

yet been announced. Would Mean Boost In Election Rates

Cassius Peck, counsel for the Portland General Electric company, appearing with W. M. Hamilton, local manager, opened the meeting by declaring that his company had maintained a consistent policy of reducing electric rates to consumers and had recently been able to include Salem and its territory in the Portland rate area, this giving a smaller city the benefit of larger unit production costs. To enclose Salem by a tariff wall of a two per cent tax on the \$500,000 gross annual earnings of the power compan" would inevitably mean higher rates for

those in the adjoining territory or ident here for about 12 years, will in Portland, Peck indicated. He he held Friday morning at 10:30 said his company felt such a tax o'clock, Rev. Butler of Beaverton would be discriminatory to the probably officiating. Interment light and power business com- will be in the Belle Passi cemepared with other businesses. tery. Peck touched only briefly on the

legal phases of the proposed tax. his home a mile north of town. Peck said his company might concrease on the \$500 license fee now | March 19, 1849. He was a farmer paid annually.

W. J. Dodge, general manager of the Portland Telegraph and three sons and two daughters. Telephone company, appearing They are Harry West of Hubbard, with Omar Spencer, counsel for George West, Frank West, and the company, and E. D. Wise, vice- Mrs. May Kahler, all of Morrison, president and H. V. Collins, dis- Illinois, and Minnie B. West of

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EUGENE, Ore., Oct. 29 and wounded fatally by one of three outlaws Wednesday night. Castro died at a Eugene hospital today.

The shooting occurred at Frazer, about 10 miles above McCredie springs on the Southern Pacific route. The three robbers had entered a house occupied by two hunting companions, both became Mexicans, robbed them and tied lost but Smythe later found his them. Before they left Castro en- way to the West Coast Lumber He saw the outlaws and tered. turned to leave but one of them shot him in the back. Castro was said to have crawled back into the house after the robbers left and freed his friends.

NO DAMAGE, WORD

ASTORIA, Ore., Oct. 29 (AP)-The Furness line mo-torship Pacific Commerce went aground on Desdemona sands at the mouth of the Columbia river this afternoon.

Reports, received here said the vessel was in no danger and was expected to free herself at high tide early tomorrow. The coast guard cutter Sno-homish is standing by.

DRANK, DIDN'T DRIVE PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 29

(AP)-Rhea Luper, former state "Mickey." engineer of Oregon, was acquitted

general conditions and the elim- to 6, here tonight. ination of the penalty are curbing our income considerably," Bower commented.

Under the law passed at the 1931 session the two per cent penalty which heretofore became assessible 90 days after the tax (Turn to page 2, col. 2)

WEST FUNEKAL 15

WOODBURN

WOODBU- I, Oct. 29-Funer-Salem light and power users than al services for William West, res-Normal. HOUSE DESTROYED

Mr. West died Tuesday night at William West, 82 years old, was sider favorably any reasonable in- born in Haverstraw, New York,

BY-MIDNIGHT FIRE Lost of his life. Besides his widow, he leaves SCOTTS MILLS., Oct. 29 Fire which started in the woodshed but cause of which is a mystery, destroyed the Perry Varhies house here about midnight Wed-

nesday night.

Portland.

at liberty.

hanged."

The house was an old land-

mark, and one of the first con-structed here. Mr. Varhies was

at home but Mrs. Varhies was in

The local fire department hur

ried to the scent but the blaze

had gained such headway before

it was discovered that the fire-

men had all they could do to

keep it from spreading to other

houses nearby. A building on the

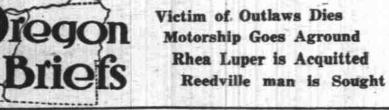
Shilts place caught fire a second

Virtually nothing was saved

from the Varhies home. No esti-

time from flying sparks,

Woodburn



BANDITS GET AWAY

had just taken the wheel from (AP)-Daniel Castro, Mexican his wife when police arrived. Mrs. railroad section hand, was shot Luper corroborated his testimony. HUNTER MISSING

HILLSBORO, Ore., Oct. 29 (AP)-Search for Alfred M. Holcomb. of 'Reedville, who has been missing since last Saturday, continued today. Holcomb and Ralph Smythe, hunting companions, both became

company camp.

had driven the car. He said he

TRAIN IS DERAILED

MARSHFIELD, Ore., Oct. 29-(AP)-The locomotive and several cars of the southbound Southern Pacific train were derailed colls, convicted Asotin slayer, at Nekoma today by a tree which should "have been hanged." had fallen across the track. No

one was injured. The tree was hidden from view by a heavy fog. OREGON LAD HURT

BAKERSFIELD, Cal., Oct. 29 -(AP) - An unidentified man it is reasonable to expect that at 17, of North Bend, Ore., was severely injured today when four motor vehicles figured in one crash north of here. Young Meredith who is in a local hospital said he knew the dead man only as

The accident was one of the by a municipal court jury here most freakish in Kern county his-

The Lutherans scored first in

OF RELIEF SOUGHT the opening period on a trick play. They had possession of the ball on the Oregon Normal 31

yard line. Six men walked up to PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 29. the line of scrimmage with Lish-AP)-An extensive federal conerness, fullback. Four other playstruction program to relieve uners remained standing together employment, called the "most serbehind the line. Suddenly Lisherious national problem," was urged ness picked up the ball, shot it to in resolutions adopted at the clos-Carlson, quarterback, who raced ing session of the third annual all the way to the goal line. cannery here. western governor's conference The teachers scored soon after here tonight.

with Paul Gordon carrying the The conference will meet next ball in the famous "sneak" play. year in Los Angeles. The dates They converted the try for point. will be fixed by the nex executive The second period was scorecommittee composed of Governors less but the teachers scored again A. M. Clark, Wyoming, George H. in the third and got two more Dern, Utah, and James Rolph, Jr.,

touchdowns in the final session. California Lateral and forward passes A resolution introduced by Govgained much ground for Oregon

the nations.

ernor Dern, Utah, and approved by the conference urged the president of the United States to call and international conference "and

to take world leadership in the restoration of silver to its historic place as money." The resolution said such action would stay the "disastrous fall in commodity prices," restore employment to millions of men, allay social un-

der virtual Japanese rule since WILKES-BARRE, Pa., Oct. 29 -(AP)-Assurance that some of

situation

a gas explosion and coal slide in Mocanaqua mine of the West End **Build Marquise** Coal company last Saturday night are alive was announced tonight To Replace One by company officials who declared that rescue squads had receiv-Which Crashed

> Construction of a new marquise in front of the Portland General Electric company store on North Liberty street, to replace the one which crashed into the shop front Wednesday, was begun yesterday Steusloff Brothers incorporated, owners of the building. The

new sidewalk covering will cost \$500, according to a building permit issued yesterday. The building permits brighten-

the issuing of permits totalling \$6675. The largest job announced was the construction of a new house costing \$5175 at 1080 North Summer street for T. M. Hicks, Erection of a filling station

at 2635 Portland road for F. T. Dolen accounted for \$800 of the total and alteration of a dwelling at 2011 South Commercial street for a guard to take her to the for F. B. Hofma, for the remaining \$200.

Bandit Forces

TOKYO, Oct. 29 .- (AP)-The in north Manchuria threatens to become serious with

reported increased activities of bandits who, vernacular newspapers here say, are endangering railroad property in which Japanese have an interest.

Another unconfirmed vernacular report says Russia has sent rest and restore commerce among three armored trains with 500 men to the region of Tsitsihar to protect the line of the Chinese Eastern railroad, jointly owned by China and Russia. Diplomatic exchanges between

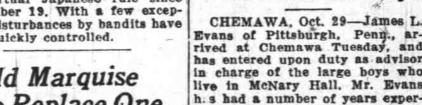
testified to the same effect.

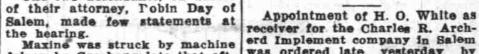
The two defendants, on advice

of warehouses for the Ray-Brown

Tokyo and Moscow, however, gave the impression today that possible misunderstandings had been avoided. South Manchuria has been un-

September 19. With a few exceptions disturbances by bandits have been quickly controlled.





erd Implement company in Salem was ordered late yesterday by driven by Groshong late that aft-Judge L. H. McMahan acting up-Hubert, ernoon as she was returning on the request of William McGilhome from school. She is the christ, Jr., plaintiff in an action daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter started against the company. Miller. Miller is superintendent White's bond was placed at \$5000 and was promptly furnished.

McGilchrist contended to the court that a receiver's appoint-

ment was urgent to conserve the assets of the company. He said that recently the management on the boy, who also would be had been inactive and irregular, deprived of schooling. resulting in a dispolution of som

of the firm's properties. McGilchrist alleged his especial another institution in which he may be transferred," Long said interest in the company since he owned 221 shares of 250 shares of in Walla Walla today.

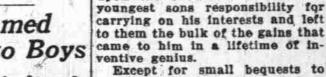
preferred stock issued by the firm. These shares are said to be The judge had no alternative but to send the lad to the penia first lien on all assets of the tentiary since the jury found him guilty of first degree murbusiness, after certain debts have der and decided against the been satisfied. The plaintiff in the action told death penalty.

the court he had not been informed regularly of the progress of the Edison Leaves business nor had he been permitt-

ed to see the books of the con-Youngest Sons cern. McGilchrist was recently a joint Most Property defendant with Archerd in a suit

brought by teh Eena company to secure judgment from the two NEWARK, N. J., Oct. 29. men on a note for \$16,000, due and unpaid. (AP)-Thomas A. Edison, placed upon the shoulders of his two

Evans is Named Advisor to Boys



nassed?"

was over.

four other children, three of them Evans of Pittsburgh, Penn, ar-rived at Chemawa Tuesday, and entire estate to Charles and Thehas entered upon duty as advisor odore Edison. The will was filed in charge of the large boys who for probate today.

live in McNary Hall, Mr. Evans The inventor explained in the h.s had a number of years exper- will, signed in February, 1926. ience in different types of boys' that "my dear wife, Mina M. Ediwork, has traveled extensively, son, is already adequately proand comes to Chemawa highly rec-ommended for this type of work. and otherwise."

Elks' Circus Pleasing To First Night Crowd

To the rhythmic melodies of a | And a circus is not a circus lively syncopated band, 15 inter- without animals. Trained dogs sting acts of mingled comedy and and a monkey performed spiritedacrobatics, the like of many not ly, jumping through hoops, rollbefore seen here, last evening ing barrels, riding ponies. Sleek were presented to the first night slender greyhounds negotiated incrowd of some 500 persons at the creasingly high leaps, until the armory for the opening program men holding the jumping standof the Salem Elks' club six-day in- ard climbed onto chairs further to show how far a dog can leap when it wants to.

A fine entertainment, many All through the two hour and persons in the audience declared half program, the Frederick it. With attention directed to the Elks' big show, as the word is band added its noelty tunes to spread around, it is expected to the color of the evening. Follownet good profits for their Christ-mas charity fund. If the show, it played for the make the board virtually inoper-free dance which will be held ative until the return of Governor mas charity fund.

Variety was given to the show each night on the main floor of by the comic clowns, who brought the armory. Officials of local Elkdom were

many a laugh during the acts. The acrobatics of the trapeze, tight wire and bars performed almost leased both with the first night attendance and with the 15 acts resented by the Holland indoor unbelievable feats of skill and

(AP)-C. L. Billings, manager of Mukden dispatch to the Daily Tumblers whirled and cavorted the Clearwater unit of Potlatch Mail area langer to the Daily Tumblers whirled and cavorted circus troupe. In expectation of larger crowds

door circus.

spurning the suggestion of de- board, Meier voting by proxy, fense counsel that the boy was named Walter Dray to handle abnormal and should be confined both the state blind school here in an asylum.

and the Portland employment Today Judge E. V. Kuykendall agency, and Sam Laughlin to be head of the boys' training school. held court for two minutes. "Have you anything to say, The recent purchase of 25 cars before sentence 19 for the state police department may also come up for reconsidera-"No sir," said the boy, and in tion.

another minute the formality The attorney-general's decision leclared that casting of proxy Warden Clarence Long of the votes at any meeting of the board penitentiary had advised that he was illegal. Concurrence by at would seek to segregate Hubert least two members who are presfrom hardened criminals, but ent is required for official action said the isolation would be hard on any question, the attorney-gen-

eral advised. No Authority for

"Perhaps the department of Voting by Proxy

usiness control later will find

"The statute contains no express provision whether a member of the board may participate in meetings, although not present thereat, or may exercise the right to vote upon measures by means of telephone, letter, or by designating that power to another person," Van Winkle held, "It requires, for official action upon any question, the concurrence of at least two members who are pres-

ent." Three questions were submitted to Van Winkle, as follows:

"Whether in the absence of two members of the state board of control the other member can call and hold special meetings and have his acts recorded as official? "Whether in the absence of one member of the board, with the remaining two members taking opposite sides on a question, can here be official action?

"Whether one member of the board has authority to cast either the telephoned or written proxy of an absent member, and have it ecorded and made official?"

Some speculation developed at the capital yesterday regarding the legality of holding board of control meetings away from Salem. The matter was not covered in the attorney-general's decision. The Oregon statute reads: "Said board shall hold regular meetings at the state capital on the third working day of each month and shall hold other meetings, as, in the judgment of its members, are

necessary . . ." Unofficial opinion was divided on the question of whether or not this clause should be interpreted to mean that the state capital was the only place meetings could be held legally or whether the wording clearly indicated that the state capital was designated only for first-of-the-month meetings, leaving the board free to designate

the place for other gatherings. In event meetings could be held in Salem only, the question of the governor's ability to hold office would be raised, it was pointed out, since the existing stalemate between State Treasurer Holman and Secretary of State Hoss would make the board virtually inoper-Meier. No official at the statehouse yesterday indicated he was willing to ask an opinion from the

attorney-general on this point. The executive department had no statement to make yesterday regarding the date of Mr. Meler's return to Salem other than to induring the coming five days of dicate he was steadily improving



such a penalty when interviewed "The boy undoubtedly always will be a criminal, a continued menace to society," he said, "and was killed and Perry Meredith, some future time he will again be North Idaho insane asylum at Oro-

decided she was a paranolas, and Japanese Rout An insanity examining board " 'Life' under our present system means only a few years in the penitentiary. He should have been dangerous to be at large ,

SAWMILL TO STOP

REAR ADMIRAL DIES NEW YORK, Oct. 29-(AP)-Rear Admiral Charles Francis the Clearwater unit of Potlatch Mail says Japanese troops routed on the large stage until it seem-Stokes, retired surgeon general Forests, Inc., said tonight the a force of 1,000 Chinese bandits ed the limits of possibility had



encountered when rescue work-SEATTLE, Oct. 29. - (AP) Judge Kenneth Mackintosh, member of the Wickersham crime com-

the six men entombed following

been carried by an iron pipe driven through a coal fall which was ed momentarily yesterday, with

