PURCHASERS MAKE PROTEST

State Land Board Asked to Honor Certificates of Sale.

HOLDERS ARE INNOCENT

Minneapolis Firms Invested Heavily in Oregon School Lands Which Grand Jury Reported as Tainted With Fraud.

SALEM, Or., May 24.-(Special.)-"What is the State Land Board driving at?" asks Minneapolis banker, in a letter to Atorney-General Crawford. He holds 22 state land certificates, for 330 acres each. or an aggregate of over 19,000 acres, and as recently notified that the grand jury reported the certificates as having been fraudulently obtained. The Land Board Called upon him for a showing of the cir-cumstances of the transaction, and there-fore, he wants to know what this sort of proceeding means. Among other things,

About three years ago I purchased from a. T. Keilther oute a number of school-land certificates. I think I own 22 in all. I have from time to time paid on the principal, down to 50 oents per acre, and always paid minterest promptly on the day and am ready and silling to pay the whole thing up and take my deeds, but the board has always said could carry it until they notified me, at there exists there are the said of the could carry it until they notified me, at the could carry it until they notified me, at

asson two certificates which i recently purchased, the beard currily informed me i must put in an appearance there on or before June 13, and show cause why all my certificates should not be cancelled. Of course I shall put in an appearance and have an attorney to defend me, but being so far away, it is a great hardship.

I don't care so much for the loss of the money or land, or both, but I feel grieved that such practices should be in vogue in any state. There are several other parties beserving to the parties there, friends of mine, who are in the same boat as mayelf. Probably there are 100 of these certificates in this city all owned by limicant third parties, who have relied upon the honor of the officials of your state. Seeing the broad seal of the state on these papers and the plain statement in them that any one could purchase 320 acres of land at a certain price and terms of payment, there seemed absolutely no risk in people investing their money.

The foregoing letter is signed by John De Laittre, second vice-president of the Farmers' & Mechanics' Savings Bank, of

The John Day Land & Lumber Com pany, also of Minneapolis, also protests Board in questioning the validity of cer-tificates held by that company. The com-pany holds II certificates granted upon applications sworn to before H. H. Turn-er, a Salem Notary Public. The grand jury included these certificates in its list of those fraudulently obtained, and upon this subject the company writes the

We wish to state that we have purchases these and other certificates in good faith, an representatives of this company have repeatedly been assured by your office that their validity is beyond question and that their validity is beyond. We have at smally time paid your office interest on all our certificate and hold your receipts for such payments; it fact, all our investments on school-land cut flastes have been made largely upon representations as to their soundness made by you office.

It is apparent from these letters that the holders of state land certificates do not intend to give up without a fight, and that they do not propose to suffer loss the persons who bought the land from the state. Some of the certificates held by these parties were among those that are alleged to have been issued in the names of fictitious persons. The question will now be presented

whether the state is legally bound by a certificate fraudulently obtained, and, if not, whether it will be good policy for the state to set aside a certificate of sale in the hands of an "innocent purchaser." These two letters are characteristic of those that come from the holders who have taken these certificates by assignment from the first purchasers.

TAX ON TRAVELING STOCK

Supreme Court Will Pass on Validity of Recent Law.

SALEM, May 21 .- (Special.)-A suit has seen brought in Lake County to test the alidity of the act of the last Legislature specifying the manner in which livestock shall be assessed and the taxes thereosnall be paid. The new law provides that when ilvestock is assessed, the tax shall be then paid or secured at the rate of levy for the preceding year, and that when such stock is driven into another county for pasturage, it shall be assessed there and the owner shall pay a tax to that county according to the fime the stock is pastured therein. The owner can recover from the first county such portion of his tax as he paid to the second

purpose of the law wife to place estriction upon the driving of stock into this state from other states, or from one

county to another, the object being to essen the range troubles. A sult was brought by Lake County to enforce the payment of the tax, and the defendant set up by demurrer that the law is unconstitutional because it re-pulres payment of a tax at a rate different from the rate charged upon other classes of property. It is understood that the court sustained the demurrer and that the case will be appealed to the Supreme Court at once, so that the question

Voted Upon Next Mouth.

ASHLAND, Or., May 24.—(Special.)—Ashland will have a special election Saturday, June 19, for the purpose of voting upon the proposal of issuing bonds of the city to the amount of \$30,000, for the purof acquiring additional water rights

pose of acquiring additional water rights in Ashiand Crock for the use of the city water system. The Council ordered the election at a special meeting last night, in secondance with authority granted by an act of the last Legislature amending the charter of the city.

The city already owns large water-right interests in the never-failing mountain stream which is the source of the city's water supply, but there is a general sentiment in favor of the municipality controlling all valid rights, and it is to do this that the Council desires the bonds now to be voted on to be issued.

The municipality is just now, too, entering upon a legal contest involving certain

ing upon a legal contest Involving certain water rights, which will be determined in the courts. The company which supplies the city with electric lights has instituted suit against the city for determination of ite rights as against the city, and also for

BIG ENGINES JUMP CURVE. Two of Crew Killed, Two Injured

North of Los Angeles. LOS ANGELES Cal. May 24.—Two rail-road employes were killed and two others severely injured last evening by the wrecking of two monater passenger en-gines on the San Joaquin division of the Southern Pacific, about 65 miles north of Los Angeles. The dead:

The injured-J C. Lockard, engineer; H. A. Russell, Breman.
All are of Los Angeles.
The wreck occurred between Lang and Russe stations, about 15 miles north of Saugus. Both engines, which were coupled together and running "light," left the rails at a curve and plunged into the ditch at the side of the track.

PICKETING BY LABOR UNION

Washington Supreme Court Will Pass on Its Lawfulness.

OLYMPIA. Wash., May N .- (Special.)-OLYMPIA. Wash., May N.—(Special.)—Whether picketing by a labor union in opposition to an "unfair" concern is lawful in this state will be decided by the Supreme Court when it acts on a case segued today by Scattle attorneys. William Jensen, proprietor of a Seattle cafe, has secured a restraining order in the lower court against the Cooks' and Waiters' Union, ordering the union its officers and certain specified members permanently to desist from picketing, beycotting ly to desist from picketing, boycotting and otherwise interfering with the cafe's

floor manager, and November 13, 1994, the union called out all its employes. The cafe was declared "unfair," and with the ald of pickets stationed at the outside entrance and other means, the business of the cafe, which is one of the largest in Scattle, was reduced \$100 to \$150 per day. The lower court's judgment earries with it damages to be fixed by the court. The union is the appellant.

Playing Boy Badly Hurt.

WEISER, Idaho, May 24.—(Special.)— Clarence Gerdeau, the 8-year-old son of Thomas Gerdeau, a butcher, had his left leg broken in two places below the knee and the flesh torn from the limb yester-day evening by having it caught in the wheel of a wagon in which he was riding with his brother. The two boys were wrestling in the wagon, and the younger was thrown out. He was taken to the Baker City Hospital this morning, as it is thought it will be necessary to an

SMITH MADE A SCAPEGOAT

BAY CITY BANKERS GAMBLED WITH PUBLIC MONEY.

Bulletin Says Tax Collector Was Given Percentage by the Month for Its Use.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 21.-The Bulle

in today says: "It is definitely known that a gigantic ring operated with Edward J. Smith, the defaulting Tax Collector, who yesterday was sentenced to ren years in Folsom. The ring was composed of bankers of San Francisco, who, through a dishonesi deal with Smith, gambled with enormous

sums of the city's money.

"Smith pleaded guilty in Judge Lawler's court yesterday to save the banks from prious embarransment or perhaps, complete collapse. He took his punishment at the entreaty of the bankers who had been interested with him, and who knew that a trial of the case would being out all the ruinous facts.

"The bankers went to Smith and bor-rowed from him vasts sums. The money was used in speculation for quick re-turns. Smith's compensation was 2 per turns. Smith's compensation was 2 per cent interest on the money he allowed the banks to use. The loans were for a few days at a time, but afterward, when the deals in which the financial men risked the city's money went wrong, they were not repaid for months. At times during the three years of Smith's incumbency the amount out in private speculation exceed-

HID MONEY IN GRAIN SACKS

OWNER FORGETS AND INNOCENT MAN IS ARRESTED.

Members of Forest Grove Firm Now Hunting for Another

Lost Sum.

early yesterday morning, and susplicion rested upon young Slefert, who was re-ported to have been seen around the store and whose reputation was not of the best. Siefert was arrested last night, but was released this morning when the proprie found the money where he himself l

It is expected that Siefert will bring suit against the firm which caused his arrest. Ritchie & Wells are now hunting through their grain sacks for \$40, which was missed some time ago, and is be-lieved to have disappeared in the same

IN ANNUAL CONVOCATION.

Episcopal Clergymen From the District of Olympia.

ASHLAND SUPPLY OF WATER

ASHLAND SUPPLY OF WATER

The clergymen of the District of Olympia of the Protestant Episcopal Church are bolding their annual convocation at Chehalis. The District of Olympia covers Western Washington and about Zi partenes are represented by their rectors, lay delegates and women of the churches, probably 100 people being in attendance from out of town. The visitors are being

from out of town. The visitors are being entertained by the members of the Church of the Epophany of Chehalis.

Last night's session was devoted to a missionary programme and the confirmation of a large class of novitiates. This forencon the convocation was organized and business proceeded with in the afternoon, all of the remaining delegates having arrived on the most trains. The ing arrived on the noon trains. The business of the convocation will occupy the time until about noon tomorrow and part of tomorrow afternoon will be given up to the work of the woman's auxiliary. Bishop Frederic W. Keator, of Tacoma, is

Smuggled Oplum on Steamer.

presiding at the gathering.

SEATTLE, May 24.—H. McCarron, a water-tender on the Vancouver steamer Ramona, was arrested today by customs charge of smuggling. When

Annual Reports Show Order in Healthy Condition.

OVER 5000 MEMBERS NOW

Reports of the Executive Committee and the Committee on Legislation Received-Many Resolutions Introduced.

FOREST GROVE Or., May 14 -- (Special.)-Today's session of the Oregon State Grange was more largely attended than yesterday, several hundred visitors aring on the morning and evening trains. The business of the day was begun as soon as the Grange was open, the first order being a rollicall of counties for resolutions, which were referred without de-

President W. N. Ferrin, of the Pacific University, extended an invitation to the visitors to visit the buildings and grounds. The invitation was accepted and at 1 the college, where two hours were spent in a very enjoyable manner. Short ad-dresses were made, interspersed with music, and the work of the college was given a most therough inspection. The speakers were Hon. Napoleon Davis, a member of the board of trustees; Mrs. Edith Tozier Weatherred, Judge R. P. Boise and Hon. W. D. Hare. The secretary's annual report shows a financial condition in accordance with

that body.

recommendation to your cor

owner-desirons bereafter made by the State
Grange be published in the Grange Bulletin
and fully discussed in the subordinate Grange.
In conclusion, your committee desires to
state that they received the utmost courtesy
from the Governor and all other state of
ficials as well as the mombers of the Lexis-

hatire. The fact is evident that the Grange and its influence is acknowledged by all to be exerted for the good of the people, and not only for one class. The time has zone by when it was necessary or at least thought expedient for the Grange to hide its light under

The Parcels Post

The parcels cost question came in for a

great share of attention. It was favorably discussed by Hon. W. D. Hare, Judge

Boise, William Hilleary and others. There is an evident determination to press the matter to a successful issue, even though

it may take many years yet. The Na-tional Grange was encouraged to use all legitimate efforts to secure a law giving

the people a parcels post system, it being pointed out that the Government now has the necessary machinery for the purpose. Judge Boise made a masterful address

on the subject, showing who are obstruc-tionists and why the law is not passed. However, an optimistic view was taken,

and there is a determination never to

yield the point until victory is assured.

A resolution from the Linn County Po-

mona Grange condemned football in our colleges and struck a blow at the state normal schools. It also asked for a law

giving the Governor power to veta any

Some of the Multnomah and Clackama-

to have an equal chance for the next ses-

Marion County referred with much pride

to the successful Juvenile Grange at Mac-leay, the only one on the Coast, and is

asking that the next session of the State

Grange be held at Salem, in order that the juveniles may be a part of the at

tractions next session. The matter will

be taken up when it comes to decide the location of the next meeting place. Multnomah Pomona Grange presented a

resolution asking that Congress be memo-rialized to pass the parcels post bill now pending. Another resolution from the

Multnomah delegation would eliminate the

single degrees from the ritual and regu-late the combined degrees so as to secure uniformity in the work. Also to amend

the constitution so as to permit balloting on candidates collectively, instead of sin-

W. H. H. Dufur, of Wasco, is the au-

issue or receive railroad passes. This bill is to be submitted at the general election

The committee on legislation made a report asking for the enactment of the laws suggested by the National Grange as outlined in the master's annual address,

together with several other measures recommended by the various resolutions read and referred at yesterday's meeting. The Grange stands -ledged to all these meas-

ures and the report was manimously ap-

Relief for the Founder.

Several resolutions have been presented asking the State Grange to ruise a relief fund for O. H. Kelly, founder of the order,

who is in destitute circumstances.

who is in destitute circumstances. The resolutions provide for a percapita tax on all members, varying from 2 cents to 10 cents. Favorable action is sure to follow. Washington County came in with a request that the State Grange remit fees to any Grange intending to build a hall for its own use said money to be applied for that puropse. The matter will be taken up again.

The evening was taken up by an ex-

WITH IMPURE DRINKING WATER

Use Horsford's Acid Phosphate Destroys the germs of typhoid and fevers Makes a refreshing and cooling

ing the whole

of a blanket appropriation bill

B. G. LEEDY. THOMAS PAULSEN, W. M. HILLEAVY,

financial condition in accordance with that exhibited in the treasurer's report. The condition of the order is the best in its history in Oregon, a slight gain in membership having been shown since last year. There are now 22 Granges in the state, with a membership of 5492

The report of C. L. Shaw, state treas-urer, contained a good suggestion in re-gard to public schools, which will be taken up by the Grange. He would have the school laws regulated so as to pro-vide for a uniformity of terms giving each nine months. It was pointed out cach nine months. It was pointed out that the country districts frequently pay more taxes in proportion than the city districts, and that there is not a just dis-tribution of the funds provided for edu-

Report of the Executive Committee.

The report of the executive committee was adopted as follows: Immediately after the close of the last se

sion of the State Grange a meeting of the committee was held and it was decided to continue the same greeful plan of extension work with the same compensation that had Four new Granges have been organized dur

the year and bills have been allowed a statement made further on in these re Grange at the last examin in regard to main-taining headquarters at the State Fair, on account of the approaching seesion of the National Grange, and the necessity of estab-lishing some central bureau of information, so that our members might became familiar

with the arrangements for the meeting your committee felt that it would be expedient to maintain such leadquarters. A tent was therefore accured for this purpose, and Brother A. F. Miller was employed to take The total expense of this ma unted to \$47,00.

the State Grange treasury for this At the same meeting it was decided to carry At the same meeting of the State Grange is out the instructions of the State Grange in regard to inspection work of the order. It was decided to ofter \$1.25 per day and necessary travelling expenses as compensation for deputies doing special inspection and inscretion work, and individuals were selected, whom

sented a resolution asking that the initiait was thought would be especially suited for work in various parts of the state a law affecting taxes on farm lands, to of the individuals were so situated as to be able to accept the work upon the terms fered. Rister Mary S. Howard undertook the ork in Clackamas County and did regular in-pection work in seven of the granges of that ounty, where it was thought to be most eeded. We are well pleased with results, so

fields how occupied are to be retained. In ary's report that ground has been lost during the past year.

Early in January, Brother J. Vorhees resigned as a member of the legislative committee and Brother Thomas Paulson was ap-

pointed in his place. Shortly after this a special contract was entered into with Besther Vertices to go into Eastern Oregon and can-vane in a number of fields where there was FOREST GROVE, Or. May 24.—iSpecial.)—After having John Siefert arrested in the theft of \$80. Ritchle & Weils, local grain dealers, found the money securely hidden among their grain sacks, where one of the members of the firm had placed it for safekeeping.

The money was missed from the till early yesterday morning, and suspicion rested upon young Siefert, who was reported to have been seen around the store and whose recursions are approved bills and whose recursions are not of the first house to the Grange, and we true, permanently ported to have been seen around the store and whose recursions are not of the field. We have approved bills for expenses and per diem in accordance with for expenses and per diem in accordance with this contract amounting to \$138.88, and, con-aidering the results accomplished and the opening made for future work, we consider the

money well spent.

Realizing the value of good literature in creating sentiment favorable to the Grange and thus opening the way for organization, we have taken advantage of the very liberal offer of the American Grange Bulletin, of ten three-months' trial subscriptions for \$1, and

directed action in order to accomplish satisfactory results in legislative lines, we deemed it expedient to call together a number of those who have in the past been most closely identified with the legislative work of the order for the purpose of determining upon a course of action for the Grange. As a result of this bills, and they will be presented for your consideration at the proper time during the

R. G. LEEDT. G. R. STEPHENSON. A. T. BUXTON.

Executive committee. Legislation Committee Report.

The report of the committee on legislation was the subject of some debate, but was adopted unanimously. It was as fol-

tions by the State Grange for the work of the committee were carefully considered by us and as far as circumstances permitted, onr-

and so far as circumstances permitted, om-ried out.

The recommendation to present the tax bill known as the Harris bill could not be carried out. We found that a large majority of the members of the Legislature were opposed to this bill, because, while it provided for just ignation of express companies and similar corporations it also provided for a complete change in the mode of asseming taxes. A bill was introduced early in the session which

was held up in a Senate committee and not voted upon at all in that body. This is a fa-vorite way to kill a bill that is supported by the people, but not wanted by the corpora-Crazed Californian Kills Wife and Five Children.

USES PISTOL TO END LIFE

tions.

A bill providing for an appropriation of \$1500 for the purpose of holding Fermers Institutes was prepared by your committee, but, upon the advice of Brother W. K. Newill, representative from Washington County, who introduced the bill, the amount of appropriation asked for was increased to \$2500. This bill passed the House and Senate by a good majority and was therefore created as a law. A bill to regulate the use of automobiles on the public highways, introduced by Brother Frank Jagger, Representative from Clackamas County, was enacted as a law, and while not as far-reaching as the Grange desired, is at Passing Milkman Is Pursued in Early Morning by William Stephens After the Butchery of His Household.

county, was enacted as a law and white not as far-reaching as the Grange desired, is at least a step in the right direction.

The recommendation of the Grange to your committee regarding a bill giving a wife the same rights and privileges upon the death of her husband as are now granted the husband upon the death of his wife, in transfer of all operty, was upon consultation with a brother unger, one of the best-known and most ship respected Judges of our state, consid-ed incapedient by your committee. However, SAN RAFAEL, Cal., May M.-William highly respected Judges of our state, considered inexpedient by your committee. However, a bill that, while it did not give any more rights and privileges to a wife upon the death of her husband, equalized their respective rights by reducing the courtesy right of the husband upon the death of his wife to one-half of her individual property, was introduced by Representative Kay, of Marion County, and upon full consideration your committee exerted its influence to have this bill enacted as a law. This bill, while it passed the House by a good majority, was held up in a Senate committee and not voted upon at all in that body. Stephens, of Ross Valley, Marin County, at 5 o'clock this morning killed his wife, shot his five children, three of whom died nstantly, and two later in a hospital, attempted to kill a passing milkman, and then ended his own life, after firing two bullets into himself. Stephens was about 25 years old, and

was formerly a book agent, but latterly connected with a rubber goods house of San Francisco. The family also conducted a chicken ranch at their home in Ross Valley, and had a flock of 1909 fowls. A recommendation was made to your commit-tee to secure the passage of a law that would confine the use of the experiency clause to cases in which the public health, peace or safety are in danger; we found upon exam-ination that this is already provided for by law and no additional law would or could take away from the Legislature the right to judge or construe this law.

The recommendation to your committee to This morning a passing milkman was startled to see Stephens emerge from his home, revolver in hand, and fire upon him. The milkman whipped up his horse and Stephens pursued him for 200 yards. firing as he ran. Stephens then halted in the roadway, placed the revolver to his breast and discharged the weapon. watchful of appointments of regents of the bullet did not end his life, and he sent a Agricultural College was carefully heeded, and we have every reason to be satisfied with the appointment of a regent made during the last

second shot through his brain.

When neighbors and officers entered the home of Stephens they came upon a shocking scene. In all of the beds were the members of the unfortunate family, each with a revolver wound in the head. The wife and three of the children were dead. The children ranged from I to II

years in age. There is at present no known reason for the tragedy, but the theory is ad-vanced that Stephens became suddenly insane, and his murderous attack on the un offending milkman appears to substanti-ate that belief.

Stephens four years ago underwent an years of age. Stephens four years ago underwent an operation for appendicitis, and at times since had suffered greatly. He was also afflicted with dyspepsia and insomnia. Then there were financial worries, due to the fact that the family had little money and no credit. Not long ago Maud, the 8-year-old daughter, now dead, told her playmates at school that she and her mather and brothers and sizers were mother and brothers and sisters were afraid of their father because he was

acting so strangely.

The Stephens family came to California from Portland, Or., a year and a half ago. His wife was he daughter of an Eastern college professor. Ste worked as a salesman for a rubber Stephens pany and as a bleycle agent in San Fran-cisco, but falled in both pursuits, pre-sumably because of his health. Eight months ago Mrs. Stephens received quite a sum of money from relatives in the East, and with this money she purchased a chicken ranch near Ross Station, in which the tragedy took place.

Linden Butterfield was the milkman the heard the shots and then saw Ste-hens run out of the house. The latter had a pistol in his hand and jumped up and down as if frantic. Then he started for the milkman and fired the shot at him. When Butterfield saw Stephens stop and shoot himself in the breast and then through the head, falling into the road, he ran to the house, and in the first room saw Mrs. Stephens lying dead on the floor with a bullet wound in the head. He went into another room and found three children dead and two wounded in the delegates have presented resolutions asking that the next session of the State Grange be held in Portland. There is

much adverse sentiment, many delegates holding that the Grange should go to some rural town. McMinnville and Salem seem Appalled by the ghastly scene, Butter-leld ran out of the house and notified the Coroner. All the victims were shot in

The Benton County delegates have pre-

Shot Wife, Boy and Self. BUTTE, Mont., May 24.-Michael Haggerty, a miner, shot and probably fatally wounded his wife at their home in this city this morning, shot his 14-ye son and then blew out his brains. was not seriously injured.

the end that they may be made more equitable. Also to provide that candidates seeking public office will not be supported by Grangers who do not state publicly their positions on all questions affecting the community.

Two resolutions came from Clackamas County, asking for changes in the by-laws of the order, concerning the dropping of members for nonpayment of dues to certain dates.

Linn County delegates favor ownership by the Government of the canal and locks at Oregon City, and would urge Congress to appropriate money for their purchas O. R. & N. CO. SOON EXPECTED Marion Points With Pride.

TO ENTER THE FIELD.

Portland Engineer Is Not Accompanied to Idaho City by His Party of Surveyors.

LEWISTON. Idaho, May 2.—(Special.)—What appears to be activity by the O. R. & N. Co. in this section developed this evening by the arrival of Engineer H. V. Kilppel, of Portland, who is known to have represented the company when work was being carried on in Clearwater County several months ago. When the North-ern Pacific engineers entered this field a few weeks ago it was reported that Mr. Klippel was at Riparia with a crew of men to invade this section again, but through some mysterious force he did not make his appearance until this evether of a resolution asking for compensa-tion for persons unjustly incarcerated in prisons at the rate of 22 per day and ex-penses. He would also invite the initia-tive so as to make it a misdemeanor to

not make his appearance until this evening, when he came alone.

Mr. Klippel refused to discuss the object of his trip here, nor would he say that he would be followed by surveyors. It is believed he is the advance-guard of surveyors that will be placed in the fleid by the O. R. & N. within a few days, as it is reported the company will send men to work on the Riparia-Lewiston branch, with the idea of making surveys preliminary to the early continuation of this line.

Engineer E. C. Pollard, who is in charge of several surveying crews of the Northern Pacific now working on the reservation, was an arrival here this evening also. Mr. Pollard says that one crew is now running a line down Big Canyon, near Peck, which will bring the line to the Clearwater River. Another crew is working near Winchester, coming toward Cui-desac, while a third crew is on the moun-tain near Eaka Waha, working toward

Grangeville.

Mr. Pollard says the surveying parties will have completed their work within 30 days, and that actual continuation of the road to Grangeville will be under way within 30 days. He would not state from what point the line would be built. Mr. Pollard also states that the company has two sites for terminal grounds at Grange. two sites for terminal grounds at Grange ville, one of which will soon be selected.

taken up again.

The evening was taken up by an exemplification of the subordinate degree
work by a team of over 50 members of
Evening Star Grange, of Multinomah
County. The work was perfect, but as
there were no other contestants, no prizes
could be awarded. However, the State
Grange will allow ample compensation for
the work done. FAST TUG TAKES TO DENTIST

But State Senator Condon Does No Get Tooth Pulled.

SEATTLE, Wash., May 24.—(Special.)
—State Senator "Dick" Condon ordered out a tug and rode for five hours with an aching molar to see a dentist today. He traveled from Port Gamble to Seattle to have a tooth pulled and when he got here the dentist talked him out

of it, removed an old filling and con-tracted for a new one.

Senator Condon is superintendent of the Puget Sound Mill Company's lum-ber plant at Port Gamble in Kitsap. County. He represents Kitsap, Island and Mason in the upper house of the Legislature.

Legislature.

Jesterday Senator Condon had a toothache. He was scarcely able to sleep during the night and this morning the diseased molar made busines impossible. There is no dentist in Por Gamble and the regular mail boat is slow-going vessel that follows a tor tucus route into Seattle. One of the company's tugs was at the dock an ompany's tugs was at the dock an enator Condon ordered its crew t bring him here for medical attention

PACIFIC COAST DEAD.

Mrs. Mary Dixon.

EUGENE, Or., May 24.—(Special.)—As the southbound Southern Pacific train passed through here this morning at 1.20 the remains of Mrs. Mary Dixon. of Grant's Pass, were taken from the train, she having died on the way from heart failure.

Mrs. Dixon wan on her way from Portland to Grant's Pass.

way from heart failure.

Mrs. Dixon was on her way from
Portland to Grant's Pass, and was accompanied by her son, H. D. Dixon.
She was taken ill on the train and a
physician was called at Junction City
to attend her. The remains were taken
to an undertaker's here and prepared
for adjunction Grant's Pass. for salpment to Grant's Pass.

Mrs. Mary Hixson.

ROSEBURG. Or., May 24.-(Special.) ROSEBURG. Or., May 34—(Special.)—Mrs. Mary Hixson, an Oregon pioneer of 1852, died at the family home, nine miles southwest of here. Monday evening, of heart failure. Death came as she was conversing with her husband and son of the death of their nearest neighbor. James Davlin, another pioneer, which occurred the day before. Mrs. Hixson was the eighth pioneer who has died within a space of as many miles in the past four months. She is survived by her aged husband. W. G. Hixson, nine sons and two daughters. and two daughters.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 24.-Mrs. H. Henry Judah, wife of General Judah, is dead in this city. She was 82 years old, and for a long time had made her home here with her son, H. R. Judah, one of the assistant general passenger agents of the Southern Pacific.

Mrs. H. H. Judah.

Mrs. Sarah F. Wright. EUGENE, Or., May 3t.-(Special.)-Mrs Sarah F. Wright died this morning from , after a protracted illness. She native of Linn County and was #

LIGHTNING MAKES EXCEPTION TO THE RULE.

While Man Is Examining Stricken Horse, He Himself Is Killed by Bolt.

GREAT FALLS. Mont., May 24.-A special to the Tribune from Williston N. D., says that Charles Peary was struck by lightning and instantly killed at a ranch four miles southwest of there. A horse was killed by one bolt and while the man was examining the horse he was struck. Another man was stunned,

Pioneer Falls Under Train.

SEATTLE, Wash., May M.-Benjamin S. Miller, ex-Sheriff of Jefferson County, and one of the best-known ploneers of the Puget Sound country, was cut to pieces by a train in the Northern Pacific yards the Oriental Dock about midnigh last night. The body was found at 2 o'clock this morning, but it was so horribly mangled that identification was impossible. This morning the body was identified as that of Mr. Miller from pieces of clothing and from papers found in the pockets. It is presumed that he was on nis way to catch the last boat for killed by a train. The dead mans was a brother of Leander Miller, a well-known Democratic politician of Seattle, and was the father of Miss Lillian Miller, a well-known singer of this city.

Sentence will be quested Saturday. The penalty is one to ten years. A former trial last February resulted in a disagree-ment.

Guard Robs Stage Coach.

SAN DIEGO. Cal., May 24.—A special lispatch to the Evening Tribune from Ensenada, Lower California, says that the Ensenada, Lower California, says that the Ensenada-San Quentin stage was held up not far from Ensenada last evening, the driver shot and Government funds in transit stolen, and that a posse has started in pursuit. The holdup occurred at La Grueila Canyon, 18 miles south of Ensenada. The stage carried \$700 of Government money, which was intended to pay men working on the roads near San Quentin, and which was guarded by a special rural messenger named Estrada. Estrada, it is alleged, shot the driver, Pancho Arans, in the neck and clubbed him until he was apparently deadf and him until he was apparently dead/ and then decamped with the funds.

Peter Kern Was Divorced.

OREGON CITY, Or., May 24.-(Special.) -Peter Kern has disproved the charges of bigamy that were preferred against him by a displeased heir of the late Patsy Kern by filing in the Probate Court to-day a certified copy of a divorce decree that was granted him from his first wife that was granted him from his first wife by a Wyoming court several years ago. Harris Health Officer for Lane County. This certified copy of the Wyoming court under the provisions of the new law.

of EDITH WHARTON'S Story "THE HOUSE OF MIRTH"

The New York Sun says:

"Attention focuses particularly upon Mrs. Wharton's heroine in "The House of Mirth" because with each instalment of the story she seems to lose the balance of values as well as the integrity of morals which even the fashionable woman's code respects and protects. From being a somewhat careless and unfortunate but sprightly and attractive virgin she is deteriorating to the level of the unprincipled promoter of dishonorable schemes, and involving herself in a tangle from which it will be difficult to rescue her with a shred of self-respect. The general consensus of opinion is that Mrs. Wharton's heroine is a real personage, and that the picture she presents of modern society is none too highly colored. There are critics who go so far as to say that if the story be true it should not be told, and if it be not true then certainly it should not be written. It is the old question: Is it or is it not; and if so, where are we?"

IN SCRIBNER'S FOR JUNE **Five Short Stories in this Number** 25 Cts. at all Newstands

ecord was made a part of Kern's answer to the petition of Columbus Parrish, an heir-at-law of the Patsy Kern estate, who demanded the removal of Kern as administrator of his wife's estate for the reason that he, Kern, had a former wife living in Germany from whom he had not been divorced at the time he married

the decedent.
This practically terminates the contest over the appointment of an administra-tor for the estate, which is of the value of about \$3000

Ten Graduates at Ashland.

ASHLAND, Or., May 24 .- (Special.) - The Ashland public schools close this week after a very successful year, with the argest attendance in their history. graduating exercises of the High School occur Friday evening at the Chautauqua Tabernacle, the chief feature of the programme being an address by President P. L. Campbell, of the State University. The annual reunion of the High School Alum-ni Association will take place after the graduating exercises, and the programme will include the annual banquet and re-ception of the class of %, who number ten, as follows: Hedry R. Davis, Elda Farlow, Cathe-erine Garrett, Ray C. Hevener, A. J. Mc-Callen, Orra Patrick, Eva Poley, Lila Smith, Vora Storey and W. W. Wells.

Yakima Bank Changes Hands

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., May 24-(Special.)—The Yakima Valley Bank sold today to W. W. Armstrong, of Lake City, Utah, and Mayor O. A. F ter, of this city. The leading stockholders whom they have bought out are Miles Cannon, the president: Coffin Bros. and R. N. Harrison. The capitalization is \$35,000, 80 per cent'of which is paid in. The stock was sold for par at \$100 a share. Mr. Fechter will be president of the bank. Some of the other stockholders will be bought out later. The deal ers will be bought out later. The deal

Guilty of Manslaughter. GREAT FALLS Mont. May 24 -A see ial to the Tribune from Kalispell says: Ed Trueman, accused of the murder of James McCabe, at Sedan, last election day, was found guilty of manslaughter. The case occupied eight days, and went to the jury last night. The jury reported a verdict when court convened this morn The dead man was a Sentence will be passed Saturday.

Crushed by Rolling Logs.

OREGON CITY, Or., May 26.-(Special.) -While logging near Viola yesterday, ir-vin Lacroy, an unmarried man aged ≤ years, fell before a rolling log and was. carried into the waters of Eagle Creek, where he was caught between two logs and badly crushed about the waist. It was 30 minutes later before help was procured and the injured man-reme the water. Lacroy has been to Lacroy has been taken to a

Portland hospital. Class Day at Willamette.

WILLAMETTE UNIVERSITY, Salem, Or., May 24.—(Special.)—For the first time in many years, "class day" will be fit tingly observed at Willamette, the same as at other institutions throughout the country. A programme has been ar-ranged, which will be rendered on the campus, beginning at 10 o'clock Thursday morning, June 15. Each member of the class will take part in the proceedings.

Health Officer of Lane County.

EUGENE, Or., May 24.-(Special.)-The



A good many of the people who drink Ghirardelli's Ground Chocolate are converted tea and coffee drinkers.

Their health as well as taste enjoy the change.

Always fresh in hermetically

sealed cans.

GHIRARDELLIS CHOCOLATE

