# **GRAND JURY FAILS** IN SEATTLE QUEST

Row Among Officials, Blamed to Primary System, Protects Men Higher Up.

ALMOST FARCE

Sheriff, Commissioners and Prosecutor Waste Energy in Petty Disagreements - "Responsibility to People" Is Joke.

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 3 .- (Special.) More than 70 days ago a grand jury was convened in King County, and it is still in session. Results to date include a shake-down of county institutions; the returning of about four-score indictments for inconsequential offenses; an expense bill exceeding \$5000, and still growing, with the end not in sight; an airing of petty troubles and irreconciliable differences between the Prosecuting Attorney and the Sheriff, impairing their usefulness to the vanishing point; and the most important of sill—the demonusefulness to the vanishing point; and the most important of all—the demon-stration of the fact that the direct pri-mary, in bringing out candidates, after-ward successful, responsible to no recog-very and successful, responsible to no recogfails of the object which theoretically it

fails of the object which theoretically it is presumed to accomplish.

There was big game in sight when first the agitation for a grand jury was begun. Squarely, in the fore of the investigations is the interminable row between George F. Vanderveer. Prosecuting Attorney, and Robert Hodge. Sheriff. Both men are Republicans—that is to say, they received their negativations of way, they received their nominations a the direct primary as the choice of that party, and were duly elected as its nomi-ness; but they are answerable to no one except themselves—or, in the final analy-sis, to the people at the polls, if either officer ever consents to give the voters another whack at him.

#### Sheriff Invites Trouble.

Bob Hodge began to invite trouble for simself and the office he was destined to occupy, early in the campaign. Seattle elubwomen had made the appalling dis-covery that the County Jall supported only one woman attendant, who re-ported for duty in the daytime; and that ported for duty in the daytime; and that on one occasion a woman prisoner fell ill at night, with a male nurse to care for her. Hodge reached out for votes at a critical stage of his campaign, and he got them. He pledged himself that, if elected, he would install three matrons at the jail, to serve continuously in eighthour shifts. He has done his best to keep his word, although by so doing he has brought down upon his head the wrath and opposition of the County Commissioners, Rutherford, Abraham and Carrigan, and has caused a special inquiry of the grand jury to be directed at him.

him.

When Hodge demanded salaries for the matrons, the Commissioners refused his demand. They had money enough only for one matron, they said. Then Hodge appointed two, and declared he would pay the extra salary out of the Sheriff's profits for boarding prisoners. This act made him defendant in a suit, which is still pending, aimed to force him to pay the money to the Commissioners for pay the money to the Commissioners for such disposition as they way determine.

#### Pugnacity Meets Stubbornness.

Hodge also broke with the Commisstoners on the appointment of a jall physician. The Sheriff appointed his man; the Commissioners theirs—and, since the Sheriff had possession, he took advantage of the nine points of the law. Admissions to the jall was denied to the Commissioners' appointee, but on the other hand the board held the purse strings, and Hodge's man had to rustle for his salary. This question has been fought through the courts. which have held with Hodge

These two instances of antagonism to ie Commissioners laid the foundation of the uncompromising hostility to odge of their legal adviser, Progecuting Attorney Vanderveer. He is known as a fighter. It is said of him that he is placed enough as long as there is no opposition in sight, but if a "scrap" appears on the horizon he will literally run to meet it. Vanderveer is pugnarun to meet if. Vanderveer is pugna-clous, Hodge is stubborn. The class came, and it re-echoed all over Seattle, when Jaller John W. Roberts reported to his chief that the Prosecuting At-torney was using high-handed methods in his treatment of prisoners; that he was browbeating them and putting them through the "third degree." in or-der to whip them into proper shape for prosecution.

Hodge struck at Vanderveer by withdrawing the commissions of two Deputy
Sheriffs, C. E. Peyton and L. K. Church,
who had been under the Prosecuting
Attorney. When that step was taken,
Vanderveer countered by causing the
Commissioners to revoke the salaries
of two of Hodge's deputies, one of them,
Matt Starwick, famed as a man devoid
of fear, a gunfighter, who has battled
face to face with nurderers and has
brought them into camp. Starwick's
salary was placed by the Commissioners at \$1 a month. They could not discharge him, but they could fix the salary at almost naught. In this way
Hodge has been deprived of a deputy
for the Black Diamond district, a section notorious in the past for disorders—a situation which has caused the
residents to circulate a petition that
Starwick be placed in charge again.

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Although Hodge had removed Peyton and Church, the two deputies con-tinued to act under the direction of Vanderveer, until one night Church brought to the jail a prisoner intended brought to the jail a prisoner intended for the grand jury. Jailer Roberts, under Hodge's direction, repudiated Church's authority to make an arrest and set the prisoner free. Vanderveer again countered by procuring the grand jury to indict both the Sheriff and the jailer for wilful neglect of duty in having aided a captive to escape. The situation seems to be that the Sheriff is really on true for seems. the Sheriff is really on trial for neg-

lecting his office.

But it has not been easy salling for the Prosecuting Attorney. Before the grand jury was called he protested emphatically against the necessity of callphatically against the necessity of calling one, contending that his office, through information, was able to accomplish results. Since the jury convened he has been relieved of his duties as adviser ex-officio and W. H. White, known as "Warhorse Bill," has been appointed special adviser, in addition, the grand jury has petitioned Attorney-General W. P. Bell to name a special prosecutor of indictments already found and to be found. The Attorney-General has not yet replied.

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Among the indictments returned are four cases of accepting bribes, two assault and 21 for screens on saloons, 20 for slot-machine gambling and three for ownership of slot machines. It is smarked as a coincidence that every one of the saloonkeepers indicted has his place of business in the district south of Vesler Way. When the cases were heard against slot-machine gam-

blers Starwick swore that he had been instructed by Vanderveer to wink at that form of lawbreaking in his dis-trict.

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The grand jury has investigated the County Hospital, the Poor Farm, the Jail and the Courthouse. Some humor, amounting to an object lesson in business methods under the primary law, was injected into the inquiry at the Courthouse. One morning the grand jury "called the roll." Large numbers of employes, nearly half, according to some reports, falled to answer. The explanation was given that these employes worked nights; but the grand jury surprised everyone by appearing at the offices that evening. They were found to be deserted.

Presumably some of the "big game" was thought to be not far from the board of public works and the office of the City Engineer. That was one of the reasons-in fact, the main reason-why certain powerful citizens favored the call. They cared nothing for the little fellows, whom Vanderveer could have handled easily; but they did want to eatch the "higherups."

ups."

In this connection an analysis has been made of the methods of awarding contracts on some of the stupendous regrade projects, specifically that of Denny Hill. The quantity of dirt in that excavation has been cited as equal to a big fraction of the great Culebra cut on the Panama Canal. The statement has been made that there was a rake-off of \$87.900 in that contract alone. It is said that the original contracting company secured the contract at 37 cents a cubic yard; that it immediately sublet the entire excavation at 22 cents a cubic yard—a transaction in itself netting the contractors nearly \$277.000 before they had turned a wheel. It is the before they had turned a wheel. It is charged further that the board of works accepted a straw bond, making the deal possible; and that by an ingenious system of figuring some of the excavation actually brings a double rate to the sub-contractors.

#### Candidate Willing to Tell.

A. V. Boullion, who is running for Mayor on the strength of having been Mayor on the strength of having been removed from his position as Superintendent of Public Utilities, says he is willing to tell what he knows-about regrades and kindred subjects. He has not yet been called before the grand jury. So far as anyone can judge a secret inquisitorial body, the labors to date of the King County grand jury have dealt with questions of secondary importance. In some respects the direct primary with questions of secondary importance. In some respects the direct primary system is on trial. Neither Hodgen, or Vanderveer, it is said freely, could secure a nomination for effice under the convention system; under the old system Sheriff and Prosecuting Attorney could not be at loggerheads, to the hurt and injury of county business; nor could the Commissioners mix extensively in a political or personal quarrel without imperiling their own future. The trouble sems to be that these officials, having sems to be that these officials, having been elected by the whole people, are answerable in a general way—which means no responsibility whatever.

STATE COLLEGE QUARTER CEN-TURY OLD THIS YEAR.

Elaborate Preparation Will Be Made for Functions During Closing week of College Year.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corwallis, Or., Feb. 3.—(Special.)—The Oregon Agricultural College will celebrate its quarter centennial as a state institu-tion at the close of the present college year with the most elaborate function ever held at the institution. This decision was reached at a recent meeting of the Board of Regents and officially an-nounced today by W. J. Kerr, president of the college.

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The details of the celebration will be left in the hands of the faculty, the alumni and the students. All three bodies

will co-operate in making and carrying out the plans.

A special effort will be made to induce representatives of the industrial phases of education, both in the educational institutions and in the Government service, to attend. It is possible that the col-lege may confer several honorary de-

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festive. Besides the conferring of degrees and the more formal exercises there will be banquets, military drills and parades, athletic contests, student dramatics and musical concerts.

The college grounds and buildings will be put in shape for the occasion. J. C. Olmsted, the landscape gardener has worked out elaborate plans for the decoration of the campus. The mammoth armory has been completed and the central part of the new Agricultural Hall will be finished before June. The dormitories will be equipped to take care of many hundred visitors.

The celebration is in honor of the 25th

The celebration is in honor of the 25th birthday of the college as a state insti-tution. During the session of 1835 the Legislature passed a bill providing for the permanent location of the state college at Corvallis and authorizing the Governor to appoint a Board of Regents.

Prior to this the college had been a private institution under the control of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

During the Summer of 1887 the corner-

stone of what is now the Administration building was laid by the Governor of Ore-gon, amid imposing ceremonies. During the quarter century the institution has increased its boldings of land from 35 acres to 225; the numbers of buildings from one to 20; the faculty from nine members to 94; the student body from 97 to approximately 1409.

#### OREGON CITY SCANS MILK

Inspection Law Passes - Andersen Made Council Head.

OREGON CITY, Or., Feb. 3.—(Special.)—At the meeting of the City Connell last night, William Andersen was appointed chairman and J. A. Roake was elected to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Alvin Knapp.

The cow ordinance, by the terms of which not more than two cows could be kept in the city limits by one person, falled to pass.

An ordinance providing licensing and regulation of the sale of milk and cream in Oregon City and for the inspection of milk, cream and dairy herds was passed. The law forbids sale of milk from which the cream has been removed unless it is put in cans labled "Skimmed Milk."

#### ALASKA EXTREMELY COLD

Temperatures in Some Places Over 70 Below Zero.

to the United States Signal Corps report

Life-Savers' Work in Czarina Wreck Questioned.

CAPTAIN DEFENDS CREW

Criticism of Those Who Were Not or Beach That Wild Night, Says Officer, Should Not Be-Taken Seriously.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Feb. 1.—(Special.)—Since the wreck of the Czarina there has been much discussion of the question whether members of the life-saving crew at Coos Bay properly performed their duties. The question has been asked by many whether the captain and men did all that was possible for them to do in attempting to rescue the men from the wrecked vessel. It is also asked whether the equipment at the station was sufficient to permit the men to do efficient work.

On the other hand, it is contended by the captain of the life-saving crew that he did all that was possible to save the men whose lives were lost.

The question whether the vessel was overloaded when it went out has been brought up and there has been considerable discussion of a story that the captain of the Czarina had preemptory orders to leave the bay that day.

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Testimony taken at the Coroner's jury was brought out to satisfy the members of the jury on these points. W. F. Miller, the chief clerk in the office of Manager Millis, stated on the witness stand that Captain Duggan did not have orders to leave the bay at any cost and that he made his own time of sailing, and that such was his custom. Mr. Miller also said that the boat was not overloaded.

Much of the criticism of the vessel, the company and the life-saving crew came from persons who were not at the beach and were not familiar with what

each and were not familiar with what took place and with the condition of the sea. However, there also has been criticism by persons who were at the beach at the time of the wreck. While beach at the time of the wreck. While all sorts of stories have been told and various rumors have been afloat as to just what happened, there is an expressed feeling on the part of many that a sufficient effort to rescue the men was not made by the captain of the life-saving crew. The members of the commission of the Port of Coos Bay have stated that they wanted the subject investigated thoroughly, and if the captain was derelict in his duty he should be blamed, and if he had done all that was possible he would not be injured by the investigation. The Chamber of Commerce has joined with the Port Commission in asking for an investigation, and officials at Washinvestigation, and officials at Wash-ington and the Oregon delegation in Congress have been asked to urge an

#### Official Inquiry Suggested.

Since the Coroner's Inquest brought out some evidence and the jury left the verdict open, neither blaming nor exonerating anyone, the feeling of the people here now is that the whole sub-ject should be investigated in an official way.

cial way.

Captain Bolse of the life-saving crew said on the witness stand that an attempt was made to launch a surf boat but that this proved impossible. and that it would have been suicide to try to go through the rough breakers. He said that he was not paying attention to the talk of persons who were not acquainted with the work and were not at the beach but was willing to abide by the opinions of those who knew life-saving work and were ac-quainted with conditions and believed that such persons would support him in his statement that he did all that was possible to do, and that the life saving crew could not give any assist-ance to the men on the wreck.

#### YAMHILL CROPS DAMAGED Severe Winter Hurts Wheat and Fall

M'MINNVILLE Or. Feb. 3-(Spe. cial.)—Farmers in Yamhili County, in taking an inventory of their crops, are finding considerable injury sustained by the unusually severe Winter. W. W. Nickell, in the vicinity of

Vetch-Re-sowing Planned.

Believue, reports no injury of any con-sequence except to wheat, which is heaved badly on low lands. His vetch, sown early and pretty well rooted be-fore the freezing weather, is not in-jured, nor have his Fall-sown outs suffered materially.

In other localities the Fall vetch is said to have suffered so much that great fields will have to be resown. Some of the farmers in the foothill sections are already engaged in reseeding their vetch, believing that February sowings will, under ordinary condi-tions, produce a heavy crop of hay the same season. A comparatively small per cent of the land about here was seeded to grain or forage crops last Fall. Freezing weather has left it in fine condition for Spring work.

### HUMPTULIPS ROAD ASKED

Aberdeen Chamber Inaugurates County Board of Trade Plan.

ABERDEEN, Wash, Feb. 3.—(Special.)—Among the most important subjects to come before the Chamber of Commerce banquet was the adoption of a memorial to the County Commission ers asking for the early completion of the road from Humptulips to Lake Quiniault, the south side road to West-port and a bridge over the Chehalis River at Montesano.

The endeavor of W. H. Abel, of Mon-

tesano, to defeat the resolution and the emphatic manner in which he was opposed; the inauguration of a move-ment for a Chehalis County Board of Trade and the presentation of a silver loving cup to the retiring presiden W. J. Patterson, were other features. cup to the retiring president

#### GRAY MEMORIAL PLANNED Discoverer of Harbor May Come Into Honors Duc.

ABERDEEN, Wash, Feb. 3.-(Special. ABERDEEN, Wash., Feb. 3.—(Special.)—If the movement instituted at the Chamber of Commerce banquet Tuesday night by Eldridge Wheeler, of Montesano, is successful, Grays Harbor soon will erect a spelndid monument to Captain Robert Gray, commemorating his memory and the discovery of the harbor which bears his name.

Organizations in this city and Hoquiam, as well as in points adjacent to the harbor, have placed the subject before meetings for consideration. The monument probably will be erected either in Aberdeen or Hoquiam.

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Regular 25c Woodlark Tooth Soap, on sale at 4 for .... 25¢ 25e Bromo Quinine, special .. 19¢ 25c Carter's Little Liv. Pills. 15c 25c Pierce's Pills, sale at ... 15¢ Regular \$3.75 Malted Milk. hospital size, on sale at .. \$3.15

\$1.00 Warner's Safe Kidney Cure, on sale at, bottle...75¢ 50c Warner's S. Kid. Cure. .. 36¢

### Pre-Inventory Sale Hair Goods

\$6.00 Curls, Puffs, choice. \$1.00 \$1.00 Rats and Rolls, choice .. 25¢ \$2.00 Barettes, special, each . 25¢ Imported Novelties-Combs, Bands and Barettes, ONE-HALF PRICE

# Pyrography Now on Sale



20e Stamp Box, only 2 for .. 25c 25c Hat Pin Holder, 2 for .. 25c 30c Crumb Tray, only 2 for .. 25¢ 30c Pipe Holder, at 2 for .. 25¢ 35c Match Holder, at 2 for .. 25c 35c Panel, now at two for .. 25¢ 15c Kerchief and Glove Box .. 9¢ 20c Panels, during sale for .. 6c 30c Card and Envelope Case. 9¢ 70c Veil Box. during sale at .. 29¢ 75e Tabourette, selling at ... 29c \$1.50 Card Box, selling at .\$1.13 \$2.00 Tabourette now only .. 98¢ \$2.75 outfit, during sale .. \$1.98

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Odd and ends of our immense Picture Stock, hundreds to choose from, put on sale in two lots:

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## Greatest Savings of Season Large Line of Fine Trunks Today on Sale Quarter Off

\$1000 INSURANCE POLICY FREE WITH EVERY \$5.00 OR OVER LEATHER GOODS PURCHASE.

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\$12.00 heavy cowhide leather, 24-inch Suitcase, French edge, double-action lock, heavy bolts, riveted frame, to be \$9.00 sold at low price of \$8.00 cowhide Suitcase, 24-inch, with heavy lock and straps all around, reinforced \$6.00 corners; sale price

heavy lock, double straps, riveted throughout; on \$7.50 sale at this price, ea.

\$10 sole leather Suitease, with

\$8.85 heavy leather Suitease, 24 - inch, with shirtfold, heavy locks and straps; \$6.61

\$8.00 Handbag, leather-lined; 16-in., with riveted \$6.00 frame, at only, ea. \$15.0) Handbag, of French dressed calf, hand-stitched, firm reinforced cor-ners; on sale at \$11.25 \$10.25 Ladies' "raveling Bags, in ealfskin, grained, \$7.69 A large showing of Handbags and Suitcases, ranging in value from \$2 to \$50 1/4 Off each, on sale at, ea 1/4

# Vals. to \$6, Art China, \$1.98

Art China, Vases, Candlesticks, Jardinieres, Rose Bowls, Card 

Art China and Bronzes, Candlesticks, Vases, Figures, Ornaments, Rose Jars, Fern Dishes, Jardinieres, in Amphora, Stellmacker, Teplitz, Rozane and many other makes; \$2.69 values up to \$10.00, special Friday.....

Brasses and Bronzes of every kind, all shapes, sizes, styles and designs, hundreds of pieces included; values from a few cents to \$12.00 ..... AT ONE-FOURTH OFF

Hundreds of pieces of artistic Cut Glass are offered for sale today at one-third less than the regular marked selling price. It's unusual to see Cut Glass marked at less than onefourth off, but circumstances make it imperative that we reduce stock rapidly before our annual inventory and also to enable us to house the large shipments of goods due to arrive shortly from the East. Your choice of hundreds of pieces today, Friday.....ONE-THÎRD OFF

#### WOODARD, CLARKE & Co.

## Pre-Inventory Sale of Drugs



25c Soda Phosphate, Merks. . 17¢ 15c Borax, pound, this sale.. 9c 10c Copperas, the the pkg.. 5c 50c Cream Tartar, pound at. 38c 5c Sulphur, package now at ... 3c Sc Chloride Lime, can, now at 5c 35c Sugar Milk, Woodlark. 20c 20c Wood Alcohol, pint, now .14c 15c Cotton Seed Oil, bottle at 9c 15c Witch Hazel, bottle, now 8c

#### Bristle Barg'ns

35e Kent and Dupont Tooth Brush, sale price, each. . 29¢ 35e wire-drawn black bristle Hair Brush, sale, each ... 21¢ 75c asst. of Hair Brashes, ea. 61c 75e to 85e assorted color Cel-luloid Combs, on sale at...69¢

\$1.25 Very Hair Brush, same as Ideal No. 2, sale price. 97¢ \$1.25 to \$2.00 assortment of silver-mounted Hair Br. .. 87¢ \$1.25 to \$1.50 Hand Brush . 98¢ \$2 to \$2.50 choice of Kent's,

Adams' and Gerts' Mombard H'r Br, blk, bristle \$1.63 \$4 Stag Milit'y Brush, pr.\$1.34 \$1.75 to \$5.00 Kent & Howard Cloth Brush at......½ PRICE \$2,50 to \$3.50 Celluloid Hair

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# Sundry Sale

\$5.50 Pedestal mirror at. **\$3.28** \$7.00 Triplicate Mirror at. **\$4.33** \$8.50 Triplicate Mirror at. **\$5.87** \$5.00 Easel Mirror, sale. \$1.98 \$17.00 Chafing Dish, ea. . \$12.88 \$12.00 Chafing Dish, ea. \$9.58 \$5.25 Tea Kettle, sale at. \$3.98 \$3.60 Alcohol Stove, sale. \$2.88 \$2.90 Alcohol Stove, sale. \$2.27 25c Varnish Stain, sale price. 13c 40c Varnish Stain, sale price. 19c 25c Paint Brush, selling for. 16c 15e Coat Hanger, selling at .. 11¢ 15e Pants Hanger, selling at .. 11¢ 25c Toilet Paper, sale, 3 for. 25c 15c Toilet Paper, sale, 4 for. 25c 5c Toilet Paper, the dozen. 36c 25c Whisk Brooms, at, each .. 17c 39c Whisk Brooms, at, each .. 19c 50c Whisk Brooms, at, each .. 33¢

### Medicinal Wines and Fine Liquors

35c Hoff's Malt Extract, sale . 27¢ 50e Angelica, Muscatel, Madeira, Tokay, Catawba, Clar-

et, Zinfandel, Riesling, Burgundy and Sauterne, for ... 34¢ 75c pts. Amer'n Champagne. 48c 75c Preferred Stock Whisky 48c \$1.00 Atherton Bourbon at .. 83¢ \$1.00 Guckenheimer Rye at. . 83¢ \$1.00 Virginia Dare, sale at .. 69¢ \$1.00 Port or Sherry, sale at .. 73¢ \$1.25 Dewar's Grecial, at .. \$1.05 \$1.25 Gin, during this sale ... 79¢

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# VERDICT GIVEN MURDER

CORONER'S JURY REPORTS ON SWAN PEARSON'S DEATH.

Body Cut to Pieces by Train and Man Seen Running Away, but Description Is Meager.

ASTORIA, Or., Feb. 3.—(Special.)— That Swan Pearson, the rancher whose body was literally cut to peices by a rallway train near Knappe on Tuesday evening, was murdered, is the belief of the Coroner's jury which investi-gated the case today.

After hearing the evidence the jury eturned a verdict that Pearson came o his death from the result of injuries received from some unknown person, after which he was placed upon the allroad track and mangled by a pass-The members of the train crew, in-

The members of the train crew, in-cluding the conductor, engineer and fireman, testified that after the train stopped they got out on the right hand side and a moment later saw a man running towards the rear of the train on the other side of the track. The trainmen chased him down the track for some distance, but as neither had a revolver they could not compel him to stop, and he escaped in the darkness. darkness. darkness.

As he was passing along the train the conductor flashed his lantern under the car and says the man was wearing brown trousers and a black coat. That is the only description the officers have and thus far no trace of the man has been reported.

Lyle Resident's Funeral Held. LYLE, Wash., Feb. 3 .- (Special.)-Charles E. Berry was buried in the Hartland Cemetery today. He was born

in Ohio in 1870, and moved to Klickitat when 14 years old. He is survived by his mother, four brothers—John, George, Carl and Albert Berry—and 8 sister, Mrs. Mary Plummer, who lives with her aged mother at The Dalles. Mr. Berry was a son of John C. Berry, one of the first wheatgrowers in the country tributary to Lyle.

Moscow's Poultry Exhibit Improved Over Last One.

MOSCOW, Idaho, Feb. 2.—(Special.)—
"We are swamped for room for the 600
birds for exhibition this morning at the
opening of the Latah County Poultry and
Pet Stock Show," said Gainford P. Mix.

president.

It has been two years since the last show at this place and the improvement in the grade of birds shown now is marked. Outside of Moscow, it is thought Winona. Wash., will lead in the num-ber of exhibits from one locality with eight exhibitors with from one to four pens each. The last trains arriving last night brought many coops of chickens which kept the management busy until well into the night. The show is to last until Saturday evening.

#### Nampa After Mines' Trade.

NAMPA. Idaho, Feb. 3.—(Special.)—At an enthusiastic meeting of the bustness men of Nampa held at the Chamber of Commerce Monday night, it was decided to send men to investigate the practicality of the road from here to Jarbridge, the scene of the great gold strike. An endeavor will be made to secure for oringe, the acene of the great good strate. An endeavor will be made to secure for Nampa a large portion of the trade of what promises to be the greatest mining rush of the West. The road is about 120 miles long and void of heavy grades.

soon as the weather permits, expend \$40,000 in improving the depot facilities in Nampa. A brick building, 40x100 feet, two stories high will be built just east of the passenger depot. The ground floor will be occupied by baggage and express offices and the upper story will be utilized

as offices for the divisional officers. The present passenger depot will be e larged to accommodate the increasi passenger traffic at this poi improvement will cost \$10,000

# BIRDS CROWDED IN SHOW NEW THEORY IS RAPIDLY SPREADING OVER COUNTRY

Cooper claims that 90 per cent, of all till health is due to stomach trouble.

When interviewed about his theory recently, he said: "Stomach trouble is the great curse of the 20th century so far as the civilized races are concerned. the suburb of Brookline, Boston, Mass. Practically all of the chronic ill health of this generation is caused by abnormal stomachic conditions. In earlier days stomachic conditions. In earlier days

so common, did not exist.

"To be sure, there was sickness in those days, but it was of a virulent character, and only temporary. There was none of this half-sick condition all the time with which so many are afflicted newadays.

"I know positively that every bit of this chronic ill heaith is caused by stomach trouble. The human stomach in civilized neonle today is degenerate.

what promises to be the greatest mining rush of the West. The road is about 120 miles long and void of heavy grades.

It tacks tone and strength. This weakness has gradually come through a sed-entary existence. I further know that few people can be sick with the digestive apparatus in perfect shape. The week that the Oregon Short Line will, as my New Discovery medicine tones the sense of duty. I feel I owe it to any one who might find rellef and renewed happiness as I have done."

Cooper's New Discovery is sold by all druggists. If your druggist cannot supply you, we will forward you the name of a druggist in your city who will. Don't accept "something just as good."—

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L. T. Cooper's theory concerning the human stomach, which he claims to prove, with his new medicine, is being given more respect and comment every day.

Cooper claims that 90 per cent. of all

stomachic conditions. In earlier days, when the human race was closer to nature, and men and women worked all day out of doors, digging their frugal existence from the soil, the tired, droopy, half-sick people that are now so common, did not exist.

"To be sure there was stokeness in suffered terribly with insomnia, and my liver, bowels and whole system gradually became deranged. I felt instant relief the first day I began this Copper medicine. I now feel like a new being. Today I walked all over town, shopping—something I have not done for years.

"I make this statement wholly from

a sense of duty. I feel I owe it to any one who might find rellef and renewed happiness as I have done."
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