North Yakima, from eating cabbages in North Facing, from earing cabbages sprayed with Paris green. The autopsy revealed the fact that his stomach was lined with ulcers, believed to have re-sulted from the poison. He was a widow-et, 56 years of age, and came from Minnesola

The Puget Sound Oystermen's Associa tion has fixed the rate for cysters at \$3.50 per sack, and \$2 per gallon opened, for the senson of 1906.1001. If any person "beats" any member of the association. the others are obligated not to sell to such person until the prohibition is re-

Spokane, Judge Hanford decides At that a bankrupt may keep his home if he wishes of course, if it is worth no more than the statutory exemption. He holds that a bankruptey law is for the good of the public and to keep men from becoming paupers, and they may take their choice of monerty is the amount of their choice of property to the amount of nption exer

Exemption. Lieutenant John B. Heyburn, who served in the First Washington Volun-teers, has been appointed Captain and Inspector of Customs at the port of Bal-amban, in the Island of Cebu, Philipping Islands. When his regiment returned to the United States he enlisted as first Heutenant in the Forty-fourth Infantry. lieutenant in the Forty-fourth Infantry. Since then he has been doing service in the Philippines.

Whatcom County's assessment roll has been reduced 10 per cent by the County Board of Equalization. The board claimed that the valuations in generi were about that much higher than the assessed valuaabout three in number. Two fine plate-glass windows were destroyed, and Mrs. Burch narrowly escaped being struck A card left on the front gate read. "A coat of tar next." Mr. Burch thinks he

P. L. Fountain, of Klamath-The state course of study has received a most hearty support from school officers and school patrons. Ranid progress has been made toward the classification required. In ungraded schools pupils were too often pushed forward in favorite studies, to the neglect of others equally important. The fumber of teachers who intend to make teaching a life work is increasing from

year to year. The gowing demand upon the teacher, and the increasing length of school terms are incentives to those who take up the profession to put stronger efforts and more enthusiasm into the work. The school law should be amended

as to have the school year begin on a first Monday in July. Fully realizing WASHINGTON, Aug. 25. - Postmasters have been appointed in Washington as follows: E. D. Morrison, Dalay; Alice Sulthe difficulties to be met with in our efforts to secure a proper school legislation I shall offer no other suggestion at this Ivan, Spangle,

J. Q. Willits, of Lake-Two-thirds of ou teachers hold either state papers or first-grade county certificates; one-third hold second-grade county certificates, and there is not a third-grade county certificates, any cate in commission. From this stand-point can any county in the state make a better showing. . . . I believe that a law should be enacted at the next session of the Legislature, providing for a committee, or some competent person, to se-

lect at least a dozen new volumes an-nually, of reading matter suitable for the boys and girls of the rural districts, and require the school boards of the several districts to purchase the same with the funds of the district.

George Bethers, of Lincoln-The change from four teachers' examinations to two a year is a good one. It would have been better had one of the examinations been held in February and the other in August. instead of April and August. This would have given persons wishing to teach a chance to attend an examination before the annual school meeting, as many of

the teachers wish to make application for schools at the annual meeting (in March). Certificates, of whatever grade, should be valid throughout the state. An able committee should be appointed to revise and complete the present school laws. It is a well-known fact that they are deficient in many ways. Superintendents, teachers and school boards should give their assistance in perfecting the school laws.

J. W. Shipley, of Morrow-It would seem that there is need of more legisla-tion in the matter of school finances. No district should receive its portion of the state or county funds unless it has levied a special school tax of a certain gives per cent. G. B. Lamb, of Tillamock-The chief

hindrance to the general advancement of the country school has been the weak, short-sighted policy of constantly chang-ing teachers. Under such conditions, there can be no regularity or uniformity

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ing teachers. Under such conditions, there can be no regularity or uniformity of work from year to year. J. F. Nowin, of Umatilis-What our last Legislature did in regars to achood in weighslation was very incomplete and unsatisfactory. Our school laws are yet weak and insufficient for the demands of a progressive, educational system.... The State Superintendent should have su-thority to demand more from the County Superintendents; they, in turn, should de-mand more from the district boards, and the latter should be empowered to do-mand more of the school patt us in the matter of attendance, school grounds, ap-

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FUSION IN IDAHO.

#### Democrats Willing to Make Room for the Popullats.

BOISE, Idaho, Aug., 38.-The leaders of the three silver parties have been at work all day on the proposed fusion. So far, no result is announced, but it is the impression that an arrangement will be effected. It is understood that the three Democrats who are to be asked to get out of the way to make room for Populists are willing to do so. There ms to be some hitch about getting all seems to be some high about getting an the Populats off who will have to step aside, but most of the resignations are in the hands of the committee. It is sup-posed that the Populists are demaniling one elector, but this cannot be varified.

#### Fire in a Lumber Yard.

OGDEN, Utah, Aug. 28-Fire broke out this afternoon in the yard of the Utah & Ogden Lumber Company, and within  $\pi$  short time the entire work of lumber as short time the entire work of humber was in finmes. After an hour and a half's hard work by the fire department, the fire was brought under control. The fire was caused by a spark from the planing mill. The loss is estimated at 3273.026.

burned the morning of the 15th, when he and his family were away from home. Loss, \$4500; insurance, \$2000. At Pocatello, water is very scarce and At Pocatello, water is very scarce and there is hardly any pressure in the mains. There would be but little pro-tection in case of fire at this time. George P. Ward, of Salem, Fremont County, was killed in a runaway in Rex-burg last week. He was 72 years old, and death is thought to have been due partly to heart failure. CURSEOFDRINK Drunkenness Cured -BT-

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THE MONTANA State School of Mines At Butts, Montava, will open Sept. 13, 1000. Full four years course of instruction offersof, two terms of 20 weaks such per year. Tailton free to Montane students, others pay E25 per term. For other information additions N. R. Leonard, Butts, Mont.

White Ribbon Remedy Can Be Given in Glass of Water, Tes or Coffee Without Patjeat's Knowledge.

The Idaho Northern grade is completed in the valley and only a small amount of work on the hill remains to be done before the grading will be finished from Nampa to Emmett At Genesce, a sleepwalker named Ed Stelts, with a blanket wrapped around him, fell 14 feet from a barn loft and landed between two horses without re-

landed between two address without re-ceiving a scratch. J. O. Swift has purchased a one-half interest in the Alpha group of claims, on the Halley gold belt, from N. J. Brown and Sam Friend. The consideration is the doing of stated development work that may cost \$500.

The Silver City Avalanche has dropped