LEWISTON VERY MUCH EXCITED

Three Northern Pacific Survey Parties Are Camped Near the City.

O. R. & N. ENGINEERS THERE

Steamer Spokane Goes to Riparia to Take Aboard One Outfit, Another Is Hurrying East From Portland.

LEWISTON, Idaho, May 12.—(Special.)— Lewiston is teeming with railroad excite-ment, and the presence of Northern Pa-cific surveyors in the city has sent real estate values skyward. Engineers Esty and party have pitched camp about a mile south of the city, and are preparing to run surveys along the present survey of the surveys along the present survey of the alectric line project. Engineer Poilard has established camp at Ilo, and Engineer Ray has pitched camp at Winchester. Thus the parties are placed at advantageous points, and it is definitely known that the ultimate destination of these parties is Grangeville.

Grangeville.

Word has been received here from Riparis that Engineer Klippel, of the O. R. & N., has been there several days with a force of surveyors, awaiting instructions. The steamer Spokane, which left early this morning under special orders for Riparis, will take aboard the Klippel party and also another party that is now coming out of Portland. It is understood that Superintendent J. P. O'Brien is also with the party.

The steamer will leave Riparia early to-morrow morning, but it is not known whether the engineers will come to Lewis-ton or be placed at work along the pro-posed Lewiston-Riparia branch.

ROAD TO GRANGEVILLE.

Assurance of Rall Connection Seems

LEWISTON, Idaho, May 12.—(Special.)—The railroad situation in the Lewiston and Clearwater sections is again fast assuming some tangible shape here, and from present indications there are strong prospects that the Northern Pacific will be in the field in that line within a very short time. One of the strongest indications is that men are now at work on the steamer J. M. Hannaford, belonging to the Northern Pacific, which has been tied up ever since the truce agreement with the O. R. & N. Co., over five years ago. Those who are in authority here are firm in the helist the control of the strongest indications is that men are now at work on the steamer J. M. Hannaford, belonging to the Northern Pacific, which has been tied up ever since the truce agreement with the O. R. & N. Co., over five years ago. Those who are in authority here are firm in the helist the control of a trolley line in the Standard mine, of a trolley line in the Standard mine, power for which is generated at Spokane, in the Standard mine, power for which is generated at Spokane, in the Standard mine, power for which is generated at Spokane, in the Standard mine, power for which is generated at Spokane, in the Standard mine, power for which is generated at Spokane, in the Standard mine, power for which is generated at Spokane, in the Standard mine, power for which is generated at Spokane, in the Standard mine, power for which is generated at Spokane, in the Standard mine, power for which is generated at Spokane, in the Standard mine, power for which is generated at Spokane, in the Standard mine, power for which is generated at Spokane, in the Standard mine, power for which is generated at Spokane, in the Standard mine, power for which is generated at Spokane, in the Standard mine, power for which is generated at Spokane, in the Standard mine, power for which is generated at Spokane, in the Standard mine, power for which is generated at Spokane, in the Standard mine, power in the Standard mine, power in the standard mine, power in the standard mine

firm in the belief that work will begin both on a line from Lewiston to Pasco, thus giving the Northern Pacific a line down the north bank of the Snake Riv-er, and a line from Culdesac or from Lewiston to the Camus Prairie coun-All information lacks confirms tion, however, in view of the evident control of both the Northern Pacific lines and the O. R. & N. line by Wall-street capitalists, who desire as far as

paria-Lewiston branch by the O. R. & N. Co. would be a powerful factor in increasing the earnings of the com-pany, and the further building of a line from here to the still partially devel-oped but rich Camas Prairie country, would give the O. R. & N. a territory that is now being handled by the com-

pany to and from this vicinity.

Ever since the withdrawal of engineers of both lines from the field. the accepted supposition was that a truce arrangement had been completed

road. This proposed road traverses a rich section of the country, tapping both agricultural and timber lands. It is generally believed that the Northroad, and that it will be but a feeder for other lines that may yet be built. This fact is strengthened by the knowledge that, should the Missoula cut-off be built by the Northern Pacific the heavy kendick grade and the cific, the heavy Kendrick grade now tra

cinc, the heavy Kendrick grade now tra-versed by the Spokane-Lewiston branch must be abandoned.

The farming country west and south of the Kendrick grade canyon is now served by a line from Pullman to Gen-esee. Leland is a small town on the hill north and east of Kendrick, and proposed Farmington - Leland h would have an easy level h of country to traverse. Should the Missoula cut-off be built, the line would undoubtedly find an outlet to the Clearwater River by coming down the north fork of that stream. The Farmington-Leland line would connect up at some point along the north fork, thus making a valuable feeder for a main line.

With all the indications for early

as a direct solution and outcome of the plans of the Northern Pacific. Insefar as the long-needed construction of a line to the Grangeville country is concerned, there can be but little doubt but what the Northern Pacific will build when it is found that it must do so in order to hold its own.

The company is now facing the situation squarely, since the people in the affected district themselves have determined to build an electric line to secure the much-needed renef. The electric-line project is now an assured fact, and the guarantees have been made that the work of construction made that the work of construction will begin within a very short time

WON BY SALEM HIGH SCHOOL

With University of Oregon Was Not Good Ball.

SALEM, Or., May 11.—(Special.)—The Salem High School defeated the University of Oregon at baseball this afternoon by a score of 2 to 3. It took ten innings to end the game. Chester Moores made the winning run by stealing home from third just as Third Baseman Huddleson had caught a foul. Huddleson was near his base when he caught the ball, but was apparently rattled over his successful catch, and did not see Moores making for the plate till more than half the distance had been covered. He was standing on uneven ground, and his throw for home went wild.

Very poor fielding on the part of Salem gave the 'varsity team a score of 5 in the

Very poor fielding on the part of Salem gave the 'varsity team a score of 6 in the first, two innings. Poor fielding on the part of Eugene was largely responsible for Salem getting three runs in the fourth. Eugene made runs in the fifth and six, and Salem two in the sixth on a two-base hit by King. The score was unchanged until the last half of the ninth, when good batting enabled Salem to tie the score. Moores' coup in the last half of the tenth ended a game in which there was very poor and very good playing on

was very poor and very good playing on both sides.

Paine of Eugene made a double play un'assisted at first base. Pitcher Johnson made a clever double play, catching a hot fly and throwing it to first. Another good double play for Eugene was from good double play for Engene was from Johnson to the home plate and then to first. Pitcher King, for Salem, did clever fielding, and his quick work caught a runner off first base in the seventh. Rhodes caught for Salem.

HUNDRED SENIORS FLUNK.

Prominent Men and Women in Failed List at Berkeley.

BERKELEY, Cal., May 12.—Consternation spread through the ranks of the senior class of the university today when the news was unofficially announced that nearly 100 seniors, including some of the most prominent men and women in the class, had failed to secure enough credits in the current examinations to entitle them to degrees, making it impossible for them to graduate.

Head Hit Electric Wire.

WALLACE, Idaho, May 12 .- (Special.)-

WASHINGTON, May 12.-Nan Patter-WASHINGTON, May 12.—Nan Patterson, accompanied by her father and Mr. and Mrs. J. Morgan Smith, arrived in Washington from New York this morning, and upon leaving the train the party at once proceeded to the Patterson home on Columbia Heights, a modest two-story cottage, where they arrived in time for breakfast.

lines and the O. R. & N. line by Wallstreet capitalists, who desire as far as possible to refrain from entering into a competitive railway war, thus reducing, as they hold, the earning powers of the respective lines.

The lack of interest displayed by the O. R. & N. Co. in this territory has left a firm impression that, should construction of any kind be undertaken, the Northern Pacific will be the active line. What has produced this lack of interest is inexplicable, since no excuse has ever been offered by the company to the people of this section why it has not been more active in covering territory that rightfully belongs to her. The building of the Riparia-Lewiston branch by the O. R. & longs to her. The building of the A. E. Hent, voiced its apparal-Lewiston branch by the O. R. E. Patterson was dressed in a costume of N. Co. would be a powerful factor in blue, with hat to match, and looked well blue. and refreshed by the good sleep she said she enjoyed. As she reached the car door her father, who was with her, said to a number of newspaper men on the plat-

"This is Nan Patterson."
"I can only say that I am glad to see you." immediately responded Miss Patterson, "and that I am so glad to get home."

When the carriage conveying the party which was done but a short time ago, reached the corner of the street adjacent truce arrangement had been completed that would eliminate for some time to come any possibility of a war between the two lines, and that if construction work was commenced it would be done by a joint company. At this time it is denied that a truce exists and that the Northern Facific will build independently. If such is the case, it may be expected that the O. R. & N. will make an effort to protect itself by first building its lipe from here to Riparia. to the Patterson residence, the impatier Riparia.

The announcement is made that the Eastern Washington Construction Company, a Spokane corporation, has completed its surveys from Farmington. Wash, to a point near Leland, idaho, and that everything is in readiness for the construction of a steam.

flattering offers of engagements had come to his daughter, none of them had been considered and none would be for some

"She will remain at home and take a

KITTITAS ASKS IRRIGATION

Reclamation Service Promises Atten-

tion to Its Project. GREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washngton, May 14.-The Reclamation

service ans received a resolution passe. by the Commercial Club of Kitiltas County, Washington, asking that it make a careful and speedy survey and investigation of the feasibility of the construction of a high-line canal for the purpose of reclamation and cultivation of about 106,000 acres of land in vation of about 100,000 acres of land in that county, which are fertile in the production of all kinds of hay, grain, fruit and vegetables, including eugar beets. It is urged that the irrigation of this large body of land will result in effecting storage of the water so used for lands below in the Yakima Valley, for the result in the re for the reason that all the water so used naturally drains back into the

The Reclamation Service states that it fully recognizes the great importance of the Yakima project to Kittitas County, and that a careful investigation to determine its feasibility from an engineering as well as from a financial standpoint will be made.

For Stealing a Jack-Plane.

act, and the guarantees have been adde that the work of construction will begin within a very short time.

Remittance Man in Trouble.

NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C., May 15.—
Special.)—John Hellar, a young English—

Remittance of drink and did not realize at the time what he was doing.

IF YOU WANT TO KNOW WHAT SMARTLY DRESSED MEN WILL WEAR THIS SEASON, ASK BEN SELLING



Each week, EACH DAY, the public seems to show more and more confidence in my clothing.

It is first shown in the practical way of my largely increasing volume of business, and then in the better way of repeated sales to the same men season after

The first sale I make only half fulfils its mission, if it doesn't do its part towards making a PERMANENT customer for the store; if it doesn't BEGIN that growth of confidence in my methods which they were created to deserve and which I daily strive to earn.

MEN'S SPRING SUITS \$15.00 to \$35.00

'MEN'S OUTING SUITS \$10.00 to \$25.00

LARGEST STOCK OF BOYS' CLOTHING IN THE CITY



BEN SELLING LEADING CLOTHIER

Farmers Gather in Institute at Medford.

SPEAKERS FROM CORVALLIS

Bountiful Basket Dinner Spread in a Big Warehouse Is One of the Features of the

MEDFORD, Or., May 13.-Representatives of the Agricultural College at Cor-vailis have been in Medford today, holdouse. The attendance was large. An address of welcome was delivered by Honorable W. I. Vawter, of Medford, and responded by Professor J. S. Withycombe.

Mrs. C. E. Cochran.

home again a distance of eight blocks.

which exists over a small area in Jack-CULTURE OF SOIL which exists over a small area in Jacknon County. A pertinent topic was Professor Cordley's subject, "Sprays and
Spraying" something in which fruit-Spraying," something in which fruitgrowers of Rogue River Valley are interested, and about which they are interested, and about which they are thoroughly posted. Professor Kent's address on "Modern Dairying" was also attended closely, as the large area now in alfalfa has induced many to invest in dairy herds with a fair degree of success. A basket dinner provided by farmers' wives at Page & Co.'s warehouse was followed by Professor Withycombe's able paper on "Intensive Agriculture," of great interest in a section which is destined to be divided into small boldings in the immediate future. Honorable E. L. Smith, of Hood River, in the evening delivered an address on fruit culture.

The sessions were enlivened with good music by the ladies of the Medford Lewis and Clark Club, who have been beautifying the parks of Medford for some months past, and who are taking an active interest in advancing the interests of Medford and vicinity.

H. E. Lounsbury spoke entertainingly

El Lounsbury spoke entertainingly of the work being done by the Southern Pacific Company in the development of Western Oregon, stating the best efforts of citizens of towns and country would be ably seconded by the officials of the corporation, if being a matter of importance to the company to get sections west of Cascade settled with homescekers now turning their attention to the far North-west. Professor Kent's discourse in re-lation to the work of the State Agricul-

orable W. I. Vawter, of Medford, and responded by Professor J. S. Withycombo.

A paper on soil texture by Professor Knisely led to instructive discussion of the merits of adobe or "sticky" soil the depot grounds of the Southern Pacific,

PULLMAN, Wash., May 13.-18pe-

cial.)-Today Mrs. C. E. Cochran, the oldest resident of Whitman County.

celebrated the 90th anniversary of her

home of her daughter, Mrs Minnie

Sargent, editor and publisher of the

spite the fact that she has witne

hearty and happy as can be. She en-

greatly dimmed within the last aix

Mrs. Cochran is a remarkably bright woman, who has read much and trav-eled largely, and is an exceptionally

bright conversationalist. Last Winter.

visited a granddaughter, with whom she spent three months. She made the trip from Spokane to Fargo and

return alone. Four years ago she went to Chicago, St. Louis and various points in Illinois, visiting relatives

and friends and traveling alone all the

East, and enjoyed her trip immensely.

Mrs. Cochran, or "Grandma," as
she is called by the people of PullAll the important events of her early childhood.

Eight years ago, when 82 years

HALE AND HEARTY AT 90 YEARS

which to the younger generation seem ancient history, are clearly remembered by her, and one can spend hours listening to her stories of the early inventions and discoveries. Mrs. Cochran said today:

cradle, which was considered a rapid was of harvesting. I remember well when

the first railroad was built in New England. It was built from Boston to Worcester, and later another road was built from Boston to Lowell. It was on this road I had my first ride on the cars, when I was a young lady,"

Mrs. Cochran was born at New Hampton, N. H., May 13, 1815. She was married to Edward C. Cochran, October 7, 1885. Her husband died in 1866, 31 years

and 6 months, to the day, from the date of their marriage. The next Spring after their marriage they moved to Chicago, which was only a village. "It became a city the next year after we left it, in 1837," said Mrs. Cochran today. From Chicago they moved to Savannah, Ill., where they lived 20 years, and

where their children, 10 in number, were born. Mr. Cochran was one of the first

where their children, 10 in number, were born. Mr. Cochran was one of the first men in the United States to learn stenography, and learned the system from its inventor and became quite proficient. He made the only complete stenographic report of the Lincoln and Douglas debates. Congressman Hitt was also a pieceer in stenography, and he started to report these debates for the Chicago Tribune, of which Joseph Medill was editor, but Hitt was called away and afterward obtained a copy of Mr. Cochran's notes.

Mrs. Cochran never married again, She has remained a widow 30 years. Of the ten children born of the union, eight reached maturity and six are living now. Mrs. Cochran now has 20 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren living. For 15 years she has made her home with her youngest daughter, Mrs. Minnile Sargent, who is still her "baby," and, being the child of her advanced years, is her favorite. The picture here shown was taken this week, expressly for this occasion. "Grandma" Oochran walked to the gallery, posed for her photograph and walked home again, a distance of eight blocks.

where the ladies of the city had arranged a display of roses of Medford and where the citizens who are preparing the min-eral exhibit or the Lewis and Clark Ex-position had arranged a display of the position had arranged a display of the minerals of the county. A varied list of photographic scenes in the horticultural line provided by local artists show that the citizens of the county are heartily in aympathy with the plan of providing a place where the resources of the valley place where the resources of the valley can be exemplified. Partially ripened cherries, full grown apricots and figs near-ly matured were among the fruits on dis-

ly matured were among the fruits on display of this season's growth.

The exhibition building is the largest and finest structure of the kind in the state. It is completely encircled with electric lights, and upon the roof will be placed a large electric sign, hearing the word "Medford." Credit for the construction is due to the enterprise of Honorable J. D. Olwell, H. C. Lewis, J. W. Perkins, Gordon Voorhies, E. C. Hopkins, Condon Water Power & Electric Company, Medford Bank and Jackson County Bank.

GOMEZ CUBA'S PRESIDENT Liberals and Moderates Will Hold

Conventions This Week HAVANA, May 13 .- The national nomnating convention of the New Liberal party will open Monday night next.

All indications point to the nomination or the Presidency of Cuba of Jose Miguel Gomez, who was appointed Governor of Santa Clara Province by the Government of Intervention and afterward was elected to that position. The convention will be made up of 150 delegates, of whom 90 will be Nationalists. Maximo Gomes having positively refused to be a candidate, the only other prominent person mentioned is Governor Nunez of Havana Province.

The Moderates will shortly hold a con-vention to nominate President Paima by acclamation for the Presidency and Mendez Capote, former president of the Sen-ate, for the Vice-Presidency. The election will take place in December.

Portland's Fuel Supply.

PORTLAND, May 13.—(To the Editor.)— There is no matter of more pressing importance to the growth of Portland than the mat-ter of fuel supply, and this is a subject that can well command the attention of the Cham-ber of Commerce and the Board of Trads.

series to the growth of Portland than the matter of their supply, and this is a subject that can well command the attention of the Chamber of Commerce and the Board of Trade. Tou cannot have manufacturing plants without cheap fuel, and considering the proximity of this city to coal beds, the prices now asked and obtained for coal are altogether too high. It would seem that the energies of the citizens have been expended in directions looking to the object of the citizens have been expended in directions looking to the object of the citizens have been expended in directions looking to the object of the citizens have been expended in directions looking to the object of the citizens have been expended in directions and indians where coal is hauted by the railroads as great a distance as the fuel used in Portland is hauted, and the consumer pays about half what is charged here. Freight rates are too high, the charges of the middlemen are too great. It is true that wages here are higher than in the middle states, and it costs more to deliver coal here than there; and so far this is a handlant to our lindustries. But some method must be adopted of getting fuel to the factories and is householders at a lower rate than now prevails. If Portland is to make the progress that she described in the coal in the states, while there are millions of toms in the region that is used here comes from other states, while there are millions of toms in the region that is used here comes from other states, while there are millions of toms in the region that is used here comes from other states, while there are millions of toms in the region that is used here comes from other states, while there are millions of toms in the region that is used here comes from other states, while there are millions of toms in the region that is used here comes from other states, while there are millions of toms in the region that is used to be a state of the progress of the progress of the progress of the state of the progress of the state of the progress

FRATS TUSSEL WITH BOARD

SEATTLE HIGH SCHOOL STU-DENTS ASK FOR INJUNCTION.

Life of Secret Societies Is Threatened by the Action of the Educational Authorities.

Gamma Eta Kappa, one of the two High School secret societies, will ask for an inunction next week to restrain the School Scard from interfering with the two High school fraternities and the two societies. The sult will be brought in the name of a parent or guardian of one of the members of the society, but the burden of the suit will be borne by the members of all the

Under the ruling of the School Board the secret society members will be barred from all the privileges of the school unless they give up their membership. A compromise, affecting the students for the present term, has been made, whereby the compromise, affecting the students for the present term, has been made, whereby the secret society members may retain their membership, but must refrain from soliciting new members or pledging students to join subsequent to graduation.

Even this compromise attitude of the School Board, if not contested, would result in the feath of the Mich School so. suit in the death of the High School soties through the gradual graduation of

RUNAWAY LADS' IN BOXCAR

Tell Seattle Police They Left Good Homes in Portland.

Homes in Portland.

SEATTLE. Wash., May 13.—(Special.)
Patrolman Glascock this morning found three boys asleep in a boxcar in the railroad yards. All were sent to the Police Station, where they gave their names as Ray McFadden, Waiter Lynne and Harry Mooney. Each said he was 16 years of age.

The young prisoners said they all had good homes in Portland, but they thought it would be interesting to run away and seek their own living. They came to Seattle first. Running out of ready cash, they were compelled to seek shelter in a boxcar. The Portland police have been notified that the lads are held here.

project. This is evidently the vesuit of a misapprehension by the people interested in the Minidoka project. The plans for the pumping devices to irrigate lands shows the gravity ditches have not yet been fully matured and the engineers are not yet prepared to recommend the beginning of this portion of the work.

The situation was carefully considered by the board of engineers who met recently in Idaho in conference with Governor Gooding and State Engineer Stevenson. These latter joined with the engineers in a recommendation for the construction of the Payette-Boise project upon the understanding that funds would be available for the Payette-Boise project, although not necessarily by

ect. The moneys available from the re-clamation fund will probably enable the department to take up the pumping portion of the Minidoka project when the engineers are prepared to submit plans. Neither this office nor the department has ever announced that water would be furnished for the higher lands at any definite date.

At the time when the maps of farm units were submitted to the department it was stated that water could not be furnished before 1907. Under the gravity portion of the work now being constructed, it is probable that water will be furnished in 1907. The construction of other portions of the project SEATTLE, Wash. May 12.—(Special.)— under the conditions which develop in the future.

One of the letters forwarded by Senator, Du bots makes charges against Mr. Ross to the effect that he is interested in building up the townsites which have been reserved in this project. Inasmuch as the lands involved in project. Inasmuch as the lands involved in these townsites are public lands of the United States and of the State of Idaho, there can be that Mr. Ross is interested officially in the successful development of these townsites, as he is in every phase of the project. It is known that Mr. Ross has no personal interest in any private lands affected by this project.

The entire difficulty in this matter arises from the fact that, despite the warnings issued by the department at various times, people have rushed in to settle upon lands long before any water could possibly as furnished. These people now feel disposed to criticize anything which might appear to them as interfering with the furnishing of water to the lands which they have taken, regardless of the many considerations affecting the proper de-velopment of the project from an engineering and a financial standpoint.

LANDLORDS MAKE THREAT

Warn Aldermen Not to Favor Law They Frown Upon.

CHICAGO, May 13 .- (Special.) - Death to Alderman Jonathan B. Ruxton is substantially the threat conveyed in an anonymous letter received by the Fourth Ward Alderman today. The Alderman has championed the ordinance frowned upon by the landlord class, that would oppose the occupancy of their flats or houses by tenants with children. The Alderman was threatened with assassination. The measure brought forward by Buyton provides that imploreds sination. The measure brought for-ward by Ruxton provides that landlords or their agents who refuse to rent a flat or house because there may be children in the family of the applicant, be guilty

alderman that he cease working for the passage of the ordinance proposed by him. Other Aldermen favoring the measure also are to be threatened. Colonei Start, the Postoffice Inspector, will be asked to give the threat his at-

WOMEN SHAKE HIS HAND

Crowd About Suspected Murderer as Jury Goes Out.

MINNEAPOLIS. May 13.—(Special.)—
The jury that is to decide the guilt or innocence of Dr. George R. Koch, charged with the murder of Dr. Gebhardt at New Ulm, Minn., has been out since noon. On concluding his charge, Judge Gray ordered that the defendant, who has been upon ball, be taken into custody by the Sheriff and confined at the july pending the jury's decision. As Koch was being led from the room many women crowded around, shock his hands and assured him of their belief in his innocence.

Judge Gray concluding his charge, directed the jury to return a verdict of murder in the second degree, guilty or not guilty. Through the long days of this, his second trial, Koch has shown wenderful mastery of his emotions, appearing confident and self-possessed at all times. Today for the first time he showed that