# WILSON IS 'CALLED'

Secretary of Agriculture Gets Good Advice.

WEST ASKS FOR EXPERTS

Eastern Men Lacking Knowledge This Side of Rockies-Criticism Well Founded

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington. March 2.-The Department of for its dilatoriness in making public the results of investigations intended to assist farmers. In the course of its regular work, the Department is in the habit of conducting experiments more or less elaborate to devise improved methods of agriculture and to develop other information of value to agriculturists and orchardists, but as a usual thing reports of these experiments and deductions of the experts are not given to the public auntil two or three years after the field

vork is done. John T. Burns, of Denver, Secretary of the Dry Farming Congress, in a re-cent interview with Secretary Wilson, pointed out the inexcusable delay of the department in getting its information before the public, and urged the ser-retary to require the prompt publication of all reports compiled by its represen-

#### Publication to Be Hurried.

He insisted that the results of each mear's work ahould be made public as soon as known, and that valuable mat-er collected during the Summer should be distributed during the following Win-ter. Secretary Wilson conceded that Mr Burns' criticism was well-founded and promised to direct a change in the meth-od of issuing all bulletins.

Mr. Burns also told the secretary that the great bulk of ..terature issued by the Department of Agriculture was en-firely too technical to be of value. Most of it, he said, was written in the language of scientists, which is incompr hensible to the average farmer. He told the secretary that the representatives of the railroad companies who are encouraging settlement in the West, and that farmers generally condemned these publications as being almost valueless because of their rechests. cause of their technical language. He urged the secretary to revise the nature of reports hereafter issued and to leave out all scientific terms and descriptions.

Mr. Burns also told the secretary that the value of the work of the department would be materially enhanced if the de-partment employ western men in mak-ing investigations of western problems.

Eastern Men Lack Knowledge.

He gave it as his opinion that a great amount of money has been wasted be-tause eastern college men, with no prac-tical experience, have been sent into the West to study conditions of which they had no knowledge. The work of these theorists, he said, was of little value to farmers, and he urged the department to keep its eastern men in the East and to employ practical westerners in the Rocky Mountain and Pacific Coast states concluding his interview, Mr. Burns arged the secretary to revise and re-publish all information of value which the department has collected with reference to dry farming and to issue this matter as a single bulletin for the use of farmers who are undertaking to de-velop inadequately watered lands by this

# NEW LINCOLN STORY TOLD

new system. This the secretary prom-ised to do.

Ex-Judge Ewing Says Tales Were Always Polite, Too.

NEW YORK, March 2.-Ex-Judge Ewing, of Chicago, who was nick-named "Whig" by Abraham Lincoln the the first time he ever met the great Abolitionist, says that the reports about Lincoln's fondness for telling risque stories are untrue. Judge Ewing spent much of his time near Lincoln for many years prior to the Civil War.

"There have always been a great many mistakes made about Lincoln's stories," he said. "It has been said that they were stories not quite fit for the people at large. It is not true, His stories were entirely, or almost entirely, confined to personal experiences or ones he had witnessed, and he had a marvelous ability to present occurrences to you as if you were standing beside the man and saw the same thing." Judge Ewing said that in 1843 his father kept a little tavern in which Lincoln often was a guest. In that little tavern Lincoln and his friends

little tavern Lincoln and his friends used to teil many stories. It was there that "Whig" Ewing frequently used to hear the humorous sallies of Lincoln. He told the congregation of First Church about the time Lincoln met a Mr. Higbee in the Supreme Court room in Springfield, Lincoln expressed his pleasure at seeing Higbee, who was just out of college, and wanted to know how Highee stood in his claus. He was how Higbee stood in his class. He was told 27th in a class of 125 or 130.

"Well, you ought to be thankful you were no nearer the top," said Lincoln.
"All you want to know is that you are shove the average, for if you are you can go to the ton if you want to Still.

can go to the top if you want to. Still, I ought not to be preaching that way, for I stood second in my class. It was without effort, however."

Highee wanted to know how many ere had been in the class.
"Two," repiled Lincoln.

## ITALIAN TAKES LONG WALK

Crosses Continent With Possessions on His Back.

VANCOUVER, Wash., March 5 .- (Spe cial.)—Asleep in an undertaker's wood-shed, Anton Sandor, aged 45, a native of sunny Italy, was arrested by Officer Cresap last evening.

Sandor says he walked from Pittsburg.

Pa., to Los Angeles, and carried a load of 75 pounds, all of his earthly possessions and collections of 10 years in the United States. He also says he walked from Los Angeles to Vancouver, via Portland, in 55 days, and is now making for Rossland, B. C., where he thinks he has some rela-

Sandor was given his liberty this morning, and he started down the Northern Pacific track toward Seattle, carrying his

## UMATILLA FORMS LEAGUE

Athletes and Orators to Compete for Cup and Medals.

PENDLETON, Or., March 5.—(Spe-lal.)—The Umatilla County Inter-cholastic Athletic and Oratorical As-ociation was formed in this city to-

day at a meeting of the principals of the schools of the county, includ-ing the Columbia College at Milton and the Pendleton Academy, of this

Arrangements were perfected for holding a field meet in Athena, May 14 and oratorical and declamation contests in that city the evening of that day. The business men of Athena have donated a silver cup to be competed for by the athletic teams, and gold and silver medals will be presented to the first and second prize winners in each of the divisions of the oratorical and declamation contests.

## CATHOLICS HONOR EAGAN

Minister to Denmark Recipient of Lactere Medal.

SOUTH BEND, Ind., March 5 .- The Laeters medal, the highest decoration of honor for a Roman Catholic church mem

NEWLY ELECTED COACH OF C. Y. M. C. BASEBALL TEAM.



Jack Helser, president of the Tri-City Baseball League, was elected yesterday as general manager of the Catholic Young Men's Club baseball team and Gene Flint was elected playing manager. Mr. Helser and Mr. Flint are both among the bestknown local boosters of the National game and are expected to bring the Catholic team through a successful

Ray Kennedy has been chosen call for candidates early next week. The club has repaired its grounds and now has an ideal baseball diamond. A heavy schedule of games is being arranged with college, academic and independent teams.

Among the candidates for the team are: Catcher, Robert Gleason, formerly of the University of Idaho Sullivan of Gonzaga College, Wolfe from the University of Idaho; infielders, Tom Crowley, Jimmy Ahern, T. Hutchins, Ed Dooley, David Davidson, Flint, Zander and Davies: outfielders, Hughes, Millan, Eulrich and McDonuld.

ber in the United States, was presented this year to Dr. Maurice F. Bgan, Amer-ican minister to Denmark. The medal is given to the person who, in the opinion of the trustees of the Uni-versity of Notre Dame, has achieved the

greatest eminence in art, literature, scince or philanthropy. A New England railroad is experimenting with ball bearings for car axles to econo-mize on lubricants.

Streams Subsiding, Railroads Make Rapid Strides.

O. R. & N. NEARING NORMAL

All Submerged Points Encouraged, Western Washington Freeze Welcomed-Detoured Trains Here.

Willamette River Falling.

From every point, where, 48 hours ago floods surged and bore destruction, reports now come that the waters are subsiding and that further damage need

not be feared. A few more days of mild weather will enable the railroads to resume their schedule, the comparative absence of rain and chinooks for one day enabling ali Northwest lines to make rapid strides

Northwest lines to make rapid strides toward normal conditions.

The Spokane-Lewiston service on the N. P. may be resumed today. The Clearwater line will be opened toforrow, the Riparia line is being put in shape rapidly and the Grangeville line has resumed

Seattle reports the flood over and a predicted freeze for Western Washington is of further encouragement. The Northern Pacific resumed its service yesterday and the Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound, which was badly crippled by the Snoqualmie Pass blockade will be ack to normal soon.

Strong hope that what has been almost a continuously hard battle with the elements alf Winter in the Blue Mountains is over for the Oregon Railroad & Navigation Co., are held by J. P. O'Brien, vice-president and general manager of the road, who reached Portland after a trip through from the East Politary aight. om the East Friday night.
"A few days of mild weather, such as

"A few days of mild weather, such as we are now having, will end all danger of floods along our line," said Mr. O'Brien. 'I came out from the East with forebodings of floods along the O. R. & N., for I knew that the snowfall had been unusually heavy. While there is a heavy blanket of snow on the ground in the Blue Mountains, it is snow that had been accumulating and thewing alternatebeen accumulating and thawing alternate-ly for weeks and is packed down hard. Such snow does not go off with a rush

and floods are not likely."

The cost to the O. R. & N. of the floods on the Washington division this year is placed by Mr. O'Brien at about \$125,000. This estimate does not include the loss occasioned by the suspension of operations on the main line and branches, but applies only to repair and rebuilding of bridges and grade.

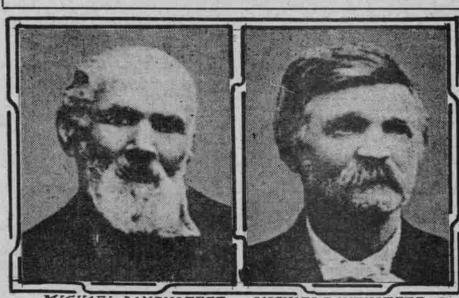
"We are spotting all places where we have had trouble this year," said Mr. O'Brien, "and wherever there has been O'Brien, "and wherever there has been a trestie or culvert washed out it will be replaced by a permanent structure. It probably will be necessary to relocate three miles of road in Hay Canyon to avoid future floods, and these three miles will cost the company about \$90,alone will cost the company about \$80,-

In addition to the regular traffic over the O. R. & N., four detoured Southern Pacific trains reached Portland from the East yesterday and went on to San Francisco over the Shasta route. The arrival of the trains began with one about 8 A. M. and the others were strung along at intervals until late at

In addition to one detoured train that arrived in Portland from San Francisco just before midnight Friday night and which was not listed yesterday, six other detoured trains came in over the Shasta route yesterday. All these trains de-parted at once for the East. Both the

## FATHER AND SON HAVE SEEN MANY CAMPAIGNS

Michael Damphoffer, Sr. and Jr., of Vancouver, Fought in Both Civil and Indian Wars-Elder Now Aged 95.



NCOUVER, Wash., March 5.-(Special.)-Father and son, vetmerous Indian engagements, are two residents of Vancouver who spend much time talking over the old times and recalling their many hardships. They are Michael Dampfhoffer, Sr., and streets, just across the road from Van-couver Barracks. Both are active members of Elisworth Post, No. 2, Grand Army of the Republic. They are 95 years and 65 years of age, respec-

Mr. Dampfhoffer Sr., is active. ar. Damphoner St., is active, exceptionally so for his age, and tends his
little garden every year, spading up
the ground, planting the seed and
later hoeing the vegetables. He spends
much time drawing music out of his
fiddle and puffing his pipe. He expects

to round out the century mark.
In speaking of their experiences to-day Dampfhoffer, Jr., said: day Dampfhoffer, Jr., said:
"My father was born in France and
was a member of the French army. He
received an honorable discharge and
came to the United States in 1852. Being a musician, he went to Fort Mon-roe, Va., from New York, and enlisted in the Ninth Infantry Band, which, with the regiment, was sent to Fort Vancouver by boat, several months be-ing consumed in the journey. They landed here January 12, 1856.

"Colonel Wright was in command of the regiment and sent two companies to the Cascades to fight the Indians, who were on the warpath. In a short time he sent the remaining companies to different points, leaving the band to guard the fort. Three hundred Indians were then camped where the State School for the Deaf stands, and it was extremely trying for the six women and dozen children who were crowded into one small log cabin. We all expected to be killed at any minute. My father was the only man who would 1882 and bas not since been rebuilt,

volunteer to do picket duty, and guarded the cabin and camp for three nights in succession. Finally I Company returned from up the Columbia River and relieved us.

"Two years later, while marching to Walin Walla, in 1858, a son, named Peter, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Dampfhoffer at The Dalles. Of the family of six children, but two—myself and George, the youngest son-Three of the children, including

Michael Dampfhoffer, were born in France, and all were musicians. When the Civil War started, feeling the excitement of war, Michael Dampf-hoffer and his 16-year-old son, Michael erlisted in the First Oregon Cavalry under the command of Captain William Kelly. It was understood that the elder Dampfhoffer was to be bandmaster and the son to be trumpeter. The regiment was not allowed a band, so, after three years' fighting in the Northwest, the elder Dampfhoffer retired after serving his term of enlist-ment. The son re-enlisted and served until the end of the war.

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"We were enlisted to go to the Potomac, but the Indians went on the warpath in Oregon," continued Dampfhoffer, Jr., "and the English wanted to take the Pacific Coast, so we were compelled to stay in the West and were sent to the Rogue River country. At Jacksonville, Or., the Confederates hoisted the Confederate flag, but we have the tree of the result into the confederate flag, but we hauled it down and put the rebels into a guardhouse. Before we released them we made them swear allegiance to the United States and promise not to take up arms against the Union. We traveled over that country now called Klamath Falls and Council Prairie." Both the father and son receive pen sions from the Government, the elder re

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The Willamette River is falling at Portland and at all points above. The river reached its highest stage, 19.6 feet, yesterday forenoon. In the afternoon there was a slight drop. On account of the volume of water in the Columbia the fall in the Lower Willamette will nec-essarily be slow.

Fair weather is predicted for Portland today. The temperature, says the forecast, will drop considerably and there will be a heavy frost, with northerly winds. Similar conditions will prevail over the entire Northwest. Little rain fell at any point in the district yester-

## EGG COLORING OLD FIND

O. A. C. PROFESSOR TOLD OF FOOD'S EFFECT 6 YEARS AGO.

Head of Poultry Husbandry at Corvallis, James Dryden, Did Not Use Dyes in Tests.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, Or., March 2 .- (Special.) - That Corvallis, Or., March 2.—(Special.)—That the color of the eggs which hens produce can be governed through the feeding of the hens—which fact has attracted wide-spread attention throughout the country and which has been halled as a great contribution to science, is in reality not a new discovery according to James Dry-den, professor of poultry husbandry at the Oregon Agricultural College.

He says that he discovered six years ago while experimenting with various

ago while experimenting with various kinds of feeds for chickens, that the color of the yolk of the egg could be determined by the color of the foods administered and that he issued a bulletin on the subject at that time. He did not use dyes as have the professors at Cornell and Chicago in recent experiments, but he had demonstrated the principle very clearly by the use of different foods.

Eastern colleges are not the first to cause hens to lay eggs of the official college color. Last year it was demons-trated at the O. A. C. that hens could be fed in such a manner as to cause them to lay orange colored eggs in token of the official color of the agricultural college. Some of these eggs were on exhibition on the demonstration train which made a trip through the southern part of the state last year, and some were also exhibited at the poultry show recently held at the college. The thousand-headed kale, fed liberally, produced the O. A. C.

Colors. Dry alfalfa leaves also did it.
That flavor and quality as well as color can be fed into eggs is a fact which Professor Dryden has also established through his experiments. He has found that if a hen is fed heavily on onions and other foods for some time the egg will be so strongly flavored that it cannot be The discovery that quality and flavor

can be fed into eggs is considered by Professor Dryden to be exceedignly im-portant and of great commercial value. He can see less practical value in the knowledge that color can also be regulated except possibly that a deeply colored egg will sell better than an egg with a pale yolk.

He does not believe that the color of a

chicken's feathers can be changed by "I have not experimented to any great extent in that direction but I think the most that can be done is to bring about a slight change in the tint of the flesh and plumage," said Professor Dryden.
On the demonstration train that goes through Eastern Oregon this month there will be an exhibit showing the effect of food on the color of eggs.

## DOG DISFIGURES WOMAN Fox Terrier Ordered to Kiss Her

NEW YORK, March 2.—A pet fox ter-rier, owned by Mrs. Marion F. Howard, of Brooklyn, bit her nose in such a shocking manner that she probably will be disfigured for life,

Fastens Teeth in Nose.

Mrs. Howard taught the dog many tricks, among them to understand when a kiss was wanted from him. While she was caressing the terrier she bent over and told Gyp to kies her. The dog would and todo systematics. The dog would not obey, and when she apoke to him, angrily, he jumped at her, fastening his teeth in her nose.

The dog was turned over to the Department of Health for observation.

#### HALF INCH LOT IS SOLD Strip of Land 65 Feet Deep and Just Wide Enough to See, Bought.

NEW YORK, March 2 .- A deed for a strip of land 14-ipch in width and 65 feet in depth, conveyed by Thomas H. Car-man to Joseph Wegemann, on Depot Place, Broadway, Flushing, was filed in the Queens County Clerk's office in Ja-The consideration was not named. The

strip adjoins a lot on which Wegeman intends erecting a three-story brick build

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## HARBOR TO BE DEEPER

SIUSLAW MAY GET APPROPRIA-TION OF \$213,000.

Engineers Make Favorable Report ate When Amendment Is Made.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, March 2 .-- Up to the time the river and harbor bill passed the House of Representatives, the War Departent had not recommended any apropriation for the further improvement of the mouth of Siusiaw River, but on the other hand the latest report on file was adverse to the project. Hence no appropriation for the Siusiaw was made in the House bill.

made in the House bill.

Soon after the bill reached the Senate, however, a favorable report was submitted by the chief engineer, in which he called attention to the fact that the Port of Siuslaw had bonded itself to raise \$250,000 to aid in the contraction of two letties and in the contraction of the contraction of two letties and in the contraction of struction of two jettles, and in view of that situation, the engineers recom-mended that Congress recognize the project and appropriate half the cost of the desired work. The estimate showed that the two jettles would cost \$426,000. Therefore, in pursuance of the general rule, the Senate committee adopted the recommendation of the en-gineers and inserted a provision in the bill appropriating \$213,000 as the Gov-ernment's share, of the cost of this

The report on which this appropria-tion was based recommended the build-ing of a north and a south jetty, extending scaward across the bar a distance of about 4000 feet. The jetties are to converge, and be only about 750 feet apart at their outer extremity. In explaining the proposed work Major

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plans were prepared, says:

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the low\_lying south spit, a short distance north of station Seal (a frequent occurrence during the Winter season of freshets, high tides and rough seas, and always accompanied by a decided shoaling of the bar); also to prevent the flood tides from carrying large quantities of sand across the spit into the river, only to be carried down to-ward the bar on the following ebb. It will also create a fixed headland on the south. For these reasons it is deemed advisable to construct the south jetty first. Its estimated cost, including receiving wharf is \$100,000. The Port of Slushaw has this amount of

funds on hand and has entered into a contract for its construction on plans approved by the War Department. "The estimated cost of the proposed north jetty is \$225,000, including the rebuilding of the old receiving wharf and new tramway. The Government plant heretofore in use for jetty work on the coast south of the Columbia River is all very old and in poor con-dition and it must be renewed before both of the above jettles could be com-

pleted and this, it is estimated, would "The estimated cost may be summarized as follows:

71,000 

City Seeks Flood Protection. SPRINGFIELD, Or., March 5 .- (Special.)-The joint committee appointed by the Commercial Club and City Council will ask the Booth-Kelly Lumber Company to build a dyke along their mili race, above the city to prevent a repeti-tion of this Winter's flood on Main street. The city asks that the corporation stand the whole cost of the work.

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