

Oregon Trunk has apparently executed a coup on the rival Harriman ling, for the Central Oregon Railroad's surveys, it

W. E. Curtis, the Chicago Record-Herald writer, left resterday for Salem and Corvallis accompanied by William McMurray, general possenger agent of the O. R. & N. and Southern Pacific lines in Oregon. From Corvallis Mr. Cur-tis will go to Eugene and the Rogue River Valley and all these places will be sub-lects of articles appreciation Infor jects of articles appearing later.

circumstances there

fice has been torn down. County Auditor Brandes now occupies

mands from your state as I understand there is now disposed of through the lumber market about 1,000,000 feet an-nually. You have ideal conditions for reforestation and with the encouraging outlook in the Pacific Northwest for this industry I hope to see every advan-

is understood, conflict for about 20 miles with the surveyed route of the Deschutes Railroad, or the Harriman line.

When the surveys of the Deschutes Railroad Company were accepted by the Interior Department it was announced that the acceptance of that portion in conflict with the surveys of the Central connict with the surveys of the central Oregon Raliroad was subject to the lat-ter's protest. As pointed out in dis-patches yesterday from Bend, however, there seems to be only two places where any particular advantage over the Har-Trunk line in buying out the Central Oregon. These are at the crossing of Crooked River and at the Davidson ranch. At the latter place the second road seeking a line will have to attain altitude of 400 feet above its rival to circle a high hill

At the time the announcement was published of the acceptance of the Har-riman road's surveys, officials of the Des-chutes Irrigation & Power Company were quoted as declaring they would of-fer no objections because of the conflict with their survey, but that they were disposed to do everything possible to facilitate the construction of a railroad into Central Oregon. Officers of the ir-rigation company in the past have been sidered more than friendly to the Harriman interests and the purchase of their railway survey rights by the Hill road was a surprise in Portland.

Survey Work Obviated.

"The principal advantage in acquiring the Central Oregon Railroad's surveys." said Judge C. H. Carey, legal counsel for the Hill road yesterday. "Hes in the fact that the surveys have been made and we are thereby saved the work of locating a route for about 76 miles south of Madras.

Oregon Trunk representatives also admitted yesterday that surveying parties are at work south of Bend, but they declined to make any statements as to whether the ultimate goal of the Hill road was California or a point in South-

ern Oregon. When Bend is reached the Oregon Trunk line has only reached Central Or con. Off to the southeast is the Klamath region, where a big Government irriga-tion project is under way. The comple-tion of this, the Klamath and Deschutes projects will open more than 50,000 acres of rich land, producing the tonnage that makes railroads pay dividends.

More Activity Slated.

Regardless of California extensions, the activities of the Oregon Trunk lead to the conviction among railroad observers that the Hill road will at least traverse Oregon, north and south, and iap the Klamath Lake region.

The Oregon Trunk is also preparing for The Gregon Trunk is also preparing for more active operations at the mouth of the river. An agreement has been en-tered into with the owners of the damaite near the mouth, under the terms of which the railroad will cross the dam, 150 feet above the river and 19 feet higher than the dam. Warms reads are now being the dam. Wagon roads are now being constructed to enable the moving of outfits on the ground.

LOCAL PASSENGERS EXCLUDED

Not Wanted on Chicago-Portland Special on O. R. & N.

Beginning next Friday the O. R. & N. Company will enforce a new rule, exclud-ing local passengers from the Chicago-Portland Special, the fast morning train

DEATH CALLS OLD PIONEER John Metzger Passes Away at Age

of 90 Years.

John Metzger, a pioneer of 1852, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Julia Alder, in Troutdale, on August 25, at the age of 90 years. Mr. Metzger was a pioneer of 1862, having been captain of a such as are now being purchased in San train of 100 wagons which crossed the Francisco. Glass & Prudhomme bid \$736 plains in that year. He settled first in



The Lafe John Metzger.

Polk Gounty, Gregon, but moved to Califormia in 1871, returning to this state eight years later. He had lived with his daughters at Troutdale since the death of his wife, Mary Conner Metzger, in 1879. He was born in Green Briar County, Virginia, on September 29, 1819.

Eight children survive him. They are Mrs. Nancy Brown, of Sheridan; Mrs. Julia Alder, of Portland; Mrs. Catherine Jones, of Fossil; Mrs. Alice Hobbs, of Co darville, Cal.; Mrs. Lucinda Petree, Mrs. Juhe Water, of Portland; William Metager and James Metzger, of Lakeview, Or.

SILK GLOVE SALE.

First-class pure tilk that will wear; not the "fluxy" stuff that is being offered day after day as \$1.50 grade for We and Se. We will place on sale this morning a line of extra super long allk gloves; our regular selling price, \$2.55. for \$1.55. The gloves may be worn the year round. McAllen & McDonnell, corner Third and Morrison.

Rotterdam.—There have been three deaths from cholers in Rotterdam during the last 24 hours. Two of the dead are women.

bid \$12 I think we should have let the contract," said Mr. Lightner. Mr. Fields ook in use in Mr. Fields' office for \$10.50.

A member of the firm of Glass & Pruthom me is said to have requested that the Federated Trades Council take up the Crocker book bid with the County Court, yesterday's call being the result. County Clerk Fields stated that when bids for printing were advertised for, six months ago, Lovejoy & Lincoln submitted a bid of \$9.50 each for 50 record books

for the entire Job, which, in this instance, included a great deal of work besides the record books. The latter firm complained because the County Court purchased 50 books from the former pany, in spite of the fact that Lovejo & Lincoln's total bid was \$24.55. The complaint made was that Lovejoy & Lin coln made the books too cheaply. Mr. Fields explains some of the ill-feeling among local bookbinders against

the County Court by relating that in 1992, when he first assumed office, a member of the Irwin-Hodson Company approached him with the statement that "there will be a commission in it for you if you let us have the county's work." This was reported at once to the County Court, said Mr. Fields yeaterday, and the offer weighed against the firm when the time for letting county printing con-tracts arrived.

MENDENHALL SEEKS DIVORCE

Lawyer Says Wife, Who Left Him

Ten Years Ago, Seeks Property. A divorce suit has been filed in the

Circuit Court by Edward C. Mendenhall, a well-known local attorney. Mrs. Eliza Matlida Mendenhall de-serted him more than 10 years ago, he says, and lately has adopted such a course as to cause him great humilia-tion. Coming to Portland from Los Angeles, where she has been for a long time, says Mendenhall, his wife has eninthe anys addressed in the rooming-house business here, and has threatened to go out and do nursing, thereby giving the im-pression that she is in straitened circumstances. Her object, he says, is

circumstances. Her object, he says, is to obtain half his property. The attorney says also that his wife has made false charges against him, involving the names of other women, and that he offered to permit an in-vestigation of these by three impartial persons to be named by his wife. But

persons to be named by his wife. But to this, he says, she demurred, saying that all she wanted was half the property. He married her in Lewis unty Wash., in 1883.

LIEN ON HOME NOT VALID Court Decides Against Plumber Who

Seeks to Foreclose.

A mechanic's lien against a home where a family lives, and which some member of the tamfly owns, is not valid according to a decision by Circuit Judge Gatens yesterday morning. The Oregon law provides that a homestead is exempt from execution. But instead of including simply the across of low

"If one of the Portland firms had two rooms instead of one, the second ing made by using a part of the hall lead-ing to the Fourth-street entrance to the said he discovered upon talking with the County Clerk from Vancouver, Wash., that a local firm was selling him the of Judge Cleiand's courtroom has been the Fifth-street entrance is in use. Half of Judge Cleland's courtroom has been torn away, all the courtroom furniture having been moved. Mechanics were at work all day yester

day on the new Fifth-street entrance to the County Jall, which was made necessary by the tearing away of a portio of the east side. Jailers Hunter and Phillips have been obliged to move fice and sleeping quarters into the jall

BANK BOUGHT BY CREDITOR

Merchants National Purchases Defunct Prairie City Institution.

The Stockmen and Traders' Bank, of Prairie City, recently declared insolv-ent had been sold to the Merchants' National Bank of Portland, one of its largest creditors, for \$33,858.51. Ciruit Judge Gatens yesterday signed the order confirming the sale. The amount paid by the local bank will pay all the Habilities, as well as the cost of the eceivership. Although Solomon Taylor and W. W.

Gibbs, and E. J. Besnard put in higher blds theirs were not accepted, because they gave no bond. Taylor and Gibbs bid \$34,500 and Bernard \$24,600.

'The Merchants' National is to pay the first half of the purchase price November 1, and the balance May 1, next year. Attorney A. F. Flegel, ap-pearing in behalf of James R. Poland, the receiver, informed Judge Gatens that about 80 per cent of the minor creditors have agreed to wal, until next November for the settlement of half their claims, and until next May

for the rest. Asks Court to Rescind Order.

The petition of W. E. Buffum that the The petition of W. E. Buffum that the County Court rescind its order which compels him to pay \$55 a month for the support of his wife and child came up for hearing before County Judge Web-ster yesterday afternoon. The child is at present at the Detrainer Webpresent at the Detention Home of the Juvenile Court, having been taken away from the mother by Chief Probation Of-ficer Teuscher, charges that she is unfit to have the child having been preferred. In fact this is one of the charges made in the supplemental nonsupport pr ings now in progress in the County Court.

Court Notes.

The County Court yesterday morning appointed Mrs. Ethel M. Cooke, widow of the late Alan F. Cooke, administra-trix of his estate. The only property mentioned is a claim against the O. R. & N. Company for \$7500 on account of oke's death, which occurred in an accident July 21.

accident July 21. The only property belonging to Clara Real was an insurance policy for \$1000 in the Women of Woodcraft. At least this is all that is mentioned in a petition, filed in the County Court

of including simply 160 acres of land insurance policy is held for the little acquired from the Government the term girl's benefit.

tage taken of so favorable a situation." Mr. Pinchot said that one of the most encouraging observations he had made during his visit to the Pacific Coast was the fact that the Oregon Conservation Commission is composed so largely of lumbermen. He expressed sincere gratilumbermen. He expressed sincere gran-fication with the work being performed by this organization of which J. N. Teal, of this city, is chairman. Mr. Went-worth called on Russell Hawkins, of the Russell Timber Company, and F. C. Knapp, of the Peninsula Lumber Company, who responded briefly on behalf of the timber-owners and the lumber manufacturers respectively.

Hosts of Chief Forester.

In addition to Mr. Pinchot, those at-tending the luncheon were: L. J. Went-worth, president of the Oregon & Wash-ington Lumber Manufacturers' Associa-tion; E. T. Allen, district forester; J. N. Teal, chairman of the Oregon Con-servation Commission; F. W. Mulkey, president of the Oregon Conservation As-sociation; Russell Hawkins, of the Rus-sell Timber Company; H. C. Chair, of the Twin Fajls Logging Company; J. S. O'Gorman, of the Wisconsin Lumber & Timber Company; W. B. Mackay, of the Timber Company; W. B. Mackay, of the North Pacific Lumber Company; J. P. Keating, of the C. K. Spaulding Log-ging Company; David Davis, of the Timging Company; David Davis, of the Tim-berman; W. A. Avery, Jr., and C. G. Briggs, of Holland, Briggs & Avery; George K. Wentworth, Jr., of the Port-land Lumber Company; A. B. Wastell, secretary of the Oregon & Washington Lumber Manufacturers' Association; L. 3. Franck, of L. S. Franck & Co.; F. C. Knapp, of the Peninsula Lumber Com-pany; Wells Gilbert, of the Klickitat Lumber Company; J. S. Bradley, of the Bradley Logging Company; Albert Brix, of the Brix Logging Company; S. B. Cobb, of the Standard Box & Lumber Company: George Warren, of the Pacific Company: George Warren, of the Pacific Lumber Trade Journal, Seattle; E. B. Hazen, of the Bridal Vell Lumbering Hazen, or the binder ten Linnering Company, Bridal Vell; E. D. Kingsley, of the Western Oregon Lumbering Com-pany, Clatskanie; O. M. Clark, Clark & Wilson Lumber Company, Linnton; A. F. Dudgeon, of the Bowman Lumber Company, Revelstoke, E. C.; G. A. Gris-wold of the Falls Clir Lumber Com-



Party Must Testify Today.

A Coroner's jury will hold an investigation at 4 o'clock whis afternoon over the body of William T. Barker, the young engraver who met death in a stre accident at Commercial and F Failing streets Sunday evening, when a Russell Shaver streetcar struck a wagon in which he and a party of friends were returning from a plenic at Columbia Slough. Wil-liam Brant, driver of the wagon, who was thought to have sustained serious injuries, was reported better with fair chances for recovery at St. Vincent's Hospital last night. The other members of the nexts who were injured are do of the party who were injured are do-ing nicely.

M. Clinton, of 15 West Jessup street. With Conductor L. W. Edwards, of 864 Gantenbein avenue, he has been sum-moned to appear before the Coroner's jury this afternoon.

Two Idaho Men Let Out.

MOSCOW, Idaho, Aug. 30 -- (Special.)-Professors J. R. Shinn and R. E. Hyslop

Testerday's investigation into circum-stances of the accident by Deputy Cor-oner James J. Dunning, tends to place blame for the accident on Motorman E.

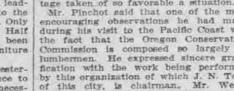
lop held the position of Professor of Agronomy. The notice of removal was signed by M. E. Lewis, President of

fessors, it is said the regents have a ready others to assume the positions.

the Board of Regents. In reference to the positions filled by these two pro-







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