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OREGON WEATHER Today generally fair, con-

tinued cold; easterly winds.

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FILM MAKERS ARE INTERESTED. lishment of moving picture studies, tailed statement of the auditor would warrants of \$79.35, leaving a baland calling attention to the wonder- have cost the city some \$6 or \$7 ance of \$439.96. A previous report ful scenic setting for the staging of more than the publication of the of the city council gave these figures movie scenarios. Just at the time mere summary. But it would have which has been wrongly interpreted it so happened that the attorney for placed information in the hands of by some to mean a yearly balance. a film-making concern was in this the taxpayers concerning the distriterritory, and the Commercial club bution of the public funds that the has received from the secretary of summary fails to give. This is writthe motion picture company a letter ten as information, not as complaint. cerning this immediate district. The as much to print the communication Dittus, was in your city recently on one point of the city finances as it legal business, and while there no- would have cost the city to have pubticed a number of articles indicating lished the entire detailed report. there was a movement on looking toward the location of motion picture studies in your city or vicinity.

value of which can not be over-Through the agency of the movie theater, in thousands of which the films made here would be exhibited, the fame of Oregon scenery would be spread broadcast, and tourists would soon flock to it as now they go to southern California.

THE COMING CONVENTIONS.

Grants Pass is to have the pleasure of entertaining two great conventions early in the season, and ed for the city before the season is over. The pleasant surroundings and a hospitable people make the

will open with the coming of the about every office. 25th annual convention of the Oregon Christian Endeavor union. This will bring several hundred people to for public office are J. F. Burke for the city from all portions of the county commissioner and W. H. state, and upon the program will be Fallin for assessor, these two gentlethe names of a number of prominent men being said to be considering and able speakers.

here, bringing together in southern held by Commissioner Lind, and the Oregon for the first time this repre- latter against Assessor Pollock. sentative body of the producers of

For the entertainment of these nuests of the whole city the homes of he was such a good man he is happy our people will be opened to them, where he is Widow-Oh, but I know otel accommodations not being suffelent to care for all. And every er be happy without me - indianapolis itizen should take upon himself the Star. leasant duty of showing our guests the best possible sort of a time.

WHERE ECONOMY FAILS.

Elsewhere in this issue of the Courier is published a communicaon from a citizen bearing upon the "ndition of the public library fund. te discussion was called out rough the recent printing of the mmary of the auditor's annual atement, the summary not being " fficiently detailed to make the fin-

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formed reader. The communication today is from a member of the library board, and corrects an impression that one might easily get from the summary.

Earlier in the month the Courier fact that sometimes there may be commented upon the desirability of such a thing as a misdirected attempt there was given a library cash balthe Grants Pass district for the estab- at economy. The printing of the de- ance of \$519.31, with outstanding

COST OF EDUCATION.

It is costing Josephine county an We are contemplating locating a average of \$26.82 per annum to studio somewhere where we can get educate the children. On December the proper climate and natural scen- 1st, 1915, there were 2,924 children ery, suitable for our work, and we of school age in the county. The should be glad to hear further from general levy for school purpoes the present year to purchase a small you." This letter was signed by the raised \$35,814.79, while the special group of standard reference books. secretary of the Zenith Motion Pic- levy produced \$42,593.80, a total The daily increasing patronage school tax for the county of \$78,- proves the public's appreciation of If film-making concerns can be 408.59. This amount is approximlocated in southern Oregon, it will ately 29 per cent of the entire tax for both in point of circulation and in be a move toward the capitalizing of all purposes. So education is costing attendance at the reading tables, the our climate and scenery, assets the more than one-fourth of all the taxes seating capacity of the reading room paid upon the real and personal prop- being taxed almost daily. erty within the county. The boys and girls are the best asset of the community, and when so much effort is figure, the cut will fall almost enput forth to fit them to become cre- tirely upon the book fund, and fewer ditable citizens, they should make the new books can be purchased from best of their opportunity.

diagnostician of political conditions they should understand the situation to observe the "bubblings of the pot" around Josephine county for it is bubbling aplenty, and if the candiprobably several more will be book- dates and near candidates should be prohibited from voting at the primary election there would be few left make this an ideal convention city, to vote. Not all who are in the "also mentioned" class will qualify train of thought, my boy." delegates want to come back again. for the race, but there are said to be Next month the convention season dark Dobbins in the grooming for

Among the latest to be talked of making the race in the primary elec-In June the state grange will meet tion, the former for the seat now

Clergyman-it is bad to lose a has band, madam, but I am sure that as he isn't happy! Clergyman - Why? Widow-Because he said he could nev

Advice From a Philosopher. A little wayside sermon by Brother

"Cut out extravagant speech. If the undertakers got all the otherwise healthy folks who 'were just tickled to death' the cemeteries would have to be enlarged."-Atlanta Constitution.

The Geography of Efficiency. Definition of a successful business: A small body of well dressed men entirely surrounded by stenographers. - New

Oregon mining laws, 40c. Courier.

ancial situation clear to the unin- STATEMENT OF GRANTS PASS

PUBLIC LIBRARY FUND

(Communicated.)

In the city auditor's financial statement for the year 1915 figures were given relative to the finances of the This incident brings to mind the public library which are not genermasse. In the table referred to

For clear apprehension by the public, it is an unfortunate fact that the fiscal year of the library closes May 1, while the city annual report must be given January 1, and the \$489.96 asking for further information con- It is now costing the Courier about reported to the good must cover all expenditures for library work from letter says "Our attorney, Mr. J. E. published elsewhere to set right just January 1 to May 1 of this year. A few figures relative to the library finances may not be amiss.

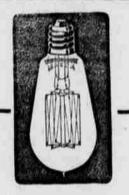
Of the \$1,500 appropriation for the current year, the library has received \$1,381.64, the shortage representing the library's apportionment of the delinquent taxes.

Running expenses have always been kept at a minimum and every available dollar has been expended for reading matter in the form of books, magazines and newspapers. An effort has also been made during this effort. Each week marks a record higher than the previous week.

The appropriation for the year has been reduced to \$1,200. As the maintenance is already at a low this time until a new and increased levy may be available in 1917. As there are over 1,500 active readers It has not required a very astute upon the library list, it is but just

> Walnut Tree Borders. Walnut trees in the Netherlands usually line dikes or border lines instead of being in orchard form

> The Best Conveyance. "Father, what is a logical way of reaching a conclusion?" "Taking a



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WOULD HELP NAME PARTY CANDIDATE

R. R. Turner, receiver of the Roseburg land office, will enter the primary as candidate for delegate to the democratic national convention, meeting in St. Louis in June.

Mr. Turner was born and raised at Staunton, Va., the birthplace of Woodrow Wilson. He was educated at Washington and Lee university at Lexington, Va., the alma mater of at least two politicians of note here in the northwest, namely, Senators George E. Chamberlain and Miles Poindexter. After a number of years in school work in Virginia, Tennessee and Ohio, he moved to Oregon in 1904, and served in the capacity of superintendent of city schools at Grants Pass, Oregon, for a period of ten years. Under his supervision the schools at Grants Pass had the reputation of being one of the most efficient systems in the state. He was appointed as receiver of the Roseally understood by the public en burg land office by President Wilson in 1914.

Mr. Turner enjoys some reputation as a successful vineyardist and orchardist. His ranch, "Ellerslee Fruit Farm," on the Pacific highway just out of Grants Pass, is one of the picture places of Josephine county and has the second largest vineyard in southern Oregon. This land was cleared, planted, and the vineyard and orchard brought to bearing by Mr. Turner.

He is an enthusiastic Wilson man, being one of those who claim the distinction of being the "original" Wilson man in this state. In support of this claim he values a personal letter to him by the then Governor of New Jersey, written about the time the name of Wilson was first being mentioned as a possible candidate for the presidency. On the primary ballot after Mr. Turner's name will appear the words, "Endorsing Woodrow Wilson's policies, I pledge myself to his nomination." He will have a strong following in southern Oregon.-Roseburg Review.

No Faddism. "Do you believe in telepathy?" "No; our doctor is a good old allopath."-Baltimore American.

A Wet Spot. With an annual rainfall exceeding 600 inches, southern Assam is the world's wettest region.

Information.

"Pa, what's the 'silent majority?" "Two men when there's a woman present, my son."-Boston Transcript.

How He Avoided It. "Have you ever been hissed off the stage?" asked the girl who was thrilled at having met a real actor.

"Oh, no," he replied. "When I'm off the stage I always try to be among friends as much as possible."

Rebuttal. Employer-How dare you tell me you

can't live on your salary? You haven't a car, have you? Employee-No, sir. Employer - Sufficient! Every fellow who really can't live on his salary has!-New York Globe.

Not at All Necessary. "What was the cause of the quarrel with your husband?"

"I want you to understand, judge. that when we want to fight we don't have to have a cause." - New York

Close to Us.

"What are the things that touch us most as we look back through the years?" asked a lecturer impressively. There was a moment's pause, and then a small boy in the audience answered, "Our clothes."

Long Courtships. Bohemia is the country of long courtships. In no other part of the world are they so abnormally drawn out. It is not rure to hear of engagements which have lasted fifteen or twenty

No Cause For Worry. Painter (to his servant)-Now, carry

this picture to the exhibition gallery. but be careful, for the paint is not quite dry yet. Servant-Oh, that's all right. I'll put on an old coat.-Fliegende Blatter.

Shaking Hands.

Few people know how to shake hands well. The general run of folk either give a limp paw and allow it to be shaken or else grasp yours in theirs and nearly dislocate it with their violence.-London World.

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ONE POET OUT OF PLACE.

When Wordsworth, In Borrowed Finery. Attended a Royal Function.

It is not easy to imagine Wordsworth, the gentle poet, in the midst of the glittering artificialities of court life. Yet he once actually presented that picture. How slender was the tie that bound Wordsworth to the court during his seven years' tenure of the laureateship may be judged, says W. Forbes Gray in "The Poets Laureate," by the fact that he wrote no official poems and that on only one occasion did he leave his retreat in the heart of his beloved lake land to attend a court func tion. In May, 1845, he obeyed an imperative summons of the ford chamberlain to attend a state ball at Buckingham palace

There must have been, as Professor Knight remarks, "something not a little incongruous in the severely simple, almost austere, poet of seventy-five years attending a ceremonial of this kind." Wordsworth went not only to the ball, but to the queen's levee, in a court dress belonging to Samuel Rogers and wearing a sword once owned by Sir Humphry Davy.

"What," exclaims Haydon, "would Hazlitt say now? The poet of the takes in bagwig, sword and ruffles!" Haydon also remarks that the fitting of the court dress was no easy matter. "It was a squeeze, but by pulling and hauling they got him in. Fancy the high priest of mountain and of flood on his knees in a court, the quiz or the courtiers, in a dress that did not belong to him, with a sword that was not his own and a coat that he had borrowed." Haydon could not bear to "associate a bagwig and sword, ruffles and buckles with Helvellyn and the mountain soffrides."

On returning nome the increase

wrote an interesting account of his novel experience to his American friend. Professor Reed: "The reception given me by the queen, at her ball. was most gracious. Mrs. Everett, the wife of your minister, among many others, was a witness to it, without knowing who I was. It moved her to the shedding of tears. This effect was in part produced, I suppose, by American habits of feeling, as pertaining to a republican government. To see a gray haired man of seventy-five years. kneeling down, in a targe assembly, tokiss the hand of a young woman, is a sight for which institutions essentially democratic do not prepare a spectator of either sex and must naturally place the opinions upon which a republic is founded and the sentiments which support it in strong contrast with a government based and upheld as ours is

Pineapples.

The pineapple is a soudified blossom. say the horticultural experts, and it is pineapple biossom time from June to October in Hawaii, where 7,000 acres are given over to the cultivation of this fruit. Pineapples are planted in three ways-for shipment raw, for canning and for juice If the planter wants large, perfect specimens of the fruit he sets about 5,000 plants to the acre. The uniform smaller disks that you find in the cans are the result of closer planting, while the planter who desires only juice sets his plants still closer.-Youth's Companion.

One Way. "What is the best way to preserve peaches?" inquired Mrs. Wombat.

"Keep 'em on a high shelf." advised Mrs. Flubdub, who has enterprising kids.-Louisville Courier-Journal.

The path of duty is the way of safety and the road to honor. -Old Saying.

