



## JOHN G. SHEDD IS THE NEW OFFICIAL

Director of Illinois Central Ry. Co.

A LEADING MERCHANT OF U.S.

Multi-Millionaire and Head of 50 or 60 Departments With Marshall Field & Company.

Chicago, Oct. 14. (Special).—John G. Shedd, president of the firm of Marshall Field & Co., has consented to accept a position on the board of directors of the Illinois Central Railway Company. His election for a term of four years will take place at the annual meeting of the company here next Wednesday. He will succeed James DeWolf Cutting, of New York, who will be ousted because of his support of Stuyvesant Fish in his fight with Edward H. Harriman for control of the road. Mr. Fish has disposed of nearly \$1,240,000 worth of stock par value and over \$1,700,000 market value, and Mr. Cutting has sold approximately \$50,000.

The elimination of Mr. Cutting practically removes the last vestige of Fish's influence on the board.

It is perhaps known to comparatively few in the community that John G. Shedd is the brother of our fellow townsmen, S. L. and E. N. Shedd.

The firm of Marshall Field & Co., however, of which Mr. Shedd has long been the master mind, supplies a good many people in this city and round about with staple articles in large quantities. The writer was surprised not long since to see what seemed to him like a big pile of merchandise in the Kline basement, labeled Marshall Field & Co., and Mr. Kline and others who have, through the Corvallis Shedd, had the privilege of meeting John G. can tell of his genial traits and the uniform courtesy with which he greets all who can get into his circle. When you learn that he is usually surrounded by 50 to 60 heads of departments, in their mammoth establishment of 12,000 people, you may know that the merely curious have no chance to occupy his time.

As much as fifteen years ago, Marshall Field said of John G. Shedd that he believed him to be the best merchant in the United States. This to a committee of the United States Senate, from Mr. Field, was great praise, indeed.

Mr. Shedd has been much written of, his biography has been traced by numerous magazines and dailies. He is one of the great multi-millionaires of the country, the greatest merchant prince in the world today and looks just like his brothers, S. L. and Ed.

### Halloween Social

The Christian Endeavor society of Bellfountain will give a Halloween social at the grange hall Oct. 30th. The endeavor societies are highly beneficial in the cultivation of the moral sentiment of the community and deserve the hearty support of the people. If the young mind was more firmly impressed with the importance of Christian environment instead of many of the foolish things that now command their attention the community in which we live would be greatly improved.

## RECEPTION TO STUDENTS.

To Be Given at the Corvallis Churches Tuesday Night.

On Tuesday evening, October 27th, the various churches of the city will give a reception to the students of OAC. From 8 to 10:30 every church will be open to receive and introduce the college students and it is earnestly desired by the church people that all may attend. It is not a denominational meeting but it has been planned by the ministers and young people of Corvallis, and in this manner you may select your own church affiliations while here. You will be a great help to them and it is hoped they may be of assistance to you.

It is certainly gratifying to our people to see the harmonious action on the part of our ministers as they work together in perfect unity along all moral and social lines, laying aside the petty rivalry that is sometimes the prevailing spirit in men of small caliber. We believe we voice the sentiment of the entire community when we say that never have we had a better class of men representing the various churches of the city, and to their noble action is largely due the friendly spirit among our city churches.

Young man! Young lady! Attend these receptions by going to the church of your choice, thus putting yourself on record as well as becoming acquainted with a class of people that will prove beneficial to you in the building and maintenance of your moral and spiritual characters. You will be royally entertained and will go away, feeling that the people of Corvallis are your friends.

The most sensational and the largest scenic production of the season will be "The Rocky Mountain Express" at the opera house Thursday night. It is said to be a regular thriller.

## NEW POSTAL RATE

To Take Effect With Mail Carriers.

October 17, 1908.

The CORVALLIS GAZETTE, Corvallis, Oregon.

Gentleman: I beg to advise you that I am in receipt of a communication from the Department calling attention to the postal regulations which require that copies of publications admitted as second class matter mailed for local delivery will be subject to postage after the installation of city delivery on November 15th, as follows:

All copies mailed for local delivery through the boxes or general delivery or for delivery by rural carriers on routes emanating from this office will be subject to postage at the rate of one cent a pound. Newspapers other than weeklies without regard to weight mailed for local delivery by city letter carriers will be subject to postage at the rate of one cent each, to be prepaid by stamps affixed.

Kindly give this matter your attention in order that there may be no delay in handling your paper after the service is installed. Respectfully,  
B. W. JOHNSON, P. M.

They are to have a new bridge across the Long Tom about two miles north of Monroe and work will begin at once. The public improvement in the county is keeping pace with the rapid growth of Corvallis.

## WHY FARM HANDS DESERT THE FARM

As Told By One of Experience.

MORE SYSTEM IS NEEDED

If More System and Less Hours Were Used -- Better Help Would Be the Result.

Washington, Oct. 18.—An Indiana farmhand has written a letter to President Roosevelt about the work which the Country Life Commission is carrying on, as follows:

"I have been a farmhand just long enough to learn the cause of so many sons and daughters and well-meaning, reliable farmhands leaving the beautiful farm and country and going to the city. A lack of order and sys-

tem on the farm and too long hours for a day is what is driving the best minds from the farm to the city and shop. What can we expect of a hand, or the farmer's wife and her posterity, in the way of intellectual development when they get out of their beds at 3:30 in the morning and work from that time until 8 or 9 p. m.?

And no attention paid to the sanitary conditions of the home and necessary conveniences on the farm for doing the farm work with the least labor and time.

"So many farmers measure everything on the farm from the standpoint of muscle," he continues, "and are extreme in some things and slack in others. I decided several years ago that life is too short to work for Peter Tumbledown farmers."

"Now Mr. President," he writes, "you can take this for what it is worth. I have not given you half of my experience. 'Compel the farmer to be a business man. Go into the homes of some of the farmers and the so-called farmers and ascertain how they live, and learn of their methods of doing the business in which they are engaged. And you will be surprised what a variety you will find. Ascertain what they read, and what stress they put on the literature that comes into their homes (if any comes) bearing on the business they are engaged in. See what per cent study their business."

"Give me the educated farmer as a boss and the educated farmhand as a hand. When I come in contact with a hand or farmer who studies his business I find him advancing, and it is a pleasure to work for such men."

"The majority of the farmers are eight-hour men, that is eight hours in the forenoon and eight in the afternoon. Eight or ten hours on the farm cannot well be adapted in all cases, but it need not be from fourteen to sixteen hours. If the family arise every morning at 5 o'clock and the wife and daughters attend to the household duties, and the farmhands and sons attend to the chores and go to the field at

7 o'clock and work until 11 or 11:30 and go to the field again at 1 and keep at it until 6 o'clock, go to the house and eat the supper and then do the evening chores, they have done a farm day's work. Regular hours for work, regular hours for meals, regular hours for sleep, regular hours for rest and recreation, with plenty of standard papers and books, including the best agricultural papers and books, a full faith in God and good grub is wanted.

"The family should arise at 5 o'clock on Sunday morning as well as on week days, and do the necessary morning chores, and then go to church and show the business man in the city that Sunday on the farm does not consist in changing the stock from one field to another, or salting it, or unloading a load of hay that was brought in on Saturday evening.

"Coming to the meals at the meal hour makes it easy on the wife so she can arrange her household duties in order, as can also the husband his farm work.

"Men of worth and standing in the shop and city tell me that if order and system were used on the farm they would go back to the farm. If the farmer wants

to keep his sons and daughters on the farm he must not lengthen the hours for a day's work at both ends. Limit the hours of work on the farm to twelve or thirteen with pay for overtime, and freedom to the hired man on Sunday."

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## A LETTER FROM REV. M. S. BUSH

Still at Ford City, Pennsylvania.

MEETING WITH GREAT SUCCESS

In the Presbyterian Ministry At That Place--An Ardent Worker.

The Many friends of Rev. M. S. Bush will be pleased to learn that he is still with the church at Ford City, Pa., and to give you an idea of the noble work he is doing and the esteem in which he is held by the people we take the liberty of publishing the following extracts from a personal letter we have just received from him:

"I have enjoyed reading about the prosperity of Corvallis. It must be a fine little city by this time. I am also glad to see that the Presbyterian Church is reaping her share of this prosperity. Our work here is doing very well. We have added 107 to our Sunday School membership and over 60 to our church membership thus far during this year. We have every expectation that we shall have added over 100 to the church by the close of the church year. At our communion Oct. 4 we received 25 new members, 13 of them being men. So you will see that it keeps me busy."

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### Real Estate Transfers.

Week ending Oct. 17, 1908:

State of Oregon to L. L. Haskins, 10 acres near Wren, \$485. Otis Skipton to G. H. White, 160 acres south of Philomath, \$1500.

United States to Thomas H. Linville and wife, 319.33 acres south of Philomath.

C. P. Fullerton to E. E. Wilson, lots 10 and N 1/2 11, blk. 6, Job's Add., Corvallis, \$10.

R. S. Bryson (Referee) to E. H. Davis, 160 acres near Summit, \$25,000

J. L. Norwood to B. S. Norwood, land near Monroe, \$5.00.

Onie Beamis to R. R. Hansen, tract of land near Albany, \$11000

Titus Ranney to J. B. Pettit, 1 acre at Summit, \$700.

Emma Finley to Emma & W. J. Seel, lots 7 and 8, block "G" Avery's addition, \$2,900.

Betsy Harrison to Alva Dawes, 143 acres near Summit, \$800.

Gabriel Long to R. A. Clark, lots 7 & 8, block 10, Job's addition, \$400.

V. E. Watters to Morse Burnap, lots 3 and 4, block 18, Dixon's 2d addition, \$20.

R. S. Hunter to M. M. Long, 6 lots in block 9, N. B. and P. Avery's addition, \$10.

M. M. Long to M. E. Gragg and wife, 2 lots in block 9, N. B. & P. Avery's addition, \$10.

Mary H. Whitby to Mary Helen Mangas, lot 4 block 8, N. P. & P. Avery's addition, \$10.

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## ROCKY MOUNTAIN EXPRESS

Due Here Thursday Night at the Opera House.

The most ingeniously written melodrama of railroad life amidst the Rockies is the new production which the Kliment & Gazzolo Amusement Company have sent forth this season, called "The Rocky Mountain Express." It is unhackneyed, different and of novel theme, which has never before been woven into a play. There is not a dull second, but it is radiant and resplendent in a scenic way, possesses lustrous and sparkling comedy situations and is brilliant and glorious with all that the theatre public clamors for. The flight of the Rocky Mountain Express is unquestionably the limit of any mechanical effect ever undertaken upon the popular priced stage, surpassing in massiveness even the great productions of the world's most prominent play houses. Various superbly painted scenes are presented during the four acts. It is in no way similar to the old style Western railroad plays, but built upon new ideas in every particular. "The Rocky Mountain Express" will arrive at the opera house next Thursday night. Reserved seat sale begins Tuesday. Prices 35, 50 and 75 cents.

### A Dishwater Bath

A chilly reception was given a prowler in Jobs addition a few nights ago by a plucky housewife. She stepped to the door to empty the dishpan, and seeing the man secluded at the corner of the porch, emptied the contents of the pan in his face. Thinking he had not been noticed, the man remained in hiding, and the lady turned to the pump, filled the pan and gave him the second dose. He made good time as he went around the corner of the house.

## MORE MONEY IN DIRT

W. E. Earnest's Property Doubles in Price

W. E. Earnest who formerly resided on 5th and Harrison streets, has been quite successful in a financial way since coming to Benton county. He bought the Albright property, using it as a residence for the past two years and could now sell it for double the purchase price. He had some surplus money which he invested in Alsea real estate and sold last week at a net profit of \$1000. Strange to say he is pretty well satisfied with this country.

Rev. C. L. McCausland has been spending the past few days in the Coos Bay country. He goes to Portland this week to attend the annual conference of the M. E. church, South. Mr. McCausland has been presiding elder of this district for the past four years and will be transferred to a new field. He and his most excellent wife have made many warm friends in this city who will deeply regret their departure. A new presiding elder and a pastor for the church here will be assigned to the Corvallis charge during the conference in Portland this week.

In order that no misunderstanding may exist we again call attention to the convention of the Rebekahs at the I. O. O. F. hall tonight. While the ladies are pleased to welcome their brother Odd Fellows on most occasions, this meeting will be confined to the Rebekah members.

### LETTER LIST

The following letters remain uncalled for in the Corvallis postoffice for the week ending Oct. 17, '08:

Mrs. Susie George, Clyde Goudie, Frank Howell (2), W T Patterson (2).

B. W. JOHNSON, P. M.