WANT NO CHINESE

Commissioners Report to Dominion Parliament.

DEAL WITH BRITISH COLUMBIA

Celestials Retard Desirable White Immigrants, and Their Presence Is a Menace to the Industrial Peace of Community.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Feb. 27.—A special dispatch from Ottawa says:

The Chinese report presented to Parliament today covers 800 pages of typewriting. The conclusion which the Commissioners arrived at is that Chinese retard white immigrants who would make good citizens and settlers. It is said that the presence of Chinese is dangerous to the industrial peace of the community where they reside. They carry away to their own country all their earnings, and spend little or nothing in Canada. In the opinion of the Commissioners it is impossible for the Province of British Columbia to take its place and part in the Dominion unless its population is free from any taint of servile labor, and is imbued with a sense of duties and responsibilities appertaining to citizenship. The Commissioners approve of the views of the Legislature of British Columbia as to the grave injury that would follow an influx of Chinese laborers. Then follows the findings of the Commission. Messrs. Clute and Foley favor an immediate raising of the per capita tax to $500, while Mr. Mann favors a trial for two years at $300 at first, then raising it to $500.

Bold Dawson Footpad Captured.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Feb. 27.—A dispatch from Dawson says:

William Brophy, the short man of the Dominion Creek hold-up, for whom a $500 reward was offered by the Government, was captured last midnight at a roadhouse eight miles from Dawson, on Bonanza Creek, by four members of the Northwest mounted police. He carried a rifle, but had no chance to use it, as the police jumped him from behind. In the scuffle Brophy was shot, but not dangerously. He was brought to jail this morning. All three men connected with the robbery, Tomerlin, Brophy and Harris, are now in jail. Brophy held up a man on Bonanza four nights ago, robbing him of four ounces of dust, and it was from the description given by this victim that his whereabouts were fixed.

ANTI-GAMBLING TICKET NAMED.

Opposition at La Grande Will Make Nominations Tonight.

LA GRANDE, Feb. 27.—The anti-gambling party last night nominated the following ticket for the coming city election: Mayor, A. C. Miller; Marshal, John Steinback; Recorder, Fred B. Curry; Treasurer, F. L. Meyers. Ward meetings will be held Friday night, and three Councilmen nominated.

A mass meeting has been called to meet Friday night, to put an opposition ticket in the field.

Union County Republican Convention

LA GRANDE, Feb. 27.—The Republican county central committee today selected this city as the place for holding the next county convention. The primaries will be held March 22, and the convention March 29. Charles Cochran was elected chairman of the committee. Mr. Cochran was secretary of the last Republican state convention, and candidate for District Attorney against Sam White in 1900.

Linn Democratic Convention.

ALBANY, Feb. 27. — The Linn County Democratic central committee today named April 2, at 10 A. M., for the county convention, and recommended Saturday, March 29, at 1 P. M., for the primaries, except in Albany. This date will be named later.

Republican Committee Meeting.

ARLINGTON, Or., Feb. 27.—Chairman S. A. D. Gurley has called a meeting of the Republican county committee, to be held at Condon March 3, to arrange for holding the primaries and county convention.

OREGON ITEMS IN INDIAN BILL.

House Appropriations for Northwest Schools and Agencies.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—The Indian appropriation bill, as it passed the House, makes ample provision for the Indians of Oregon, whose interests were looked after by Representative Moody, now a member of the Indian committee. The largest item is $104,650, for the school at Chemawa, of which $91,850 goes for the support of 550 pupils, $1800 for the pay of the superintendent, $6000 for sewerage and $5000 for general repairs. In addition to this the state gets the following routine appropriations:

Pay of agent at Klamath	$1200
Agent at Umatilla	1200
Confederated tribes and bands of Middle Oregon	5000
Klamath, Modoc and other Indians on Klamath reservation	5000
Umatilla, Walla Walla and Cayuse tribes of Oregon	5000
For general incidental expenses of the Indian service in Oregon, including Grand Ronde and Siletz agencies	6000
Pay of employes at same agencies	4000

There were the customary amounts carried for Washington, as follows:

Commissioner to sell lands of Puyallup Indians	$3000
Support and civilization of Yakimas	8000
Support and civilization of Makahs	3000
Support and civilization of Quinaielts	1000
Pay of blacksmith and carpenter, Spokane agency	[illegible]
Pay last installments of Chiefs Louis and Enoch, of the Spokanes	200
Agent at Colville	1500
Support and civilization of Duwamish Indians	5000
Agent at Fort Hall, Idaho	1500
Paying 14th installment to Fort Hall Indians	6000
Shoshones, Bannocks, Sheepeaters and other Indians of Lemhi agency, Idaho	12,000
Joseph's band of Nez Perces Indians, Idaho	4000
General incidental expenses Indian service in Idaho	1000
Operation portable sawmill on Nez Perces reservation, Idaho	1500

FREEING 'VARSITY FROM DEBT.

President of Willamette Reports Five $1000 Contributors.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 27.—The campaign for the payment of Willamette University's debt has begun, and at the morning service at the Methodist Church next Sunday President Coleman will announce the names of at least five persons who have subscribed $1000 each. All subscriptions are to be made payable only upon condition that the whole sum of $35,000 shall be raised. No attempt will be made to raise an endowment until the debt has been paid. Since the arrival of Dr. Coleman the friends of the school have taken renewed interest in the institution and are joining cheerfully in the work of raising the necessary funds. Dr. Coleman feels very much encouraged over the outlook, and is confident that the debt will be paid within a short time.

SHOOTING AFFRAY AT ARLINGTON.

Man Killed by Another in Postoffice—Both Prominent Citizens.

ARLINGTON, Or., Feb. 27.—In the postoffice here, about 1 P. M. today, a bloody shooting affray occurred, in which R. R. Hankins was shot to death by T. O. Sweeten. The Coroner's jury simply found that Sweeten had been killed by Hankins, without expressing any opinion.

The testimony of several witnesses was heard, as well as the testimony of the accused. It appears that Hankins fired one shot, which took effect in the ceiling, and that Sweeten fired four shots, all told, one after Hankins had fallen. Three of Sweeten's shots took effect. The Coroner notified the District Attorney, who is expected at once. Sweeten surrendered himself and is now in custody. Hankins left a widow, but no children. The Knights of Pythias Lodge, of this place, of which deceased was a member, will have charge of the funeral.

Both men have resided here for many years. Mr. Hankins had served as Coroner of the county several terms, and had been night watchman for some time. Sweeten has served as Constable and Marshal for several years past.

REMARKABLE TRIAL ENDS.

Lynching Charge Against Man at Alturas Fails.

ALTURAS, Cal., Feb. 27.—The most remarkable criminal trial in the history of California was ended today when the jury in the case of James W. Brown brought in a verdict of acquittal. Two ballots were taken. On the first, one juror was for conviction and one voted blank.

Shortly after 1 o'clock on the morning of May 31 last, four men and a boy were lynched from the two bridges which span the Pitt River at Lookout in Modoc County. The men hanged by the lynchers were Calvin Hall, 74 years of age; his half-breed sons, Jim and Frank Hall; Dan Yantis, a white man, and Martin Wilson, a 13-year-old Indian boy. The victims of the mob were held as prisoners at Myers' Hotel, in Lookout, pending their preliminary hearing for petty larceny.

The county officials showed no disposition whatever to trace the authors of the outrage, and Attorney-General Tirey L. Ford sent Assistant Attorney-General Charles L. Post and Deputy Attorney-General George Sturtevant to Alturas to work up the case for the state. The Modoc County peace officials, it is alleged, did everything in their power to frustrate Post and Sturtevant in their mission, according them no assistance whatsoever in their investigation. The grand jury was in session when General Post and his assistant arrived at Alturas, and the inquiry into the Lookout lynching was followed into such fruitful channels that the grand jury found indictments against Deputy Constable James W. Brown, Bob Leventon and Isom Eades. Petitions, numerously signed, were sent to District Attorney Bonner, requesting a dismissal of the indictments against the accused men, and that official adressed a communication to Attorney-General Ford, requesting permission to dismiss the indictments. The Attorney-General, in a scathing reply, severely rebuked the District Attorney and the officials of Modoc County for the great laxity displayed by them in the prosecution of the lynchers, and expressed his determination to bring the guilty parties to justice.

After the indictment of Brown, Eades and Bob Leventon, the grand jury met from time to time and continued its inquiry into the lynching. Practically every resident of Lookout and vicinity was subpenaed to appear before that body. On the second day of January of this year John Hutton, who had appeared before the grand jury, and who had denied to that body any knowledge of the affair, confessed to Assistant Attorney-General Post. In his confession Hutton implicated Claude Morris, Isom Eades, James W. Brown, Robert L. Leventon, J. J. Potter, A. L. Colburt, William J. McDaniels, Henry Knox, Louis Polmanteer, Jervis Kresge, Sam Parks, E. S. Trowbridge, Orrin Trowbridge, Fred Roberts, Harry Roberts, J. R. Myers (Justice of the Peace for Lookout township), R. L. Nichols, Joseph W. Leventon and Claude Marcus. A few days after Hutton made his confession, Claude Morris made a full breast of his complicity in the lynching to General Post. On the strength of these confessions, which in the main details were corroborative of each other, the grand jury returned indictments against the men named, with the exception of the last eight. Great difficulty was experienced in obtaining a trial jury, 78 talesmen being examined before the jury was impaneled. The work of securing the jury commenced November 15, and was not completed until December 9. Two days later the taking of evidence in the case of James W. Brown, who was the first of the accused men to be placed on trial, commenced. He was charged with the murder of Martin Wilson. The trial of Brown has proceeded almost uninterruptedly since December 11. It was notable for the frequent clashes between Judge Harrington and the counsel for the defense. Each of the counsel for the defense was adjudged guilty of contempt many times and sent to jail and fined.

KNOX ORDERS SUITS FILED.

Actions Against Corporations Under the Anti-Trust Law.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Feb. 27.—The Express says:

Corporations in California, whose combined capital is close to the billion-dollar mark, and who are alleged to be operating in restraint of trade, contrary to the terms of the Sherman anti-trust law, are to be proceeded against by the Government. Rumors to this effect that have been in local circulation several days were today confirmed. Joseph H. Call, Federal Attorney, who has prosecuted the suits involving the Southern Pacific and Atlantic & Pacific land grants, has been instructed by Attorney-General Knox, acting by orders of President Roosevelt, to institute the proposed new litigation. The suits are to be filed in the United States Circuit Court in San Francisco.

Probable Solution of Mystery.

SAN JOSE, Cal., Feb. 27.—R. Creffield, of Los Gatos, has just returned from a visit to England, and brings with him a probable solution of the disappearance of Miss Coelie, of Buffalo, N. Y., on February 19. Mr. Creffield stopped off at the town of Niagara, and while viewing the cataract from the foot bridge picked up a woman's purse containing a small sum of money, a return ticket to Buffalo and two of Miss Coelie's visiting cards. In the purse was this note: "Good-bye, Ray, Mamma, Papa and all the dear ones. Do not think that I do not love you all, for I do. The waters are calling for me." Mr. Creffield did not know of the young lady's disappearance, but sent word to the address on the card. He heard nothing further until he reached home today, where he found a message awaiting him asking for particulars, and saying the young woman had probably committed suicide.

Missing Since November.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 27.—Since November 13 last, R. H. Pope, formerly a student at Stanford University, a son of the late Lieutenant-Colonel Pope, Assistant Surgeon-General of the United States Army, has been missing. All of his effects were found intact at a hotel in this city. He has two brothers in California who can obtain no clew to his whereabouts. His mother is now on the way home from the Philippines with the body of her husband, and knows nothing of her son's disappearance.

People Ask for Tax Sale.

ARLINGTON, Feb. 27.—Numerous petitions are being circulated throughout the county asking that the Sheriff be directed to collect the delinquent taxes. It is said there are many thousands of dollars due the county, and as there has been no Sheriff's sale of property for delinquent taxes for several years, the people throughout the county desire that the matter be attended to, with a view to a reduction of the tax rate.

The recent heavy rains insure an excellent yield of wheat.

BUSINESS ITEMS.

If Baby Is Cutting Teeth.

Be sure and use that old and well-tried remedy, Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup, for children teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic and diarrhoea.

ASTORIA TO AID BOERS

EXPECTS TO HAVE RAISED $1200 WITHIN NEXT FEW DAYS.

Money Is for Benefit of Women and Children in the Concentration Camps.

ASTORIA, Feb. 27.—Subscriptions to the fund being raised in Astoria for the aid of the Boer women and children in South African concentration camps are coming in quite rapidly and the indications are that fully $1200 will be secured.

May Ask Council to Favor Industries

The Progressive Association has decided to request the City Council to permit the Astoria Iron Works and Leathers' boatyard to secure a long lease on the foot of Fourth street. Both of these plants are being extensively improved, so as to increase their capacity, and the object of the proposed lease is to afford them more room and water frontage. There is little question but what the Council will grant the request.

DEATH OF AN OREGON PIONEER OF 1848.

Titus Smith.

SHERIDAN, Or., Feb. 26.—Titus Smith, an Oregon pioneer of 1848, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. W. Bones, in this city, yesterday. The funeral occurred today, with interment in the Howell Prairie cemetery. Mr. Smith was one of the best-known men in this section. He was born in Virginia in 1826. In company with three brothers and four sisters he crossed the plains to Oregon in 1848. The next year he went to California, but returned in the Fall, and bought a farm on Howell Prairie, where he lived until 1889, when he moved to Yamhill County. The latter years of his life were spent with his children. Mrs. Smith died several years ago, but a number of children are left to mourn his death. In his younger days Mr. Smith was a Republican leader in Marion County.

WANTS LAND ASSESSED MORE.

Baker City Holds Improvements Are Taxed Too Heavily.

BAKER CITY, Or., Feb. 27.—The Chamber of Commerce is endeavoring to have the assessed valuation of lands increased in proportion to that on personal property and improvements, which it reports pays about two-thirds of the taxes. A committee appointed to investigate the matter made a report last night, and pointed out that the assessed valuation of lands has remained nearly stationary during the past five years. The committee states that it is well known that valuations have greatly increased in that time. Again, its report says:

"A building or any kind of improvement on real estate is worth only what it will cost to replace it in like condition, and how improvements can be worth more, 10 or 20 years after they were built, is a course of reasoning we do not understand. It has been suggested that the increase in the assessed value of improvements is in some instances due to the repair of improvements and adding to the original buildings. A building which needs repairs or adding to is not made more valuable by such additions, but has simply cost the owners that much to enable him to use it at all."

The purpose of the Chamber of Commerce is to secure, if possible, a more equitable adjustment of taxation in this county.

The matter of holding a street fair in connection with the First District Fair which will be held in this city this year, was also taken up. The consensus of opinion seemed to be in favor of holding the fair the latter part of August, provided the state appropriation is available.

WITNESS IN GREEN-GOODS CASE.

Oregon Man Summoned to Appear Against a Boston Schemer.

GOLD HILL, Feb. 27.—E. C. Wells, a butcher here, will leave for Boston Monday, to appear as a witness against Albert C. Bates, an alleged green-goods man. Bates wrote to Mr. Wells, telling him he (Bates) could inform Wells of a scheme to make money. Wells answered the letter, and Bates' reply was that he had in his possession a plate used by the Government in making United States bank notes, and enclosed one—a genuine $1 bill—as a sample. Mr. Wells dropped the matter at this point, and thought no more about it, until he received a letter from the Secret Service Detectives at Boston, asking for the letters and papers received from Bates, and saying that they had arrested Bates and would use his papers in prosecuting him. The case will come up March 18.

ONE OF THE FOUNDERS OF THE SANDY SETTLEMENT.

SANDY, Or., Feb. 27.—Friedrich August Meinig, who died at his home here February 22, was a prominent merchant of this place, and one of the founders of the Sandy settlement. He had taken a prominent part in the upbuilding of this locality, and it was largely due to his efforts that the plank road from this place to Multnomah County was constructed. Mr. Meinig was born November 15, 1845, in Limburg, Saxony, Germany. He was a miller by trade. In 1868 he married Miss Wilhelmine Fisher, and in 1871 emigrated to the United States with his wife and son Paul, settling in Missouri, where he engaged in the milling business. He remained there about four years, and then came to Sandy, where he resided until his death. Mr. Meinig was one of Clackamas County's best-known citizens, and was a man of great influence in his community. His funeral took place Monday afternoon, and was attended by 500 people, the funeral procession being the largest ever seen in Sandy. His death is universally regretted, and is a severe blow to the community in which he had so long resided.

The Late Friedrich August Meinig.

ASTORIA RAILROAD LOSES.

Damage Case May Be Appealed Because Juror Left Room for Time.

ASTORIA, Feb. 27.—The jury in the case of Mrs. Ella Scott vs. the Astoria & Columbia River Railroad Company returned a verdict about 4:30 this afternoon, awarding the plaintiff $4000 damages. The suit was brought to recover $5000 damages for the death of the late W. M. Scott, who, while an engineer on the defendant's road, was killed in a wreck near Bugby's Hole, on January 12, 1901.

An affidavit was filed in the court by Sheriff Linnville today, stating that one of the jurors in the case left the jury-room last evening, while the case was under consideration, and went to a saloon to get a drink. This fact, it is said, will be the basis of an appeal to be made by the defendant for a new trial.

MRS. A. M. CANNON DEAD.

Society Leader at Albany, and Well Known Throughout the State.

ALBANY, Or., Feb. 27.—Mrs. A. M. Cannon, a social leader in this city, and with a wide acquaintance throughout the state, died at her home in this city today, aged 31 years. Mrs. Cannon was the daughter of D. P. Mason, past grand master, A. F. & A. M., of Oregon. She was born in this county, where she had spent the greater part of her life, and occupied a warm place in the hearts of many of its people. Her death is greatly deplored. She is survived by a husband, a leading lawyer of this city, and a daughter.

Oregon Pioneer of 1852.

OREGON CITY, Feb. 27.—Mrs. Martha Barger, an Oregon pioneer of 1852, died this morning at Molalla, aged 87 years. She left two children—Mrs. Levi Robbins, of Molalla, and F. G. Barger, of Colfax, Wash. Deputy County Clerk O. D. Eby, of this county, is her grandson. Her remains will be taken to Harrisburg, Linn County, for interment. Her home was in Harrisburg, but for the past year she had been living with her daughter at Molalla.

LINEMAN'S GREAT FEAT.

Climbs Slender Pole and Takes Down Flag—Others Tried and Failed.

SALEM, Feb. 27.—Banker A. Bush displayed a flag at the top of his 95-foot flagpole in honor of George Washington. While the flag was being raised, the rope slipped off the pulley and became so tightly wedged in the block that the flag could not be lowered. The pole is so slender that it was not thought safe for a man to climb. After three days' work by a force of men furnished by the electric company, all contrivances failed to remedy the trouble. Tonight Lineman Parsons, commonly known as "Shorty," climbed the pole and placed the rope on the pulley. The continued efforts to haul down the flag have been standing subjects for comment by all citizens and visitors in Salem for three days. Mr. Bush takes great pride in his tall flagpole and never fails to display National colors on legal holidays, and on days made memorable by incidents in the lives of Jefferson and Jackson.

Northwest Pensions.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—Pensions have been granted as follows:

Oregon—Original, Douglas Magill, Keasey, $6; original widow's, special acc. February 7, Phebe L. Whitney, Scappoose, $8; Mexican War, special acc. February 7, Roenna J. Wherry, Elsie, $8.

Washington—Increase, restored, reissue, etc., Adam Freudenstein, Tacoma, $8; John Wood, Tacoma, $10; original widow's, special acc. February 7, Nancy C. B. Carson, Spokane, $8.

Idaho—Increase, restoration, reissue, etc. William Stokes, Albion, $12.

Win Places on Debating Team.

MONMOUTH, Or., Feb. 27.—In the final try-out last night among the contestants on the debating team, to contest with McMinnville College, J. C. Pettyjohn, of Marion County; W. R. Rutherford, of Harney County, and Miss Gertrude M. Vernon, of Lake County, were successful. The question, "Resolved, that the Fifteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States has been justified," will be discussed. The Monmouth team will represent the negative.

New Kalama Mining Company.

KALAMA, Wash., Feb. 27.—The Red Star Mining Company, of Kalama, has been organized, with Dr. R. E. Darnell, Dr. S. C. Cook and A. L. Watson as incorporators. The capital stock is $750,000; shares, $1 each. The officers of the company are: President, Dr. R. E. Darnell; vice-president, E. W. Potter; secretary, Dr. S. C. Cook; treasurer, D. D. Innis. The company will develop the Ell D. mine on the Kalama River.

County Democratic Convention.

ST. HELENS, Or., Feb. 27.—The Columbia County Democratic convention will be held at Rainier March 19, at 11 A. M. The convention will consist of 53 delegates.

When you suffer from sick headache, dizziness, constipation, etc., remember Carter's Little Liver Pills will relieve you. One pill is a dose.

BOLD WORK OF ROBBERS

THREE MASKED MEN HOLD UP FIFTEEN JAPANESE LABORERS.

Enter House in Early Morning and Make Inmates Line Up Against the Wall—Secure About $55.

SEATTLE, Feb. 27.—At the point of revolvers, three masked men held up and robbed 15 Japanese at 3 o'clock this morning in a section-house at Ballard. In view of the overwhelming odds against them, the robbery was a bold one. The Orientals did not make the least show of resistance. They apparently were thoroughly cowed by the unwelcome visitors. The section-house in question is used by the Japanese as sleeping quarters while they are engaged in working for the Great Northern Railroad. They retired last night at the usual time. It was about 3 o'clock when one of the Orientals heard some one moving about in the room. A moment later the room was flooded with light. Turning in his bunk, the Japanese fund himself looking straight into the muzzle of a six-shooter.

"Line up along that wall," said the highwayman, and almost instantly a long line of Japanese stood against one wall of the room. Then, while two of the masked men kept them covered with their revolvers, the third went through their clothes and bundles, securing in all about $55 and a few cheap watches. Backing slowly to the door, two of them disappeared, while the third tarried a moment to swear roundly at the men he had just robbed.

Fall Heir to Fortune.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., Feb. 27.—Mrs. E. S. Hill, of the Moxee, and her Brother, John Case, who keeps a small candy store on South Second street, learned today that they have fallen heirs to about $1,250,000 worth of Cleveland, O., property. The entire estate left by a distant relative of theirs is worth something over $2,000,000, and there are 30 heirs. The family made a fight for the estate 18 years ago, but failed to get possession of it. The successful claimant has since held it up to the time of his death, and added to it largely. The attorney who notified Mrs. Hill and her brother is also one of the heirs. He is now on his way to North Yakima.

Reception for McBride and Hazzard.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Feb. 27.—The Board of Audit and Control made an inspection of the Reform School today. Governor McBride arrived from Olympia this afternoon, and was in consultation for some hours with the party leaders and precinct committeemen. The Governor announced that Superintendent T. P. Westendorf would be retained at the Reform School. The announcement of the selection of a state librarian has not yet been made, but it is believed that J. A. Gabel, of Chehalis, will be chosen. There was an informal public reception tonight in honor of the Governor and Lieutenant R. T. Hazzard.

Club to Boom Ellensburg.

ELLENSBURG, Feb. 27.—The Ellensburg Club was organized last night with a paid enrollment of 60. The object of the club is to promote the welfare of Ellensburg and Kittitas Valley. The membership fee was fixed at $1 and the monthly dues at 50 cents. Officers were elected as follows: President, R. B. Wilson; vice-president, H. W. Wager; secretary, P. A. Getz; treasurer, E. H. Snowden; executive committee, J. C. Hubbell, Mat Bartholet, C. H. Stewart and J. Ramsay. The club is being organized as a business proposition pure and simple, and for the present will have no social features.

Girl Burglars to Reform School.

SOUTH BEND, Wash., Feb. 27.—Tillie and Viola Church, the two Ilwaco girls who broke into a house in that town and carried away some valuables, yesterday plead guilty in the Superior Court and were sent to the Reform School.

Edward Forbes, or Ladd, who robbed Norton's jewelry store here last month, also pleaded guilty and was sentenced to six years in the Penitentiary.

Oscar Wills, of Nema, was found insane and sent to Steilacoom. He has led a solitary life for years on a homestead on the North Nema River. He had always been eccentric.

Artesian Well a Failure.

NORTH YAKIMA, Feb. 27.—F. E. Deeringhof, of this city, who has had charge of the work of putting down an experimental artesian well at White Bluff, on the Columbia River, returned to town today and said the well is a failure. At a depth of 900 feet basaltic rock was struck, and the indications are that it is very thick. Mr. Deeringhof also came to the conclusion that there is an outlet for the water below into the river, so that if a good flow had been discovered it would not have risen above the ground. The project was backed by Seattle men.

Kalama Now Free From Smallpox.

KALAMA, Wash., Feb. 27.—Kalama has entirely recovered from the recent epidemic of smallpox. There were, all told, 47 cases in the town, only two of which were serious, and none fatal. It is an important fact that no person who had ever been successfully vaccinated took the smallpox. Several persons who had not been vaccinated for more than 30 years escaped having it, although they were exposed constantly for several weeks while waiting upon members of their families who had it.

School Children Must Be Vaccinated.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Feb. 27.—The Vancouver School Board today issued an order that all students of the city schools must be vaccinated. This action was taken in view of the prevalence of several cases of smallpox in the city.

Interest on School Bonds Reduced.

SOUTH BEND, Wash., Feb. 27.—The rate of interest on the $16,000 of South Bend school bonds has been reduced from 7 to 5 per cent per annum for the next two years, by the holders of the bonds.

Washington Notes.

The Elks at Spokane are planning to hold a street carnival.

Aberdeen is going to try the scheme of increasing its revenues, and at the same time lessen the gambling evil in that city by collecting heavy monthly fines from the sporting element.

The new liquor license ordinance at Whatcom provides at the rate of $550 for a combined wholesale and retail license. The ordinance also prohibits side entrances and boxes in saloons.

A. B. Hammer, of Seattle, has been appointed an inspector in the customs service, by Collector Huestis. The appointment is to take effect on March 1, and the new inspector is assigned to duty at Blaine.

The Yakima Water, Light & Power Company is putting in its new turbine wheel. John W. Taylor, of Logansport, Ind., is superintending the work. He is the designer of the new machinery of the company and was sent there to put it in.

EARLY-CLOSING MOVEMENT.

Oregon City Merchants Considering Matter—Butchers Already in Line.

OREGON CITY, Feb. 27.—The matter of early closing is under discussion by the merchants of Oregon City. There has been some talk of obtaining the consent of all the business houses to close at 7 P. M., but the Retail Merchants' Association has taken no official action. The butchers of the city agreed among themselves to close at 7. Some of the grocery houses are closing and some are not. It is probable that at the next meeting of the Merchants' Association an organized movement for early closing will be commenced. It is proposed to close at 7 every evening except Saturday, and on the 8th and 9th of each month. The two latter days are paydays in the mills, which makes it necessary for the shops to keep open an hour or more later.

EXPENSES OF OREGON COUNTIES.

Nearly $3,500,000 the Amount Paid Out for the Year.

SALEM, Feb. 27.—The total expenditures of this state for state purposes, county purposes and common school maintenance aggregate about $3,500,000 per year. This does not include the moneys expended by incorporated cities and towns. For the purposes named, the expenditures are as follows:

State expenditures for 1901	$ 950,000
County expenditures for 1901	1,049,588
Common school expenditures, 1901	1,461,[illegible]
Total	$3,460,658

The state expenditures are approximated, the estimate being based on the appropriations for the years 1901 and 1902. This amount includes all appropriations for the expenses of state government, state institutions, higher educational institutions, etc. The amount of the county expenditures is taken from the tabular staement issued yesterday by Secretary of State Dunbar, showing by items the expenses of the several counties. This amount covers the cost of maintaining the county offices, caring for the poor, prosecuting criminals, building bridges, etc., but does not include the cost of road-building. The last and largest expense, that of maintaining the common schools, is shown by the records in the office of Superintendent of Public Instruction J. H. Ackerman. The total sum, nearly $1,500,000, represents the product of the irreducible school fund, the uniform public school tax, and the several school district taxes.

There is no record here of the total expenditure of city taxes in this state. It is only within the past month that statistics have been gathered showing the total cost of running the several counties. If the uniform system of keeping accounts, inaugurated by the last Legislature, were extended so as to apply to cities, it would then be practicable to determine the total cost of government, public institutions and public improvements in the state.

In addition to the expenditures mentioned heretofore, the property-owners pay a road tax of 1¼ mills on the dollar. On a valuation of $120,000,000, which was the amount levied on in 1901, this would aggregate $180,000, bringing the total annual expenditures up to about $3,640,659.

RECORD PRICE FOR HOPS.

Two 12-Cent Contracts for 1902 Crops Filed at Salem.

SALEM, Feb. 27.—Two 12-cent hop contracts were filed in the County Recorder's office here today. This is the record price for contracts for 1902 hops. The contracts were executed by Hoefer & Zorn, the wealthiest firm of hopgrowers in Marion County. The buyers are Faber & Neis, of Albany. The two contracts cover 25,000 pounds of hops, to be raised on 90 acres of land near Champoeg.

Competition for hop contracts seems to be very brisk. It is learned that several growers who have a reputation for producing fine hops have been offered 12-cent contracts. A much larger number of contracts has been recorded than is usual at this season, and it is learned from dealers that many contracts have been executed which have not been recorded. In the case of Hoefer & Zorn contracts, filed today, several Chinese renters are also parties to the contracts, and the advances evidently are to be made to the tenants.

Since the two large sales of hops of the 1901 crop were made here yesterday, only about 600 bales of hops remain in the growers' hands. About 14¾ cents is the price offered for hops in the general market, but as high as 15 cents might be paid for a choice quality needed to fill a special order.

First to Pay State Taxes This Year.

SALEM, Feb. 27.—Benton County has the honor of being the first to pay state taxes on the roll of 1901. That county today paid into the state treasury $4000 of the amount due from it on the levy of 1902. Lane County squared itself on the State Treasurer's books today by paying a balance of $75 29 due on its bounty tax.

New Waterway and Power Company.

SALEM, Feb. 27.—The Aurora Waterway & Power Company was incorporated today by B. F. Giesy, W. S. Hurst and Fred P. Hurst. The purpose of the company is to build flumes and ditches and develop water power near Aurora. The capital stock is $100,000, and the principal office will be at Aurora.

Judge Noyes in a Sanitarium.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Feb. 27.—Judge Arthur B. Noyes, who has been removed by President Roosevelt from his position as Judge of the United States Court, District of Alaska, is at a sanitarium near Redlands, where he expects to remain until his health improves.

Supreme Court Cases Set for Trial.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 27.—The following cases were today set for trial in the Supreme Court:

March 12—Thiessen vs. Worthington.

March 13—Bowers vs. Star Logging & Lumbering Company.

Tilmon Ford Buys a Farm.

SALEM, Feb. 27.—The Willard Martin farm of 215.6 acres, just east of Salem, was sold to Tilmon Ford today for $8624, or $40 per acre.

Large Eagle Killed.

LAUREL, Or., Feb. 26.—An eagle measuring 7 feet 9½ inches from tip to tip was killed five miles from here Monday, while carrying off a lamb, by W. Meyer.

Oregon Notes.

An election of chief and assistant chief of The Dalles City Fire Department will be held March 10.

The Democratic Central Committee, of Wheeler County will meet in Fossil, March 8, for the purpose of fixing primary and convention dates.

Residents of the Paisley precinct, in Lake County, are grumbling about having to go 40 miles to the county seat to register, and a great many refuse to take the journey, and predict that a light vote will be made unless registration can be made at Paisley.

BOWL FOR CLUB MEDAL.

Thirteen Contestants on Multnomah Alleys—Kerrigan High Man.

The monthly bowling tournament of the Multnomah Amateur Athletic Club commenced last evening, 13 of the contestants trying for the medal. Al Kerrigan led with a score of 197, and M. Dunne took second place, his score being 192. Abendroth, who won the medal last month, was not up to his customary form, and scored only 176. The tournament will be concluded tomorrow night, when the remaining contestants will take a chance at the pins. Kerrigan's score of 197 is a good one, and ought to be a winner.

The scores:

PLAYERS.	First game	Second game	Third game	Fourth game	Allowance	Total pins
Kerrigan, A.	29	40	47	53	28	197
Rauert	32	37	23	40	20	152
Dunne, M.	27	46	27	48	44	192
Robertson	30	20	48	31	44	173
Kahn	19	30	37	23	32	141
Beck, P.	36	22	28	37	32	155
Brigham	34	32	34	39	24	163
Oliver	44	38	32	58	0	172
Harlow	29	31	50	52	20	182
Holmes	36	42	48	40	16	182
Wels	54	20	38	33	8	153
Ford	44	47	28	44	20	183
Abendroth	42	41	36	45	12	176

International Chess Tourney.

MONTE CARLO, Feb. 27.—In the international chess match this morning the winners were Maroczy from Eisenberg, Tarrasch from Reggio and Schlectner from Scheve. Teichmann and Mortimer had byes. In the afternoon Janowski won from Mieses, Marshall from Napier, Tschigorin from Marco, Mason from Gunsberg and Pillsbury from Albin, while Popiel and Wolf drew.

Championship Wrestling Match.

The directors of the Multnomah Club are negotiating with the Olympic Club, of San Francisco, for a wrestling match between Ed Johnson, champion middleweight of the Northwest, and F. Bailey, the Coast champion. The match will be held in this city, probably about March 25.

Basket-Ball and Indoor Baseball.

OREGON CITY, Feb. 27.—The game of basket-ball at the Y. M. C. A. last night between the Reds and the Blues was won by the former, by a score of 24 to 23. The indoor baseball game between the business men's class and the junior class was won by the business men by a score of 12 to 9.

Fast Basket-Ball Expected.

MONMOUTH, Feb. 27. — A basket-ball game will be played here Saturday evening, between the All-Stars, of Portland, and the Normal School team. Since both teams have defeated all comers, it promises to be a fast game.

Offer for McGovern Fight.

DENVER, Feb. 27.—The News today says that the Colorado Athletic Club will offer a purse of $10,000 for the Corbett-McGovern fight. The bid will be forwarded to the Cincinnati Enquirer before April 15.

American Jockeys in England.

LONDON, Feb. 27.—The preliminary list of jockeys licensed for 1902 includes the names of Danny Maher, Patsy McDermott and W. B. Buchanan, Americans.

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