### THE MORNING OREGONIAN, SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 1905.



# SAYS PREACHER MISUSED CASH

## Conference Hears Charges Against Rev. J. B. Stark, Lakeview ex-Pastor.

### BENEVOLENT FUND MISSING

Agitation Is On for Reforming District Boundaries - Conference to Meet Next Year at Sunnyside Church.

ALBANT, Or., Sept. 22. - (Special.)trial of an accused preacher in progress in a private residence, this proved the huslest day of the annual Oregon Methodist Conference. There were some sensa-tional incidents, among them being the flaying of the preachers in the laymen's gathering by ex-Councilman A. F. Fiegel, of Portland. He laid on the lash vigor-ously. A second sensation occurred when charges were inid by Rev. Mr. Sanford Snyder against Rev. John B. Stark, unlast year in charge of Lakeview

Mr. Stark stands accused of appropriat ing benevolent funds to his own use. He was not present at the last conference, and had no church this year. He was in the Eugene district, under Presiding El-der Wire. During the year Presiding El-der Landen, of the Chehalis district, who was connected with the Vancouver Hid-den-Elliott-Rader-Young scandal, placed Stark in charge of Kelso, Wash., church. Dr. Wire, hearing of this, summoned Rev. Mr. Stark before a trial board, which heard his case and suspended him, pendof secrecy in such matters.

### Oregonian Makes Stir.

After the arrival of The Oregonian tobe no change of districts this session, the pastors became aroused and immediately reductions or not is unknown. There is a began demanding that the matter be act- local company which wishes to furnish ed upon by this conference. Tomorrow morning Dr B. A. Waters, pastor of University Park Church, Portland, and until last year presiding elder of what was then Salem district, will introduce a resolution calling for reforming of the boundaries. It is said tonight there will be no opposition to this. According to the best information, Portiand will be the big district. Salem district will be revived, Eugene district continued, and a fourth district control in the for each a fourth district created in the far south-ern portion of the state. A pastor may be selected from one of the charges to be given the presiding eldership in addition to his charge. If this occurs, Dr. L. E. Rockwell, in charge of East Portland-dis-trict, or Dr. W. B. Hollingsbead, of the West Portland district, will be trans-ferred to the revived Salem district. It is impossible to forward make will not

It is impossible to forecast who will get the Portland district. Dr. Wire will probably remain in charge of Eugene district. but it cannot be learned now who will have the new district in Southern Oregon.

### Row Over Advocate.

22 miles south of here, that the citi-sens of the town and farmers of the country are considerably elated over the report that the call by the Gov-ernment for bids for the first ten miles of the main coanal of the lower project will be followed by a call for bids for the extension of the canal south of Merrill. Merrill. Instructions have been received by

Instructions have been received by the Government officials here to push the work of securing the rights of way for the first ten miles of the main canal, and then to proceed to Merrill and secure the rights of way for the extension at once. This order comes normewhat as a surprise, since it was thought that the work on the first ten miles of the main canals would be the extent of the Govern-ment irrightion work here until this canals would be the extent of the Govern-ment irrigation work here until this section was fully under way. So far not a single landholder has refused to grant right of way through his property. Everyone approached has freely given the way without hes-tiancy. The canal passes through C. N. Moyer's place, requiring the re-moval of his residence, and the only damages he saks is the actual cost of moving the house.

### Alleged Forger Discharged.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Sept. 22 -- Harry G Norman, who is wanted in New York to answer a charge of forgery and who was taken into custody yesterday, was released on a writ of habeas corpus toin the Superior Court by Judge Shields. It was held by the court that the warrant was not sound because it was ith the pastors in session in one warrant was not sound because it was urch, the laymen in another and the sworn to upon "information and bellef," by a local officer.

> TELEPHONE FRANCHISE OFF have to plead and go to trial at the reg-ular October term, which will begin Oc-

CHEHALIS COUNCIL HOLDS UP GRANT TO SUNSET COMPANY.

### City Improvements Undertaken---Will **Replace Wooden Pavements** With Stone.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Sept. 22.-(Special.) -At the recent meeting of the City Councli, the franchise to the Sunset Telephone & Telegraph Company in this city was deing the action of this conference. When the case was called, Dr. F. Burgette Shprt, of Taylor-Street Church, Portland, Short, of Taylor-Street Church, Portland, and Rev. Sanford Snyder, Stark's succes-sor at Lakeview, were selected to act as counsel for the church, and Rev. F. L. Young, of Central Church, Portland, and Rev. Asa Steeth, of Patton Church, Port-land, as counsel for the defense. The trial was held behind closed doors. This was condemned by many, who disapprove of secretcy in such matters. company agreed to a reduction of 25 cents a month on residence and business service, also to install an all-night service as day, containing the story that there would soon as business would justify it. Just

the city with phone service. The City Marshal has begun work of West-street improvement. A stone street

is to be built from the Northern Pacific crossing to the West Side schoolhouse, Recently the city built 900 feet of stone roadway on Prindle street. Chehalis is replacing plank with stone as the former wears out, and while the change is a little more expensive the gain is greater

On October 2 the Security State Bank, of this city, will increase its capital stock to \$20,000. They will have resources total-ing \$150,000, and a surplus of \$1000, making a guarantee to each depositor of over \$160,000. The Security State Bank has been in constitute but Wills over a was been in operation but little over a year.

#### Oregon City Clothing Thefts.

OREGON CITY, Or., Sept. 22.-(Special) -Ed Gunbar was arrested this afternoon for the theft of clothing from the resi-dence of C. G. Miller. The hurried sale of the stolen articles aroused suspicion. An investigation resulted in the arrest of the

WILD RIDE DOWN MOUNTA

STAGECOACH BRAKE SNAPS AND

Vehicle Overturns and Collector

Stratton, of San Francisco, Is

Injured-Driver Will Die.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 22-(Special.)-Charles L. Moore, son of State Treasurer

Charlies L. Moore, son of State Treasurer C. S. Moore, who returned today from Klamath County, was a passenger on the Klamath Fails stage which was wreeked near Keno, on Wednesday. The accident was due to the breaking of the shaft of the brake while the stage was descend-ing a hill. All the eight persons in the stage suffered mjuries, but the driver, Joe Reynolds, and Miss Bussey, of Langeli, were the only ones seriously hurt. Rey-nolds will probably die.

stage station, two miles away: another vehicle was procured, and the injured passengers were taken to the station, where a physician had been summoned.

where a physician had been summoned. Roynolds was found to have a fractured skull and several broken ribs. Miss Bus-sey suffered the fracture of several ribs and a number of bad bruises. Colonel Stratton was also badly injured, but the others surfaced only with business.

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others sustained only slight bruises.

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HORSES RUN AWAY.

occupied in argument. The principal wit-nesses for the state were Robert and Olive Megorden, children of the accused, in whose presence Megorden brutally beat and then shot his wife. The trial of Henry Doby for extartion is set for this evening. Peter Stone's Body Found. Turner - Kelliher Land - Fraud KALAMA, Wash., Sept. 12.-(Special)-The body of Peter Stone was found this morning floating in the Kalama River about nine miles from Kalama by H. H. Caples and Alfred Shuman. Stone came to Kalama two months ago, looking for to Kalama two months ago, looking for

Cases Before Salem Court.

# STATE CHARGES FORGERY

**Outcome Will Affect Procedure on** Other Indictments and in the De Laittre Contest Before

State Land Board.

LA GRANDE, Or., Sept. 21.-(Special.)-The decision rendered by Judge Eaken in the case of Edmunds vs. Edmunds, gives Mrs. Edmunds a divorce and awards her the care and custody of the minor chil-dren; also judgment for her costs in the SALEM, Or., Sept. 2.-(Special.)-The Turner-Kelliher land fraud cases are the most important matters demanding the attention of the Marion County Circuit Court at the adjourned term, which will be held October 2. The cases stand on demurrers to the indictments, and argu-ments on these demurrers will be heard by Judge Burnett at the adjourned term case. In the case of Eliza Todd vs. Geo. Todd

the defendant won the divorce and the custody of the three minor children. A suit for divorce was filed by Helen P. Sharp vs. John H. Sharp. The plain-tiff charges the defendant with groes drunkenness and alleges that he has at different times threatened plaintiffs life. by Judge Burnett at the adjourned term. Should the demurrers be sustained, that ruling will end the prosecution, for the crimes will be outlawed and new indict-ments cannot be returned. Should the de-murrers be overruled, the defendants will have to blead and new indict.

employment. He was informed he could get a position working for the county in

building a road up the Kalama River. He worked a few days, and on August 5

was missed. Deligent search to find him proved of no avail. The Coroner did not think it necessary to hold an inquest and

the body was buried on the bank of the Kalama River.

Divorces at La Grande.

ALKALI BARS ONE LAKE

UNFIT FOR IRRIGATION.

Government Experts to Meet Diffi-

culty by Extending Main Canal

From Upper Klamath.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Sept. 21-(Spe-

cial)-After careful analysis and experi-ments with the water supplies for the Klamath irrigation project, the Govern-ment officals have just made public the report of their findings. This report as given out by the Reclamation Service here area:

here, says: The results of the analysis of the waters of

Upper and Lower Kinmath Lakes, Tule Lake, Clear Lake and Lost River are exceedingly in-teresting. This analysis confirms the fact that before proceeding far with an irrigation project

not only the soil should be studied thoroughly.

to the indictments does not appear. and the attorneys are silent on the sub-ject. The formal objection is that the acts charged do not constitute a crime, but wherein the defect lies, the demurrer WATERS OF LOWER KLAMATH es not point out.

Just what specific objection the defens

### Forgery Is Alleged.

ober 9.

One of the indictments charges that H. H. Turner and A. T. Kelliher uttered a forged instrument of writing, a contract or application for the purchase of state land, with intent to defraud. The other charges that the same persons forged a contract or application by signing a fic-titious name thereto. Copies of the ap-plications alleged to be forged are set out in the inductment showing that the appli-

in the indictment, showing that the appli-cations are in the usual form. They pur-port to have been signed by men who swore to the same before H. H. Turner, notary public. cases are important not only be These cause of the nature of the crime charged and the prominence, but also because the

decision in them will probably determine future procedure in other cases started at the last term of court. The grand jury returned a number of indictments, but the warrants of arrest were served only in the Turner-Kelliher cases. The names of the other defendants are not known, but it is asserted that they are residents of other states, for which reason they have not been arrested. The cases are also important because of the bearing they may have upon the De Laittre land set before the State Land Board.

The De Laittre Certificates. De Laittre, who is a prominent lumberman and banker in Minneapolis, bought a number of certificates of sale of state land bearing the seal and signature of H. H. Turner as notary. The State Land Board cited De Laittre to appear and show cause why his certificates should not be cancelled, the grand jury having reported that the applications upon which the certificates were issued were probably fraudulent. Testimony tending to support fraudulent. Testimony tending to support the grand jury's report was taken and the argument on the contest was post-poned until the October meeting of the board, which will be after the decision upon the demurrers. While the outcome of the criminal cases will not necessarily govern the Land Board in the contest.

the decision of the court may have some influence one way or the other.

Supreme Court Convenes.

Lumber Mill Burns. SALEM, Or., Sept. 22-(Special.)-The SCAPPOOSE, Or., Sept. 22.-(Special.)-Supreme Court will convene for the reg-



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but an exhaustive analysis of the water should be made to determine what effect it will have when applied to the lands. The recent investigations show that the waters of the Upper Klamath Lake possess the chemical properties which tend to improve land when used for irrigation purposes. This is not so, however, with the waters of the Lower Kiamath Lake. It was found that after leaving Keso, going south, the water of Lower Kiamath Lake become alkaline, and by the

The analysis of the waters of Clear Lake and Lost River show that they contain little or practically no alkali, and will, therefore, be suss of this and other properties not of interest at this time, benefit the lands to which they are applied.

fort to extend the main canal from the Upper Kiamath Lake to the head of the Adams Canal, near Merrill, at the ear-liest possible date after construction is begun, and thus supply the lands in the valley around Merrill with water, cutting off its supply from Lower Kiamath Lake and thus endeavering by proper draining to restore many tracts of land in that region which are now so badly filled with alkall that the alfalfa and grain are being destroyed and the lands rendered useless.

mercial Club. The reason for asking the Council to defer action is a belief that concessions in rates and improvement in

ility of providing these utilities. The matter was left with the Council

and in order to get at some understanding another meeting was called for next Tuesday evening, at which time repre-

sentatives of the companies will be given an opportunity to state their side of the

controversy and make any propositions

NORTHWEST DEAD.

they may desire.

MAY GUT OUT CITY PLANTS in this county. He has been a leading the one of the finest inland mills in Wash-citizen of that community for many years. He leaves a son and two brothers, rest-dents of this city. preventives, will be used, and a complete water pumping station will be put in. A large two-cylinder steam pump is now on harge two-cylinder slearn pump is now on the ground and will be installed with the new machinery. The pump has a capac-ity of 500 gallons of water per minute, which is almost as large as that of the city waterworks of Centralia,

Committed to Asylum.

cial)-A pliedriver has been at work this week driving-plies for the new mill of the Eastern Railway & Lumber Com-pany at Centralia. When the plie-driving is completed, a force of carpenters will be put to work on the mill structure, which will be Strate for the new mill structed during the past summer. A pe-tition was presented to the Council, signed by about 250 tax payers, asking the Counwhich will be 50x250 feet. The new mill

OREGON CITY, Or., Sept. 22-(Special.) -Herman Camehi, aged 27 years, a Ger-man farmer from Stafford, was today committed to the State Insane Azylum after an examination before Justice Livy Stipp, in the absence of County Judge Ryan. Camehi's mental illness is both suicidal and homicidal in its nature.

will cost about \$40,000. It will have a capacity of 105,000 feet per day and will Eyse Strong, Soothes Eye Pain: Doesn't Smart.



time White Lake was reached the water showed an analysis which, because of its alka-line properties, rendered it unfit for frrigation

For this reason it is given out that the Reclamation Service will make every ef-

cil to defer action on the matter of is-suing bonds in the sum of \$200,000 recently authorized by vote of the people for the purpose of providing municipal water and light systems. This petition emanates from the Com

EUGENE COUNCIL IS ASKED TO DELAY BOND ISSUE. Plan to Get Better Rates and Service From Old Water and Light Companies. EUGENE, Or., Sept. 22.-At a special meeting of the City Council tonight ardi-nances were passed levying assessments for the costs of several new sewers, con-

of the county, was drowned yesterday in Smith river near his home, but no parti-culars of the accident are obtained. New Mill at Centralia.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Sept. 22-(Spe-

Arthur Johnson. EUGENE, Or., Sept. 22-(Spl.)-Arthur Johnson, a resident of the western part

to put the Facific Christian Advocate on a paying basis came up. It was during this that Mr. Flegel lashed the preachers, days' imprisonment in the County Jail. declaring the lay members must have charge of the paper, as the preachers will not act. Dr. Osmon Royal, who intraduced a resolution to have pastors ap-point solicitors for the paper, replied vigrously, refuting Flegel's remarks. Bishop J. M. Walden, who chanced to be pres-ent, spoke briefly for harmony. The occasion of this discussion was the fact that the general conference at its last session decided to furnish no more funds for the publication of the Advocate, and it must pay its own way at the end of this quad-remnium or suspend. It is said that loyal support is being given it, and that it wi

A resolution by Dr. Royal that all of-ficial members of each congregation be compelled to subscribe for the Advocate was lost, but the laymen fild resolve to ask the conference to pass resolutions tomorrow, calling upon the presiding elders at the quarterly conferences to ask, "Is each official member a subscriber to the Advocate?" The paper is 51 years old. There are 11,000 Methodists in the Advocate's field, and it is said the paper's circulation now is nearly 5000 copies weekly, and steadily growing.

### A Cierical Anomaly.

A peculiar state of affairs became public today in the case of Rev. J. P. Farmer, ence a Methodist, later a Baptist, but who was sent to take charge of Monta-villa Methodist Church during this year by Presiding Elder Rockwell. It now de-velops that he has no standing as yet, not even being a Methodist by membership, and his relations will be determined omerrow morning.

Tonight it is rumored that Rev. Sum merville, in charge this year at Grant's Pass, will be sent to the Central Church, Portland, and that Rev. Young, of Cen-tral, will be sent to Grant's Pass. There is a delegation here, asking for Young's return, however, Summerville is the man whom Albany Methodists refused to accept last year.

### Conference Here Next Year.

This morning Dr. T. B. Ford, of the Sunnyside Church, and president of the Portland Methodist Ministers' Association, extended an invitation to the conference to meet in his church, and Dr. Short, of Taylor-street Church, moved to accept this invitation. The conference voted this invitation. The contention to the optimized of the patient of the patient of the con-ference today, but it is likely he will ask Rishop Walden to preside tomorrow, in order to give the former more time to arrange with the presiding elders for the Sunday evening. Not until the last moment will it be known what changes will

This afternoon the anniversary of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society was observed and tonight Bishop Walden deobserved and tomgnt Eisshop Walden de-livered an address. R Lee Paget presided at the meeting of the isymen, as Presi-dent R. A. Rooth, of Eugene, is under indiciment in the land-fraud cases and feit delicate about thrusting himself for-ward. Today the business sessions will end, and tomorrow the conference closes.

THERE IS JOY AT MERRILL

Canal to Be Pushed South From

### There at Once.

Holders of Lewis and Clark tickets sold east of Pocatello, Pocatello or Rutte and the western boundary of Arizona, are en-titled to B-day one-fare tlocets to certain points on the O. R. & N. Particulars by asking at Third and Washington streets, Portiand, KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Sept. 22- as (Specirl.)-Word comes from Merrill, Pr

A big discussion, that renched recent proportions at times, occurred at the lay-men's meeting when the question of how the Pacific Christian Advocate on the proportion of the pacific Christian Advocate on the proportion of the pacific Christian Advocate on the pacific Christia ular October term on October 2, at which time the hearing of cases will be resumed. The regular annual examination of candidates for admission to the bar will be held on Tuesday, October 3. days' imprisonment in the County Jali. An unusual number of transients in the

city at this time are causing the police to FOR DEFENSE OF THE SOUND Government Board Locating Mine-

and Torpedo Stations.

SEATTLE. Sept. 22-To map out loca-tions on Puget Sound for mines and tor-pedo stations, the members of the torpedo defense board left this morning for a three days trip of inspection of the vari-ous bodies of water. It is understood

that mine equipment costing in the neigh-borhood of \$500,000 and now stored near Fort Ward will be used. The material was brought to the Coast during the Spanish War. The mines and torpedo stations will be in place by the first of next The members of the Board will next go

to Portland to inspect the artillery dia-trict of the Columbia. The Board con-sists of Col. Murray and Captain Mc-Closkey, of the artillery corps, and Major Roessler, of the Engineer corps.

### DROWNING AT ABERDEEN.

Victim's Name Not Known-Temperance Rally Held.

ABERDEEN, Wash, Sept. 22-(Special.)-A young man, whose name is sup-posed to be Adams, fell off the wharf of the Michigan Mill Company last night, and drowned. He was loading lumber, and, being close to the edge of the dock, ellpped off. The tide was running out, and before assistance could reach him he went down. He had started to work

were the only ones seriously hurt. Rey-noids will probably die. Moore tells a graphic story of the acci-dent. The stage, a heavy vehicle of the Concord type, drawn by four horses, had reached a point 18 miles from Klamath Falls, near a bridge across Klamath River. The stage had started down a long, steep hill. On the seat with the driver was Miss Bussey, while Colonel Stratton, Collector of Customs at San Francisco, also occupied a seat outside. Inside the stage were Charles L. Moore, George Wright, Mr. Webb, Mr. Schu-mann and a drummer whose name Mr. at noon, and his name had not been given to the company to be placed on the pay-The state convention of W. C. T. U. was taken up today with the reading of reports on the work of the local organiiann and a drummer whose name Mr. loore did not learn. zation. Tonight there was a temperance rally at which Mayor Lindsfrom made a As the stage started down the hill the As the stage started down the hill the driver threw on the brake, but the shaft snapped and the vehicle struck the heels of the horses. The four horses at once broke into a run. At a turn in the road the stage whirled over on its side, throw-ing the driver and outside passengers to the ground and tumbling the inside pas-sengers in a heap. The overturning of the stage loosened the automatic coup-ling, thus releasing the horses and pre-venting a greater disaster. A hear-by rancher was gent to the next stage station, two miles away; another



WIFE-MURDERER FOUND GULL TY IN FIRST DEGREE.

Verdict Mainly Result of Testimony of His Children, Who Wit-

nessed the Crime.

VALE, Or., Sept. 21-(Special.)-The that of past years.

The planing mill and filled with service can be had from the prospective lumber, belonging to I. G. Wikstrom, was burned last night. The fire caught in the furnace room. The loss is about \$5,000; no insurance. The lumber yard and other property were saved after a hard fight ance. The lumber yard and other erty were saved, after a hard fight. Wikstrom will probably rebuild at isfactory service without assuming a



ONE DEAD AND TWO SERIOUSLY INJURED ON O. R. & N.

Accident Near Quinn's Station Is Caused by Crown Plate Blow-

ing Out-Cars Piled Up.

ARLINGTON, Or., Sept. 22 -- Fireman Healy and Brakeman Brown were severely injured, and the line of the O. R. &. N. was blocked several hours by the wreck of an eastbound freight train near Quinn's station this morning. The blow-ing out of the crown plate of the engine caused the accident. The freight train, under charge of Con-

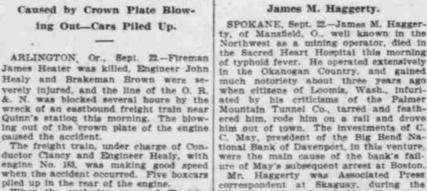
ductor Clancy and Engineer Healy, with engine No. 183, was making good speed when the accident occurred. Five boxcars

when the accident occurred. Five boxcars piled up in the rear of the engine. When the explosion occurred Eireman Heater and Brakeman Brown were thrown 40 feet by its force. The former was still alive when picked up, but died Klondike rush, and made himself unpopuabout two hours later. Engineer Healy had a miraculous escape.

THE DALLES Or., Sept. 22 -(Special.)neer John Healy, who suffered a frac-of one leg and a severe scalding in the freight wreck near Quinn's today, was tonight brought to this city. His injuries are deemed serious. The body of Fireman James Heater, killed in the same acci-dent, was also brought here. Heater was a Dalles man, and a wife and child sur-vive him.

LEWISTON, Idaho, Sept. 12.-(Special.)-Captain S. V. Winslow, who has charge of Government work on Snake River, re-

BEACH BATE REDUCED.



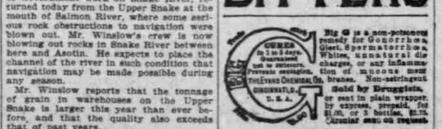
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VALE, Or., Bept. 22-(Special)-The jury in the case of Oliver Megorden, tried for the murder of his wife at Nyssa, Or., on March 23, brought in a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree last night after being out only 45 minutes. This was one of the most atrocious crimes ever committed in Matheur County and the community has been at a fewer heat during the trial. The date for sentence has not been set W. J. McCulloch and E L. Bryan moved the audience to tears

the community has been at a fever heat during the trial. The date for sentence has not been set. W. J. McCulloch and E. L. Bryan moved the audience to tears in their pleas for the state. Will R. King and Frank Harris made the pleas for the defense. Megorden's trial begun on Saturday, but it was not until Tuesday that a jury was secured. Nearly all of pesterday was LOW-RATE SIDE-TRIP TICKETS.