Needs of Schools.

According to the superintendents recently in convention the following are some school needs:

That all revenue for the support of the public schools be raised by indirect, rather than direct taxation.

School funds should be apportioned upon the basis of the number of teachers employed and the daily attendance of the pupils in school, instead of the present per capita basis of pupils in the

Irreducible school fund, would be increased sufficiently so that it, together with the county school fund, would insure not less than six months of school in each district in the state.

Provisions should be made for the breaking of deadlocks in the election of school officers in districts of the first

County school superintendents should be required to devote all of their time to superintending school work in their respective districts and they should be provided with clerical help.

Legislature should made provisions for the state department to get out pumphlets on heating, ventilating and lighting, and architectural work in schools for the benefit of rural dis-

Superintendents should use influence in having teachers take up the correspondence work of the state university as a part of the reading circle work.

County treasurers should be ex-officio school district treasurers except in districts of the first class.

County superintsndents should ap point district examiners for eighth grade examinations instead of the chairman of the school board being required to serve in that capacity.

The county unit of administration should be adopted instead of the district unit except in districts of the first

These and many other suggestions for amendment to the state school laws were recommended by the county school superintendents' convention during the two days' session at the state capital

Hide Bound.

The Oregonian says: "If Chamber lain is to be elected to the senate Bryan should have the electorial vote of the state. Conversely, if Bryan is not to get the electorial vote of the state. Chamberlain should not be senator.' No sense, no logic, no reason, not even common honesty in such talk. There is no sort of relationship between the election of a president in November and the ratification, in next January, by the legislature of the selection of senator made by the people in June last. "Shall the people rule?" asks Mr. Bryan. Statement No. 1 republicans and democrats say they should, but the Oregonian says NO.

That paper, it appears, would have every 3tatement No. 1 republican member of the legislature commit moral perjury by refusing to vote for Chamberlain. The pledge these members took to the effect "that during my term of office I will always vote for that candidate for United States Senator in Congress who has received the highest number of the peoples' votes for that position at the general election next preceding the election of a Senator in Congress, without regard to my individual preference," is the most binding that can be given by man to man. It was an open, voluntary public pledge given to the voters of his district as a reason why they should vote for him. The people in the very lime light of an election as between Mr Chamberlain and Mr. Cake decided that they preferred Mr. Chamberlain. Then at that same election the people in the same open, voluntary way by a major-ity of nearly 50,000 decided to "instruct our representatives and senators in our legislative assembly, as such officers, to vote for and elect the candidate for United States Senator from this state who has received the highest number of votes at our general elections."

There can be no mistaking the will of the people in this matter. Again, "shall the people rule"? The

Some Commoners.

Oregonian says no.

"Dirt is flying at Panama!" shricks an administration organ. Yes, but a good deal of the stuff you see flying down there is money.

"The republican party is pledged to revision on the protective basis, the Sioux City Journal. Mr. Taft says some of the schedules are too low That ought to explain the republican idea of revision.

The St. Louis Times asserts that if the government guarantees bank de posits it ought to guarantee good crops to the farmer who sows seed. If the St. Louis Times is willing to have its mental ability measured by that sort of argument, certainly nobody will object.

The New York Tribune calls attention to the fact that Mr. Bryan has and remarks that "Mr. Bryan has an unfortunate tendency towards the selection of weak platforms." Be that Mr. Henry Lyons went up the C. & E. towards the front, where he used to live, long enough to have a town named after him. often had platforms collapse under him,

as it may, perhaps one reason why republican candidates are never in a platform collapse is that they never stand on their platforms.

Saturday Night Thoughts.

This week has seen just as many politics as usual, the customary pulling and hauling, a narration of what the other fellows have done and haven't done, caricaturing and hairsplitting Look it up, size the paragraphs, and then do your own thinking a little. This is a great country.

The papers have been full of flying machine items. A man named Wright, back at Washington, has particularly attracted attention with his machine that he kept up over an hour, finally to take a tumble of 75 teet, killing one man and injuring Wright himself. Hundreds of lives will be sacrificed in this airship business, and then who will want to trust an air train very seriously. It may serve its purpose in war and in adventure, but as a reliable vehicle, the average person will wish to be excused, no matter how well it is perfected.

Oregon has been having a splendid state fair this week. We used to accuse it of being all race. There is plenty of that, but there are other things galore these days, and good ones, pavillions chuck full of them, sheds running over with the things of this wonderful country, which asks no odds of any in the world. The state fair is an institution which deserves a hearty support, a credit to the state, and the people want it.

This is the last week of vacation. Good. The vacation has its place, but it is well when school opens. Splendid preparation has been made for pushing the work of all of Albany's schools. The public schools will be at work in better shape than ever before, with a very competent corps of teachers, twelvelfull grades, several more rooms for students and with a spirit of pro gress that is pleasing. The college is in first-class hands. The new teachers are good ones, and the old ones have. been tried and found all right. The Sister's school is being made the biggest and best in the state outside of Portland. The capacity of the building has been doubled, and the force will be enlarged to meet the increasing demands for instruction. Albany may not have big state appropriations, but it is an educational center of merit, along high-class lines, without the character being forgotten.

flughes and Gambling.

Governor Hughes, of New York, is entitled to commendation, regardless of politics, for his stand against the gambling business. In this he represents an element that is increasing in strength throughout the United States, one for better things. People generally are awakening and demanding a higher standard of morals. It is their province, just as much as it is to demand laws in their interest. Those things which work to the injury of society should be stopped by law. The government does well to legislate in the interest of character. That is what New York state has done through the initiative of Governor Hughes. He may possibly not deserve support for other reasons, but for this he does

Carrie Nation tried to make Taft say how he stands on the liquor question. but of course he didn't stand. down and didn't say anything. Taft is standing all around on the liquor ques-

Mrs. Louise, wife of W. J. Obermeyer, of Shedd, died last evening at St. Mary's hospital, following an oper

She was born in Germany in 1859. She was born in Germany in 1859, her maiden name being Brummer. She came to Oregon in 1881, and was married to W. J. Obermeyer May 10, 1882. She was a member of the German Baptist church, a devoted mother and wife and a good neighbor.

She leaves a husband, two sons. William and Henry and a daughter Huldah. The funeral will be held at the Baptist church in this city on Monday at 10:30 a. m.

C. H. NEWS

Articles incorporating the Linn Co Fair Association filed. Value of property \$5000. Incoporators A G Prill, M C Gaines, Lee Bilyeu, J A Bilyeu, John Wesely, Carl Middlestadt,

Circuit Court. New Cases:-B H Danforth agt J H Goldman, two cases: one for the recovery of \$550 rent due on farm of plaintiff occupied by the defendant; the other for forceble entry and detainer of farm near Tangent. Ella B Bruson agt Anna G Jones et al. Foreclosure of mortgage.

Deeds recorded: Din F Ford to F P Drinker I60 A\$2000 Nevada L Hart to H G Fisher 30..

Mortage for \$1800.

Deeds recorded:-Argaret I. Bilyeu to Braxton C.
Irvine 56 95 acres \$ 1708
Rosa A. Oliver to M. J. Nye 4 a
Chas. Altschul to J. W. Nye 2 lots
Foster 125

Mortgage for \$2000. Release for \$750.

Hide tags granted Geo. Van Dran.

Hunters' licenses: C. A. Koenig, J. F. Koenig, Chas. Medin, D. W. Rumbaugh, Albany; Albert Thomas, Frank Thomas, Forest Willer, Jefferson; V. A. Shade, Brownsville; Frank Treado, Detroit; L. C. Kester, Shedd; W. H. Fruit, Crawfordsville; G. A. Sesuland, Foster. Total 722.

Henry Jones, the Lebanon boy who did the bicycle act is in jail yet. He will be paroled during good behavior.

Registration books will be open Mon-day, Sept. 21.

Alco Feed

The members of the Alco Club last evening began warming up for the fall and winter. During the summer other things, out door affairs, are the principal attraction. Now the time has core for indoor sports and gymnasium work. There was a large crowd present at the first of the season, in fact more than chairman Stewart of the house committee counted on, and, when after games and a social session a buffet feed was enjoyed the boys about licked the platter clean. The lumb consisted of sandwiches, pickles, olives, cold ham, two kinds of cheese, doughnuts and coffee. Splendidly equipped the Alco Club rooms and gymnasium may expect to be a popular place the coming winter, and that the gym will be the center of basket ball. evening began warming up for the fall

In a few weeks there will be another assembly in which the ladies will take

If enough wish to bowl now pin set-ters will be secured at once, otherwise not until the first of October, the usual time for permanent setters.

At the Hotels.

W. D. Mixter, of Junction, with hi family to look after him.

Arthur S. Wells, of Medford.

H. M. Norwick, Spokane. R. M. Thurston, of the Crawfords-ille saw mill, and wife. J. Prag, a Portland millinery drum-

J. Prag, a Portland millinery drummer.
W. J. Obermeyer, of Shedd, whose wife is dangerously ill at the hospital.
J. S. Chester, Sandiego, Calif.
A. J. Bingham, Portland.
W. D. Cotter, Puyallup.
C. F. Abell, Denver.
F. A. Watrous and wife, prominent Forest Groye people.
O. J. Mealy, a prominent timber dealer of Foster.

er of Foster.

A. P. Sprague, Elgin. M. J. and Bert C. Nye, Sweet Home.

Hurrah for Moses.

Corvallis, Sept. 17.-The election con test proceeding filed by ex-County Clerk T. T. Vincent has been dismissed and Victor Moses declared elected Clerk of

been in the city packing the things of herself and mother, for Portland. They have bought a neat little tract of about an acre and a half on the Oregon City line at Oak Grove, well improved, with a nice cottage and fruit trees, and will make it their home. The section be-tween there and Portland has been wonderfully built up, the trolley line passing through many fine residence districts.

THE FAIR.

Yesterday was Portland day at the State Fair, and it is claimed to have been a record breaker for attendance, the biggest of the week.

The big Lewis and Clark stakes were The big Lewis and Clark stakes were won by Day Break in 2:10 1-4 a new trotting record for the track. The three year old pace was won by Ray O'Light, the 2:16 pace by Josephine and the running race by Forest Rose.

An interesting feature of the day was the presence of the three world's champion athletes, who were given an ovation. They were introduced by Governor Chamberlain and the crowd yelled. This is O. A. C. day and some fast races are scheduled.

MISFITS.

Investigate Albany college first.

Most men fool themselves the most.

Will Taft carry Oregon with Bourne

The last week for the youngsters to

Look for opportunities to boost, not

Eugene caught onto the near-been fake a running. Mr. Yoakim found the Albany men a

As a rule the real person hit is the one who does the hitting.

square lot of fellows.

It has been a mighty poor vacation season if spent all in idleness.

The merry widow is gone, but her niece is here higger and higher.

It is now about after harvest, and it might be well to practise paying up.

It is easy to see flaws if you are hunting for them. They are in everything. If you have any boosts either for men

or the city come to the Democrat of-fice. Albany's blind pigs should be made

to close at midnight. Second thought; all the time, Whatever else you do don't worry

Just go along doing your best and you will come out on top. Jonathan Bourne is now being pump-

ed for campaign money. Wonder if Bourne is really a money well. It bothers the average woman if she

doesn't spend as much on her clothes as her neighbor who hasn't as much to Oregonians do not seem to be aware

of the f ct that there is a campaign in progress. Later-Pat McArthur has progress. Lat heard about it.

The Portland papers are everlastingly kicking at the train service, but as a matter of fact the train service is pretty good these days.

The DEMOCRAT's guess is that the

post office will be somewhere east of Broadalbin street, but it is just a guess as it is with everybody else. A real live home coach is something new for Albany College, but it is doing things these day. The best colleges in the United States are private ones. Give Albany an endownment and it will

One of the results of being a delegate to the irrigation congress at Albu-querque, New Mexico, is a fine souvenir just received at this office. It is a 196 of nerve.

There are numerous place for the property of the propert ist received at this office. It is a 196 age affair, enough to make one throw way the tripod and skip for the land of itches. It illustrates that New Mexican ountry well, and any one interested is elcome to take a look at it.

bemocrats Should Donate.

Every democrat in the county is earnestly requested to make a donation to pay the expenses of the Bryan campaign. See your precinct committeeman and make a liberal donation.

set of the good things at the Episcopal shed.

Those who go to the fair get the worth of their money several times. It is in good hands, and is improving. The white city at the entrance under Mayor Tozier is chuck full. a well regulated town of about five hundred tents. What a crowding and jambing to get on the cars, with some standing as the train proceeds.

Oregon **Builders**

Are you doing what you can to populate your State?

OREGON NEEDS PEOPLE—Settlers, honest farmers, mechanics, merchants, clerks, people with brains, strong hands and a willing heart - capital or no capital.

Southern Pacific Company Lines in Oregon.

is sending tons of Oregon literature to the East for distribution through every available agency. Will you not help the good work of building Oregon by sending us the names and addresses of your friends who are likely to be interested in this state? We will be glad to bear the expense of sending them complete information about OREGON and its opportunities.

COLONIST TICKETS will be on sale during SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER from the East to all points in Oregon. The fares

m a few principal cities are				
	Denver Omaha			Louisville\$41.70 Cincinnatti 42.20
	Kansas City:	30.00	66	Cleveland 44. 15
8	St. Louis		- 66	New York 55.00
4	Chicago	28 00		

TICKETS:CAN BE PREPAID

If you want to bring a friend or relative to Oregon, deposit the proper amount with any of our agents. The ticket will then be furnished by telegraph.

C. K. FRONK, LOCAL AGENT.
WM. MCMURRY, GENERAL PASSENGER AGENT, PORTLAND, UREGON.

BOOSTERS.

A splendid improvement in Albany will be a rectory for Father Lane, work on which has been begun. It is to be an eleven room, modern residence, adding to the already fine property of the Catholic church, the best in Oregon outside af Portland. outside of Portland.

Mr. John Starns, of Riverside, Or-leans precinct, reports a splendid yield of wheat and oats, his 36 acre field of wheat averaging 41 bushels per acre, and his oats 71 bushels.

More Salem and Eugene carpenters are needed for Alban's new structures.

FOUR HOURS AT THE FAIR.

The Democrat man spent four hours on the fair ground yesterday afternoon and evening, from 3 to 7 o'clock, and made a flying trip around things, at electric speed. It is great, a wonderful exhibition of the products of a state unsurpassed in its natural resources.

esting fact, though that the devil didn't take a vacation. He never rests, and doesn't need to. ies, but Yambill is there with the goods, the apples of Mr. Lownesdale's packing being immense. Right here—Next year Lina will have a display, Judge Duncan authorizes the statement, which will be a credit to this railroad county. Preliminary arrangements will be made this year.

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The stock is the best in the world, the display of horses, cattle, sheep and swine being complete. Linn county furnished some good animals for these. In the fine poultry display Linn also had some fine birds by W. E. Baker, Dr. Sievers, Ed Schoel and others, notice winners.

prize winners.

The ground is covered with little shows, 5 and 10 cents, all manner of cheap little affairs, with loud tongued

tion.

C. H. NEWS

Recorded: A big mining deal, a bond for a deed from Don Smith and T. J. McClary to E. G. Borden, of Portland and a group of mines, in the Santiam district, the Portland, Satoria Extension, the Alice and the Grey Eagle, for \$50,000, to be paid in two years, work to be gin on the mines within 90 days.

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Miss Eva Felix, of Portland. They of Edward Harriss of Edward Harriss to Kittle Harris. 11-2 acres ...

Death of Mrs. Obermeyer.

Mrs. Louise, wife of W. J. Obermeyer, of Shedd, diel last evening at the first standing and month of the last of the most many fine residence districts.

T. T. Unicent has been dismissed and ylottor Moses declared elected Clerk of Benton county. The decision was handed down by Judge L. T. Harris Thurs-day morning. In reaching his conclusion Judge Harris passed upon about 250 ballots, with the result that the majority of Moses was increased from three to ten votes. The trial developed of a group of mines, in the Santiam district, the Portland, Astoriae Extension, the Alice and the Grey Eagle, for \$50,-000, to be paid in two years, work to be gin on the mines within 90 days.

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During the races some rough riding

There are numerous places for secur-ing "grub," and the Albany editor and a hungry looking Eugene editor and his wife and babies had some good beans wife and babies had some good beans and other good things at the Episcopal

TELEGRAPH.

CINCINNATI, Sept. 17 .- Carrie Nation alled on Taft at his home today and insisted on discussing the liquor question. The Judge smilingly refused to argue with her. After deliyering a tirade against the drink eyil she departed.

SALEM, Sept. 17.—Eight thousand Portlanders attended the Fair to-day. Hundreds who could not get tickets in Hundreds who could not get tickets in Portland on account of the inability of the trains to haul them, stayed at home. The stock parade was un-equalled before in the northwest.

CIMCINNATI, Sept. 18.—Senator Foraker made a brief statement in reply to charges and letters read by Hearst, that he received money from the StandardOil Co. He admitted that he was employed by the Standard Oil as attorney, and received pay but severed relations before second term as senator. He says that the letters were probably true conies.

true copies. WASHINGTON, Sept. 18. -- Orville Wright, who was severely injured in an aeroplane disaster yester-day, when Lieutenant Selfridge was killed, has been resting easy and will

recover. TACOMA, Sept. 18.—Cable reports arrived of Capt Downie, that the missing Steamer Aeon is at Fanning Island. All people of the vessel are safe on Christmas Island. No particulars whether the vessel is wrecked. Island is most isolated in Ocean paths.

DEATH OF D. ANDREWS.

Mr. David Andrews died this week at nis home at Lebanon, and was buried yesterday. He was 68 years of age.
He leaves several children, grown.
Mrs. Andrews died a few months ago.
He was county clerk from 1884 to 1886,
F. M. Redfield, a friend of many years
haing danuty.

F. M. Redfield, a friend of many years being deputy.

Mr. Andrews came to the coast in 1862, and with Mr. Redfield prospected through California and Nevada in the Rees river country, having experiences few men ever go through, one being eleven days without food, three of which were without water, the party of four finally killing their dog, drinking his blood and eating the flesh raw. He was a man of excellent character, faithful and uncomplaining in all the affairs of life.

SCIO.

At the home of his parents. Mr. and Mrs. Oupor, near the Richardson bridge crossing Crabtree creek, of Pott's disease of the spine, on Friday, September 11, 1908 Frank Oupor; aged 26 years, S months and 22 days.

years, 8 months and 22 days.

Last week Lee Bilyen sold his farm, a part of his father's homestead, to his brother George M. Bilyen; consideration \$9000 or \$36 per acce. Elsewhere in this issue will be found notice of a public sale of personal property by Mr. Bilyen. He is thinking of buying a home in Lebanon.

Dr. Prill, assisted by Dr. Hill, of Al-bany, performed a surgical operation on the ten year old son of Commodore Hassler last Friday. The operation was both delicate and painful.

