Financial Deal Denied on Floor of Conference and Bishop Oils Waters.

SECRETARY ADMITS TALK

Oregon City Minister Presents Testimonial From Mr. Motor, in Which Son Held Debter for \$9000-Election Today.

ROSEBURG, Or., Sept. 23 .- (Spe. Mal.)—"I have been involved in charges which are meant to show questionable linancial dealings, and which, if foundfinancial dealings, and which, if found-ed, would result in serious injury to my reputation." Dr. T. B. Ford, of Oregon City, declared this morning, as he faced several hundred ministerial delegates in attendance at the annual conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Supreme shence followed. Dr. Ford continued: "I declare to the open con-ference and before God that these charges are false and I know too well my service to the church to implicate

charges are false and I know too well my service to the church to implicate myself in such affairs."

Although admitting openly that his son, O. F. Ford, of Fortland, had be-come obligated to Robert C. Motor, a member of the Columbia conference, in the sum of \$9000, Dr. Ford said he was not involved to the extent of a cent. Secretary Compares Statement. Here Dr. Rarick, the secretary of the

conference, then confessed to having made statements regarding Dr. Ford's reputed troubles. He contended that his statements were justified by a let-ter he had received from Mr. Motor. Although intimating that this letter contained authority for his remarks, Dr. Rarick refused to make its con-tents known either in open conference or at a private meeting of leading churchmen that followed.

It was said here tonight that other ersons in attendance at the conference have copies of the letter in possession of Dr. Rarick and that it contains noth-ing detrimental to Dr. Ford. Bishop Calms Debate.

"Let us have peace and quiet-ness," interposed Bishop Cook at this stage of the proceedings. Various suggestions were then made for final determination of the matter, the bishop pointing out three ways of hearing

Hope, idano, Aug. 18.—To whom it has been circulated that the Rev. T. B. Ford had borrowed of me \$9000 and had failed to pay it, I wish to state that such is wholly untrue. It was his son. O. F. Ford, to whom I loaned the money, the doctor assuming no responsibility whatever in the metter. whatever in the matter. Character Testimony Given.

"I would say also that I have been acquainted with Dr. Ford since February, 1873, at which time I was licensed nounced and Origin Is One of Nature's Secrets.

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ALEM, Or., Sept. 23.—(Special.)—By one of nature's curious "accidents," a green petunia has been evolved at the work of the ministry so that in my home, in his home, in camp and in Journeying on horseback, by coach and rail. I never heard him say or do anything inconsistent with the most gentlemanly character, and as presiding elder, or pastor, ever to mistreat or injure any person.

"I gladly give this testimony to the good character of Dr. Ford, and hold it a privilege to have had the favor of his acquaintance and friendship.

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"ROBERT C. MOTOR," Rev. E. C. Cline and Dr. Clarence True will and the plant in order to grow a full bed of this peculiar flower next year, hundred in regarding the purported the state of the sunday school missionary of the Oregon conference, M. B. Paraunagh, has continued his work during the past year in his usual optimistic way.

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harmony. Dr. Cline confessed to his blunder in repeating the purported transaction after hearing about it. Bishop's Relative Dies. Dr. James Moore, of the Salem district, reported that 30 new buildings had been erected under his supervision the past year, including eight parsonages and 11 new churches. He said the property had increased \$100,000 in value, and 1500 members had been added to the church. At this afternoon's session Bishop Cooke received a telegram approuncing the death of his

telegram announcing the death of his sixter-in-law, Miss Lizzie Fisher. The feature of tonight's session of the conference was the address by Dr. Clarence True Wilson.

Delegates to the general conference at Saratoga will be elected tomorrow.

MILL AT LEBANON BURNS

LOSS ESTIMATED AT \$80,000; INSUR-

ANCE IS \$40,000.

Entire Lumber Works, Except Office and Barn, Destroyed, With Electrie Light Plant.

LEBANON, Or., Sept. 23.—(Special.)—
The sawmill of the Lebanon Lumber Company was destroyed Tuesday night by fire, which started in the rear of the mill near the "cyclone" in sawdust.
The only property saved was the team barns and mill office, which are disconnected from the mill proper.
The fire also destroyed the mill light which the city of robbing a store in Oregon of two revolvers and \$50 in money; of a \$280 theft in San Francisco, and, finally, the Kelso robbery, for which his father was cial.)—Frank Ross, convicted of the sault in connection with the now no sault in connection with the now no

The fire also destroyed the mill light and power plant, for which the city recently granted a franchise to provide light for Lebanon. Nearly 200,000 feet of lumber and two loaded cars burned. These cars were owned by the Southern Pacific.

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The loss is estimated at \$80,000, with insurance on the mill lumber and light plant of about \$40,000.

P. M. Scroggin, of this city, was president and principal owner of the mill and he is undecided as to whether the company will rebuild.

The mill is located just outside the city limits on the banks of the South Santlam and considerable distance from the nearest hydrant of the city water system, but a line of hose was run from the city and the local firemen, with the mill firemen, fought valiantly all night before the fire was under control.

COLLEGE TO TEACH UNION

Request of Engineers.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvállis, Sept. 23.— (Special.)—Arrangements were completed today by the college extension office for a course of lectures and demonstrations in engineering subjects to be given in Portland this Winter.

The work is offerêd at the special request of William McKenzie, secretary of the International Union of

FAIR GIVES WAY FOR MILL

Kendall Brothers to Get Land for Quarter of Admitted Value.

ROSEBURG, Or., Sept. 23.—(Special.)

At a meeting of the stockholders beld here last night a resolution was adopted by a vote of 2291 to 337 forcing the sale of the fair grounds to Kendall

The valuation placed on the land by the stockholders was \$3500, although it is admitted to be worth four times The formal transfer of the property will not be made until Kendall Bros. complete the erection of the mill according to their agreement with the

\$25,000 ASKED FOR DEATH Administrator of Columbia County Laborer's Estate Sues at Astoria.

ASTORIA, Or., Sept. 23.—(Special.)— To recover \$25,000 damages for the death of the late Giovanna Riva, a suit

ALBANY METHODISTS WANT DELEGATE TO SARATOGA.



A. M. Hammer.

ALBANY, Or., Sept. 23.—(Special.)—Members of the First Methodist Church of Albany, are urging the election of A. M. Hammer, of this city, as one of Oregon's lay delegates to the General Conference of the Methodist Church at Saratoga, N. Y. The Oregon delegates will be chosen next Friday during the Oregon Conference at Roseburg.

The Albany church has had no The Albany church has had no The Albany church has had no representation at a General Conference for a great many years.

Mr. Hammer has been identified actively with the First Methodist Church of this city for 27 years and has filled practically every official position in the church.

pointing out three ways of hearing each side of the controversy.

One was to appoint a select committee to make an investigation, another to appoint a commission, while the third was to debate in executive session. Bishop Ceoke urged that there be as little disturbance as possible and the matter was dropped.

As the suggestions for disposing of the controversy were being discussed the following letter written by Robert Motor, and addressed to Dr. Ford was read in open conference:

"Hope, Idaho, Aug. 16.—To Whom It May Concern—Having learned that it has been circulated that the Rev T B.

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In the circuit County by S. C. Morton, administrator of the decedent's estate, against the Hammond Lumber Company.

Riva was killed at the defendant company's logging camp in Columbia County in September, 1913. The man was employed as a swamper, the compaint says, and a gang of men was engaged in clearing the right of way for a railroad, work that necessitated the blowing out of a number of stumps. Ten stumps were charged and fired, but one of them hung fire, and when Riva was only a few feet away it was blown to pieces. Riva was thrown

Flower at State Fair.

New Variety Springs Up Unan-nounced and Origin Is One of Nature's Secrets.

bed of this peculiar flower next year. In the riot of purple, red, pink, white and other shades of petunias on the grounds, the green petunia is almost lost, but close investigation will show the observer the blooms scattered among their more brilliant neighbors.

How the green petunia originated is limited to the Mothodists of Porting the control of the Mothodis the observer the blooms scattered among their more brilliant neighbors. How the green petunia originated is yet one of nature's secrets, but Profesyet one of nature's secrets, but Professor Peck says that it may have sprung either from seedling stock or, as he is more inclined to believe, be a bud variation from the Pride of Portland or work of the commission on evangelism and Irvington Beauty. These two varieties ation from the Pride of Portland or Irvington Beauty. These two varieties were planted in the beds early this sea-

It is Professor Peck's plan to offer a prize next year to the person suggest-ing the most appropriate name for the new-colored flower. "The Oregon State Fair Petunia" is one name which has been proposed.

YOUTH ADMITS PERJURY

Centralia Man Says He Testified Against Parent; Guilty Himself.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Sept. 23.—(Special.)—Either Wesley Ferguson, who was arrested here by the Cowlitz County Sheriff on a charge of robbery, following a confession in a letter to the Sheriff, in which he said he testified falsely against his father in an effort to "railroad" him to fail for an offense he himself committed, is gifted with a feverish imagination, or has such criminal tendencies that a reformatory sen-

COLLEGE TO TEACH UNION

The work is offered at the special request of William McKenzie, secretary of the International Union of Steam and Operating Engineers. It is a continuation of the work offered under the auspices of this organization

last Winter.

Director Hetzel has under consideration several other extension courses in engineering and agriculture to be given in Portland this year.

in Portland District.

PERSONNEL CHANGE NOTED

Formation of New Appointment I Announced and Showing Made by Church Affiliations During Year Is Praised.

ROSEBURG, Or., Sept. 23 .- (Special.) —In making the annual report on the Portland district to the Oregon annual conference of the Methodist Episcopai Church in session here, J. W. McDougal, presiding elder of the district, said in

part:

In making this, my fifth annual report to the Oregon conference, I desire first of all to express my gratitude to Almighty God for his continued presence and for the many manifestations of his favor during the year.

The personnel of the district has changed considerably since the last conference.

D. T. Summerville, on account of failing health, and especially the loss of hearing, found it impossible to continue his work at Houlton. He will ask for a retired relation at this conference.

This charge was supplied by local preachers from time to time and

Pastor Called Home By Illness. on January 25, 1915, W. F. Powell, on re-pt of a message announcing the serious less of his father, in Ohio, left for his mer home. He has been unable to renrn. P. E. Willings, paster of Laurelrood, was transferred to Woodsfield, Ohio.
L. R. Carlos was transferred to Laurelwood
rom the said church. Laurelwood Church,
nder the leadership of Brother Willings,
rected a parsonaga which is one of the best
in the district. The total cost is about
1890.

preacher in charge. Brother Snyder has ingratiated himself in the hearts of the people and has done well in this, a most difficult field.

in the district. The total cost is about \$\frac{5}{1800}\$.

M. C. Reed, a losal preacher, who for the past two years has supplied Lincoln Church, in Portland, very acceptably, moved to Ashland and has since served a charge in the southern district.

G. G. Haley has supplied the remaining part of the year acceptably.

C. T. McPherson closed his work at Clatskanine, July 1, 1915, and is now writing life insurance for the Penn Mutual.

S. D. Johnson, a son of a prominent Methodist preacher in upper Iowa conference, has served this church to the satisfaction of all concerned during the remaining part of the year. Prior to his appointment to Clatskanie he was elected a teacher in the high school.

New Appointment Is Formed The beginning of the year a change was nade in the boundaries of the Westmoreland harge, Carson Heights was taken from this charge and together With Multnoman, ormed a new appointment. T. W. Atkin-on has had charge during the year. A very least hungalow style church was completed son has had charge during the year. A very neat bungalow style church was completed and dedicated November 22, 1914, at Carson Heights. The total cost, together with the lot, is about \$1000.

The Portland district has within its bounds some institutions of Methodism which are worthy of the most hearty support of all our people. I refer first of all to the Portland industrial center under the auspices of the Women's Home Missionary Society. This institution is located at the corner of First and Caruthers streets. It is superintended by Phillip Dechner, assisted by his wife.

One year ago we reported the turning of the sod as a signal of a building adequate to the needs of the Deaconess Assocciation would soon be a reality. A splendid 13-room house has been constructed at a cost of \$7500. It is well appointed and adequate to needs.

Field Is Found Fruitful.

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Evangelistic Work Emphasized,

the same.
I think the reports will show a larger inwase of membership on the district that
have had during the present superinndency. we have had during the present superintendency.

The benevolences of the district have been carefully and conscientiously presented by the pastors. Collections have been taken and I doubt not but the statistics will show that we have not only held our own over the past year, but in many cases substantial gains have been made.

G. H. Hopkins, secretary of the conference claimants permanent fund of the Oregon conference, has been pushing work vigorously despite serious handicaps.

The retired preachers on the district are few in number, but are of good works. Brothers Kerr, Cline and Sleeth continue to be in demand for preaching services or conducting of funerals and the performing of marriages.

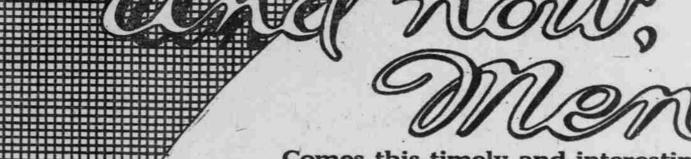
SURRENDER IS PROMISED

cial.)—Frank Ross, convicted of as-sault in connection with the now no-torious North River night rider troubles, will appear in South Bend Sunday and give himself up to justice ready to serve his jail sentence. His brother Earl is serving a jail term there now

WALLOWA, Or., Sept. 23 .- (Special.) -At the annual conference of the Methodist Churches held at Boise, Ida-ho, Rev. L. A. Cook was reappointed to Wallowa for the coming year. Mr. Cook has been in Wallowa for the past year and his reappointment meets with the unanimous approval of his congregation.

Benton County Wins at Fair.

KENNEWICK. Wash., Sept. 23 .-(Special.)—Benton County for the sec-ond time in two years has won the first prize for best display of farm products at the state fair at North Yakima, according to word just re-ceived from J. F. Perry, who has had charge of the exhibit.



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ment funds. Arrangements have been made to erect the administration build-ings early next year, equip them and be prepared to open the institution. Pastors were appointed for the va-rious districts in the conference as,

follows: follows:

Boise District—J. D. Gillilan, district superintendent: Apple Valley, O. F. Merril;
Boise First Church, W. M. Martin; Boise
Whitney, J. H. Ross; Boise Collister, W. W.
Van Dusen; Eagle, N. E. Hershey; Emmett,
C. A. Quinn; Frutiland, C. L. Walker; Kuna,
C. D. Day; Meridian, R. G. Williams; Mountain Home, J. Pandall; Nampa, J. E. Baker;
Payette, W. G. Barnes; Weiser, W. J. Luscombe; Boise immanuel, Cambridge, Councombe; Boise immanuel, Cambridge, Council, Fruitvale, Gienns Ferry, Hagerman and Bliss, Homedale, Idaho City, Jordan Valley, Middleton, Ola, Payette circuit, Pleasant Ridge circuit, Roseberry, Sweet, Thunder and Wilder pastorates are to be supplied later; S. J. Chaney, president Gooding College; R. D. Osterhout, secretary Montana Sunday School Union: Samuel Allison, missionary in Utah; E. E. Work, Missionary in Utah; J. W. Flesher, conference evangelist; M. L. Buflock, unassigned.

Pocatello District—Henry W. Parker, district superintendent; Aberdeen, Charles D. Fletcher; Albion, H. K. Wallace; American Falls, J. W. Miller; Ashton, I. V. Maxey; Baker circuit, Floyd Hardin; Blackfoot, R. L. Barnstable; Buhl, A. W. James; Burley, F. E. Finley; Castleford circuit, J. F. McAbee; Dietrich, Nelson A. Pierce; Downey, Mark White; Filer, E. E. Crabtree; Gooding, A. L. Howarth; Halley, I. L. Bugman; Hill City circuit, W. M. Calfee; Idaho Falls, F. L. Wemett; Kimberly and Hansen, S. E. Yeggy; Mackay, Thomas Johns; Montpeller, C. F. Wheeler; Murtaugh circuit, G. P. Pemberton; Paul and Heyburn, W. M. Vimont; Pocatello, H. S. Hamilton; Richfield, James Leitch; Rupert, C. E. Deal; Salmon, John L. Clow; St. Anthony, J. T. Prose; Shelley, L. T. Prose; Bloshone, B. H. Lewis; Soldier, R. H. Goodpasture; Twin mbe; Boise Immanuel, Cambridge, C Fruitvale, Glenns Ferry, Hagerman

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Earl is serving a jail term there now on the same charge.

Mrs. Margaret M. Ross, mother of the two boys, made the statement of her son's intention to give himself up to the authorities.

Wallowa Minister Reappointed.

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Wendell, Leadore and Raft River circuit.

LaGrande District—W. A. Winters, district superintendent; Alicel, H. J. Richards; Baker C. E. Helmon; Canyon City and John Day, G. R. Archer; Cove, A. L. Cathers; Elgin, M. L. Womack; Flora and Paradise, W. L. Wickline; Halnes, W. T. Beatty; Huntington, Israel Putnam; Imbler, M. L. Womack; Island City, W. D. Sitter; Joseph, F. R. Shley; LaGrande, C. A. Edwards; Nyssa, T. P. Graham; Owyhee, L. Flemming; Ontario, C. C. Pratt; Prairie City, C. E. Trueblood: Power circuit, Henry Young; Summerville, A. P. Zedaker; Sumpter, R. C. Lee; Union, N. E. Cullisen; Vale, H. I. Hansen; Wallowa, L. C. Coo. To be supplied, Arcadia, Creston, Enterprise, Harper, Long Creek, North Powder, McEwen, Panhandle, Sparta, Troy. District missionary, E. Deacon.

Lyle Hunter Arrested, Jailed. GOLDENDALE, Wash., Sept. 23,-Special.)-Howard Dillabough, son of (Special.)—Howard Dillabough, son of D. C. Dillabough, a Lyle hotelman, was arrested near Lyle by Marion Splawn. deputy game warden, charged with killing Chinese pheasants, which are absolutely protected by law in Klickitat County. Dillabough was taken before S. I. Stratton, Justice of the Peace

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