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C. P. STRAIN'S ARGUMENT IN O. R. & N. TAX CASE

County Assessor Makes an Able Showing in Presenting His Side of the Assessment of Railroad Property.

The East Oregonian takes pleasure 000 per mile upon their track and in printing, in full, the able defense roadbed made by County Assessor C. P. Second: 10 my assessment made by County Assessor C. P. 600 upon their depot grounds. Strain, in the O. R. & N. tax case. While it will be impossible to publish 850 upon their supplies. it all in one issue, it will be run from read the entire paper.

Without doubt, Mr. Strain has pre- worth exclusive of this material. I pared the most elaborate and able made a separate assessment upon the statistical article upon the subject of railroad taxation ever made in the state of Oregon. It is the first time the subject has been treated from an expert standpoint, and it is a paper that will mark an epoch in the his. \$2.547,968 and materials and supplies tory of assessments in the state. The to the amount of \$759,189. Total, \$3.amount of patient and well directed 207,157. Against this were current guments, and the vital comparisons made between the values of property under different conditions in different parts of the United States, shows a wonderful energy, and the andings of Mr. Strain upon the subject will stand for future reference in Umatilla county and in the State of Oregon, for years to come.

Following is the introductory and a portion of his argument:

Assessor Strain Said. As an introductory to this discus. ed \$6,000 from the total. sion, I desire to invite your attention

to the geographical strength of this and the nature of their title I admit-It commands the Columbia basin their objections upon this point had as no other road can. This basin is some force. I agreed to reconsider in itself an empire, settling up and the matter upon condition that the developing as few other localities are company's siding in this county be doing. Every new settler, every additional acre brought under cultiva- the subject of their depot grounds to tion, every new mine, every new in-

dustry, expands the business of this No man can measure the possibilities of this great basin. Within it value and taxation of railroads. millions of treasure will doubtless be expended by the government in extending the project of national irrigation. New people, new products.

new enterprises promise to multiply average valuation in the Northwest as never before. Again, this company meets the Great Northern and the Northern Pacific at Spokane, and the Union Pacifle at Huntington. I do not profess to know anything about the traffic arrangements, present or prospective, of the O. R. & N., but I do know that

this is an age of combinations and economic advantage of a community of interests between the O. R. & N.

would be given a down-hill pull to half of the United States. Northern Pacific and the Great North- per mile of \$62,199 paying \$3,704 net three years and A. F. Drefson, a reern is not an impossibility. Under per mile. The taxation per mile such an arrangement, the heavy traf- ranges from \$167.77 in Maine, to \$1. fic of every one of them would fol- 336.32 in Massachusetts. If the mile low the line of gravitation down the lage were equal in each state, the

tide-water. The economic key to this whole commanded by the O. R. & N.

Factors in Valuation. Where can you find another road with equal geographical advantages. Who can estimate the future value of this road? Our supreme court has laid down the rule that an assessor shall take into consideration the capital, the cost the net earnings, the power of a road to command the traffic of a country, and its connection with other roads, in determin-

ing it value. The company in metr petition, ou

cover, provided there are no atlons from the wound. No booty whatever was secured by the robbers. The train did not arrive here until 7 o'clock this morning.

Jim Conners, of Portland, Portland, Sept. 24.-At 2:30 o'clock morning Sheriff Storey, in pursuit of the robbers, found one lying eside the track at the scene of the hold-up, with buckshot wounds in his head, fatally wounded. He would not tell the names of the others. It is ieved he will confess before be dies. He was brought to this city.

The other desperadoes are being pursued. The police believe they have gained this city by boat Conner Will Die.

Portland, Sept. 24.-James Conners was brought to the county jall this morning and then taken to Good Samaritan hospital, where he will probably die. One shot went through his head At times he is unconscious

They Are Working to Extend the Strike All Over the City-Managers Will Fill Their Places With

Two hundred boys are parading the streets, visiting the offices and inducing other boys to join, and have picketed offices. Policemen are on the company for a statement of guarding those who did not strike. heir places with girls, as in the last strike. Organizer Fitzpatrick, of the Federation of Labor, will form a Messengers' Union.

OLD-FASHIONED TIMES

Rustler Fights Desperalely When Several Others

San Francisco, Sept. 24 .- Joseph fight it out, and jug them." Roberts was caught removing a hide from a steer owned by a man named John Stockton, near Solomon, Ariz Strekton summoned his cowboys. In the fight which ensued, Stockton was shot through the body and several

owboys were wounded. A posse from Solomon surrounde

Work Plentiful Everywhere and Mer

Are Independent,

short at present. Beginning with the New England been on the road here for 10 years, A merger of the Union Pacific, the States, we find an average capital Joe Fraces, who has worked here per

cent arrival. Several new men have been sen ailroad men are independent. brough promotion, if possible, as a nore permanent class of men is oo ained in this way. When a young man is promoted he must work for New England were based upon net two years before he can get a recommendation as an engineer, so the

this length of time. All those who have resigned will only \$149 per mile in this county, or go to the Southern Pacific where oil 26 per cent of what New England ourning engines are used.

would have taxed it.

Walla Walla, Sept. 22.-After a month's freedom from smallpox in Walla Walla, the record was broken Sunday when the case of Miss Margaret Hayes, a student at the Emllege but two weeks, coming from east of Walla Walla. She was re-

From the fact that the case is very mild one, and that Miss Hayes left school owing to indisposition four days previous to the manifestations of the disease, it will not be

Pioneer Settler Dead. Walla Walla, Sept. 22.-Paul Molke, speaks with the greatest enthusiasm or more than 30 years a resident of Walla Walla died at 7:35 last evening at the Walla Walla hospital from gularly familiar with American afa stroke of paralysis. He had been fairs. Radical changes will probably Poland. He has no relatives in

Baseball Contracts. Among the contracts announced were Hickey, of Seattle, with Cleveland and New York, and George Putnam, of Helena, an dQuick, of Salt Lake.

all men are animals. The yardman wanted a retraction. The editor Chicago's Oldest Mayor. Chicago, Sept. 22.-Allison Shertried to explain, but was kicked and man, Chicago's oldest ex-mayor, who beaten and seriously hurt. held that office in 1844, died today, 92 giant powder, the hold-up was wired, and a posse years old. He broke ground for the first waterworks

Livery Stable Fire Reno, Nev., Sept. 23.—Hymer's livery and feed stable burned this morning. Thirty horses and many valuable buggies were burned, Loss, \$20 000 Partially insured

BRIDGE AND IRON MANIPULATING WORKERS' UNION THE CURRENCY

Convention at Kansas City Secretary Shaw Will Renew Baker City Catholics Have Not Yet Still Fighting Over the Con- Refunding Bonds Which vict Delegate. Are Now Due.

QUESTION IS REMANDED TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

Typographical Union's Grievance Case From Washington Will Not Be Considered-The Assembled Unionists Have it in for the Kansas City Paper Which Calls Them

case was thrown into the hands of

to decide The credentials committee reported it believes the suspension of the New York Union Bridge and Iron for circulation and deposit \$489,000, Workers unconstitutional because 000. the testimony on which the act was based is insufficient.

When the convention opened in executive session all the contested delegates, policemen and reporters were excluded. Parks and his delegates profess to be perfectly satisfied to leave their case with the judgment of the convention. It is not likely the convention will consider Roosevelt's refusal to dis-

niss Miller The most intense ill-feeling exists mong the visitors against Kansas CAUSED BY A LACK OF City and its press, because one local Caught in the Act and Escapes- newspaper this morning printed as a page, saying, "When thugs come own why protect them? Let them

> STRUCK AN ICEBERG HEAD ON UFF ALASKAN COAST.

miles of Alaskan cable, arrived here quite a distance away, were seriously cure. last night after a narrow escape from injured. being a total wreck by an iceberg of Admiralty Island. She struck ceberg head on during a fog. Her plates were badly bent, She came here under her own steam. She will have to be repaired here before laying the cable. The acprominent enginemen on the O. I. cldent occurred within a mile of where the Islander was totally wreck- night's hold-up.

MARTIAL LAW

Civil Courts Backed by State Troops

in Colorado. Cripple Creek, Sept. 23 .- The habeas corpus hearing was resumed this ed around the court with a gatling safe contained nearly \$10,000. gun, guarding the door and the court room filled with soldiers with bayonetted rifles. The attorney-general booty and escaped across the river in protested against the presence and to the Kansas wooded bottom being offered no relief, packed his books and left. The counsel for the military men resumed their argument to quash the writ for habeas

The arguments closed this after noon and the court will render a decision tomorrow afternoon. The impression is it will order the release of the men from the bull pen. Judge Seeds this morning said the governor undoubtedly did wrong in rushing troops into the district,

COLE YOUNGER ACCUSED

Charged With Embezzling \$6,000 From Wild West Show. Nevada, Mo., Sept. 22.-A charge er had previously brought action for Miss Hayes had been attending the damages against the management because they allege the proprietors failed to equip the aggregation according to contract, and refused to drive away the gambling element James and Younger assert the em

GIBEONS RETURNS.

American Church.

ALL MEN ARE ANIMALS.

ant Brute.

Colton, Cal., Sept. 23.-Editor Mc

Kie, of the Chronicle, was badly

beaten by a yardman of the Southern

Pacific. The editor in his paper said

Redding, Cal., Sept. 22.-Renieri,

A large crowd gathered to witness

the contest. When in the middle of

the pond Reneiri, who was ahead,

cramped and sank. The body has not

bezzlement charge is retaliatory.

ed on Bulgarian Frontier. Predicts Changes in Administration New York, Sept. 22.-Cardinal Gibshows a cold indifference. oons returned from Rome today on the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse. He

A Constantinople dispatch says the that the Monastir troops be transported to Adrianople for concentraorders to assume the offensive if necessary.

BEATEN AND TORTURED. Renewal of Barbarities Against the

Russian Jews. Vienna, Sept. 23.-Die Zeitz Kirkillissa correspondent says the Turkish authorities have distributed arms to the Mohammedans, declaring the sultan has been given authority the powers to exterminate all the Bulgarians if they so choose. Fifty villages have already destroyed. At Evkarion the Mohammedans pillaged the Greek church,

BIG STRIKE DATED.

Miners of Utah, Wyoming, New Mexconvention of the United Miners, con-vened this morning, a month earlier fruit.

district, which comprises Utah, Wy- WAR BETWEEN THE UNIONS ncreased and equitable weight sys-

FIVE PER CENTS MATURING FEBRUARY 1, BE REDEEMED.

Refunding Bonds Amounting to Four Hundred and Eighty Million Dollars Already Held at the Treasury

Will Be Retired by Substitution. Washington, Sept. 23.-Secretary Kansas City, Sept. 23.—The Parks owing to the scarcity of 2 per cent bonds, both for circulation and as ing only an assistant, and the rethe convention this morning by a majority report of the credentials com- will renew refunding bonds now due ed the fight. mittee, who said it had been unable to the extent of \$20,000,000, in accordance with a previous circular. Of the total issue of \$517,000,000 in

> He also states he will redeem the per cent bonds maturing February 1904, paying interest thereon is maturity. Formal instructions will be issued to the sub-treasuries to lav. Banks that have had on file with the treasurer for 30 days or more per cents as security for public de posits, will be permitted as a substitute, approved state or municipal bonds, at 75 per cent of par value.

He Kills One Man and Wounds top line under the head on the front Engineer Was Blown Two Hundred Feet-Other Men Were Sercusty office was closed Injured-Accident Occurred in a Quarry Near San Francisco,

Rannier, an engineer, was killed, and six were injured by a boiler explo-Islander Was Wrecked a Year Ago
—Must Be Repaired to Continue

Work.

Juneau, Alaska, Sept. 23.—The cable ship Burnside, laden with 600 miles of Alaskan cable, arrived here guite a distance away were sorthade.

TRAIN ROBBERY Perpetrated in Missouri-Robbert Escape to Kansas St. Joseph, Mo., Sept. 23 .- Daylight

train robbers who perpetrated last noon. For several days he has been A package containing electric light consisted chiefly of concussion of the fixtures, was found in the weeds, brain and an injured back. presumably carried away thinking ! contained money. The safe was totally wrecked and cleaned out. The express officials still maintain nothing of value was stolen.

The railroad has offered a reward morning, with 250 militiamen post- of \$2,000. Other sources claim the The robbers had a wagon conven ient with which to haul away the

URANIUM IN WALLOWA.

Valuable Discovery Thought to Hav Been Made Near Lostine. Joseph, Or., Sept. 23 .- H. N. Wil iams, one of Wallowa county's commissioners and who owns a fine farm near Lostine, has for some time had scientific men at work investigating a peculiar rock which he first discovered on his place about three years ago. It is now claimed that hese scientists have established the fact that it is the ore which contains a new substance called uranium. Uranium is a substance that has been in charge of the horticultural exhibit ferences between the metal workers of the richest districts in the nation causing no little excitement among at the St. Louis World's Fair have and machinists. An amicable agree scientists, as it contains properties of embezzlement of \$6,000 has been which enables it to throw off rays of made against Cole Younger, bandit, light more powerful than the X-ray. by the management of the Wild West It has been found in only two other Show, with which Frank James and places in the world, and if the sub-Younger have been associated since stance found on Mr. Williams' place shortly after Younger's pardon from be indeed uranium, he has made a

ORDERS TO EXTERMINATE.

Turkish Troops Will Be Concentrat Bucharest, Sept. 23.-Dispatches received here this morning state that reports about the anti-Jewish riot at Gomel, Russia, were exaggerated, none being killed. The riots were, however, serious, many Jews being beaten and tortured until crippled for life. The Russian government

Turkish minister of war has directed tion on the Bulgarian frontier, with

and drunken soldiers paraded the Scores of women and girls were car in Italian, bet a comrade \$5 he could ried to the Turkish camps, where win in a swim across the mill pond, those who still survive are held in a horrible state of bestlal captivity.

oming, New Mexico and Colorado because the operators ignore the de mand for an eight-hour day and an Dealers of Chicago and Buffalo Shut Twenty-five thousand miners are in

he district, all of whom are expected

o strike October 15. BISHOP VERSUS PRIEST.

> following the Associated Marble Settled Their Difficulties. Dealers' agreement they say that Thursday they will resume work as Baker City, Sept. 22.-The trouble open shops. A hundred men are locked out. The building trades may between Father Desmaris, the resident Catholic priest, in this city, and Bishop C. J. O'Reilly, over the posbecome involved session of the parsonage, is yet unsettled. Father Desmaris and his sister, who has been in feeble health Buffalo, Sept. 22.—The heaviest marble dealers shut down today in for some time, have not yet had a compliance with a resolution passed BATTLE IN PROGRESS IN trial on the charge of rioting, as by the National Association of Mar-

charged by Bishop O'Reilly, Saturble Dealers last March. They will The priest refuses to vacate the parsonage, and resign his pastorate, union help, as demanded by the bishop, and as a consequence, legal proceedings will PROMINENT MINING instituted against him and his Though Past Due-Five Per Cents affair has created great consternation in church circles in the city, and the citizens are watching the proceed-ings with deep interest. Where a Shaw authorizes the statement that bishop is located, he takes place of the regular priest in the parish, hav-

LAND OFFICE OPENED.

this class, the treasurer already holds Interior Department Wires That Both Offices Be Opened for Business. La. Grande, Sept. 22.-Special to East Oregonian)-The following message was received by the local land office officials this morning: Washington, D. C., Sept. 22. Register and Receiver, La Grande: If both officials are at the officials

> ready for duty, both offices must be opened for business at once. RICHARDS. (Signed) Immediately after the receipt of all hope of saving his nephew. Jett's king." the message the land office was open testimony in his own behalf has comed for the first time since Saturday and the office force is now busy WATER IN THE BOILER, clearing up the accumulated work. Bartlett has been in the city and at

the office most of the time since the GAVE UP THE STRUGGLE.

San Francisco, Sept. 23 .- John Resorted to the Razof When the Keeley Cure Failed. Chicago, Sept 23,-William Davis,

Killed by a Fall. Walia Walla, Sept. 23.-W. Crandall, the aged farmer who fell from a barn loft at his place six miles west of Walla Walla a week ago today, and sustained injuries about the head and body, died at the Walla revealed no material clues to the Walla hospital at 1 o'clock this after in a critical condition. His injuries

Accident to Carmen Sylvia. Berlin, Sept. 22.-Queen Elizabeth Carmen Sylvia, fell from her car bring four petitioners from the bull ed. pen to court. General Chase anriage at Neuweie, South Germany, today. Her injuries are not danger-She is 60 years old.

ST. LOUIS WORLD'S FAIR

PEOPLE GIVE INSTRUCTIONS. Utmost Care Must Be Taken to Prevent Spoiling Exhibits-Selections to break through to Bull Hill. Must Be Made Before Fruit Is Wholly Ripe-Quality First, Quantity Second.

prepared instructions in regard to ment for a meeting was arrived at, so many as here, and there were more the preservation of fruit to be exhib- where the two trades will probably problems to overcome. The cost of

any kind for either processing or in glass this year, or sending in fresh go on the tables next year or fo cold storage. The fact is that fruit must be

the ripening stage, that is just ripe not fully ripe; just colored or color ing, not fully colored; perfectly firm or hard, not beginning to soften; showing its ripening characteristics partly spread over its surface or ful so, depending on the kind of fru whether it be a strawberry, blackberry or grape, or if it be a plum, pear, peach or apple, telling us plain ly it is ripe by its parting easily from tne branch, as in the case of the pear, peach, apple, or from its receptacle, as in the case of the raspberry

or blackberry. In fact, all these items are impor ant and should be carefully heede when we are gathering for the hono of the state, and it includes every kind that we grow, from the straw-

erry to the apple. In all this, remember well that quality is what is wanted as well as quantity. Berries may be made up of one, two, six eight or more varie ties. If it be more convenient of times to fill a barrel with a number of varieties, then do so, but be sure they are up to the standard. Many times it will be more convenient to have a variety in the barrel when we are putting them on the table. Qual

ity first, quantity second. Good, sound, hard, ripe fruit. 2. Large, smooth, free from scab worm marks.

place designated.

Stem, calix, bloom on the fruit.
Handle with the greatest of and as little as possible.

Was followed a few days later by the death of a sister, and a cousin, Willis, and they will have all of the assistant and as little as possible.

Was followed a few days later by the death of a sister, and a cousin, Willis, and they will have all of the assistant and they make that they need. Laws should be a single be a si are and as little as possible. Wrapped at once in tissue an then in wax paper also.

6. Packed closely in boxes or baskets or barrels suitable for the fruit. 7. Shipped at once to the nearest will attract universal attention.-Bak-

8. Marked with owner's name county hospital at Butte, committed unions of that city. The other four suicide Tuesday, by jumping from a carry advertisements in the labor pa-9. From the tree to the box or bar second-story window of the hospital per and are therefore indorsed.

er City Herald

INSURGENTS AND AND EMPLOYERS' ORDER. Down to Reopen With Non-Union TURKS DO BATTLE Employee-Building Trades May Chicago, Sept. 22.—The five largest

NO. 83

Become Involved.

marble plants this morning shut

down because they allege the unions

have broken their agreements, and

Follow Suit at Buffalo.

foliow the general policy to resume

on Thursday next, but with non-

Were On a Tour of Inspection of

Known All Over the West.

men in the West

prepared by the defense,

Mine in Colorado-Victims Were

Buena Vista, Col., Sept. 22.-Man-

ager Morley, of the Buena Vista

smelter, and head of several big

HOPELESS FOR JETT.

Chances for Acquittal.

Lipton Recovering.

LEGAL ATTEMPT TO HAVE

Labor Arranging a Settlement,

Troops Called to Arms.

Federation of Labor.

the president has arranged a confer-

ler case on his return to Washington.

President Shaffer Under Fire.

Pittsburg, Sept. 22.-Because

ed Iron and Tin Workers will under-

go investigation on charges of nou-

fied by the secretary to hold a spec-

will be ordered against all companies

which refused to sign the wage scale.

Among these is the United States

FATE PURSUES A FAMILY.

Four Members of the Pruett Family

Steel Corporation.

nouncement was made today.

called to arms last night.

in the bull pen.

PRISONERS RELEASED.

MEN WERE SUFFOCATED.

Turks Burn Villages as a Reprisal Following Heavy Loss in Bulgaria.

MACEDONIAN MOUNTAIN.

Anti-Turkish Sentiment in the Hun garian Diet Causes a Riot, Mem bers Expressing Great Displeasure With the King-France Has Sent

Four Thousand Troops to Crete. Constantinople, Sept. 24 .- A fierce battle is in progress in Kresna Pass, in the Macedonian mountains, bemining enterprises, and Foreman Ab- tween the Turkish troops and insurrahams, of the Mary Murphy mine, gents. The Turkish casualties thus were asphyxiated on the 14th level far reported are 325, including five last night by powder gas. The bodies officers. The insurgents' loss is six

The men entered the mine last killed and 20 wounded. night to inspect the workings. Both Riot in Hunnarian Diet. were among the best known mining Buda Pesth, Sept. 24.-There was a riot upon the reopening of the Hungarian diet this afternoon. A number of members attacked Premier Hedervary, crying, "Bribe-taker; put His Own Testimony Has Ruined His him out." Quiet was finally restor The premier attempted to speak and Cynthia, Ky., Sept. 22.-Ex-Senator started, "In the name of the king." He was interrupted by shouts, "We

Hargis did not appear at the Curtis Jett trial today, and has almost lost no longer believe the word of the The acridity of the situation at this pietely broken the alibi so carefully time is largely due to the numbers of Macedonian and Bulgarian sympathizers in the diet being greater than ever before, and they announce their proposition to ally Austro-Hungary has been threatened with appendiciwith Russia in an effort to oust the tis, is out of bed today for the first Turks from Europe. To a man this element is arrayed against the king. whose age and settled policy of con-servatism and peace forbid all hope

of his being a party to such a com-Emperor Joseph is known to -e at heart a sympathizer with the Balkan revolutionists, but has pursued a temportzing, vacilating policy that has brought down upon him charges of faithlessness and double-dealing, gen-

erally termed perfidy by the liberals. Turks Were Defeated. Sofia, Sept. 24.-A dispatch today reports a battle between 7,000 Turkish troops and a revolutionary force near Kotchani Friday in which 600 Troops Called to Arms Last Night at Turks were killed. Later the Turks Bull Hill-President Roosevelt Will pillaged and destroyed a number of Not Confer With Labor Leaders- Bulgarian villages in revenge for

Executive Committee Federation of their losses. Battle on the Frontier. Constantinople, Sept. 24.-It is of Cripple Creek, Sept. 22.—The ficially announced that in a battle habeas corpus proceedings were re-near Mishino, near the Bulgarian sumed in the district court this frontier yesterday, the Turks lost Berlin, Sept. 22.—Queen Elizabeth morning. The judge gave the militia seven killed and seven injured and of Roumania, whose literary name is authorities until 2 this afternoon to the insurgents 45 killed and captur-

> nounced he would bring the prison-SOME IRRIGATION POINTS. ers, but under a heavy detachment of soldiers, who will be instructed to Oregon Has More Natural Advantaresist any attempt of the civil offic ges Than Utah, ers to take charge of the men. Since the sessions of the Irrigation Arguments Being Heard,

Congress are over and the delegate Cripple Creek, September 22.-Ar- bave returned from Ogden, there has guments are being heard in the been much interest in what was done habeas corpus proceedings today for and what of good will spring from it. the release of the four prisoners now Mr. Hailey, in speaking of the mat ter, thinks that one of the chie points of benefit to this part of the state is the enthusiasm that was en-Victor, Sept, 22.-The troops were Shots gendered by the visit and the comwere exchanged with a party trying mingling of all of the irrigationists of the country.

Another thing is what the men from this state saw there in the way Washington, Sept. 22.—The morn of irrigation. The people of that ing session of the executive committee of the Federation of Labor tile by far as that of this state, and St. Louis, Sept. 23.—The officials was devoted to a hearing of the dif- by the use of water have made one the preservation of fruit to be called ited next year. They say:

The ripeness of the fruit is the very first and most important matter reached.

Settle their differences. Neither the irrigating was greater, and we of this state have the advantage in every way. For these reasons the people of this state should be ready and will-Oyster Bay, Sept 22.—Secretary ling to help the problem of irrigation in every way that is possible. The best way to hasten the con-

ence with labor leaders over the Mil- summation of the plans of the engineers and bring the country under the water, is to see that there are laws made as soon as possible for the his long absence from his office, help of the government in establishing the work. Any obstacle in the ing the work. Any obstacle in the statutes that now exists should be eliminated, and the way made clear performance of duty, by a special for the institution of the plans of the committee next Friday. Official ansovernment. Water rights should be looked into, the apportionment of the Steel Workers' Strike Threatens.

Pittsburg, Sept. 22.—All lodges of the Amalgamated Association of Iron the Amalgamated Association of Iron as possible, should be fixed, so that as possible, should be fixed, so that and Steel Workers were today notiwhen the time for the government to open the work comes there will be ial meeting. An important meeting is scheduled to take place at nation nothing to delay the consummation of its plans.

al headquarters here this week. It W. F. Matlock, who was also at is currently believed a general strike the congress, is of the opinion that the best thing the people of this sec-tion can do is to keep the matter of irrigation before the state and see that they keep it before the national legislature, so that body will not for get the appropriations that are need ed to carry on the work. The gov ernment is now doing all that it can of Oregon, Follow Each Other to in the direction of irrigation, and will do more in the years to come if it Fatality still pursues the Pruitt thinks and sees that the people of family, of Prairie. Two weeks ago the country are anxious for the work the Herald chronicled the death of "Hub" Pruitt at Whitney, after a brief illness of typhoid. His death tral government. The people of had followed the killing of his broth- Eastern Oregon should convince their er "Mug" at Mitchell on July 4. This representatives at Washington that

Spokane Bank Unfair

mine accident in August. And now the news comes that the father has died at Prairie City.

This, indeed, is a phenomena that One of the five banks of Spokane Ownen Kame, an inmate of the has been declared unfair by the labor

(To be Continued.) buckshot entered the breast of the engineer four inches above the heart and he fell to the ground. The rob-

ber fell, shot in the temple and the The leader of the robbers wished begun but the other members of the gang had had enough and wanted to quit. Accordingly they told the engineer and fireman to get on their engine and pull out. This was done, the robbers picking their companion up between them and carrying him Affair Lasted About Twenty Minutes over the bank at the side of the

Shot at Brakeman. From the time that the train stop-

them, and that they would not be were being held up, and they began to hide their valuables, but before they had them hid, the train had

Barrett the engineer was put or Fred Korner, the express messenger, opened fire on the bandits as soon as the explosion took place, firing two shots in quick succession. In the engineer and to the hospital at Portland, accompanied by Dr. F. W. Vincent, of this city, who was on the train. While his wound is painful and dangester, was incorporated today with a capital of \$9,000,000.

New Car Wheel Company.

Albany. N. Y., Sept. 22.—The National Car Wheel Company, of Roching the engineer and the company of Roching the engineer and taken to the hospital at Portland, accompanied by Dr. F. W. Vincent, of this city, who was on the train. While his wound is painful and dangester, was incorporated today with a capital of \$9,000,000.

that the company had in 1501 cash and current assets to the amount of

research, necessary to compile the ar- nabilities to the amount of \$879,748. fices struck this morning for more Their net personal property at that pay and shorter hours. They demand time amounted to \$2,427,409 exclu- \$4.50 to \$6 per week and an eightsive of their rolling stock. This coun- hour day ty's assessed pro rata of that property would have given us \$121,028. We got nothing.

Second: To my assessment of \$21

Third: To my assessment of \$24.

their personal property this year. As to their second objection, I valued their depot grounds just as I did adjoining property, and then deduct-Owing to its semi-public usage ted to their tax commissioner that

It might be well for you to call up-

assessed. He never again mention Their first objection is the one of

most importance. Here are some of ficial statistics bearing upon the Interstate Commission Authority. The following table is taken from the report of the interstate commercial commission for 1902, and shows the

Tax per Mile \$250.81 143.53 148.46 loaho 197.9 Washington 178.14 The average tax in the Northwest ern states is \$183 per mile. The aver

Nothing is more apparent than the age tax of the O. R. & N. in this county is \$149 per mile. An examination of these figures on the one side and the Great North- will show that the O. R. & N. Comern and Northern Pacific on the pany pays less tax per mile than does other. By a union of these interests railroad property of equal value in those two great continental roads any other section of the northern

Columbia over the O. R. & N. to average tax per mile in New England would be \$603.05. But the states in which taxes are highest contain the problem is the Columbia gap which is most mileage. This rule holds good in other groups.

Average Per Mile Exceeds O. R. & N. Therefore the average tax per mile on other roads is above rather than below these figures. If railroad taxes both here and in income and New England made the standard, then the O. R. & N. should pay approximately 3500-3700x600, or \$567 per mile. But it paid last year

ject first to my assessment of \$12.-NO. 6 HELD UP

BANDITS USED GIANT POWDER ON EXPRESS CAR. -A Brakeman was Shot at Twice roadway.

-The Wounded Highwayman Was

Captured and the Engineer Is in a Hospital at Portland. Train No. 6, scheduled to reach time the people on the train were this city at 5:40 this morning, was quiet, and there was no excitemen held up last night about 9:30, three at all. When the train first stopped, miles this side of Troutdale. When train, got off the car and started for the train pulled into Troutdale two the engine. When near the end of men got on the back of the tender the express car a man stepped from and rode out. As soon as the train between the cars and took a shot at had gotten under headway the men him, telling him to get back to the climoed over the coal and held the train or he would blow his head off. enginemen under their guns, telling Smith got back, walked through a them that when they saw a white couple of cars and got off on the light about three miles down the other side of the train. There was a track, for them to stop. This the man near the baggage car on this engineer did and two other men got side, with a rifle, who shot down the on the train with lanterns. They side of the train and Smith got into

Used Giant Powder. The robbers then went with the started and the robbers had left. enginemen to the baggage car, which At the next station the news of held at the end of long poles. The was started on the trail of the banpowder was put on the end of these dits. The wounded one was overpoles and a fuse attached. It took taken about two miles from the nearly a minute for the fuse to do its scene of the attempt, and taken. work, but when it did it blew out He is shot in the temple and face, the glass and the lower panels of both, but it is thought that ...e will re-

to follow up the work that they had

ped till the highwaymen left, per haps 20 minutes elapsed. During this told the engineer, Charles Barrett, the train and stayed there. He told and Fireman Stevenson, to come with some of the passengers that they

cover.

I will discuss these objections in He will not talk, only to say he lives their reverse order. The company in Portland. His hands show he is day to day, until the people of Uma- had the material here on the first day a workingman, and he wears overalls tilla county have been permitted to of March, 1903. They don't deny that, and a jumper. I valued the road at what it was

ASK SHORTER HOURS AND BETTER PAY IN CHICAGO. Loss to County in 1901. In this connection I will suggest

> Chicago, Sept. 24.-Messenger boys in the Western Union down town of-

The managers say they can fill ON THE ARIZONA RANGE.

the house in which Roberts sought refuge. The fight continued antil darkness. The outlaw made a desperate dash for his horse, wounding hree of the posse, and escaped. RAILROAD MEN SCARCE.

La Grande, Sept. 24. -Several & N. have resigned their p-sitions his week and as men are scarce in ed by an iceberg a year ago.

Among the engineers to resign this week are J. it. Oliver who has ere from Portland, but only remained a short time. Wor, is pleatiful on all the western roads and The resignation of these old men has promoted several firemen and t is the intention of the O. R. & N. o secure all its eng.neers in future

company is sure of their service for

SMALLPOX AT WALLA WALLA. Student of Business College Develops a Mild Case, pire Business College, was reported the penitentiary. James and Young-to County Health Officer Stiles. er had previously brought action for

home of her parents, 10 miles moved to the house of a private

necessary to close the school.

sick about two weeks. The deceased occur in the American church adminwas aged 80 years and a native of istration, but he declines to discuss probabilities. Cardinal Gibbons is much improved in health. Cincinnati, Sept. 22.-The National But This Yardman Is Also an Ignor baseball commission met here today.