

tion affects materially the values of city and interurban properties. Reports received by the commission recently have indicated that the discontinuance of transportation facilities, either steam or electric, has tended to reduce land values in various parts of the state."

Commissioner Bean said that, tion in the United States. under existing laws, it is mandatory on the part of the commission to grant railway utilities the right to exercise lawful methods of constitutional right to realize a The commission cannot arbitrarily el railway to operate when it oved by competent evidence hat it is not earning a fair return for its owners.

Investigation by the commission showed that privately owned PENDLETON, Ore., July 21 .automobiles are responsible for the decline of the street and elec- (AP)-Frank C. Bramwell, state tric railway. The reports filed superintendent of banks, was with the commission indicated made the defendant today in a that of a total of 2500 prospective suit brought by former officers of electric car patrons, 85 per cent the defunct First National bank owned and operated their own of Pilot Rock in an attempt to reautomobile. No testimony was of- cover \$15,000 in promissory notes fered to show that common car- which they allege were issued to riers of freight and passengers in the bank to extend its credit and the motor vehicle class are con- were to have been paid for from sidered a competitive factor, the bank's earnings.

Legion corps brilliantly attired and fualtlessly drilled paraded the business streets of the city today, headed by Howard Paul Savage, national commander of the Legion, who was escorted by a wild, yelling band of Umatilla Indians, members of Chief Peo Post, the only all-Indian Legion organiza-

Former Governor Walter M. Pierce, Fred E. Kiddle and A. T. Hill, president of the city commission, made the opening adoperation consistent with their dresses today. The response was made by Mrs. Anna Hershner, of fair return on their investment. Hood River, state Auxiliary president.

BRAMWELL DEFENDANT

Pilot Rock Bank Attempts to Recover \$15,000 in Notes

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yesterday with J. E. Wheeler, northwest timberman, on charges of conspiracy and violation of the national banking act, appeared voluntarily in Federal Judge Mc-Nary's court today and entered a plea of not guilty.

PORTLAND, July 21 .- (AP)-

Wheeler notified George Neuner, United States district attorney, the latter said today, that he would appear for preliminary arraignment tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

JEFFERSON MYERS ILL

Severe Sinus Infection Attack De lays Commissioner's Trip

PORTLAND, July 21 .-- (AP)-Oregonian says Jefferson Myers. member of the United States

shipping board, is confined to his home with a severe attack of sinus infection, and that his illness may delay the trip of the commissioner and Mrs. Jefferson to Oregon. They will leave soon as the commissioner's condition is improved, the article says.

Emory Olmstead, former president The following is the final installment of answers Richards, the of the Northwestern National famous magician, has given The Oregon Statesman. An avalanche bank, who was indicted jointly of questions poured in during the last two days making it impossible

for Richards to answer them all in the allotted space, however, all the questions were answered in the exact order in which they were received, first come, first served. The early questions naturally received the preference. Richards closes his engagement at the Capitol theater today, matinee and night, with his big amazing show of wonders, thrills, girls, music and mystery, which is the largest and finest attraction of the kind ever brought to this city and those who have not already witnessed this unusual show should avail themselves of this last opportunity. Richards will also be glad to answer your questions at the theater. If you sent your question in early your answer should appear below. Questions from out of town have received the same attention as local queries

Many of the questions sent to Richards, the magician, he will be unable to answer through these columns. Although announcement was made last evening that no more questions would be accepted, hundreds of them were received on the morning mail. The questions are being answered in the order that they are received, but it will be a physical impossibility to answer them all. Washington despatch to the Richards will be glad to answer your questions at the Capitol theater. C. W .- I have lost a ring I prize greatly, can you tell me who

> took it? Ans .- Your ring is not stolen but behind the lining of your tray-

RICHARDS

Ans.—Your ring is not stolen but behind the lining of your trav-eling bag. It slipped into the tear in the silk lining when you put your jewelry in your bag in the dressing room of the Pullman. L. E. G.—Will I find buried treasure on my place? Ans.—No, there is no treasure buried there now. W. J. P.—Should I keep the position here or return home? Ans.—Your father really needs you to work for him, but I see you doing better financially by remaining here.