

St. Louis is overrun with rats. So much so that Monday, June 17, has been designated as rat-killing day. It is expected that 100,000 persons will do nothing that day except kill rats, and every conceivable method will be used.

The general opinion at The Dalles based on statements made from time to time, is that the O. R. & N. has planned to build a new depot at that place on the site of Mill creek, which

property, contrary to the spirit of the Creek agreement. The suit involves the title to property in the bus-iness district to the value of \$1,000,-

MASONS IN PORTLAND. Grand Lodge Convened Today-Royal Arch Chapter Elected Officers for the Ensuing Year.

Royal Arch Masons Elect Officers.

new temple at West Park and Yam-

The following are the newly elect

ed officers of the Grand Royal arch for the ensuing year:

chaplain (re-elected); C. J. Buchan-

Oklahoma Appeals to Oregon

W. L. Chapman, secretary of the democratic central committee of Ok-

lahoma, writes to the state rallway commission of Oregon for data to be

used in the preparation of equitable

corporation laws. The new constitu-

tion of Oklahoma provides for a cor-

poration commission and the Oregon

bill streets.

The Royal Arch chapter, which met

600.

The grand lodge of Masons of Oreon convened in Portland this morn

were affected, excepting two pack animals, although the injuries were perhaps slight. Perhaps the worst injured among the surviving ones

as a mare belonging to H. Mench. Of the horses killed, four mares ad one colt belonging to Miller Following is a question by a Wood-burn farmer and an answer by Dr. James Withycombe concerning the and Bros., a colt to H. Mench, two mares to Mr. McWillis, and one mare and Can the weed called Canadian this-tle be killed? If so, please tell me colt to Chet Shumaker. It is estimated that the whole loss closely aphow it can be done? proaches \$1000.

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is to be filled in as soon as the course of the creek is diverted.

The New York assembly by a vote of \$2 to 17 repassed over the veto of Acting Mayor McGowan of New York, the bill providing for a judithe membership greatly increased, but the order in the state has adcial recount and recanvass of the ballots cast at the mayoralty election of vanced materially in financial mat-1995 in New York. This makes a ters, several new lodge buildings hav-ing been crected and a number of recount a certainty.

Stanisa Mesich shot Herman Obroold buildings repaired and improved at considerable cost. vitch six times at Salt Lake city, killing him instantly. Obrovitch sometime ago eloped with Mesich's wife, and \$700 of the latter's money yesterday morning in the old lodge rooms at Third and Alder streets, He lost the money gambling in Ne concluded its business last night and adjourned. The next convocation of vada and then deserted the woman, adjourned. who returned to Selt Lake. the Royal Arch will be held in the

The new city council of Aberdeen, Wash., has rescinded the action of the former council accepting a gift of \$15,000 from Andrew Carnegie for a library building. This was done because the labor unions had agreed · F. W. Davis of Union, grand high priest; A. H. Steiner of Salem, depon a policy to fine every man who worked on the proposed building \$10 n day.

utp grand high priest; Edward Kid-die of Island City, grand king; Frank The Mississippi state supreme court J. Miller of Albany, grand scribe; David P. Mason of Albany, grand has decided that Mrs. Angle Birdsong who was tried several months ago treasurer (re-elected); James F. Robinson of Eugene grand socretary for the murder of Dr. Samuel Butler, the family physician, must serve five (re-elected); A. J. Marshall of Port-land, grand chaplain of the host; H. years in the penitentiary in accord-ance with the verdict of the trial L. Pittock of Portland, grand lectur-er; O. P. Coshow of Roseburg, grand She was immediately taken court. into custody.

an of Oregon City, Grand principal Albert Nelsinger, a plumber, was sojourner; Oscar Hayter of Dallas arrested at St. Louis on the charge of grand royal arch captain; John "M. having thrown vitrol in the face of Howe of Eugene, grand master third vall: L. C. Marshall of Albany, grand Mrs. Lena Wunach, who had refused to marry him. Both her eyes were master second vail; George E. Daburned out and her wace disfigured. vis of Canyon City, grand master first Fred Lautenschliegen, who was walkvail; D. G. Tomasini of Portland, ing with her, was also burned on the grand sentinel (re-elected). face. Niezinger denies having thrown the acid.

The Lincoln and Grant, both put into commision during the past few months, belong to the Hamburg-American passenger line and they are the largest passenger carriers in the world. Each will carry 4000 pas sengers. They are twin screw ves-reis, each 516 feet long with a breadth of 58 feet 5 inches, and have a gross tonnage of 18,500 tons.

work. Secretary Goodall of the Oregon commission, will send a copy Pittsburg, Kan., was dry on June 10 for the first time in five years, of the act and the rules adopted by every saloon having been closed at the commission.

midnight upon order from Mayor Fisher and as a direct result of At-Louisville, the Kentucky center, though not so well known as Richtorney-General Fred S. Jackson's though not so well known as Rich-bones and muscles. Ot not hurt and will rec-beeper had previously removed his largest tobacco market in the world. a Baker City hospital.

Will Test the Branding Law. ing with delegates from 75 per cent of the lodges in the state present

In the circuit court of Lake counthere was a case tried the last few The reports of officers show that the days which is of great interest to order has experienced a good growth tockmen of this section. during the past year. Not only has

For the first time the stock-branding law, a law that is of prime imwhere portance to Eastern Oregon, thousands of cattle, horses and sheep run on the range and are known to their owners only by their brand, was tried out in every phase, The question grose in the case of the State of Oregon vs. W. Z. Moss, a case which was tried last fall, the trial resulting in a hung jury. Because of the prominence of the men interested in the case it atracted wide attention.

W. W. Brown, the prosecuting witness is perhaps the wealthiest man of eastern Oregon, having several thousand head of horses ranging in all the counties of southeastern Oregon. Mess is a prominent stockman of Lake county. The brand used by the of two men is quite similar, Brown us ing a horseshoe, with a bar under it and Mors using a horseshoe with a triangle under it, base up. Brown alleged that Mors had run the trihorses and the grand jury indicted Moss. The trial resulted in a dismissal of the case, the court ruling that Moss had his record of marks and brands recorded before Brown made application and that the brands were so similar that both could not be reorded. Also it was ruled that a cer tified copy of the record from Harney county could not be received in vidence to prove ownership in Lake county, where the record of Brown

was refused because of similarity. A civil sult was instituted by Brown to replevin the identical horses which were the subject of the criminal prosecution, and a record was made in keeping with the rulings in the criminal case. This will be tak-en to the supreme court for a construction of the entire branding law. -Baker City Herald.

Near North Powder, George Ledbetter, while hauling logs had his data will assist the compilers in the'r wagon overturn on a grade. A log rolled upon him, holding him upon his face for several hours. The log was so heavy a team was used to drag it off the prostrate man. Ledbetter's right shoulder was crushed to pulp-bones and muscles. Otherwise he was not hurt and will recover. He is in

Eternal vigilance is the price of success in eradicating Canadian thistle. This has been accomplished in several ways. A small patch can be smothered with a deep layer of straw Large areas should be cultivated thoroughly with some hoed crop. The thistle should be cut immediately upon appearance so as to smother it No plant can live if the leaves are not allower to develop, as the leaves are the stomach and lungs of the plant.

J. M. C.

Dr. James Withycombe Gives Advice

on Practical Methods.

eradication of Canadian thistle.

Woodburn, Ore.

An occasional cutting and then al lowing the leaves to develop would be simply time wasted. Spraying with a 20 per cent solution of sulphate of Iron has been recommended and it is thought that spraying with gasoline, particularly in bright sunlight, would be very destructive to the plant. This, however, will have to be determined by actual experiments.

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man of Witten, Germany, who had been almost deaf for years, recovered his hearing completely after a terrific explorion.

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