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every Valley city that are eyesores to progressive citizens, but that property-owners cannot be induced to remove or mprove. It is contended that if all notes must be reported to the tax-gatherer before collection of them can be enforced, much of the money now loaned out will be recalled and invested in ways that would improve the condition of the Wil-iamette Valley."

LEGISLATURE IS THEIR GOAL

#### Abnormal Crop of Candidates De-

#### velop at Oregon City.

OREGON CITY, Or., Feb. 25.-(Special.) -Never before in the history of Clacka-mas County politics was there witnessed such a scramble for places on the Legis-lative ticket as is presented this year. With only three Representatives to elect, there are already 14 candidates in the point for the nomination on the Repubfield for the nomination on the Republican ticket.

The latest to file formal announcements or state that they will be candidates are: Ex-Representative C. G. Huntley, of this city: Dr. C. B. Smith, of Eagle Creek; Linn E. Jones, of this city, and County Recorder Henry E. Stevens, of Milwau-kie

kie. In addition to these, six others have formally announced their candidacy, as follows: E. P. Carter, of Abernethy: ex-county Judge G. E. Hayes, of Abernethy: ex-Representative J. L. Kruse, of Witsonville: George Randall, of New Era, and W. W. Smith, of Abernethy. Besides the ten already named, there are four others who are known to have decided to bacome candidates. They are: C. H. Dye, of this city: John Gibson, of Milwaukie: Albert Crossen, of Molalle, and ex-Representative J. A. Talbert, of Clackamas.

### CHINESE DOCTOR MURDERED

Robbery Is Believed to Have Been

Motive at Butte.

BUTTE, Mont., Feb. 35 -- Dr. Charley BUTTE. Mont., Feb. 3.-Dr. Charley Can, a Chinese physician, who has been a resident of Butte for 30 years, was murdered at his quarters on Colorado sireet some time during last night. Rob-bery was probably the motive for the crime as the Chinaman was reputed to be wealthy. His head was crushed as if with a hammer and his throat cut. A money belt that the Chinaman wore was missing. A Chinese was arrested on subpicion today, but it is believed no definite clew to the murderer has been secured.

#### Salem Hopgrowers Elect Delegates

SALEM, Or., Feb. 25 .- (Special.)-At a meeting of hopgrowers in this city yesterday, J. K. Sears and W. H. Egan were elected to represent Salem grow-ers at a hopgrowers' meeting at Mc-Minnville March 10.

#### Object Lessons Their Aim.

ALBANY, Or., Feb. 25.—(Special.)— A novel and practical way of studying the government of the several state in-stitutions was adopted by Professor H. L. Hopkins, of the chair of economics, and Professor Otto R. Pairwald, of the chair of languages, in Albany College, the past week. The instructors took the students of economics, and several others that were desirous of investigat-ALBANT, Or., Feb. 25 .- (Special.)-

Tank Steamer Tows Barge. ASTORIA, Or., Feb. 25.-(Special.)-The tank steamer Whiftler, with the barge Santa Paula in tow, arrived off the mouth of the river this evening. The barge was turned over to the bar tugs to tow inside.

new hybrid of the buffalo and domestic, cattle, is to be served whole at the Canadian camp dinner tonight at the Hotel

ists in Chicago. It was declared by the printers that more than 50 per cont of the labor organizations in the country have been enjoined during strikes. These have a membership of close to 1.000.000 men and women. If all united in action, it Santa Paula in tow, arrived off the mouth of the river this evening. The barge was turned over to the bar tugs to tow inside, and the Whittier proceeded to the Sound to discharge her cargo.

## FIRST MONUMENT MARKING OLD OREGON TRAIL SET AT TENINO BY EZRA MEEKER.

CEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 25.-(Special.)-The first of the monuments Э marking the old Oregon trail has been set by Ezra Meeker at Tenino and the enthusiastic support to the Meeker project given by Tenino has provided for most of the expense in marking the trail between Tumwater and the Columbia River. One sandstone quarry has contributed stone for all the monuments and Tenino business men sent Mr. Meeker on his way with more substantial encouragement than has been given by any other Washington city. Mr. Meeker's lectures in Seattle and Mr. Mesker's lectures in Scattle and Tacoma were not financial successes. He did not get the encouragement he anticipated in either city and the com-mercial organizations failed to con-tribute toward his expenses. He start-ed on his long trip over the old Ore-gon trail to mark the road that the pioneers of the Northwest traveled 60 years ago, almost discouraged. At Olympia the aged pioneer was re-ceived with enthusiasm. The pioneers of the capital city contributed liberal-by toward the expense of the trip and

ly toward the expense of the trip and made it possible to place the first monuments at Tumwater, a work that Mr. Meeker has delegated to others. But it was at Tenino that the reception became enthusiastic.

When Mr. Moeker started on his trip When Mr. Meeker started on his trip he planned small marking stones about six inches square. But the sandstone quarries at Tenino would have nothing of these small monuments. They con-tributed a great block of stone, 19 inches square and six feet in height. In great letters that can be read for a long distance Tenino proclaimed the location of the "Old Oregon Trail, 1845-52."

The celebration at Tenino would have been one remarkable for its en-thusiasm but for inclement weather. As it was most of the citizens stood in a drenching rain storm while Allen Weir, ex-Secretary of State, and Mr. Meeker explained the objects of the Weir, ex. Secretary of State, and Mr. Meeker explained the objects of the Meeker trip back over the Oregon trall and Mr. Weir eulogized the pioneers that blazed the pathway. After the crowd had started homeward, David Copping suggested the monument should have a base and immediately the business new relief the monument should have a base and immediately the business men raised the necessary fund, one of the sandstone quarries contrib-uted the rock and another just being opened offered to contribute the monu-ments that will be erected between the Sound and the Columbia River. The en-thusiastic support given by Tenino business men was the first flattering aid Mr. Mecker had received since starting on his trip.



#### EZRA MEEKEE AND FIRST MONUMENT.

the Oregon trail found the waters of the Scund and completed their journey by boat. The monument that will be erected at the fails will be six feet in height, and 18 inches square. The shaft will be of yellow sandstone and the

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