### IS OUT OF DEBT

County of Multnomah Is Now Clear.

CALL FOR WARRANTS ISSUED

All Interest Charges Cease and Warrant Brokers Must Look for Patronage Elsewhere for Their Discount Business.

Multnomah County is out of debt for the first time since 1593. County Treasurer Lewis issued a call yesterday for all outstanding county warrants, amou ing to \$60,000, and the remaining outstanding road warrants. aggregating about \$40,000, will be called on April 12. This will stop all interest charges, and war-rant brokers so far as this county is concerned can retire from pusiness. With the payment of these warrants Multno-mah County will be entirely free of debt, as there is no bonded indebtedness of any kind. County Treasurer Lewis, speak-ing of the matter yesterday, said:

"There is no general fund warrant now outstanding drawing interest. Persons who have been investing in county warrants will probably not know what to do with their money. I think I shall be able to run until next tax collecting time on a cash basis. I have been paying March warrants on presentation, and I am not indorsing either county or road warrants "Not paid for want of funds."

Plenty of Money Left. Mr. Lewis further stated that he would have plenty of money left after he had paid the tax due the state by the county, which amounts to \$20,107.50. J. W. Ferguson, Chief Deputy in the

Tax Collector's office, yesterday made a return to County Treasurer Lewis of \$851,884.78, which is the last payment on taxes collected to and including March
15, the total of which was \$1,729,309.56.

All of this sum the Treasurer has reone of the beauty spots of America. He ceived. It has been distributed into the various funds, city, state, county, school, etc., which are now all in good condition. The tax books in the Sheriff's office, balanced up to and including April 2, show the total amount collected to have bern \$1,949,811.96 The total of the tax roll was \$3,290,000. The balance of the money on hand will be turned over to the County Treasurer by the Sheriff as soon as the books have been checked up, and the amount has been distributed into the funds to which it belongs. The largest return of tax moneys to the County Treasurer in 1904 by W. A. Storey, then Sheriff, was \$771,454.72, on April 16.

Judge Webster has kept his promise when he assumed the duties of his office when he assumed the duties of his office.

to get the county out of debt. This has been accompanied by an economical administration on his part, assisted County Commissioners Barnes and Light-ner, and the other county officers, and by a small increase in the tax levy to ride additional funds to liquidate the

Debt Three Years Ago.

Three years ago the total amount of the county indebtedness represented by out-standing warrants, drawing interest at the rate of 6 per cent, was about \$600,000.

The county got behind in 1890, resulting from the closing of the Northwest Loan & Trust Company and Oregon National banks, of which George B. Markie was the head. County funds deposited in these two banks when they falled amounted to \$250,000, and little of this sum was ever recovered. An accumulation of uncollected mortgage taxes added to the trou-ble. Markle was sued, but nothing could be obtained from him, as he was bankrupt. He returned to his former home in Hazelton, Pa., and has since remained there. The warrants for a long time drew 8 per cent, but the percentage was finally reduced by an act of the Legis-ford." that time on the road will be self-sustaining. Then we can gradually push along until we reach Crater Lake, which is about 80 miles from Medford." lature to 6. The warrants were considered a first-class investment, and brokers remained at the Courthouse all day buying them up and disposing of them to banks and others. The interest paid dur-ing all of these years has far exceeded the original indebtedness.

Promptness in the payment of taxes by taxpayers this year has enabled the indebtedness to be wiped out now, and results in a saving of interest.

#### Heardin the Rotundas

they expect to get all the logs on the perial. published at Tacoma, who is staying Grove, is registered at the Imperial a few Jays at the Perkins Hotel. "The Hotel. greater bulk of the timber cut in the Northwest is transported to market Hotel, at Walla Walla, is a guest at the on rail, but a large amount of it is Portland Hotel. floated down the streams. There are enough logs stranded in the small streams, which if not removed will ing at the Imperial. sake a material decrease in the lumber State Senator Squire Farrar, of Salem, stput of these two states. output of these two states.

"At the present time it looks as registered at the Imperial, though the logs will have to remain in W. L. Thompson, a bank though the logs will have to remain in the small streams until next Fall as dieton, is a guest at the Imperial Hotel. I believe it is generally admitted that He is in Portland undergoing treatment there will be very little high water before Spring. Never for years has there been such a small amount of snow there been such a small amount of snow Mankato, Minn, are guests at the Hotel Portland. Mr. Brett is in the mercanthere been such a small amount of snow in the mountains. Even at the head-quarters of the Columbia but light snow has fallen this Winter. As a result there will be but little rise in the rivers and streams during the Spring that. Mr. Davis is treasurer and Mr. Keene secretary of the Medford & Crater Lake Railroad.

her Company, which has sawmills on the sides of Mount Hood, is in imminent danger of being materially affected this Summer. The logs from the timber belt are transported to the From Tacoma—C. M. Riddell, at the Imperial planing mills five miles below by the means of a flume, the water for which is obtained from a creek. I was told a mouth ago by J. M. Leiter, secretary and treasurer of the company, that Kenzie, at the Imperial. there was barely enough water in the creek to supply the flume. Generally at this time of the year the creek I mentioned is overflowing. Since then there

Will Wheeler has been employed at the Hotel Portland as head waiter for nearly 16 years, almost since the hotel was eracted. During that time he took a vacation, spending two years in Scattering Ween and A. Pearson, Jr.; George A. Pearson and A. Pearson.

Files Bankruptcy Petition. cation, spending two years in Spokane, returning to resume his old position, which had been held open for him.

There are several of the colored wait-

at the Portland Hotel who have been with the management for five or six years. Taken as a rule, the colored waiters are a great class of people to drift from one part of the country to the other. It is

times. The white waiters are said to be of a more steadfast character and generally hold to their positions.

With the going of the colored waiters at the hotel the first of May, the local negro papers will discontinue their hotel columns which they have been running ever since their inauguration. Each week the papers told of the changes that have taken place, if there have been any, and about the waiters in general.

"New Ulm, a town of about 5006 inhab-Itants in Minnesota, bears the distinction of being inhabited entirely by Germans," remarked George E. Britt from Mankato, Minn, at the Hotel Portland yesterday afternoon. "There are no other resi-dents in New Ulm. Without an exception all are Germans. I do not believe there all are Germans. I do not believe there another town like it in the United

"Years ago when Minnesota was first opened to immigration a German colony settled around the present site of New Ulm. The settlers cleared up the land and opened farms, and it was not long before they became very prosperous. They sent for more of their countrymen. Now the Germans own the farming land for miles around New Ulm.

"They all speak the German language. It is used almost exclusively in all bustness transactions. In fact, the English language is never spoken unless happens to be strangers in the Some of the inhabitants of New Ulm were born and raised there and are unable to speak a word of English.

"The Germans, sithough they still re-tain most of the customs of their native country, are loyal to the United States. They are not opposed to outsiders mov-ing into their city, but are very sociable. The town is rapidly increasing in size and importance, as lots of new people are settling there. The newcomers are all Germans. The Americans evidently have no desire to interfere."

Alian A. Wright, chief clerk of the Portland Hotel, and Dr. C. A. Macrum recently purchased fruit farms in the Mosler Valley, near Hood River. Mr. Wright has about 80 acres of land and Or. Macrum has 140 acres. Men have seen hired to take care of the farms. Mr. Wright, who was born and raised in the country, is a practical farmer, and Dr. Macrum is an expert fruit-grower. They both say that Mosier Valley will in a few years become famous for its fruits and berries as has Hood River Valley. They say the climate and the soil of the two valleys are almost iden-

one of the beauty spots of America. He says nothing surpasses it in Oregon. In going to the valley the road leads through a canyon, in which flows Mosier Creek. There is a sharp turn in the road, around which can be seen an immense fan-shaped slope miles in extent, which is dotted with farms and orchards. He says it is the most beautiful valley he has ever seen.

"No, no, I am from Cottage Grove, not Forest Grove," said ex-Mayor J. S. Medley, from Cottage Grove, at the Imperial Hotel, yesterday evening. "That is a common mistake," continued Mr. Medley. "People get the names of Forest Grove and Cottage Grove mixed. I find it that way especially in Portland. They seem to know more about Forest Grove than they do our

alongside Cottage Grove. Our town is twice as hig, and besides we have eight salcons. A town with 2000 in-habitants and eight salcons. Forest Grove hasn't any and from the way things look she never will have. Be sure and remember now," said Medley, as he walked away, "that I am from Cottage Grove, not Forest Grove."

"It may take a couple of years, but we will get to Crater Lake just the same," said R. H. Whitehead, manager of the Medford & Crater Lake Railway, work on the construction of which has just begun, at the Imperial Hotel yesterday afternoon. "We only have to go about 300 miles from Med-ford to strike the timber belt. From

#### PERSONAL MENTION.

J. M. Rsley, a Pendleton attorney, is guest at the Imperial Hotel. L. S. Rosener, a consulting engineer of San Francisco, is at the Portland.

F. B. Walte, a stock man from Roseburg, is staying at the Perkins. Darwin Bristow, a banker from Eugene, is a guest at the Imperial. Judge J. H. Guerry, of North Bend,

is registered at the Perkins Hotel. Representative W. I. Vawter, Medford, is registered at the Imperial. "O REGON and Washington need Dean Blanchard, a manufacturer from more rain and lots of it, too, if Rainler, Or., is registered at the Im Dean Blanchard, a manufacturer from

F. P. Phillips, a real estate dealer market which are now in the streams waiting for high water," says Edwin Sharpe of the West Coast Lumberman.

F. P. Phillips, a real estate dealer at Cottage Grove, is a guest at the Imperial.

I. S. Medley a druggist from Cottage. J. S. Medley, a druggist from Cottage

John B. Catron, manager of the Dacres

From Scattle-F. D. Ford, at the Astor; S. B. Agnew, at the Hoffman; J. P. Hansinan, at the Hotel Astor; D. A. Mc

#### File Incorporation Papers.

Articles of incorporation of the Gresham Articles of incorporation of the Gresham Trading & Packing Company were filed in the County Cierk's office yesterday by T. R. Howitt, Lewis Shattuck and J. M. Short, with a capital stock of \$15,000. The objects announced are to conduct a wholesale and retail merchandise business. and to do a general wholesale and retail butcher and packing business. Supplemental articles of incorporation of Pearson-Page Company, increasing the

water. On the Columbia River they have not been able, until the last ten days, to run boats above Wenatchee. I sually no difficulty in the navigation capital stock from \$800 to \$40,000, were filed in the County Clerk's office rester-

Vogler & Hamilton, of Tillamook, Or., filed a petition in bankruptcy in the United States Court resterday. This firm been in the saloon business, and its has been in the saloon business, and its schedule shows liabilities of \$1547.06, with assets of \$400. The debts are due \$ Sale of Residence Property Made. principally to cigar and liquor dealers.

Reports Theft of Horse. part of the country to the other. It is hard to get them to stay in one place.

They will work in one city for five or six months and then jump to another town. Usually they have but little difficulty in procuring work. There have been waiters who have worked at the Motel Fortland three or four different weighs about 120 pounds. The Sherin levis, and have the control of the country of the country to Dr. W. T. Williamson and T. M. Stevens for \$17,500. The house was built 12 years ago by David S. Tuthing and occupied by him and occupied by him till his death mare. 8 years old, with a white star on her forebead. She is 15% hands high, and weighs about 120 pounds. The Sherin lewis, did not care to rent it.

The Meier & Frank Store's 799th Friday Surprise Sale The Meier & Frank Store

# 250 Silk Shirtwaist Suits Regular \$18.00 Values for \$11.65



There'll be some rare fun in Portland's Leading Cloak and Suit Store this morning, judging from the inquiries that were made all day yesterday regarding the silk suit sale-There's about 1000 women coming after the 250 suits the way we counted-The only advice we can offer is to come early, promptly at 8 o'clock if you want one-All are this season's newest and prettiest styles-Immense varieties to choose from-Silk Shirtwaist Suits are to be in great favor this season-Every woman will want from one to a half dozen-This sale offers a grand opportunity to effect a big saving on the cost of yours-Here are the details: Made up of superior quality taffeta silk, leg o' mutton or shirred sleeves, collar and cuffs trimmed with piping; waists in pleated effects trimmed with fancy buttons and four-inhand tie; skirts are seven gore in pleated and kilted effects; colors are changeable silks, black and white checks, red and white checks, blue and

white stripes, brown and white checks; Plain colors are black, blue, brown, green, reseda, myrtle, grays and cream-All sizes-See Fifth-street window display-Other stores would call them \$25.00 values—Second Floor

# 300 Dozen White "Spachtel" Scarfs and Shams 50c, 75c, \$1 Values 25c

For today and tomorrow we place on sale a great special purchase of "Spachtel" Scarfs and Shams-scalloped and hemstitched edges, immense assortment of patterns; values are very exceptional running at 50c, 75c and \$1.00 each; your choice of the entire lot today and tomorrow at the low price of . 25c See Fifth-street window display-Second Floor.

### Friday and Saturday Sale of Hosiery and Underwear

Women's fine-ribbed high-neck, long-sleeve, hand-finished vest, in white only, all sizes, best 50c value ...... Women's fine-ribbed white lisle Pants, lace-trimmed, umbrella style, all sizes, best 50e values for, pair......41c

### 50c Hosiery 35c a Pair

5000 pairs Women's lace lisle Hose at a very low price, for Friday and Saturday, all over lace or lace boot effects-all 

Three Pairs for \$1.00

## \$1.75 and \$2 Wrappers 88c

100 Ladies' Percale and Flannelette Wrappers, full flounce skirt, in blues, navys, grays, black and white-This is an unequaled wrapper bargain and cannot be imitated -The Meier & Frank quality at Meier & Frank prices, always the lowest—\$1.75 and \$2 values, special

# 14,000 Yards for Today, Tomorrow

14,000 yards of 4-inch taffeta Ribbons and satin taffeta Ribbons large assortment of the leading shades-a grand special purchase from an overstock enables us to offer it at about one-half value, fine quality; best 25c value, today and 

Special offering of Chevrons, red with white, red with black, black with yellow, black with white, 25c values, each .......... 19¢ 10,000 yards of new Malines, every desirable shade, best 25c quality on sale today and tomorrow at this special low price. 21¢

## Two Days' Sale of Cutlery

Paring Knives, with cocobola handles, best 20e values on sale for the very low price of ..... 50 dozen Bread Knives, best steel, best 35e value on sale for two days..... Butcher Knives, 7-inch size, best 35c values on sale for .... 29c "Koholia" for Alcohol Lamps and Chafing Dishes, 25c value. 19¢

# 1500 Doz. Oranges 20c

For Friday and Saturday our end of the week distribution of 1500 dozen large-size, new-crop California Navel Oranges-fine quality fruit, 35c size and grade, buy all you want at, dozen...20¢

-Phone Private Exchange 4 .-

May Delineator Now on Sale 15c The Meier & Frank Store's 799th Friday Surprise Sale

# 25c Ribbons at 15c a Yard Men's Black Suits for Easter

\$20, \$22 ° Vals. \$12.65

300 new, up-to-date men's stylish black Suits for Easter and dress wear; suits for professional and business men at just about half their real worth is the very important offering for today's 799th Friday Surprise Sale-A special purchase from a leading New York manufacturer-Every garment of this season's manufacture and includes black thibets and black unfinished worsteds, made in regular and stouts, round cut conventional sack coats, sizes 34 to 46-Suits are cut in the latest fashion, have hand-made button holes, hand-felled collars, best Italian serge lining, square shoulders; suits the exclusive clothier gets \$22.50 and \$25.00 for 365 days in the year; a very timely bargain for men and young men who want a handsome black suit for Easter or Sunday wear-We stamp this the best dress suit value Portland men ever shared in-You can see them in the large Mor-

rison-street window-The sale on these suits is for today only, remember

Men's Clothing Department, Second Floor

"Hawes" \$3 Hats Sole Portland Agents for "Hawes" famous \$3 Hats for men, derbys and soft styles in black, tans, brown, pearl; all the new models for Spring and Summer are now ready



# Boys' and Young Men's Clothing

We want to see record-breaking sales in our Boys' and Young Men's Clothing Departments today and tomorrow-Offering as we are a matchless bargain in Men's Suits you can bring along the family and kill two birds with one stone-Every parent having a boy to



clothe is interested in the following-Second Floor Boys' all-wool 2-piece double-breasted Suit in fine all-wool tweeds and cheviots, brown and plaid mixtures, light and medium gray mixturestrousers made with double knee and seat, ages 8 to 16 \$4.80 years; best \$6.00 values for two days at..... Little Boys' Tan Reefers, of all-wool covert cloth, chevron

on sleeve, 3 to 10 years; great value..... Boys' Blouses, in light percales and Oxfords, with or without Boys' Knee Pants in all-wool cheviots, tweeds and cassimeres, 3 to 16 years; \$1.00 values.....

### Young Men's Suits at Bargain Prices Young Men's all-wool cassimere Suits, dark browns and

Young Men's fine all-wool Suits, in dark, fancy cheviots and \$8.15 worsteds, 14 to 20 years; regular \$10.00 values..... Young Men's fine all-wool Suits in new browns and gray \$11.15

2 Days' Sale in Book Store Webster's Dictionary, full sheep, in-

The Crisis," "Heart of Rome" and "The Conqueror," paper edition..... Views of Oregon, 8x12, matted; great special value.....

dexed, great value.....

Wire Meat Safes for \$1.13 Wire Meat Safes, best \$1.35 value on

sale for \$1.13 65c White Enameled Covered Kettle ..... 52c Screen Doors, Window Screens, etc.

## Women's Tan Oxfords \$1.62

Phenomenal Shoe bargains for women, men and children for oday and tomorrow-

1000 pairs Women's Low Shoes, in tan, black and patent leatherall sizes and widths; a quality shoe other stores ask \$3.00 a pair for regularly; today and tomorrow; your choice at the special low price of, pair.....\$1.62

1000 pairs Women's Lace Shoes, in patent leather and viei kid, in all sizes, today and tomorrow at ..... \$2.09 with patent tip, Johnson Bros.' best \$3.00 values,

or plain sole, pair....\$2.08 Men's kangaroo grain seamless Lace Shoes, quilted Men's kangaroo calf, lace and buckle, pair.....\$2.08

Men's kangaroo grain Creedmore and six other styles, in medium weight, mechanic's Shoes; best \$3.00 values, pair ..... \$2.08

### 15-Inch Top, Black and Tan Outing Shoes, \$5.00 and \$5.50 Values for \$3.95 Pair

\$5.00 and \$5.50 Surveyors and Outing Shoes, in black and tan, 15-inch tops, marvelous value, at the low price of, pair ......\$3.95

Misses' vici kid and box calf Shoes, 5 to 8, \$1.25 value, \$1.25 98¢; 9 to 11, \$1.50 value, \$1.15; 12 to 2, \$2 val... \$1.25

Boys' satin calf and kangarette Shoes, plain and quilted sole, great values, 1 to 2, at \$1.23 pair; 21/2 to 51/2, \$1.43 pair. 

side towns concerning the theft, and also notified various liverystable keepers to be on the lookout for the animal and

the man in possession.

The quarter-block on the southeast corner of Eighteenth and Davis streets was sold yesterday to Dr. W. T. Williamson

Says He Will Not Start Gambling Hall There.

M. G. Nease has obtained an option on some land just inside Clackamas County, and the inference is that he will build either a gambling hall or poolroom there. That it will not be the first he gave assurance last night. Whether it will be the second or not Mr. Nease does not give a definite answer, but says that if he purchases say that for me

NEASE'S OPTION IN CLACKAMAS | it will not be disapproved of by the majority of Portland citizens. "To tell the truth," said Mr. Nense. "I hardly believe it would pay to start poolroom so far from the city, when the hand bookmakers are allowed to flourish on the street corners. The Sheriff passes by them every day and can no more belp seeing them doing business than you or I. They are becoming bicker every day, and I doubt if a poolroom would have a following so far from town, when it is so easy to

bet on the races on the streets. And I will not run a gambling-house, you can the property the use he will make of That the officials of Clackamas tage Mathews, secretary of the County will be discussed tomorrow.

nies, saying that he knows none of leges that the lawyer did not follow inthem. The option which Mr. Nease has obtained is upon a tract of land between the golf links and Milwaukie made two conflicting confessions.

Convict Accuses a Lawyer. ex-president of the Federal Bank, who is serving nine years in Sing Sing

Hungarian Opposition to State Views BUDAPEST, April 6 .- At today's ses-NEW YORK, April 6.—The New sion of the lower house of the Hun-York grand jury is investigating garian Diet Francis Kossuth, leader of charges made by David Rothschild, the United Opposition, moved the appointment of a committee to draw an address to the Emperor-King, setting for defrauding the bank, against a mentary majority would be willing to lawyer who it understood to be Armi-