GIGANTIC LUMBER COMBINE PLANNED

Retailers Now Seek Route to Relieve Them From Present Situation.

DEATH TO LAW PREDICTED

Secretary of Western Retailers' Association Asserts Result of Loss of Suit by Government Will Mean Killing of Statute.

SPOKANE, Wash., July 8,-(Special.) Retail lumbermen, prosecuted by the Government for alleged violations of the Sherman anti-trust law, will cely upon a proposed gigantic organization of retailers in all lines of trade through the country to relieve them from present conditions.

Organization of all retait merchants

Organization of all retail merchants into a great non-partisan political association is now being undertaken by the lumbermen. It is freely admitted that the chief purpose of this association will be the repeal of the Sherman law, if this is construed to prohibit such activities of retail organizations of the retail (umbermen admit.—What will happen if the Government's suit against us is successful?" ment's suit against us is successful?"
said A. L. Porter, secretary of the
Western Retail Lumbermen's Association, in answer to the question.

Death of Law Predicted.

It will eventually mean the killing of the Sherman anti-trust law."
Resolutions favoring the organization of all retailers into the "National Retailers' Association" were adopted at the recent meeting of the National Lumbermen's Association, at Chicago. Since that time an organizer has been employed and is now in correspondence with practically all lines of retailers. An effort will be made to have a con-vention at Chicago this Fall, if possible, and determine upon some plan

The lumbermen whose efforts have been devoted to starting the new or-ganization expect it will eventually have 1,000,000 members. It is described non-partisan political organiza-

tion."
Major Everett Griggs, of Tacoma, new president of the National Lumbermen's Association, succeeding Edward Hines, of Chicago, is beginning a campaign of publicity in behalf of the indicted secretaries of the retailers.

Publicity Plan Out.

Letters have been addressed to mill-men throughout the Northwest, Inclosing printed matter favorable to the immermen, which the manufacturers are requested to have published in local newspapers as interviews with

To date the munufacturers have not interested themselves directly in the troubles being experienced by the re-tailers' organization. It is held by many of the manufacturers that too much activity on behalf of the re-tailers' organizations would connect them, in the public mind, with the suits against the retailers.

CANBY LODGE INSTALLS

I. O. O. F. Plans to Erect Fine Building for Own Home.

CANBY, Or. July S .- (Special.) -- Canby Lodge No. 156, I. O. O. F., in stalled the following officers last night, O. R. Mack, D. D. G. M., acting as in-stalling officer: J. Ray Vinyard, N. Eccles, secretary; W. H. Bair, treas-urer; Ivan Dimick, warden; J. E. Sutheriand, R. S. V. G.; George Mains, L. S. V. G.; C. L. Bates, R. S. N. G.; J. Lee Eckerson, L. S. N. G.; Ed Shull, R. S.; W. E. Miller, L. S. S.; J. Wilson, ctor; A. H. Knight, I. G.; Arthur

The installation ceremonies were followed by a banquet and smoker, participated in by the members of ledge and visiting brethren. Ca odge, No. 155, is one of the strongest ledges of the order. It is now plan-ning for the erection of a large concrete building upon valuable property it owns in this city, the new building is consist of storerooms on the ground floor and a fine lodge ball, with ban-quet rooms and all the usual preparation rooms, etc., found in a modern upto-date lodge building.

EAGLES MEET AT HOQUIAM

City Prepares Entertainment for 1500 Visiting Delegates.

HOQUIAM. Wash: July 8 .- (Special) The sixth annual state convention of the Eagles of Washington will meet in this city temerrow morning for a three days' session and it is expected that upwards of 1500 visitors will be in Ho-quiam for the meeting. Already the advance guard of the delegates has

arrived.
The first big party of delegates is expected temorrow evening, when a special train will arrive from Puget dother large party is expectothers will reach Hogutan

Elaborate preparations have been made for the entertainment of the visitors. Two of the features will be a pichic at the beach at Westport Tuesday and an electric parade in Hoquiam Tuesday evening. The conven-tion closes Wednesday.

COMBINE EFFECTS RESULTS

(Continued From First Page.) ient will veto any special or general tariff bill that may be sent to him, they will be content to allow the Senate to rote down their tariff bills and adjourn. They are not so desirous of making speeches as to be willing to remain in sweltering Washington all the rest of he Summer and Fall, when they know n advance that nothing can be accomslished thereby.

There is every reason to believe that he President will veto any tariff bill, other than Canadian reciprocity, that congress may send to him this session. He certainly will not approve a wo pill, for he has taken the position that schedule K should remain undisturbed port, which will be next December.

And if he will not approve a wool bill, he will not approve a general revision bill which includes a revision of the company is \$150,000.

wool schedule. Congress, of course would never think of passing a general revision bill that overlooked this mportant schedule.

Free List Cannot Win.

As for the free list bill, that also seems doomed to defeat. The Senate will not pass it in the form in which it came from the House; it would not pass that bill if it remained here until December. There is a clear Republican majority against that measure in its present form, just as there is a clear Republican majority against the House wool bill in its present form. The Democrats cannot muster enough Republican support to pass either of these measures as they passed the House. What would result should an attempt be made to whip those bills into shape to meet the approval of the insurgent Republicans is a problem. There is serious doubt whether in the next five months either bill could be shaped up to command the backing of a majority of the Senate, any way you figure it.

Nothing but an insurgent filibuster seems to stand in the way of quick action on all tariff bills after the reciprocity bill is out of the way, and nothing but an insurgent filibuster will prevent adjournment soon after Canadian reciprocity becomes an assured fact. At this time some insurgents are strongly inclined to filibuster, but they are growing disheartened because the Democrats refuse to aid them, and are considerably incensed because the Democrats, with few exceptions, have declined even to discuss reciprocity. The Democrats are not in favor of staying in Washington one minute after they have accomplished everything possible; they see no advantage to be gained by delaying the session with oratory. And as the regular Republicans are in a like frame of mind, this new coalition will probably bring about adjournment soon after the reciprocity bill is approved by the Presiprocity bil Nothing but an insurgent filibuster procity bill is approved by the President. They will do so, unless an insurgent filibuster prevents.

EUGENE CAMPAIGN ON

SPECIAL BOND ELECTION STATEMENTS NOW ISSUED.

Water Board Pleads With Citizens to Vote for Issuance of \$57,000 in Paper for Benefit of City.

EUGENE, Or., July 8 .- (Special.)-Opening of the campaign for the special bond election of July 17 was marked by the issuance of two signed statements last night, one from the Engene Water Board, which has charge

Eugene Water Board, which has charge of the light and water plants of the city, and the other from the finance committee of the City Council.

The Water Board asks the citizens to vote for the issuance of \$57,000 of bonds for the use of the Board. Of this amount \$25,000 is to be added to the \$25,000 authorized last April, and already sold, for the installation of a street lighting system, and with the combined amount both street and commercial lighting will be undertaken by the city. the city.
The Water Board also wants \$5000 to

The Water Board also wants \$5000 to be used for strengthening the canal by which the power plant is served, it having been found that seepage is causing much damage to some of the farms below the canal. Other items are: \$2000 for an additional pump, \$15,000 for general improvements and extensions of mains, and \$2000 for a large main from the pumping station to the reservoir. Pregent practice is to pump directly into the service mains, using the reservoir to maintain the pressure constant by taking up surplus of pumpage over consumption.

The finance committee asks favorable consideration of the voters to the proposition to issue \$120,000 of bonds to refund the outstanding warrants of the city. Refunding bonds to the amount of \$190,000 were sold a little over a year ago and the warrant debt of that time was reduced to a workable figure. However, a previous administration

time was reduced to a workable figure. However, a previous administration drew on the general funds of the city to the amount of \$75,000 to finish the power project, thus bringing the warrant indebtedness to a place where city warrants are discounted. Refunding of 6 per cent warrants with 5 per cent 6 per cent warrants with 5 per cent bonds will effect a substantial saving

BEND ROW TROUBLE CAUSE

Member Board of Education Quits; Principal's Salary Reason.

BEND, Or., July 8 .- (Special.) -As a result of the friction produced by the decision of the majority of the local School Board to fix the principal's salary next year at \$167 a month, an increase of almost 50 per cent over that heretofore paid, H. J. Overturf, minority member of the admentional tries. ity member of the educational trio, to-day tendered his resignation to School Clerk Wiest. Thus far no action has

taken upon it.
The reason for Mr. Overturf's resignation, so far as known, is his disap-proval of what he characterizes as an unwarranted increase in the school ex-penditure in face of the fact that the debt of the district, as indicated by ontstanding warrants, is now greater than it ever has been. In his criticism of the board's action, in which he clsm of the board's action, in which he is supported by many taxpayers, he points out that in communities like Hood River, Klamath Falls and The Dalles, all considerably larger than Bend, the principal's salary is considerably less than it has been decided to pay here. From \$125 to \$125 is the monthly figure in these towns. Lest monthly figure in these towns. Last year the Bend principal received \$115. The salaries of other local teachers have been raised. Whether or not any concerted action will be taken by those who object to what they term the ex-travagance of the School Board cannot as yet be ascertained.

SUNDAY THEATERS ISSUE

Sabbath Amusement Divides Grants Pass Folk Into Factions.

GRANTS PASS, Or., July 8 .- (Special.) Whether Grants Pass' theaters shall pen on Sunday is an issue that has di-ided the City Council and citizens of the town into heated factions. When the question came before the Council Thursday night, and an ordinance au-

Thursday night, and an ordinance authorizing Sunday opening, with an emergency clause attached, passed on first reading by unanimous vote, cittzens of the opposing faction debated the question so hotly that the meeting did not adjourn until morning.

The opposition to the ordinance seemed so determined that the Council itself split on the issue, finally rejecting the measure by a vote of four to three. Another ordinance in slightly different form has been drafted, but public sentiment is so divided that the referendum may have to be used to referendum may have to be used to

Irrigation Firm Incorporates.

SALEM. Or., July & -(Special.)-Articles

GIRL MAY BE MYTH

Uncle Knows No Such Person as Hazel Danner.

DEFENSE SCORES FOR SEE

Stephen Bridges Says Wife Gave \$250 a Month and That Others Not Named Swelled Total Gifts to \$25,000.

SEE HAS REVELATION PRE-DICTING ACQUITTAL; PROSE-CUTOR THINKS OTHER-WISE.

"All Chicago will be at the feet of Mr. See before the end of next week. The state has falled to prove its charges."-Mrs. Felicia Rees.
"We have won. The accuration

was terrible, but truth will prevail, and Mr. See will walk from court a free man."-Mona Rees. 'In a new revelation I am told that the jury will find me innecent. My only concern has been the tor-

ture to which the women have been

subjected."-Byelyn Arthur See. "Mr. See has won. They failed to blacken my name and they can not send Mr. See to prison. Absolute life will triumph."—Mildred Bridges. "No jury can find Mr. See guilty, but, even if they send us all to the penitentiary, the work of absolute life will go on."-Mrs. Stephen H.

"My case is perfect." I am not a prophet, but I know that this man is going to the penitentlary."-Prosecutor Burnham.

CHICAGO, July 8.-With testimony completed in the trial of Evelyn Arthur See, the jurors, by way of fortification against the verbal onslaughts of counsel on Monday, attended a ball game this afternoon and tomorrow will be taken about the city in automobiles. Stephen Bridges said today that his

wife, whom he is suing for divorce,

gave See an average of \$25 a month, part of it for his personal use. "I provided liberally for her and did not know how she spent the money." said Bridges. "She even bought him a horse and buggy. I think I am safe in saying that various women have contributed a total of \$25,000 to the 'Absolute Life.' The names of most

of these women have not come out in the trial. I know of three contributors who left the city when See was arrested and a fourth who went to California. A Sheridan. Wyo., society woman gave him \$2500, but she, too, got out of the way before the trial."

See Does Not Testify. See did not take the witness stand in his own behalf. The announcement that the defense rested was made at the opening of court by Attorney Cant-well, and came as a surprise to the prosecution, who confidently believed that See would take the stand to tell his own story and interpret certain passages from the "Book of Life." It is said See was anxious to teatify, but finally was persuaded by his at-torney to keep off the witness stand. When court convened today attorneys when court convened today attorneys for the defense announced that they had other witnesses, but were willing to stand on the evidence already intro-duced. The state called Mona Rees, high priestess of the absolute life cuit, and

in rebuttal.

Mona had testified that she had written the greater part of See's unpublished bible, and her testimony before Judge Tuthill, in which she said See was the author of the teachings, was introduced Captain Danner was recalled for the pur-Captain Danner was recaired for the pur-pose of proving that Hazel Danner, who is suing See for \$50,000, is not a myth. One of the sensations of the day was the discharge of Grant Newell as attor-ney for Mona. He appeared when Mona the stand and suggested question

Captain Danner, of the Sheffield station,

Lawyer Ordered Out.

Judge Honore reproached Newell and ordered him out of the case. Newell protested, but was told that he was too intimate with counsel for the defense to

act for Mona-A sonsational ending came when Po-lice Captain Danner, called in rebuttal by the state, declared that the \$50,000 by the state, declared that the saves damage sult against See, brought in the name of Hazel Danner, his supposed niece, charging she was abducted by the revealer, was a "frame-up." He declared there was no such girl as Hazel Danner, to his knowledge, and that he had no handle with a daughter anywhere near prother with a daughter anywhere near

the age given by the mysterious girl Telegrams from Galveston today an nounce the death in a Mexican hospital of a brother of Mona Rees. He was wounded while serving as a soldier in

the Mexican army. Mona Rees' Brother Dies.

CHIHUAHUA, Mexico, July 8.-Albert Rees, a member of the American com-pany of insurrectos in the recent revo-lution and a brother of Mona Rees, witicas in the trial of Evelyn Arthur See, ounder of "Absolute Life" in Chicago, iled in the military hospital here

FARMER'S SON ARRESTED

Too Many Bad Checks Alleged Cause of Hood River Catch.

THE DALLES, Or., July 8 .- (Special.)-THE DALLES, Or. July 8.—(Special.)— T. Lamphier, son of a well-to-do farmer of Sherman County, alleged to have drawn bad cheeks to the amount of \$400 on the Wasco Warehouse Milling Company, of More, and cashed the same here, was arrested at Hood River today on information telegraphed as soon as Lamphier left here in an automobile with

two women companions.

Lamphier is said to have arrived here several days ago and has been celebrat-ing since. Some bloeded stock at one of the feed stables belonging to him has been attached in lieu of worthless checks given for automobile hire. The young man says he owns 600 acres of wheat land near Moro.

HOOD RIVER, Or., July &—(Special.)—
Acting on the advice of the authorities of The Dalles, T. Lamphler was arrested here today by Sheriff Tom Johnson just after his arrival and while he was registering at a local hotel. Two forged papers of \$100 cach were cashed by the White House, a saloon of The Dalles. He was driven here today by P. Doubtet, a young chauffeur, and was accompanied by two women.

A ticket-holder invented by a Canadian consists of a small metal box with a spring tid, which pulls out a single ticket as it is opened.

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Teachers Find No Standard in Their Profession.

SPEAKERS TELL DEFECTS

To Learn Reasons for Lack of Educational Efficiency, Investigation Is Sought by Delegates at Convention.

SAN FRANCISCO. July 8.-Puzzlement over the exact whereabouts of the teaching profession marked today's work of the National Council of Educa-tion, meeting in advance of the larger tion, meeting in advance of the larger body's formal sessions. It sounded in the address of President Keyes, of the council, who declared that a "feeble beginning" only had been made toward attaining a standard of educational efficiency. He pointed out that the teacher's position was unique in this undestrable respect. The council voted a committee to investigate.

Another angle was touched later in the day by Harlan Undegraff, specialist

the day by Harian Updegraff, specialist in school administration of the Bureau of Education at Washington, who exof Education at Washingten, who expressed doubts as to the efficacy of various inducements held out to improve teaching services in city schools, citing life tenures, salary increases and permanent certificates as likely to "work against the development of right professional ideals," under certain circumstances. Mr. Updegraff recommended an investigation.
"Insurgents," working from the

cumstances. Mr. Updegraff recommended an investigation.

"Insurgents," working from the headquarters of the Chicago delegation, today started a canvass of the members by persons, each under pledge to secure ten others who will agree to attend the meetings set for Monday night at which members of the board of directors are chosen. It was asserted that generally not more than 1400 members vote at the meetings. The insurgents naturally expect that whatever additional votes they get will be favorable to their side.

It developed today that some of the conservatives expect to challenge the right of schools to memberships, in case the insurgents bring up the tangled question of finances, and the purposes for which money is expended. Many "schools" voted last year for the election of Mrs. Young. The article on membership, in the authorized copy of the prosent constitution, does not provide for such active membership.

St. Paul, Minn., and Chicago have started booms for the next convention.

A delegation of physicians appointed

A delegation of physicians appointed by the American Medical Association

safeguarding of the health of school

400 Oregon Teachers Attend.

SALEM, Or., July 8 .- (Special.) -- Super-

intendent Alderman says 400 Oregon eachers are in attendance at the Na ional Educational Association nor meeting in San Francisco. Astoria Denied Warships.

WASHINGTON, July 8 .- Replying to

arrived today to bring greetings and ships Milwaukee, St. Louis and Charles-to confer with the educators about the ton be stationed there during the celeton be stationed there during the cele-bration, the Navy Department advises these vessels are now out of commis sion at the Puget Sound yard, and will not be in condition for service in time.

Board to Review New Road.

SALEM, Or., July 8 .- (Special)-Chairman Aitchison and Commissioner Campbell, of the State Railroad Commission, will leave Monday for an inspection of the Pacific Railway & Navi-

connection with that road, and the officials have requested the Commission to inspect the line before these cases some up for consideration. Questions of operation and maintenance, as this is a new line, will be investigated by

Postoffice Established at Rowena.

the Commissioners.

WASHINGTON, July 8.—A postoffice has been established at Rowens, Wasco County, with Frank W. Bourhill as



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