Albany, Eugene and Corvallis news papers have been passing out some friendly bits of rivalry as to the status of their merchandising stores on the books of their various county asses The excellence of the showing in the sister cities is surprising, but a comparison of the figures with some of the Salem stores indicates the Cap ital city still has a good margin in the Wade, Pearce & Company is assessed at \$83,750; H. W. & M. L Myers at \$50,000; Barnes Cash Store at \$44,700; J. L. Stockton at \$35,435 Buren & Hamilton at \$33,200. These assessments are for stocks exclusively. none of the store buildings being in cluded in the assessed valuations given above. The stores mentioned were picked from the assessment rolls promiscuously as some of the leaders as sessed at over \$20,000, and it is pos sible the rolls will show some higher assessments, or equal at least. The total of those printed is \$267,085, against a total of \$127,000 for Albany and \$112,000 for Coryallis and Eugene combined.

THE REFERENDUM SPREADING

The Oregonian needs to wake up Because the Democrat said that the leading statesmen of Great Britain are very seriously considering the submission of the land tax bill to the people through the referendum the old granny mumbles a lot of stuff out of some schoolbook about the British methods heretofore of "appealing to the people." The fact is that the newer idea now prevalent in five states of this great and glorious Union, with more coming, the actual and direct submission of a measure to the man who marks his ballot, is what is proposed and may come about in staid old Great Britain. Iit is realized to a considerable extent that the old idea of electing a representative to do the b'dding of the people does not work out that way very often, or not often enough. It is quite possible for a minority of the British voters to elect a majority of the members of Parliament. It has been done.

ONE ITEM.

Street cleaning alone is quite an item in a small city like Albany, where there is pavement. The expense ac count will be a big one as it develops and a city does well to look ahead the same as a business man does. Already two brooms have been swept to ruination. They cost \$42.40 apiece. If it becomes necessary to renew them every two months it will mean a large item. But thas is only part of the accompaniments of being a city. The daily expense in Salem is said to be \$18, which would make the annual expense about \$6,000, not much of an item for a big city, but considerable for a small one. Albany will be equal to the occasion, but nevertheless it must keep looking ahead.

Don't Yeed Bars.

A writer in the Oregonian says a ho tel cannot run without a bar. Then we bad better have none. But the statement is a falsehood, as bare-faced a one as was ever uttered. Hotels can and do run in splendid shape without saloon attachments. There are some good ones in Eugene, Albany, Corvallis and other dry places, prospering and giving splendid service

The worst rot of the day is the statement that any business but that of the saloon keeper himself has to have a bar to get along, or that a city needs the saloon. On the contrary any city is better off without the saloon, a metroubled with blind pigs.

Portland Hogs

The pertenacity with which hogs wil place their feet in the trough from which they feed is proverbial. They can't be taught differently. The Portland politicians have to rush in with both feet every little while, Recently one of them got all his pedal extremi-ties in by a special deal whereby the sells him water at half price to retail to a portion of the town at way up figures. This is in line with what might have been expected. It is one of the things that may give a better example of how the recall works than did Los Angeles recently. All Oregon would like to see it tried on somebody

The money question bobs up again This time it is not 16 to one, but 16 to nothing. Taft and his party manager propose that 16 bankers in Wall stre shall be it and the people nothing. See

Multnomah county assesses its best landed property at figures less than one-third selling value and then calls or the other counties to come through like

Miss Marie Parrich came up from Portland this noon on a visit with her father, E. E. Parrich.

SATURDAY NIGHT' THOUGHTS

The apple fair in Albany this week was not the biggest thing in the vorld, but it attracted the attention of Albany people the most, and so far as the valley is concerned it was a matter of some concern, for it is operating decidedly in creating a sentimen towards better things in apple culture The old slipshod methods of the past are to be relegated, while the new systems are to come to the front, the naking of the apple business. It is said of Hood River apple men that some of them know the apple so well that they can tell the history of each from its birth, and they know all the details in the cultivation of the tree to produce a perfect apple. Uniform ty is what counts, and therein lies the secret of success in apple raising The Willamette Valley will some day come to its own, and stand in the

Great interest prevails in the prose cution of several men in Portland or violation of the banking law, It is really a big thing and deserves close watching in the interest of absolute honesty in a business whose character calls for it.

Speaking of honesty it should prerail in all the affairs of life. subject came up this week in at least one talk at the apple fair in connection with the farmer, often accused of cheating in putting small apples and small potatoes in the bottom and the big ones in the top, to deceive the buyer. Such things are stealing just as much as taking one's money. higher standing of honesty is needed all along the line.

So far as appearances go one loesn't see much difference in the worship of King Fashion between people in and out of the church, beween Christians and non-Christians, tween Christians and non-Christians, and yet it seems a fact that a great many of the former pay much more attention to what they wear than what they do for others, nearly all for self, yery little for others. People ought very little for others. People ought to dress well and look neat; but the present era is one of dress worship, and it looks as if it was just as much among those making big professions as among others. But there are some splendid exceptions, and around us are many who live with a view of the splendid exceptions. The splendid exceptions are many who live with a view of the splendid exceptions are many who live with a view of the splendid exceptions. very little for others. People ought are many who live with a view of helping their fellow men and women.

Sometimes we hear so much about poost in a material way that we forget all about the matter of character boosting, just as important, about which very little is said; but it is a big subject and worth one's while to

is. A box of apples well packed and polished will sell for \$3 or \$4, while if the same apples well packed and of Mrs. Contes. if the same apples were thrown loosely in a box without cleaning they would not bring over a dollar, perhaps not that much. And people are often judged just the same way; but

One of the things Mr. Minto is anxio to see is an electric line crossing the Cascades cast of here, through beyond Detroit, and he believes there will be one. Mr. Minto has worked earnestly for a Mt. Jefferson park in the interest of such a road, believing it would help, nace to society. It had even better be and hopes to see Mt. Jefferson thus

A CARELESS WORLD.

What a careless old world this is A Seattle man threw a glass of water outsining \$18,000 worth of diamonds at of a car window. containing \$18,000 worth of diamonds out of a car window. His wife had carelessly left them around without notifying her husband. They were afterwards found; but it was a wonder than the store building last Saturday. This was one of the best bargains in real property year afterwards in Harrisburg. \$250 Mt. Morris has been offered a good sum far his bergain.

four piece of timber and badly injured, one hand being mashed and his body bruised. He was taken home and is being well carel for.

The Weather.

Range of temperature 57-42. The river is 1 foot Rainfall . 10 inch. Prediction: showers tonight and Sat-

Manager and Ars. Struble, and Mr. and Mrs. Graham were to Portland this afternoon, the former to spend Sunday, the latter to tyside, Air. Graham having an engagement for the winter.

C. H. NEWS.

Marriage licenses:—P. J. Russell, aged 72, of Albany, and Rebecca Ben-nett, aged 72, of Brownsville, J. T. Kennedy, 30, and Naereck C. Harris, Kennedy, 30, a 21, of Albany.

Inventory filed in estate of J. A amberson, \$111.17 cash, other person al property \$795.

Deeds recorded: Mrs. P. A. Sherer to A. S. Nanney, 121.58 acres
A. S. Nanney to Rebecca Sherer,
3 lots, Tangent \$\$10
W. R. Ray to Jos. J. Burkhart,
120.82 acres
01e Benson to Ed L. Boggie & wf,
80 acres 1000

Deeds recorded: Ionas Jarstad to Ardella Orchard 300 by 300 feet opposite Corvri-Lillie Parry to Mary Picken 15

Will of Mary Hazen admitted to probate. All property left to son, Joseph O. Hazen. Value of property \$1500.

1578 hunters licenses

Superintendent Jackson today re-ceived 2500 books for the county libra-ries, \$1050 worth.

HOME COMERS.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond, of Salem Mr. Raymond, a former Albany postmaster, going from here to Salem. Mr. Raymond is supreme court bailiff. Mrs., Jos. Webber of Portland, residents of this city for many years. Mr. Webber is prominent in the insurance business. Mrs. Webber is a daughter of one of Linn county's early clerks Dominic Mansfield.
Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Westbrook, of Cottage Grove. Mr. Westbrook is a son of C. M. Westbrook of North Albany, and is now a successful hotel

bany, and is now a successful hotel man.

many years ago an Albany boy. He is a son of Abigail Scott Dunniway, per-haps Oregon's best known woman. Geo. P. Warn-r, ot Scio., a resident of Albany for many years before going

to Scio. Mr. and Mrs. Hochstedler, of Port-Mr. and Mrs. Hoenstenier, of Port-land. They were residents of Albany for 31 years and hence are entitled to a front seat on home coming day. Mr. Hochstedler is running a store on Burn-side street, East Portladd, where he has been since leaving Albany. Mrs. J. E. Knox, of Portland, a na-tive of this county, who is the quest

of this county, who is the guest

MARRIED.

Satley-Bodine

the man who gets the diamond doesn't throw aside the rough looking piece of stuff that may encircle a fortune.

An Old Timer

John Minto, one of Oregon's grand old men, now almost 87 years of age, was in the city, and the Democrat appreciates a call. A pioneer of 1845 he has always taken an active part in the upbuilding of the Willamette Valley. One of the things Mr. Minto is anxious

Salley-Bodine

On Thursday evening, Oct. 28, 1909, at the home of the bride's father, Mr. Albert Bodine, near this city, Mr. Prank Salfey, and Miss Marcert Bodine. Rev. W. P. White officiating. It was a very pretty affair, attended by relatives and intimute friends. A fine dinner followed. Mr. Saffey is an employee of the Home Telephone Co. of this city, and the bride is a native of Lian county, two worthy young people They will reside in the Young-Goodwin block.

Kennedy-Harris.

On Wednesday evening, Oct. 28, 1909, at the residence of and by Rev. W. P. White, Mr. J. T. Kennedy, and Miss Ninevah Harris. Mr. Kennedy is a popular painter, and the bride is highly spoken of. They have rented the Burmester residence on Fifth St., which they will make their home.

Harrisburg.

that they were Just a little care and all this would have been saved.

An Accident.

Levi Miller, while assisting in moving a big tank of the Warren Construction Co. this forenoon, was hit by a two by four piece of finiber and badly injured, one hand being mashed and his body braised. He was taken home and is been wall asked from the company in mame only.

Want Our Station.

Ex:-Efforts are being made to seems the location of the government irrigation experiment demonstration station, now at Albany, for either Engers or Springfield, the commercial lights of the two cities having met to discuss the matter. It is said that a small sum will insure the removal of the station, and members of the two clurs have subscribed nearly crough for that purpose. While Albany is just as good a location for the station, it is said there is a deal e to change because of a variety of sail in this section. Exc-Efforts are being made to some

MISFITS.

The apple fair is making good.

Linn county fruit men must learn to

The Scio News says some of Albany' olind pigs can see now

This is a Linn, Lane, Marion and Benton fair, the way it has evolved.

Benton county was certainly it at the apple fair, making some great winnings

Certainly the real estate men ough o work harmoniously together.

Just as good at the bottom as at the top, should be the motto of every far-mer.

The man who makes his money off other people's money and then abuses his trust ought to go to jail.

A Chicago professor uses slang order to keep the students awake, suggestion for ministers.

To those that have it shall be given. A darkey porter gets first choice of lots in the Aberdeen drawing.

The Willamette Valley can raise as fine apples as any country in the world, and so say all who have been to the apple fair.

Mayor Wallace, F. M. French, of the executive committee and Manager
Struble are shown in the Telegram in open revolt.
Connection with the apple fair.

ABERDEEN, C

Boosting Albany boosts Salem, says the Journal. Good. It always helps the suburbs. Anyway what helps part of the valley helps all the valley. We are climbing together.

Packing is what won for the Lane exhibit. The apples were no better than the others, but the packing was perfect. Lane county probably has the best packer in Oregon. He is a dandy.

The Salem brewery to a man up a tree looks like an institution deserving a live fine. Ditto the whiskey dealers sending their stuff into dry places; but the trouble is the law doesn't reach

An Albany man sent the following testimonial to a patent medicine com-pany: "My wife took a bottle of your medicine and died. 1 am married again, Please send me another bottle."—Har-risburg Bulletin. Wonder who it was.

Property owners on Lyon street will receive a rebate of 12½ per cent from their pavement, something that will be welcome. Getting something back af-ter out of one's pocket always makes it feel like a clean gain whether it is or

The death rate of registration states in 1908 was 15.3 per thousand of popu-lation. The rate varied from 10.1 in lation. The rate varied from 10.1 in South Dakota to 18.4 in California. The death rate in Linn county in 1908 was approximately 7 in 1,000, while that of Albany was slightly less than 5 in 1,000.

Lane county apples best, is the way the Register of Eugene puts it. The Corvallis Gazette-Times says the Bencorvains discrete-times says in Ben-ton county apples were best, but the Lane apples were packed best. As a matter of fact the apples were practi-cally of the same grade, but Lane ex-celled in packing.

Moore on Albany.

After being in Albany Editor Moore of the Corvallis Gazette-Times said: Some of Albany's show windows are nicely decorated for the Fair. Albany looks clean, bright and breezy; it looks like it is alive. The paved streets are the making of Albany The extent of paved walk helps materially. But Cor-vallis has no more weeds in its resi-dence section than has Albany. The vallis has no more weeds in its resi-dence section than has Albany. The Albany State Bank building is a beauty.

25 marriage licenses this month, 3

Mrs. George Neeley and daughter re-turned from Portland this noon. The Ladies Auxiliary will meet Mon-day at 2:30 o'clock at the rooms of the commercial club.

C. H. Walker left this noon for Klamcounty, where he will institute four Granges, and then to Douglas new G

A. K. Curtis, of the Curtis Real Estate Co., left this morning for Garden City, Kan., on a business trip, and to boost Albany. K. Curtis, of the Curtis Real

W. O. Warren was down town today, through the courtesy of W. H. Hegan and his fine roadster, for the second time since March, when his leg was

Hugh and Earl Fisher went to Por-land to meet their brother Consul Fred Fisher, who arrived at Scattle yester-day, and was due at Portland today He will be in Albany next week.



TELEGRAPH.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Oct. 28 .-- A young girl named Kreitz last night defied forty night riders attacking her father's home and drove them off with a double

barrelled shot gun.
CHICAGO, Oct. 28. -E. M. Hapker, a chauffeur was fined one hundred dol-lars for being drunk.

\$21.50 FOR

of apples at Albany was given by Lawyer J. R. Wyatt, of Portland, by
Lawyer I. L. Swan, this forenoon for
a box of Spitzenber's, raised by G. B.
Feebler, a Linn county man, being the
best box in the fair, according to the
decision of the judges. Mr. Swan "secured it for Mr. Wyatt after a
live bidding contest, with Manager
Struble up as auctioneer. P. A. Young
secured it for Mr. Wyatt after a
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secured ithe next box at \$8. some yellow Newtowns, a blue ribon box, exhibited by W. F. Groves of Corvallis.
Lawyer Swan not having enough of it
paid \$5 for the next choice for Wyatt,
and took a box of Northern Spies
ruised by H. G. Rumbaugh. Mr. Wyatt
had requested nim to get the two prize
boxes of the apples at whatever they
cost. Then \$3.00 was paid for several
boxes, and the price settled down to
\$2.50, closing the remainder of sixty
two boxes out at lower; prices, \$161 being paid for the 62 boxes.

Saltmarsh & Snodgrass, real estate
dealers of Fortland, the former an
Albany boy, took ten boxes for exhibition parposes, at \$2.50 a box.

It was an interesting contest, and
helps the apple fair committee decidyer J. R. Wyatt, of Portland, by

It was an interesting contest, and helps the apple fair committee decid-ly in meeting a deficit.

MARRIED

Combs---Palmer

South--- Attridge

At the M. E. parsonage Oct. 29th Jesse South and Addie Attridge both of Their wedding trip may prove strenuous Es well as romantic, on ac-count of the snow in the mountains, as they have started to Crook county, by wagon, where Mr. South has a ranch. May they have fair weather and a pleasant start in life.

C H NEWS

Hunters license was granted G. A. Gefke, who recently settled on R. F. D. 2 from Washington, No. 1586, which places Mr. Gefke on top among the tall men, 6 feet 6 inches. He weighs 205 pounds.

Final settlement in the estate of Henrietta Tate was set for Dec. 6.

Marriage license: Jesse C. South, aged 30, and Addis Attridge, aged 25, of Lebanon. Autrew J. Salzland Anna T. Rohein, of Jordan.

To all whom it may concern. Notice is hereby given to whom it may concern that the County Court of Linn County, Oregon, has entered a decree changing the name of Henry Peter Zebreskie to Henry Peter Brown.

Brown. HENRY PETER ZEBRESKIE, Dated this first day of Oct., 1909.

CHICAGO, Oct. 28.—E. M. Hapker, a chauffeur was fined one hundred dollars for being drunk.

SEATTLE, Oct. 28.—The Oregon building was sold for \$1501 today.

PORTLAND, Oct. 29.—Bad storms are raging all along the coast, according to telegraphic reports.

OREGON CITY, Oct. 29.—Walter Mc-kee was arrested in Portland this morning. McKee is trom Eugene and Lebtanon. He was principal of the high school and city superintendent of schools here. Dr. Beatie has filed charges that McKee was hort several hundred dollars on the funds of the student body.

SALEM, Oct. 29.—A. H. Hudson, a fruit grower and shipper of Gates, today made complaint Lefore (he R. R. commission, charging unjust rates, on load lots, Albany to Salem 15c, 20c and 27c, Albany to Portland 18c, 22c and 27c, Albany to Port

and running thence north thirty feet; thence west one hundred (100) feet; thence south thirty (30) feet; thence east one hundred (100) feet to the place of beginning as recorded in the plat of the original survey of the town of Sein.

BOX OF APPLES

Terms and condition of sale. Cash, gold coin of the United States of America, ten per cent of the purchase money to be paid on the day of sale, balance on confirmation of the sale by the said circuit court. Deed at expense of the purchaser.

Yer J. R. Wyatt, of Portland, by

Of Scio.

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W. B. SIMPSON, Reference.

REGISTRATION OF TITLE. In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Linn. Department No. 2.

In the matter of the application of Z. G. Flays to register the title to the following described premises, to-wit: following described premises, to-wit:

Beginning at a point on the south boundary line of the Donation Land claim of Geo. F. Settlemire, Notification No. 1997 and Claim No. 42 in township 12 south of Range 3 west of the Willamette Meridian, Oregon, which is 32.09 chains west of the southeast corner of sa'd claim, and running thence north 3.771/2 chains; thence west 13.25 chains; thence south 3.771/2 chains; thence west 2.56 chains; thence south 0 degrees 23 minutes east 9.12 chains; thence east 7.48 chains; thence north 0 degrees 23 minutes west 9.12 chains to the said south line of said Donation Land Claim; thence east 8.33 chains to the place of beginning, containing

Land Claim; thence east 8.33 chains to the place of beginning, containing 42.82 acres, more or less, Against all whom it may concern, D. Froman and Jenneke Brochers, defendants.

Take notice that on the 22nd day of October, 1909, an application was filed by said Z. G. Hays in the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Linn county for initial registration of the title of land above described.

Now unless you appear on or be-

Combs.--Palmer

At the M. E. parsonage Oct. 26th
Daniel Combs and Alma Art Palmer.
They are well known and highly reapected young people friends will make their home in Ashland.

South---Attridge

title of land above described.
Now unless you appear on or before the 30th day of November, 1909, and show cause why such application shall not be granted, the same will be laken at confessed, and a decree will be entered according to the prayer of the applicant, and you will be forever barred from disputing the same.

Dated this 22nd day of October, 1909. J. W. MILLER, Clerk.

NOTICE TO FARMERS.

(L. S.)

The Albany Elevator Co. is now pre pared to fornish sacks and store grain for farmers the same as last year. Our dealings last year were so satisfactory both to the farmers and to ourselves that we solicit the patronage again this year and we will guarantee the same satisfactory and square dealing which has received such a kind endorsement from those who patronized us the past year.

Year.

Wa solicit your exchange work, giv-ing forty pounds of "Johnson's Best" Flour to the bushel of wheat and will pay the biggest market price for grain. ALBANY MILL & ELEVATOR CO

DO YOU WANT TO SAVE ONE-HALF YOUR OIL BILL?