NOMINATE M'CREDIE

Named by Republicans to Suc- thousand enumerators out of the esticeed Cushman.

ONLY ONE BALLOT WAS TAKEN

Despite All Overtures From Pierc County, McCredie Forces Hold Votes Secured in Caucus.

ball" the rallying shout and a regulation baseball bat the chairman's gavel, the participants in the caucus carried out yesterday in the Congressional convention the program as outlined and named as the Republican candidate for congress Judge W. W. McCredie, of the Superior court of Clark county, and owner of the two Portland baseball

Judge McCredie was nominated on the first ballot by 123 votes, the exact number represented in the caucus. James M. Ashton, of Tacoma, received 103 votes, getting in addition to the 99 pledged him from Pierce, Thurston, Mason and Clallam counties, the four from Pacific county who refused to abide by the unit rule adopted in that delegation.

The Ashton forces went down fighting to the last, after skirmishing that commenced at an early hour and lasted until the ballot was taken. Then and only then did they accept the inevitable, and Ashton himself, in a speech so diplomatic that it brought three cheers from the convention, moved to make the nomination unanimous.

In the final vote on candidates Chehalis, Clark, Cowlitz, Jefferson, Skamania and Wahkiakum cast their full strength for McCredie and nine of the 13 Pacific county delegates voted for the Clark man also.

Ashton received the full strength of Pierce, Thurston, Mason and Clallam and four from Pacific.

TAFT AT SEATTLE.

First Two Weeks of Presidential Trip Ended at Exposition City.

Seattle, Sept. 30 .- President Taft arrived here last night, just two weeks after he started from Boston. He spent the entire forenoon at North day before the massed representatives Yakima and arrived here at 8:15 o'clock. Friday he will go to Tacoma and early Saturday morning will be in hoarse in cheers. The great military Portland, where he will remain until Sunday night.

The president and his party were met at the Union station here by a reof police kept back the crowd.

The visitors and the reception committee entered automobiles in waiting and, preceded by a troop of mounted in honor of the president was given by Mrs. Richard A. Ballinger, wife of the secretary of the interior. After half branches of the war departments of his escort went to the Hotel Washington, which will be the home of the visitors while in the city.

Tax Harriman Estate.

Chicago, Sept. 30.-Although the amount of inheritance tax which Illiinheritance tax attorney, today exno point on which the validity of the them from outside points. new law, which gives the authority to levy the tax, can successfully be at-

"I anticapate no strenuous opposiamount of litigation.

Comet Close to Earth.

Providence, R. I., Sept. 30 .- Frank S. Seagrave, whose calculations rela- Colima volcano is in one of the most tive to Halley's comet have attained violent eruptions in its history. It widespread attention, announced to- began spouting fire and ashes today night that the correction of a slight and the discharge has increased conerror in his calculations developed the stantly in violence since then. The discovery that May 19, 1910, the comet | ashes cover a broad stretch of country will reach the same plane as the earth and are still falling thickly. It is in its orbit. It is thereby determined feared that the fall will cause damage that the comet will sweep across the to towns and plantations near the plane în tead of clearing it. The earth mountain. Two large streams of lava and the comet will meet on the same are pouring out of the newer craters, plane, but not in the same path. The which are located on the western side nearest point will be 13,000 miles.

Nightriders Reopen War.

Paris, Ky., Sept. 30.-There has been a fresh outbreak of nightriding in maining in the air for two hours, the the Bluegrass country. A tenant on military balloon United States, bearthe farm of T. J. McDowell, who had ing two members of the local division of tobacco growers, was taken from station. The balloon test, the first of his home last night, stripped to the the kind ever attempted in the country waist and given 30 lashes. Saturday by national guardsmen. was an unqualnight, last, according to Judge Os- ified success, the signals between the borne, a band of about 50 men rode and breaking up a political meeting.

John Bull Wants Pole.

London, Sept. 30.-The lord mayor of London has announced his intention THE KIND OF ENUMERATORS

Farmers and Crop Reporters for the Census of Agriculture.

Washington, Oct. 1. - Forty-five mated grand total of 65,000, will be engaged April 15th next gathering in agriculture for the Thirteenth Decennial U. S. census. Director Durand purposes making every effort to secure progressive farmers and crop reporters for these places. His action is based upon the recommendations of Chief advisory board of special agents composed of professors of economics and farm experts who have been assisting Olympia, Sept. 30.-With "play in the formulation of the schedule of inquiries concerning farm operation and equipment. It is believed that the familiar with statistical methods of securing data and reporting it in comprehendible form, will add greatly to efficiency of the census and to the scientific value of the information obtained. Director Durand does not anticipate any difficulty in procuring enumerators of this kind, as there are in every state of the Union hundreds. of crop reporters acting for the department of agriculture, representatives of state boards of agriculture, etc.

The agricultural schedule which is to be placed in the hands of these enumerators is nearing completion by the census bureau. The advisory board, who are acquainted with practical agriculture, its varying conditions, and who are active in their respective states in assisting the farmers to improve their farm methods, have been most earnest and no effort is being spared to make the schedule as simple as possible, and yet secure the greatest amount of important information concerning agriculture.

There will be but one schedule for agriculture. There may be a small schedule for the enumeration of animals in cities. This will be carried by the city enumerators and it will cover horses, milch cows, chickens, etc., housed in barns, stables, etc., in the cities. No attempt will be made to get the area of city gardens or vacant lot

TARS JOIN IN PARADE.

Military Men of Seven Nations March With Americans.

New York, Oct. 1 .- Twenty-five thousand men of arms marched yesterand special envoys of 37 nations, while 2,000,000 citizens shouted themselves parade was the climax of the Hudson-Fulton celebration.

The most conspicuous reception of the day went to the sailors of the Ger- complaint against the Wells Fargo ception committee of two dozen mem- man fleet, a magnificent body of picked company. bers. The space in the station through men, who, as they reached the reviewwhich the president and his escort ing stand, fell into the formal slappassed was roped off and a large body slap of the parade goose-step and burst into "My Counry, 'Tis of Thee,' with an overwhelming volume of bassos and a fervor which took away the at a good roads meeting held at Co- held at Jacksonville, Fla., November breath of the listeners. The people sat police, proceeded to the Rainier club, silent for a moment, and then rising to to have the residents along the line governor as follows: E. W. Spencer, half a mile distant, where a reception their feet cheered until their voices gave way.

So many men representing so many the colors have not been seen since the mer. days of the Civil war.

Inspection Ruins Plants.

Vancouver, B. C., Oct. 1 .- Horticulturists of Vancouver, Victoria and vinois will demand from the estate of cinity are so thoroughly indignant at Edward H. Harriman may run up to the way they have been treated by \$200,000 or more, Walter K. Lincoln, provincial government officials that they are getting up a signed protest to pressed confidence that the Harriman the department at Ottawa to protest heirs will be unable to evade its pay- against what they allege is wanton dement. Mr. Lincoln declared there is struction of nursery stock consigned to

A'l ornamental nursery and greenhouse stock entering this province has to be inspected and fumigated to guard against pests which may infect the tion to the state's claim for an inher-itance tax," said Mr. Lincoln. "I be-after this fumigation has taken place lieve we shall be able to get at the the plants are passed to the provincial exact amount of the Harriman estate department, which detains them for in Illinois, and that we shall collect some time, often so long that hundreds the tax without more than the usual of dollars' worth of stock rots, is spoiled or condemned.

Colima Spouting Lava.

Guadalajara, Mex., Oct. 1 .- The of the mountain, much below the apex.

Military Balloon Test Successful.

Los Angeles, Oct. 1.-After resteadfastly refused to enter the pool of the signal corps, landed at Vineland aeronauts and the automobile party through Milford, shooting out lights that followed the flight of the balloon being transmitted perfectly.

Trains Crash, Many Hurt.

Spokane, Oct. 1 .- In a head-on collision between two Great Northern

OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

IMMENSE TRACT SOLD.

the required information concerning North Yakima Syndidate Takes Over

15,000 Acres in Harney. Portland-A great tract of Eastern Oregon land, comprising 15,000 acres, has been sold by J. O. Elrod, a local real estate dealer, to Frank H. Clerf and his mother, of North Yakima, and associates, at a consideration of \$300,-Statistician LeGrand Powers and the | 000. The deal represents a profit of over \$100,000 to Mr. Elrod, who purchased the land 18 months ago.

The property is located in Harney county and comprises what is known as the old John Devine ranch, one of the most noted ranches in Oregon. One selection of this class of men already of the unique features of the place is that it boasts a herd of elk, one of the few herds of this kind in Oregon. The name of the place is now the Alvord ranch. It has been rented to the Paconduct it themselves.

The land is all fenced and cross fenced, with about 7,500 acres in hay. place, and all the improvements are in to raise. good shape.

Mr. Elrod says that the purchase represents an advance in the price of the land of something over \$100,000 in 18 months. A year ago last June have been enacted here this week, he purchased it from the Eugene Church company of Tacoma. The deal has just been consummated whereby the prop- brought out 129 bushels of oats to the erty is transferred to Mr. Clerf and

REDUCE EXPRESS RATES

New Schedule Goes Into Effect on O. R. & N. Lines.

Salem-October 1 the reduced express rates ordered by the railroad Navigation company's lines where the Pacific Express company operates, went into operation. The reductions are material, and in some instances as much as 20 and 25 per cent.

The Pacific Express company accepted the reductions without making a fight in the courts. Patrons of the express company will at once feel the benefits of the reduced rates.

An effort will soon be made to procure a reduction of the rates charged by the Wells Fargo Express company, which operates in the Willamette valley. Representative B. F. Jones of Polk county, who brought the successful complaint against the Pacific Express company, is also prosecuting the

Auto Road Is Discussed. Marshfield-The building of an auto-

been agitated for some time, but it is Gardiner. an hour at the club, the president and the world have not been seen on Amer- likely that the present movement will ican streets before, so many wearing materialize in actual work next sum-

Albany Needs More Houses.

Albany - The Albany Commercial club has invited all the people of Albany to an open meeting to be held in the rooms of the Commercial club to consider a number of questions which have been under discussion in the executive board of the club. One purpose of the meeting is to arouse the interest of local capital in the erection of flats for renting purposes, as the demand for houses for rent has far exceeded the supply for the past year.

Increased Lien Is Denied.

Salem-After a long discussion of the merits of the case the desert land 1536@16c; roosters, 9@10c; ducks, board has come to the conclusion that the Deschutes Irrigation and Power turkeys, 20c; squabs, \$1.75@2 per company cannot demand an increased dozen. lien of 140 per cent, or \$40 an acre from the settlers for reclaimed land. The matter will probably be taken up by the settlers, and the reclamation standing.

New Flour Mill Active.

Baker City-The Baker flouring mill, which is now almost completed, has been an extensive buyer of grain in Eastern Oregon this season, having just closed a contract with the North Powder growers for 25,000 bushels of wheat. In contemplation of the deranchers raised more grain this year gratifiying, both the grower and the per box. mill operators.

To Plant Vast Orchard

Albany-Articles of incorporation of the Linnhaven Orchard company, the corporation which plans to set out a 3,000-acre orchard in Linn county, have been filed in the county clerk's office. | The capital stock of the corporation is \$300,000, divided into 3,000 shares of

Imports Fine Chickens.

Milton-B. F. Williams has received \$7.50@8. 12 thoroughbred young chickens of the

ROGUE VALLEY LAND SOLD.

Eastern Capitalists Invest in Large Fruit Tract.

Roseburg-Three large realty deals were consummated in Roseburg last week. The first was the Henry Ridenour farm, six miles west of this city, comprising 314 acres, which was sold to John Busenbark, of Kansas, for \$40,000. The second was 100 acres at Dixonville, to C. J. Stoven, of Virginia, the consideration not being made public. The third was what is known as the old Booth place, in Garden valley, and comprises 320 acres, the consideration being \$25,000

The buyers are the Overland Fruit & Development company, of Boston, Mass. The purchase by the Boston company was made by its treasurer and general manager, Charles A. Brand. cific Livestock company, but the recent | The company will set the entire tract purchasers will stock the property and out in apples and pears and will conduct the orchard themselves. Brand decided upon the purchase after inspection of the fruit lands of Wash-The remainder is good sagebrush land ington and the districts of Rogue river with a large quantity of available and Hood River, being satisfied that water for irrigation purposes. Good his present location is the best for the buildings have been erected on the varieties of fruit the company interds

> La Grande Has Oat Record. La Grande-One of the largest yields and records for fast threshing as well when the Connaway machine, threshing on the Leander Ferguson ranch.

acre of a 20 acre field. During 10 hours one day the thresher rolled out fields this season.

Potatoes Success as Fallow Crop. Weston-The Weston mountain coun-

try is demonstrating its fertility by commission on the Oregon Railway & extra good crops this year. Ground used last year for potatoes is proving especially productive, showing that the tubers are a good summer fallow. Albert Gould had 84 bushels of barley per acre from 20 acres of "potato ground J. E. Walden had the remarkable average of 116 bushels of oats.

Will Irrigate Orchard Land.

Cottage Grove-S. T. Nelson has sold his 375-acre farm to John Spray for \$16,900 cash. Mr. Spray proposes to place the ranch under irrigation. The land will be worth from \$100 to \$200 an acre as soon as water is on it, and the increase is large, as the orchards increase in size. There are 275 acres which can be irrigated, all of which is bottom land.

Will Represent Oregon.

mobile road from Coos bay to Roseburg | vention of the Mississipi to the Atlanwas the chief subject under discussion | tic Inland Waterways association to be quille, the county seat. The plan is 17 and 18, have been announced by the agree to a special tax and the county of Portland; John Fox, of Astoria; W. appropriate an equal amount. A road, J. Mariner, of Blalocks; J. T. Peters, passable at all times of the year, has of The Dalles, and O. B. Hinsdale, of

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat-Bluestem, 96c; club, 89c; red Russian, 8614c; valley, 91c; Fife, 89c; Turkey red, 89c; fortyfold, 91c. Barley-Feed, \$25.50@26; brewing, \$26.50@27 per ton.

Oats-No. 1 white, \$27@27.50 per

Hay-Timothy, Willamette vallev, \$15@16 per ton; Eastern Oregon, \$18 @19; alfalfa, \$14; clover, \$14; cheat, \$13@14.50; grain bay, \$15@16. Butter-City creamery, extras, 36:

fancy outside creamery, 33@36c; store, 22%c. Butter fat prices average 1%c per pound under regular butter prices. Eggs-Oregon ranch, candled, 32@ 32 %c per dozen.

Poultry - Hens, 15@16c; springs, young, 15@16c; geese, young, 10@11c;

Pork-Fancy, 9@9 1/c per pound. Veal-Extra, 10@10 %c per pound. Fruits-Apples, \$1.25@1.75 per box:

pears, 75c@\$1.50; peaches, \$1@1.25 company and finally threshed out in the per crate; cantaloupes, 50c@\$1 25; courts. The dispute is one of long plums, 25@50c per box; watermelons, le per pound; grapes, 85c@\$1.25 per crate; 25@50c per basket; casabas, \$1,50@1.75; quinces, \$1@1.75 per box; huckleberries, 10c per pound. Potatoes-60@70c per sack; sweet potatoes, 2c per pound.

Onions-\$1.25 per sack.

Vegetables-Beans, 4@5c per pound; cabbage, 1@11/c; cauliflower, 50c@\$1 per dozen; celery, 50@75c; corn, 15@ mand caused by the new mill many 20c; cucumbers, 10@25c; peas, 7c per pound; peppers, 4@5c; pumpkins, 34 than usual, and the result has been @1c; squash, 5c; tomatoes, 50@60c

> Hops-1909 crop, 22@23c offered; 1908 erop, 17c; 1907 erop, 12c; 1906 crop, 8c.

> Wool-Eastern Oregon, 16@23c per pound; valley, 22@24c; mohair, choice,

Cattle-Steers, top quality, \$4 25@ 4.50; fair to good, \$4; common, \$3.50 @3.75; cows, top, \$3.50; fair to good. \$3@3.25; common to medium, \$2.50@ \$100 each, \$100,000 being preferred \$3.50@4; bulls, \$2@2.25; stags, \$2.50 @3.50.

Hogs-Best, \$8; fair to good, \$7.75 @7.85; stockers, \$6@7; China fats,

Sheep-Top wethers, \$4@4.25; fair

RATES ARE SUSTAINED.

Judge Wolverton Upholds Oregon Railroad Commission.

Portland, Sept. 29.- Laws establish ing the Oregon State Railroad commission and the schedule of railroad rates established by that body, were declared valid in a decision handed down yesterday morning by Judge Wolverton, of the Federal court.

One important result of this decision will be to force the Oregon Railroad & Navigation company to refund about 14 per cent of the money the company has collected while the case decided yesterday before Judge Wolverton has been pending, since May 26, 1908, for freight carried between Oregon sta-

Judge Wolverton's decision was in the form of an order dissolving the temporary injunction granted the Oregon Railroad & Navigation company preventing the commission from enforcing its schedule of rates within the limits of the state. The restraining order was requested on the assertion by the company that the Railroad commission was organized in violation of the state constitution and that the rates established by it would influence interstate commerce illegally.

It has been charged by the company that the penalties provided by the State Railroad commission were exorbitant, but Judge Wolverton did not agree with this statement. He had compared the penalties in question with those in other traffic laws and was unable to find that the Oregon penalties were unjust.

HUDSON-FULTON PARADE.

Great Floats Pass in Review Before More Than 1,000,000.

New York, Sept. 29.—American history in visible form passed in review 5,008 bushels of oats. The yield is today before the eyes of more than one bushel to the acre greater than 1,000,000 spectators that lined the two crops already reported on 20 acre route of the first Hudson-Fulton land pageant from the upper end of Central park to Washington square. Thousands of dollars and months of effort were spent to make this parade of 54 floats an accurate reproduction of the life in New York state from legendary Indian times that preceded the first settlement to the first voyage of Clermont in 1807.

The line of parade had to be selected with great care because of the great ground," and from five acres of similar size of the floats, which are said to be the largest and most eleborate ever exhibited. They vary in dimensions from 20 to 40 feet high, 32 feet long and 14 feet wide. They could not pass under the elevated railroad, and even the electric decorations of the court of honor and reviewing stand on Fifth avenue, opposite the new public library, had to be changed at the last moment to accommodate them.

Nearly 20,000 men, women and children, most of them in costume, representing every national and patriotic society in the city, posed as historic personages on these floats or marched between or beside them. The cost of the whole spectacle was \$300,-

On every available spot along the five mile line of march stands had been by Harriman lines which will bring the erected for spectators and the sums paid for seats varied from \$1 to \$5.

BANK IN SORE STRAITS.

Commissioner Takes Charge of Oklahoma Institution.

Oklahoma City, Okla., Sept. 29. Following a secret session of the Oklahoma banking board, which lasted until 5 o'clock this morning, and included several informal conferences today, Bank Commissioner A. H. Young tonight announced that the Columbia Bank & Trust company, with a capital stock of \$200,000, was in his hands. This bank holds \$50,000 of the \$400,-000 state bank guaranty fund. It also holds \$165,000 of the general funds of

the state. Bank Commissioner Young admitted tonight that the situation was very delicate.

"Should the bank close its doors tomorrow, however," he said, "the depositors will lose nothing. The bank guaranty fund deposit and the assets on hand will protect depositors to the fullest extent."

Mr. Young declined to give any hint whatever of way the bank finds itself in an embarrassed condition. It is believed some light on this feature will be forthcoming tomorrow.

Wireless Renders Aid.

Seattle, Sept. 29 .- Word was received here tonight that the steamer Cottage City, which sailed from Seattle for Skagway Sunday morning, lost nical and unintentional guilt. The her propeller in Fitzhugh sound, 50 miles north of Vancouver island, last \$10,000. The counts in the indictment night. The steamer Humboldt, which sailed from Senttle for Skagway an the cases in which the Southern Pacific hour shead of the Cottage City, was granted rebates to the Penn Fruit comcommunicated with by wireless, and came to the aid of the disabled steamer. The 29 passengers on board the Cottage City were transferred to the Humboldt and taken to Skagway.

Criticises General Grant.

the appearance of General Frederick D. Grant in the uniform of his rank in the United States army in the temperance parade in this city last Saturday for the purpose of making an inventory was sent today to Secretary of War Dickinson by the United States Socie- will be declared forfeited to the govties for Self Government. Secretary ernment. Michalis asks if there is any rule of the War department governing such an appearance and requests that the reply be in the form of an open letter.

Cures Sleeping Sickness.

Paris, Sept. 29.-Dr. Laveran, of assist Captain Robert F. Scott to raise at 5 p. m. yesterday, Dr. J. W. Cox, money for his expedition to plant the Union Jack on the South Pole.

Bulk Flymouth Rock variety from St. to good, \$3.50@3.75; ewes, ½ cent this city, has announced to the Academy lay is caused by the indisposition of his poultry to the A.-Y.-P. show at Union Jack on the South Pole.

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RATE CUT ORDERE

Oregon Rallroad Commission is sues Ruling to O. R. & N.

ROAD TO LOSE \$75,000 A YEA

Decision Follows the Northern Pacific Ruling in Washington and Will Likely Be Obeyed.

Portland, Oct. 2.—The state rail road commission of Oregon yesterds handed down its findings in the matte of the Oregon Railroad & Navigatio company and its various branches Oregon, known as the grain-rate case which has been before the commissi for several months. The commissi declares the rates now in force to b unjust and unreasonable and orders reduction equivalent to a cut of abor one-eighth in the present rates, which will make a difference in the revenue of the railroads of approximately \$75, 000 per year on the volume of busin being done at this time.

The grain rate order was issued by the commission from its office in Salem and while the general freight depart ment of the Oregon Railroad & Navi gation company yesterday was aware that such an order had been issued, only its general terms were known. E. Coman, assistant general freight agent, declined to express any opinion as to whether the railroad compan would abide by the order or appeal to

the courts to prevent it enforcement, The order, in effect, is practically the same as that made by the Washing ton railway commission, commanding flat reduction of 12% per cent on grain rates from points on the Northern Pacific to Puget sound.

Recent action by the Northern Pacific has given the Washington commis sion the understanding that the railroad will obey the order without recourse to the courts. The Washington commis sion has made such an announcement but in the offices of the North Bank railroad, which of necessity in the preservation of its business will be com-pelled to meet the cut, nothing definite is known as to the purpose of the

Northern Pacific. As to the points affected by the Oregon commission's rate order, the issue is almost solely one for the O. R. & N. The Northern Pacific has a short branch running into Oregon, but the Northern Pacific is not affected by an Oregon order nearly so much as is the O. R. & N. by a Washington order reducing grain rates.

ORDERS NEW EQUIPMENT.

Harriman Railroads Buy \$17,000 000 Worth of Rolling Stock.

Chicago, Oct. 2. - Orders for equipment and power have just been place total expenditure for this purpose during the last six months up to fully

\$17,000,000. The latest order is for 1,500 steel under-frame refrigerator cars, which are being constructed by the Pullman company, and an order for 500 all-steel ballast cars. Orders have also been given which bring the Harriman lines all-steel passenger equipment up to nearly 600 cars. Orders which are now being delivered are for 480 allsteel passenger cars, the largest order, with one possible exception, that of

the Pennsylvania road, ever given, In this connection it is stated that the Harriman lines were pioneers in the use of all-steel passenger cars in the West, and that they will hereafter use nothing in their passenger service which is not all-steel and prac-

tically indestructible. Hariman lines are also beginning toreceive the first of 5,400 freight cars and 105 locomotives ordered less than six months ago. The order for locomotives calls for 33 of the heavy Mallet compound type. These locomotives, it is claimed, will haul fully 10 per cent more than any two of the ordinary locomotives in use.

Rebate Fine Is Paid.

Los Angeles, Cal., Oct. 2.-The Southern Pacific railroad pleaded guilty today in the United States District court to rebating and was fined \$1,000 by Judge Olin Wellborn. Through Attorney C. M. Durbrow, of San Francisco, the company entered a plea of techmaximum penalty would have been on which the fines were imposed were pany and Harris-Newmark company.

Suspected of Piracy. Mexico City, Oct. 2.—A special disptch from Merida says: The pilot bost Colt, suspected of being engaged in actual piracy, is equipped with several Chicago, Sept. 29.—Protest against rapid fire guns. The suspicious con duct of the vessel caused the gunboat Bravo to run her klown. A corps of customs officers has been sent shoard of her cargo and both cargo and vessel

> Roosevelt's Return Delayed. Naibrobi, B. E. A., Oct. 2.-Colonel Roosevelt, who was expected to arrive here October 15 from his hunting trip in the Mweru district, will probably not come in until October 23. The deexpedition, who is suffering slightly from the pressure of work.