## SHERIFF PLANS TO **CUT OFFICE COSTS**

Greater Efficiency Also Promised Under New System of Tax Collecting.

#### DULL PERIODS ELIMINATED

Statements Are Made Out Before Paying Season Starts and Are Checked by Adding Machine, Needing No Extra Clerks.

Preparation of tax bills in advance, resulting, it is hoped, in superior service to the public and a decreased cost of operation of the county tax department during rush seasons, has been made possible by a new system installed this year by Sheriff Hurlburt.

Not only have time and money been saved by the new system, but possibility of error has been decreased greatly, according to E. S. Huckabay, chief deputy in the tax department. Under the former system of prepar-ing the tax bills, they were not made up until called for by the taxpayers. The taxpayer waited in line while the tax clerk searched the tax rolls and wrote up the detail of the bill by hand.

This is no more. The new tax roll is opened for the collection of taxes each year about February 1, and at that time there is a general demand for tax bills. In for-mer years, almost every day during February and March, the tax-collecting office has been crowded with taxpayers seeking their tax statements, and during this period there has been a great congestion of business. The tax officials found it necessary to employ a large force of additional clerks, a great many of whom were inexperienced and unfamiliar with the tax rolls. Errors and delays resulted from this system, as well as increased operils system, as well as increased operating expenses.

Better Service Assured.

Sheriff Hurlburt and his tax deputies sheriff Huriburt and his tax deputies conceived the idea that if all the tax bills could be prepared in advance of their being called for there would not only be a decrease in the cost of maintaining the department, but it would more efficiently serve the public with a minimum of delays and clerical errors.

After a careful survey and inspection of improved methods adopted by cities such as New York, Pittsburg and Binghamton, a new system was evolved to be a such as a new system was evolved to be a such as a new system was evolved to be a such as a new system was evolved to be a such as a new system was evolved to be a such as a new system was evolved to be a such as a new system was evolved to be a such as a new system was evolved to be a such as a new system was evolved to be a such as a new system.

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The plan so distributed the work of the department throughout the year that there would be no real busy periods and no dull periods. Under the old system the tax department maintained a regular force of clerks, who were only busy during certain periods of the year. During February and March from 45 to 60 extra clerks were added to the regular collecting force to assist in caring for the increased business at this period of the year. In April these extra clerks were laid off, and during the ensuing Summer months the regular deputies found a slack period, and instead of being engaged in preparing for new work shead, the most perfunctory duties were per-

the tax bills, but they practically audit each bill, automatically adding and proving the correctness of each bill as it is being written. Deputies in the tax office say that these machines have reduced the number of clerical errors to a negligible quantity, where hereto-fore hundreds of errors were made in the bills each year, necessitating many

MEET THIS MONTH.

later readjustments. Accounting Machines Added.

Five of these new accounting ma-chines, which, it is said, are the only ones of their type on this Coast, have just been brought from New York and installed in the tax department by H. J. Stewart, and the tax officials declare that these machines will prac-tically revolutionize the clerical work in their office by making it possible to prove and correct all the tax bills before they are handed to the taxpayer.

Probably the biggest gathering of hardware men Portland ever saw will attend the annual convention of the Oregon Retail Hardware and Imple-before they are handed to the taxpayer. before they are handed to the taxpayer. ment Dealers' Association, which will One of these machines, which will be meet at the Imperial Hotel January

used in the bookkeeping department, will cut the expense of that division alone by \$500 the first year.

By next year the chief deputy of the tax department says he believes by improving the system still farther and with the new mechanical devices in with the new mechanical devices in-stalled it will be possible to reduce the collecting force to a regular staff. If this can be done it is obvious that there will be a corresponding reduc-tion in the cost of maintenance, and a far superior service to the taxpayers will be realized than was possible un-der the old system.

### TWO SHIFTS UNNECESSARY

Federal Head Says Fireboats Are Run Within Law's Rulings.

Establishment of a two-shift system on the city's fireboats will not be required by the Federal inspection service, according to a letter received yesterday by City Attorney LaRoche from John Bulger, supervising inspector of the First District with headquarters in San Francisco. The order from the headquarters reversed the order of lo-cal inspectors that the fireboat crews

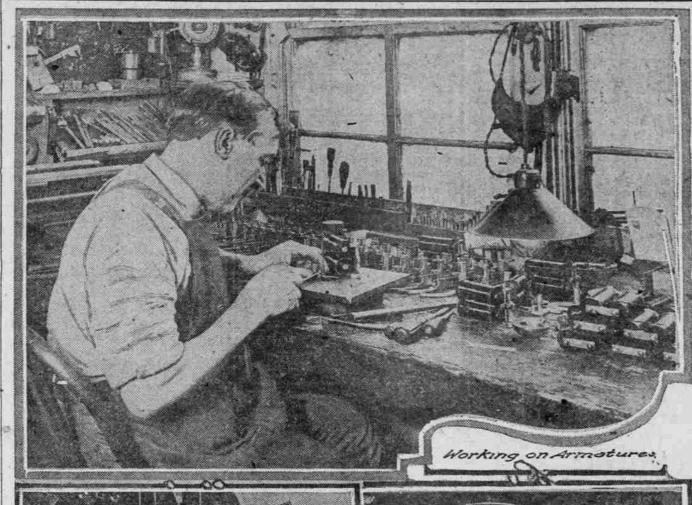
headquarters reversed the order of lo-cal inspectors that the fireboat crews would have to be worked in shifts of not more than 13 hours. "The licensed officers," says the let-ter, are not everworked as they stand six hours on and six hours off which fulfills the law."

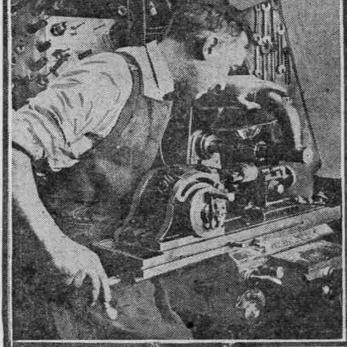
### Marriage License Record Broken.

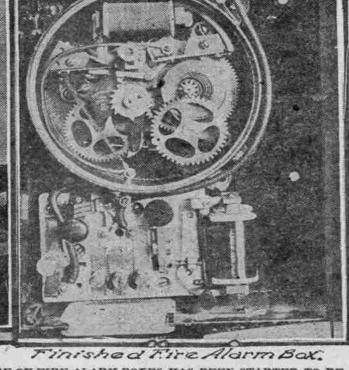
ALBANY, Or., Jan. 13 .- (Special.)-There is going to be no lull in the marriage market in this county during the coming year if early activities can be taken as a precedent. Licenses are averaging three a day and at that rate tainment features for the merchants

## FIRE ALARM BOXES MADE IN CITY SHOPS IN SPARE TIME EFFECT NOTABLE SAVING

Average Purchases Run 50 Annually, Aggregating \$7250, and This Will Be Cut to Half, While Overhead Expense, Which Has Been Problem Heretofore, Is Thought to Have Been Solved.







SCENES AT MUNICIPAL SHOP, WHERE MANUFACTURE OF FIRE ALARM BOXES HAS BEEN STARTED TO REDUCE OVERHEAD COST.

Washington and Idaho Are to

Be Invited to Attend.

George T. Baldwin, of Klamath Falls, President of the Ap-

wholesale dealers are preparing enter-

Hardware Dealers.

proaching Convention of Oregon

of the gathering. Charles Archerd, of Salem, is chairman of the executive committee.

The committee of wholesalers who leges, he reports that the attitude of are planning to make the visit of the students toward the faculty and toward The committee of wholesalers who leges, he are planning to make the visit of the students toward the faculty and toward outside dealers pleasant are: William F. Norman, of Fairbanks, Morse & Co.; West than in the East and adds that at E. E. Tressler, Simonds Manufacturing pears at his best." MEET THIS MONTH.

Company; S. C. Rasmussen, Rasmussen & Co.; E. C. Ward, Marshall-Wells Hardware Company; W. K. Slater, Honeyman Hardware Company, and F.

## G. A. R. OFFICERS ARE IN

O. Creasy, of the Gauld Company.

Gordon Granger Relief Corps Participates in Joint Ceremony.

Gordon Granger Relief Corps, No. 43, Grand Army of the Republic, and post held a joint installation in Green's is a liquor known as mastica Hall, Dekum avenue and Seventh street, on Friday, January 5. A dinner was served at noon and after the installation a short musical programme was enjoyed.

The officers of the corps were installed by Mrs. Olivette Wheeler, assisted by Mrs. Nanetta Van Horn as conductor. The officers are as fol-

lows:

Mrs. Maida L. Byrnes, president; Mrs. Nanetta Van Horn, senior vice-president; Mrs. Fred Beherens, junior vice-president; Mrs. Fred Beherens, junior vice-president; Mrs. Rachael Ladd, chaplain; Mrs. Hattle E. Erickson, conductor; Mrs. Ida Jackson, assistant conductor; Miss Clara Rockwell, treasurer; Mrs. Hilda Slater, secretary; Mrs. Martha Barbur, guard; Mrs. Caroline Thompson, assistant guard; Mrs. Louisa Severence, patriotic instructor; Mrs. May Armstrong, press correspondent; Mrs. Persis Thornton, musician; Mrs. Louisa Kramer, Mrs. Neille Butler, Mrs. Clara Hall and Mrs. Anna Benshaw, color bearers.

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Edwin E. Covey, commander; H. A. Severance, senior vice-commander; L. A. Thompson, juntor vice-commander; H. C. Dutton, adjutant; M. A. Robinson, quartermaster; A. H. Rockwell, surgeon; J. W. Sedgwick, trustee; Isaac B. Self, chapiain; B. Morgan, officer of the day; I. B. Self, patrictic instructor; J. J. Hughes, officer of the guard; J. W. Sedgwick, sergeant major; Ell Yetter, quartermaster sergeant; Thomas Allen, color bearer; J. J. Hughes and J. T. McHoliand, musician.

#### REED PRAISED IN SURVEY Dartmouth Professor Finds Admin-

istrative System Effective.

tainment features for the merchants that will include a big banquet, at which it is expected 400 people will be in attendance. The banquet will conclude the convention sessions.

RAINIER, Or., Jan. 13.—(Special.)—
The Rainier Pythian Building and Cemetery Association, after an existence of nearly 20 years, was dissolved at a meeting of the stockholders Saturday. Each stockholder will receive the part below the stockholder will receive the part of the stockholder will receive the part

"Pape's Cold Compound" is pleasant and affords Instant Relief.

Tenure Law Is Topic at Church.

A dose taken every two hours until three doses are taken will end grippe misery and break up a cold. It promptly opens clogged-up nostrils and air passages in the head, stops nasty discharge or nose running, re-

MORE WORK TO FOLLOW NOUVELLE BEAUTÉ

Foot and Pony Paths to Be Cut in Hills Near Portland During 1917 and Shelters Are to Be Established at Intervals.

Fifteen months of achievement that s really remarkable in the development of the means of access to imment of the means of access to important scenic points about Portland and in the Columbia Gorge will be reviewed by the Trails Club of Oregon at its annual meeting at the Chamber of Commerce tomorrow night.

For the year 1917 the club contemplates still further extension of its activities in cutting foot and pony trails, and the establishment of shelter houses at convenient points, besides

"Although the Trails Club of Oregon is only 15 months old, the membership has doubled in the past 12 months and now numbers more than 200. In the now numbers more than 200. In the past year the club made several excursions, one to Benson Park, another to Eagle Creek, and still another to Lanck Mountain Larch Mountain.
"December 11 an illustrated lecture

was given jointly with the Mazamas and the Rosarians in the Oregon build-Through the kindness of the O.-W. R. & N. Company it is having made a splendid collection of colored lantern elides for use in Illustrated lectures, which will be given at frequent intervals by volunteer speakers from this club before schools, churches and civic

"In co-operation with the United States Forestry Service, arrangements have been perfected for posting maps on all trails and for indicating the principal points of interest at observapoints, giving elevations, dis-

tance, etc.

"The National Education Association is to be here in July. It is planned to co-operate with the Superintendent of Public Schools and other bodies for the purpose of training guides, who can be of streat assistance in disseminating. be of great assistance in disseminating information regarding the trails, and many interesting trips for hiking."

B. B. Smith Sentenced to Pass Two

# TRAILS CLUB ACTIVE Achievements to Be Reviewed at Annual Meeting. Boodbye Wrinkles! Bad Complexions.you must go! POUR TOUTES LES DAMES Remarkable discovery of skin osmosis promises to make wrinkled, hollow-cheeked, aged looking women

FRANCE'S: GREAT PRIZE BEAUTY TELLS-How you can almost immediately suppress the appearance of smaller wrinkles and marks of age and make yourself look from 5 to 15 years younger in 30 days' time. How to banish every complexion blemish in three nights in many instances.

astonishingly beautiful, youthful and charming.

Paris, winner of two great international beauty prizes one in Paris, the other in England Specially engag-England Specially engaged to write these articles.

A thousand times 'I have heard rich | of Commerce tomorrow night.

For the year 1917 the club contemplates still further extension of its activities in cutting foot and pony trails, and the establishment of shelter houses at convenient points, besides continuing its campaign of education to acquaint people with the trails and the opportunities of outing and enjoyment which they afford.

A party from the Progressive Business Men's Club and the Trails Club went yesterday for a ski trip over the trail to the summit of Larch Moun-

wish to avoid her at every dance and dinner party, and women themselves would like to invite someone who looks younger to brighten up the occasion. Yet there is no longer any reason whith the there is no longer any reason whith any control of highler up the occasion. Yet there is no longer any reason whith the there is no longer any reason whith any control of and plain even if she is old.

Since the remarkable discovery of skin osmosis almost any woman can obtain most astonishing new beauty and so most astonishing new beauty and so most astonishing new beauty and the complexion without a wrinkle in sight, told the writer personally in Paris that she owed it all to the discovery of skin osmosis. With this marvelous discovery every complexion blemish can be banished in three nights in many instances, and you can awaken in the morning with a beautiful, rose-colored complexion fresh as a daisy.

I have known dozens of hollownen, who had given up all hope of ever looking beautiful and youthful again, to "come back" and again become most beautiful, simple method.

No matter what your age or what you have tried unsuccessfully, skin osmosis will positively bring you new beauty and youth. Merely wash your face in warm water at night and rosated cream which you can obtain osmosis will positively bring you new beauty and youth ful and rosated cream which you can obtain of most are the discovery of skin osmosis will positively bring you new beauty and youth ful and rosated cream which you can obtain of most are the positively bring you new beauty and youth ful and rosated cream which you can obtain of most are the positively bring you new beauty and youth ful and rosated cream which you can obtain osmosis will positively bring you new beauty and youth ful and rosated cream which you can obtain osmosis will positively bring you new beauty to wrinkles and rosated cream which you can obtain osmosis will positively bring you new beauty to wrinkled absolutely fresh and guaranteed from your druggist. In the morning wash the fac went yesterday for a ski trip over the trail to the summit of Larch Mountain, and this trip will be reported at the meeting tomorrow night. W. L. Finley will show at the meeting illustrations of the bird and animal life of Oregon.

Samuel C. Lancaster, president of the East to lecture before the National Geographical Society. In his lecture he will use some of the Larch Mountain pictures taken on the trip Saturday. President Lancaster's review of the activities of the club since its organization cover a field of great activity:

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organizations that will provide the necessary room and stereopticon lansissippi avenue was Smith's speed, ac-cording to the arresting officer, Motorcycle Patroiman Frank Ervin. Two other speeders, arrested by Pa-trolman Ervin, were fined, John Dan-ielson \$8, and J. R. Coffey \$13.

#### GREEK GAMBLERS FINED

Coffee House Proprietors and Visitors Convicted in Municipal Court.

Card playing in Greek coffee ouses received a setback yesterday SPEEDER JAILED SUNDAYS in Municipal Court, when Judge Langguth imposed fines on proprietors, players and mere onlookers. The arrests were made at 271½ Burnside street Wednesday.

B. Smith, a speeder, who was sentenced by Municipal Judge Langguth visitors, \$5 each. Twelve other patrons of the place, charged with visiting, had their cases continued for

#### Pa- ELK CONCERT ANNOUNCED

Director of Band Makes Selections for Wednesday Night.

Selections from some of the famous operas will feature the monthly conwill be held in the Elks' Temple Wednesday night. The concert will be under the leadership of Band Director

Elks and their friends will be made The programme follows:

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Say Physicians— Quickly Puts Roses Into the Checks of Women and Most Astonishing Youthful Power Into the Veins of Men—It Often Increases the Strength and Endurance of Delicate, Nervous "Run-Down" Folks
200 Per Cent in Two Weeks' Time.

A Wonderful Discovery Which Promises to Mark a New Era in Medical Science

NEW YORK, N. Y .- Since the re-The teachers' tenure act and the re-The teachers' tenure act and the re-cent survey of the Portland schools Nuxated Iron or "Fer Nuxate," as the will be discussed in the Forum at the First Methodist Church today, at 12:15 o'clock. Mrs. Millie Trumbull, Child Labor Commissioner of Oregon, will be the principal speaker. The Forum is open to men and women of all ages and meets in the basement of the new Social Service Temple at Twelfth and So much so that doctors predict that Social Service Temple at Twelfth and Faylor streets.

So much so that doctors predict that we shall soon have a new age of far The substitute for absinthe in Greece and vigorous iron men.

Dr. King, a New York physician and

author, when interviewed on the sub-ect, said: "There can be no vigorous iron men without iron. Pallor means anaemia. Anaemia means iron deficien-cy. The skin of anaemic men and women is pale; the flosh flabby. The muscles lack tone; the brain fags and the memory fails and often they become weak, nervous, irritable, despondent and mel-ancholy. When the iron goes from the blood of women, the roses go from their cheeks.

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"In the most common foods of America, the starches, sugars, table syrups, candies, polished rice, white bread, soda, crackers, biscuits, macaroni, spaniated torganical to longer is from to be found. Refining processes have removed the fron of the foods, and silly methods of nome cookery, by throwing down the waste pipe the water responsible for another graw fron loss.

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