PIERCE CONFIRMS **BIG LUMBER PLANS**

Eastern Capital for Great Merger Assured, Spokane Man Declares.

ECONOMIES ARE PROPOSED

As Precaution, Attorney Has Submitted Details to Department of Justice-Senator Piles Said to Approve.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 16 -- (Spe cial.)-To weld into a \$100,000,000 hold-ing company all the big timber mills that ship by water from Washington

that ship by water from Washington and Oregon is the plan of Henry J. Pierce, of Spokane, who in his rooms at the Palace Hotol is conferring with local representatives of the corporations which are to be merged in the deal he contempiates. Pierce arrived from the north yesterday, accompanied by his attorney, W. H. Abel, of Portland, and R. P. Lytle and E. L. Payne, leading lumber manufacturers of Hoquiam, Wash. The plan which Pierce has under way is the biggest deal in the history of the Western lumber industry. Pierce estimates that half of the \$100.000.000 required for the merger will be needed simply to take over the various mills themselves, the other half to be used in buying the timber lands of the now separate companies, and in acquiring such additional timber acreage as may be necessary during the next 15 years. The Spokane lumberman says he is assured that \$100.000,000 will be forthcoming from Eastern capitalists.

sured that \$190,000,000 will be forthcoming from Eastern capitalists.

The contemplated merger is to control 65 per cent of the 3,000,000,000 feet
of lumber that are turned out daily by
the tidewaster mills of Washington and
Oregon. Plerve says he has already secured the signatures of millowners representing one-third of the output of the
tidewaster mills. One of the principal
objects of Pierce's visit here is said to
be to induce the Pope & Taibot and E.
K. Wood iumber companies, both of
which operate mills in the district the
Pierce merger is to embrace, to enter
the combine.

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Pierce said today explicitly that his proposed merger was purely a plan to secure greater economy in the handling of lumber, and not at all a scheme for the manipulating of prices. To insure his position, he says, his attorney has submitted to the Attorney-General at Washington a statement explaining the state of the merger. The statement. Washington a statement. The statement, asserts Pierce, has already been approved by several prominent authorities on Federal law, including United States Semator Piles, of Washington.

GOOD ROADS CAMPAIGN ON

Gold Hill Meeting Monday Will Open Plan of Propagandists.

GOLD HILL, Or, Sept. 16.—(Special.)
—Next Monday evening marks the opening of the campaign for the good roads bond issue in Gold Hill, when a delegation of Medford good roads enthusiasts, headed by County Judge Nell and Commissioner Davis, will hold a meeting in the Wego Theater. Every one is invited to attend and hear the road-bonding question thoroughly discussed.

The plans of the County Court, as outlined by Judge Nell at a meeting at Central Point, include a base road running from the Josephine County line, through Woodville, Gold Hill, Central Point and Medford to the California line, to be followed in construction by an other base road from Applegate through Jacksonville, Central Point and Eagle Point into the Butts Creek country, with a branch via the Bybee bridge into

Sams Valley.

The meeting here Monday is one of a series which Modford bond issue propagandists are holding in the smaller towns all over Jackson County.

WIFE SUES STENOGRAPHER

Woman Wants \$20,000 Because Husband No Longer Loves Her.

SEATTLE. Wash. Sept. 16.—(Special.)—Charging her husband's former stenographer with allenating the affect stenographer with altenating the alter-tions of Adolph A. Gust, Mrs. Sarah A. Gust commenced an action in the Su-perior Court today against Pauline M. Miller for \$20,000 damages. Gust is a former resident of Butts, and later of Wash, and came to Seattle

Iwo years ago.

The wife tells the court that he is the possessor of \$350,000 worth of property. It is charged by the wife that Miss Miller lost Gust's affection when Miss Miller lost Gust's affection when Mrs. Gust married him, and that sub-sequently Miss Miller came to Seattle and won him back again. Divorce pro-ceedings are also pending in court, which are charged to Miss Miller's in-

Concurrently with the filling of the allenation suit, Edward Judd, attorney for the wife, asks suit money and temperary alimony of \$2000 and an attorney's fee of \$500.

WHEAT RECEIPTS BIGGEST

(Continued From First Page.) the season opened being 171,700 bushels more than Tacoma's and \$33,400 bushels more than Scattle's.

Little Barley Left.

Not only is wheat trading on large scale, but business in other cereals has been very active. Although the season has been opened

only a short time, nearly all the barley erop of the Northwest has been dis posed of, Fortland buyers getting the greater portion of it. Except for the quantity used in the Northwest, all the brewing grade is being shipped East. It is estimated that at least 75,000 tone of malting bartey will be disputched to Eastern brewers before the close of the year. Last year about 20,000 tons went East and two years ago, then the record year, the shipments were 25,000 tons.

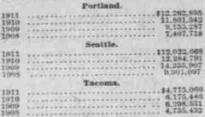
These heavy transactions in the grain trade, with the marketing of a big fruit crop through Portland, are aiding in keeping Portland's business

in a highly prosperous condition. The awakening of jobbing and retail trade, after the usual period of Summer quietness, is also being felt.

An accurate reflection of these conditions can be seen in the weekly statements of the Portland clearing-house. For the past week the total clearings of Portland were nearly

the same week last year. The Port-land showing was also a quarter of a million better than Seattle made in the past week.

Portland Exceeds Sound. The bank clearings of Portland, Seattle and Tacoma for the past week and corresponding week in the three preceding years compare as follows: preceding years compare as follows:



SOUTH BEND FIGHTS CASE

Verdict of \$10,000 to Schoolteacher Causes New Trial.

SOUTH BEND, Wash., Sept. 16.-(Special)—in accordance with a decision of Judge Smith, of the Superior Court, delivered this week, the Ransom case will be retried, probably at the November jury term. The first trial of

MeMINNVILLE'S CHIEF OF POLICE SPRINGS SURPRISE ON YAMBILL COUNTY.



Peter Peterson.

McMINNVILLE, Or., Sept. 16.—
(Special.)—Chef of Police Peter Peterson is the first officer in McMinnville to comply with a recent city ordinance requiring members of the police force to wear a uniform, and is therefore the first also in Yamhili County to don the regulation "cop" at-

He merits distinction beyond this in possessing a fine physique. He is six feet six inches tall and weighs 180 pounds. Chief Peterson was born in Denmark and came with his parents to the United States 30 years ago. He is serving his first elegtive term as McMinnville's chief peace

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this case, which took place in June of this year, was sensational and engendered much ill feeling among the people of this city.

Miss Bertha Ransom, whose residence is Portland and who is a former teacher in the schools of this city, sued the city for \$30,000 damages for alleged permanent injuries sustained through falling over a timber nailed across the sidewalk on one of the streets of this city. The jury awarded her \$15,000 and the city moved for a new trial. When the motion was argued a few days ago Judge Smith reduced the verdict to \$10,000 and decided that, unless this was satisfactory to both sides, a new trial would be granted. The city was dissatisfied and a retrial was ordered. and a retrial was ordered.

SCHOOLS OF STATE COSTLY

Washington Pays Out \$11,435,238 for Education in 1911.

OLYMPIA, Wash, Sept. 16 .- (Spe-

ial.)-To run the schools of Washingon during the year 1911 it cost \$11 .-435,335, according to figures given out by H. B. Dewey, State Superintendent Public Instruction. There was raised, however, from all sources, \$16 .-160,603, the balance on hand on June 30, 1911, being \$4,725,364. In 1910 the schools cost \$11.017,983, showing that in 1911 it cost over \$400,000 more than it did in 1910. Inasmuch as the last census gave Washington a population of a little more than 1,000,000 the figures indicate that it costs every man, woman and child in the state more than \$10 each for the support of the schools. By far the biggsst portion of the expenditures, or practically one-half of the total, \$3.578.000 went for teachers' salaries; \$2.436,000 was spent for schools and school sites, while \$509,000

schools and school sites, while \$509,000 represents interest on bonds and \$224.000 therest on warrants, making practically \$750,000 that goes for interest. Out of the \$15,150,000 received by the schools \$4,552,000 came from special taxes; \$2,622,000 from the state and \$2,750,000 from the country. 273,000 from the countles. The sale of bonds netted \$2,551,000 and \$518,000 was received from other sources.

"Aggy" School Graduate Honored.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COL-LEGE, Corvallis, Or., Sept. 16. OREGON AGRICULTURAL COL-LEGE Corvallis, Or., Sept. 16.— (Special.)—C. C. Clark, a graduate of the Oregon Agricultural College and until recently connected with the de-partment of agriculture of British Copartment of agriculture of British Co-lumbia, is now superintendent of the British Columbia Land and Water Company's holdings at Kamloops, B. C. 358 acres of which is planted to fruit. Mr. Clark graduated in 1997 and after pursuing a post-graduate course at the same institution was called to British Columbia.

All people who are blind ride free of charge upon the atrestors of Glazgow, Scot-and.

REPUBLICANS HOPE TO HOLD ILLINOIS

Majority in State Senate Is Enough to Prevent Democratic Gerrymander.

CLOSE VOTE IS CONCEDED

As to Senatorship, Which Will Be Decided by Joint Ballot, It Is Admitted That Democrats Have Chance to Win.

CHICAGO. Sept. 16.—(Special.)—Be-publican chiefs, alarmed by reports that the Democrats may control the next Legislature, are busy figuring pos-sibilities based upon the political com-plexion of the 51 Senatorial districts.

plexion of the 51 Senatorial districts. They calculate that only a miracle in politics would give Democracy a majority in the State Senate.

This, they assert, does away with any alarm that the Democrats will reapportion the Senate at the next session. If the Republicans can hold the Senate, they point out, they would block any Democratic gerrymander by refusing to concur in a Democratic apportionment.

Giving the Democrats the benefit of

refusing to concur in a Democratic apportionment.

Giving the Democrats the benefit of all doubts. Republicans get a bare majority consisting of 25 votes in the upper branch. In the lower branch three members are elected from each district, and the Democrats stand a good chance to control that body in the event of a landslide, it is asserted.

Senatorship at Stake. This is causing unrest among Republican leaders because of the United States Senatorship, which is to be settled by the next Legislature. The Senator is elected by joint bailot of both branches and it is admitted the Democrats have a chance to win.

Those who do not believe it necessary for the Republicans to reapportion the state Congressionally in special session make the appended classification to prove that the Senate will remain Resultion

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Hold-over Republican State Senators:
District No. 1—Francis P. Brady.
District No. 5—Samuel A. Ettelleen.
District No. 5—Waller Clyde Jones.
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District No. 11—Carl Lundbers.
District No. 21—Nell Juni.
District No. 22—Nell Juni.
District No. 23—Willett H. Corawell.
District No. 33—Frank A. Landea.
District No. 35—John H. Gray.
District No. 35—John H. Gray.
District No. 35—Henry W. Johnson.
District No. 41—Hichard J. Barr.
District No. 44—Charles F. Hurburgh.
District No. 45—Logan Hay.
District No. 51—Douglas W. Helm.
Even numbered districts in which Senators are to be elected and classed as overwhelmingly Republican are the 6th, 8th, 10th, 14th, 20th, 22d, 24th and 26th.

The 18 holdover Senators and the eight Republicans district classified as sure by the calculators would give the Republicans a bare majority of 26 in the upper branch. The Democratic holdover State Senators are:

holdover State Senators are:

District No. 9—Patrick J. Carroll.
District No. 15—Edward J. Forst.
District No. 15—Edward J. Glackin.
District No. 12—Edward J. Glackin.
District No. 21—John T. Denvir.
District No. 22—John R. Madigan.
District No. 25—John M. O'Connor.
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Even-numbered district in which senators are to be elected and which are classified as Democratic or that enight possibly be carried by the Democrats are the 2d, 4th, 12th, 18th, 18th, 28th, 20th, 22d, 24th, 36th, 38th, 40th, 42d, 44th, 46th 48th and 50th.
Should these districts go Democratic counting the eight holdover Democratic Senators, the Democrats would have 25 members in the upper branch, or one less than a majority. Of the districts classed as a possibility for the Democrata, Republican State Senators are serving in them now in the 2d, 12th, crats. Republican State Schators are serving in them now in the 2d, 12th, 15th, 18th, 28th, 34th, 44th and 50th districts. These districts Republicans, look upon as normally Republican, al-though they say there is a possibility of Democrats carrying them under certain conditions.

MUCKRAKER IS TAMED

HUGE JOKE SPRUNG ON REPRE. SENTATIVE OF 17,500,000.

Enjoyable Little Comedy Enacted on Steamship Northwestern Following Report of Foundering.

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 16 .- (Spe ial.)-"The Taming of the Muckraker" is the title of a little comedy that was staged aboard the steamship Northwestern for the amusement of the passengers on that ship and the edifica-tion of the refugees from the wrecked vessel Ramona. It was a kind of a Chinese potpourri affair, lasting three days, with all of the actors except one playing also the part of the audience. William E. Smythe (pronounce it "Smythe," please, with an accent on the "y," not "Smith") was the principal

Smythe, according to the passengers, put on more "side" than a halibut during the short voyage. He told the passengers that he was the chief rep-resentative of a news publishing assoclation that had 17,500,000 readers. When the news of the wreck of the

When the news of the North-manona was received on the North-western, he evolved a telegram which he dispatched via wireless. Then he leaned back and remarked with a lofty

leaned sack and remarks of the like in the like of the United States will be reading my account of the Ramona disaster."

The passengers stood for this "high and softy stuff" till their endurance was exhausted and thou the comedy was staged. At Ketchikan an unsigned telegram, addressed to Smythe, was thrown on the Northwestern just as that vessel was leaving the dock. It was to the effect that Pinchot had been kidnaped and foul play was feared.

Smythe gathered the passengers around him and delivered a lachrymose eulogy on Pinchot. He wired to Seattle, but his great news disseminating organization for some reason or other did not answer, and his next three days were days of travail and sorrow and a vain search for sympathy. It was not until he reached Seattle last night that he learned that he had been "hoaxed."

Albany Schools to Open.

ALBANY, Or., Sept. 15.—(Special)— Albany's public schools will open for

the year's work next Mond 7. G. W. Boetilcher, superintendent, has been at work all week classifying prospective students and getting everything in readiness for active work when the first semestor begins. The teachers heretofore selected have been assigned to positions as follows:

High school—Lloyd Marquam, principal: Maude Miller, Latin and German: E. A. Hudson, science: Carolyn Dunston, history; Louise Blackwell, English: Frances Nelson, English; W. E. Woods, mathematics; Zilpha Galloway, general; Alice Ireland, commercial; Beatrice Ireland, commercial; Beatrice Ireland, commercial; Central school—C. S. Bown, principal and eighth grade; Maude Laughend, first grade; Mae Roberts, second grade; Letha McCullough, third grade; Lottle Morgan, fourth grade; Ethel Eakin, fifth grade; Margaret Riley, sixth grade; Myrtle Worley, seventh grade.

Madison school—G. E. Finnerty, prin-

grade.

Madison school—G. E. Finnerty, principal and eighth grade; Miss Tierney, first grade; Grace Wellborne, second grade; Mamie McKnight, third grade; Edith McCourt, fourth grade; Ethel Dwyer, fifth grade; Mrs. Fraser, sixth grade; Mrs. Callie Bigbee, seventh grade. Maple school-Mrs. E. D. Byers, prin cipal and sixth grade; Hazel Rolfe, first grade; Mabelle Schultz, second grade; Mrs. Johnson, third grade; Margaret Stewart, fourth grade; Alice Markhart, fifth grade.

DEBT IS DUE TO NATION

LIEUTENANT CAN WED HEIRESS, BUT MAY NOT RESIGN.

General Wood Holds Commission in Army Is Not Like Civilian Job, to Be Laid Aside.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16.—(Special.)
—In ruling that Second Lleutenant
Stanley M. Rumbaugh cannot resign
his commission in the Army, now that
he has a rich wife, General Leonard M.
Wood, Chief of Staff, holds in effect Wood, Chief of Staff, holds in effect that the military service is not to be compared with day labor, or any other civilian position in which the obligation ceases when the employe has done his work and received his pay for it. The Nation has been to the expense of educating the young Army officer, the Chief of Staff believes, and is entitled to at least four years of his service after he has been fitted to make his service worth while. Even then, he should not be released merely to marry.

marry.

Lieutenant Rumbaugh was assigned to the Fifteenth Cavalry when he left West Point. As a dashing cadet, athletic and epauletted, he won the affections of Miss Colgate, a New York helress, and after his real service began he received a leave of absence for a honeymoon, with permission to apply for an extension. His wife's fortune having placed him beyond the need of employment with the Government as a means of livelihood, and even given promise of capital with which to employment of the officers of the War Department have approved the resignation, but General Wood says no. He has ruled that three months is long enough for a honeymoon and that when the Lieutenant's leave expires he must report for duty at Fort Myer, where his regiment is stationed.

The fact of Lieutenant Rumbaugh's largely increased income because of his matrimonial alliance is held to have no weight, and it appears that the intercession of influential friends of both himself and his bride was equally ineffective. General Wood positively refuses to regard a commission in the Army as a "job" in any civilian sense. He insists that it should be a point of honor with a cadet to pay for his board and clothes and education, received when the Government was receiving no service in return, and could not hope to receive any unless its cadets afterward served a reasonable period under the colors. narry. Lieutenant Rumbaugh was assigned

NAVAL OFFICER FIGHTING TO CLEAR HIS RECORD.

Lieutenant Roy C. Smith, Who Says He Is Victim of Circumstances, to Appeal to Secretary.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 18 .- Lieutenant Roy C. Smith, recently attached to the Saratoga, the flagship of the Asiatic the Saratoga, the flagship of the Asiatic squadron, came ashore today from the Japanese liner Shinyo Maru with the statement that while he had no intention of recalling his resignation from the Navy he intended making a personal appeal to the Secretary of the Navy.

The nature of the charges preferred The nature of the charges preferred against him have not been made public. Lieutenant Smith stated that he had resigned at the request of Admiral Murdock, without making a fight before a court-martial. The word of other officers was against his, he said, and as his own statement was not believed, he felt that he could no longer remain in the Navy. Smith declared he was a victim of circumstances and he hoped to clear his name after presenting his case at Washington.

case at Washington.

As he stepped ashore the officer was met by Lieutenant Charles P. Huff, of the naval training station, with a request that he remain in confinement on the receiving ship Pensacola until the Navy Department has been heard from. Smith consented.

MINE PAYMASTER KILLED

Pennsylvanian Robbed by Highwayman of More Than \$3000.

PITTSBURG, Sept. 16.—David Steen, a mine superintendent and paymaster, was found shot to death in the read leading out from Carnegie, about 12 miles from this city, this afternoon. The motive for the murder was robbery. The highwayman obtained more than 12000. bery. The

than \$2000.
Steen was superintendent of Wilma Mine No. 2, which is leased to his father. Today was the miners payday. Steen was formerly employed by the Pitisburg Coal Company as pay-

PORTLAND GETS MEETING

South Methodist Church Conference Comes Here in 1912.

ROSEBURG, Or., Sept. 16,-(Special.) After selecting Portland as the next meeting place, the annual conference

meeting place, the annual conference of the South Methodist Church adjorned here tonight after a successful three-day session.

The reports of the various pastors throughout the state showed the membership of the church to be increasing rapidly. The conference was presided over by Bishop Waterhouse.



For Men

Tweeds, Gabardines and Rubberized. Mode and style above criticism. Made on Honor for faithful service.

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In mannish fabrics, with dash and originality in every line. They combine merit and fashion. Third Floor.

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A large and carefully chosen stock of cheviots and tweeds in the late shades of grays, blues and browns. Approved fashions. MODESTLY PRICED \$20 to \$40

Quality is the Foundation Stone on which our Success is built

LEADING CLOTHIER

BLACKMAIL IS REVEALED

PLOT AGAINST THE MORMON CHURCH IS EXPOSED.

Money Demand for Photographs of Inner Temple Flatly Turned Down by First Presidency.

SALT LAKE CITY, Sept. 16 .- The first presidency of the Mormon Church has exposed a scheme to blackmail the church authorities by the sale and exhibition of a series of photographs of alleged interior scenes of the Mormon Temple, into which no one ordinarily is allowed to enter unless he be a de-vout member of the church. In a letter received from New York,

from a former resident of this city are contained seven photographs which the writer offers to the first president. No nt was named.

The first president replied that they did not desire to negotiate with thieves and blackmailers.

It is said by the church authorities that the photographs probably were that the photographs probably were secured a short time ago when the Tem-

ple was being cleaned.

The church leaders say they do not care whether the photographs are published or not, adding by way of explanation that 800 Gentiles were allowed to go through the temple just before its dedication.

POSTAL GRADES ADVANCED

Northwest Offices Are Placed in Presidential Class.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Sept. 18.—The following fourth-class Postoffices will be advanced on October 1 to the Presidential grade, with Postmasters' salaries fixed as indicated:
Oregon_North Pertland, \$1500; Estacada, \$1400; Redmond, \$1200; Philomath, \$1100.
Washington_Concrete, \$1400; Selah and Washtucna, \$1000.
Idaho_Juliaetta, \$1000.

Corns All Gone By Wednesday

Apply a Blue-jay plaster on Monday, and the pain stops instantly. By Wednesday the whole corn loosens and comes out. No pain, no soreness, no inconvenience. All because of a soft wax which separates the callous from the toe.

Why do you temporize with corns? Why merely pare them or protect them? Here is a way to remove the corn, harmlessly, painlessly, and in 48 hours. Millions of people use it. It has fifty times as large a sale as any other treatment for corns. Think what folly it is to suffer a corn when a simple Blue-jay plaster ends the whole trouble. Go get it now.

A in the picture is the soft B & B wax. It loosens the corn. B protects the corn, stopping the pain at once.

C wraps around the toe. It is narrowed to be comfortable.

D is rubber adhesive to fasten the plaster on.

Blue-jay Corn Plasters 15c and 25c per package

(1) Also Blue-jay Bunion Plasters. All Druggists Sell and Guarantee Them.

Bauer & Black, Chicago and New York, Makers of Surgical Dressings, etc.



Backache

s only one of many symptoms which some women en dure through weakness or displacement of the womanly organs. Mrs. Lizzie White of Memphis, Tenn., wrote Dr. R. V. Pierce, as follows :

"At times I was hardly able to be on my feet. I believe I had every pain and ache a woman could have. Had a very bad case. Internal organs were very much diseased and my back was very weak. I suffered a great deal with nervous headaches, in fact, I suffered all over-This was my condition when I wester all over-This was my condition when I wrote to you for advice. After taking your 'Favorite Prescription' for about three mouths can say that my health was never better."

Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription

Is a positive cure for weakness and disease of the feminine organism. It allays inflammation, heals ulceration and soothes pain. Tones and builds up the nervea. Do not permit a dishonest dealer to substitute for this medicine which has a record of 40 years of cures. "No, thank you, I want what I ask for."

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets induce mild natural bowel movement once a day.