JOHNSON WILL OPERATE MILL

Leases Property from Dollar Company to Cut Big Order of Spruce for Sitka Co.

WILL MEAN DOUBLED PAYROLL

Work of Preparation Will Commence at Once

1912, the people have looked forward to can never die out. the time when it would again be put

When the price of lumber began to "come back" after a slump of several folk who devoted their lives to estabyears, it was expected that the Dollar people would operate the mill them- best form of civilization, and their work selves; but the high freight rates which they were able to obtain with their lumber boats made it more profit- the life of William Abernethy in Oreable for them to haul for others than gon were marked by unprecedented

ing a contract with the Sitka Spruce next three quarters of a century?company, of Portland, for large quan- Telegram. tities of spruce timber. He returned Thursday from a trip to San Francisco and announced that the deal was closed and that the mill would probably be running by the first of next month.

The property which Mr. Johnson leased is practically new as it has only been operated about six months and has been well taken care of while it was lying idle. Mr. Johnson states, however, that without the expenditure of considerable money the mill will produce but little more than his other mill. Running in its present condition it will employ about 30 men and will cut about 40,000 feet per day, which is about the average cut of the Johnson mill.

C. McC. Johnson will have charge of the work at the new mill which will attend to the cutting of the spruce timber, while the other mill will handle

With the commencing of the operation of a second mill here it is expected that it will be necessary to obtain men from outside this community, although this will not be done until it becomes necessary.

Another gratifying feature of the in creased activities in the lumber indus try, is the fact that the camps from which the timber will come lie within a short distance of the mills and Coquille will benefit from them almost as much as she will from the mills themselves. Assen Bros.' camp on Beaver slough, which is furnishing logs for the Johnson mill, has about 30 men at work and expects to increase that number soon. The Boutin tract, which will be logged by the Crane company, also lies in the

vicinity of Beaver slough. Not for a number of years have the people of Coquille regarded the prospects for the immediate future prosperity of the city as bright as they are at the present time.

In One Man's Lifetime

William Abernethy, a former resiaged 85 years. The end was not unexpected and his son, Edward, who resides at Dora, had been summoned to his bedside.

Deceased came around the horn and landed in the Oregon country in 1840. He was the only son of the first territorial governor of Oregon. His wife, whose maiden name was Gray, daughter of W. H. Gray, author of Gray's History of Oregon, and who crossed the plains with the Dr. Marcus Whitman party, with the following children survive him: Mrs. H. F. Durgess, Seattle, Wash.; Mrs. A. T. Hahn, Multnomah, Ore.; Mrs. V. E. Waterman, Welches, Ore.; Mrs. W. Star, Tacoma, Wash.; Mrs. M. C. Miller, McKinley; Mrs. Bennett Swanton, Marshfield; Mrs. C. A. Hahn, Brown College; Miss Camilla Abernethy, Forest Grove; Edwin Abernethy, Sitkum; Wm. Abernethy, Tacoma, Wash.

The death of William Abernethy, aged 86, at his residence in Forest the first meeting of the new county may be adopted.

the first governor of Oregon under the by the state.

provisional government which he served faithfully for four years until the Oregon country was admitted as a territory of the United States. The Abernety boy saw the white population of the vast wilderness grow from less than 200 to more than two and a half

When he was 15 years old, Wasco county stretched from the top of the Cascade mountains to the summit of the Rockies, a distance of a thousand miles. He saw three states created out of it. He saw steamboats first split the waters of the Willamette and the Columbia, and was scarce in middle age when railroads supplanted water transportation. Within the span of one life, what progress the world made with Oregon participating in it! We resist the temptation to schedule the discoveries and inventions during the latter half of this pioneer's existence.

The Dollar company mill, formerly Of special interest to all Oregon piothe property of the Coquille Lumber neers and their descendants unto the since the Coquille Lumber company Abernethy was married to Mr. Gray's were forced to shut down the mill second daughter. Ten of their thirteen about six months after it was built in children survive, This pioneer strain

The Grays and the Abernethys are virile, long-lived stock. They were industrious, earnest, hardy, God-loving lishing on the shores of the Pacific the doth follow them.

The seventy-six years which covered progress. If anyone bold enough to Mr. Johnson began negotiations with venture a prophecy on the material the Dollar company shortly after clos- progress of the Oregon country in the

Oregon Metal Mine

Production in 1916

Preliminary estimates of the produc tion of metals from Oregon mines in 1916, by the United States Geological Survey, Department of the Interior, show increases over 1915 for gold, silver and copper, and a decrease for lead. The output of gold in 1915 was \$1,861,796 and the estimated output for 1916 is \$1,900,000, an increase of \$38, 000. The output of silver in 1915 was 117,947 ounces, and the estimated outounces more. The output of copper in 1915 was 451,172 poun s, and the estimated output in 1916 is 2,527,000 pounds

an increase for 1916 of 2,076,000 pounds, and the output of lead in 1915 was 62,957 pounds, as compared with 22,000 pounds in 1916, or 41,000 pounds less. These preliminary figures are compiled by Charles G. Yale, of the San Francisco office of the Geological Survey.

nal, but that of silver has about doubldd. The most notable increase is in the quantity of copper, an increase caused by the incentive offered by high prices. There are less than a hundred pro-

ductive metal mines in Oregon, and the number of placers is about double that of the deep mines. However, two-thirds of the gold output and virtually all that of the other metals, is derived from deep mines. No very productive new properties have been opened during the year. The encire output of the deep mines is derived from less than 160,000 tons of ore, having an average value of about \$9 a ton Baker is still the most productive coun ty in the state, yielding annually nearly 90 per cent of all the gold. The Cornucopia and the Baker mines, in the Cornucopia district, Baker county, are the most productive deep mines in Ore gon. Other large deep mines in Baker dent of Dora, died Saturday last at his county are those of the Commercial home in Forest Grove of pneumonia, Mining Co. (Rainbow mine), at Rye Valley, in the Mormon Basin district; of the Columbia Gold Mines Co. at Sumpter, Cracker Creek district; and of the Homestead-Iron Dyke property at Copperfield, Iron Dyke district.

The Powder River Dredge Co., on erating two dredges near Sumpter, Cracker Creek district, is the most productive placer mining enterprise in the State. In 1916 a new dredge was under construction in the John Day Valley, Grant county.

The most productive hydraulic mine in Oregon is that on the property of the Columbia Mines Co., in Placer district, Josephine County, and the Sterling, in Forest Creek district, Jackson county. The gold won by dredging far exceeds that obtained by all other forms of placer mining combined.

Hold Indemnity Hearing

Schroeder Bros., of Arago, was held at from that which is already in operation

BAY PAPERS GET WRONG REPORTS

Erroneously Reported to Harbor and Record

Are Misleading

During the past week several erroneous statements have appeared in cer- during the year were: company, has been leased by E. E. fourth generation is the union of the tain of the Bay papers in regard to the Johnson from the Dollar people and Abernethy family with the family of actions of the county court; but in none Johnson from the Dollar people and Aberdethy family of actions of the county court; but in none demonstrations under supervision of the informant the county agents increased on an avership of the county agents in a county agent agents in a county agent agent agent agent agent agent agent agent age soon as the machinery can be over- gon four years prior to the coming of revealed. There seems to be, however, age 12.8 bushels per acre over the hauled and put in shape to run. Ever George Abernethy. In 1863 William a lingering suspicion in the minds of some of the county officials as to the

ource of information.
Under a date line of January 5, the Coos Bay Harbor makes the following per acre. statements, most of which appeared in the Evening Record of an earlier

date and in different wording: The County Court has agreed to adopt a new plan for purchasing supplies for bulls and boars were placed on farms. ounty use, which if placed in operation will, the members of the County Court believe, save the taxpayers many danger of inbreeding were saved from lege to the Dairymen's Association, last

dollars every month.

The plan agreed on is to have two munities. end for the county. It has been order- testing associations, 90 livestock breeded that the Coos County Clerk will be ing associations, and 142 hog cholera ne and will have the buying for the associations were organized. court house in charge. The roadmaster . More than 200,000 hogs were vaccinmay be the other and will have charge ted against cholera.

of the outside buying.
All supplies purchased are to be

strict accountability.

The plan as adopted is to do away with making purchases by piece meal, and to buy in quantities and from the lowest responsible bidder. All purchases for goods amounting to over \$25 to be submitted to bids. Supplies for the poor farm are to be bought in large quantities.

The court passed an order requiring all road supervisors to make an inventory of all county property in the shape put in 1916 227,500 ounces, or 109,500 of road working material on hands. The plan is to require each supervisor to sign a receipt for the material and hold him responsible for the same.

In this new plan all members of the Court concurred and it will be worked

were named.

not a creation of the new county court, being made of the condition of her hull the following order, dated December 6, and if the work of putting her in good 1916, a month before Archie Philip shape will not involve an arduous task went into office, having been made on it is stated it will likely be performed the recommendation of Public Account- by the men aboard her. Otherwise a ant, W. H. Wann:

ished for the purchasing of supplies the most skillful mechanics. for the county and that any county tablished by the Court."

Roadmaster Murdock it has long been depth of 30 feet at mean low water the county to get quotations on pur- for improving the channel across Coss other large cooperative creameries work again but was too weak to do aged 99; Robert Templeton, aged 94; amounts to receiving bids. But Judge other work along the coast. Just be-Watson states that no definite sum has fore being brought to Portland she imstage. been set by the court to limit purchases proved the channel at the entrance to which can be made without bids.

It was with some surprise that w read the paragraph in the above article regarding the order of the court requiring the road supervisors to make a Roadmaster's office we saw several rematerial and tools in the possession of was made. Upon inquiry it developed

made by the present County Court. The last statement in the above report of the Court's action is, perhaps, Judge Watson says that the introducthe most erroneous of all, in the light of the statements made by Judge Watson. He says that there was no agreement of the Court on any new plan. The matter was talked over tentatively, The cattle indemnity hearing of the and it is possible that part of it, aside

Philip went into office.

County Agent Work

Through development of improved rganization and the growth of a more definite project system the Office of Extension Work in the North and West carried its demonstration activities into closer relation to the practical needs of the farmers of the region during the Actions of County Court Are past year, according to the annual reports of the States Relations Service of the department. Local associations of farmers took a greater part in the work and more attention was devoted to studies of local economic facts upor OFFICIALS DENY STATEMENTS which to develop demonstrations of permanent value. Extension work in the special interests of farm women Records Show That Stories was undertaken in the territory under the office, and a number of women agents were placed in the field.

Among the specific results from the county agent work of the Office of Extension Work in the North and West

Yields of corn in fields managed as demonstrations under supervision of average yields for the region.

Yields of wheat in fields managed as demonstrations increased 11.7 bushels

Alfalfa was introduced on 11,311

Several score registered stallions and Nearly a thousand fine bulls no longer uesful in their communities because of the block and transferred to other com-

urchasing agents to handle the buying One hundred and forty -three cow-

Better farm management was promoted through assistance given to issued on requisition only and the per- farmers in determining the factors that sons receiving same will be held in make for success or failure in farm en-

> Farmers' exchanges and cooperative marketing associations were organized and effected large savings to members. Three hundred and twenty-one watersupply systems were introduced into farm homes.

> projects, producing over \$500,000 worth of food products.

The club work was placed on a more permanent basis as an extension agency and boys and girls are now enrolling to pursue the work for a series of years.

Dredge Being Repaired

one mentioned in the Bay papers was weeks, may be made by members of merely discussed. No purchasing agents her crew. She will be placed in the Port of Portland drydock next Satur-As to the requisition system, it is day to permit a thorough inspection part of the job may be let out at con-"That a requisition system be estab- tract. The dredge carries a number of

It will be about two months before officer wishing supplies for his office be the Michie will be ready to return to required to follow out the system es- active service. From here it is planned for her to go to Coos Bay to renew op-According to Judge Watson and erations on the bar, which she dug to a Grays Harbor.-Telegram.

Prohibition Helps

There are only sixteen inmates at monthly report and inventory of the the county infirmary, which is the lowmaterial on hand. Upon going to the est number in the history of the institution, and according to County Judge duct." Of course, such standardiza- late breakfast, a late dinner and a weather. R. M. Fox, representative ports from road supervisors from different parts of the county lying on a Heretofore, Judge Watson states, there Each report gave a list of the have been numerous cases where the county has been compelled to take the Supervisor at the time the report charge of people who could lay the blame of their positions to booze alone, that these reports had been coming in and at times there has been as high as regularly every month for a long time. 40 inmates at the infirmary. Since other dairying districts did not take prohibition went into effect in Oregon der requiring these reports was not a year ago the number has been steadily decreasing and the number of booze cases have been reduced to a minimum. tion of prohibition has also had a marked effect on the number of people who find their way into the county jail.

Higher Wages in Camp

Wages in lumber camps in the Lake Oregon as a commonwealth. His span Schroeder Bros. received an unpleasant cidedly misleading, while parts of it a month ahead of last year. The wages of life covered practically all the desurprise when it was discovered that a are entirely false, and the same is the are: General workers, including sawvelopment of the Oregon territory, number of the cattle in their fine dairy case with the article printed by the Re- yers, road makers, road cutters and When he arrived in the wilderness with herd were infected with tuberculosis, cord. The latter paper gave Archie swampers, \$35 a month for transients, his father in 1840 it was not known After thorough examination they were Philip, newly elected commissioner, and \$40 a month for men who stay on whether they were beginning to make compelled to kill 33 cows which they credit for the installation of the rea nome on American er on British soil. valued at about \$80 apiece. Under the quisition system of buying and for the and canthook men, from \$40 to \$45 per After he had grown to be a big boy, law they will receive \$25 apiece indem- order requiring an inventory of county month; top loaders, \$50 to \$55 per able to do a man's work, he saw his nity for this stock. Half of this amount property. Both were ordered by the month. These wages include board, father, George Abernethy, installed as is paid by the county and the remainder court and were in effect before Mr. and there is no chance to spend money in camp.

State Legislature Meets at Salem-Stanfield Gets Speakership

FARMERS SHOULD BEON ALERT

If They Would Sateguard Hard-Earned Achievements

The twenty-ninth session of the Oregon legislature opened yesterday. Sunday night at ten o'clock, L. E. Bean, of Of Coquille: field, of Umatilla county to be elected that the governor's message would be delivered early today.

In discussing the present session of rams and several hundred registered the farmers of the State, A. Slaughter, president of the Oregon Butter and passing neighbor. Cheesemakers' Association, in an address at the Oregon Agricultural Col-Saturday said:

"You will have to scrutinize every bill that is introduced into this legislature if you want to safeguard the achievements that you have worked so the dairyman and the farmer will be assailed by all the subtleties of the politician's art. Those opposed to your interests are already devising schemes to undermine the few successes you have achieved in your struggle for a fair share of the products of your labor. This institution, the Oregon Ag-

cealed force to cut you off from a

of resolutions to the Dairymea's Asso- by the end of this month. the Dairy and Food Commissioner, and has to move his machinery from a dis- a short illness of la grappe and other another urging that because of the ance. careless and unsanitary handling of borrowed milk cans by the patrons of creameries, the loaning of milk cans by creameries be prohibited.

In discussing the Oregon Cooperative lege, M1. Slaughter said that the Capital City Creamery of which he is manavoted to join the Exchange, and that it of the county superintendent. is only awaiting the annual meeting in

Coos and Curry

(From Portland Journal.)

from it. Everybody has wondered why Mrs. McLeod.-Times. advantage of the same methods.

The wisdom of co-operation makes its way slowly among our agricultural producers. They admit its enormous faces financial ruin. And yet it is only the following awards were made: farmers can be brought to practice The Evening Record. business co-operation.

Dairying is singularly adapted to co-Grove, reminds us of the newness of court Wednesday. Some time ago the Taken as a whole the article is de- Superior region started in at least \$10 operative methods. The good work of For printing the notices of forecloscombining capital, effort and skill ures in tax suits, the Coos Bay Harbor, dairy and grain men with little grain should progress faster than it does among the owners of herds.

Entertains Study Club

Mrs. W. J. Longston charmingly en- than descriptions. tertained the Woman's Study Club last Wednesday afternoon. Needle work and the discussion of club matters sped river on the Oregon side just below the time most enjoyably. At four-thir- Innaha.

ty, genuine Mexican chile con carne, highly appetizing, and, needless to say, piping hot, was served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. N. N. Neiman.

Those present were: Mesdames H. O. Anderson, R. B. Rogers, W. L. Kist-ner, H. W. Young, J. W. Springer, D. L. Perkins, F. C. Pursley, S. V. Epperson, N. N. Neiman and W. J. Longston

for several months, but has resume work. At a meeting in the library yesterday afternoon, it was decided to begin a course in home nursing. No-thing else will be taken up this year. It was also decided to change the time of meeting to the first and third

Fridays of the month. Hence, th next meeting will be on January 19. Relative Badly Frozen

The following dispatch from Echo, Oregon, will be of interest here as Mr. Sloan is a relative of Mrs. J. S. Barton

Pinned under his overturned automonearly zero, was the terrible experience field, of Umatilla county to be elected without opposition. Gus Moser was elected president of the Senate also without opposition. It was expected that the governor's message would be that the governor's message would be above town, and in some manner his England, and is loading one for Rio de car upset on the slippery road, pinning Janeiro, Brazil. the legislature and its importance to the feest the state of the feest the f

Both hands are frozen to the wrists, one foot to the ankle and the other leg to the knee. He now lies at his home yet known whether he will recover. Mr. Sloan had been at one of his net the growers \$3,000,000.

sheep camps and was going home unexpectedly, and therefore was not called for bids for 1000 freight cars to hard to bring about. The interests of missed. Echo and vicinity has been be built of wood throughout both under his home his entire life. He has a wife frame and super structure. and two children .- Times.

Grading to be Resumed

Ed Perham, the contractor who ricultural College, will be assailed in the same way, by the entrenched inthe same way, by the entrenend in-terests that are not willing to see you escape from their control, if by hook or crook they can prevent it. Bills that some matters connected with the Club work was carried on with more than 200,000 boys and girls. Over 24,than 200,000 boys and girls. Over 24,than 200,000 boys and girls. Over 24,than 200,000 boys and girls. Over 24,to you or to the college may be the says that the work of grading is being Eugene flax project, which is being on their face have no show of hostility changing of grades on the project on chance to be independent. My advice weather conditions and that it will be conducted by the Eugene Chamber of held up on account of unfavorable to you is to keep your eyes peeled against traps laid for the unwary."

Mr. Slaughter with a life of the unwary."

It woments and that it will be Commerce. The sum of \$2.40 a bushel or a total of \$1200, was received for the life or a total of \$1200, was received for the life or a total of \$1200. Mr. Slaughter, who is president of is going ahead with the work of clearthe Oregon Butter and Cheesemakers ing the right of way and of finishing the construction of some bridges. He gave a basket social on Monday evenlative committee, presented a number expects to have the clearing completed ing as a boost fund for the Orphans'

Mr. Perham intends to bid on the job order of Odd Fellows. After a short Watson, no plan has been agreed upon for the purchasing of supplies and the one mentioned in the Ray papers. Repairs to the government dredge by the session of the Association, were of grading the road from the Summit vigorously discussed and unanimously and says he expects to get it. The lodge kitchen. that the legislature combine the Office ground puts him in a better position to pioneers of the Coos Bay section, died of Weights and Measures with that of handle the job than the contractor who Tuesday night at Mercy hospital after

Given Good Care

"I want to say something good for met Saturday for the purpose of or-Mrs McLeod. She was mighty good ganizing a Federal Farmers' Loan as-Dairy Exchange furthered by the Col- to me and I want her to get what she sociation. There were 18 members deserves," said W. H. Church, a for- present at this first meeting and it is mer occupant of the county poor farm expected that at least 30 will join the ger, has already through its directors, in speaking of Mrs. Allen McLeod, wife permanent organization.

Mr. Church was formerly employed neers of Oregon and Coos county have order to get together a sufficient num- at Porter mill in North Bend and about passed away, most of the deaths being six months ago went to San Francisso attributed to complications following the custom in purchasing supplies for last season. She was built especially law. He knew, he said, of at least two clinic. When he returned he tried Louisa Hodson, aged 84; W. C. Maine, whose action in the direction of joining work again but was even odd jobs for himself. About five N. Lorenz, aged 80; J. H. Lamb, aged whose action in the direction of joining even odd jobs for himself. months ago he went to the county poor 77; John Wagner, aged 68; Z. T. Siglin, farm for care and he is now in the best aged 66; Mrs. Minnie T. Swanson, aged health he has known for many years. 78 years. He left the farm last Friday.

He says tha' he always received good treatment, doing what he could for Cheerful news comes from Coos and himself but always receiving ready of the winter. Work has been shut Curry counties. Fourteen of the cheese help from Mrs. McLeod, concerning down for the next 30 days, but is extories in those rich dairy regions whose uniform kindness he speaks in have united "to standardize their pro- high terms. Three meals a day or a this excellent work. Tillamook has third winter has been an inmate of the making and has reaped a heavy profit know how she could get along without

County Printing Let

here and there after great effort and For printing the county court pro-

ceedings, The Coos Bay Times.

printing the delinquent tax lists went many hogs as are produced in the state cents for each description including the would meet the needs of the population

MANY EVENTS

The Club has been re ting on its oars News of County, State and National Interest Told in **Brief Concise Form**

SEVEN PIONEERS OF COOSDIE

'A Hog for Every Cow in Oregon," Says Potter

Oregon elections for 1915-1916 cost a

otal of \$476,961. Department of Weights and Measres are to be merged with the Dairy

epartment.

North Inlet, the cranberry-producing area of Coos County, has only 25 per

Ashland has recently shipped two cars of Newton apples for Manchester

A broccoli grower near Roseburg received a \$3400 check for a 17 acre crop. Douglas county will ship 150 carloads this coming season.

Oregon's prune crop is the largest in a precarious condition and it is not as and finest in the state's history. It amounts to 40,000,000 pounds and will

The Southern Pacific company has

The gasoline schooner Roamer, Captain Olsen, from Coos Bay, went ashore at the mouth of Rogue River. She is In About Two Months in no immediate danger, being high on the beach. She is being unloaded. The entire plant of The Evening and Twice-a-Week News, of Roseburg, for-

The Rebekah lodge of Myrtle Point

home in Portland being erected by the

complications. His condition was not regarded as serious until the day before his death. The farmers of the Florence section

During the past month, seven pio-

Engineer L. G. Hicks states that work will be in progress on the railroad grade east of Sutherlin probably most pected to be resumed in the rock work which will not be hampered by the wet

tion will bring better prices and make lunch and good food every time, he of the interests in the East who are markets stable. Coos and Curry councilaims were always provided and he financing the proposition, is now in the ties look to Tillamook for a model in tells of an elderly lady who for the East in connection with the re-arrangement of the company following the long practiced co-operation in cheese- Farm and who declares she does not death of Mr. Roach. It is the plan to begin the construction again upon his By utilizing the wastes of the farm, hogs can be made profitable, in the opinion of Professor E. L. Potter, who At the first meeting of the new gave his lecture on "How Many Hogs benefits. They confess that without county court Wednesday the bids for Can Oregon Profitably Produce," at co-operation farming in all its branches the county printing were opened and the Oregon Agricultural College. He states that by the use of the waste on

the grain farms in the state of Oregon many abortive beginnings that the ceedings and all county officers notices, that one 200 pound pig could be profitably produced on every 10 acres, thus For printing the county court pro- producing 164,000 hogs per annum. On the dairy farm by using a total of 374,-000 hogs which could be produced by The awarding of the contract for in addition to the waste feeds, or as to the Coos Bay Harbor, its bid being 8 at the present time. This number name for all insertions of other matter for pork. Figuring the consumption of pork in Oregon the same as in the United States or 75 pounds per capita, the Copper has been found on Snake 700,000 population of Oregon would consume 364,000 two hundred pound hogs dressing 75 per cent.