to \$1773 47; assets, \$869. Fred T. Merril

property.

The suit of Malvina Braak against the

Eagles Fraternal Insurance Society, to re-cover \$1000 on the life of her husband

ate of her husband, Samuel B. Parrish, leceased, has commenced sult against C.

eges was advanced to him by S. B. Par-ish in the years 1896 and 1897, and has

The Espey Real Estate Company has brought suit in the State Circuit Court

against Frederick Proebstel to reform a

the defendant made a deed to Wendell

At the regular meeting of the Portland

Water Committee yesterday Chairman Corbett presided, and Messrs, Haseltine, Josephi, Kohn, Ladd, Lewis, Raffety,

A communication was presented by the

gatekeepers and watchmen at the head

works and reservoirs, asking for an in-

crease in their salaries. They stated that the expenses of living had increased about

25 per cent within the past year or two, and that they were required to be on duty 12 hours every day in the week. They

asked for an increase of 15 per cent in their pay. Those of them who are fur-

nished with dwellings free receive \$55 per

month, and the others \$65 per month. Some time ago it was arranged that the night men and those employed in the day-

time exchange places every alternate month, so that the work and the wages

were equalized, to the great satisfaction

of all concerned.

The work is not arduous, but is confin-

ing and requires constant attention. Re-quests for an increase of salary have been made several times before, but, as one of

the members remarked, "the committee had studiously evaded granting any raise," On motion of Josephi the petition was re-

ferred to the operating committee for in-vestigation and report.

The operating committee submitted their

report of the operation of the works for the month of January, showing receipts

Remainder paid to Treasurer \$22,456 01

In regard to a communication from the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of

Sunnyside, asking if the committee would

furnish water free for a drinking foun-tain if the committee would provide a

ountain, the records were produced to

show that a resolution was adopted by the committee some years ago, declaring

erected under the authority of the city

and be the property of the city. The city

has a drinking fountain, which was placed

engines on account of the railroad tracks and switches on it, but it could be crossed

The necessary petitions for such im-provements were passed to the Fire Com-missioners with the petition. Yesterday the Fire Commissioners sent back the pe-

titions and the accompanying documents,

owners who had signed the petitions for

the improvement of the cross streets were

Henry Weinhard, S. Saneheimer and F. Page. On motion of Teal the whole matter was laid on the table.

Petitions for mains on East Salmon and

East Burnside streets were referred to the

The operating committee presented the

following report in regard to the drainage tunnels at the City Park, which had been

submitted to them by Engineer D. D.

The flow of water from the drainage tunnels

The flow of water from the drainings tunnels at the City Park has about doubled in volume during the past two weeks, and now amounts to from 60,000 to 70,000 gallons per day. Only about one-half of this amount, however, comes from the upper portion of the tunnel west of shaft 1, the remainder entering largely from shaft 18 and the tunnel near reservoir 4.

shaft 18 and the tunnel near reservoir 4. The survey of the monument lines made during the early part of the month indicate no appreciable change from conditions heretofore reported. At several points on two different lines an apparent movement of .02 foot is no-

ticed since the last survey. An examination shows that the surface at these points slopes

apidly to the eastward, and as the ground has

rapidly to the eastward, and as the ground has been frozen during the month to quite a depth, it is thought that the change noted is entirely due to the heaving action of the frost.

It is also observed that where the surface is nearly level no such change has taken place, and neither do the points observed along bed

ock in the tunnel indicate any movement

As the surface of the sliding ground is now

As the surface of the studing ground is now thoroughly saturated with water, and the drainage tunnels are being subjected to the most trying conditions of any period since their

completion, I am pleased to be able to report

that such satisfactory progress is being made.

GOOD MONEY ON BAD CHECKS

Saloon Men Give Up and Now Seek

Smooth-Talking German.

alias Lind, a smooth-talking German musician, who is wanted to answer a

charge of passing alleged bogus checks for \$20 at the Owl saloon, Third street near Burnside, and for \$15 at the New

Cyclone saloon, northeast corner of First and Morrison streets. The check artist is about 40 years old, and he speaks Rus-

sian and German with fluency. About the end of last week he was the star at-

traction at several Third-street saloons, and-stated that he was traveling repre-sentative of a San Francisco music house, but was short of funds on ac-

count of delayed remittance. He was one of the patrons of the Owl dance hall, and

displayed two or three tuning forks as a

guarantee that he was in the music

business.

Last Saturday evening, after he had paid for several drinks, he told W. F. Geisler, of the Owl saloon, that he would

the First National Bank cashed for \$20.

Mr. Geisler gave the money with reluctance, as Lind, as he then represented

himself to be, was a complete stranger to him. But here Lind's power as a conversationalist shone, and the money was forthcoming. Lind immediately spent over \$4 in drinks, and departed full sail for the New Cyclone saloon, where he had to the converse of the converse of

induced Wahigren & Backstrom to cash one of his checks for \$15, using the name

of Weiss on that occasion. Next day

of Weiss on that occasion. Next day, Sunday, Weiss patronized both saloons and gave all of his acquaintances the glad hand. But on the day following he knew that the checks he had given would be taken to the bank where his fine financial work would be discovered,

be obliged if he could get a check

The police are searching for E. Weiss

perating committee.

with a statement that the only property

if the cross streets were improved.

to the thirsty, free.

and expenditures as follows:

Scott and Ten! were present.

W. Parrish to recover \$500, which she al-

not been repaid.

cover \$1000 on the life of her hust Rheinhard Brank, deceased, was

NO IMPROVEMENT IS PROMISED

In Letter to the Chamber of Com merce President of O. R. & N. Explains Company's Position-Trustees Not Satisfied.

A letter from Provident Mohler, of the R. & N., furnished interesting reading at yesterday's meeting of the trustees of the Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Mohler expressed himself forcefully and gently. He said the company is giving good service and the business does not warrant any more rugs. Moreover he did not believe that the investigation by the trustees was made in the best way, either "to serve the public good or to promote har-

ony of commercial interests." The agliaton over the recent resolution by the trustees in favor of admission to not discussed. Members of the board present were. S. M. Mears, W. B. Ayer, W. J. Burns, W. S. Sthan, this country of Chinese "merchants" was W. J. Burns, W. S. Sibson, Adolphe Wolfe, L. A. Lewis, F. M. Warren and Lewis Russell, F. T. Williams was present part of the session.

Mr. Mohler's letter said in substance

that the comparison of the trustees be tween the number of tugs at the mouth of the Columbia and at Puget Sound is unfair: that the bar tugs operate only be-tween Astoria and the sea, whereas the tugs at Paget Sound tow as far as to Tacoma and Otympia, and also to Britteh Columbia ports, that the maximum tow of the two tuns on the Columbia bar is 25 miles, and that at Puget Sound be tween 100 and 200 miles; that the three or four river rugs here are not counted in the comparison: that the source of the discontent is the bar, and not the O. R. & N.; that the company does not feel bound to effect the bar with a flotilla of tugs; that the O. R. & N. would readily retire from the tug service; that the company is in the business solely to equalize char-tens with Puget Sound; that the company will not increase the service unti business shall compensate for it. The let-ter concludes by saying that the O. R. & ter concludes by saying tool to.

N has always co-operated with any effort oward improvement of the river and our, and desires to continue doing so. Mr. Mobiler expressed a degree to meet the in conference at any time they

might appoint. The sentiment of the trustees was that Mr. Mohler had not met them squarely on the facts of their resolution. They desired to give the subject the fullest con-sideration, and therefore referred the letter to the transportation committee. The argument that the tunboats are operated at a loss was not regarded as entirely valld. It was maintained that there is no business in which some departments are not conducted at a loss.

Want an American Register.

communication was read from the Gray Steamship Company. It asked for ort of the chamber for a bill to grant American registry to the steamship Manauense. The vessel was in the Gov-ernment transport service in the late war. The letter was referred to the navigation

A letter was read from the Studebaker Company. The letter asked the trustees to commend a speech of G. H. Maxwell. executive chairman of the National Irrigation Committee, in favor of Government work in irrigation. The matter was referred to the advertising committee Secretary Reed reported that the Spo-kane Chamber of Commerce has taken no

ction in regard to the petition sent out The secretary of for open rivers. Spokage body has received 10 copies of the petition, which he has promised to attend to when he gets time. He made the promise a month ago, and is as hard up for time as ever. It was decided to have the 10 copies turned over to Henry M. Richards, of Spokane, who, it was thought, would circulate them for signa-

How Advertising Does Good. The question of advertising Portland in a special Great edition of a San Francisco

was refererd to the advertising Mr. Wolfe, chalrman of the committee, embraced the occasion to denion as to the advantage of advertising. He was a strong believer in But he had no faith in cheap advertising, nor in desultory adver-tising. He regarded it better to use a certain sum of money in one or a few venthe Chamber of Commerce work hand in hand with the advertising committee of the Lewis and Clark Centennial. The need of a booklet for immigration

and sneams for supplying new literature left to the advertising committee The membership committee reported facombly the names of applicants for membership read at the last meeting of the

question of a telegraph cable to Hagrament or not, was deferred for the pres-

maneut exhibit committée as follows: J. F. Batchelder, R. Livingston, A. H. Dev-

ers, H. Wittenberg and S. B. Cobb. MR. MOHLER'S LETTER.

Why the O. R. & N. Does Not Maintain Better Bar Service.

The full text of President Mohier's let-r to the Chamber of Commerce is as

For September, October, Nove ref september, betoner, November and De-cember, 1981, and January, 1982 five months, there were 193 daylight tides and 173 night tides. Assuming we were able to work all of the daylight tides we would only be able to work 43 per cent of the total daylight and night tides.

During the months of November and Decem ber, 1901, and Januars, 1902, three months, the Wallula lowed in and out 60 ships, and the Tanoosh 50 ships. The Wallula towed 54 per cent of the total number handled. It may be interesting to you to know that the usual tow-ing time of the Tanoosh is three hours and of the Wallula three hours and 10 minutes.

Turing the calcular year 1900 147 deep-sea.

the Wallula three hours and lo minutes.

During the calcular year 1960 147 deep-sea salling vessels arrived and 130 departed. Of the 147 entering the river 15 salled in with favorable winds, nor requiring the use of a tug-nor was there any neglect on the tugs' part. Of the 150 departing, four salled out for the same reasons, representing a total of less than 7 per cent of the total shipping handled for

the entire year.

During the months of September, October,
November and December, 1961, and January,
1962, out of 155 days there were 47 days when
the har was smooth, 30 per cent; 47 days modcrate, 30 per cent; 56 days rough, 36 per cent; erate, 30 per cent; 56 days rough, 36 per cent; one day obscured and two days no report. As an example of what rough means, when the Tatoosh towed in the Tarocabek she was swept fore and aft, the crew being in the rigging, and the master on top of the charthouse, drepched through. You will also bear in mind that, netwithstanding all these difficulties, the pilots and tugs have taken these ships in and cent maintenance.

The O. R. & N. Co. has two competent tugs The O. R. & N. Co. has two competent tugs which should make on a night and day service 50 miles each, or 1500 miles per month, towing a maximum distance of 25 miles; while on Pugot Sound they make 3000 miles per month per tug, and are obliged to tow from 100 to 200 miles. Please bear in mind that we have two tugs in active service, while at the present time the Puget Sound tugboat service has only eight. Also hear in mind that we only tow to and from Astoria and the sea, while the Puget Sound tugboats tow to and from Port Townsend, Port Hadiock, Whatcom, Fairhaven, Blaine, Port Ludlow, Port Gamble, Port Blakely, Ballard, Everett, Scattle, Tacoma and

Olympia, as well as to British Columbia ports, and it frequently occurs that tows are made between the various ports mentioned, as well as to Alaska. This is the only tug service on Puget Sound, and serves both American and British territory, covering a larger water territory than any other harbor in the United States or British America. The average time from Tacoma to the sea is 24 hours; Seattle to the sea, 29 hours.

Only propellers handle ships on Puget Sound.

Only propellers handle ships on Puget Sound. Only properliers names ships on ruget source. You have apparently taken no notice of our towboat system between Portland and Astoria in making your comparisons.

The neglect of the people of the state whose place it is to look after suitable appropriations for the deepening of the Columbia River barks and the reason still for the greent difficulties.

for the deepening of the Columbia River bar is solely responsible for the present difficulties.

The O. R. & N. Co., as you may know, is towing the ships from Portland to the sea, while private individuals are design the work on Puget Sound and San Francisco. The necessity for the O. R. & N. Co. to do this work was to equalize charters as against Puget Sound and to prevent extortionate charges in the towing of ships and to retain the grain business legitimate to this port.

the towing of ships and to retain the grain business legitimate to this port.

For your information, the towage and bar service has been operated, since my connection with this property, at an absolute loss, solely for the protection of your interests as well as the interests of the railroad company. I have no doubt but that, if you will agree to see that no extortionate rates are made, our company can easily be persuaded to retire from doing this business, as we have never yet received a new dollar for an old one.

mew dollar for an old one.

The O. R. & N. Co. has no objection to private enterprise putting on tugs, but it cannot afford to maintain an excess of its present service until increased business justifies it, nor will it continue its service if other interests are encouraged to democratic what is already are encouraged to demoralize what is already an unprofitable service. Neither will we, un-der such circumstances, hold ourselves respon-sible for a marked change of conditions should products find other markets, for should there be no improvements made in the Columbia River har the seconds. oubtedly, will seek an outlet elsewhere

doubtedly, will seek an outlet elsewhere. You will please bear in mind that this company has operated solely and distinctively in the interests of the Columbia River, and for no other port, and I am led to conclude from the resolutions passed by your Chamber of Commerce, upon the results of your investigation in which we were not called upon for the facts resarding our business, and in which you constituted yourselves judge and jury, tried and convicted us without a hearing, that an investigation so clandestinely made is not the best mode to serve the public good, or to promote harmony of commercial interests.

With the proper descending of the bar, and

With the proper despening of the bar, and lighting it so we can operate day and night, as sighting it so we can operate day and night, as other ports do, we could have handled with our present tugs, without any congestion whatever, during the months of November and December, 1991, and January, 1992, 363 ships, while we actually handled during that period 130 ships. There were handled in and out over the bar during the calendar year 1901, 277 ships, so during the year, without difficulty, we could have handled in the property of th have handled more than the combined tonnag of Portland and Puget Sound with our tw

system, or some other, will be established on all sailers and tugs. Its advantage on the columbia River is obvious.

The Navigation Company does not feel called upon to maintain a fietilia of bur tugs at the mouth of the Columbia River to offset the failure of the Government and state to perform its share of the work.

I am aware that complaints are frequently am aware that complaints are frequently made by skip captains who claim to have been within sight of the bar, many of them for the reason that, having made slow passages, they try to throw the responsibility on home companies so as to prove they are fast sullers, desirable ships and that our service here was inefficient. You will also bear in mind that it is much fairer to believe the records who are leemerical. You will also bear in mind that it is much fairer to believe the people who are located in your community and who have their capital invested here, and who will insist in giving the best possible service, rather than to believe the atories of the majority of ship captains who have no interests at stake.

You will recall that this company has always conserved with you in every way was will.

operated with you in every way possible for a improvement of the river and the lar-When the river and harbor come we furnished free special trains and boats from Lewiston to Astoria; also other commercial bodies at your request. The company was also ursed to have urged to have a representative on the naviga-tion committee of the Chamber of Commerce, tion committee of the Chamber of Commerce, and declined because it thought it was for your best interests that it should not be represented, but offered to co-operate to bring about mutual practical results. In view of this, and the establishment of an Asiatic steamship line, which has been operated at a heavy loss, i sine as a great surprise that you should hav

r you have investigated the facts proted in this letter, you desire a conference, I did be pleased to meet you at any time it is agreeable, to co-operate with you for practical uni improvement of navigation affecting you as much as us.

PAYMENT OF THE REWARD expenses of the deceased and high mass. It Must First Be Determined Who Is Entitled to It.

PORTLAND, Feb. 18 - (To the Editor.) For the information of the public generally would you kindly explain what tech nicality of law compelled the authorities offering the reward for the arrest and conviction of the murderers of Mr. Morrow, to place it in the hands of the courts for distribution?

The action in offering the reward was most commendable and unanimously ap-proved by the people. It was the people's money, however, and it is a question if they do not now quite as unanimously disprove the method adopted for its disbursement, it being very evident that the result will be but a remnant, if any, of the \$500 will ever find its way into the descrying persons' pockets by the time the lawyers are through wrangling over it. It seems that the county authorities and District Attorney between them should have been competent and able to learn who gave the desired information, and with gratitude promptly turned

over every cent of the money to who ever was entitled to it. Does it not look like humbug, which is perhaps too mild an expression to use! The public do not relish being humbugged areat deal in a case of this nature, be sides the unfavorable effect such a presides the unfavorable effect such a preccdent may have on any future
case where it may be found
necessary to, offer a reward for
the purpose of securing similar information, there being no surety that the informer will be protected in what, in all
fairness, he or she should be fully entitled to. titled to.

S. W. R. Two persons have filed claims to this reward, and the legal right to it can be ascertained and settled only through the court. If the county had paid it to one of the claimants it might be forced on adjudication to pay to the other.

BOARD OF TRADE TO MEET Various Topics of Importance to be Discussed Tonight.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Trade will be held tomorrow night at the Oregon Mining Exchange. The session will begin at 7:30 o'clock. An insurance committee will be appointed. The sub ject of insurance rates in connection with the new survey of underwriters, will come up for discussion. Members for the committee, recommended by the executive committee are: Samuel Connell, W. J. Clemens, and N. W. Rountree. The subject of a fireboat will also receive at-tention. The Board will consider a project for establishment of a factory here for the manufacture of farm implements. The mateer of open street-cars running in Winter time will come up. Government mail and transport service with the Philippines will be looked into. The sentiment is that mail should be dispatched to Manila by the Portland-Oriental line of steamships, inasmuch as it is done from Tacoma and Seattle, and this

city has equally good transportation fa-cilities. It is desired that as many of the subboards of trade as possible be represented at the meeting. Sub-boards may have as many representatives as they have mem berships in the central board

Receiver for Building Association. TRENTON, N. J., Feb. 18.—Chancellor Magle today appointed Louis J. Schenck. of Somerville, receiver for the Washing-ton County Co-operative Bank, a building and loan association of Newark. The application was made by the Department of Banks and Insurance,

UNFAIR BANNERS BARRED

TEMPORARY INJUNCTION RE-STRAINS WAITERS' ALLIANCE.

Judges George and Cleland Decide Custom Violates Restaurateurs' Rights-Judge Sears Dissents.

The Walters' Alliance is no longer to unfair banners in front taurants, the proprietors of which have

refused to sign the union agreement.

Judge George yesterday rendered a de cision granting a temporary injunction in the case of A. J. Hall, of the Palace restaurant, against the Walters' Alliance Judge Cleland concurred in the opinion and Judge Sears, who has heretofore twice decided to the contrary, dissented. Judge Frazer did not sit in the case.

Judge George, in passing upon the case. said: "The banner here is not one car-ried in some public procession to influence or educate in some public purpose, but in the nature of a menace, and a threat to the proprietor of the house before which it is displayed either to submit to a loss of patronage or to demands of the carrier of the banner.

"However well meaning the display of this banner may be, its tendency is naturally to attract attention and injure the business of the plaintiff, to intimidate his employes and customers and through its menace to force him into an abdication of rights which the law accords him to manage hir own business in his own way, and compet him ultimately to accede to the demands of others therein, and being in front of and on his premises, its continuance constitutes to him a private nulrance which he has a right to have abated. While acceding fully to the rights of

all legithnate or lawful means to protect labor rights and interests of its members, yet the law must accord to plaintiff his legal right to run his restaurant the same

waiters to form an alliance, and through

volved. If one annoying banner can be maintained on one's premises, others can e added, and if at a place of business. then also at homes, and our streets and front yards can become tramping grounds for all kinds of marching and evolutions squads or otherwise.
"It would be a mistake to assume that

ne can do anything in a street because it is a public highway. The public right in a highway is to pass and repass—a mere easement, as it were—and if one uses the street for any other than a proper purpose of 'ravel, the owner of the soil is purpose of travel, the owner of the soil is entitled to the rights he possessed before

the highway was made.

"The inscription on this banner is calculated to offend. It publishes to the traveling public and to the employes of the plaintiff that the plaintiff is an unfair man. The inscription on the banner, in our opinion, is a direct attack upon the business of the plaintiff.

of workingmen for the purpose of furthering their interest and maintaining good wages is in perfect ac-cord with public policy, and has the sanc-tion of law, and there are many good features about these organizations, but they have no right to conspire or combine to destroy any man's legitimate business by unlawful means. Every one has a right to have his business protected."
At the argument of the case Henry St.

Rayner appeared as counsel for Hall: Richard Williams represented E, House as attorney, and W. D. Fenton appeared as attorney for Watson Bros. Judge George referred to numerous de-cisions covering the points at issue,

WILL OF RICHARD HALEY. Decensed Leaves \$8800 to Be Distributed in Various Bequests.

The will of Richard Haley, deceased, was admitted to probate in the County Court yesterday, and Thomas Whalen and Thomas Callaghan, who are named in the trument, were appointed executors. The estate is appraised at \$8800.

will provides that the executors expend not to exceed \$400 for funeral and \$600 for a tombstone. To the pastor of St. Patrick's Church \$100 is devised for masses. To Kate Haley, a sister residing at Cambridge, Mass., \$1000 is bequeathed. Among the following nephews and nieces \$1000 is to be distributed in equal parts Mrs. Kate Wells and Mrs. Mary Foley, Boston; Dennis J. Haley, Cambridge, Macs.: Mary Haley and Mollie Gilmartin, Cincienati, and also her brother, name and residence unknown.

To Rev. Martin J. Foley, Somerset, O. 5100 for his own use, and to Miss Mary Donohue, Woodstock, \$150. The rest and residue of the estate is devised to Kate

MOTION FOR NEW TRIAL,

Judge Bellinger Decides Against

Bunker Hill & Sullivan Company. A motion for a new trial in the case of G. Kettleson vs. the Bunker Hill & Sul-livan Mining Company was argued before Judge Bellinger in the United States Court yesterday. The motion was denied, and defendants were allowed 29 days in which to file a bill of exceptions, in case they desire to appeal to the United States Circuit Court of Appeals,

Gunderson was dreadfully infured by an accident while in the employ of defend-ants, and brought suit in the United States Court here to recover damages The jury awarded him \$10,000, and it is unlerstood that eight of the jurymen were in favoring of allowing him \$40,000. It is thought scarcely probable that an appeal

SUES LINSEED OIL COMPANY. A. L. MacLeod Seeks to Recover \$367 for Flaxseed and Labor.

A. L. MacLeod yesterday filed suit in the A. L. MacLeon yesterday nice suit in the State Circuit Court against the American Linseed Oil Company, doing business in Portland as the Portland Linseed Oil Works and Pacific Oil & Lead Works, to recover \$3674.

MacLeod alleges in his complaint that he entered into a contract with the de-fendant some time ago to furnish flax seed at a stipulated price, and did so to the extent of about \$16,000. Including labor performed, he avers that the amount sued for is still due and owing, and also

Attachment Suit Dismissed.

The attachment in the suit of Edward E Haller vs. C. Martin Haller, on a life in-surance policy, issued in favor of the father of the litigants, was dissolved by Judge Frazer yesterday, on motion of John F. Logan, attorney for the plaintiff. The suit was brought to recover \$600 on a note given to secure a bond for a deed Mr. Logan contended that the bond had long since been canceled and, therefore the note was not collectible, and in an event that the security had not been rendered migratory.

Decisions Today. Judge Cleland will announce decisions

his morning in the following cases: Frank Melvin vs. H. Schneider; on mer-Joseph Supple vs. Charles O. Hill.

Max Reiter vs. Stewart & Powers; or notion to retax costs.

Articles of Incorporation.

Articles of incorporation of the P. J. Cronin Company were filed in the County Clerk's office yesterday. The objects are to conduct a harness and saddlery business. The incorporators are P. J. Cronin, Ambrose M. Cronin and John W. Cronin The capital stock is \$25,000.

Court Notes.

The inventory of the estate of Harriet intosh coat and a soft hat.

B. Bolles, deceased, was filed yesterday. The property is valued at \$2500. H. W. Manning, of Portland, salesman, yesterday filed a petition in bankruptcy CARE OF PUBLIC INSANE

yesterday nied a petition in banaruptcy in the United States Court. His liabilities amount to \$2866 66; assets, \$75, exempt. Louis Ebling. of Portland, yesterday filed a petition in bankruptcy in the United States Court. His liabilities amount ADDRESS BEFORE CHARITIES AND CORRECTION CONFERENCE.

Dr. S. G. Smith, of St. Paul, on Urwas appointed temporary receiver of his gent Necessity for Reforms in State Asylums.

missed by Judge Frazer yesterday, the case having been settled. Adda Parrish, administratrix of the es-The auditorium of the First Baptist Church was well filled last night for the opening session of the First Oregon State Conference of Charities and Corrections, and the feature of the evening's programme was an address by Dr. S. G. Smith, of St. Paul, Minn., who is president of the State Board of Charitles and Correction of his state. Dr. Smith is a convincing and interesting speaker. and years of work have familiarized him with conditions and results that en-able him to speak with authority upon deed to a parcel of land in the Griswold tract. The complaint recites that in 1857 those subjects nearest his heart. In the work of bettering human kind, and par-ticularly those classes which sooner or Proebstel of an acreage tract, for the consideration of \$1200, and that plaintiff holds a part of it, which is wrongly described in the deed. later become charges upon the state and municipality Dr. Smith is an enthusiast. He has traveled the world over, looking into methods in vogue and investigating the merits and results of each. As a pro-found student of sociological problems. EMPLOYES WANT MORE PAY he is recognized as an authority and listened to with deference. Water Committee Asked to Give a 15 Per Cent Raise.

In the opening remarks Dr. Smith deoted some time to the relation of politics to practical work of charity and re-form. He said that under the American system of rotation of office, it was im-possible that a Governor should be ac-quainted with the best methods for caring for state charges. He said that the greater part of a state's revenues was spent in caring for the dependent, insane, and defective of its population, and that a non-partisan State Board of Charities and Correction, divorced absolutely from politics was the best solution to the prob-lem. He pleaded for the establishment of such boards, and their maintenance forever separate from the turmoil and un-certainty of political partisanship. He cited the situation abroad where local boards act under power delegated by the general government, and he submitted figures to show a far greater percentge of good accomplished there than in this country.

"You have no right," declared Dr. Smith, "to ask a physician to be ap-pointed to care for the insane what his solities are." The larger part of Dr. Smith's address was devoted to the prob-lem of insane asylums, their methods and evils of present workings which should be eradicated. Incidentally he proceeded to tear the "gospel of heredity" to tatters, "As a matter of fact heredity in human beings amounts to this: We are born either weak or strong. Man is of all animals the least affected by heredity. The Children's Ald Society, of New York, made an experiment with a generation of children gathered from the slums, the streets, and from haunts of shame. These babes were sent to the states of the Middle West, and there set down in communities of normal peo-ple. Those little rascals from the slums have grown up and averaged as well as the rest of the people with whom they were reared. One slum child is Governor of a state today, others are judges, and many have reached heights of distinction in various paths of life, Doesn't this

it to be the sense of the committee that water shall be furnished free of charge only to such public fountains as should be disprove heredity?
"Healthy parentige is a better heritage than souls of saints, in sickly bodies. The education of the child is the greatest consideration. Put them in the kinderin a warehouse because it leaked, and by agreement with the Board of Public Works it is likely that this fountain will be repaired at the cost of the city and erected in Sunnyside, to furnish drink gartens when they are four years old, give them proper associations, and they will return with the influence of the school to the tenements, and perhaps unconsciously, but never the less potent-A petition for a water main on East First street, to provide fire protection to neighbors. Don't tear the child from its mother. A baby will get along better with a few tattered rags of mother love the warehouse district, was some time ago referred to the Fire Commissioners, with a statement that if the cross streets than in the cleanest best-managed institution in the country.
"I want to say something of our instiwere improved so that engines could get to such a main to take water, it would be laid. East First street is impassable to

tutions for the insane. The trouble with these is the phrase 'per capita.' States must be educated to the truth that they can save more by spending more. It is better to pay \$300 per capita a year for three years than \$150 a year for 20 years. Alienists have said that insanity is cura-ble within the first two years if curable at all. After that the malady reaches the chronic stage, and except in rare in-stances there is no recovery. We should exert our utmost efforts during the first two years. Detention hospitals should be established between the homes and the asylums. Convalescent hospitals should be maintained to receive the pa-tient after he is discharged that he need not return to the surroundings from which he came, and which may have been the cause of his insanity. The problem is the prevention of insanity." Dr. Smith was listened to with rapt attention, and at the close was enthus-lastically applauded. He told interesting stories to illustrate the facts he wished impressed, and told much of his travels

abroad while investigating sociological problems in Europe.

Mayor Rowe made a brief address of welcome, in which he dwelt upon the importance of the conference which was assembled, and wished it success in its

deliberations.

Thomas N. Strong read a splendid address setting forth the objects of the con-ference, in which he reviewed the necessity for continued efforts along socio-logical lines, and he presented statistics to show the constant need for such work. He told how politicians use power to allow violaters to wink at the laws in return for which allegiance at the polls was demanded, and he drew a convincing picture of the misery and degradation of the section of the city given over to vice and sin.

Mrs. Walter Reed and Mrs. Rose Bloch Bauer were present and rendered a delightful musical programme. Each sang a solo, and the evening's session was brought to a close by the duet "Oh, That We Two Were Maying," and it was nec-essary to respond to an encore before the applause ceased,

Three Sessions Today. There will be three sessions of the Con terence of Charities and Correction at the First Baptist Church today, all of which will be of great interest. Different subjects will be considered at each session, and those who have expended much time

are anxious to know if such a gathering will be appreciated in the state. There are no fees to be paid and all the com-mittee asks is the presence of citizens and their cooperation at the different sessions. The first session wil be at 9:30 A. M., and after the temporary organiza-tion the following programme will be

given: Address of Welcome—Rev. A. Blackburn.
"The Catholic Charities of Oregon"—Rev.
Father Black.
Discussion.

"Co-operation of Those Engaged in the Re-formation of Juvenile Offenders"-Professor W. L. Cummings, principal of the educational de-partment of the Oregon State Reform School. At the afternoon session, at 2 o'clock, J. D. Lee will present a paper on "Modern Care of the Criminal." "Care of the Inwill be the subject of Dr. lamson, assistant superintendent of Ore gon State Penitentiary, and a discussion will folow. "Work of Charity Organiza-tion in Portland," by W. R. Walpole, sec-

retary of the City Board of Charities, and cussion, will close the session. The discussion of these papers will be followed by the permanent organization of the Conference for the ensuing year. The night session will be devoted to the consideration of the care of children The work of the Children's Home, Bab Home and the Boys' and Girls' Aid So ciety will be discussed and improvements in the methods suggested. The pro-gramme will be as follows:

"What Shall Be Done With Our Feeble-Mind-ed Children"-Clayton Wentz, M. A., superin-tendent Oregon School for the Deaf. Violin solo-"In Memoriam" (Victor F. Aus-

tin), Mrs. G. Kuhn; accompanist, Miss Lo "Duty of the State to Its Dependent Chil-dren"-Mrs. George C. Brownell, of Oregon

"Hush, My Little One" (E. Bevignani) Miss Kathleen Lawler; accompanist, "The Care of Homeless, Neglected, Abused, Dependent and Delinquent Children of the State"—W. T. Gardner, superintendent of the Boys' and Girls' Aid Society of Oregon.

Discussion.
Solo-"The Holy City" (Adams), H. G. B. Wilson; Miss Ella Mildred Connell, accompanist. Adjournment.

Chicago Bank Amalgamation. CHICAGO, Feb. 18.-The Post says to-

"The Corn Exchange Bank announced unofficially today the absorption of the Merchants' National Bank. The report came as a great surprise to financiers in the city, who had no idea that the gen eral progress of bank amalgamation wou affect these prominent institutions. Official announcement of the deal will be made tomorrow. The Corn Exchange Bank is capitalized at \$2,000,000, with a surplus of \$1,000,000, and \$500,000 undivided profits. The Merchants' National has a capital of \$1,000,000,"

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DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

PORTLAND, Feb. 18.-8 P. M.-Maximum temperature, 57; minimum temperature, 42; river reading at 11 A. M., 9.5 feet; change in the past 24 hours, 0.0; total precipitation, 5 P. M. to 5 P. M., 0.02 inch; total precipitation since Sept. 1, 1901, 23.45 inches; normal bretation since Sept. 1, 1901, 30,46 inches; de-ncy, 7,01 inches; total sunshine Feb. 17, ; possible sunshine Feb. 17, 10:30. cipitation sir PACIFIC COAST WEATHER.

STATIONS.	Max. temp	_3	Wind.		100
		ast 12 hours	Velocity	Direction	weather
Astoria	56	0.00	1	NE	Cloudy
Baker City Bismarck	- 1	0,00	8	311	Clear
Blamarck		10.000	0	W	Clear
Roise Eureka	100	0.00	4	SW	Cloudy
Tallery Conserved	400	49 (36)	20		Pt. cloudy
Helena B. C	38	6.00		E	Cloudy
Neah Bay	49	0.02	· rail	10	Cloudy
Pocatello	461	0.02		N E	Pt. clouds
Portland	57	0.00		15	Cloudy
Red Hluff	4518	0.00		S	Clear
Roseburg	- 58	0,00	1.5	11.	Cloudy
Sacramento	493	00.00	15	NW	Clear
Salt Lake	40			W	Cloudy
San Francisco	- (60)	0,00		W	Clear
Spokane	(50)	0.00		S	Pt. cloudy
Seattle	- 1 34	19.00	37	W	Cloudy
Walla Walla		(0.00)		II.	Clear

WEATHER CONDITIONS.

*Light. **Trace.

Except a few light showers along the Washington and Oregon coasts and a rather heavy fall of snow in Southeastern Idaho, no precipi-tation of consequence has fallen during the ast 24 hours in the states west of the Hocky

Mountains.
The temperature in the North Pacific States is from 5 to 10 degrees above the normal.
The indications are for fair weather in this listrict Wednesday east of the Cascade Mount-ains, and showers to the west of this range. WEATHER FORECASTS.

Forecasts made at Portland for the 28 hours ending at midnight Wednesday, February 19: Portland and vicinity—Showers, with southrly winds

erly winds.

Western Oregon and Western Washington—
Showers; southerly winds.

Eastern Oregon and Southern Idaho—Fair; ariable winds Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho-Cloudy and occasionally threatening; cooler in Southeast Washington; southeast winds.

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CENTENNIAL SITE.

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The beautiful groves of cedars and firs that stand on this proposed site cannot be produced in a few years and cannot be matched anywhere. The trees in one three-acre grove are 100 feet, without a limb, and stand on grounds once cleared. Think of the amazement of the Eastern people as they stroll through these groves of evergreen trees of such uniform size.

The exposition can do no more for University Park than University Park can do for the exposition. The exposition can be of no permanent benefit to University Park, except as it shall be a benefit to the Northwest in general. We soon will have the Portland Railway street-car line, the City & Suburban electrified, Bull Run water, bridge over the Columbia, O. R. & N. to St. Johns, drydock, new university buildings, new business blocks, factories and docks along the water front that will give employment to thousands of men. What more do we want?-Homes and home builders.

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