"ANY OLD LAND" IS ORDER GIVEN AGENT

Government Produces Many Letters Showing Dealings of Conway and Richet.

INDORSEMENT IS ASSERTED

Declaration That Deeds to Veason Property Were in Hands of Lumbermen's National Bank Declared False by Official.

"Your proposition appeals to me as about the only way a poor man can get

States District Court yesterday in the case against J. T. Conway and Frank Richet, charged with fraudulent use of the mails, is typical of the expression of the land-hunger which is a dominant note in nearly all replies to Conway and Richet in reply to their advertise ments offering fruit land in Oregon.

As the letters were read, together with carbon copy replies thereto, both the letters and the replies were identified by Miss Ella O'Gara, at one time stenographer for the Oregon Inland Development Company, and by Mrs. Fannie Dean, who succeeded her in

It was brought out that the company had secured from the O.-W. R. & N. Company a list of 2200 names of people living in all parts of the West who had made inquiries about lands in Oregon at the Chicago Land Show in 1910, and that the literature of the company had been mailed to these people.

Railway Indorsement Asserted. "We have the co-operation of Wil-Ham McMurray, of the O.-W. R. & N." said Conway in a letter written in Feb-ruary, 1911, to I. J. Fansler, agent for the Oregon Short Line at Dayton, Idaho. "He has furnished us with the

names of 2200 persons after investi-gating our proposition.

In a friendly letter written to J. R.

Speck, of Los Angeles, when the company was informing other correspond-ents that it had sold in the neighbor-hood of 1000 contracts. Conway said that they had sold about 450 contracts. "You understand," he added, "that we

The operations of the company were based originally on the Veason lands, comprising 35,000 acres in Oregon, but after contracts to the amount of \$56,025 had been sold on them, the company took steps to secure other land for exploitation.

Lands in Union, Baker and Wallowa countles were secured under contract through C. R. Hibbard, A letter written to Hibbard asked:
"Could you pick up a piece of 640 or
\$20 acres of any old land? We do not
care where it is located, but it must be

According to District Attorney Reams, the company advertised that deeds to SCHOOL FUMIGATION the Lumbermen's National Bank of

"The Veason deeds were never at any time subject to our order," declared Graham Dukehart, assistant cashler of the bank, who was a witness yesterday. "We positively refused to handle them, as the matter was not one for a National bank, but for a trust company to handle."

Forest rangers who inspected lands advertised by the company told of finding that some of the sections took in mountain peaks, high, dry plateaus, and other inaccessible and worthless terri-

STOLEN GOODS FOR SALE

Unclaimed Articles at Police Station to Be Auctioned Today.

blankets, jewelry and almost every description. Suitcases. suitcases, blankets, jewelry and trinkets of almost every description, which have collected at the police sta-tion during the last ten years, are to be sold at public auction this after-noon at 2 o'clock at the station, Fifth and Everett streets. The sale will be the final cleanup of junk and traps be-fore the police move to the new build-ing at Second and Oak streets. In the stuff to be sold are hundreds of lost articles, goods recovered from

criminals and never claimed and things left at the station years ago for safe keeping. The city expects to realize enough from the sale almost to pay the cost of moving from the old home to the new.

Good Things in **Portland Markets**

WHATEVER talk there may be of hard times, the grocery and pro- is hard times, the grocery and pro-is a constant demand for an increase vision stores all gave thanks for in the number of the rural routes. first-rate business the past week. Without exception, each one reported "first-

out exception, each one reported "first-class Thanksgiving trade."

Owing to very stormy weather on the Oregon and Washington coasts, fish of all kinds is Hable to impending ecarcity. Chinook salmon is now 20 cents a pound; the silverside and steelhead varieties are two pounds for 25 cents; rock cod, 15 cents a pound; hall-but, 12½ cents; fresh herring, from Puget Sound, and flounders are each 10 cents a pound. The first Columbia River smelt of the season is on the market this week at \$1 a pound; Callfornia shad is 20 cents a pound and very searce; black and tomcod are each two pounds for a quarter; crabs, 15 and 20 cents, and lobster, 35 cents each; ahrlmps, 20 cents a dozen; Eastern oysters, 45 cents a pint. Two holiday treats came from the Atlantic Coast. One is scallops, a shellfish, which cost (unshelled) 75 cents a pint, and "tongues in sounds," at 25 cents a pound. The last-named, derived from cod fish, is said to be a dainty portion of the neck, but if any Eastern house-keeper or epicure has another or more of the neck, but if any Eastern house-keeper or epicure has another or more keeper or epicure has another or more correct name for it their statement will cial.)—Henry B. Fay, a young farmer receive best attention and be esteemed living near Adna, has brought suit

quoted 25 cents a pound. Chinese pheas-China in cold storage and still command

\$1.50 each. From the continued wet weather, the

From the continued wet weather, the supply of poultry is expected to fall off in consequence of the heavy roads.

The best creamery butter is now 90 cents a roll and fresh ranch eggs from 55 to 60 cents a dozen.

In the meat market steak retails from 20 to 30 cents a pound; boiling meat from 12 to 15 cents, and mutton roasts from 15 to 20 cents a pound. Smoked ham shanks are 12½ cents and smoked ham 20 cents a pound. Hares, from Eastern Oregon, can be had at 25 cents each. ents each.

The supply of fruits about this season of the year gets gradually down to "staples." Lemons are 35 to 50 cents a dozen; sweet navel oranges can be had at 35 cents, but oranges average gen-erally from 40 to 75 cents a dozen Florida grape fruit, 19 to 25 cents each bananas, 20 to 25 cents a dozen; plne-apples, 15 to 20 cents each; persim-mons, 40 cents a dozen; casabas, 4 cents a pound; ground cherries, 20 cents a pound (getting scarce), Eastern cran-berries, 15 cents a pound; ripe Cali-fornia olives from 25 to 35 cents a pint mported Spanish queen olives, 30 cents a pint. The most of the fresh grapes on display appear to be of the Corni-chen variety and are offered from 10 cents a pound to two pounds for a quarter. Apples, in boxes and in bulk, continue to glorify the storess The various choice varieties sell from \$2.50 to \$3.50 a box and by the dozen from 2 to 50 cents. Good pears retail about the same as apples.

This sentence, occurring in one of the 190 letters rend by District Attorney Reames to the jury in United States District Court yesterday in the 25 cents, and tomatoes, 10 to 15 cents as pound; good cauliflower, 10 to 15 cents a pound; good cauliflower, 10 to 15 cents each; celery, 5 cents a bunch; green peppers (getting scarce) and egg plant are each 15 cents a pound. Oregongrown mushrooms, 30 cents a pound. A wholesome supply of curly green kale refreshes the eye at almost every vegetable stand and helps to set off the color of currets and jurnips and all color of carrots and turnips and all the other old-time reliables, which are looking their best.

The various delicatessen tables well repay a careful survey. New Oregon sage comb honey, in neat little frames, at 20 cents each; peanut butter, in bulk, 25 cents a pound; imported Italian mushrooms at \$1.75, and Roman cheese, 60 cents a pound, side by side with genuine Swiss goats' milk cheese at 40 cents a pound, and healthful and inviting. and much else-all

BRIDGE FEAST ARRANGED

VANCOUVER AND PORTLAND WILL UNITE IN CELEBRATION.

Forward to Beginning of Work on Interstate Span.

that they had sold about 450 contracts.

"You understand," he added, "that we are not peddling this information around."

At this time, the prosecution asserts, the company was urging haste on the part of possible buyers, as they were "working around the 1000 mark," which was urged by Conway in another letter as "a nice argument to put up to prospective buyers."

The Government charges that at the outset the company began selling with contract No. 501, to deceive purchasers.

New Land Sought.

The operations of the company were of musical selections.

of musical selections.

It is possible that the money for the Clarke County issue of bonds will come from the state school fund, as there is more than \$1,000,000 in that fund and it is legal to buy county bonds with it. Vancouver is looking forward with creat eagerness to the day when work | 113 will begin on the interstate bridge and business prospects in Vancouver and Clarke County were never brighter

than at the present time.

That the banquet will be largely attended is already assured by the immense advance sale of tickets.

Clackamas County Superintendent to Order Work Once a Month.

OREGON CITY, Or., Nov. 28.—(Special.)—J. E. Calavan, County Superintendent, will issue instructions within the next few days to all of the boards of directors of the country school districts to see that their buildings are properly fumigated once a month.

Dr. J. A. Van Brakle, County Health Officer, believes that he can cut down scarlet fever and other epidemics that have had their run through the country. scariet rever and other epidemics that have had their run through the country districts of the county if the schools use the proper precautions. He thinks that a monthly fumigation in all of the districts will decrease the cases 50 per cent. He has submitted the matter to the County Superintendent.

The decision to co-operate with the health officer in the matter was made this afternoon.

INCORPORATION IS TALKED Citizens of Banks Discuss Charter

Following Advent of Mill.

BANKS, Or., Nov. 28.—(Special.)— Since the assured advent of the big sawmill here the townspeople are talking freely of giving an additional impetus to the movement to incorporate banks. The mill project un-

Curry School Work Planned.

receive best attention and be esteemed a favor. Smoked halibut and black cod are each 25 cents and salmon 20 dents a pound; kippered herrings, six for a quarter, or 5 cents each.

Though the sale of turkeys was very heavy there are still good birds being brought in, the best grade retailing at 20 cents a pound; hens are mostly 25 cents and Spring chickens 25 to 30 cents a pound; fat geese and ducks are each

OFFICIAL BALLOT FOR PRECINCT NO. CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON, AT THE SPECIAL CITY ELECTION TO BE HELD DECEMBER, 9, 1913

Mark Cross (X) Between the Number and Answer Voted For.

CHARTER AMENDMENT SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS BY THE COUNCIL.

An act to amend the City Charter of Portland by adding thereto two sections defining the word improvement, providing for the issuance of bonds and payment as the work progresses of a portlon of the cost of improvements, authorizing the assessment of the cost of any improvement upon property specially benefited thereby, permitting property owners to bond and pay in twenty semi-annual installments any assessment amounting to five dollars or over, providing for interest, for penalty on delinquent assessments, and repealing Charter Section 425.

Shall the Charter be so amended! NO.

CHARTER AMENDMENT SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS BY THE COUNCIL

An Act to amend Section 128 of the City Charter of Portland so as to except the City Engineer and the Superintendent of Parks from the provisions requiring all municipal officers to be registered voters of the City,

102 Shall Section 128 of the Charter be so amended? 103 No.

CHARTER AMENDMENT SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS BY THE COUNCIL.

An Act to amend the Charter of the City of Portland so as to provide that officers appointed by the Council, instead of all appointed officers, shall serve during the pleasure of the Council, and to provide further that the City Engineer and Superintendent of Parks shall be exempt from the provision which requires that such officers shall, at the time of their appointment, be citizens of the United States, residents and qualified voters of the City of Portland.

104 YES. Shall the Charter be so amended? 105 NO.

CHARTER AMENDMENT SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS BY THE COUNCIL.

An Act to amend Section 3 of the City Charter so as to provide that the City of Portland shall be invested within its limits with authority to perform all public and private services, and with all governmental powers subject to the limitations prescribed by the Constitution and criminal laws of the State, and to acquire, by purchase or otherwise, property without its limits.

Shall Section 3 as amended, of the 1903 Charter of the City of Portland, be NO.

CHARTER AMENDMENT SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS BY THE COUNCIL.

An Act to amend Section 317 of the City Charter so as to provide that civil service employes who have been removed because the office or employment has been abolished or the number of employes reduced shall have preference for reappointment according to their efficiency, instead of in the order of their discharge, as at present provided.

Shall Section 317 of the Charter of the City of Portland be amended? NO.

CHARTER AMENDMENT SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS BY THE COUNCIL.

An Act to amend the City Charter of Portland by adding thereto two sections providing for a Municipal Court, defining the jurisdiction and powers thereof, and providing for appeals therefrom in certain cases and a writ of review in other cases.

110 Shall the Charter be so amended? 111 NO.

CHARTER AMENDMENT SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS BY THE COUNCIL.

An Act to amend that portion of the Charter of Portland which requires at least one week to elapse between the introduction and final passage of any ordinance, and that no ordinance shall be amended within one week of its final passage except in case of emergency ordinances, so as to provide that six days instead of one week shall elapse between the introduction and final passage of any ordinance, and that no ordinance shall be amended within six days of its final passage, except an emergency ordinance

Shall the Charter be amended in the above respect? NO.

CHARTER AMENDMENT SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS BY THE COUNCIL.

An Act to amend that portion of the City Charter of Portland which authorizes the Council to issue and sell public utility certificates for the construction or acquisition of any public utility to be operated by the City so as to authorize such certificates to be issued and sold also for the recon-struction, addition, enlargement or extension of any such utility, or any portion thereof, including such property as may be convenient or essential therefor; provided that property without the City shall be acquired only for a municipal purpose

YES. Shall the Charter be so amended?

CHARTER AMENDMENT SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS BY THE COUNCIL.

An Act to amend Section 306 of the City Charter of Portland so as to exclude the Superintendent of Parks and the Secretary of each Commissioner from the civil service provisions of the Charter.

Shall Section 306 of the Charter of the City of Portland be amended? 117 NO.

CHARTER AMENDMENT SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS BY THE COUNCIL.

An Act to amend the City Charter of Portland so as to provide that the Council, in the transaction of legislative business shall act only by ordinance, and on all other matters the Council may act by ordinance, resolution or motion, instead of requiring that the Council, in the transaction of legislative and judicial business shall act only by ordinance.

Shall the Charter be so amended? 119 No.

CHARTER AMENDMENT SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS BY THE COUNCIL.

An Act to amend the Charter of the City of Portland by adding thereto a section giving the Council authority to reject any and all bids for bonds or public utility certificates, and to place not more than one-half of such bonds or certificates with the Treasurer for sale in such quantity as purchasers may desire at a price not less than the price theretofore fixed by the Council.

Shall the Charter of the City of Portland be so amended? 121 NO.

CHARTER AMENDMENT SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS BY THE COUNCIL.

An Act to amend the Charter of the City of Portland by adding thereto a new section providing for the issuance and sale of bonds not exceeding fifty thousand dollars to provide a fund for the construction, equipment and maintenance of a Municipal Paving and Street Improvement Repair Plant.

122 YES. Shall the Charter of the City of Portland be so amended? 123 No.

CHARTER AMENDMENT SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS BY THE COUNCIL.

An Act to amend the Charter of the City of Portland by adding thereto a new section providing for the issuance and sale of bonds not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars to provide a fund for the establishment and maintenance of a public market or markets in the City of Portland.

Shall the Charter of the City of Portland be so amended? 125 NO.

CHARTER AMENDMENT SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS BY THE COUNCIL.

An Act to amend the Charter by adding thereto a new section authorizing the issuance and sale of bonds in an amount not exceeding two hundred thousand dollars to provide a fund for the improvement of existing parks and playgrounds and for the improvement of existing boulevards and parkways, and reserving to the Council the right to assess property specially benefited by the improvement of property for park purposes.

126 Shall the Charter of the City of Portland be so amended? 127 NO.

CHARTER AMENDMENT SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS BY THE COUNCIL.

An Act amending an Act adopted June 2, 1913, which amended Section 176 of the Charter of the City of Portland, by amending subdivision nine thereof fixing the amount to be withheld from the salary of members for the Firemen's Relief and Pension Fund, and by adding a new subdivision authorizing the granting of a pension to W. H. Whitcomb and C. D. Shane, firemen disabled in the service before said act was adopted, but are barred from receiving pensions because said act recognizes only disabilitles subsequent to its adoption.

Shall said Act be so amended? 129 NO.

EMPLOYMENT SWINDLER HIRED TWO AS GOVERNOR'S AGENTS.

Newsboy, Confined in Wheel Chair, Tells of Giving Raymond \$3.75 on Promine of Job as "Purifier."

Two cripples, one confined to a wheel chair, were enlisted in the army of Governor West's special agents by Wheaton Raymond, the confessed em-ployment swindler, according to fur-such time as a population of 25,000 is ther complaint made yesterday against reached.

corporate banks. The mill project undoubtedly will attract hundreds of new residents, independent of the 100 to 200 employes which the North Pacific Fir & Lumber Company will employ.
Property owners agree that there are four great needs—good streets and sidewalks, water and light power, police protection and hotel and restaurant service.

The Postoffice is on the verge of reaching the presidential class. There is a constant demand for an increase

fered a fracture of the hip and walks with the aid of a cane, was approached by a man whom he identifies as Ray-mond. The plausible stranger said that he was the "boss" of the special agents of Governor West and wished to hire half a dozen or so other spe-cial agents. He declared that he needed

BEND'S SEWER IS FINISHED City Accomplishes Task, Costing

BEND, Or., Nov. 28 .- (Special.)-Bend's sanitary sewer system, bullt at a cost of about \$77,000, is completed. In a few days the City Council is expected to examine the system and accept it from the engineer, after which the town will be officially as well as

\$77,000, in Record Time.

Raymond, Raymond pleaded guilty in Municipal Court and was sentenced to a year in the County Jail.

Raymond, it is alleged, posed as one of Governor West's "purifiers." To aid in the Governor's "purifiers." To aid in the Governor's "purifiers." To aid in the Governor's "purifiers and in the Governor's "purifier at in the City Council took hold and special agents and borrowed money from them on the strength of their employment. engineer in charge. The cost of this initial unit was partly met by a \$69,000 bond issue, the balance being raised by assessment against directly benefited property. The work was commenced February 2', 1912. The Council sewer committee, in direct charge, includes Mayor Putnam and Councilment H. E. Allen and H. A. Muller, and H. E. Allen and H. A. Muller, and H. E. Allen and H. E. men H. E. Allen and H. A. Miller.

County Schools Fly Flags.

OREGON CITY, Or., Nov. 28.—(Special.)—Unless the school districts of the county place American flags over

FUNDS FOR PATRIOTISM Oregon City Supervisor Would Have

about \$9 transportation to take them the county place American flags over to Salem for the Governor's inspection, their buildings and take better and and this Kinsman says, he gave him more effective steps to instill in the Kinsman went to the Oregon Electric pupils the proper amount of patriotism

Do You Feel Chilly Feverish and Ache all Over

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The Common Sense Medical Adviser-a book of 1008 pages—answers all medical questions. Send 31c in one-cent stamps to R. V. Pierce, M. D.

depot to meet the "boss, but did not for their country and their state, School find him there. Supervisor Vedder is in favor of cut-

He believes that the districts should Superintendent should take measures take more steps to emphasize the ne- to bring them into line in the matter. ting down the appropriations that are cessity for a proper amount of patriot- He says there are several county dismade out of the county and state funds ism in every pupil at the schools. Untricts without even an American flag for their support.



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