Ashland Brethren Contribute Freely to "Grandson of the Great Showman."

EAGER FOR HIS SCALP NOW

Shriner's Pin, Good Clothes, Fluent Address and Clever Story of De-

layed Checks Get Him a 'Raise'' Wherever Asked.

Posing as a millionaire and as a grand son of the original showman, a clever stranger, giving the name of P. T. Barnum, and wearing a Mystle Shriner pin and clothes of the latest style, is get-ting money from Masons in towns along the Southern Pacific. In consequence Portland police are hunting him on a charge of obtaining money under false stretowers.

Evidently with full faith in the famous dom, "the American public likes to be humbugged," the stranger began work again, reaching Ashland, Or., about a week ago, and secured money from some of the most prominent Shriners of the Southern Oregon town. These men have appealed to Chief of Police Gritzmanier to apprehend him, as he is believed to have come here from the south.

Mystic Shriner in Distress.

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"P. T. Barnum" made his first appearance in Ashiand in the guise of a Mystic Shriner in distress. He was taken to a hospital there, having been brought in on a Southern Pacific train from Thrall, Cal., suffering from a fracture of the right arm, sustained, he said, in an accident on a motor car. He wors a Shriner pin, was faultlessly attired, used good language and exhibited every evidence of education. He at once won favor with the Shriners and was provided with every comfort.

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"Barnum," at the opportune moment, explained that he was a grandson of P. T. Barnum, and that he was a millionaire himself and had a handsome income. However, he said, he had been put to great expense just before coming to Ashland, and had been sadly disappointed upon going to the postoffice to find that his mail, which was even then overdue, had not yet arrived. It pained him to say so, but he was really needing a little say so, but he was really needing a little money, he told Dr. Swedenburg, a promi-nent physician and surgeon of the town, who had attended "Barnum's" injury at

Dr. Swedenburg Pungles \$100.

Without asking a question of "Mr. Barnum," the obliging Dr. Swedenburg accommodated him with \$100. This donation helped some—but more was needed—and one of Dr. Swedenburg's assistants at the hospital chipped in with \$20. Dr. Parsons contributed \$10 and £5. T. Staples \$25, none having any hesitancy whatever because \$11 supposed they were assisting a prother all supposed they were assisting a brother Shriner and a grandson of the great showman, who through the faulty hand-ling of Uncle Sam's mail was temporarily in financial distress. In every case he managed at the time to keep knowledge of the other loans from each victim, but they are an open secret now, and all have banded in an effort to apprehend the swindler and prosecute him.

"Barnum" Goes Back to Thrall.

Saturday, April 13, "Barnum" left Ash-land, saying he had to go back to Thrall to complete a business deal, and that he would return to Ashland Monday. He pever returned and it was his prolonged absence that aroused suspicion and led to the discovery that a number of the fown's most prominent business and pro-

own a most prominent business and pro-essional men had been taken in.

After giving the stranger a chance to sturn should be prove honest. E. T. staples, one of the victims, wrote to a chriner in Portland, who informed Chief Gritzmacher of the facts. It has since developed that the artist met L. J. Wattson, a commercial traveler in the employ of Gerion & Hart, clear dealers of this city, on the train coming here from Ashland and secured \$25.

The Shriner pin and the story the awindler told about being a grandson of P. T. Barnum, coupled with his attire and evident refinement, won money for him in every instance, and not once, it is said, was "Barnum" asked to what Shriners' lodge be belonged nor for any credentials. It is believed be has left

Aside from those whose names are even, others are said to have been fliked, among them Colonel E. A. herwin, one of the best-known men in Southern Oregon and a politician of note throughout the state. How much Colo-nel Sherwin contributed is not stated.

Avolds Statute Offenses,

"Barnum" paid his hotel bill. It is believed he figured that in case of capture he could not be prosecuted for bor-rowing money, but could be prosecuted for defrauding an innkeeper, had he left that account unpaid. He is described as follows: Medium height, rather stout, dark complexion, aged 45 or 50 years, splendid address, fluent conversationalist, traveled extensively. Over the right eye there is a slight discoloration. He is

apt to be around prominent hotels.
Chief of Police Gritzmacher also received a communication yesterday morning from E. T. Abbott, general manager
of the Klamath Lake Railroad Company, asking that "Barnum" be apprehended, if possible, and detailing some of the swindler's operations.

DAY'S TRANSFERS \$117,232

Rumors of Quarter-Block Structure at Fourth and Alder Streets.

W. H. Powell has purchased from

Charles E. Runyon lot 1, in block 243, city for \$22,300. R. B. Lamson has sold the undivid-ed half of lots 1 and 2, in block 255, city, to M. L. Holbrook, for \$30,000. The total of transfers recorded yes-

terday was \$117,232.
In the building permits, which ran below recent average, the most important were two dwellings on Ev-

erett street, between North Twenty-first and North Twenty-second, to cost Work has started on an addition to the plant of the Oregon Parking Com-

pany at East Eighth and Belmont streets, 100x100 feet, basement and two

ber, Wolf & Netter, hop dealers—have secured rooms in the Worcester block to be vacated by the Southern Pacific upon the completion of the Wells-Far-

o building.

Mr. Netter, of the firm, looks forward to the time when hopmen will settle in a certain district of the city and eventually maintain an exchange. His and one or two other firms go to the Worcester, and others are ex-pected to follow suit and take offices there or in that vicinity.

Does Not Want Young Son to Wed

Mother of A. W. Hunt Promises Trouble When Mamie Ogden's Father swears Both Are of Age and Helps Get Marriage License

ROUBLE is in store for Albert W Hunt and his mother is the cause Yesterday he appeared in the Clerk's office with pretty Mamie Louise Ogden, 18 years old, and asked for a marriage license. M. Ogden, father of the girl, accompanied them, and when the papers were ready signed his name, swearing that both his daughter and young Hunt were of age and that there was no impediment to their marriage.

Several hours after their departure the state Circuit Court, that various oriticisms have been made of his action in refusing to sentence to the state penitentiary J. W. Reed, who was convicted of compilicity in the Sellwood election.

Several hours after their departure the state or companied them, and when it is call)—The fashionable tailors have come to an agreement with the representatives of striking journeymen and the threat of carrying out an open shop policy will not be made good unless that when the sixty-fourth anniversary of the

Judge Frazer Discusses Action in Case of J. W. Reed.

PRISON TERM UNDESERVED

Convicted Defendant in Sellwood Election Fraud Scandal Acted as Agent for Those Higher Up. He Was Fined the Limit.

Rumors have reached Judge Frazer, of the State Circuit Court, that various criticisms have been made of his action in refusing to sentence to the state peni-

Power & Railway Company, or some of them, were as guilty as he, if not more so, because the evidence clearly showed that he was simply acting under the instructions of his superiors. This, of course, does not excuse Mr. Reed, but should be understood when we

nsidering the case as a whole,

Reputation of Defendant.

trial that Mr. Reed had always been a man

of extremely good reputation, both as to

businesse integrity and moral conduct. No one stood higher in the community in which he lives. He not only had never been guilty of any crime prior to this time, but was not

a man of criminal inclinations.

It is true that he must have known that it was wrong to induce voters to go from other precincts to Sellwood for the purpose of overriding the will of the people of that precinct,

and he must have been conscious that he was taking part in an act which was fraudulent and wrong in itself, irrespective of what the law might be; but it is also true that in com-

mitting this act, he was under the impression

mitting this act, he was under the impression that he was not violating the law. Unquestionably, he had been so advised, and had been instructed by his superior officers that they had consulted eminent lawyers upon the subject, and had been assured that this act could be done legally.

In my opinion, that fact was no defense, and I so instructed the jury. But while it was not a defense that could be taken into consideration by the ury, all such direcumstances

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may fairly be taken into consideration by the

I have never been favorably inclined toward technical defenses. I believe that our laws and rules of procedure in the courts are sub-

ject to just criticism for the facilities they afford for allowing gullty persons to escape just punishment on technicalities. I believe

that every guilty man ought to be convicted

and ought to be speedily convicted, and that every criminal case should be tried upon the merits, and that defenses based upon pure technicalities should not be upheld.

Courts Bound by Technical Rules.

Unfortunately, however, under the laws, the courts are bound by technical rules and are compelled frequently to uphold a technical point which allows a man to go free who is

point which allows a man to go free whe is manifestly guilty. This is to be regretted.

To correct these faults in the law, and in the proceedings of the court, and at the same time to secure to every man a fair trial, and afford every innocent man accused of a crime an ample opportunity to make his defense is a difficult problem. In any event, it is a problem for the Legislature and not for the court; but as I started to say, while I believe that every guilty man should be surely and speedily tried and convicted, I do not be-

lieve that every guilty man should be surely and speedily tried and convicted, I do not believe in excessive punishment. Sureness and awifmess in the detection and conviction of criminals is a much greater deterent to those inclined to lead criminal lives than severity of punishment. Unnecessary severity sometimes defeats the very object which it is meant to accomplish.

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The most important object, nowever, which is sought to be accomplished by the punishment of criminals is their reformation. Section XV of article I of the constitution of this state provides, 'Taws for the punishment of crime shall be founded upon the principles of reformation and not of vindictive justice.' This is the supreme law of our state and within its spirit all our criminal laws should be administered.

Was Prison Sentence Necessary?

Considering Mr. Reed's past character and the circumstances under which he committed the crime for which he has been sentenced, does any one suppose for a moment that it was necessary to send him to the pentientlary in order to reform him? Or to prevent his committing a similar crime in the future? Or, in fact, for the purpose of deterring others.

Any one who heard the evidence in the

obey the letter of the law, but its spirit also. I did not believe and do not now believe that Mr. Reed should be sentenced to the penitentiary for this offense. I imposed upon him the highest fine provided by law, the most savere punishment which could be indicated without sending him to the penitentiary, and I was not willing and would not under similar circumstances be willing again to give way to a feeling of viniteliveness, and sentence him to the penitentiary.

It may be that one of the reasons why a part of the public was disappointed at Mr. Reed's not being sent to the penitentiary was that he was the only one of the 25 or 30 people concerned in this matter who was convicted. Is that any reason why he should

people concerned in this matter who was con-victed. Is that any reason why he should be severely punished? Why should he, a mer-underling, acting under the orders of his su-periors, be made to suffer punishment to the misdeeds of all the other numerous par

GET READY FOR CHAMPOEG

Seattle Tailors and Journeymen Form Agreement.

SHIPPERS ON SOUND UNITE

Form Association to Fight Wage Increase Demanded by Longshoremen, Commencing May 1. Membership Along Coast.

SEATTLE, Wash., April 24 .- (Spe-



LATEST ADDITION TO FIRE DEPARTMENT.

The latest addition to Portland's Fire Department is Engine No. 11, with headquarters at East Twelfth and Powell streets. It was officially commissioned last week, and its need was demonstrated the following day, when a large residence caught fire from sparks and would have burned to the ground had not the new

The new company is a great protection to the territory lying cast of the river and south of Hawthorne avenue, as it answers calls in all portions of that district when required. It consists of an engine, hose cart and nine men. The engine is one of the most modern in the department and is but one of several the city is soon to put into commission on the East Side.

telephone in the Clerk's office rang; and the circumstances justified the dismissal

Deputy Rose answered the call:
"Is this the County Clerk's office?"
"It certainly is, madam," asserted Rose.

"Who testified as to their age?" asked the voice on the phone.

"M. Ogden, father of the girl."

"Did he say that my boy was of age?"

"He swore that Albert W. Hunt was a years old." responded Rose.

"Well, it is not true, for Albert is not of age, and there will be trouble."

That was the finale of the conversation, but the officials learned enough to know that the young couple may not find their wedded bilss strewn with roses, from the wedded bliss strewn with roses, from the attitude of the boy's mother.

LIZZIE CAUGHELL INDICTED

Gold Beach Postmistress Possibly Not Responsible Through Illness.

A number of indictments were returned yesterday by the Federal grand jury. cleaning up the minor cases, so this morning or this afternoon the Postoffice robbers will get their turn on the wheel.

Three true bills were reported yesterday. Lizzie Caugheil, the Gold Beach postmistress, who refused to distribute the mail and refused to allow the inspectors to make an investigation was indicted. During the investigation it was for some time and that she was not al-

together responsible for her actions. James Campbell, was indicted for sending objectionable matter through the mails to his wife. As soon as the indictment was returned Campbell pleaded guilty, was fined \$100 and must serve six months in jail. Before passing sent-ence, Judge Wolverton read the letter and said the writer showed a victous

The third indictment was against Ralph Jackson, who was charged with stealing a cow on the Klamath Indian reserva-

Dan Sullivan, accused of stealing a mai sack at Goble, is the first of the Federal prisoners to escape indictment.

The case against Captain J. E. Nellson, master of the tug Star, who is charged with dumping refuse into the river, was

with dumping refuse into the river, was taken under consideration by the jury. Harbor Master Captain Speler was one of the witnesses gainst captain Neilson. In addition to these cases, it is believed that the grand jury has reported indictments against a number of men who have fenced in Government land (Hegalik). who has

Oil Prospects in Wasco County.

Prices of property in the vicinity of Pifteen-Mile Creek, five miles from Du-fur, Or., are soaring as the result of the fur, Or., are soaring as the result of the petroleum excitement there. A company has been organized to sink wells, a large proportion of the capital stock being owned by residents of that section. "There is every indication that oil will be struck," said J. B. Laber, secretary of the Portland Board of Trade, yesterday. "In the matter of prices it is now a matter of minutes and dollars. On a quarter section which changed hands a quarter section which changed hands a few days ago the price advanced \$1000 in an hour and a half after the first offer was made. Oil is to be found floating on many of the creeks flowing eastward from the Mount Hood watershed and has been declared genuine mineral oil. It is expected that a good marketable oil will be struck in this section."

A Woman Tells How to Relieve

streets, 100x100 feet, basement and two stories.

Persistent rumors are current of a proposed new quarter block building to be erected at the northwest corner of Fourth and Alder streets. Several tenants whose leases expire for the small buildings now on the site July I are arranging to seck quarters elsewhere, and in some instances firms have secured accommodations in other parts of the city. One firm—Kla-Rheumatic Pains.

birth of the American civil government

Heights Carline

Apparatus Mounted on Portland Heights Special Car Will Today on Films the Glorious Pr frama for Exhibition Purposes.

F THE weather is fine today and conditions are favorable, complete moving picture films of the scenery from the carline up Portland Heights and Council Crest will be made from a special car leaving First and Washington streets at 11 o'clock this morning. A moving pic-An expert operator will be in charge and in moving-picture exhibitions in various parts of the country. As the Heights line winds about a great deal, it is belleved that almost the entire city can be photographed, giving a birdseye view of the business and residence districts, with the rivers and the mountains in the background.

The Portland Heights trip and the magnificent view from the carline, promises to become as well known in future as the celebrated journey up Mount Tamalpais, near San Francisco. Ever-since the Portland Heights loop was com-pleted, the railroad company has been ready to give permission for moving-picture men to take views of the city from its cars but the exposures to be

PHOTO POST CARDS-SCENERY.

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"The took out of the fact of the good people of Sellwood, whe are increased in this matter, and there seems to be such a general misunderstanding of the county of the post the pos There will be an excursion on the river to Champoeg on the day of the celebration. The river steamer will leave the Taylor-street dock at 6.45 o'clock in the morning and will start on its return from Champoeg at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. George H. Himes will have charge of the excursion.

Moving Pictures From Heights Carline

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ists are still out of those shops where a strike had been precipitated over the demands for a shorter day.

ST. JOHNS CLUB ELECTION

Peter Outzen Is Chosen President of Commercial Organization.

ned annual meeting of the St. Johns Commercial Club was held in the club rooms in the Holbrook building last night with President D. C. Rogers ture outfit will be mounted on a car and as chairman. Thirty members were pres as the climb is made up the Heights, a large number of exposures will be made.

These place the capital stock at \$500. G. J Perkins, T. T. Parker and Attorney the films, when developed, will be used Hampkins were appointed a committee to examine the articles of incorporation, revise and correct them, where Part of the stock has been taken. The report of the treasurer showed a balance of \$6 on hand, with \$100 due from members of the club.

The following officers were elected for

the tonowing officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Peter Out-zen, manager of the St. Johns Veneer works; vice-president, P. J. Peterson; secretary, G. J. Perkins; treasurer, J. N. Edlefsen; directors, W. C. Francis, J. H. Fletcher, C. A. Wood, D. C. Rogers and

C. W. Potter.
D. C. Rogers, retiring president, was given a vote of thanks for his services for the past year. Mr. Rogers had declined a second term. Mr. Perkins, re-elected secretary has been very active, and has in course of preparation an illus-trated pamphiet of St. Johns. The club proposes to incorporate and then furnish

Cure The Habit

fundamental cause of one-half the deaths recorded is constination. It robs the complexion of its clearness, the eve of its brightness. It's a slow but sure form of suicide. Cure yourself of the habit, not by drugs but by eating daily foods like

made from the whole grain of the wheat, which, if eaten daily, will help to overcome habitual constipa-

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secured in the Holbrook

Shoots Grouse Out of Season.

HILLSBORO, Or., April 24.-(Special.)-The first case of violation of the game law this season was heard before Judge Jobe, of the Irvington race track, Portland, pleaded guilty to shooting a grouse, last Sunday, in the Mountaindale section, The court imposed a fine of \$15, which

was paid by the defendant. Jobe came out Saturday night on a fishing trip and was detected shooting the grouse by a farmer named Harland Kelly.

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NATURE'S

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