Joseph Simon Will Not Run for Senator.

SAYS SO EMPHATICALLY

Scores Statement of County Central Committee.

PRAISES MAYOR WILLIAMS

Ex-United States Senator Will Not Be a Candidate to Succeed Mitchell, but Takes Opportunity to Criticise Opponents.

Joseph Simon is not a caldidate for the United States Senate. Moreover, he will not be a candidate, and in an interview vesterday the ex-Senator stated emphatic that whatever the political warfare of the next three years might bring forth, be would under no circumstances permit his name to be placed in nomination for a

"I have served one term in the Senate of the United States," said Mr. Simon yesterday in response to a question, "and while the position is one of honor, I feel that the lengthy absences from Oregon which the position entails violate both my inclinations and my interests. I will not under any circumstances be a candidate to succeed Senator Mitchell in 1907, nor do I anticipate that at any later date I will view the matter in any other light than I

de now."

This statement was elicited from Senator Simon in the course of a discussion of the "address to the public" issued on Wednesday by the Reublican County and City Central Committee, in which that organization took occasion to declare vigority for Senator Michael's releasing orously for Senator Mitchell's re-election to succeed himself in 1907. This address in another clause stated plainly that should Senator Simon be returned to power at the coming primaries his influence would pertainly be used against the nomination of Mr. Roosevelt for President, but on this point Mr. Semon had little comment to

Refers to Previous Statement.

"I can only refer these eager gentle-men," said Mr. Simon, "to my statement published in last Sunday's Oregonian, in which I said that I had no fight to make on Mr. Roosevelt and would make none, and that among my friends were many of the warmest supporters and most sincere friends that the President had in Oregon. Further than this the English language cannot go. Deliberate distortion of facts will not aid the Mitchell people, although it has long been recognized as an important and frequently used weapon in their

The address to the public made by the Mitchell faction is so full of absurdities that it seems unfair to single any one or two of them out for criticism, but any one at all familiar with the political history of Oregon knows that the statement made to the effect that prior to the elec-tion of 1896 I had announced that I expect-ed to support Senator Mitchell for re-elec-

"I made no such declaration, and in view of what took place at the time it is ab-surd to make any such claim. Sonator Mitchell's friends were in open opposition to my friends in an endeavor to win the Republican primaries in Multnomah County, and after their defeat at the primary ction the Mitchell adherents endeavored capture the Republican Convention at ie A. O. U. W. Hall, in this city, and in sulted in bloodshed.

in capturing the convention, and then secoded, and with the aid of Democrats and Populists organized what they called the Mirchell Republican party. This fac-tion used every possible effort to defeat the ticket nominated by the regular Republican convention, and was again in the main unsuccessful. I refer to this merely to prove how preposterous is the charge that I had announced my intention or expectation of supporting Senator Mitchell in 1898.

Important if True.

also observe," said Senator Sh "that the 'manifesto' points with pride to the record of the city and county official during the administration of the 'Mitch ell Republicans,' claiming on its behalf that it 'has been most remarkable for its efficiency and most gratifying for its econ-omy and businesslike methods. This is a very neatly turned sentence, and is im-portant if true.

"The assertion is also made that 'during last year the county debt was cut down \$210,000, and there was a saving of \$117,000 in the actual operating expenses as compared with the previous year under the Simon administration. "In this connection I wish to submit a

The this connection I wish to submit a few facts, and will then leave the public to determine how far the Mitchell Republicans are justified in their claim of civic virtue and economy.

"On July 1, 1962, the present County Board entered upon their offices and their predecessors, called in the manifesto the Simon administration, ceased to control the board. At that date the total excess of liabilities of Multinomah County as shown Habilities of Multnomah County as shown by the Auditor's report was \$27,602.50. On December 31, 1902, with six months' admin-Istration of the present board, the excess of Habilities had been increased to \$49,-456.85, thus swelling the excess of Habil. ties \$191,834.26 in the brief period of six

"Now let us look at the receipts of Multah County during the past three years and perhaps we may find some explanation for the reduction of county debt claimed by the Mitchell Republicans. Dur-ing the year 1801, \$335.883 was paid into the county treasury for county purposes. During the year 1905 about \$300.000 was paid into the county treasury for county pur-poses, and during the year 1963 \$515.686 was paid into the county treasury for county purposes, an excess of 200,000 over the re-ceipts of previous years. This excess was applied to cancellation of county warrants and enabled the County Board to reduce the county debt to that extent.

Tax Sales Brought in Money.

This large increase in the receipts of se county was not brought about by economical management, but by reason of the large sums derived by the county from the sales of real property acquired by the county under delinquent tax sales

an increased valuation of real property, the annual levy for taxation purposes is the purchased the comismity increasing, and for the coming year the taxpayers of this city and county sight. will have to face a i per cent tax. The "Simon administration" never reached that

point in its tax levy.

T have not the figures at hand to com-

the administration of Mayor Rowe, but I do know that the expense of administering the affairs of the city has been very largely increased over that of the former administration

Praise for Mayor Williams.

"The cost of conducting the various de-partments of the city has been largely in-creased, with a constant upward tendency, necessitating larger receipts and increased taxation to meet the same. And I certainly can see no improvement in the conduct or character of the Police Department. Had it not been for the careful supervision and devotion to duty of Mayor Williams, who can scarcely be classed as a Mitchell man, the municipal record of the Mitchell Re-publicans, to which they point with pride, would be unparalleled for extravagance, corruption and inefficiency. The Mayor is its one redeeming feature."

DUSTERS STIR UP DISEASE.

New York Doctors Give Advice to Prevent Spread of Pneumonia.

NEW YORK, Jan. 21,-in order to check Now Yorks, Jan. 21.—In order to check the increase in the number of deaths from pneumonia and other diseases due to inclement weather, an advisory board of leading physicians appointed by the health department, has formulated rules for the guidance of the public. Deaths from pneumonia, influenza, bronchitis and similar aliments last week numbered 679, which was an increase of 31 over the orewhich was an increase of 21 over the preceding week and 121 over the record of the opening days of January. There has been a jump in the number of cases of pulmon-ary consumption, 345 being reported last week, an increase of 45 over the preceding

The advice given by the advisory board recommends, among other things, the dis-continuance of using feather dusters by housemaids. The physicians' statement

"Exposure to cold, overexertion, lack of physical vigor, abuse of alcohol, etc., prelisposes the individual to pneumonia but are not its direct cause. The bactoria germs which are the immediate excitants of pneumonia, are usually conveyed in the dust of air, contaminated by sputum, nasal or other discharge, not al-ways of those who are ill, which upon drying is widely disseminated.

"It is furthermore most important that in the cleaning of private houses and all public conveyances and places of assem-bly, the methods adopted should be such as will remove and not stir up the dust, which, when contaminated, may incite in susceptible persons some form of acute pneumonia as well as tuberculosis, and the more common colds and catarchs. "Feather dusters should be abandoned and moist cloths used for dusting. When practicable, sweeping should be done in the evening, so that floating dust may completely settle before its removal by

SAGE APPROVES APOSTLE. And Incidentally Drops a Hint for

dusting."

moist cloths in the morning. Moist mops should be passed over floors, when these are uncarpeted, as part of the morning

Work at Fair. PORTLAND, Jan. 19 .- (To the Editor.)-"Let your moderation be known to all non" is perhaps the best advice the apostle could give for general application. The thing that most counteracts this advice is want of discrimination. Power ap-

plied in the wrong direction is worse than

Sx days' work is wound up, and Sun day finds us of various disposition: Some prefer to go to church, listen to an eloquent appeal from the minister and a musicale from the choir, but the multitude prefer to go fishing. What they catch is miscellaneous. Some catch colds, some cramps, all depending on the place they visit; the Government wants to provide a place in Portland where the people can moet, exchange greetings and outlivets patriotism, which in its best sense may be understood as promoting good-fellow-phip. A noted Frenchman is reported to have said while in this country. "Mon-archies may live without faith; republics never; when the people deny Kings their only safety is in the acknowledgment of God." This is quoted from memory, but the sontiment is expressed and means that a republic cannot long continue that

brotherhood of man.

Is there to be found any better place to cultivate this sentiment than is to be found in the Sunday opening of the Lewis and Clark Fair? A temple may there be constituted to create brotherly their attempt to do so started a dis- there be constituted to create brotherly graceful turmoll and fight, which almost love and sympathy as the bond of safety to the Nation, that can nowhere else be found in Oregon. Will our dear brethren discriminate in this matter and lend a hand to make it a success? "Don't kick, don't push, there is room enough fo all." M. S. GRISWOLD.

denies the fatherhood of God and the

TOO STORMY ON THE BAR.

Government Engineers Have Been Unable to Survey It.

Government engineers have been unable to survey the bar because of rough weather. Major Laugfit has detailed the tug George H. Mendell to that duty, but storms have delayed the work for two weeks. Major Langfitt's purpose is to ascertain whether bar pilots are telling the truth about the improvement in the channel. The dredge Chinook has also found the bar too rough for work. Meanwhile the suction tubes of the vessel are being altered.

Major Langfitt went to Astoria last Wednesday to quell a dispute that had arisen between Captain Dunbar and Chief Engineer Lindley. The Captain had insisted upon the discharge of a certain man in the engineeroom and the Chief Engineer had resisted and cold weather came between them. Major Langfitt calmed the troubled waters and sections. calmed the troubled waters and assigned anchorage to each of the officers, so that in ...e future they will probably not drift afoul of each other.

ERICKSON OPENS AND CLOSES District Attorney Manning Causes Proprietors to Be Re-Arrested.

· Another attempt was made to open Erickson's gambfing house yesterday, Erickson's gambfing house yesterday, but, in accordance with his previous stand, District Attorney Manning caused the proprietors to be immediately arrested

Mr. Manning still says he will not allow the place to be reopened until Mrs. Minnie Fishbeck has had the 1165 her hus-band lost playing "twenty-one" returned to her. Henry Griffin, Erickson's manager, has nothing to say regarding the matter.

said he, "but that is about all I am sure of in this case."

WONDERFUL COLLECTION. Relics From Far-Off Siberia, Found

Buried, Now in City. B, B. Rich has purchased the entire private selection of the noted Siberian ex-plorer, J. E. Walker. This is the first time that the public has had an opportu-

nity to view this collection, which can be and again put up for sale, a matter with which the public is familiar.

"I trust that I also may be pardoned livery dols and dolls thousands of years for calling attention to the fact that with tion of ancient relics ever placed before the public. Mr. Rich extends a general in-vitation to call and view this marvelous.

A GUARANTEED CURE FOR PILES. liching, Blind, Bleeding or Prot Piles. Your druggist will refund me PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure pot to 14 days. 50c.

The new Valentines are being shown in immense variety and at all prices from Ic up Picture Framing to your Order at Clearance Prices—Largest line of Moldings in city

Trunks, Suit Cases, Traveling Bags, Telescopes, Etc., at unusually low prices

Friday's Budget of Extra Specials

All new, trustworthy merchandise at prices within reach of all-Values for today that should induce vigorous buying in every section of the store - You find here at all times equal or better merchandise for less money than you are asked to pay elsewhere-We are never undersold-We own our merchandise at a less cost than any other store-No regson why we can't sell at a less price-Look over the following items and come early.

\$3.50 Corsets at 27c Pair 500 prs. Corsets, in black and drab, all well-known makes, Her Majesty's, Thomson's, P. D., and others, all sizes, values up to \$3.50 pair. 27¢

Fancy Velvets at 35c Yard

500 yards Fancy Waist Vel-

vets, Persian and fancy ef-

fects, great variety, values

up to \$1.45 a yard, at, per

50c Wrist Bags 34c Each

All our 50c Wrist Bags, in the

best leathers and styles, the

entire 50c line marked down

50c Wash Silks 33c Yard 60 patterns in fine Corded Japanese Wash Silks, stripes and checks, best colorings, the regular 50c value, today

Ladies' Belts at 14c Each \$3.25 Lace Curtains \$1.95 Ladies' Leather Belts, in 300 pairs of Lace Curtains, fancy and patent leather, good buckles, all the 25c

and 35c values, today at

only14¢ Women's House Shoes 92c Women's "Matron" House Shoes, glove kid, 3-point style, all sizes, best value in House Slippers ever offered,

All 25c Jewelry 7c Each Boys' Shoes All Reduced Heavy, solid leather, double 25c Jewelry - Cuff Links, Stick Pins, Brooches, Lace soles, great value-Pins, etc.-for today only 11 to 13, \$1.75 value. .\$1.13 131/2 to 2, \$2.00 value. \$1.38 at the very low price of only, 21/2 to 51/2, \$2.50 value. \$1.68

50c Comb. Purses 33c Ea. Men's Neckwear Reduced 50c Combination Purses, in Great reductions for today, imitation walrus, pretty best patterns, best stylestrimming, best colors, reguat the following prices: lar 50c values-for today at, each33¢

lously low prices today. Our White Petticoat prices are the lowest in town. Men's Bargains for Today

\$4.00 Blankets \$2.55 Pair

All-Wool Plain Gray Blank-

ets, full size, the best \$4.00

Blankets ever offered, today

only at the very low price

of, per pair......\$2.55

Brussels effects, best styles

-today only at the remark-

Gingham Aprons 14c Each

1000 Gingham Aprons, striped

effects, in blue and white,

the best gingham apron

value in the city, for only,

each14¢

Dress Trimmings Reduced

Five great lots of Fancy

Dress Trimmings at ridicu-

25c Cashmere Hosiery .. 18¢ \$1 Outing Flannel Robes at only69¢ \$1.00 Neckwear, each. 50¢ All \$1.25 Underwear at 98¢ \$1.50 Neckwear, each \$1.05 Hats, Hdkfs., etc., reduced.

Great Values in The Basement

Economical housewives will go through this list carefully.

Steel Knives and Forks, cocohola handles-set of 6, \$1.50 values for \$1,20 set; \$1.00 values at, per set80¢ Alcohol Stoves, medium size, with boiler, great bargains, goc values reduced to 72¢; 6oc values reduced to ... 48¢ Corkscrews, polished handles, self-pulling, each 24¢ Butcher Knives, best steel, 6in., 24¢; 7-in., 32¢; 8-in. ished handles, best made, 50c values reduced to 40¢; 30c values reduced to 24¢ Magnetic Steels, 9-in. at 24¢; Set, brown only, set .. \$4.67 60-piece Green Semi-Vitreous Set, gold knobs and handles at, per set.......\$5.67 60-piece Pink Semi-Vitreous Dinner Set, gold tracings, at, per set\$7.02 60-piece Gray English Porcelain Set, handsomely decorated, per set\$7.02 Lamps, central draft, decorated globe, complete ... \$3.00 10-piece Decorated Toilet Sets, great bargains at, set.\$3.40 Teapots, black, English decorated, great values, each, at 40¢ to52¢ Spice Jars, blue and white porcelain only, each ... 20¢ Great bargains in Brushes, Hat Racks and Kitchen

"PENINSULAR" RANGES

Peninsular polished Steel Ranges, full nickel trimmed, beauties, sectional fire-back, duplex wood or coal grate, fully guaranteed, 50 per cent more heating and cooking capacity than any other.

\$42.00 Model for....\$36:80 \$45.00 Model for \$38.50 \$48.50 Model for \$42.00



Peninsular" Stoves and Ranges at Very Low Prices. Baby Carriages and Go-Carts at Clearance Sale Prices.

Framed Pictures Half Price

We are offering unrestricted choice from our entire stock of Framed Pictures at exactly one-half regular prices-The variety is immense, the frames the



handsomest, the subjects the best. The grandest Picture offering ever made in this city, and includes every Framed Picture in the store-Water Colors, Pastels, Medallions, Etchings, Platinums, Gravures, all the new subjects for parlor, dining-room, library and den.

Brass Frames, Bric-a-Brac and Statuary entire stock at half price-Second Floor. GREAT SALE IN THE BOOK DEPT.

Great Bargains in Children's Go-Carts for Today and

Great Notion Sale

All the little things at little prices - A notion sale of importance to dressmakers, seamstresses, housewives-A dollar is quickly saved by replemshing the sewing basket during this great sale

100-yard spools Linen Thread | for only3¢ Geneva silk finish Cotton, 500 yards, spool, only.....8¢ Kerr's Luster Thread, 300-yd. spools, at, spool.....8¢ Dragoon Basting Cotton, four Binding Ribbon, all colors, Dresses-

card, only 3¢ Crescent Shields for Evening No. 3, pr., 15¢; No. 4. 18¢ Aromatic Shields-No. 3, pr., 22¢; No. 4. 27¢ Brush Braid Binding, best quality, all colors, yd ... 3¢ Fast Black Shields, pair. 8¢ Merrick's Cotton, odd sizes, 8 ers, black and white, doz. 8¢ Percaline Skirt Linings, 200 grade for, yard 12¢ Mercerized Sateens for Pillow Backs, all colors, yd 21¢ Moreens for drop skirts, 36-in., at, yard......21¢



HOSE SUPPORTERS

"Duplex" Hook-On, pr. . 10¢ Straight-Front Supporters, at, "Liberty" Hose Supporters, 'Venus" straight-front Hose Supporters, pair.....20¢
"Venus" Silk Supporters, Kleinert's Silk Supporters, All the desirable colors

in all lines. SMALL WARES

Curling Irons at, ea.3¢ to 6¢ Puritan Pins, paper.....7¢ American Pins, paper 4¢ 1/2-lb. box Dressmakers' Pins for 20¢ Needle Books at, each ... 10¢ Black Pins, 2 boxes for ... 5¢ Gold-eyed Needles, pkg ... 3¢ Safety Pins, assorted sizes, per paper3¢ Wire Hairpins, 2 pkgs.... 1¢ Darning Cotton, doz. cards for

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All Winter Suits, Waists, Coats, Skirts, Wrappers, Petticoats, etc., are marked at half price and less. Marvelous bargains at every turn.

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Today's Surprise Sale

\$1 Gowns 43c 85c Drawers 43c

In addition to splendid reductions on our entire stock of fine undermuslins, we offer for the 742d Friday Surprise Sale two remarkable values in Ladies'Gowns and Drawers-85c and \$1.00 values at 43c. Gowns are of fine cambric material, best styles, lace and embroidery trimmed. Drawers are of fine muslins, big full sizes, lace or embroidery trimmed styles, all sizes. The grandest value ever offered at ... 43 See Fifth-street Muslin Display



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100 heavy mercerized Sateen Petticoats, the very best quality, five styles; included are about 30 of the "Magee" Patent Yoke Petticoats. Hemstitched ruffles, tucked and pleated effect, double ruffles, separate dust flounce, velvet bound every skirt in the lot regular \$4.00 values—other stores would call them \$4.75 and \$5.00 values -they think nothing of stretching the value a dollar or two-they

take the shopping public for fools.

Fleece-Lined Hosiery Reduced

A grand array of Hosiery bargains for women and children-Your particular attention is called to the bargains in ladies' fleece-lined Hosiery-Some special offerings below:

Ladies' "Black Cat" Fleeced Hose, "Pony" Fleece Lined Hose, Ribbed Top Fleece Lined Hose-entire stock, sizes 6 to 10-best values of the year, pair..... 18c

Ladies' Plain Black Extra Heavy 2-Thread Maco Cotton Hose, every Ladies' Ribbed Top Black Wool Hose,

merino heel and toe, all sizes, the best value ever offered at, 21c

Ladies' Black Ribbed Wool Hose, also plain with ribbed top, all sizes, the regular 35c values, for this sale at only, 25c

Children's Extra Quality Black Cotton Hose, sizes 6 to 15c Ladies' Allover Black Lace Lisle Hose, in handsome patterns, big variety, all sizes, best 85c values, pair...... Plain Black Cotton Hose, also white feet, split feet and plain black ribbed top, best 35c quality, for this sale, pr. 25c

\$5 Shoes \$3.65

J. & T. Cousins' Fine Shoes for Women, patent leather and "Vici" kid styles, French heel, every pair guaranteed to give satisfactory wear, the best \$5.00 dress shoes in all sizes, at, pair....\$3.65 Also vici kid with Cuban heel, patent or stock tip, light or heavy sole, \$5.00 value, at, per pair\$3.65 J. & T. Cousins' \$3.50 and \$4 Shoes, in button style, "vici" kid stock or patent tip, light

and medium sole, all sizes,

\$3.50 and \$4.00 value, at, per

Boys' Clothing

Boys' Outing Flannel Waists and Blouses, all sizes, the All-Wool Flannel Waists, in gray, cardinal and blue, best \$1.25 line for only....83c Boys' All-Wool Suits, the regular \$4.00 line for \$2.59 Little Boys' Overcoats, the regular \$10.00 values, best \$10.00 values, at. .\$7.80 Young Men's All-Wool Suits, pair\$2.65 the \$7.50 line at\$5.95

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Men's Fine All-Wool Worsted Trousers in the very best patterns, all the \$3.65 values, pair ... \$3.65 Men's \$14 All-Wool Fancy Tweed Overcoats, in medium weights, well made, best trimmings, great value at the low price of \$7.15 Men's All-Wool \$12.50 Suits, low price of in worsteds, cheviots and

meltons, great special values at \$8.89 Men's Extra Fine Quality \$20 Suits, in fancy worsteds, cheviots, tweeds and cassimeres, remark-\$14.85

Men's Genuine "Priestley" Cravenettes at\$10.15 Men's \$2.50 Terrycloth Bath Robes at only\$1.89 Every Suit, Overcoat, Vest, Smoking Jacket in stock is being offered at an unusually low price.

