BUILD TRADE

Commerce Isn't Reason For Appropriation.

WASHINGTON, May 8 .- Senator Lane, of Oregon, disagrees with the logic of the river and harbor board of Army engineers in determining whether or not new projects for waterway improvement are of a character to be taken up by the Federal Gov-ernment. The Senator recently appeared before the board to urge the adoption of a new project looking to the improvement of the Siuslaw River from its mouth to the head of navigation and was confronted with the old objection that "existing commerce does not justify the expendi-

Senator Lane undertook to con-vince the board that it was unjust and not business-like to impose such a restriction; that the object of im-proving channels is to build up com-merce, and that commerce follows improvement rather than precedes If the Siuslaw River, for in-nce, had a large commerce to day, the fact alone would be sufficient argument that the channel was adequate, whereas the lack of commerce considering the natural recources tributary to that river, is an indication that the stream must be improved before river commerce can be developed.

Senator Lane called the attentior of the board to the fact that a rail road has been built into the country penetrated by the Siuslaw River, and that several millions of dollars have been expended in its construction solely because the railroad builder. were convinced that the traffic would be developed as rapidly as transpor tation facilities were provided. He argued further that if there were enough traffic in sight to justify the building of a railroad at a cos of millions, there certainly must be sufficient traffic in sight to justify much smaller expenditure by the Government for the improvement of the river, especially as water trans portation, once provided, will heaper than transportation by rail

After his interview, Senator Land expressed doubt as to the possibility that the board would reverse it: original adverse report on the Sius law River, for he found the member wedded to the idea that no stream shall be improved unless the eixsting commerce is of such size as to justify further expenditures. Howver, he has hope of bringing about a change of policy, for he is con vinced that the basis system of th-

Discovery Made by Railroad Man-

Mature in Two Years. Perhaps you've failed to get re

sults from trees and shrubs you've set out in the spring. Plant them upside down the next

ime and see what happens! That is the very newest discov ery with regard to the rapid growth

of such slow maturing things at plants that must form good solle wood in their trunks and get a fire as well as a widespreading roo growth before they produce bloom: or fruits

While a botanist was probably the man who started the new sys tem, it was a railroad company tha was the power which led to the discovery. discovery. A foreign railroad man ager wanted to line the side of his right of way with shade trees. He experimented at some length trying to find a tree that would grow rap idly and at the same give the de sired amount of shade. He did no have time to wait ten or fifteen or twenty years for his shade to be provided. He wanted it at once. And his company could not afford the ex-Mase of transplanting full-grown

Therefore, after repeated experiments he inaugurated the system of planting the trees upside down. as in the nature of a last resort then the thing was first tried. But the results were surprising. Within the course of two years the trees grew to such an extent that they gave good shade and their growth e maturity was a question of about year or two more. The elm was the tree that was used in the exeriment. Small, sturdy trees were secured with as much root as possi-The tree was then set in deep. in the usual way, except that the roots were left in the air and the lop was placed in the ground. The fee grows forming roots where the top was and the original roots which how take the place of branches. Broat foliage which becomes com-

ele within a very short time. From the railroad company the ardeners of the wonderful Ken-Marton Gardens of London took lesthe and planted out a number of frees that are now beautiful to bea ordinary shade trees. lears of waiting that are usually tables, proper planting season, irri-becessary for a tree to reach a gation methods, and the value of chi in its growth where its beaumanures and commercial fertilizers. productiveness repay the garther for the care spent upon it.

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EXPERIMENTAL BY RIVER WORK STATION WORK

Senator Lane Points Out Why Good Work Being Done at Southern Oregon Horticulture Farm

in Jackson County.

CORVALLIS, Or., May 8. - Valuable experiments to determine the effect of fertilizers on fruits, to find the best soil treatment for orchards on hard-pan land, cover crop work pruning and girdling fruit trees variety tests, tillage and vegetable garden experiments have been car ried on at the horticultural substa-tion experiment farm of the Oregov Agricultural College half a nith north of Talent, Jackson Co., since was first begun August 15 1911, under the direction of Supt F. C. Reimer.

The soil on the farm is of two distinct types, a fine loam, commony known as Bear Creek Bottom, and heavy loam, bordering on the icky. The original tract given by the Jackson County Court was fil teen acres, to which five acres more were added last October. There were no buildings on the tract, so the court gave \$2,000 for their construc-

tion this spring. The land was in heavy alfalfa sod which had to be plowed and killed. Bear Creek has several times overflowed the bottom land, which constitutes 75 per cent of the farm. cutting deep gulches. Much of it was very rough and rolling, and no leveling or grading had been done much labor was required to put in condition so that in the future it might be irrigated readily. Part of the upland is heavy, very wet and poorly drained, in places the water level being a foot below surface in the driest part of the year. Tiles are now draining it horoughly at a depth of four feet . his necessary preparation prevent ed experiment work the first sea-

As there are some fifty different ypes of soil in the valley, and it is mpossible to get many on one small ract, some experiments related to ocal problems have been inaugu-ated in various orchards. Six ferilizer experiments to find the effecof nitrogen, potassium, phosphorous nagnesium and iron were begun, or he yield of yellow Newtown and spitzenburg apples on various types of soil; the yield of pears on different soils; the bearing age of yellow Yewtowns on heavy rich soil; the olor of Spitzenburg apples (the experiment being in an orchard where the fruit does not color well; he cause of "little leaf" of apples. to determine if it is due to some ack of plant food; and the prevenion of the dropping of the fruit of he Muir peach by proper fertil-

Five experiments are being conlucted in young pear orchards, searing orchards, and mature bear-'ng yellow Newtown and Spitzen-ourg apple orchards to test the practicability of growing cover crops n orchards in the valley. In one he test is to find if a cover crop vill make enough growth to be of value where there is no irrigation; another to find the most suitable time of seeding; a fourth to discover he effect of the cover crop on the onysical condition of very heavy soils; and still another to find the effect of the yield and size of fruit.

By dynamiting, deep plowing horough cultivation, growing cover crops, manuring, fertilizing and irrigating it is being attempted to de-ermine the best treatment of orchards on hard-pan soil.

The effect of various methods of ummer and winter pruning on the searing age of pear and apple trees s the aim of another experiment. The effect of severe cutting back in winter compared to moderate cutting of the branches, or no pruning. on Comice and Howerl pears six years old, on heavy, red, sticky soil is occupying some attention, as is also a comparison of severe cutting back, moderate or no cutting in summer on the bearing age or the effect when the work is done spring, summer, mid-summer late summer of fall. These trees are yellow Newtown apples eleven years old on heavy black soil.

A similar orchard which has produced little fruit is used to determine the effect of various methods of ringing, notching, girdling, stripping and wiring on the bearing age. Some of these co-operative experi-ments are to be duplicated at the station to make the results as con-

clusive as possible. Perhaps one of the most extensive experiments is to determine the ef-fect of different thinning and cutting back of branches in winter and at different times in summer upon the 'precocity, fruit buds, checking the growth of trees, vigor of trees, regularity of bearing. amount and size and color of fruit and the frame-work of the tree pears being used for the experiment

Still another extensive test will be made on promising varieties of American and European pears to be planted to learn which are suited to local soil and climatic conditions. their resistance to diseases, their keeping and shipping qualities, and the fruit flavor. Plantations of small fruits are to be made also. The most suitable stocks for pears as to It is stated that fruit trees soil adaptation, vigor, bearing age quite as well and as quickly and disease resistance are to be dinary shade trees. The sysgives an excellent chance of intercropping or clean cultivation of coming to some extent the long orchards, the best varieties of vege-

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By this he meant, of course, in horse and rider concelly front of the great cathedral; but the posed with such unity. republic got out of putting it in such a famous place by raising it opposite the hospital of St. Mark. a much less conspicuous position.

Bartolommeo Colleoni was an Italian soldier of fortune who lived in the fifteenth century. He sold his services to the highest bidder. For a long time he was in the pay of the Venetian republic. But Milan offered him a better place, and he offered him a better place, and he For a long time he was in the pay offered him a better place, and he went to that city. Venice found out, aowever, that it could not do with-but him, and in 1454 gave him the pedestal into space. out him, and in 1454 gave him the pedestar out him, and in 1454 gave him the pedestar out him, and in 1454 gave him the pedestar out him, and in 1454 gave him the pedestar out him, and in 1454 gave him the pedestar out him, and in the pedestar out him the pedes er his fortunes, he committed no acts of treachery. He died in 1475.

Andrea Verocchio, who modeled the statue of Colleoni, was a fa-nous goldsmith, painter and sculp-Leonardo da Vinci, who paintad the "Last Supper" and "Mona subject of the pictures and stories Lisa," was one of his pupils. Ve- of the week. Readers of The Times Lisa." rocchio had only completed the modof the "Colleoni" when he died n 1488.

He requested that the casting of he monument in bronze should be intrusted to his pupil Lorenzo di Times for booklet explaining The Credi; but the senate of Venice gave Associated Newspaper School plan

rection of J. S. Polhemus, Assistant United States Engineer. The work will be started at Allegany and continued down stream. A sum of \$3, channel. A little later extensive dredging will be done in Coos Bay and on the bar.—Portland Telegram.

AFTER STATE JOBS.

Geo, Brown for Attorney General and For Governor.

The Roseburg Review says: "A report emanating from Salem is that George M. Brown, Prosecuting Attorney of Douglas County, will be a candidate for Attorney-General at the next Republican primaries, Mr. Brown's present absence in Coos County prevents confirmation or refutation of the rumor. The present Attorney-General, A. M. Crawford, a former Roseburg man, is said to be grooming himself to make the race for nomination for Governor.'

The Roseburg News says: "Since his election to the office of District Attorney Mr. Brown has been in the limelight more or less through his vigorous fight against the liquor in terests of his county. He locked horns with Mayor Micelli, of Roseburg, and his associates in the brewbusiness and secured their conviction on charges of violation of the local option laws.

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