SHOT DOWN BY FOE

Champoeg Man's Death Almost Causes a Lynching.

FORMER PARTNER IS ARRESTED

He Lays Crime at Door of Burglars, but Coroner's Jury Indicts Him—Now in Jail at Salem.

John D. Fain, a merchant at Champoeg, was the victim of an assassin yesterday. A coroner's jury finds his former business partner, J. F. Markley, guilty of the crime. The testimony showed the murder to have been cold-blooded and apparently premeditated. About 20 men bent on hanging Markley were defeated in their purpose by the arrival of an officer from Salem.

SALEM, Or., June 25.—John D. Fain, a merchant at Champoeg, was discovered in his store at an early hour this morning in a dying condition, the result of a gunshot wound, which he alleged on his deathbed was inflicted by his former business partner, John F. Markley. Markley tonight occupies a cell in the Marion County Jail. The shooting occurred at 5 o'clock this morning, and Fair died two hours later. The weapon used was a shotgun.

The feeling against Markley at Champoeg was intense. A mob of 25 men, armed with rifles and ropes, collected at the store, and but for Frank Osborne, Justice of the Peace, who took charge of Markley, and the timely arrival of Deputy Sheriff Colbath, of this city, the accused murderer would surely have been lynched.

Bert Jette, the 22-year-old son of C. W. A. Jette, was the first man to reach the store after the shooting occurred. He was standing in his father's kitchen, which faces the store, when he heard the report of the gun and saw the smoke from the weapon. When he reached the store Fain had crawled into the rear of the building and into his bed, where he was found by Jette. Markley was standing near the store, and made the remark that burglars attempting to get into the store was the cause of the shooting.

A Deathbed Statement.

Before his death Fain made a statement, in the presence of a dozen persons, which in substance was as follows:

"I went to the stable about 5 o'clock this morning to attend to my stock, when I left the barn and started to the store. Markley came out of the back door of the building, armed with a shotgun. Markley remained at the rear of the store until I had approached within 30 steps of the building, when he said:

"'Now, you ——— ———, you have lived long enough; take your medicine!'

"He then raised the gun to his shoulder and fired, the charge of gun shot lodging in my left side."

The murdered man was about 41 years of age, a single man, and without relatives in the state. His father lives in San Francisco, and other relatives reside in Missouri. He came to Oregon about 15 years ago, and associated himself with Markley in the general merchandise business at Champoeg. By mutual agreement the store building was erected on land owned by Fain. The business was continued until about 12 months ago, when the partnership was dissolved. A. Jette, purchasing the business. Fain then began to negotiate the sale of his real estate. Markley wished to purchase the land upon which the store was standing, but the two men could not agree upon terms. About six weeks ago, it is alleged, Markley came to Fain and told him he would give him just 36 hours in which to execute a deed to the property at the consideration he had offered. Markley is said to have accompanied the demand by the threat that in event of failure to comply therewith he would "fix him."

Fain Did Not Fear Markley.

Fain reported the threat to Justice Osborne, who advised him to have Markley placed under bonds to keep the peace, but Fain said he did not fear any harm from Markley, for the reason that he did not think he was a dangerous fellow or would carry his threat into execution.

The weapon with which it is believed Fain was murdered was an old muzzle-loading shotgun, the property of Markley. When found, both barrels were loaded, but the discharged cap of the left-hand barrel of the gun had not been removed. Fain's friends allege Markley reloaded the gun after the shooting.

The people of Champoeg are enraged at the crime, which they claim was a cold-blooded and premeditated murder. Fain is said to have been at all times a peaceable, industrious and hard-working man, and was well liked by all. During his residence at Champoeg he had by good management and economy accumulated considerable money. About $1800 in gold was found in his trunks and secreted around the store building and his room. He also had money in three Portland banks.

Jury Charges Crime to Markley.

Coroner D. F. Lane and Deputy Prosecuting Attorney John H. McNary returned tonight from Champoeg, where they held an inquest over the remains of Fain this afternoon. The jury empaneled consisted of J. E. Eldridge, W. R. McKay, Patrick Geelan, G. A. Eberhard, A. G. Buyoorie and E. A. Vandarman. After hearing the testimony of several witnesses, a verdict was reached finding that Fain came to his death from a gunshot wound at the hands of John F. Markley. Testimony was adduced showing that Markley had threatened the life of Fain recently; also that in going to his barn, Fain was obliged to pass through an enclosure in the rear of the store, and that he was shot by Markley from the rear door of the store building. Fain received a full charge of buckshot in the left side, just below the heart. The testimony indicated that the murder was cold-blooded and apparently premeditated.

A criminal complaint has been filed against Markley charging him with murder in the first degree. The accused man will be arraigned before Justice O'Donald tomorrow morning, when the date for the preliminary examination will be set. Deputy Prosecuting Attorney McNary visited the scene of the murder today, and collected testimony and evidence that will be used in prosecuting the charge against Markley.

The remains of Fain will receive interment at Champoeg Friday morning, after the funeral services conducted in that town.

Markley Says He Is Innocent.

Markley, who is accused of shooting Fain, is 66 years of age, and came to Oregon in 1857. He is an unmarried man, and has lived near Champoeg since 1865. Markley appears composed, and does not seem to realize the awful crime with which he is charged. When seen by an Oregonian man, Markley said:

"I was sleeping in the store this morning, as I have done for years. About 5 o'clock I heard the report of a gun, got up and dressed, and when I went outside the store I found A. Jette and sons searching for somebody. They afterward found Fain. That is all I know of the shooting. I did not shoot Fain. It may have been the deed of burglars, since Fain had just disposed of his property, and was known to have considerable money. The last time I saw Fain was Tuesday evening, when he passed the store. The last shooting I did with my gun, which the officers have taken, was on Tuesday, when I killed some birds in the cherry trees."

Markley has retained John A. Carson, of this city, as his attorney, and is anxious for his preliminary examination.

ONLY TIMBER CAN BE SOLD.

Attorney-General Deals Timber-Land Speculators a Hard Blow.

OLYMPIA, Wash., June 25.—Attorney-General Stratton has rendered an opinion which places a new and important construction on what is known as the McCoy timber act of the last Legislature, the effect of the opinion being to advise a radical change in the methods of selling heavily timbered tracts of school and granted lands by the State Land Office. The McCoy act provides that where state lands have a stand thereon of timber amounting to over 1,000,000 feet to the quarter section, the timber shall be sold separate from the land, and if not removed within three years shall revert to the state. The evident object of the law was to prevent speculators buying large tracts of state timber lands and holding them for an indefinite period, thus shutting out the small millmen, who would thereby be hard pressed to secure timber. According to the construction heretofore placed on the McCoy law and the other existing land laws, the apparent object of the McCoy act could be defeated by the speculators applying for the sale of the land as well as the timber. Though the timber must be sold separate from the land, it has been heretofore held that there was no prohibition of the sale of the land also, and by the purchase of both the revision clause of the McCoy act would be defeated, as the state could not hold that the timber reverted to it after three years when the land was owned by the same parties who had purchased the timber. The Attorney-General's opinion just handed down is that the land itself, where it contains over 1,000,000 feet of timber to the quarter section, shall not be sold at all, but only the timber sold under the provisions of the McCoy act.

Land Commissioner Calvert states that he will follow the advice of the Attorney-General in the matter. It is believed that this decision by the two state officials will be received with a great deal of satisfaction by the millmen of the state, who do not desire to see the timber market cornered by speculators.

New Men on Governor's Staff.

The resignations of Colonel Frank J. Parker, of Walla Walla, general inspector of rifle practice, and Lieutenant D. E. Biggs, aid-de-camp upon the Governor's staff, have been accepted, to take effect forthwith. L. F. Boyd, of Spokane, has been appointed to succeed the former, and E. M. Wilson, of Fairhaven, to succeed Colonel Biggs. The appointment is also announced of M. R. Sherwood, of Aberdeen, to be Colonel and Quartermaster-General on the Governor's staff, vice M. McCarthy, of Walla Walla, commission expired.

Pardoned by Governor.

With but one day to serve of a sentence of 18 months for attempted burglary, Victor Osborne, of Tacoma, was granted a full pardon today by Governor McBride. The sole evidence for Osborne's conviction was the finding in his possession of a knife with a broken blade the point of which was left in the door of a Tacoma tailor shop by the burglar in attempting to cut around the lock. A convict since sent to prison for other burglaries has confessed to the crime of which Osborne was convicted, and gives such details of the attempted burglary that Osborne's story of buying the knife of a stranger is now believed. Osborne is hardly grown. He comes from a good family in Tacoma, but had drifted into bad company. He was not arrested originally for the crime for which he was convicted, but for creating a disturbance at a theater, and the evidences of guilt were found on him after he reached the police station.

COMMENCEMENT AT NEWBERG.

Pacific College Graduates 26 Students From Academic Course.

NEWBERG, Or., June 25.—The commencement exercises of Pacific College are in progress here this week, and are being largely attended. Saturday evening the female students of the college who have been taking physical training under Miss Jessie Britt gave a series of gymnastic drills on the college campus. Sunday morning the annual baccalaureate address was delivered by President H. E. McGrew. In the evening the address to the Christian associations was delivered by Rev. William Randall, of Portland.

The address before the literary societies of the college was delivered Monday evening.

The class day exercises were held yesterday. In the afternoon the academic class of the college was graduated, those finishing this department being:

Ernest W. Bales, Laura M. Blair, Sadie E. Brouillette, Lulu Jessie Christenson, Florence C. Coffin, Russel O. Comer, L. Belle Cook, Alverda H. Crozer, Myrtle E. Gause, Alfred E. George, W. Morris Hencock, Amy O. Heater, Leroy B. Mershon, Walter R. Miles, Mary A. Minthorn, Asa Curtis Morse, Lillian A. Nicholson, Mabel M. Newby, Lenora E. Parker, Nellie M. Paulsen, Jessie Ray Pemberton, Ralph W. Rees, Viola B. Robinson, Lewis L. Saunders, Anna M. Terrell, Albert R. Wilson.

Match Trotting Race at Vancouver.

VANCOUVER, Wash., June 25.—A match-trotting race was pulled off at the race-track today for a purse of $100. The competing horses were Mary Scott, owned by M. L. Coovert, and Mary J., owned by Dr. Smith, of Portland. The race was for the best three out of five heats, and was won by Mary Scott, who took the first three heats; time, 2:27½, 2:24 and 2:26. Mary Scott is a driving horse, and has had very little work on the track. She is sired by Scarlet Letter and her dam is Tenino, who has a pacing record of 2:15.

Oregon Mining Stock Exchange.

	Bid.	Asked.
Alaska M. & M.	....	11
Bronze Monarch	....	18½
Caribou	....	8
Crystal Consolidated	19½	20
Chicago	....	8½
Cascade Calumet	....	4
Gold Hill & Bohemia	....	10
Huronian	....	2
Lost Horse	....	25
Oregon-Colorado M. M. & D.	....	50
Sumpter Consolidated	....	4
Sweden Copper (Ltd.)	....	90
Winnipeg (Ltd.)	....	10

NEW YORK, June 25.—Closing quotations for mining stocks were as follows:

Adams Con	$0 20	Little Chief	$0 11
Alice	40	Ontario	7 50
Breece	50	Ophir	1 02
Brunswick Con	07	Phoenix	06
Com. Tunnel	05	Potosi	15
Con. Cal. & Va.	1 25	Savage	05
Deadwood T.	1 00	Sierra Nevada	10
Horn Silver	1 25	Small Hopes	45
Iron Silver	75	Standard	3 00
Leadville Con.	03		

BOSTON, June 25.—Closing quotations for mining stocks were as follows:

Adventure	$22 50	Osceola	$90 00
Allouez	2 75	Parrot	28 00
Amalgamated	63 50	Quincy	130 00
Bingham	31 50	Santa Fe Copper	1 75
Cal. & Hecla	595 00	Tamarack	175 00
Centennial	24 50	Trimountain	95 00
Copper Range	75 00	Trinity	12 00
Dom. Coal	135 50	United States	19 00
Franklin	10 50	Utah	20 50
Isle Royale	11 50	Victoria	6 00
Mohawk	61 50	Winona	4 02
Old Dominion	19 75	Wolverine	84 50

SAN FRANCISCO, June 25. — The official closing quotations for mining stocks today were as follows:

Andes	$0 06	Occidental Con.	$1 20
Belcher	12	Overman	21
Best & Belcher	13	Ophir	4 40
Caledonia	57	Potosi	19
Challenge Con.	13	Savage	06
Confidence	55	Seg. Belcher	05
Con. Cal. & Va.	1 40	Sierra Nevada	18
Crown Point	04	Silver Hill	48
Gould & Curry	06	Union Con.	22
Hale & Norcross	41	Utah Con.	07
Justice	07	Yellow Jacket	13
Mexican	54		

CONVICTS SHOW UP AGAIN

TRACY AND MERRILL SEEN NEAR CASTLE ROCK.

Enjoy Their Breakfast in Woodshed of a Farmer—New Posse Now in Pursuit.

KELSO, Wash., June 25. — Tracy and Merrill, convict fugitives, are undoubtedly in Cowlitz County, and not at La Center, Clark County, as their pursuers maintain. William Teft, owner of a ranch two miles from here, went to it to do some work today and found two men in the woodshed enjoying a meal of bread, bacon and stewed cherries. This was about 10 o'clock. Mr. Teft had been on the place about 20 minutes, before he discovered the men, and then by accident. He went to the woodshed to secure a spade. He did not walk in by the door, but put his head through the window, when he saw the building was occupied. The two men did not appear to be surprised, and when Mr. Teft spoke to them one remarked: "I suppose you do not object to trespassers." Teft replied that he did not if they would put out the fire when they left.

Recognizes Men as Convicts.

Teft recognized the men as Tracy and Merrill at once by their photographs in the papers. He was unarmed, and having $25, besides a watch, on his person, he talked to the convicts but a few minutes before returning to his work. He asked them if they had seen his shovel. The taller of the two men (Merrill) replied it was in the potato patch and that he had tried to dig some potatoes, but found none large enough to eat. At this point the man left his seat and went and got the shovel for Teft. He left his gun, which was close by while he went for the shovel, but his companion kept his across his lap while eating. Both carried new rifles. Not a word was spoken by either as to their identity, and after Teft received the shovel he went to digging post holes, or pretending that he was, but in reality only went to a hole to drop his purse and watch in it and throw a little dirt on them. He then returned to the woodshed for further conversation and discerned that the men had gone. They left an Army blanket and two table spoons. The blanket bears the name of "Nelson McKee" and was sewn in with white or flax-colored thread.

Posse in Pursuit.

People who have heard this story have absolute confidence in what he says, and are thoroughly convinced that the men seen are none other than Tracy and Merrill. On receiving word of the visit of the men a posse was organized here and at once took up the chase.

The men are almost certain to be captured dead or alive, as the country here does not afford as good hiding as where they have been. It is believed Merrill is trying to reach his relatives, and if so will surely be seen, as the places will be guarded. Sheriff Huntington is now at Chehalis, but will join the chase at once.

G. A. R. ELECTS OFFICERS.

Washington-Alaska Convention Will Go Sightseeing Today.

EVERETT, Wash., June 25.—The G. A. R. for the district of Washington and Alaska today elected the following officers: Department commander, B. C. Bedell, Walla Walla; senior vice-commander, Captain J. T. Sherfey, Everett; vice-junior commander, M. R. Brewster, Bremerton; medical director, R. M. Davis, Seattle; chaplain, W. H. Mock, Port Angeles; delegates to National encampment at Washington, D. C., October 6-12: R. H. Ball, at large; LaConner; R. W. Williams, Mount Vernon; C. P. Dennig, Spokane; R. McMann, Seattle; alternates: General R. M. Anderson, Vancouver; L. H. Prather, Spokane; W. L. Peacock, Gig Harbor; J. A. Green, Chelan; council of administration, W. H. Wiscombe, Spokane; J. M. Comstock, Spokane; C. L. P. Roberts, Aberdeen; J. E. Rosedorpp, Seattle; Abraham Gart, Burlington.

The Woman's Relief Corps today sent a telegram of condolence to Mrs. Jones, National president, who was injured yesterday in Boston in a street-car accident. Tomorrow the convention goes on an excursion to Monte Cristo.

CLARK DAMAGE SUIT DISMISSED.

Well-Known Mining Man Will Fight Sweeney in Higher Court.

SPOKANE, June 25.—Private telegrams from Boise, Idaho, announce that Judge Beatty, in the United States Circuit Court, has dismissed the million-dollar damage suit brought by Patrick Clark and others against the Buffalo Hump and Empire State Mining Companies. The case excited keen interest because of sensational charges made by Mr. Clark, one of Spokane's wealthiest mining men, against Charles Sweeney, a leading capitalist of this city. Clark charged Sweeney with having used fraud and misrepresentation to purchase the Ella and Missing Link claims from him at a trivial price, when in reality they were of great value. He demanded the return of the claims, which are valued at $1,000,000. Judge Beatty, after hearing the arguments, ordered the suit dismissed. Clark will appeal.

GRAIN WAREHOUSE BURNS.

Corvallis Is Visited by $13,000 Early Morning Blaze.

CORVALLIS, Or., June 25.—The grain warehouse of C. E. Dinges, near the Southern Pacific Railroad station in this city, was burned to the ground at 3:40 this morning. In the building were 12,000 bushels of wheat and 300 bushels of oats. The value of the building, machinery and sacks is placed at $5000 to $6000; insurance, $2500. The value of the grain was $7240. Of the grain, Thomas Cooper owned 4650 bushels, on which the insurance was $800. The Corvallis Mills Company had 1850 bushels, uninsured. It is estimated that the total insurance on the grain will be below $2000. The origin of the fire is unknown.

MAILCARRIER'S HARD TRIP.

Alaska Contractor Lives on Dog Meat for Eighteen Days.

NOME, Alaska, June 14, via Seattle, June 25.—Eighteen days on dog meat for diet was the experience of J. H. Sprague, who brought in on the steamer Dora Thursday morning 400 pounds of mail by the famous Illamna route. Mr. Sprague left Illamna Bay on March 1 with the mail consignment, and experienced hardships from which few men survive, yet he says he did not mind it. Although when he left Illamna he weighed 185 pounds, when he weighed himself again at Linds' Trading Post he tipped the beam at 115 pounds. For 14 days previous to taking to dog meat he and the sub-mail contractor, who was with him, a man named McInnis, had lived on rotten fish. They could obtain no supplies, heavy storms on the trans-Alaska trail having prevented them from reaching a point where food could be obtained. Finally they were found by E. C. Hill, of the Trans-Alaska Company, and F. Carlson. Hill made a trip of 50 miles and return and secured some beans, bacon and flour for the starving men, and they were saved. Sprague accompanied the mail through to the Yukon and from thence to St. Michael and Nome.

WORK ON COAL PROSPECT STOPS.

Railroad Awaits Report of Assayist on Medford Find.

MEDFORD, June 25.—Work has been temporarily suspended on the coal project which the Southern Pacific Company has been developing for the past several months, and which is situated about four miles east of this place. The tunnel has been driven about 500 feet, most of the way through a strata of solid coal, and at a depth of 500 feet a crosscut was driven over 100 feet in length through solid coal. The vein is nearly 12 feet in width. Although it has been satisfactorily demonstrated that coal in immense quantities was to be found in this mine, the quality is not regarded as quite up to the standard desired by the company. While it is first-class for fuel and for use in stationary engines, it is not of the quality necessary for use in locomotives. Samples of the coal have been sent to the company's assayist, however, and upon his decision as to the value of the coal for commercial or locomotive use depends the question of the resumption of operations or the final abandonment of the enterprise.

Professor Dumble, head geologist of the Southern Pacific Company, and J. Owen, who has been in charge of the work, are now, with a force of men, engaged in prospecting in the Evans Creek country, about 40 miles north of Medford, for more coal veins. The Southern Pacific Company has a number of claims, where coal is known to exist, bonded in this section. These will be tested, and some prospecting done on the company's own lands. The operations of the company are attracting considerable interest among the citizens of Jackson County, as they realize that the finding of coal of good quality and paying quantity will add another to the long list of Southern Oregon's varied resources.

BIDS ON ARMY BUILDING.

Portland Firms Likely to Get Good Contracts at Vancouver.

VANCOUVER, Wash., June 25.—Bids for the construction of a double officers' quarters at Vancouver Barracks were opened today by the Chief Quartermaster of the Department, who will recommend that the following lowest bidders be awarded the contracts: Material and labor for construction of building, carpenter, James L. Goss, $16,877; furnishing and putting in of steam-heating apparatus in each quarters, J. L. Shea, of Portland, $1462; plumbing for two quarters, J. L. Shea, of Portland, $1721; gas-piping, J. L. Shea, of Portland, $106; electric-wiring, M. J. Walsh, of Portland, $450; for construction work, J. L. Goss was the only bidder.

The building will be the finest in the post. The foundation will be stone, and the masonry alone will amount to more than $6000.

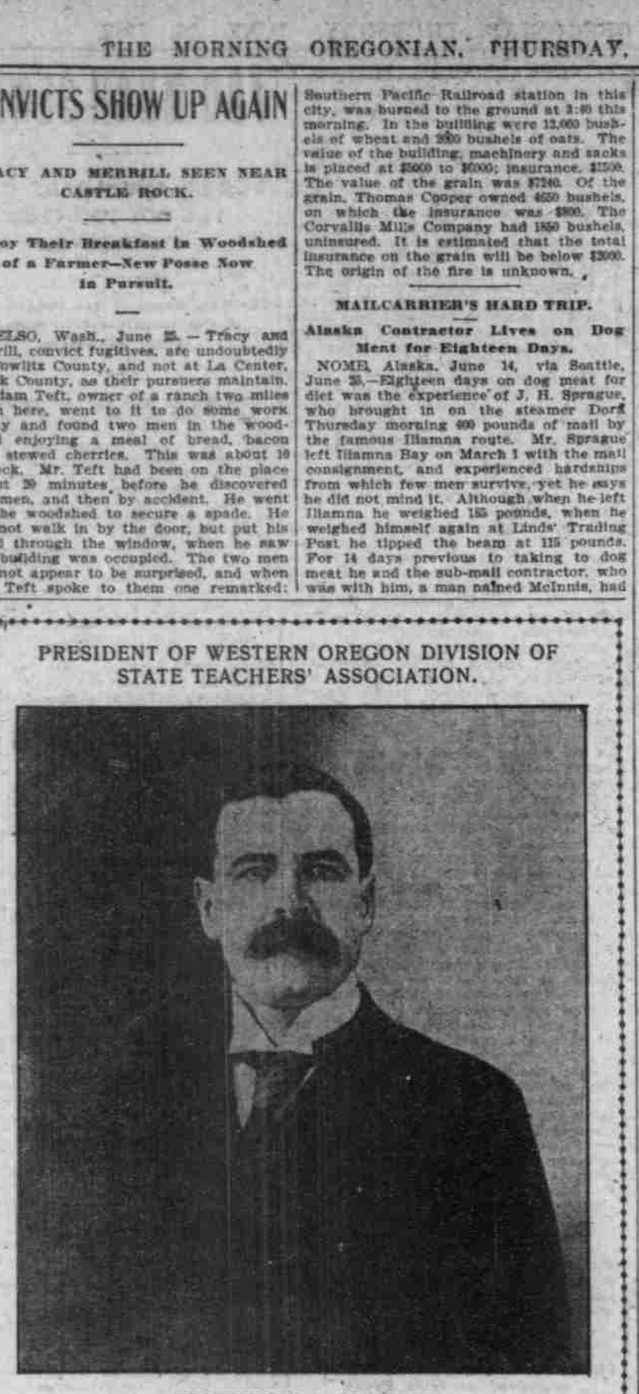
Fire Destroys Many Sawlogs.

ST. HELENS, June 25.—Joe Bebesky, who arrived today from the Coweeman logging camps, on the Washington side, 30 miles from here, stated that a running fire has destroyed a considerable quantity of sawlogs, where he was at work. The fires had been burning for four days, but were about extinguished by the rains that fell yesterday. Muckle Bros., of this place, have two logging camps in that vicinity, but it has not yet been learned whether they suffered any loss. James Muckle, of Portland, went into the camps yesterday, and will return Friday. The Coweeman is a tributary of the Cowlitz River.

Timber Land in Great Demand.

ST. HELENS, Or., June 25.—Timber claims in Columbia County are now finding ready sales at prices ranging from $800 to $2000. The records in the Clerk's office here show that the heaviest purchasers are the Weyerhauser syndicate and the Sage Improvement Company, both Eastern firms.

J. B. Godfrey, just returned from the Nehalem country, states that the section is overrun with cruisers.



PRESIDENT OF WESTERN OREGON DIVISION OF STATE TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.

PROFESSOR P. L. CAMPBELL.

TEACHERS IN SESSION

WESTERN OREGON DIVISION CONVENES AT EUGENE.

Prominent Educators Will Take Part in the Exercises—Attendance Is About 400.

EUGENE, Or., June 25.—The Western Oregon division of the Oregon State Teachers' Association convened in annual session here this evening, President P. L. Campbell, of Monmouth, presiding. About 400 teachers are in attendance.

Upon arrival here the teachers were met by a reception committee, consisting of City Superintendent A. F. Bechdolt, Miss Ida Patterson, Professor Moore, Dr. Strong and Professors Straub, Ressler and Burden and the resident teachers.

The programme tonight was as follows:

Addresses of welcome—On behalf of city, Mayor G. B. Chrisman; on behalf of city schools, A. F. Bechdolt.

Response—G. W. Denman, Corvallis.

President's address—P. L. Campbell, Monmouth.

Reception—Fourth Regiment Armory.

The officers of the association are: P. L. Campbell, president, Monmouth; E. D. Ressler, first vice-president, Eugene; D. A. Grout, second vice-president, Portland; G. W. Jones, secretary, Salem; Bertha M. Slater, treasurer, Eugene. The meeting-place of the association is the State University, which is nicely decorated for the occasion.

BOARD OF MISSIONS MEETS.

Christian Church Organization Elects Officers for Ensuing Year.

TURNER, Or., June 25.—This was another great day at the Oregon Christian Missionary convention. At 9 o'clock Dr. Scoville spoke on "Higher Criticism." Dr. Scoville stated he recognized that "biblical criticism has its place," but, said he, "when unwarranted positions are assumed, and false deductions made which undermine the foundation of the superstructure then I demur."

At 10 A. M. the Christian Woman's Board of Missions began its work with Mrs. Osborne, of Salem, presiding, Mrs. L. A. Bristow, president of the convention, being detained at home on account of sickness in her family. The following committees were nominated: Nominating, Mrs. Reed, Pleasant Hill; Rev. Clara G. Esson, Eugene; J. M. Shaw, Portland; Mrs. Humbert, Corvallis; Mrs. J. S. Holmes, Albany. Future work, Mrs. Platt, McMinnville, Mrs. A. Esson, Portland; Mrs. E. C. Sanderson, Eugene; Mrs. Berry, Milton. Obituary, Mrs. A. A. Kellogg, Portland; Mrs. A. F. Tout, Eugene; Mrs. Green, Eugene. Enrollment, Mrs. Cramer, Independence; Mrs. J. S. McCollum, Eugene. Findings, Mrs. Harry Benton, Elgin; Mrs. Ella Firman, Portland. Auditing, Rev. Albyn Esson, Portland; Rev. B. Holmes, Albany.

The following new workers were introduced to the convention:

Mrs. Louise Kelley, national organizer; Mrs. M. A. Rose, Miss Ella Firman, Mrs. George C. Ritchey, Miss Ella Firman, Mrs. E. C. Wigmore, Mrs. J. S. McCollum, Mrs. J. B. Holmes, Mrs. Harry Benton, Mrs. R. L. Platt.

Mrs. Kelley brought greetings from the national board and co-workers in the East. Mrs. M. A. Rose brought greetings from Kansas. The secretary, Mrs. Humbert, made her report, showing good progress. The report of Mrs. S. Hunsaker, treasurer, showed all debts paid and a balance on hand of over $100. The address of Mrs. Louise Kelley closed the morning session.

After the devotional exercises at 1:30 P. M., led by Mrs. A. L. Platt, of McMinnville, Mrs. George C. Ritchey read a paper: "As Christian Women, What Do We Owe to the Christian Woman's Board of Missions?" Mrs. Albyn Esson followed with a "Miscellaneous Talk on Mission Fields." An interesting feature of the afternoon session was a solo by Mrs. Loule Hugh, of the Chinese Mission at Portland, and Rev. Loule Hugh delivered a characteristic address to the delight of all.

The committee on nominations reported the following as the officers for the coming year: President, Mrs. Humbert; vice-president, Mrs. Osborne; secretary, Mrs. Albyn Esson; treasurer, Mrs. S. Hunsaker.

Mrs. E. C. Wigmore, of Monmouth, led the devotional exercises at 7 P. M., and Mrs. Kelley followed with another address. The day's work had a fitting close with a sermon on "The Work of Religion," by Dr. Scoville, before a large audience.

Dr. Blackburn Elected Moderator.

OREGON CITY, June 25.—The 54th annual session of the Willamette Baptist Association ended tonight with the doctrinal sermon by Rev. George R. Varney. Among the speakers today were Dr. Alexander Blackburn, of Portland; and President H. L. Boardman, of McMinnville College. At 6 o'clock a dinner was given in the First Baptist Church, where the sessions of the association have been held.

Rev. Alexander Blackburn, of Portland, was today elected moderator of the association, and C. A. Nutley was re-elected clerk and treasurer.

FINE FRUIT OUTLOOK.

Jackson County Promises to Have a Record-Breaking Crop.

MEDFORD, Or., June 25.—Never in the history of fruitraising in Southern Oregon have the prospects for an enormous crop of all kinds of fruit been brighter than at the present time. Every tree is loaded with fruit, and orchardists have been compelled to remove a great quantity of it in order to insure a perfect product and to prevent damage to the trees from the heavy load they would have to bear. Apples especially will be a large crop. One firm of apple-growers has ordered three carloads of fruit paper with which to wrap their apples. This gives some idea of the great crop expected. Cherries are a large crop, and of exceptional quality, but not more than enough are raised to supply the home market. Peaches, prunes and small fruits of all kinds will produce exceptionally large crops.

Owing to the late Spring, the season will be two to three weeks late this year, but this will be all the better for the quality and quantity of the product.

Corn, wheat and grains of all kinds look well and promise an abundant yield.

Steel Bridge to Be Put Up at Medford

The old wooden bridge across Bear Creek at the foot of Seventh street, which has been in a shaky condition for years, and a constant source of expense, is to be replaced by a new steel bridge, a contract for the construction of the same having been let to G. D. Redinger by the County Court. The contract price is $5095. The bridge is to consist of two 110-foot spans, with an approach 72 feet in length on the west end of the bridge, and is to be 18 inches lower than the present structure, bringing it down to the level of the street grade on the eastern end. The City Council now has under consideration a proposition for the construction of a footbridge on the side of the proposed new structure, at an extra cost to the city of $300, and in all probability will accept the offer.

Desperate Encounter With Burglar.

TILLAMOOK, June 25.—Sid Lowry, of South Plain, had a desperate encounter with a burglar Monday night. He awoke in the night to find a man in his bedroom trying to open a box. Lowry jumped out of bed and a scuffle ensued in the dark, during which he struck the burglar in the face, and, grasping a jack-knife, slashed with it right and left. The burglar seized a chair, rendered Lowry unconscious and made his escape. He has not yet been apprehended.

Arrange for State Fair Exhibit.

EUGENE, June 25.—W. H. Wehrung, president, and M. D. Wisdom, secretary, of the Oregon State Agricultural Society, have made arrangements with Amos Wilkins, of Coburg, to superintend the collection and arrangement of a county exhibit to be made by Lane County at the coming State Fair. Messrs. Wehrung and Wisdom also made a contract yesterday afternoon with the Fourth Regiment Band to furnish music during the fair.

Idaho Range Horses for the East.

WEISER, Idaho, June 25.—William Riggs, a leading Idaho horsedealer, today shipped from Weiser five carloads of horses to Eastern markets. He will pick up cars along the line between this city and Pocatello that are being loaded for him at other points. When he leaves that city he will have 19 cars. They will be shipped to New York and Chicago. They are a fair sample of Idaho's range horses.

Victoria to Hold Services.

VICTORIA, B. C., June 25.—Services of intercession for the recovery of the King will be held in the city churches tomorrow morning, and in the evening there will be a union meeting at the Parliament buildings. The decorations for the coronation celebration have been taken down.

Machinery for New Mill.

ASTORIA, June 25.—The first carload of new machinery for the Clatsop Mill Company has arrived from Oshkosh, Wis. About 15 more carloads are expected in the near future and a portion of them have already been shipped.

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