PORK BARREL SEE

Proposed Laws Said to Be Part of Scheme by West to Build Huge Machine.

GOVERNOR'S POWER GREAT

Expenditure of \$20,000,000 in Ten Years Left Solely to Executive. Even Clerical Appointments Subject to His Approval.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 30. - (Special.) -That the proposed highway laws which are now being issued in pamphlet form and being sent by hundreds from the which contemplate a manumental scheme to build up a signatic political machine for the intercents of Governor West, are allegations which are being

made freely here.

It is declared that the face of some of the bills hear out these assertions, and they are taken as indications of a plan on the part of West to foster his own political inclinations in coming years through the aid of these measures.

In one of the pamphlets, which is labeled as being "adopted by state-wide legislative committee, appointed by Governor Oswald West," the first bill is an act entitled "an act to create and establish a State Highway Department and to application the appointment. ment and to authorize the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner there-for, prescribing his duties, his powers, his compensation, the method of work, the appointment of assistants and ap-propriating money therefor."

Governor to Appoint Commissioner. In the first section of this bill it is provided that the State Highway Commissioner shall be appointed by the Governor and shall hold the office for four years unless somer removed for cause. This Commissioner is to receive

cause. This Commissioner is to receive \$1000 a year, the highest-paid state of-ficial saids from the Governor.

No road, highway, public way or bridge, paid for wholly, or even in part, out of moneys fornished by the state shall be surveyed, planned, projected, constructed, maintained or

projected, constructed, maintained or crected until it shall be approved by the State Highway Commissioner.

The bill goes on to say that the Highway Commissioner shall advertise for bids, that he may reject any or all ef the bids, if in his opinion a good cause exists therefor, and that he shall have general charge of the bidding.

Then comes the sections which are taken to mean that he Governor of the state is placing himself in a position through these bills to elaborate a political machine which will stretch through every section of the state, and

litical machine which will stretch through every section of the state, and ir another bond bill carries in this consection, he will be backed by the use of \$10.000,000 in the hiring of men, or \$1.000,000 a year to be expended dur-

Executive Approval Required.

In the section mentioned above it goes on: "All contracts for the construction or improvement of public highways must be made in the name the State of Oregon, approved by

section that the State Highway Commissioner shall receive a salary of \$25000 a year and his actual necessary traveling expenses, and as before

traveling expenses, and, as before stated in the first section, he "shall be appointed by the Governor."

"Said Commissioner may appoint, if the work of the department requires it subject to the approval of the Governor, one assistant Commissioner,"

the section continues. This assistant Commissioner shall receive a subject of \$2500 a year.

salary of \$1500 a year.

Further, the State Highway Comsloner may appoint clerical assistants.
"by and with the approval of the Governor." Then the State Highway Commissioner is given authority to employ, "by and with the approval of the Gov-ernor," such civil engineers and other assistants as may be deemed neces

It is contended that throughout this bill the Governor has complete charge and control of the entire good roads propaganda, as outlined.

He shall appoint the State Highway Cashmere and Peshastin came en masse and as soon as the gathering was called The State Highway

Commissioner can appoint an assistant to order by P. P. Holcomb, president. only with the Governor's approval. He cannot even appoint clerical help in his office unless it meets the approval of divided on the great question new be-

the Governor.

Further, under the terms of the bill.

not a civil engineer, not any "other assistants as may be necessary," can be employed unless they are employed "with the approval of the Governor."

And on top of this, absolutely no work can be done on any road, highway, public way or bridge for which either the whole or part of it is paid out of state funds, unless it is approved by the State Highway Commissioner. the State Highway Commiss by the State Highway Commissioner.

It is pointed out that the State Highway Commissioner will have the sole and exclusive power to have charge of surveys, plans, projects and construction of all state highway projects, and the Governor will have sole and exclusive control of the State Highway

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Not a man on state road work throughout Oregon but will hold his position by virtue of the Governor's prerogative if the bill becomes a law, and the chief executive will have a \$2,000,000 pork barrel to dish out to his henchmen, providing the supplementary bonding act becomes a law. This \$2,000,000 a year is taken as the largest campaign fund that any executive in this state, or possibly in any state in the United States, has had exclusive control of, and those who have examined the measures carefully may if the Covernor of the state so desired he could employ nearly enough stred he could employ hearly enough men out of that amount of money to put him back into the executive of-fices or any other office he might de-

These highway bills emanated directly from a committee appointed by governor Wast, or supposedly emanated from that committee, it being reported here that some of the members of the committee have been opposed to the plans outlined, and that even other members were not aware of what the bills were to contain until they received cooles of them. calved copies of them.

CLATSOP WILL CRUSH ROCK

County Court Plans to Establish Big Plant at Tongue Point.

STORIA, Or., Jan. 30 .- (Special.)-The Claisop County Court is preparing to astablish a big central rock crushing plant at Tongue Point, where material will be crushed for macadamisterial will be crushed for macadamiz-ing the public highways. It has or-

dered a rock crusher with a capacity of 150 yards a day, and has asked bids on the construction of a wharf at the quarry as well as on the erection of the required bunkhouses and other helidings, and the intention is to have the plant in operation early in April.

Convicts from the State Penitentiary are to be employed at the crushing plant and as the expense, judging by the reports received from other counties, is in the neighborhood of 75 cents a day per man, the court figures that it can quarry and crush the rock at not to exceed 25 or 20 cents a yard, and that with the cost of transportation added the crushed material can be delivered in bunkers at points on the delivered in bunkers at points on the Lewis and Clark, Young's and Skiplanon rivers and at places up the Columbia, where barges can be taken, for not more than 75 or 30 cents a yard, which is about the cost of quarrying and crushing at the smaller plants the county has been operating. One of the

BOY TRAVELS TWENTY-EIGHT MILES DAILY TO ATTEND SCHOOL AT ONTARIO, OR.



Henry Dodds.

ONTARIO, Or., Jan. 29.—(Special.) — Henry Dodds travels 28 miles to school every day. The lad says he is determined to get an education. This is probably the longest distance traveled daily by any boy in the state to attend

main improvements to be undertaken during the coming Summer is the macadamizing of the public highway between this city and Seaside and to haul the rock for this work, the court has purchased a gasoline tractor with one trailer, on which six yards of rock can be hauled at a load.

WENATCHEE MEN FIGHT OVER PROPOSED MERGER.

Four Hundred Attend Meeting-Report on Northwest Fruit Exchange Not Heard.

WENATCHEE, Wash., Jan. 80 .- (Special.) - Sensational political conventions which have been held in this city in the past were completely overshadowed by the meeting in this city today of

Cashmere and Peshastin came en masse and as soon as the gathering was called to order by P. P. Holcomb, president. divided on the great question new be-fore the fruitgrowers—the selling plan. Four hundred fruitgrowers were Four hundred fruitgrowers were present and interest in every movement was keen. The by-laws committee appointed at the meeting Saturday with the committee appointed by the Cashmere fruitgrowers appointed to go to Portland and examine the books and workings of the Northwest Fruit Exchange were ready to report imme-

Exchange were ready to report immediately when the meeting opened. Opposition was made to hearing of the reports and charges of bad faith were made on the floor. Prominent in the fight for the reading of the reports were Colonel Huston. ex-Mayor of Cashmere; J. F. Sugrue, president of the Cashmere Fruit Exchange, and A. T. Spiller. Fighting against the reports were W. T. Clark, George F. Begg and others from Wenatchee.

FAIR GROUNDS IMPROVED

Clackamas County Residents Work to Beautify Tract.

OREGON CITY, Or., Jan. 38.—(Special.)—Much work was accomplished on the Clackamas County fair grounds at Canby, Monday, when many of the prominent farmers of the county and residents of Canby went to the fair grounds with either shovel or team to assist in beautifying the fair grounda. Ground was plowed and harrowed and rolling and seeding will be done later. The grounds to be beautified lie between the exhibit building and the park on the north side, and will be a most attractive place for the campers at the fair of this year. Canby was well represented at the gathering of

well represented at the gathering of the tollers, and the Clackamas County Fair Association has expressed grati-

Offspring of Man Who Fought Lumber Company and Commonwealth for Years Starts All Over Again as Sectionhand.

ROSEBURG, Or., Jan. 80 .- (Special.) -Displaying numerous sears and wounds, including that of a bullet which pierced his breast and came near resulting fatally, Clarence Dietz, a son of John Dietz, and a survivor of the celebrated Cameron Dam escapade, which for nearly eight years terrorized the residents of Northern Wisconsin, has located near Youcalls. Douglas

County.

Although only 22 years of age, Clar ence Dietz presents the picture of a man well along in the 50s. His hair, once said to have been jet black, is

once said to have been jet black, is aprinkled with gray, while his face and body truly evidence the hardships endured prior to capture. He is working as a section hand in this locality. "It was about eight years ago that the trouble between my father and the officers first commenced," said Dicts today, "and about two years ago there came the terrible end. We settled upon the land in accordance with the laws of the state and Nation and the laws of the state and Nation and lived happily thereon until about eight years ago, when a wealthy lum-ber company constructed a dam which resulted in flooding and bringing rulu to our property.

Protest Is Ignored. "We protested, but without material sults, and it finally became necesresults, and it finally became neces-sary for us to arrange our own protec-tion. Knowing the lay of the land, and being conversant with the premises abutting the dam we obstructed the stream, and so changed the channel that the waters were diverted from their course and emptied into another

"In doing this we succeeded in pro-tecting our land to the detriment of the lumber company, which, in a measure, depended upon the dam to

measure, depended upen the dam to operate its mills.

"We had hardly completed the task, however, when representatives of the lumber company called upon us, and without regard for our rights, instructed my father to place the stream in its previous condition. Father refused, asserting that the company should regard the rights of others and so construct the dam that it would not interfere with the property of those abutting the stream.

Company Laughs at Suggestion.

Ventions of the Penington bald his extensive property interests in Eastern Oregon and moved to Albany. He had since resided in this city.

Of his seven children only two survive him: Charles Clyde Renington, of Union, ex-Sheriff of Union County, among the grandchildren are Gale S. Hill, of Albany, Deputy District Attorney for Linn County; Mrs. Fred Ward, of Albany, and Zeno P. Richards, of Portland.

"The representatives of the company laughed at this suggestion, and a few days later, a complaint was filed against my parents. Apparently realizing that he would be outwitted in the courts, we decided to protect our home at all hazards. With several guns and plenty of ammunition at hand, we arranged for the worst—and at the expiration of a few days were prepared to meet any persons who might come.

Mr. Penington had been a member of the Masonic fraternity for more than half a century, and had attained high rank in that order. He was a member of St. Johns Lodge, No. 17; Bayley Chapter, No. 8, Royal Arch Masons, and Temple Commandery, No. 3, Knights Templar, all of this city. He was also a member and officer of the First Baptist Church of Albany for many years. Company Laughs at Suggestion.

to meet any persons who might come. "With warrants in their the Sheriff and deputies first invaded the country in which we lived, but were forced to retreat following were forced to retreat following threats that we would kill the first man who chanced to set foot on our premises. Later, the officers same with a posse, but, as on the former occasion, were forced to give up and return. "For months and years we lived a life of obscurity, never once leaving the ranch through fear of being captured. Finally about two years are the ranch through lear of being cap-tured. Finally, about two years age the trouble was revived in greater earnest than ever and the officers visited our home and persistently en-deavored to make us give up. We re-

fused, whereupon the officers opened Battle Runs Three Days.

"For three days the battle continued, we returning the fire whenever the occasion demanded. We were successful in a degre, and were on the verge of winning the day when my sister threw up her hands, utterd a faint cry and fell to the floor dead. It was then that we first despaired and decided to

surrender.
"My father was arrested and upon being tried was found guilty and sen-tenced to a long term in the State Penitentiary. My mother was also convicted on a charge of murder, but may secure a new triah."

Following the trouble, Clarence Dietz came, West, and only a few weeks ago located near Yoncalla. He says he will never return to the State of Winconsin, feeling that the state has done him an injustice in the killing of his sister.

STEWART M'K. PENINGTON, 87, ACTIVE IN OREGON.

Albany Citizen in State for 64 Years Took Leading Place in Demoeratic Affairs.

ALBANY, Or., Jan. 36.—(Special.)—
Stewart McKindra Penington, one of
Oregon's earliest pioneers and an active
figure in the upbuilding of the state,
died at his home in this city today at
the age of \$7 years. An Oregon pioneer
of 1847, he had lived in this state continuously for more than 64 years, with
the exception of about two years in
California during the famous '48 rush
for gold.

for gold.

Prominent for many years in the industrial progress and official life of Eastern Oregon, and having also been active in the development of the Willemette Valley, where he passed most of his life, he was widely known and retuneled throughout all sections of the

Joseph M. Hamblin Dead.

FOREST GROVE, Or., Jan. 30.—
James Madison Hamblin, aged 68 years, a veteran of the Civil War, was found dead in his bed at his home at Timber, 26 miles northwest of here, on Sunday night. At first it was rumored that he was murdered, but an investigation by the Sheriff shows that he of Chie, and leaves one son, George B. Hamblin, at Timber, and two daughters, in Ohio. The funeral was held in Forest View Cemetery.

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Mr. Penington was born in Monroo County, Kentucky, August 5, 1824, In 1831 the family moved to Illinois and there he graw to manhood on a farm. At the age of 18 he started out to earn his own livelihood, and five years later the crossed the plains to Oregon. After a journey marked by more hardships and trouble with the Indians than gender that he was a mamber, reached the Columbia River September 15, 1847.

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LIUI Gus Kuhn Prop. 166-170 THIRD ST.-

of that year took up a donation land claim in Linn County, on the Santiam River, four miles north of Lebanon. In 1849 he went to California and mined for two years on the Spanish Bar of the American River. He was successful the first year, but not meeting with satisfactory returns the sec-ond year he returned to Oregon and resided upon his donation land claim

for 21 years. He made great improve-ments on this place, which he owned at the time of his death.

In 1871 Mr. Penington went to East-ern Oregon and engaged successfully in steckraising for 14 years. For the first four years of this period he lived on a ranch on Butter Creek and then resided for 10 years in Pendleton. In 1875 he was elected to the State Senate from Umatilla County and was relected in 1882, serving through four regular sessions and one special session of the Legislature. He also participated in many county and state conventions of the Democratic party.

In 1855 Mr. Penington sold his extensive property interests in Eastern Oregon and moved to Albany. He had since resided in this city.

Mr. Penington had been a member of

FIRST DISTRICT TO CENTRALIZE ON ONE CANDIDATE.

McNary, Rodgers, Dimick, Williams and Brownell Mentioned for Place as Representative.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 30.—(Special.)— Conditions as to the Congressional campaign in the First District remain scarcely changed, although it is rumored that a plan is on foot among the various candidates who have announced their intention to run to centralize on one man. Just who that man will be is not known at this time, as it is understood the scheme has not taken on altogether definite shape.

Representative Hawley is a candidate for re-election, and if the proposed organized effort takes place it will be directed at him.

Among the names of candidates who have been mentioned are Charles L. McNary and George F. Rodgers, of this city; State Senator Walter L. Dimick, of Oregon City; R. L. Williams, of Forest Grove, and George C. Brownell of Oregon City.

None of them has been very active up to the present time, although it is understood that Williams has made a tour of the southern part of the disthe various candidates who have an-

tour of the southern part of the dis-rict particularly to sound the situa-tion, and some of the other candidates have been in touch with some of their friends in various counties.

Not one of the men has yet com-mitted himself as to what course he will actually pursue, although it is certain that some of them will fall out of the race within the next few weeks in favor of one of the other candidates. Up to the present time an effort has been quietly made among all these been quietly made among all these candidates, it is understood, to reach an agreement as to just what stand they shall take and who shall be selected to enter into the campaign.
In case this is done, it is asserted,
a centralized effort will be made to

defeat Hawley.

Representative Hawley, however, is considered as having a strong hold on this district and will make a strong fight for re-election. Some announce-ment as to a definite plan which will be pursued is expected within the next two weeks and will probably emanate

Minnesotans Coming to Husum. HUSUM, Wash., Jan. 30,-(Special.)-

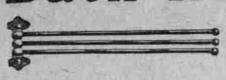
HUSUM, Wash, Jan. 30.—(Special.)—
Homer G. Day, one of Husum's livewire booxiers, asserts that a colony of
Minneapolis residents will be here in
March to look over both town and
orchard properties, with a view of establishing homes here. The extreme
cold weather experienced in the Middle
West, Mr. Day says, is the principal
motive for Minnesotans moving out to
the sun-klased White Salmon Valley,
where the below zero mark is never
reached. reached.

Smallpox Spread Stopped.

BAKER, Or., Jan. 30.—(Special.)— The smallpox situation has so cleared that the public library began today the circulation of books. There is now circulation of books. There is now only one case in the city and that a light one. The spidemic in the county

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BAKER COMMISSIONERS ASK FULL TRIAL OF PLAN.

Question of Returning to Council and Mayor System of Government to Be Voted on Later.

BAKER. Or., Jan. 80 .- (Special.)-The petition asking the City Commis-sioners to change Baker's form of government from the commission plan to the old one of Mayor and Aldermen was rejected today by the City Com-While this settles the question for

the present it will come up at general election of the city next No-vember, as it is mandatory that the question be voted on then. The rejecquestion be voted on then. The rejection was in the form of a resolution by the City Attorney and set forth that it was not to the best interest of the citizens of Baker to call an election on April 25, the time asked. It was held detrimental to a city to be changing its government, and it was pointed out that the present charter had been in force so short a time that it had not been thoroughly tried out. It had been accepted by a majority of voters and should stand, said the resolution. It was declared that a change would affect the city just when it was offering so many bonds, and also a charter conceived as the petition proposed must be the result of some private motive and not the furthering of public interests.

public interests.

The petition contained 314 names, 18 of which are duplicates, and of the list only 93 were taxpayers, and these small ones. Fifteen signers had served time in Baker jails.

Testimonial Luncheon Scheduled.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Jan. 30 .- (Special.)—Tomorrow's mid-week luncheon of the Commercial Club will be a tesof the Commercial Cito with on the translation of t Reports from the 25 delegates who went to the Southwestern Washington Development League convention in Olympia last week will also be heard.

Homer C. Atwell on Tour. FOREST GROVE, Or., Jan. 30 .- (Spe-

president of the State Horticultural Society and recently appointed Fruit Inspector of Washington County, started this morning for Victoria, B. C., where he will address the British Coiumbia Fruitsrowers' Association, a large organization of that section. Mr. Atwell will speak the evening of January 33, discussing the "Fundamentals of Co-operation." He expects to study the horticultural advantages of that

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