### **WOOLGROWERS MET**

of the Pacific Northwest Woolgrowers' Association opened this morning with a full attendance of representative sheep-men from Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, Utah and Wyoming.

The weather was warm and Spring-like, and Pendleton basked under sunny skies which at midday caused picturesque Umatilla braves to slack away on the fasten-ings of their bright blankets and stalk around as decollette and dirty as in the Summer time. The sheepmen were all in a good humor, and more than one allu-sion was made to the prosperity which was apparently guaranteed for another four years by the re-election of McKin-

The morning session was called to order at 10:30 by President F. R. Gooding, of Shoshone, Idaho, After music and prayer, Governor Geer was introduced. The Gov-ernor had no set speech prepared for the occasion, his time, as he explained, hav-ing been taken up by legislative work. He complimented the woolgrowers on the wonderful addition they had made to the wealth of the state in a country which a few years ago produced nothing but coy. otes, sagebrush and jackrabbits. He spoke in glowing terms of Umatilla County's wheat yield, but predicted that the time was coming when the county would be forced to diversify its farming and raise more livestock and less wheat. He cited the experience of the Willamette Valley, which is enjoying such prosperity, al-though the wheat crop last year was hearly a total failure.

Following Governor Geer, T. G. Hailey, in a witty address, welcomed the woolgrowers on behalf of the City of Pendleton, Colonel F. M. Malone, of Miles City, Mont., responded to Mr. Hailey's address, and in an earnest appeal suggested to the control of the colonel suggested to the control of the colonel suggested to the colonel suggested the colonel of the colonel suggested the colonel suggeste gested how the wool business could be placed on a more satisfactory plane by the emactment of proper laws. At the conclusion of Mr. Malone's address the secretary received the credentials of the members and issued certificates to a num.

Leasing of Public Domain Opposed. At the afternoon session the convention listened to the annual address of President Gooding. The president began by stating that the sheep industry is confronted with several important questions which render it necessary that every man who owns a sheep should be identified with some Woolgrowers' Association. He discussed at length the matter of leasing the public domain, and predicted that if it were leased it would bring ruin and dis-aster to the industry. The exclusion of sheep from forest reserves of the West was opposed by President Gooding, and the matter of Government inspection of the matter of Government inspection of sheep urged. In discussing the present on the part of neighboring states. The condition of the wool market, he attributed much of the blame for a decline in the demand to the use of shoddy, and stated that the Dingley tariff alone prevented wool failing to exceedingly low figures. In an appeal to the growers to demand legislation against shoddy, Presdent Gooding and:

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ident Gooding said: ing at a more rapid rate other part of the country."

Depredations by Wild Animals. Following the announcement of the com-mittee, J. N. Williamson delivered an ad-

iamson in part said:

"The interests of civilization do not go hand in hand with those of the wolf. In order that the wolf may replenish the earth, civilization must recede, and vice versa. It has remained for us of the

West to harmonize these interests so far. J. Spillman, of Pullman Argicultural Col-"No longer is the wolf confined, as of old, to his native diet of jack rabbit and carrion. Civilization has placed at his call our improved breeds of chickens, our famous varieties of bronzed turkeys, our tame geese and ducks, and for dessert we furnish him with the eggs of all the breeds. For a more solid diet, we supply him with pork, beef and mutton, particu-larly the latter. To keep the wolf in touch with civilization has cost us more and loss of stock by disease. I am sure I am within range of conservatism when I say that millions of dollars are sacrifleed each year upon the altar of this mistakeu doctrine. How long the sacri-fice is to continue is a question for us to

decide. It will continue just so long as we will it to continue, and no longer. "Behind its sister states in some things, Oregon has taken the initiative in the matter of the destruction of the coyote. Such being the case, a few words upon the work to other parts of the state, and our experience in beginning this crusade might not be out of place at this time.

ganizations, were prevailed upon to offer tocalities. At present the only suggestions that we can make are those: That upon the condition that the local so where the ranges are depicted, reduce upon the condition that the local so cieties give another dollar. Under this cieties give another dollar. Under this arrangement no trouble was experienced in destroying a sufficient number of coymuch tramping. If the only way to rein destroying a sufficient number of coy-otes to reduce the destruction of prop-erty from that source to a minimum. A during the 10 years prior to 1838. Each proved only a partial and temporary suc-

cess for two reasons:
"First-The local organization had no authority to compel payments of assess-ments, and through the lack of coopera-tion, would finally disband.

"Second-The coyote is of a migratory nature, and any locality desiring to rid

#### Must Be a State Bounty Law.

tempts, it was demonstrated that a separate to adapte to bounty would rid the country of coyotes, for, at different times whole counties the only important hay grass of the Midwere temporarily cleared of them, only die and Eastern States. Now, timothy is one of the least nutritious of grasses; it not stand pasturing; it is good for were temporarily cleared of them, only to fill up again from neighboring countles where no effort at destruction had been made. These local efforts proved conmade. These local efforts proved conmade. These local efforts proved conmuch relished by any kind of stock except.

Yet it is the king of the hay

"Based upon these experiences, the Legislature of 1888 was successfully appealed to for a state bounty of \$2 per scalp, and along with the coyote were put the scalps large area.

on all sheep in the state to assist in creating a special fund out of which to pay for the scaips. Under its provision to for a special fund for the payment of the bounty, no fund was created, but the slaughter of the coyotes continued to such as not an extent that during the involves.

DOUGLAS BELTS

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Pacific Northwest Association in Annual Session.

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Convention is Committed Against Leasing of Public Domain—Washington Is Asked to Enact a Coyote Scalp-Bounty Lnw.

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The iaw of 1888 demonstated conclusively the feasibility of destroying the coyote by a state bounty. Its two years of operation thoroughly disproved the objection to the law that a \$2 bounty on the legislature which has a \$2 bounty on the property of the coyote would bankrupt the state. It proved conclusively that less than one-dith of the damage done by this animal expended in scalps at \$2 acad would right the present wheat areas are devoted to firm high of the present wheat areas are devoted to firm high the bound to the state. It is proved to fact not only for Oregon, but for Idaho, Washington, Nevada.

"Bo far as the coyote is concerned in Oregon, he is doomed. Two more years of the siaughter will so thin his ranks as to reduce the expense of continuing of the Pacific Northwest Woolgrowers association opened this morning with a bounty to relatively small amount.

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MITCHELL GIVEN A SEAT

OREGON'S NEW SENATOR IN BACK ON REPUBLICAN SIDE.

Simon Is Moved Up to the Front Row -Allotments Hold Good for Two Years.

WASHINGTON, March 5.-In the allotment of seats in the Senate today, to hold good for the next two years, Mitchell fared as well as could be expected, securing the seat which was allotted to Senator Quay when he entered the Senate a short time ago. This seat is in the back row, about the center of the Repub-lican side of the chamber, and is much to be preferred to a seat in what is known as the "Cherokee strip," on the Democratic side, where most new Senators are compelled to sit when first entering the Senate.

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ABOUT SMEER ..

nary examination of Wright, the alleged horsethief, until 2 o'clock tomorrow after-

Youthful Thieves Fined. Paul and Elmer Miller, two North Sa lem lads, aged is and it years respectively, pleaded guilty to petty larceny before Justice O'Donald today, and each paid a fine of 55. The boys were accused by John Jordan of stealing some harness and a quantity of horse feed from an empty barn,

NEW FACTORY STARTS UP.

Needy Sawmill Will Make Railroad Ties Its Main Output. OREGON CITY, March 5.—Bagby Bros. started up their sawmill at Rock Creek,

near Needy, yesterday. It is a new plant, with a capacity of 15,000 feet daily. Rallroad ties will be the principal output of the plant. Talk of a Creamery.

Currinsville farmers are agitating the

establishment of a creamery. A meeting was held last week, and the situation is being thoroughly canvassed. Militia Officers Elected.

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A paper on Lincoln sheep was read by the bouncy to relatively small amount. Eugene Patrick, of Shoshone, Idaho.

We know, however, that complete suc
The meetings are well attended, and the the front row to the left of the Vice
Oregon National Guard, to succeed Cap-

THERE IS

NOTHING SMALL

JOHN FLEMING

ment Before Work Was Done. Engineer Injured in Collision.

Asked to Become Candidates. OREGON CITY, Or., March 5.—Petitions are being circulated asking Dr. W. E. Caril and C. O. T. Williams to become candidates for school director and clerk, respectively, at the election to be held Monday. It is understood that E. E. Charman and T. L. Charman, retiring incumbents of the offices of director and clerk, are candidates for re-election.

At Independence. INDEPENDENCE, Or., March 5 .- D. A. Hodge was last night elected school director for three years. J. D. Irvine was

At Amity.

AMITY, Or., March 5.-E. W. Rea was elected Director for three years, and T. J. Jellison, clerk for one year, at the annua school meeting yesterday.

At Dallas. DALLAS, March 5,-D, P. Stuffer was

ENTOMBED SIX HOURS

TWENTY FEET OF EARTH.

The Sides of the Well Caved In-Man Is Severely Injured, but It Is Thought Will Recover.

ASTORIA, Or., March 5.-Albert Rider, of Warrenton, who was engaged in dig-ging a well at the Fort Stevens Bar-racks, was buried under 20 feet of earth at Astoria last evening. this afternoon by the caving of the sides of the well. Fortunately the casing of the well prevented him from being crushed, and he was rescued after being entombed almost six hours. The man is severely injured, and at a late hour to-night was still unconscious, but it is thought he will recover.

TROUBLE AT SCHOOL MEETING. Feud Over Teacher Caused Adjourn-

HILLSBORO, Or., March 5.—The Reed-ville school district trouble seems to be increasing, rather than diminishing. This is the district where the teacher, U. S. McHargue, was some months ago brought before Referee C. E. Runyon on a charge of immoral and unprofessional conduct The State Board of Education revoked McHargue's certificate, but his papers had expired at the time of revocation McHargue still remains at the seat of war, and neighbor is arrayed against neighbor as the result, the feud extending even into individual families. At the annual school meeting yesterday there was a great deal of trouble, and adjournment was voted before the business of the day was transacted. A director, James Rasmussen, was elected, but it is stated that a new call has been issued by the board for another meeting. No clerk was elected. A deputy sheriff was present yesterday to see that no violence was done

ROSEBURG, Or., March 5.—Early this morning a southbound extra freight train in charge of Conductor William Brandenborg had stopped for some cause this side of Riddle, when another extra freight, which was following, crashed into it. The latter was in charge of Conductor James Tynan and Engineer Rockwell Willis. The caboose of the first train was badly smashed, and telescoped on top of the en-gine. No one was in the caboose at the time, but Engineer Willis was considerably hurt. Dr. Downing, of Riddle, was called, and he took the injured man to Portland on today's local. The track was soon cleared. Mr. Willis is suffering from a badly sprained back, and may be injured internally.

clerk, are candidates for re-election,

again chosen as clerk for one year. The school census just completed by the clerk shows 427 children between the ages of and 20 years, an increase of 16 over ast year.

elected Director, and H. G. Campbell reelected Clerk at the school meeting yesterday. The report of the clerk showed 496 children of school age in the district; oney received from all sources during WELL - DIGGER BURIED UNDER the past year, \$11,411 50; paid out, \$10.501 15; balance, \$820 25.

At Tillamook

TILLAMOOK, Or., March 5-H. H. Alderman was yesterday chosen School Director, and Thomas Coates was re-elected

At New Astoria.

ASTORIA, Or., March 5.-Charles Johnson was elected Director, and George May Clork, at the annual school meeting held

NORTHWEST DEAD.

Mrs. David Kuder, Oregon Pioneer of 1847.

FOREST GROVE, Or., March 5.—Mrs. David, Ruder, who arrived at North Yam, hill in 1847, died at her home near Greenville today, aged 79 years. married to David Kuder in 1859, who, with five children, survive her. Lewis M. Kuder, of Southern Oregon, and Mrs. Ellen Ann Wood, of Greenville. Kuder had resided at Greenville for nearly 20 years.

To Be Buried With Military Honors. OLYMPIA, March 5.-The remains of Corporal George Price have arrived at San Francisco from Manila, and will be brought to Olympia for interment. The funeral will take place the latter part of the week with military honors. Corporal Price went with his company to Manila last Summer. Word reached Olympia about a month ago of his death of dysentery. He was the eldest son of ex-Sec-retary of State James H. Price; and a nephew of Senator Mitchell, of Oregon. Companies of the National Guard will be brought from Seattle and Tacoma to have charge of the funeral.

Thomas W. Gould, Mine Promoter, DENVER, Colo., March 5.-A cablegram received by the Gold & Silver Extraction Company, of this city, today announced the sudden death in Liverpool, Eng., yes-terday, of Thomas W. Gould, ex-manager of the company. He was about 50 years of age. He was the son of a Major-Gen-eral of the British Army, and was educated at the celebrated artillery school in Woolwich. Four years ago he went to London and formed a connection with a syndicate for the promotion of American mining companies, which bought several properties in Oregon and Idaho upon his

Sincon Wenban Dead.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 5 .- Simeon Wenban, president of the Tenabo Mill & Mining Company, died last evening in this city. He was 76 years of age, and came to California by way of Cape Horn in 1854. In 1863 he settled in Nevada, but finally returned to California. He left a widow and two daughters, Mrs. William r. Shaw, and Mrs. W. O. Mills.

William Browning. SALEM, Or., March 5.—William Browning, aged 46 years, died at the Insans Asylum yesterday. Deceased was recently committed from Sheridan, Yamhili County, to which place his remains were shipped this morning for burial.

N. Babi, of Fairview. TILLAMOOK, Or., March 5.-N. Babi, who had resided in Tillamook County for about 20 years, died at his home at Fairview yesterday.

Peter Benoit, the Composer. BRUSSELS, March &-Peter Benoft, the distinguished composer, is dead.

Rock to Be Put on Streets. ROSEBURG, March 5.—Crushed rock s to be placed on the principal streets of this place. The work will commence at

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### Beauty is Health.

I thank you for the benefit I received from your advice and the Wine of Cardui I took. In my terrible condition my life was no pleasure to me at all and I was of no use to anybody. After receiving your advice and medicine I commenced taking it and began immediately to improve. The pains left me and the menses, which came at the correct time, continued three days. I have gained strength and my weight has increased. My husband says the medicine has made me better looking than ever before. Mrs. LIZZIE MANNELL.

Womanly health means bright eyes, rosy cheeks, clear complexion and elasticity of form. This is the youth unmeasured by years—the beauty of perfect womanhood. Beautiful women are happier and get more out of life than their sisters whose faces indicate suffering. Wine of Cardui made Mrs. Mannell better looking" and infinitely happier because it cured her of those terrible pains. But she is no exception.

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is giving thousands of women health, beauty and freedom from the dragging pains which have made their lives so miserable. Wan faces, haggard eyes and emaciated forms are the results of suffering. What suffering can compare with the torture of irregular menstruation, leucorrhoea and falling of the womb! Beauty flies quickly before the ravages of such disease. The sharp pains of falling of the womb deepen the crow tracks in the face. Menstrual irregularities rob the eye of its fire and the complexion of its transparency. Leucorrhoea drains the body of its strength, but Wine of Cardui restores the natural beauty, brightens the eye, clears the complexion, rounds out the figure and brings back the vigor of health. Every druggist in this city handles \$1.00 bottles of Wine of Cardui.

For advice and literature, address, giving symptoms, "The Ladies' Advisory Department," The Chattaneoga Medicine Company, Chattaneoga, Tonn.

CONSPICUOUS CHARACTERS AT THE PENDLETON WOOLGROWERS' CONVENTION. cess is not assured without a like effort

years that no state will be materially in-juredd financially by offering a sufficient "In the great Northwest today we have gured financially by offering a sufficient reward for the destruction of the corote. United States, and our flocks are increasing at a more rapid rate than in any other part of the country."

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At the conclusion of the president's speech Dr. Withycombe moved the appointment of a committee of five to draft resolutions in accordance with the suggestions made by President Gooding. The committee named is as follows: M. D. Wisdom of Portland; J. N. Williammor, of Prineville; F. M. Malone, of Miles City, Mont; Dr. Withycombe, of Corvallts; John McMillan, of Boise.

of its kind will be destroyed incidentally.

"According to my way of thinking, there is no single purpose pending before this body so important; there is not a singe need for organized effort on the part of the woolgrowers and farmers of the Northwest so imperative as some movement looking forward toward a uniform effort to eliminate this destructive peat. As before stated, I believe it to be within the power and scope of this organized control of the conclusion of the president's purpose pending before this body so important; there is not single purpose pending before this body so important; there is not a singe need for organized effort on the part of the woolgrowers and farmers of the Northwest so imperative as some movement looking forward toward a uniform effort to eliminate this destructive peat. As before stated, I believe it to be within the power and scope of this organized incidentally.

Swelled the chorus to 100 voices. Three rehearsals are being held daily. Concerts will be given Thursday and Friday evenings, with a matinee Friday. The solosist are all on hand and include W. Gifford Nash, of Eugene, who directs the chorus, Mrs. R. C. Brooks, of Oakland, Cal.: Signor D. Boffa and wife, of Mount Angel College.

Great interest is being taken by the general public, and the financial and musi-

ization to bring about this result.

Mr. Williamson's speech was followed by a general discussion on the subject by

The weather is all that could be wished. dress on the difficulties the ranchman encounters by wild animals. Mr. Will-

in Idaho was 6 per cent.
On motion of R. C. Judson, the secretary was instructed to wire the Washington Legislature asking the passage of a law giving a bounty on wolf and coyote

lege, spoke on grasses. Professor W. J. Spiliman said in part:

lege, spoke on grasses.

The Grass Problem "The grass problem in the Inland Em-pire presents two principal phases. First, the regrassing of the range lands; second, the finding of suitable grasses and forage plants for hay and pasture on arable land, This is a natural and an ideal grass country. The problem of the ranges is a large one, and it will take several years to solve it. We have just taken up this phase of the grass problem. In connection with the Department of Agriculture at Washington we have just completed arrangements for a three years' investiga-tion on the ranges of Eastern Washing-

"When we have found which grasses our experience in a place at this time.

"Up to 1898 the effort to destroy the coyote in Oregon was confined to localities. Certain County Courts in the interior thes. Certain County Courts in the interior research at the instance of local orman at grass the lands is to reduce the stock on them, we want to know it. One thing we hope to do that will be of value is to

sections of the ranges.

The Best Forage Plants. "When it comes to forage plants for the wheatgrowing sections, I have some-"Second—The coyote is of a migratory nature, and any locality desiring to rid itself of the peats was compelled to pay for the destruction of all the coyotes produced by its neighboring communities."

The coyote is of a migratory thing more than plans to offer you. I have no hesitation in saying that grasses may be made a part of the regular rotation of crops with profit to the land and its owner. In this connection I wish to ties. gutors may have overlooked, and that is that the seeding habits of a grass are of more importance than any other charac-"While nothing in the way of permanent more importance than any other charac-success was scored by these local at-teristic in determining whether it will be tempts, it was demonstrated that a \$2 adapted to agricultural purposes. For a in destroying the coyote, it must come by horses. Yet it is the king of the hay state law.

grasses in the East, for no good reason

of the wildcat, cougar and bear. The law I could name a half-dozen other grasses of 1898 was unfortunate in containing a that would be better in every way if

saible for the comfort of their guests E. W. W.

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ROGUE RIVER CHORAL UNION.

Fourth Annual Session Begun-One Hundred Singers in Attendance. GRANT'S PASS, Or., March 5.—The Rogue River Valley Choral Union met in Grant's Pass today for its fourth annual

ORATORICAL CONTEST. Agricultural College Making Ready

for Intercollegiate Meet. CORVALLIS, Or. March 5.-Oregon Ag-icultural College is making great preparations for the intercollegiste oratorical contest, which will take place at the Armory Friday evening. Student commit-Armory Friday evening. Student could be tees and members of the faculty will be with the Oregon Agricultural College military band at all trains to meet the

delegates and friends. delegates and friends.

The following colleges have reserved blocks in the Armory which will be decorated in their respective colors: McMinnville, 40 seas; Albany, 70 seats; University of Oregon, 25 seats; Pacific University, 50 seats; Willamette University, 42 seats;

Pacific College, 40 seats; Oregon State Normal School, 40 seats. The Armory, which will be seated to ac-commodate 100 people, will be decorated under the direction of the floral departthe following day, when they will occur in time to jet the visitors leave on the regular trains. Instead of the Friday afternoon games, the cadets will give an exhibition of light artillery and infantry practice in sham battle specially arranged

for the occasion. After the contest the delegates will be banqueted at Cauthorn Hall, where representatives of the various colleges will respond to toasts relative to the greater unity of college work in Oregon.

\$15,000 SCHOOLHOUSE VOTED. Baker City Will Build a Third Brick structure.

BAKER CITY, March 5.—Baker City taxpayers have voted to construct a third large brick schoolhouse. Only last year a \$15,000 brick was completed on the east side of Powder River. A fine two-story brick on the west side is used for high school and grammar grade. Besides these two small buildings that had been put on the retired list have been called into service this Winter, and complaint is made of lack of room. The directors called a meeting of the taxpayers to ballot on issuing \$15,000 additional bonds for another brick building, and were authorized by almost unanimous vote to go ahead. Work will be commenced in due time, that the building may be ready for use the coming term. It will be located

in the southern end of the city. An election of School Directors will be held March 11. One vacancy is caused by expiration of a term, and two new Directors are to be chosen, in conformity with the law recently enacted. No par-tisan issues are involved in the contest, and little interest is being taken.

Forest Grove Lighting Contract. FOREST GROVE, Or., March &-At a meeting of the City Council today a 10 contract was awarded to Haines for furnishing an electric light and water system at \$1920 per year. Illumina-tion will be by means of incandescent lights which will burn all night, instead supposed unconstitutional feature in levy-ing a special tax of one cent per head So far as I know, no other grass can be by arc lights to burn until midnight.

citizens of Pendleton are doing everything possible for the comfort of their guests takes the seat vacated by Senator Kenpany I, Oregon Volunteers, which answered the first call to the Philippines. ny in the third middle row of the Demo-Second Lieutenant Fred Humphreys was

BCARROLL

Representative Tongue, with his two daughters, left this morning for home. They expect to make a through trip. It is generally understood that F. H.

Richards, of Whatcom, Wash., is now fully commissioned as Marshal of the Second District of Alaska. His nomination was confirmed some weeks ago, but was suspended on motion of Senator Stewart, on the ground that the office was super fluous. The general understanding prevalls that with the close of the session Stewart's action loses force, and the confirmation holds good, it not having been revoked by the Senate. Mr. Richards will leave Washington for his new post the

last of this week. It is generally believed that C. W. Ide, of Tacoma, now in Washington, is here Customs for the Puget Sound district, to succeed Colonel Hustic, whose term is about to expire. Mr. Ide has the backing of some of the members of the Washing-

ton delegation. Senator Foster has had assurances that within a short time a Presidential procamation will be issued excluding from the Washington forest reserve all the agricultural lands in Methew Valley. Early action is probable in this instance because of the abundance of information now on file regarding the character of the lands

RURAL MAIL WILL SOON COME. Salem Service Delayed by Protests

of Discontinued Officers. SALEM, Or., March 5.-Salem's free rural mail delivery system seems slow in starting active operations. It was at first understood that the system would be installed by the middle of January, but time has sped along until now it seems ment of the Agricultural College. As the entire day will be necessary for this work, the indoor games have been postponed till that the farmers of the region surrounding Salem will not have the benefit of free delivery before April 1, or later. It is un-derstood that the delay has been occasioned by protests against the abolishment of some of the country posterfices. whose patrons will be supplied by the rural carriers. Assurance is given, how-ever, that this is a delay only, and that the carriers will eventuallly be started on their various routes. As the busy season is now on, when farmers cannot well spare the time of themselves or horses to make trips to town, the rural service will be highly appreciated.

City Council Meeting.

The Salem City Council tonight directed the City Recorder to repay to owners of nickel-in-the-slot machines all license fees paid by them for a period extending over the time when the new law went into effect. The amount of rebate is about 170.

The Council ordered the Chief of Police and Street Commissioner to conduct a vigorous campaign against all liverymen, restaurant-keepers and others who permit

filth to collect in alleys. F. R. Anson, who was last Summer granted a franchise to install an electric light plant by April 1, asked an extension of time until August 1. Anson has given a \$5000 bond, conditioned upon his having his plant in operation by April and the Council seems disposed not to extend the time unless a new bond is given. The matter was referred for legal investigation. The Yew Park hose company was granted leave to move No. 3 engine-house

from North Salem to Yew Park. Committed to Jail. A. T. Zumwalt, the Turner blacksmith who was recently held under \$500 ball to answer to the charge of incest with his 18-year-old daughter, was tonight com-mitted to the County Jali because the bond he offered was not satisfactory to the Justice of the Peace.

Stolen Horse Recovered. Sheriff Frank W. Durbin this afterno received a telephone message from Mc-Minnville, stating that H. F. Jory had recovered the horse that was stolen from him in this city last week. Recorder N. J. Judah today continued the prelimi-

First Lieutenant of the company is Leigh-Delegates to State Grange. convention of Clackamas County granges was held here today for the purpose of electing delegates to the state grange, which meets at Albany, May 28.
About 50 representatives were present.
The following were elected: John Stormer, of Springwater: T. R. A. Sellwo Milwaukie; J. W. Thomas, of Milwaukie. Alternates, James Shibley, of Springwater; Mrs. M. J. Roberts, of Milwaukie, and G. R. Miller, of Highland,

re-elected Treasurer of the company

At Oregon City. OREGON CITY, Or., March 5.-The annual school meeeting was held last night. The Clerk's financial report showed that the receipts from all sources for the year just closed were \$14.387 56. Teachers' scalaries amounted to \$6407 40, and the total disbursements, \$14,387 56, leaving a balance in the treasury of 71 cents. The liabilities of the district are \$14,270, and consist of \$8000 6 per cent bonds, due July 1, 1912; \$8000 due December 1, 1916, and \$2270 in notes. The total number of children enumerated in the district was 1190, nine

less than last year.
Objection was made by some of the taxpayers to the 7-mill tax levied this year instead of 6, as hertofore. The board ex-plained that it was made with the un-derstanding that the total assessment of the county was \$500,000 less than last year, but it was shown at the meeting held last night that the reduction was only about \$80,000. The surplus will be used in paying off the floating indebtedness. The school district will hold its annual election next Monday

Suburban districts held elections last night as follows: Canemah-Director, O. C. Rose; Clerk, Samuel Stevens. West Oregon City-Director, C. A. McMillan: clerk, T. J. Gary. Park Place-Director, J. T. Apperson; Clerk, George T. Howard. Willamette Falls-Director, C. A. Miller: Clerk, O. F. Olson. Clackamas Station-Director, E. C. Chapman; Clerk, E. P.

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