# VALLEY LEAGUE

Interests of Willamette District Represented in Development Convention.

Speakers Score Policies of Alien Owners of Lands and Railways. Large Outlays Planned by Harriman System.

EUGENE, Or., Sept. 29 .- (Special.)-The third convention of the Willamette Valley Development League met this afternoon in the Courthouse, under favorable auspices, and from the manner in which busiess began, and the vigor and earnestness of the addresses of the speakers, it was evident from the start that the session would result in great good in awakening interest in the development of the vast

resources of Oregon, From the sound of the call for order by President E. Hofer, of Salem, a spirit of enthusiasm took possession of the delegates, who were present in gratifying numbers from all parts of the Vailey, except, as was noted, that Portland was not represented. This spirit of enthusiasm increased as speakers proceeded with their addresses, and the meeting was not far advanced before it was seen that those en were not balking before the load they had undertaken to pull in their ef-fort to drag Oregon out of the ruts of passiveness and nonprogression to the highway of enlightened development and

# President's Address.

President Hofer in his opening address sounded the keynote of progress in an able and concise manner, and this was taken up and applauded by the whole convention. It was evident from his address that railroads and corporations would come in for criticism for retarding prog-ress for selfah motives, or for failure to exert their powers in lines that mean for themselves and for the whole state. Mr. Hofer also said:

No American commonwealth struggling toward its goal has undergone more of the sapping terror of discouragement than Oresapping terror of discouragement than Ore-gon. It has cost two millions of good money and the unremitting effort of the best and brightest men and women of our cities, counand state, in putting up the Lewis and Clark Fair, to unloose our imprisoned ac-The question of Chinese immigration has been brought before our Commercial Club by a Portland organization demanding the re-peal of the exclusion act. This convention

will be called upon to decide whether the Fuelfic Coast shall be made the dumping-ground and distributing center of unrestricted Much development is possible through public ownership. Nothing should be done to discourage investment of private capital, or investments by corporations; but the people of Western Oregon should resort to public awareship only where it can be employed in setablishing a needed public utility.

Mr. Hofer was followed by F. M. Wilkins, who, as Mayor of the city, in a brief speech, welcomed the delegates.

Grissen on Co-Operation.

The present charge of 50 cents per ton is an unjust tax on the farmers and producers taken by Congress toward opening this great waterway. The work of the Development of the valley, and it is time some action was taken by Congress toward opening this great waterway. The work of the Development of the valley and it is time some action was taken by Congress toward opening this great waterway. The work of the Development of the valley and it is time some action was taken by Congress toward opening this great waterway. The work of the Development of the valley and it is time some action was taken by Congress toward opening this great waterway. The work of the Development to the Williamette Valley. contin labor.

The second address was on the subject of the "Progress of Co-Operation." by Charles Grissen, of McMinuville, president of the Oregon Fire Belief Association.

Mr. Grissen, who is an interesting speaker, made a strong plea for co-operative or united effort in all lines of business and advancement. He reviewed the history and illustrated the effect upon nations of united effort as against individualies, and the good and the bad arising from each when carried to excess, finally coming to the theory of co-operation in this country and taking the middle ground as the sundard for the greatent good. He took examples from the American Government, such as the postal systems of the Ballroads.

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This organization was complimented by the publication in July, 18cd, of a report prepared by the transportation committee of the postal system. This organization was complimented by the publication in July, 18cd, of a report prepared by the transportation committee of the sale of the transportation of the fleast make its own telegraphene conventions. The Williamette Valley Development conventions and the stransport of its ideas. We wish to emphasize the fact the Williamette Valley organization in the independent commercial organization tem, as well as from the great corporate institutions. These latter, while being ininstitutions. These latter, while being in-dispensable factors in progressive devel-opment, furnished a good example of cooperation for common good up to a rea-conable degree, then when carried to the extreme became institutions for private gain, whereby the greatest good ceased to come to the greatest numbers, but the greatest numbers were forced to contrib-

conditions in Oregon, the great natural resources, the sparse population, and the failure to advance in proportion to the opportunities, opened out of the reasons for such conditions and the remedy therefore. He charged Oregon's tardiness in development as compared with other states to three principal causes: First, language, sectionalism. riannish sectionalism and self-shnees of the people; second, a lieu ownership of large tracts of land; third, foreign control of railways.

Under the first head he called attention to the political and commercial pulling and hauling between different parts of the state and the fallure to unite on public questions as becomes a great com-monwealth. In the matter of legislation be referred to the common log-rolling and notorious disposition to oppose measures unless they contained some concession to a particular locality, and especially to attacks on the constitution on the matter stracks on the constitution on the matter of salary of some officer. Under this head, Portland, the single large city of the state, came in for a reasting, and reference was made to the Lewis and Clark Exposition management as acting on the theory that it was strictly a Portland af-

to the benefit of industry; cattle bar-ens in other states controlled vast areas on which their stock grazed and the increment taken where Oregon obtained no benefit, large farms were held and the thousands of men who wanted small tracts on which to supout their families were unable to ob-

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the state. Besides, when the dividends are earned, instead of applying any rea sonable portion to development or ex-tension in this field, they are taken and expended for development in other states. He alleged that if the O. R. & N. and the O. & C. had remained in the hands of the men who built them, Ore-gon would show ten times the popula-tion that it does today and that extensions are only made on paper, whereas port to eastern connections from Tae Dalles south to California, from Pendleton to Nevada and from Eugene to Klamath basin, with feeders on all. While he did not hold the local representatives of the great roads respon-sible for their failure to provide these, he did hold them responsible to the extent of their reports to their supe-WORK FOR STATE'S GOOD ple would have to awaken and demand it in an emphatic manner.

who reviewed the present conditions and made comparisons with those in other states, especially Oregon's imme diste neighbors on the north and south More liberal policies, greater enterprise of the people, and legislative en-couragement pushed these states ahead, while, with its superior natural resources Oregon seemed too much in clined to let Nature do all, and as

result was falling behind.

Much of the interest of the convention centers in the report of the league's committee on transportation, reviewing the work done by it in seeking better rallway service for the valley and outlying rallway development, which the Harriman system is now undertaking in

The following report was submitted at the close of the session by J. G. Graham, Salem, secretary of the general transpor-tation committee of the league:

Work of the Development League.

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The work of the Williamette Valley Development League since its organization at Salem. March 23, 1805, has been at great benefit not only to the Williamette Valley, but to all of Western Oregon. The building of any part of a state depends solely on the efforts of its people, and the Williamette Valley Development League needs the assistance of the people of Western Oregon in the work they are trying to do for the good of this section of our great and growing state.

Before the meeting beid at Salem a call was resued by the president and secretary of the Oregon State Development League for a meeting to be held at Portland in April, but this was later recalled, for some reason not altogether clear to the members of our league. At our meeting the matter was discussed and a resolution adopted asking that the Portland meeting be held, and there is no doubt that the stand taken by our league resulted in a convention being held at Portland on Avril 26 and 27.

The transportation committee took up the

Cheap Excursions Planned.

The league asked that the railway manager of the lines centoring in Portland run weekly of oftener, low-rate excursion trains startin from Portland and making the tour of the alley in a day and returning to Portland in the evening. This would have given Exposion visitors a chance to see the country and he country towns and cities would have glad y entertained these excursionists, as is done

the country towns and cities would have glad-ly entertained these excursionlets, as is done in other states that have a large tourist travel. This would have given Pair rielitors an op-portunity to see the interior of the state by daylight; and it would also have given the people of the interior, who have liberally sup-ported the Pair and the railroads a great sat-lafaction. It is part of the work of the league to do everything possible toward securing the per-manent improvement of our Coast harbors, in-cluding Tillamook Ray, Yaquina Bay, Siuslaw Bay and Cose Bay. Also to work for an open river from Portland to the Williamette Val-

Justice to the Railroads.

In a spirit of fairness and justice to the railroad corporations engaged in developing Oregon we wish to give credit for all that has been accomplished or undertaken since the first convention of the Willamette Valley Development League beld at Salem. Soon after that meeting it was amounced that the Harriman system would expend shout \$1,000,000 in the betterment of its lines throughout Oregon, and this has been done in part. When all improvements have been completed, including rock ballasting from Portland to the California line. the Harriman lines will be equal to the demands of the heaviest traffic.

He struck a popular chord here when he championed the idea of public or municipal ownership of public utilities and referred to the water and light systems as successful examples.

Oregon's Backwardness.

Judge Stephen A. Lowell, who arrived an the delayed train was next called and spoke on "A Square Deal for Oregon." He spoke in his customary forcible and convincing manner, and after mentioning convincing manner, and after mentioning conditions in Oregon, the great natural casources the water population, and the

Important Construction Work

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Immediately after the Independence convention stops were taken to push construction of the Springfield-Henderson line, connecting the East Side railway with the main line, saving a baul of sawmill producte via Taliman Junction to Albany and back south within a few miles of the starting point. This will be of great benefit to the company and shippers, and will cost about \$150,000.

Immediately after the creation by this league of a committee to gather statistics of tonnage for a line to some deep-sea harbor on the West Coast came the starting announcement that the Harriman system would construct a line from Drain to Marshfield on Coos Bay at a cost of over \$1,000,000; that all the plans were completed, and, harring securing some additional right of way, the corporation was ready to let the contract. In this commettion the langue would urge that all persons having right of way for proposed lines of rail-

ready to let the contract. In this connection the league would urge that all persons having right of way for proposed lines of railroads programmer in the reasonable and moderate in demands for compensation. Nothing advances the value of land or develops a new country so much as the construction of a railroad through it, and demanding excessive prices for rights of way, depot, station and shop grounds retards the construction of any proposed railroad and often defeats all progrees.

Employ More White Labor

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Exposition management as acting on the
theory that it was strictly a Portland affair and that Portland day was the one
of greatest consequence and the benefits
to Oregon secondary to the interests of
the metropolis.

Alien Interests Ignore State.

Under the second head he spoke of
obstacles to development in the holding
of large tracts of lands by aliens for
unearned increment. Timber of great
value was held by alien capitalists who
made no effort to convert the forests
to the benefit of industry; cattle barons in other states controlled vast
areas on which their stock grazed and
the increment taken where Oregon obtained no benefit, large farms were

Then he fook up the matter of transportation, which he handled with great force, charging that the railroade, few as they are, are operated with the idea of producing big dividends for the authority of the harriman system the following summary of expenditures in Oregon, and also proposed expenditures which are eign lands, rather than with any view of developing the natural resources of pany lines in Oregon during feeal year end-

In addition there was spent for fiscal year ending June 30, 1905, approximately \$320, 090 for permanent improvements. Extraordinary work done during the year ending June 30, 1865, filling bridges including culverts for same system, \$207,000.

Relaying main line Ashland to Sagrinaw to new standard 80-pound steel rails, length approximately 152 miles, estimated cost \$858.537.

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New steel bridges, \$301.953.

Forty-seven miles of ballasting on main line now in process of construction with necessary widening of banks, \$55.250.

Improvements in yards and buildings at Roseburg and other important points, estimated, \$60.256.

Lafapetic and St. Joe cut-off, estimated, \$43.647.

Springsheld, Henderson, connection, includ-

he did hold them responsible to the extent of their reports to their superiors. He prophesied a departure from this narrowness of policy, but the people would have to awaken and demand it in an emphatic manner.

Colonel Manning's Address.

"Relation of Legislation to Development" was the subject of the address of Colonel Isaac A. Manning, of Salem, who reviewed the present conditions

Williamette at Stanford Today.

At the evening session, an address of welcome was delivered by S. H. Friendly, president of the Eugene Commercial Club. Rev. E. W. Elayer, of Independence, spoke in an interesting vein on "A Few Observations of, the Missourians." "Irrigation in the Willamette Valley" was the subject of a paper by Mr. Blaloch, who dealt with possibilities of trainming. who dealt with por ssibilities of irrigation in this Valley and the probable results to be derived by scientifically applying the waters from the streams to the soils. At the close of his paper a motion car ried for the chair to appoint a commit tee of 15 to investigate this subject and endeavor to evolve a plan for its acomplishment and report at next meeting.

ASK RECEIVER FOR THE NE-HALEM COAL COMPANY.

Transfer of 750 Shares Without Consideration Alleged-Corporation Ordered to Show Cause.

ASTORIA, OR., Sept. 29 .- (Special.)-A suit was filed in the Circuit Court today by Richard Wills and nine other stockholders in the Nehalem Coal Company against the company and M. S Copeland. The complaint recites that defendant Copeland purchased a tract of land for \$12,000 and through a conspiracy with the other directors sold the land to the company for \$12,000 in cash and 750 shares of the company's stock.
It alleges that this transfer of stock was without consideration and illegal and asks that it be set aside, also that a receiver be appointed for the company

pelled to pay the company \$75,000 or return the 750 shares of stock. The court ordered the defendants to appear on October 9 and show cause why a receiver should not be appoint ed and the company be compelled to turn its books over to the Clerk of the Court for examination.

end that Defendant Copeland be

WILL INVESTIGATE PRISON.

Governor Mead Looks Into Fever Cases at Walla Walla.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Sept. 29. (Special.)-Governor Mead announced this morning that the charges made against Warden Kees will be given a public hearing by himself and the State Board of Audit and Control some time during the latter part of October. The charges are of incompetency and responsibility for the present epidemic of typhoid fever at the penitentiary. Friends of the Warden say the whole matter is merely a fac-tional fight in the Republican party, and mles are after his

The fact that there have been many cases of typhoid fever in the penitentiary has never been denied, but an effort has been made to fasten the blame for its exstence on the present management. There have been during the last two months over 100 cases of more or less serious nature among the 755 convicts, but

not a death has been recorded.

That a fight will result is evidenced by the fact that every employe of the peni tentiary except two today signed a state-ment refuting the allegations in a recent Tacoma newspaper article. In which it was stated that there was discord between who did not sign the statement were out

Weiser Jury Finds Accident Due to Violation of Rules.

WEISER, Idaho, Sept. 29 .- (Special.)-The Coroner's jury to investigate the cause of the head-end collision at Eaton Station, near this city, on the Short Line railroad, on the morning of September 23, by which Mail Clerk J. W. Harrison and Fireman Ed. Rovelsteadt were killed, reached a verdiet this afternoon, after being in continuous session for three days, with several adjournments to procure evi-

The jury found that the men named came to their death as the result of ion, and that the engineer, conductor and brakemen of the second section of the passenger train No. 1 were responsible for the accident, having violated train order No. 127, which required them to stop Eaton Station until 8:15 A. M. "We f by order No. 127," says the verdict, train No. 26 had until 8:15 A. M. to reach Eaton siding, and if the second section of No. 1 had obeyed said order No. 137, train No. 26 would have made Eaton siding in plenty of time. Also we find that if rule No. 80 of the Oregon Short Line railroad was applicable in this case, the train crew of No. 36 should be censured for not obey-ing said rule. We also censure the Short Line Railroad Company for not enforcing said rule at all times." Train rule No. 89 requires inferior trains

to be on sidings ten minutes before arrival of superior trains. Had this rule been obeyed strictly, the accident would not

FRESHMEN ARE OUTWITTED Sophomores at Walla Walla Burn

WHITMAN COLLEGE, Walla Walla. Wash. Sept. 28.—(Special.)—The sophomores outwitted the freshmen in the annual class scrap today and burned the flag which the latter flew at the top of fing which the latter flew at the top of a 70-foot pole on the campus. All day the freshmen had been guarding the Orange banner, which John Loman, class president, put up at midnight. At 2:30 seven sophs drove up to the foot of the pole, concealed in the bottom of an express wagon by a large cloth. Before the freshies realized what had happened Arthur Morgan, a soph, was half way up the pole, and the pride of '08 soon went up in smoke. The under classmen revenged themselves by tying up every sophomore, piling them like cordwood in the same express wagon and taking them two miles out of town, where they were divested of express wagon and taking them two miles out of town, where they were divested of shoes, coats and shirts and left tied. They reached a phone and returned in an auto cab about 5 o'clock, making the campus ring with their class yell. The freshmen gave a banquet to the victorious sophs tonight.

Result Does Not Follow J. N. Williamson's Conviction.

**ACTION BY HOUSE REQUIRED** 

Pending Such Action, Gov. Chamber lain Will Not Cail Special Election to Fill Congressional Post of Prineville Man.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 29.—(Special.)—The Second Congressional District will probably be without a Congressman when the nal legislative body meets in De-er. J. N. Williamson has not yet taken his seat in pursuance of his last election, and probably will not attempt to do so while a conviction of crime hangs over him. Should he offer to take the oath of office and occupy his seat in the House of Representatives an objection would probably be made.

It has been thought by some that the conviction of Williamson before he has taken the oath of office creates a vacancy which should be filled by a special elec-tion to be called by the Govenror. Governor Chamberlain is not of that opinion. When asked regarding the matter tonight

"Each house in Congress is the judge of the qualifications of its members. The House of Representatives can seat Mr Williamson if it wishes, so it is apparen that the conviction does not ipso factories a vacancy. Even though he should not offer to take his seat, or to be sworn in at the opening of Congress, I am of the opinion that no vacancy would exist. He might take the oath of office later. The cenviction is not final until the time for appeal has expired or the judgment has been affirmed on appeal. I do not see, therefore, that a vacancy will exist in the office of Congressman at the opening

Persistence of Government on Prosecuting Fraud Applauded.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washingion, Sept. 22.—Commenting on the con-viction of Representative Williamson, the New York Tribune says:

"The conviction of three more defend-ants in the Oregon land-fraud cases, one of them a Representative in Congress, is another triumph for the Administration's policy of making war on offenders, no matter what their political affiliations or personal prestige may be. Last Summer, John H. Mitchell, Senator from Oregon, was found guilty of accepting compensation for work done for constituents of his before the departments. His long service in the Senate, and his standing as a party leader did not save him from prosecution once the Government was put in posses sion of evidence pointing to his indict

ability under the Federal statutes,
"In spite of their political standing and influence, three more Oregon politicians, also Republicans, are now, after a long legal battle, convicted of conspiring to orn perjury and obtain by fraudulent entries title to public land. One of the guilty men, John N. Williamson, is a member of the House of Representatives; another, Dr. Van Gesner, is Williamson's partner in business; and the third, Marion R. Biggs, was formerly United States Commissioner. To make cases against these conspirators, the Government was out to the severest effort. Local sentiment was invoked to protect them, and many obstructions were thrown in the way of justice. The District Attorney had to be removed before the prosecutions began, and a Judge from another state was final- Bureau, an association to control the out-"The Interior Department, which initiated these prosecutions, and the Department of Justice, which conducted them, was adopted ordering a close-down of the are entitled to high praise for running down culprits who thus sought to shield themselves behind their political records. To tear the mask from grafters of this

The New York World says: "Persistence has met its reward in the prosecution of Representative Williamson and his associates at Portland on landfraud charges. Secretary Hitchcock has every right to the feeling of gratification TRAIN CREW IS CENSURED which he expresses. In his chase for land thieves he has shown himself a respecter of neither house of Congress."

FULTON EXPRESSES REGRET

His Sole Comment on Verdict in Williamson Case.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU Wash ington, Sept. 22.—Senator Fulton, who came East to put his son in school at Baltimore, arrived here today, and will take up the matter of the appointment of the Register and Receiver of the Roseburg Land Office. It is probable some action

be announced next week. Mr. Fulton does not care to comment on the result of the Williamson trial, further than to express regret at the verdict re-

WIVES SEEKING DIVORCE.

Cruelty and Desertion Is Charged Against Troge and Weller. OREGON CITY, Or., Sept. 29.-(Spe

cial.)—Henry Troge, a prominent farmer of Damascus, is defendant in a divorce suit filed in the Circuit Court by his second wife. Fiora Troge, whom he married at Damascus, this county, in 1898. Troge is charged with a variety of misconduct, consisting of applying vile and indecent epithets to the wife, who says that in October, 1992, he beat her so that she had to run to neighbors for

Besides a legal separation, the plaintiff Besides a legal separation, the plaintiff asks the custody of the two minor children and petitions the court to decree herself the owner in fee simple of an undivided one-third interest in her husband's estate, which consists of real property in Clackamas County and at Sycamore, Multnomah County, worth \$18,700, together with personal property worth \$18,700, together with personal property worth \$18,700, together with personal property worth \$1800. Mrs. Troge also asks that her husband be compelled to pay \$150 as worth \$340. Mrs. Troge also asks that her husband be compelled to pay \$350 as expenses of the suit, \$150 as alimony for the support of herself and children during the pendency of the suit and for \$50 a month permanent alimony.

Etta M. Weller, who was married to William H. Weller at Vancouver, in \$380 is suing for a divorce on the grounds of desertion alleged to have taken place in August 1804. Plaintiff asks the custody.

August, 1994. Plaintiff asks the custody of a minor child and an allowance of \$25 per month from the husband, who is employed in a sawmill in the State of

TRAMPS HELD AS SUSPECTS

Four Hoboes Arrested for Murder of GRAPE-NUTS. Companion.

CHEHALIS, Or., Sept 28.—(Special.)— Four tramps were captured at Castle

Rock this morning by Sheriff Urquhart, of Chehalia and Marshall Shields, of Centralla. Thus far only one, Frank Schewene, has given his name. The identity of others is unknown. These men are held pending investigation of their connection with the death of an unknown member of their gang who was found here dead by the Main-atreet crossing early Tuesday morning. The four men early Tuesday morning. The four men arrested today and the dead man, whose identity they either cannot or will not reveal, except that he was called Tom, were driven from Centralia Monday after-noon by Shields.

All except Schewene, who was inclined to talk at first denied even having been in Chehalis. Later two others of the gang told Shields that the dead man was killed by a train. Schewene says six of them were drunk here Monday night, and that the dead man got lost from the party while it was on the way to Dr. Kennecott's barn, where they slept. The Coroner's inquest is likely to be reopened to-morrow, when sensational developments are expected.

FOR TERMINALS AT COLFAX

Spokane and Inland Electric Pays \$40,000 for Land

COLFAX, Wash., Sept. 29.—(Special.)— The Spokane & Inland Electric Railroad Company today bought \$40,000 worth of property in Colfax for terminals for its new line now being built from Spokane to Pullman, Colfax, Moscow and Palouse. The ground includes the residence of Mayor Davenport, and the passenger depot will be built on these lots. Twenty-two acres in the extreme northwest part of town is also included. The company will build a passenger station, freight de-pot, five grain warehouses and 1500 feet of sidetrack. About a dozen residences or sinerrack. About a dozen residences are included in the purchase. These must be removed before next April. Work on the road is being rushed and about 20 miles of the roadbed has been completed. The line is to be running into Colfax within one year.

NORTHWEST DEAD.

Thomas C. Rowley.

ASTORIA, Or. Sept. 29.—(Special.)— homas C. Rowley, of Seaside, died at the espital last night from appendicitis. The ceased was but 19 years and was born in Franklin County, Nebraska, on April 1886. He was employed by the Engineers' Department at Fort Stevens for several months, but left there about two weeks ago to work in the sawmill at Sea-side. His parents live in Baltimore, Md. COMMENT OF NEW YORK PRESS

Weeks ago to work in the sawmill at Seaside. His parents live in Baltimore, Md.

Mr. Rowley was a member of the Red

Men's Lodge at Hammond and his funeral
will be held on Sunday under the auspices of that order.

Elmer E. Charman.

OREGON CITY, Or., Sept. 29 .- (Special.) Elmer Ellsworth Charman, for many ears a prominent business man in this city, died of lung trouble at his residence here this afternoon. Mr. Charman was a native of Oregon City, where he was born September 22, 1861. Left fatherless at an early age, he immediately became identified with the business life of the com-munity, in which he was at all times a public-spirited member. Besides a mother, the deceased left a wife and one daugh-ter, and a brother, T. Leonard Charman.

Alaska Packers Stops Dividends.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 29.-The Alaska Packers' Association has voted to suspend the payment of dividends for the present. A circular to the stockholders says that, in view of the surplus of canned salmon, and after the most careful consideration, having due regard for the future and per-manent welfare of the Alaska Packers' Association and the highest interests of its stockholders, it is now deemed prudent to forego the payment of further dividends until such time as a return to healthy and normal market conditions may again place the association in a position to render to its stockholders the satisfactory returns on their investments which they have been accustomed to receive during the last 12 years.

Shingle Mills Bureau Organized. SEATTLE, Sept. 29 .- The Shingle Mills ly secured to sit in the court which tried put of Washington red-cedar shingles, was the third, as the evidence grew more and more decisive, gave a verdict of guilty.

"The Interior Department of the state o was adopted ordering a close-down of the mills during the months of December and January next. The following officers were elected: President, D. W. Bass; vice-president, W. M. Bolcom; secretary, Earl sort is helpful and inspiring to the public | Pooler; treasurer, A. W. Mackie.

> Stranded Company From Antipodes. VICTORIA, B. C., Sept. 29.-Steamer Miowers, which arrived yesterday from Australia, brought many of the mem-bers of the American Novelty Company, which stranded in New Zealand. M. B. the company to the Antipodes and did not pay salaries or expenses. The steamer Taviuni, on which the company sailed from New Zealand, was held three hours at Auckland, while Sheriffs searched valuely for Curtis.

> > Charged With Kidnaping.

BUTTE, Mont., Sept. 29.—Believing that W. J. Adams, of considerable athletic fame throughout this state, knows more than he is at present willing to tell con-cerning the sudden disappearance ten days ago of Miss Mary McDonald, the father of the girl has sworn to a com-plaint in the County Attorney's office, charging Adams with the crime of kid-naping. Adams was at once placed under arrest, and is no wat liberty on a \$5000

For Railway Rate Legislation. SALEM, Or., Sept. 28.-(Special.)-Gov-ernor Chamberlain has been requested to appoint one delegate from each of the Congressional districts in Oregon to represent this state at the Interstate Com merce Law Convention, to be held in Chi on October 26 and 27. of the convention is stated to be "to im

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Your Thinker

Brain (and other nerve matter) wastes away exactly as other portions of the human body give out-a little every hour. Unless this waste is repaired the brain gets weak and brainfag and nervous prostration set in.

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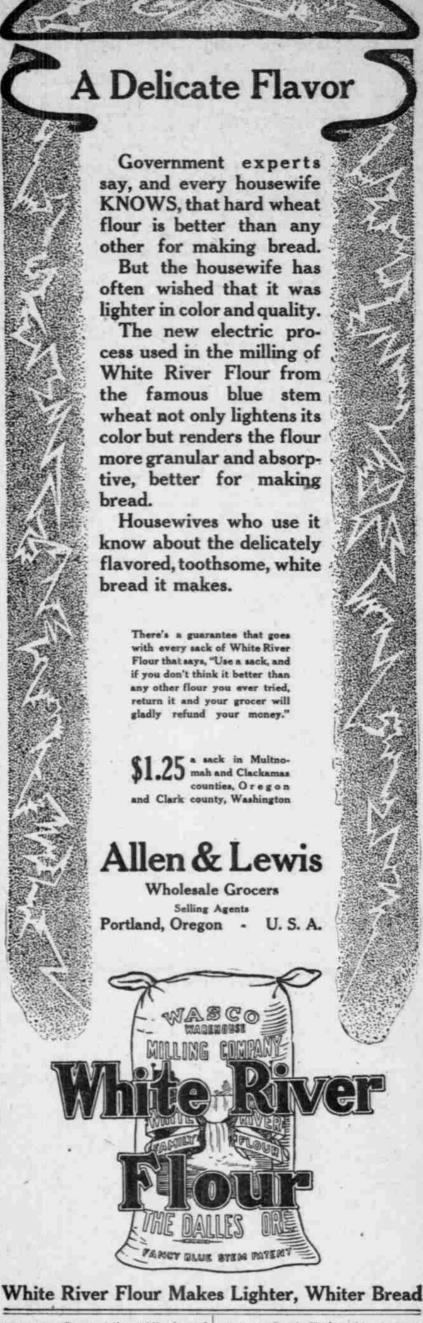
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There's a Reason



press upon Congress the public demand last annual message to Congress."

Gilstrap Succeeds Harris. EUGENE, Or., Sept. 29 .- (Special.)-At

a meeting, yesterday afternoon, of the delegates to the last Republican State Convention, W. G. Gilstrap, secretary of the committee, was elected state cor teeman for this county, to succeed Judge L. T. Harris, resigned.

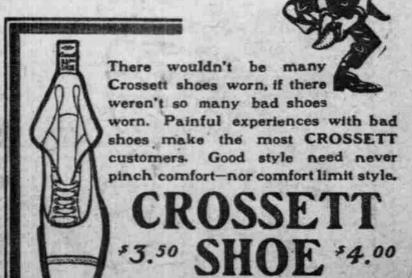
Big Deal at Westport.

estate on Gray's Harbor this year was for legislation for governmental supervi-sion over railway rates in line with the recommendation of the President in his to a Seattle syndicate for \$20,000. The dyked for gardening and dairy pur-

Will Slaughter Pheasants.

SALEM, Sept. 29.-(Special.)-Over 800 country Clerk Roland, and more applicants are coming to his office daily. There is an evident intention to engage in the slaughter of pheasants as soon as the season opens on October 1. Reports as ABERDEEN. Wash. Sept. 29.—(Special.)—One of the largest deals in real about as plentiful as usual.

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