

State Captures 997 Medals and Diplomas in Horticulture Contest.

EXHIBITS IN FIRST RANK

Wasco County Has Most Gold and Silver Medals, While Jackson Has the Greatest Num-

ber of Awards.

Complete returns of prizes awarded to Oregon and Oregon exhibitors in the Horticultural division at the Lewis and Clark Exposition were announced yesterday by Director of Exhibits Henry E. Dosch. The list was compiled from findings pre-

sented by group jurors two weeks ago. Oregon took a total of 907 awards, of which 104 are gold, 153 tilser, 348 bronze and 322 diplomus of honorable mention. and 382 diplomas of honorable mention. Just what Oregon's standing is, as coff-pared with other competing states is not known definitely at this time. It is known that neighboring states have piled up many awards but at this time it is be-lieved Oregon leads all competitors in rticultural exhibits. During this week the results obtained by other states will be announced. In making the announcements at this time Colonel Dosch is es-tablishing a new record. He intends to have the medals and diplomas distributed within two weeks. The time usually re-quired for this work is several months, and all awards at the St. Louis Exposi-tion are not even yet distributed.

Great Fruit Exhibits.

In its exhibits of fruits Oregon covered in its extingion. The State got gold medals for cold storage apples, crop of '05, peaches, cherries, strawberries, meanis for cold solvage approx trawberries, 56, peaches, cherries, strawberries, grapes, peach-plums, watermelons and cantaloopes. Sliver medals were awarded for apples of last year's crop, pears, quinces, spricots, and vegetables. A bronze medal was awarded for cranber-

Aside from these awards the great load of diplomas were secured through the ex-hibits made by Oregon counties. These nibits made by Oregon counties. These counties have made a remarkable showing in an infinite variety of fruits, a fact that establishes Oregon as a state of remarkable adaptability for the growing of fruit.

Showing of the Counties.

Jackson County has the greatest num-ber of awards. It secured a total of 112, of which 15 are gold medals, 19 silver, 41 bronze, and 34 diplomas of honorable mention. Wasco has 50 awards, 29 of them gold, 52 silver, 21 hronze and 17 diplomas of honorable mention. Wasco has the greatest number of gold and sti-ver medals. Urnatilla County, in third place, has 77 awards, 16 being gold medals, 11 silver, 25 bronze and 24 diplomas of honorable mention. The standing of the other participating counties is as follows: Baker County, 1 gold, 1 silver, 7 bronze, 12 Jackson County has the greatest num-Baker County, 1 gold, I silver, 7 bronze, 12 norable mention

aton County, 2 gold, 11 silver, 6 bronze, 4 diplomas of honorable mention. Clackamae, 4 gold, 7 stiver, 23 bronze, 36

honorable mention Columbia, 2 gold, 3 effver, 22 bronze, 18

Crock, 1 sliver, Douglas, 4 gold, 5 sliver, 15 bronze, 17 bon-

on, 18 gold, 19 silver, 41 bronze, 54

Klamath, 1 gol Lane, 7 sliver, 19 bronze, 14 honorable men-

the City Atto 2 silver, 11 bronze, 10 honorable

discussion" the alleged defects of the Martin Company's bid. The Oregonian did mention them, as everyone knows who has read The Oregonian articles and as every such one except the Mayor will no doubt testify.

PARENTS WEEP ON KNEES

Appeal to Officers of Law to Prevent Arrest of Children.

Mothers and fathers of 13 little chil-Moiners and laters of 15 years, dren, all under the age of 15 years, made pitcous appeals and wept on their knees before the officers of the law yesterday morning to prevent their bechildren being arrested and taken be-fore the Juvenile Court. Last week a junk shop at 355 Water

street, owned by R. Schnitzer, was broken into by children in that neighborhood, the hoards were torn from the rear of the shop and a large number of bottles and a large quantity of brass was stolen. Three days ago Detective Hellyer located one of the little fellows and on being threatened with ar-rest he broke down and gave the names of all the boys and girls implicated in the robbery. Yesterday subpenas were served or

ter ibe payment of work claims against the city. I find that ever the source of the City Watter Board, entered in the source of the City Watter Board, entered in the source of the City Watter Board, entered in the source of the city's was in the watter system. I find, too, that year and the source of the city's and the source of the city's and the source of the city at the source of the source of the city at the source of the city at the source of the source of the city at the source of the source of the city at the source of the parents of the children compelling them to appear before Judge Frazer Saturday morning. When the paper were served on the parents of the chil-dren many of them broke down and cried when notified that their children were under arrest. They begged the officers to give the children another chance, saying that they would see that the stolen articles were returned or would make good the loss. As the arrests had been made, the boys and girls will have to appear before the Judge. The names of the children arrested

rec Gerald Huff, Rudolph Berg, Frank Hobart, Gertrude and Blance Good, Phillip Cramer, William and John Goerz, Luther Erickson, Condido Farrelli, Mike Paritelo, Peter Santalli and AT ALL BOOKSTORES TO. DAY Harry Davis.

COMPULSORY LAW USELESS

Superintendent Ackerman Proposes Changes Be Made by Assembly.

"The compulsory education law is valueless because it does not make any particular county or state officer responsible for its enforcement. No one goes to the trouble of seeing whether children in rural districts are attend-ing school or growing up in idleness

and vice." This statement was made by J. H. Ackerman, County Superintendent of Schools, who says he is preparing an amendment to the present law which he will endeavor to have passed at the next session of the Legislature.

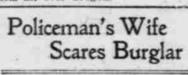
"Thousands of children in rural districts in Oregon do not attend school," sad Mr. Ackerman. "The rural school population is in

creasing rapidly throughout the state. Oregon is receiving immigrants from all parts of the country, and her pop-ulation is growing in a rapid and substantial manner.

"I would not mind the absence o rural children from schools so much if they were working and were physical-ly able to do the work, but in a majority of cases they are doing nothing, and after a few years of freedom from toil it will be impossible to educate

them. "The rural school problem in Oregon is especially hard because of the unset tied character of a large percentage of

the population, "We hope to establish additional county high schools soon. The five counties possessing these higher institutions have demonstrated the need of them all over Oregon."









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FROM MAYOR LANE.

In His Peculiar Fashion He Presents

His Statement.

PORTLAND, Or., Oct. 25.-(To the Editor.)-In relation to the matter of acceptance within the past few gays of bids for water pipe by the Water Board of this city, and your criti-cisen of their action thereon. If you will permit me, I would like to say that I find much difference of opinion as to the inter-pretation of section 125, page 54, of the City Charler which governs the matter, which reads as follows:

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The method of the Water Board and the former city administration had been is com-of this clause allowed such contracts to his provide the south of the second section of this clause allowed such contracts to his the sit he same time being a stockholder in the event that he did not take part in the proceedings, and such bids were all along tracts for much city work has been done of this ruling. In looking the mailer of this ruling. In looking the mailer of this subject and decided it to be the part of the subject and was governed by and the subject and decided it to be the part of the subject and decided it to be the part of the subject and decided it to be the part of the subject and decided it to be the part of the subject and decided it to be the part of the subject and decided it to be the part of the subject and decided it to be the part of the subject and decided it to be the part of the subject and decided it to be the part of the subject and decided it to be the part of the subject and decided it to be the part of the subject and decided it to be the part of the subject and decided it to be the part of the subject and decided it to be the part of the subject and decided it to be the part of the subject and decided it to be the part of the subject of the claus. The custom of the Water Board and the

insue them. You knew this, for 1 went to The Orsgonian in person and asked for a statement to that effect from you. The City Attorney. Mr. McNary, also stated to The Oregonian that such were the facts. With butter indifference you allowed the stigrms of neglect of duty, so far as you were gen-cerned, to rost unjustly upon my shoulders, and do yet. In my opinion you are now da-ing the same thing in cospect to this water pipe and the specifications for the same. You know that the board must necessarily be largely governed in its selection by the judg-ment of its engineer. He is supposedly an expert in that line, they are not; so far as 1 am concerned, however, as a member of the board. I will say that if you or anyone else can show that sheet-steel is best and cheap-est for the city, then sheet-steel it will be, though I will have to be governed much by the judgment of the engineer in charge of the work. In relation to the statement though I will have to be governed much by the judgment of the engineer in charge of the work. In relation to the statement made by you that the specifications for steel sheet pipe were made oncrous is certain re-quirements regarding "double tests," "in-side caulking" and "burnishing," I have to any that the specifications were obtained in the East and are what is known as "Stand-ard Specifications" and are such as are re-quired on all work now being done in East-ern eities, and in nowine are peculiar or ex-reptional, as you well know. Also you know that the bid of the Martin Pipe Company, while it purported to be \$1800 lower than any other for castron pipe, was an irregular bid, for the reason that it omitted all of the castings for one thing and put in an excep-tional clause for another which compaled the city to make a final acceptance of every inch of the pipe at Birmingham, Ala., which is a long way from here, and is directly in confict with the apecifications of the city, which required its acceptance here. You have not at any time made mention of any of these matters in your discussion of the affair, and that you have not shows plainly "but you are not fair, and do not intend nor

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batte not his not not not not allocussion of the affair, and that you have not shows plainly that you are not fair, and do not intend nor care to be fair. To close I will say that the contract for castiron pipe would not have been signed by me (and to this effect I gave due notice to those concerned), and the result would have been exactly what it is now, whether you had protested the act, as you do now, or endorsed it as you did a year ago, when Williams carried a similar contract to com-pletion, or as you did that other time when you carried out one like it yourself. Re-spectfully. The forwarding quotes sufficiently from

of garbling, and omits the following, which is the crux of the whole discussion and caused the water-pipe contract to be invalidated:

"If any officer or person in this section designated shall violate the provisions of this section he shall forfeit his office, and all such contracts, grants, privileges and franchiscs in the hands of others than a purchaser without notice for value shall be vold.

The Mayor will probably say that he quoted all of the section that was neces sary to his argument. We reckon he did The Oregonian challenges the accuracy of the Mayor's statement that the speci fications were "not peculiar or exceptional." It thinks they were. The unsuc-cessful bidders complain of this very thing. Finally, the Mayor asserts that The Oregonian has not "mentioned in

Who Entered Her Home,

A BURGLAR Patrick Maloney, and ton, Tuesday night at 11 o'clock, ton, Tuesday night at 11 o'clock, BURGLAR who entered the rest home of a policeman. He was, however, and notwithstanding the fact that the head of the house was walking his beat down town at the time, the intruder_met with a reception that frightened him so thoroughly that he undoubtedly will re-member it for a long time. He was put to flight by the officer's wife. The burglar entered the house through the rear door using a skeleton key. He

the rear door, using a skeleton key. He made a noise going through a room, and awakened Mrs. Maloney. She leaped out of hed, started to hunt the intruder with a revolver and would have taken a shot at him had he not learned of her presence



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