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Movement Is Begun by Benton County Citizens' League.

MEMORIAL TO CONGRESS

Corvallis Commercial Body Asks Assistance of Other Commercial Bodies to Open the Willamette River to Free Navigation.

CORVALIAS: Or., Nov. \$4.- (Special.) The Benton County Citizens' League, which is the commercial organization of Corvallis, is agitating the opening of the Willamette to free navigation. memorial petitioning Congress to acquire the pregent locks at Oregon City adopted. A copy of this memorial has been forwarded to other commercial bodies in the Valley and in Portland, requesting that similar action be taken, and that copies be forwarded the Cor-

and that copies be forwarded the Corvalls League.
President B. W. Johnson, of the league, has also addressed a letter to the newspapers of the Valley, asking their assistance in the movement. The matter of calling a meeting of the representative citizens of the Valley and Portland is also being considered.

The resolutions adopted by the League set forth a list of grievances in which the reasons for an immediate movement for ridding the Valley traine of the lockage charge at Oregon City is urged. The movement has also in contemplation the completion of the plan of the Government engineers for further improvement of the Willamette,

plan of the Government engineers for further improvement of the Willamette, so that all-year navigation to this city can be achieved. The resolutions passed by the league are as follows:

Whereas, The principle of toll-taking as once applied to toll roads, toll bridges and other forms of locomotion and transportation, is a relie of primitive civilization and in the main has long since been discarded along with the field, the grain cradle and kindred implements.

Whereas, Toll-taking as applied to water-

Whereas, Toll-taking as applied to water-ways is even more outworn and outgrown in principle, and wholly out of harmony with the progress and requirements of the

whereas, A toll-taking establishment is maintained at the Willamette Falls at Oreson City in the form of a canal and locks on which a toll of 50 cents per ton is taken on all freight that passes up and down the Willamette River, together with a toll on every passenger, every horse, every head of cattle or other domaits animal.

Whereas, The said 50 cents per ton differentfal in the lockage charge on the river enables the railroads traversing the Willamette region to add 50 cents per ton to freight they carry to or from Willamette

Treight they carry to or from Williametta Vailey points.

Whereas The said lockage fee, by reason of the differential it affords, the railreads add from \$100,000 to \$200,000 every year to the transportation cost of the Williamette re-

whereas. The said lockage fee takes 1½ cents from the saie of every bushel of wheat exported from the region and is in effect a toll of 2½ cents on every sack of potatoes, 2½ cents on every sack of sait, 4 cents on every bale of heps, 5 cents on every bale of heps, 5 cents on every bale of hops, 5 cents on every bale of hops, 5 cents on every other article shipped in or shipped out of the Willamette basin, a section of country 200 miles long and 50 to 75 miles wide and supposting a thickly-settled citisensalp. ing a thickly-settled citizensaln.

Whereas, Government engineers have re-ported that a new and modern canal and locks can be built by the general Govern-ment at the said Willamette Falls at a cost not to exceed \$500,000, a sum that would be saved to the people of the territory by reason of lowered freight, rates within

by reason of lowered freight rates within three to five years.

Resolved, That the Benton County Citizens' League of Corvallia, being the commercial body of the city, hereby petitions the Congress of the United States at its coming session to appropriate such sum as may be necessary to purchase the present locks and canni at the Willamette Falls, or to build a new causal and locks there, to be maintained and operated under the direction maintained and operated under the direction of the general Government with provision for freight to be allowed to pass through such canal and locks without charge by which said Willamette shall become and open river to the great advantage and benefit of a vast, fich and populous terri-tory, and for the granting of this petition your petitioner will ever pray:

LADY MACCABEES AT ALBANY

Officers Elected and Albany Selected as Meeting Place.

ALBANY, Or., Nov. 24.—(Special.)—The annual Williamette Valley District Convention of the Ladies of the Maccabees, which has been in session in Albany, closed its work last evening. The district includes Linn, Lane, Marion and Polk Countles, and delegates from all the lodges in these countles were in attendance at the convention. State Commander for Oregon and Washington Mrs. Nei-lie H. Lambson, of Portland, presided

The prize drill was held last evening and the sliver cup annually awarded to the best drilled team went to the Al-

Sefore adjournment the convention se-

Mrs. Emmett, of Falls City; record keeper, Mrs. J. S. Van Winkle, of Albany; finance keeper, Caroline Bushnell, of Salem; chaplain, Anna Vaughn, of Jefferson; sergeant, Hilka Warford, of Albany; mistress-at-arms, Etth. Willis, of Albany; sentinel, Eugenia Cochran, of Tangent: picket, Abble Hyde, of Leb-

A banquet was served visiting dele-

Four Divorces at Oregon City.

OREGON CITY, Or., Nov. 24-(Special.) Judge McBride today granted four di-vorces, as follows: Jennie Straight vs. William Straight; Amanda E. Ferguson vs. Lawrence Ferguson; Effle M. Ed-wards vs. Matthew C. Edwards; Minnie Belle McCulloch vs. John W. McCulloch. Mrs. Edwards is restored to her maiden name, Effic M. Roadarmel, in the Far-guson suit, the two minor children, aged

17 and 14 years, were given the privilege of selecting their own guardian. Judge McBride this afternoon adjourned court and goes to Hillsborp, where he will convene a term of the Washington County Circuit Court Monday. The Judge will return to this city and hold another session of the Clackamas County Court at 10 o'clock next Saturday.

Ridgefield Safe Cracked.

RIDGEFIELD, Wash., Nov. 24-A trio of cracksmen crawled through a window of Blackburn & Burrow's general store here, at 3 o'clock Friday morning, unlocked the door, rolled a 700-pound safe two blocks and a half down the street into a cut, punched off the combination, blew the safe open with black powder, and got safely away with \$300 in money. the firm's papers were left intact

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NINETY PER CENT DECREASE DURING 1905 AND 1906.

Receipts Have Been Kept Up by the Payment of Installments on

Previous Purchases.

SALEM, Or., Nov. 24.—(Special.)—Sales of state land during the years 1905 and 956 amounted to only 47,037 acres, or about 11 per cent as much as in the preceding two years, when the sales ag-gregated over 483,000 acres. This decrease of nearly 30 per cent is due chiefly to the act of the Legislature in raising the price from \$1.25 to \$2.50 per acre, but is also due in part to the course of the State Land Board in beginning prose-cution of speculators who were purchas-ing State land in violation of law.

The decrease in receipts is not so great however, for those who bought land prior to the advance in price have been making payments from time to time. The making payments from time to time. The total receipts for the two years ending September 30, 1906, were \$475,536,50, as compared with \$676,994,58 for the preceding two years. The great decrease in receipts resulting from the diminution of sales will be apparent in the next two or three years, when deferred installments on previous sales will have been paid and there will be fittle money due on sales made during 1905 and 1906. Nearly all sales of Strate land are milde on the loward. Before adjournment the convention selected Salem as the next meeting place of State land are milde on the installment elected the following officers for the ensuing year:

Past lady commander, Mrs. Le Croix, of Salem; lady commander, Mrs. Lambson, of Portland; lieutenant-commander, Mrs. Emmett, of Falls City; record keeper, Mrs. J. S. Van-Winkle, of Albany; finance keeper, Caroline Bushball, of Salem; chaptain, Anna Vaughn, and J. Salem; chaptain and J. Salem; chapta During 195-0e there were issued only 226 certificates of sale and 387 deeds. The amount now due on outstanding certificates of sale of school land is \$49,212.70, or only about half the amount due two

or only about half the amount due two years ago.

These figures are gleaned from the biannial report of the State Land Board. The board also reviews the land frauddisclosures made by State Land Agent West and says that where certificates of sale were lasted to genuine persons and upon applications that were not forgeries, it has been the custom of the board by majority vote, one member (Governor Chamberlain) dissenting, to issue deeds to innocent holders of said certificates, except on those certificates on which inexcept on those certificates on which dictment was found against F.

Jewett. The board further recites the opinion of the Attorney-General that where certificates of sale are cancelled for fraudithe holders are entitled to repayment, but since the board has no authority of law to repay under such curcumstances it is recommended that the Legislature as an act authorizing the board to repay. The report says that "this would seem only just to the persons who have been so unfortunate as to purchase the certificates and will cause no loss to the State, for the State will have the land, a considerable portion of which is within the newly created forest re-serves in Eastern Oregon, and can be used by the State as base for indemnity selections, which can now be disposed of at \$7.50 per acre."

Portlanders Married at Oregon City. the testimony taken at the Dix investi-

-County Judge Grant B. Dimick this afternoon officiated at the marriage of two
couples from Portland, both ceremonies
taking place at the Coupty Courthouse.
The parties were Elsie Morgan and Guy
Stabler, A. M. Jensen and S. A. Lynge.

SCOTT IS TO BE A LIEUTENANT

Third Graduate of O. A. C. to Be Made Officer in Philippines.

CORVALLIS, Or., Nov. 24 .- (Special., Teroh Winfield Scott, '04, a graduate from the pharmacy department at O. A. C., has been appointed to a Third A. C., has been appointed to a Third Lieutenancy in the Philippine Constabulary, and is to sail from Seattle for Manita on the steamer Dakota on the 28th inst. Karl Steiwer, '05, from the agricultural department of the college, whose appointment was announced last week, is to sail from Seattle December 7. Scott was Captain of Company A. O. A. C. cadet regiment, in 1904, and Steiwer was Captain of Company D in 1905, and it is chiefly by reason of their military training that they get the appointments.

The Philippine Constabulary is large-The Philippine Constabulary is largely officered by young men appointed from the graduating classes from the nine leading military colleges of the Union, one of which is O. A. C. The pay of a Third Lieutenant is \$1100 a year, of a Second Lieutenant \$1200. First Lieutenant \$1300 and of a Captain \$1700.

Acting Captain Floyd Williams, of Acting Captain Floyd Williams, of the '05 class at O. A. C., who was ap-pointed last January, is now command-er of a company of Constabulary, and is drawing a Captain's pay, with ex-pectation of an early confirmation as Captain. Other recommendations for appointment of O. A. C. graduates have been made, and it is expected that their commissions will soon be forthcoming from the War Department. Appointees have their expenses paid and are under have their expenses paid and are under salary going and coming from the Is-lands.

BUMP SPENT NIGHT IN JAIL

Hillsboro Attorney Started Rough House in Court and Is Worsted.

HILLSBORO, Or., Nov. 24.—(Special,)—Attorney M. B. Bump was this evening released from the county jail, after spending the night there as a result of a commitment for contempt of court by Judge H. T. Bagley, who yesterday presided over a trial where damages were demanded by Joseph Sanders from John Berger. The litigation arises from the loss of 60 chickens, which were killed by a of 60 chickens, which were killed by

dog.

During the progress of the case Attorney Bump and T. H. Tongue, Jr., became involved in an altercation. "Bump" passed the lie and started to assault Tongue, who thereupon struck Bump several times and finally rushed him to the floor. Judge Bagley listened to an apology by Tongue and later sent Bump to joil for three days.

It was Friday, November 23, and Attorney Bump lost his case, was bested physically and finally spent the night in the bastile completing a veritable skidoo programme.

Masters Collect the Fares.

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 24.—United States Marine Inspectors Whitney and Turner have declared their intention to put a stop to the practice of captains not carrying licensed pilots from collecting fares. It has developed from the testimony takes at the Tolerand OREGON CITY, Or., Nov. 24.—(Special.) gation that several masters were in the habit of leaving their boats in

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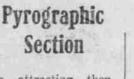
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Dixon Is Appointed Receiver. OREGON CITY, Or., Nov. 24 .- (Spe cial.—George W. Dixon, editor of the Canby Tribune, stole a march on his dissatisfied real estate partner, William M. Smith, in the Circuit Court today, when he had himself appointed re-ceiver of the business and had an order made directing the Bank of Ore-

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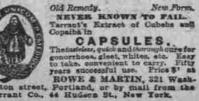
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