bers of the O. A. C. Alumni association,

who asked that his name be withheld

from publication, "At the very be-

ginning of Dr. Withycombe's campaign

his connection with Oregon Agricult-

ural college suggested the question as

to what we should do about it. We decided then finally that as alumni of

O. A. C. we would have nothing to do

or anyone else.

with the campaign of Dr. Withycombe

"The gentlemen who wrote the let-

Mrs. Weatherford of Albany said: I hope this letter will not be con-

ersonally acquainted with M. D. Mc-

Callister and Percy Copper, whose

names appear to have been signed to

the letter. They are both capable men

and competent assistants in the of-

fice of State Engineer Lewis. These

"I think the letter a mistake. The

movement to elect any candidate on

Non-Partisan

Deemed of

Best Interest to Judiciary.

At a meeting held last night at the

Public library, under the auspices of

the "Everybody's Equal Suffrage club."

Judge Henry E. McGinn and Dr. C. H

Chapman urged the passage of the

non-partisan judiciary amendment at

Judge McGinn declared that the bill,

which had been drafted by a commit-

from James B. Kerr, an attorney rep-

Passage of

the coming election.

Amendment

alumni as such, into politics.

### NEW WATER RATE TO BECOME EFFECTIVE IN CITY DECEMBER

Exact Amount of Saving Under New System Not Determined As Yet.

#### BUREAU HAS BIG SURPLUS

Number of Billing Clerks Will Be Released as Result of the New Quarterly Billing System.

Although the minimum rate for water for household service is now fixed by law at 50 cents a month, the people of Portland generally are to tay less for all water used above the minimum amount. Just how much the various rates will be lowered has Daly, commissioner of public utilities, with the heads of the water bureau tonight to fix a lower scale.

The new rates will be presented to the city council to take effect December 1. The reduction is made posgible by the large increase in business of the water bureau for the year, amounts to approximately \$50,000. While expenses have increased correspondingly, they have not affected the enormous saving which is being

The increase in business and the In the water bureau, and makes possible the reduction in rates. With the quarterly payment system now in effect, the way is made clear to reduce the number of billing clerks and cut down the staff of the bureau generally, for instead of sending out bills 12 times a year the bureau will now send them only four times,

#### CONGRATULATIONS TO MAYOR

Dieck and Brewster Also Honored for Success at Recall Election.

Congratulations by the dozens are pouring in on Mayor Albee and Commissioners Dieck and Brewster as the result of their winning in the recall election. Expressions have been received from those in all walks of life and the most intresting was from P. Elries, proprietor of the Hotel Butler, Scattle, to Mayor Albee. He sent a box of roses to celebrate the mayor's

The official count of the votes cast by City Auditor Barbur tomorrow. The returns from the 293 precincts are helplessly this morning in the federal now in his hands and it is expected to complete the count in a day.

Signers Own No Land Abutting on

the Street. An unusual case of having property owners petition for the improvement of a street on which they own no property is noticed in the petition filed inducing a woman of the underworld with the city commission for the improving of Union avenue from Bryant jury in a white slavery hearing. tition contains 19 names, but a check | tenced to two years in the penitentiary in the engineer's office fails to show and fined \$100. that one of the signers owns property abutting on the street. In a number States circuit court of appeals and of instances the petitioners live nearly then the United States supreme court. a mile from the street.

#### May Accept Bridge Bonds,

The city council will determine tobrrow whether or not to accept the interstate bridge bonds to be issued by Multnomah county as securities for deposits of city funds now in the various An ordinance providing for their acceptance will be introduced by Commissioner Bigelow tomorrow. Henry Teal, a member of the county bond advisory committee, appeared be-fore the council yesterday and urged that the bonds be accepted to give the bridge bonds a wider market.

Veteran Calls on Mayor. Adam Gill, president of the veterans

of the U.S. S. Oregon crew of 1898, who is in Portland to locate members of the old crew to man the war craft \$15,000 bail.

when she goes through the Panama canal to officially open it, was a caller dn Mayor Albee this morning. Mayor U. A. Albee proposed that a movement be started to have congress appropriate the necessary funds to man the boat with the crew that was in the Spanish-American war.

Engineers Will Assist.

The Oregon Society of Engineers will assist the municipal civil service board hereafter in examinations fo positions which require engineering knowledge. Negotiations between the board and the societies have been going on for some time but it was not until this morning that it was definitely determined to accept the offer of the society to assist in the examina-

#### Fireboat Given Test.

Preparatory to being placed into pernament service the renovated fire boat George H. Williams was given its of- Local Sentiment Altogether Against ficial test yesterday afternoon by the chiefs of the the bureau and Munic ipal Purchasing Agent Wood. It is expected that a final test will be made by the city commissioners within a

Old Piers May Be Removed.

The city council will be asked by boosting the candidacy of Dr. WithyCommissioner Dieck tomorrow to appropriate \$5000 for the removal of day that the college is not in politics and a wise policy would
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combe. A number of them declared tomembers of the alumni should adopt the old piers under the east approach has never been in politics, and that Dr. a course that tends to bring the of the Morrison street bridge. The Withycombe's supporters among the school into a political fight." not been definitely determined, but United States government has aksed alumni ought not to do anything to Frank E. Hall of Grants Pass remeeting will be held by Will H. that the piers be removed as they are drag the institution into political dis- sented the circulation of the letter. an obstruction to water traffic.

Bought Breakfast Once.

Roy McInnis, to be tried tomorrow on a charge of non-support is accused of having given his wife, Ida McInnis, married life of over a year. McInnis is said to have brought the woman rom the sound to Portland and to have married her after being arrested for living with her without the egality of a marriage. It is said he ook her to breakfast after the wedsaving has resulted in a large surplus | ding and that he has never furnished her with a cent since.

Stay of Judgment Refused by Judge Bean; Prisoner to Be elected governor. Taken to M'Neil's Island.

With the last hope apparently gone. ttorneys for Max G. Cohen, a former in the recall election will be started Portland lawyer and at one time acting municipal judge, had to sit by court while their client was taken to ail by the United States marshal. Judge Bean denied to Attorney PETITION IS MOST UNUSUAL Thomas Mannix Cohen's counsel, a stay of sentence. United States Marshal Montag stated that Cohen will be taken to the McNeil Island menitentiary to begin the two years' sentence The United States grand jury indicted Cohen in November, 1912, on a charge of subornation of perjury for He treet to Columbia boulevard. The pe- was convicted June 4, 1913, and sen-

The case was appealed to the United the conviction being affirmed, either directly or indirectly in each court, The supreme court this month refused s hear the case. United States Athe mandate yesterday, and the motion or a stay of sentence was argued to-United States Senator Bailey, now Cohen's representative in the east, is preparing to apply to the supreme court for a rehearing. One of the justices of that court, he said, had promised to entertain the motion. Judge Bean then asked Mannix to rove this assertion. This the attorey could not do and Judge Bean dr. of O. A. nied the motion and ordered Cohen's

ommitment at once. Cohen recently came back to Portland from New York to be on hand for to send it out." today's proceedings. He has been on

# POLITICAL INFLUENCE

Letter Sent Out After Withy- ter knew of this position and they have violated the spirit, if not the Visited Alumni letter, of our understanding. They acted as individuals, but, I fear, in Members Who Signed It, such a way as to involve the associa-

UNIVERSITY, TOO strued by the people of the state as an attempt to bring the college, or its

Proposition as Outlined in Missive.

There is resentment among Oregon boys were prominent and influential Agricultural college graduates over the when students at the college, and of cussion. All of them, without excep- He said: on, declare that the letter should

not have been sent out. The circular letter, after addressing has never tried to work through such signed "Withycombe - for - Governor uates should seek to keep the college Campaign Committe, Percy A. Cupper, free from all appearance of mixing '04, Mark McCallister, '05 and Carle in political affairs. Members of the Abrams, '00." It said "get in the band alumni are free to support whom they wagon, distribute some cards, shout for please, but should not engage in any

Withycombe. Cupper of the so-called "Withy- account of his connection with combe-for-Governor Campaign Commit- college. Men should be elected to tee" is assistant state engineer and office on their merits, and on their the McCallister is a subordinate in the ability to serve the state, and not state engineer's office. Carle Abrams upon their former connection with any s the advertising manager of the educational institution." Salem Statesman.

After University, Too. Dr. Withycombe was in conference with Cupper and McCallister on a reent visit to Salem and the two former students were escorts in his trips around town. It is believed that the plan to bring the Oregon Agricultural college alumni into action was formed at that time. It is known that Dr. Withycombe has not only endeavored to line up former Oregon Agricultural college students, but that he has gone among the alumni of the University of Oregon and endeavored to enlist them in his candidacy by promises of what he would do for the university, if

A number of the Oregon Agricultural ollege graduates seen today expressed themselves freely about the letter sent out by "the Withycombe-for-Governor

Campaign Committee." Masters is president of the Portland O. A. C. club and a member of the executive committee of the O. A. C. Alumni association.

"They had no business to do it." said Mr. Masters. "The Portland O. A. ditte never entered into politics any way. The gentlemen who igned the Withycombe-for-Governor letter had no authority from the Portland organization. As a member of tee consisting of Judge C. U. Gantenthe executive committee of the general bein, Republican, Judge W. N. Gatens, alumni association I am sure I would Democrat, and W. M. Davis, Progresknow if it had given them any such sive, had been indorsed by the State authority. The fact is that they are Bar association, State Federation of acting on their individual initiative Women's Clubs and the State Federa- sociations presided over by Mrs. C. M. and responsibility; the letter is not tion of Labor. official, and it represents merely their personal attitude.

the writing of the letter." partment of the Commercial club, was corporation lawyers, who while pre-"I objected strenuously to the use of clary, are raising for the purpose of by Miss Constance Piper. the club or the alumni of the college defeating this particular measure, techwas proposed at one time to bring Dr. Withycombe before the club, after bill is a meritorious one," continued he had declared himself a candidate, Judge McGinn, "is the fact that it is to speak on a non-political subject. I have the greatest esteem for Dr. Withycombe, but I so disliked the in- ure looking to the interests of the comference that might go out from such a mon people." gathering that I resigned as secretary, rather than send out the notices. buried in the same cemetery with any I strongly advised the alumni not to of the members of this organization. appear in the campaign in any way whatever. We have a right, of course, to our individual views, but they should be individual and not as alumni The letter was not authorized, it expressed the individual views of the writers, but at that think it was a piece of bad judgment

"A large number of O. A. C. alumni have called me during the morning

# expressing surprise and resentment that the letter should have been written," said one of the most active mem-SHOWN BY REPORTS

During Past Year 250 As-Been sociations Formed in This State.

WORK COVERS WIDE FIELD

Boy Problem in Cities and in Towns Will Be Considered at This Afternoon's Session of the Congress.

This morning's session of the anflual convention of the Oregon Conattempt to use the popularity of the course are well known among the gress of Mothers was presided over agricultural college as an asset in alumni. The college has never been by Mrs. J. W. Kerr, wife of the president by Mrs. J. W. Kerr, wife of the president of the State Agricultural college. Reports of the Parent-Teacher associations were given as follows: Metzger, Mrs. Ruggles; Sherwood, Mrs. A. Hagey; Dundee, Angie R. Greer; Whitford, Mrs. A. B. Denny; West Portland, Mrs. Stack: La Grande, Mrs. Metcalf; Ashland, Miss Holmes; Jennings Lodge, Mrs. Brenchart; McMinncollege has never been in politics. It ville, Mrs. R. C. Millyne, Corvallis, Mrs. French; South Circle, Corvallis, the recipient as "fellow alumnus," was lines for its own advantage. Its grad- Mrs. Cora D. Crane; Bottom, Mrs. Lillian Clark.

Reports of state departments and standing committees were given as Hygiene, Dr. Mae Cardwell; hautauqua, Mrs. John Risley; educational, Mrs. W. J. Hawkins; juvenile, Mrs. C. W. Hayhurst; literature, Mrs. N. Walker; membership, Mrs. Harlet Hendee; parents' extension, Mrs. J. C. Elliott King; press and publicity, Mrs. E. H. Frizzelle; state fair, Mrs. A. Young of McMinnville; widows' pension, Mrs. R. E. Bondurant; bureau of education, Mrs. A. King Wilson; child legislation, Mrs. Millie R. Trum-

Rapid Growth Seen.

These reports showed conclusively that there has been a fine growth n the Parent-Teacher work throughut the state. During the year 250 associations have been organized, 50 these have been affiliated with the ongress. Much credit is due Superntendent Churchill for his efforts in organizing associations.

The activities of the past year have been broad and practical in every sense, and have revealed the purpose of helping the children, parents and teachers to a better understanding of themselves and each other, and assisting in cooperation hitherto unknown. This afternoon the following pro-

gram was given: Call to order. Vocal selection, Mrs. Henry Metzger.

"Back to the Home," Runo Arne Boys' and Girls' Aid society). Vocal selections, Miss Ada Alice "The Boy Problem in Cities and

Towns," Professor Irving E. Vining. Ashland, Or. Address, Dr. Miriam Van Waters,

Conference Is Held. Yesterday afternoon's session opened with a conference of presidents of as-

mith of Roseburg to the raising funds, of hot lunches, of pro-I do not approve bill," asserted Judge McGinn, "comes grams and kindred matters were dis-M. E. Smead of the promotion de- resenting the Hill interests and other spersed with vocal selections by John Claire Montieth who sang with fine secretary of the Portland O. A. C. club. tending to favor a non-partisan judi- effect a group of songs accompanied

The general meeting of the afterfor political purposes," he said. "It nical objections which have no merit. noon was presided over by Mrs. H. J. "One of the best evidences that the Fitzpatrick. "Educational Country Clubs" was the subject of a paper read by Mrs. R. S. Bean and written being opposed by the Non-Partisan her sister, Mrs. H. F. McCormack league, which is opposing every meas- of Eugene. Benjamin Sheldon, president of the Medford Commercial club, presented the matter of reopenig the He said that he did not want to be Normal school at Ashland, pointing out Oregon's great need for additional institutions for training its young Dr. Chapman, in addition to his inpeople for teaching. One of the finest dorsement of the non-partisan judipapers of the convention was preciary bill, also spoke in behalf of the sented by Mrs. Ida M. Kidder of Eunormal school amendments, and stronggene, who spoke on "The Proper Literly attacked the so-called assembly ature for Children." The burden of her paper was the necessity of the mother gaining the confidence and sympathy of her children and thus sharing their joys and sorrows. Miss Jessie Hodge Millard, children's li-C. J. Smith Rally brarian, answered a number of ques-

tions regarding children's reading and way home. The highwaymen stopped Christmas day.

WOMEN ARE HELD UP

Two young highwaymen last eve ning held up and robbed Mrs. C. H Lasey and her daughter at East 26th in silver. Mrs. Lasey, who lives at sponsible for the death of her little was either under hypnotism or else in 265 West Holman street, was on her girl, Esperance, who shot herself last a very bad temper.

displayed a collection of books suit- Mrs. Lasey and her daughter on a able for children. Miss Mary Frances dark spot, held a revolver at them, isom, librarian, told of the willingness demanding the woman hand over her of the librarians to arrange courses hand bag. After getting the money, of reading for the Parent-Teacher assouthern part of the city. Descriptions of the two men are similar to the description of the two men, who held up women two weeks ago.

Mother Assumes Blame. Mrs. Georgine Maud Clark of Monta villa, has written a letter to The Jourand Tibbetts streets, taking about \$12 nal, declaring that she alone is re-

per that caused it," she writes. lost my temper that day just because she and her brother upset a kettle of water and blackened the floor." The mother then tells how she took a pan of potatoes off the stove and threw it and then ruined two of Esperance's Christmas presents, hit her with the broom and pulled her hair, declaring she would not lave in the same house with her. The girl took this to heart, ran from the house and was not seen again until she was found dead two weeks later Mes. Clark declares she

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Women Are Holding

East Flanders street, is the scene this woman's Smith-for-Governor rallies of the present campaign. Both or. C. J. Smith, candidate for governor, and A. F. Flegel, candidate for congress, were invited to be present. The program also includes songs by ohn B. Bradley, baritone, and, in costume, by Miss June Shea, "The Days f Thomas Jefferson.' "The gathering is under the partial

Governor club To the headquarters of the Woman's Smith-for-Governor club, in the Hotel Portland, yesterday came a little crippled woman.

auspices of the Woman's Smith-for-

"I came to see what I could do for Dr. Smith," she said. "I am ready to put in nearly all the time from now until election working for Dr. C. J. Smith. I think he is the best man for governor of Oregon."

"All the decent men I know are vorking for Dr. Smith and will vote or him." said a man from Troutdale. If there are any in Troutdale who are not working for Dr. Smith they are of the kind I wouldn't recognize." Meetings of women who are working for Dr. Smith in University Park and in Gresham were held in the neadquarters yesterday. The women of Gresham have arranged for a Smith-for-Governor rally Saturday night and the speakers are to be Mrs. John Nissen, president of the Women's Smith-for-Governor club, and Dr Elof T. Hedlund.

The telephone number of the Woman's Smith-for-Governor club in the Hotel Portland is Main 2701. All who desire information about the Smith campaign, who desire to help, or who wish literature, are made welcome.

Collision Starts Three Suits.

Three suits growing out of one automobile collision are occupying the time of Circuit Judge William Gallo-R. M. Davisson lost his suit against Seward Rasmussen for \$5000 yesterday, when the jury returned a verdict for Rasmussen. Mrs. Cora M. Davisson, his wife, is plaintiff in the second suit for a like amount, which is now on trial. The Oregon Chair company has sued for \$700 damages to the automobile in which the Davissons were riding and that suit will be tried next. Davison is an employe of the company. The complaints charge that Rasmussen was not competent to drive a car because of poor eyesight.

# Sweaters, more popular than ever