Peery, of Dayton; legislative committee

BEND'S MAYOR-ELECT TURNS TABLES ON RIVAL.

S. C. Caldwell.

—S. C. Caldwell, who defeated Mayor J. A. Eastes, a candidate for re-election, yesterday, re-versed the result of a year ago, when Mr. Eastes defeated Mr. Bert for Councilman, subsequent-ly graduating to the higher of-fice. Mayor-elect Caldwell is a member of the present City Coun-cil.

LEGITIMATE WATERWAYS HURT

BY OTHERS, SAYS ENGINEER.

Bills Against Charges of "Pork."

Few Attend Congress.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—Brigadier-General William M. Black, chief of

Army Engineers, addressing the Na-

tional Rivers and Harbors Congress to-

gress is about ready to pass into his-

DRAINAGE TALKS PLANNED

Programme Is Arranged for Farm-

ers' Week at O. A. C.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE,

orvallis, Dec. 7.—(Special.)—Plans ooking toward the reclamation of yet land in Oregon will be considered

by the Oregon Drainage

BEND, Or., Dec. 7.—(Special.) S. C. Caldwell, who defeated

## HIGH PRICE CAUSE IS FOUND COMPLEX

Federal Officials Divide Blame Between Combines and Natural Conditions.

REASONS DEEPLY HIDDEN

International Balance of Trade and Amount of Currency in Circulation Have Effect, Though Little Understood.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7,-Information gathered from many sources by Govnment officials conducting the Nation-wide inquiry into the high cost of living polited with increasing directness tonight to the conclusion that the soaring prices of certain necessities of life were due, in part, at least, to the manipulations of speculators in food and other commodities who had combined to force quotations upward.

These combinations are believed by the Government investigators to have been criminal in character, rather spas-

modic and rather short-lived, Special attention is being given to al-leged price manipulation in the socalled "coal corner" which recently re-suited in sending prices to a panic level. Investigation of the high price of coal has already convinced some officials that there was no warrant what-ever for \$12 coal in Boston and New York other than the activity of these alleged combinations. Whether men who profited most can be punished un-der Federal laws is said to be still un-der consideration.

Inquiries Are Multiplied,

Every Federal agency with even a remote felation to the situation was called on today to play its part in the great machinery of investigation which the Government has put into operation. A mass of material has poured into the Attorney-General's office, most of which still is undigested, but all of which will be utilized where available. which will be utilized where available.
With the investigation in its infancy,
officials were unwilling to predict tonight where it might lead. The activi-

ties of certain men, however, are known to be under surveillance and no small part of the work assigned the 50-odd investigators in the field has been the checking of transactions during the past few months by these men. At the same time officials make clear their conviction that no small part of the rise in prices was due to natural economic causes. Many of these causes, it is pointed out, lay far beneath the surface, such conditions as the international balance of trade and the surface, respectively. amount of currency in circulation hav-ing a direct bearing on the situation, although not generally understood.

Coal Shipments Investigated. United States Attorney Anderson, of Boston, in charge of the inquiry, spent

Hoston, in charge of the inquiry, spent the day gathering data. He conferred with officials in the Departments of Justice, Agriculture, Commerce and Labor. He also had a long conference with Chairman Meyer, of the Interstate Commerce Commission, with reference to interstate shipments of coal. Mr.

other developments which Department of Justice officials are unwilling to discuss. Present activities of the Department's investigators are under-stood to center about Chicago. Trade boards, butter and egg exchanges, produce, sugar, coffee and other food ex-changes, it was authoritatively an-nounced, have not been investigated,

EGG PRICES ARE DEFENDED

Poultry Breeders Say Boycott Effect Will Be Limited.

The boycott on eggs at present being carried on by housewives of Chicago and other cities of the country is not considered seriously by poultry breed-ers now exhibiting at the annual Poul-try Show here. It is admitted that the boycott will probably cause a lowering in the price of eggs in certain markets, but it is not believed by the breeders that this will prove of any permanent

Breeders declare that in carrying forward the boycott the housewives are not striking at the fundamental cause of the high price of eggs, and as a consequence no permanent or country wide lowering in the price of eggs is expected to result from the boycott. This fundamental cause they declare to e the high price of feed, particularly

Wheat.
H. V. Marx, superintendent of the H. V. Marx superintendent of the Poultry Show and a breeder of White Wyandottes, declared yesterday that the margin of profit on a dozen eggs at 60 cents is not as high now as it was on eggs at the quotations prevailing two or three years ago. The cost of production, he said, was advancing at such a rate that the advance in the price of eggs had been necessitated. As a proper means of lowering the price of eggs Mr. Marx suggested the direct purchase of eggs by the consumer from the producer.

DEFENSE DENIES CHARGE OF DE-CEPTIVE ADVERTISING.

Prosecution Contends Cuff Links Advertised as Solid Gold Were

Really of Base Metal. Trial of the case against L Aronson

proprietor of Aronson's jewelry store, in a suspension of streetcar traffic, tharged with deceptive advertising, was while a motorman recovered the bit of begun yesterday afternoon before a jury in Municipal Court. Three hours were spent in hearing the testimony and cross-examiation of witnesses for the prosecution. The case will be resumed this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. Attorney F. H. Whitfield represented the Better Business Eureau of the Portford the windows to see the motorman lind Ad Club assisted by Penetre Cit. land Ad Club, assisted by Deputy City
Attorney Stadter, while Wallace McCamant appeared as attorney for the

Attorney McCamant, throughout the reached the sidewalk, attracting her Attorney McCamant, throughout the cross-examination of witnesses, sought to establish that the prosecution of Mr. Aronson was prompted by business jealousy. "We will show that the purpose of this prosecution has been to destroy the holiday trade of this defendant." declared Attorney McCamant.

L. L. Baum, secretary of the Better Business League, testified that the gold cuff links, advertised as "solid," and

on the quality of which the action arose, were purchased at his sugges-tion, in line with the campaign of the Portland Ad Club to enforce the relia-

Witnesses were called to testify as to the character of wares known as "solid gold" to the trade. On cross-examination, Felix Bloch, a feweler, said that the actual manufacture of solid gold articles for use was impracticable; that the secondary in all cases to employ

it was necessary in all cases to employ alloy for stiffening.

Ralph L. Graves, assayer, who had tested the cuff-links, testified that the face of the button was solid gold of eight carats fineness, while the remainder of the button was of alloy and baser metal containing a lesser per-

baser metal, containing a lesser per-centage of gold.

The content on of the defense is that the cuff-links fully complied with the trade standards and were entitled to display and sale as solid gold, holding

EX-PRESIDENT OF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE NAMED ON



H. Averill, president of the Averili Machinery Company, who has been named by Mayor Albes as the new member of the Commission of Public Docks, assumed membership in the Commission yesterday, succeeding Dan Kel-laher, retiring member. In view of the fact that Mr.

Averill was president of the Chamber of Commerce for two years, and was on the Board when the Commission of Public Docks act was enacted, and also in view of the fact that he was regarded as a man having a regarded as a man having a broad vision in respect to the development of the waterborns commerce of this port, he was urged by a large number as one of the highest type of men who could be selected.

in mind the fact that such articles

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY WILL DISCUSS PROBLEMS.

At Hood River Session Scarcity o Labor and Car Shortage Situation to Be Considered.

consideration than at any horticultur-ists' meeting of recent years.

Another problem that will come be-fore the convention of fruit growers is the impending shortage of fruit wrappers. Because of a failure to an-ticinate the humper production in all Chindgren, Herman Chindgren, Hubticipate the bumper production in all districts, fruitgrowers have obtained bard Stone, or Portland. Wrappers for this season's output with difficulty. It was pecessary for paper difficulty. It was necessary for paper lobbers to call on the surplus stock of

A partial formal programme will be those remaining.

Address of welcome, Mayor H. L. Response, R. C. Washburn, of Cen- mas County.

tral Point, president.

Annual address, President Washburn.

"Sprays and Spraying," LeRoy Childs, acting superintendent of the Hood River branch of the Oregon Experiment

Ten and Coffee Distributors Unite Station.

"Fertilizers and Results," Professor Brown, of the Oregon Agricultural Col-Address, Professor Magnus, Oregon

Agricultural College.
"Pruning and Its Relation to Fruit Spurs," Professor Gardiner, Oregon Ag-

Spurs," Professor Gardiner, Oregon Agricultural College.
"Orchard Inspection and Law Enforcement," H. C. Allen, of Medford.
"Blight Resistant Pears," Professor Tangent, Oregon Agricultural College,
"Marketing," Wilmer Sieg, sales manager of the Apple Growers' Association, of Hood River.
Address, E. H. Shepard, editor of Better Fruit, of Hood River.
"Building Up the Home Market for Fruit and Fruit Products," M. McDonald, president of the Oregon Nursery Company.

"Unwise Publicity." A. H. Harris, of

Portland. "Now Horticultural Legislation," A.
P. Batcham, of Mosler,
"Broccoll Growing," Dr. C. H. Bailey,

"Celery Growing and Marketing," C. M. Hollowell, of Milwaukie. "Vegetable Crops as a Phase of Hor-ticulture," Professor Boquet, of the Oregon Agricultural College.

GALLANT ACT STOPS CARS

Eugene Motorman Takes Time to

Eugene Motorman Takes Time to Rescue Woman's Kerchief.

EUGENE, Or., Dec. 7.—(Special.)—A woman's handkerchief, dropped on Willamette street in Eugene today resulted in a suspension of streetcar traffic, while a motorman recovered the bit of linen, which had blown onto the track, and returned it to the owner. The woman thanked him for his courtesy.

The car was midway between two from the windows to see the motorman

New Modern Home.

Electrical Arch of Welcome Spans Main Street-600 Are at Ceremony and Banquet-Other Towns Represented.

OREGON CITY, Or., Dec. 7 .- (Special.)-There were more than 600 persons witnessing the impressive dedication ceremonies of the new Oddfellows hall at Molalia last night. Oddfellows and Rebekahs from many sections of Clackamas County, with a delegation from Portland as well, attended. There were about 120 from Oregon City who made the trip over the Willamette Valley Southern Rallway.

Grant B. Dimick, president of the Willamette Valley Southern Rallway. Company, accompanied the excursionists, and took an active part in 'he programme. tion ceremonies of the new Oddfellows

Every store in Molalla was illuminated and an electric archway spanned Main street in welcome. The programme opened with selections by the Molalia orchestra, composed of O. K. Cole, Horace Robbins, Marion Toiliver, Miss Agnes Cooper, O. C. Purkapile, Raleigh Echerd and Hubbard Stere

At the conclusion of the second select tion the dedication ceremonies were conducted by H. F. Westbrook, of Portland, and grand master of Oregon.

State Officers Assist. He was assisted by Judge Thomas F. Ryan, of Salem, past grand chancellor and patriarch; Howard M. Eccles, of and patriarch; Howard M. Eccles, of Canby, who assisted in the place of the absent grand heraid of the east; William Heinz, of Aurora, grand heraid of the north; P. H. Tucker, of Aurora, grand heraid of the south; Lee Ecker-son, of Canby, grand heraid of the west; Fred Hendrickson, of Molalia, grand marshal; Elliott Daugherty, of Molalia, poble grand; Rev Mr. Snyder.

Molalia, noble grand; Rev. Mr. Snyder, of bolalia, grand chaplain.

The remainder of the evening was devoted to a musical and literary programme and this was followed by the banquet. The committee having charge of the programme was composed of of the programme was composed of Elmer Sawtell and Fred Hendrickson, while the banquet was arranged by Elmer Sawtell, Fred Hendrickson, H. A. Kayler, Mr. Martin and Charles

The Molalla orchestra followed the dedicatory, after which Mr. Nestbrook congratulated the members of the or-der at Molalia on their building. He spoke briefly of the work of the

Early Days Are Recalled.

S. S. Walker, of Oregon City, grand high priest of the state of Oregon, and A. H. Knight, of Canby, grand senior warden of th grand encampment, re-called early history of the Moialla

the greetings from the Aurora lodge and Judge Grant B. Dimick spoke high-ly of Molalia lodge, and was greatly impressed with the building just completed.

Judge Thomas F. Ryan, of Salem,
praised the efforts of the Molalia lodge.

to interstate shipments of coal. Mr. Anderson will remain in Washington a day or two later, and will visit Chicago, where a Federal grand jury is conducting an inquiry. He also hopes to visit if possible, Detroit, Cleveland, Kansas City, Minneapolis and perhaps other Middle Western cities with a view to gathering information.

The grand jury investigation at Chicago, it is expected, will be productive of valuable information, and possibly of valuable information, and possibly of recent years.

Among the offerlals of the Molalla lodge. Among the others who addressed the assembly were John J. Cooke, of Oregon City lodge: A. A. Price, of Oregon City lodge: Fred Hendrickson, of Molalla lodge: Fred Hendrickson, of Molalla lodge: Elliott Daugherty, of Molalla lodge: Elliott Daugherty, of Molalla lodge; Mrs. J. J. Cooke, of Oregon City William Heinz, of Aurora lodge; P. H. Tucker, of Aurora lodge; P. H. Tucker, of Aurora lodge; City lodge: Fred Hendrickson, of Molalla lodge: Elliott Daugherty, of Molalla lodge: William Heinz, of Aurora lodge; P. H. Tucker, of Aurora lodge; P. H. Tucker, of Aurora lodge; City lodge: A. A. Price, of Oregon City lodge: Fred Hendrickson, of Molalla lodge: Elliott Daugherty, of Molalla lodge: William Heinz, of Aurora lodge; P. H. Tucker, of Aurora lodge; P. H. Tucker, of Aurora lodge; D. William Heinz, of Aurora lodge; D. William Heinz,

Vocal selections were given by the Molalia quartet, composed of Benjamin Chindgren, Herman Chindgren, Hub-bard Stone, of Molalia, and H. W. Frost,

Miss Bernita Worley, contralto, sang Miss Bernita Worley, contraito, sang that the railroads must be taught to be the surplus stock of the surplus stoc

The building just completed by Mo-laila lodge is one of the most modern and convenient structures in Clacka-

Tea and Coffee Distributors Unite 256 Links by Consolidation.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7 .- Five companies by the Oregon Drainage Association when it meets at Corvallis January 2, 3 and 4 in connection with Farmers' week at the college.

C. C. Chapman, of Portland, will speak on "Reclamation Development."
W. G. Sloan, United States drainage engineer, will lead in a discussion of drainage procedure. W. D. B. Dodson, of Portland, will talk on "The Commercial Aspect of Drainage." J. W. Brewer, of The Dalles, president of the Irrigation Congress; William Hanley, of Burns; John Keating and F. F. Hinshaw, of Portland, will be other prominent speakers. operating 256 tea and coffee stores and ranking together, it is said, as the largest distributor of these staples in this country, have been bought by Merrill, Lynch & Co., bankers, for \$10,-000,000, it was announced here today. The Jones Bros. Tea and Grand Union

Tea companies, both established in 1872, and the Globe Grocery Stores, Anchor Pottery Company and Jones Bros. Importing Company are the concerns bought.

The new consolidation will be headed nent speakers. by Harry Jones, it was said, and application will be made for listing the stock on the New York Stock Exchange

MOOSE WILL ERECT HALL Oregon City Lodge Decides to Con-

struct \$20,000 Building. OREGON CITY, Or. Dec. 7.—(Special.)—The Oregon City lodge of Moose tonight authorized its building committee to proceed with the construction of a two-story frame building to

FARMERS' SESSION CLOSES

Portland Man Is Elected Union Head at McMinnville Meeting.

voring grain handling in bulk, and the construction of grain elevators. Resolutions were adopted favoring Government control of grain storage. About 200 delegates and visiting members were at the convention, representing 130 communities in Oregon and Southern Idaho.

ern Idaho.

Reports showed that the past year had been a successful one featured by expansion and business organization. The work of the Tri-State Terminal Warchouse Company was indorsed. A business of several million dollars was shown to have been transacted through warchouses owned co-operatively by members of the union.

Officers elected besides the president and National delegates were: Frank Burkholter, Coquilite, vice-president; F. A. Sikes, Corvallis, secretary; executive board, W. W. Harrow, of Pendleton; J. T. Arkison, of The Dailes; W. K. Peery, of Dayton; legislative committee.

Said to Be Too Sweeping-System of Tests Declared to Make Unfair Work Impossible.

Portland educators do not agree with the strictures of J. A. Churchill, Super-intendent of Public Instruction, who told a McMinnville audience a few days ago that cheating in the public schools has become common and that in examinations pupils think nothing of matching their wits against their teachers in using unfair means to win good marks.

good marks.

Heads of several Portland schools and Superintendent L. R. Alderman, too, say that the statement of Superintendent Churchill is altogether too sweeping. They deny that Portland students are cheaters and say that the system of tests prevalent here pre-vents to a great extent any disposition on the part of the pupil to cheat, Superintendent Alderman said:

Where the examination is made the chief test of the scholar, cheating ap-pears to be common unless pupils are watched carefully. But in the Portland schools we minimize examinations such as encourage cheating, and have requent short tests instead, where heating is out of the question.

Honor Among Pupils Noted. "We find a growing sense of honor among pupils of the Portland schools and the old idea that cheating is not a sin because it harms no one save the offender is dying out. Pupils realize now that the harm is to the one who uses unfair methods and that it does

"In the past we have made too much of examinations. To make an examination an end in itself is a bad thing We should work to develop a high sense of honor that will prevent any possible lapse by pupils in this direc-

"I do not believe the statement o "I do not believe the statement of Superintendent Churchill is correct," said T. T. Davis, principal of Lincoln High School, "In Portland schools care is taken to avoid temptation to cheat or to win marks by unfair means and cheating is kept down pretty well. I believe the assertion of Superintendent Churchill is entirely too sweeping. I cannot agree with it."

System Averts Cheating. E. D. Curtis, principal of Sunnyaide

"Cheating is not common here. The cemarks of Superintendent Churchill do not apply to my school. We do not across the continent from Richland, N. V. to Salem, was started again today

A. R. Draper, principal of Shattuck spouse on a consupport charge. chool, also contradicts the State Superintendent.

tional Rivers and Harbors Congress to-day, warned communities against seek-ing appropriations for canals or river channels which cannot be put into oper-ation promptly. He said such activities injured legitimate waterways move-ments and retarded the country's de-Superintendent Churchill, in an address to teachers of Yamhill County at McMinnville on December 3, urged the need of moral instruction to overcome the marked tendency to cheat, He

"Cheating is so common in examinarivered an address in which he detended river and harbor bills of the past against the charge that they carried "pork." He contended that the items were based on merit. The Senator charged that the cry of "pork" came from the railroads and from newspapers under railroad domination, and asserted that the railroads must be taught to keep their bands off the waterways and Fraternity Head Is Newspaperman.

MARSHFIELD, Or. Dec. 7 - (Special) James E. Montgomery, of this city, ected practor of the Pacific Coast province jurisdiction of the Sigma Chi at the fraternity convention at Eugene last week, is a newspaperman, well known in Hood River and Portland. He is assistant to Charles Hall, manager of the Coos & Curry Telephone Com-

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ment of Roses in Pasadena Jan. 1; New Year's celebration in San

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EASTERN WOMAN AT SALEM RE-SUMES CHASE.

Mrs. Franklin Coon Starts for San Francisco, After Procuring Warrant for Spouse's Arrest.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 7 .- (Special.) -have examinations, but we do have tests, in which there is no possibility of cheating, even were the pupils so disposed. The statements made are not true of us."

Y., to Salem, was started again today by Mrs. Franklin Coon, when she left for California after swearing out a warrant against her alleged fugitive Y., to Salem, was started again today

She said her husband formerly was a prosperous shoe merchant at Rich-"I do not agree with him," he said land, but after losing \$60,000 in a realty Proper supervision will prevent cheat- deal he was given the Pacific Northing and a room can be managed in such a way that there can be no unfair work on the part of pupile. I do not believe there is any cheating in our school, nor in other Portland schools to any extent."

deal he was given the Pacific Northwest territory for a shoe firm. She last heard from him, she stated, in a letter sent from Tacoma. Later she secured trace of his movements by reports to the company from Salem.

the search.

Telegraphic advices of the wife were tions that high school students have come to regard this practice as a legiti-mate use of their wits against those husband there, where he is said to be

19,316 YALE MEN LIVING More Than One-Fifth of Number Practicing Law

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 7 .- There are 19,316 living holders of Yale de grees, according to the annual direc ory of living graduates of the univer

sity, issued today. The total number of

he college is 30,164.

The geographical distribution of graduates shows that New York City is the largest Yale center with \$278.

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