35 MILES GRADED ALONG DESCHUTES

State Railroad Commission Predicts Operation of O. R. & N. Line by July.

ANNUAL REPORT IS FILED

O. R. & N. Progress Great, Several Branches Completed-Two Collisions Recorded, 115 Accidents, 54 Killed.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 15 .- (Special.) -The State Railroad Commission presented its third annual report to the Governor late this evening. The report woluminous, going into every detail of the work of the Commission, giving statistics of railroad mileage, equip-ment, new lines, improvements, inves-tigations, wrecks and accidents. The report shows there are 2412 miles

of railway operated in the state, in-cluding commercial lines. There has been a total increase in mileage during the year of 174 miles. There was a de-crease of 17 miles, leaving a net in-drense of 154.82 miles. It is noted that the Deschutes Railroad has graded to the Deschutes Railroad has graded to date 85 miles of road and has hald fully five miles of track, and that it is hoped to have the line in operation by July, 1910, to a point 90 miles south of the junction with the O. R. & N. Com-

Several Branches Complete.

Reviewing the progress of the O. R. & N. Company, the report states that the reconstruction of the track between Troutdale and Bonneville, 17½ miles, is completed, and that during the year 616 block signals were placed on the main line between Portland and Hunt-ington. Many wooden bridges were re-Ington. Many wooden bridges were replaced by masonry and steel structures. The completion of zeveral branch lines in various parts of the state is reported, and construction work on others not yet completed is reviewed. The Oregon Electric expended \$45,000 for additions and betterments and announces an appropriation of \$150,000 more for the same work during 1910. During the year ending December 1, 1909, 168 informal and 28 formal complaints were docketed on the books of plaints were docketed on the books of the Commission. Attention is called to the reduction of grain rates on the O. R. & N. Unes and a cut in the Pacific Express Company rates.

54 Fatalities Reported.

During the year there were two col-lisions, two derallments and 115 acci-dents from other causes; 54 persons killed and 124 injured. Two of the killed and 54 of those injured were pas-Sengers. The O. R. & N. Company has the largest casualty list with 21 killed and 19 lojured; the Southern Pacific has 17 killed and 25 injured; the Porthas 17 killed and 25 injured; the Portland, Rallway, Light & Power Company, 2 killed and 24 injured, not including injuries to passengers within cities. The report says: "Six persons were killed and 27 injured by jumping on or off trains or while walking upon the tracks. Many of these persons were trespassers and the same may be said of the ten killed and 29 injured who were neither employes nor passengers."

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Referring to the checking of the appraisal of the roads submitted by the companies, it is stated that the work of appraising will cost the state between \$2 and \$3 a mile, which is much less than any other state within the knowledge of the Commission has paid for similar work. The compulsory fencing law is declared to be doing good work.

TROLLEY LINE INCORPORATES

Cities on Sound.

HOQUIAM, Wash., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—It was announced here today that articles of incorporation for an extensive interurban trolley system has extensive interurban trolley system had been filed with the Secretary of State at Olympia. The company is stated to have a capital stock of \$500,000. Among the officers and backers are named the following: R. F. Lytie, A. L. Paine and E. O. McGlauffin, all Hoquiam lumbermen; W. H. Abel and Eldridge Wheeler, of Montesane, and A. M. Abel and Phil S. Locke, of Aberdeen.

The county commissioners recently granted a franchise to Mr. Wheeler, and it is said that the line will cover virtually the entire Grays Harbor country, with Olympia for an initial terminus, although it is expected that Tacoma and Seattle eventually will be reached.

ODD-CENT CHARGES CUT OUT

Northern Pacific Announces Slight Change in Rates.

VANCOUVER, Wash, Dec. 16.—(Special.)—By an order that went into effect today the Northern Facilic hereafter will not charge the odd cents for some cases this will make

fare. In some cases this will make the fare higher, in other cases the fare will be lower.

For the most part on the main line the cost of tickets, where the odd cents now are collected, will be increased, and on the branch line it will be decreased. The fare from Van-couver to Kelso, now \$1.17, will be-come \$1.20; the fare from this city to Tacoma, now \$3.57, will become \$4. But on the branch line from hers to South Bend the charge will be out from \$4.11 to \$4.05. The fare from here to St. John. Or., now 12 cents, will be reduced to 30 cents.

ROAD WILL LAY HEAVY STEEL

Rails for 12 Miles Now Ready for Corvallis & Eastern.

ALBANY, Or., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—The Corvallis & Eastern Railroad Company is preparing to lay new 75-pound rails on a stretch of track 11 miles long, where the line runs through the Coast Range just beyond Summit.

The rails are now in this city ready for this page. for shipment.

DARING ACT SAVES 'CREW

Captain Chops Away Spars of Schooner on Beam Ends.

SEATTLE. Wash., Dec. 15 .- (Spe-SEATTLE. Wash, Dec. 15.—(Spe-lat.)—To save himself and three men. Captain Charles Curry, of the Arctic Trading Company's gasoline schooner Sea Wolf, chopped away the masta and spars of his vessel when beam-ends down and washed by terrific waves in Berling Sea. Curry has arrived in Seat-

tie. The feat was performed 150 miles west of the Pribyloff Islands.

The vessel was leaking badly and sea anchors had been resorted to many times. For two days not a man slept and for ten days every stitch of clothing had been drenched with icy water. The little craft was running under a slow bell, with just sufficient speed to give her steerage way, when a tremendous sea which threw her on her beam ends was encountered.

Following many more difficulties, the vessel reached Cape Inko on the mainland, but the precipitous cliffs and heavy surf made a landing impossible. She lay there for three days and nights, her crew working the pumps incessantly. At

lay there for three days and nights, her crew working the pumps incessantly. At the end of that time the storm had subsided and Captain Curry managed to navigate to Kodlak Island, where he laid the vessel up for the Winter.

He declared that eevry American proepetor was driven out of Siberia by the Cossacks last Summer, but that Americans are still allowed to trade with the



John D. Roselnir, on Trial at Hillsboro for Wife Murder

....... Siberian natives under the supervision of the Russian authorities.

CHICKEN THIEF, HE SAYS

WOMAN DECLARES HUSBAND TRIES TO HUMILIATE HER.

Willoughby Family Recites Its Troubles in Albany in Suit for Divorce.

ALBANY, Or., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—That her husband tried to have her arrested for stealing chickens to humiliate her, after she left him, is a unique allegation in the complaint for divorce which Cora E. Willoughby filed in the State Circuit Court here today against J. E. Wil-

The complaint recites that they sepa-The complaint recites that they separated on November Il last and two days later Willoughby was twice arrested and fined by the city officers of Harrisburg for drunk and disorderly conduct. Presumably to get revenge upon his wife for his arrests, Willoughby went before the Justice of the Peace at Harrisburg and tried to effect her arrest for stealing chickens. He failed to accomplish his purpose and the complaint filed today recites that Willoughby knew there was no truth in the fowl-theft charge, but was merely trying to humillate his wife.

was merely trying to humiliate his wife.

Mrs. Willoughby's complaint contains numerous charges, many of them alleging drunkenness and cruel treatment on the part of her husband. She asserts that the part of her husband. She asserts that while they were living in Springfield in 1907 her husband spent all of the \$50 a month he earned for liquor and that they were forced to sell their furniture to pay the rent. She also avers he threatened to kill her at different times and that he slept with a razor under his pillow to keep her in constant fear.

Three times she left her husband, Mrs. Willoughby says, but twice she listened to his promises to reform and went back

She says he continued drinking and on October 7 last she left him again. In a few days he persuaded her to return a second time and live with him, but on November 11, she asserts, she was forced

Mr. and Mrs. Willoughby were married in Lane County, March 14, 1894. Their only child is a daughter, 9 years old, and Mrs. Willoughby asks for the custody of the child and \$20 per month for the girl's

RIGHT TO USE LAND ASKED

Portland Irrigation Company Appeals to State Board.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—Presi-tent Ball and Attorney Sawyer, of the Portland Irrigation Company, appeared before the Desert Land Board today and asked permission to open the company's segregation for settlement immediately, and without waiting for the construction of reservoirs, ditches and canals. It is asserted that the company has applicants for nearly all of the land in the segregafor nearly all of the land in the segrega-tion, and that these settlers will at once move onto the land as soon as the com-pany is in position to contract with them. The company has had some difficulty in financing its proposition, but its repre-sentatives state that if the company is allowed to sell its land it will furnish bonds that will amply protect the state and the purchasers from any litigation or failure of the irrigation company to re-claim the land. The segregation consists claim the land. The segregation consists of about 12,600 acres, and is located in the Che-wak-kan Valley, in Lake County.

The Desert Land Board has taken the matter under advisement, and will call another meeting of those interested in

CHEE LETTERS TELL TALES

Arrested Chinese Mall Says Smuggling Organization Well Heeled.

ASTORIA, Or., Dec. 15.—(Special.)— When Immigration Inspector Bonham arrested Leong Chee, a few days ago, for being illegally in the country, he selzed among his effects a number of letters and these have been translated by the

official interpreter official interpreter.

They show that there is an organized body to smuggle Chinese into this country, just how they come in, where they go and who is interested in the principal go and who is it

Dentisis Present Mount's Name. OREGON CITY, Or., Dec. 15,-(Special.) The appointment of Dr. Clyde Mount, of this city, a member of the State Board of Dental Examiners, has been Board of Denial Examiners, has been recommended to Governor Benson by the executive committee of the State Denial Society. Dr. Mount is young in the profession and has been practicing the last two years in Oregon City, where he is associated with Dr. Alfred L. Beatle, expresident of the State Denial Society.

ROSELAIR JURY IS

Neighbors Testify That Accused Wanted to Be Rid of Wife.

INTERVIEW RETOLD

Prisoner Calmly Relates How He Attacked Spouse With Knife After She Had Thrown Pan of Milk in His Face.

HILLSBORO, Or., Dec. 15 .- (Special.) in the John D. Roselair murder case, and the defendant is now on trial for the nurder of his wife on the morning of May 15, 1909. The jurges were sworn in at 2 o'clock this afternoon, after tw and one-half days of examination.

To secure these, 39 men were put through an examination; eight were peremptorily challenged by the defense; and two were likewise dealt with by the state. The surors are: Austin T. Buxton, pastmaster of the State Grange; T. W. Sain, Tucker Pnimer, R. Hoffarber, C. F. Tigard, ex-member of the Legislature; Oscar F. Larsen, J. F. Brandt, John Nybers, J. T. Andersen, William Stevens, B. Gould and Clem Shaner.

Neighbor Goes on Stand.

After the opening statements were made William Raymond, a nxighbor, testified that he knew the Roselairs well; had known the prisoner for eight or nine years; that he worked with Roselair or nine years; that he worked with Roselair on the road, and that Roselair had told him that if he were only "rid" of the wife now dead, he might live happily with the second wife and children, now in the East. He also testified that he thought the dead Mrs.

Roseiair was a good-hearted woman, and was very fond of children. Raymond swore that he visited Roseiair in the fall, and that the prisoner told him, without asking, the story of the min. Without asking, the story of the killing, and that story was the same as that which has been published—how Mrs. Rosslair threw the milk in his face while at the breakfast table, and how she then started for the hot water, that he (Roselair) then attacked her with the

Would Be Rid of Wife.

Peri Raymond, a brother of the first witness, also swore that Roselair had told him of his domestic troubles, and also related a visit to the jall, and swore that Roselair had told him that Mrs. Roselair was not the woman for him-but that she would have been a better wife for the witness, as he was a young man,

and she was a young woman.
Attorney Jeffrey asked the court that all the Raymond evidence, except that re-lating to the day the body was found and the Coroner's jury was in session, be struck out. This was denied by Judge Campbell. The court then adjourned and will resume sitting temerrow morning at a o'clock.

WILL IS 70 INCHES LONG

Unique Document Filed in Linn County Probate Court.

ALBANY, Or., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—
One of the longest wills ever filed in Linn County was admitted to probate today. It was made by G. T. Frost, of Scie, and covers seven pages of legal cap paper all pasted together in one sheet 70 inches long. It was written entirely by the testator himself. Frost died July 14 last at the age of 30. He was a Linn County pioneer and had resided for many years on his farm six miles northeast of Scie. The will was written August 10, 1899.
This unique document disposes of an

estate valued at \$7500, and divides the property among six children, F. Frost, of Scio; J. W. Frost, of Scio; J. W. Frost, of S. R. S. Frost, residence unknown; C. B. Smith, of Scio; G. M. Frost, of Sa and Ella Edmisten, of Carlton, Yam. hill County

NAME OREGON DEBATERS Three Selected After Hard Try-Outs to Meet Utah Orators.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugens, Dec. 16.—(Special.)—Three men, trained in the Oregon High School Debating League, have just won first honors in debate at the University of Oregon. They were chosen after a series of hard try-outs in which a large number of men competed, to represent the university against the University of Utah in their annual debate on January 28.

on January 28.

The team chosen is as follows: Percy Collier, of Eugene, and Carlton E. Spencer, of Cottage Grove. Howard Zimmerman, of Salem, is alternate.

The Utah debate is considered one of the most important debates that the university enters. In previous contests the University of Oregon won one and lost one.

COAL HEARING GOES EAST

Cleveland and New York, Then Paris, to Be Future Scenes.

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 15.—The Cunningham hearing has ended here, and under stipulation of counsel adjournment was taken subject to the call of Commissioner W. J. McGee. When resumed the hearing will probably be at Cleveland, O., where three of the claimants live, going from there to New York to get the testimony of Charles Sweeney, one of the entrymen.

Meanwhile arrangements will be made by opposing counsel to send a commission to France for the testimony of A. B. Campbell, of Spokane, and B. C. Riblet, of New York, two entrymen now in

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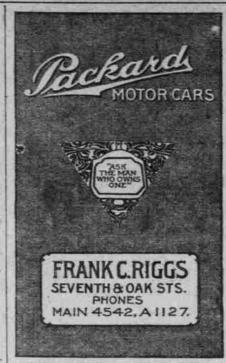
BIG CONTRACT LET TODAY Asylum Heating Plant to Be In-

stalled Within \$58,000.

SALEM. Or., Dec. 15 .- (Special.)-Plans and specifications for a new central heating plant were submitted to the awlum board at the Governor's office to-day and will be taken up and the contract let at Corvallis tomorrow by a board

tract let at Corvalls tomorrow by a board commosed of W. H. Corbett, of Portland; B. A. Strang, of Salem, and C. E. Covell, of Corvalls.

All the original bids were rejected because too high. The present plans are drawn to come within the appropriation of \$8.000. The bidgers are the W. G. Mc-Phergon Company, Public Works Engin-



sering Company and Iowa Manufactur-ing Company, all of Portland.

CARNEGIE LIBRARY READY

Vancouver Will Formally Open New Building December 31.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 15.—(Spe-cial.)—Vancouver's new \$10,000 Carnegle library building will be formally negie library building will be formally opened Friday evening, December 11. New Year's Eve. There will be a special programme, and Miss Frances Isom, librarian of the Portland Library, has been invited to deliver the principal address. She will speak on "The Library's Place in the Community." Among the other speakers will be Donaid McMaster, Judge of the Superior Court.

The new public library building is The new public library building is situated at the corner of Main and Sixteenth streets. There is a nucleus of 500 volumes from the old city library. Several hundred new volumes have been ordered and are now in the building. ordered and are now in the building, and an order for \$1000 worth more books will be placed this week. The librarian, H. C. Lieser, is engaged in classifying and cataloguing the 1000 volumes now on hand.

ROAD TO BUILD SEAWALLS

Northern Pacific Restoring Moclips Branch After Washouts.

HOQUIAM, Wash., Dec. 15.—(Special.)

Thousands of dollars are being expended in repairing the Moelles branch of the Northern Pacific Railroad. More than

the Northern Pacific Railroad. More than 100 cars of gravel and many tone of rock are being hauled to the bluffs west of Grays Harbor City to build a seawall to protect the track.

For several miles it will be necessary to protect the grade by means of a wall built of rock, to withstand the action of the water and save the company from further washouts. At all places slong the line where the grade was washed out the line where the grade was washed out gravel is being dumped.

FRANCHISE IS GRANTED

Grants Pass Council Gives Use of Streets for 50 Years.

GRANTS PASS, Or., Dec. 15.—(Special.)
—The City Council has granted to J. R.
Allen a franchise for an electric line for
69 years, upon condition that the applicant begin work within a year and pave
and repair such streets as may be used
within the track and 18 inches abutting

Allen also is figuring on extending the line into the timber zone and mineral belt that surround the Kerby and Walde

OREGON CITY HAS 6075 MLL HEUUHUJ GUNE

School Census Shows Growth Since 1900 Has Been Rapid.

OREGON CITY, Or., Dec. 15. - (Spe-census several months ago. mber of children between 4 and 20 is

The census of 1900 gave Oregon City fewer than 4000.

Clark County Docket Heavy. VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 15.1 (Spe

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 15.—(special.)—The jury session of the Superior Court, which will open in January, will be unusually long, as the Fall term of court was not held because Judge McCredie was carrying on his Congressional campaign. The list of petit jurors for the next session is: W. F. Credie was carrying on his Congressional campaign. The list of petit jurors for the next session is: W. F. Barnett, Charles Bishop, O. S. Mee, Martin Mortrad, J. M. Yeigh, H. F. Roder, J. T. Woody, W. W. Eaton, J. T. Condon, James Custard, John Rhodes, R. W. Terry, L. E. Reed, M. S. Allen, O. J. Glibert, Matt Blair, J. P. McQueen, C. Payne, E. H. Burnett, J. H. Hipes, C. J. Moss, John L. Miller, Ole Reinseth, C. L. Schaffer, C. D. Paterson, L. E. Warnen. Schaffer, C. D. Peterson, L. E. Warnu William Laughlin and G. W. Wright.

Telephone Company Sued.

OREGON CITY, Or., Dec. 15.—(Special)—The Firwood Lumber Company, of Sandy, has filed a lien against the Mount Hood Telephone Company, of which J. R. Keep is the owner. The company furnished poles and crosstrees of the value of \$485.05. The line has been constructed from Toll Gate, about one and one-half miles from Rhododen, Tayern, to Sandy where it was to dron Tavern, to Sandy, where it was to have been connected with the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Company.

Frank C. Aldrich Takes Wife.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 15.—(Special)—Frank C. Aldrich, a Portland photographer, and Mrs. Lena M. Wilder, of the Rose City, were married in this city yesterday afternoon at the Baptist parsonage, by Bev. C. R. G. Poole. Aldrich came over in the morning and made application for a marriage license, but as he did not have the bride with him, it could not be issued. In the afternoon he came back with the bride and secured. cial.—Frank C. Aldrich, a Portland photographer, and Mrs. Lena M. Wilder, of the Rose City were married in this city yesterday afternoon at the Baptist parsonage, by Rev. C. R. G. Foole. Aldrich came over in the morning and made application for a marriage itecure, but as he did not have the bride with him, it could not be issued. In the afternoon he came back with the bride and secured his passports to bliss.

Pupils Will Entertain.

Vancouver. Wash., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—The pupils of Providence Academy, conducted by the Sisters of Charity of the House of Providence, will give an entertainment in the Academy auditorium, on Thursday evening, the proceeds to be used in buying books for the Academy library.

Ladies' handbage and leather novelities, special saie, 30 per cent reduction. Stipe Taylor Drug Company, 285 Morrison st. *

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Nappies, 3-cornered; regular \$2.50 values, \$1.90. Toothpick Holders; regular \$1.50 values, \$1.15. Pin Trays, very neat; regular \$1.25 values, 95.6. Deep Cut Bowis, 6-inch; \$3.25 values, 82.45.

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Burnside Bridge Draw Stays Open for 25 Minutes.

DELAYS 24 STREETCARS

Total Time Lost While Citizens Await Leisure of Steamers Is 10 Hours 15 Minutes-Long Waits for Supper.

Records kept for the past few days concerning the time lost to the public by the opening of the draws on the various Willamette bridges went to smash yesterday between the hours of 5:54 in the morning and 6:34 in the evening. During that period patrons of the streetcar system of transportation consumed 10 hours and 15 minutes while they watched the steamers and soows float issily up or down the apprent. Six hundred and fifteen cars, loaded with the business men, shoppers and laboring people of the East and West Sides twiddied their thumbs while they watched the their thumbs while they watched the

YOUR KIDNEYS WILL ACT FINE AND ALL

BLADDER DISTRESS SIMPLY VANISHES

was supposed to have been reached, and It was freely prophesied that the record would never again be equaled, unless ft might be during the rush hours following Christmas day shopping. That day is

ported as being about normal.

Burnside-bridge draw yawned yesterday afternoon for a period of 25 consecutive minutes, during which time 24 cars piled up at either end, and waited for the gap to close. A Vancouver car which arrived at the draw at 2:26 P. M. reached the other end of the bridge at 2:31. During the morning rush hours from 6:54 to 9:35 just 47 cars were delayed for a total of 58 minutes at this crossing of the waterway. From 4 P. M. to 8:30 P. M. 54 cars were tled up at Burnside for a total of 28 minutes. All told, Burnside-bridge draw was open yesterday for three hours and 16 minutes, and 224 cars awaited the pleasure of the bridge draw-keeper. The draw opened 32 times.

The draw opened 22 times.

Down at the Steel bridge conditions were infinitely worse. 188 cars being detained for a total of four hours and 14 minutes. for a total of four hours and 14 minutes, while the draw opened 42 times. From 7 in the morning to 2 o'clock 40 cars were tied up for a total of 46 minutes. From 4:30 in the afternoon to 7:15, while the laborers and shoppers were trying to reach their homes, 44 cars stood at the draws for a period of 57 minutes.

On the Morrison bridge 200 cars yesterday waited on the draws while 2 hours and 1 minute dwindled into the

hours and I minute dwindled into the history of the past. In the morning from 5:54 to 9:29 71 cars stood along the causeway while 32 minutes flew on the wings of the winds. This bridge opened 40 times during the day. heir thumbs while they watched the rocession.

When the reports of Tuesday were prented showing that eight hours and 42 to reach their homes and when a large

All RECORDS CONE minutes had been lost in the opening proportion of the extra cars utilized and closing of the draws, fair ground by the company are pressed into see vice, but a comparison of the various tables compiled since the check was would never again be equaled, unless it might be during the rush hours following Christmas day shopping. That day is yet to come apparently, as the trade in the department stores and large downtown emporiums on Wednesday was reported as being about normal.

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Victoria Masons Celebrate

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 15 .- Four hundred local Masons celebrated the 50th anniversary of the introduction of Masonry into British Columbia last night. Large delegations from Vancouver and Eastern points were present. Prominent officers of the grand lodge were in attendance and delivered addresses. The new temple, the finest on the Pacific Coast, was dedicated.

Receipts from Suez Canal elipping to the first nine months of the year amounted to \$17,768,090, against \$16,020,000 in 1008, and \$17,208,000 in 1007.

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