FIRE RACED AT ELMA

Swept a Block Estimated Worth \$75,000.

TEN BUSINESS HOUSES SUFFER

Insurance Was Small, Because the Rates Were So High-Flame Started in Early Morning-Its Origin Is Unknown.

ELMA, Wash., Nov. 23,-(Special.)-Fire almost wiped out a business block of Elma this morning, inflicting a loss of hearly \$75,000. The fire originated in the andy store of Ed Robbins, a little after : 20 A. M., and, sweeping west, burned Crisp's saloon, Ackley's talor shop, R. J. Stower's grocery, R. D. Dodge's barber thop, J. W. Anderson's shoe store, F. E. Compkins' hardware store, F. J. Kane's drug store, the office of Dr. Blair, and printing office of the Elma Echo, the presses being saved. Charles Goudy's truit stand and R. H. Wade's jewelry store were also badly damaged.

The cause of the fire is not known. Some of these merchants were not inoured, as the rates were very high. The total loss is variously estimated between :50,000 and \$75,000, to a small extent covcred by insurance.

The Elma Echo has ceased to exist ofter a brief struggle for life lasting less than three months. Its first issue was august 2, with R. M. Watson editor and roprictor. A few weeks later it went into the hards of a receiver, and a few weeks ago E. S. Ayer, a young Elma lawyer, bought it. Yesterday E. C. Kibbe. of the Elma Chronicle, purchased it, and will merge it with the Chronicle.

PREPARING FOR CITY ELECTION. Salem's Reform Officers to Have Active Opposition.

SALEM, Nov. 23.—(Special.)—There is every indication that there will be an interesting contest in the coming city elecion to be held on Monday, December 1.

On that date city officers are to be elected to succeed Mayor C. P. Blahop, Recorder N. J. Judah, Chief of Police D. W. (Hhson, Treasurer John Moir, and Aldernen E. P. Walker, of the First Ward; 3. A. Riggs, of the Second: Thomas Sims, of the Third, and G. W. Griswold, of the ourth. All of the retiring officials were elected by the Citizens' organization, which has controlled the municipal afairs of this city for the past four years. They have been requested to remain can-didates to succeed themselves, and have consented to accept renominations. For the purpose of formally renominating here men, a mass meeting of those who are identified with the Citizens' move-ment has been called for Monday evening

at the City Hall.
In opposition to the Citizens' organiza-In opposition to the Citizens organiza-tion the Republicans will have a full licket in the field. The Republicans will sold their primaries Monday, when 54 delegates will be elected to the city conrention, that will be held in the City fall Wednesday evening, when a ticket will be named. There will be but little strife in the election of Aldermen, since it is a difficult matter to get men to acept the thankless position, which carries with it no salary or other emoluments of any kind. There will be a vigorous fight, lowever, for the sideried offices, particuorly for Recorder and Chief of Police, while there will also be a contest for the office of City Treasurer. For Mayor it is cenerally believed that the candidate of the Republicans will be Dr. Richard Cart-Deputy Webster said this afternoon that E. H. Flagg is being talked of as the candidate of the majority party for the office of City Recorder. He has been making an active canvass for the nomination, and as no prominent contestant for the place.

Mr. Flagg consider. Mr. Flagg considers himself a strong andidate, for the reason that he expects o carry the labor vote, being prominently dentified with the union organizations of he city. S. A. McFadden may be offered

he nomination.

There are two candidates for the nomination of Chief of Police. Mark Savage s the more prominently mentioned for he place, but it would not be surprising to see the nomination go to C. A. Bort, an active labor worker. It is not impossiale either, that the nomination might be riven to Albert Disque, who represents he younger element of the party.

The names most prominently mentione is candidates of the Republicans for Al-dermen are as follows: First Ward, H. A. Johnson: Second Ward, J. C. Thompson; fhird Ward, Thomas Sims; Fourth Ward, John Hughes and W. C. Hubbard. In the Third Ward, Mr. Sims, the retiring Alderman, was elected on the Citizens' licket, but he refuses to be the candidate of that organization for re-election, saying that he is a Republican. Mr. Sims, powever, will be indorsed by the Citizens. and this makes his re-election a cer-

In discussing city politics today, H. George Meyer, chairman of the Republican City Central Committee, said that he considered the chances good for the election of the entire Republican ticket, providing strong and acceptable candilates are named. He recognizes that Recorder Judah and Chief Gibson will be nard men to defeat, since they are both popular officials and have made good

Among other things, the Republican platform, to be adopted on Wednesday evening will advocate a "Greater Salem" reasonable extending of the city

M'BRIDE IN WHITMAN COUNTY.

Accompanied by Senator Warburton -To Hold Conference. PULLMAN, Wash., Nov. 23.—(Special.)
Governor McBride and State Senator

Stanton Warburton are in Puliman, where a conference with the Whitman County egislative delegation will probably be seld tomorrow. Governor McBride will remain here until Tuesday. His callers oday included State Senator-elect G. B. Wilson and President Bryan, of the Agricultural College. What passed between Bovernor McBride and Mr. Wlison at their rather extended conference is not known, but it is apparent the two gentlemen are on the best of terms.

President Bryan has sent invitations to all members of the Whitman County del-egation to meet the Governor at Pullann. They will be invited to inspect the college and President Bryan will explain the appropriations it will be necessary for at the coming session of the Legislature.

MAN KILLED BY TRAIN.

But Just How Is a Mystery-Inquest to Be Held,

ASHLAND, Or., Nov. 23.—An unknown man, about 25 years old met death on the Southern Pacific at Eigewood, south of here, shortly after nom yesterday, in a mysterious manner. Just after the northbound passenger train had left the sta-tion he was seen walking along the side of the track, and made a lurch as though to mount the rear car, but he did not succeed in so doing. An hour afterwards an extra freight train cane along, and the prostrate body of a min was seen lying across the raadbed, but before the train uld be brought to a stop seven care

had passed over it. When picked up by the train crew the body was cold, as though dead for some time, it not being crushed or mangled by the wheels nor seemingly injured by the pilot of the locomotive. The body was taken to Edge-wood, and an inquest will be held tomor-

BIG BEET SUGAR YIELD.

4,600, 000 Pounds Taken From 17,500 Tons of Roots.

LA GRANDE, Nov. 22 .- (Special.)-Last night the delivery of beets at the Amalgamated Sugar Company's factory was practically completed. The crop was good this year and more beets were turned in to the factory than ever before—17,500 tons—and this amount would have been exceeded but for bad weather, which occasioned a scarcity of men, and bad roads, which made delivery difficult. Some beets were not delivered. Eight or nine cars of the beets came from Idaho, and the real were raised in this valley the the rest were raised in this valley, the company raising a large quantity on its own farms.

The year has been a prosperous one, a larger per cent of sugar being saved than In any previous season. The run yielded 46,000 bags of sugar of 100 pounds each, 14,000 bags' increase over last year. The company has employed an average of 125 hands for a full day in the factory, and many more on the farms.

The farmers have made great advance n beetraising, and now obtdin good profits, where the first two seasons they lost

The State Teachers' Association will hold a session in La Grande, beginning November 24, and continuing through to the 26th. S. G. Tillan, editor of the Western Teacher, will be present and will take an active part in the programme. Addresses will be made by Dr. S. B. L. Penrose, of Whitman College; P. L. Campbell, president of the State University; D. V. S. Reid, of the State Normal School at Weston: Rev. J. R. N. Bell, E. D. Ress-ler, president of Monmouth Normal School: J. A. Churchill, E. B. Conklin and

SMALLPOX AT PULLMAN COLLEGE.

Four Students in Isolation Hospital -No Danger of Spreading.

COLFAX, Wash., Nov. 23.-(Special.)-Smallpox has broken out in the boys' dorof the Washington Agricultural College at Pullman and four students are now confined in the isolution hospital on the college farm. Great uneasiness was felt when the disease first made its ap-pearance, but this was quickly dispelled. and now there is thought to be no danger of its further spreading. There are more than 500 students enrolled at the college. and if the disease should become epidemic among them there would be good cause for alarm. The students now confined are Leo Thomseon, of Dayton, who first showed symptoms of the disease; A. H. Miller, of Endicott; C. E. Boggs, of Wi-nona, and Fred Richeau, of Aberdeen.

LABOR UNIONS IN POLITICS. Will Take Active Part in Coming

Aberdeen Election. ABERDEEN, Wash., Nov. Z.—(Special.) What looked like a walk-away for A. K. West, the millowner, in the Mayoralty contest, has changed considerably in the past 24 hours. Mr. West was nominated by the Citizens caucus and indorsed by the Peoples caucus, but there is one la-bor ticket in the field and the likelihood of one more. The labor unions, which have been cutting a large figure in business recently, propose to take a hand in the local election also. The fight promises to be the liveliest in politics for many years.

Shipping Salmon Eggs.

OREGON CITY, Nov. 21 .- (Special.)-Deputy Master Fish Warden Hermann A. Webster will leave tomorrow night for Roseburg with 1,000,000 salmon eggs from the Government hatchery on the Clacka-mas River. These eggs are from the middie or Fall run of Columbia River chin-ook, and will be placed in the state hatch-

exceeding by far the rainfall in this lo-cality and at interior points, the rivers rising from six to eight feet in a short time, and sweeping out the racks. At Umpqua River about 500,000 eggs were taken. Mr. Webster does not expect much loss in shipping the eggs dry, and says they will live a week out of water ff the conditions are favorable.

City Ticket at Hillsboro.

HILLSBORO, Nov. 23.—(Special.)—The city mass meeting held at the City Hall last night nominated the following ticket, to be voted upon Monday, December 1: For Mayor, Hon. W. N. Barrett; Councliman for one year, C. E. Beckwith, of the Southern Pacific: Councilman for two years, ex-County Clerk J. A. Imbrie ex-Years, ex-County Clerk J. A. Imorie, ex-County Clerk J. W. Morgan, E. C. Brown; Recorder, H. T. Bagley, present incum-bent; Treasurer, A. C. Shute, present in-cumbent. The meeting was not largely attended, as there is no particular issue nvolved in the election

Circuit Court will convene here tomor row morning, with Judge T. A. McBride on the bench. There is one murder trial on the docket, that of James Alken, a second trial, for the murder of the Ral-eigh Chinaman lost Fall; one larceny case-State vs. Dave Envart-and a long

Crow's Nest Coal Strike Settled.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Nov. 21.—(Special.)

-A private dispatch received from Michel, B. C., is to the effect that the strike of the coal miners in the Grow's Nest col-lieries there has been settled and the men have resumed work. The information has been received with a great deal of pleasure all over the province, for if the strike had been continued much longer it would have had a serious effect on the smelters of the Boundary, which depend so largely on Crow's Nest coal. The company has shown anxiety to treat the men well, and both are congratulated on the peaceful settlement.

Independence Brevities. INDEPENDENCE, Or., Nov. 23.-(Special.)-The Independence-Monmouth motor

now connects with the Portland-Dallas ening express at Dallas. This gets the evening mail from Portland here in time to be distributed before the postoffice is

Mrs. H. H. Wagoner arrived yesterday from lows, where she had been called to the bedside of her parents. Death took away her mother while she was in the

Wu Ting Fang and Stamese Prince. SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 21.-The Crown Prince of Siam and Wu Ting Fang passed a quiet day. In the forenoon M. Wu reand in the afternoon went driving in the park, where he met the Crown Prince of Siam. They exchanged mutual good wishes in English. The Crown Prince

Funeral of Mrs. Adkins.

HILLSBORO, Or., Nov. 22.—(Special.)— The funeral of Mrs. Letitia Adkins, wife of Dr. Adkins, occurred here today at 2 P. M., the remains having been received here from Spokane, Wash., last evening.

New Mexican Railrond. MONTEREY, Mex., Nov. 23,-The may agement of the National Railroad of Mexproposed road extending from the main

Olds, Wortman & King

BARGAINS EXTRA SPE-CIAL FOR THANKSGIVING

Ladies' Silk Hose

A chance that is not often thrown your way is now made possible through our securing a fine collection of manufacturer's closing lines at an extraordinary reduction. They are in plain black drop-stitch, plain pink, sky blue, Yale blue, cream and cardinal. Every pair fully worth \$2.75 and fancy shades \$3.00. The entire lot will be disposed of this week at one price, and that a remarkably low one, every pair for

Special Sale Ladies' Silk and Lisle Vests

In connection with the above offering, we will give you the pick of our black or sky blue, high neck, long sleeve, silk and lisle Vests, value \$1.75, \$1.25 for, each

Special Sale, Continued, Ladies' and Children's Coats

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday Owing to the great demand and

heavy selling which we had on these coats Saturday, we have decided to continue the sale for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of this week.

Ladies' Coats See our window display. These are warm and this season's styles and colors. Values \$15.00 to \$20.00. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday \$9.85

Children's Coats at Half Price

Very stylish and attractive little garments in Box and Norfolk effects, in all the new colors and stylish materials. All at half price.

THIS WEEK'S SALES

Colored Dress Goods

Basket, Granite, Twine Finetta, Cheviot, Serge, Mummie and Melrose, 46 and 42 in. wide, value, per yard, \$1.00, special 81c.

Black Dress Goods Rough Hop and Twine Suitings, 52 in. wide, val. \$1.25.

Perstan Velvets \$1.25 values for 98c.

Levantine Silks In evening shades, \$1 for 72c.

Walking Skirts \$17.50 to \$25.00 values, new, stylish skirts for \$12.85.

Neck Furs \$15.00 and \$20.00 Scarfs, in Brown Opossum, Stone Mar-

ten and Mink, \$10.98.

Evening Waists At half price.

Ladies' Golf Vests

Colors Green, Red, Navy and White, value \$4.50, special

Ladies' Kid Gloves For street wear,\$1.25 special 87c.

Ladies' Linen Collars Regular 15c values for 5c.

Taffeta Ribbons Widths 1, 14, 14 and 2 inches, price per yard this week 5c.

Men's Underwear Very warm, all wool. Value \$1.50, special \$1.07.

Table Linen Our entire line of Richardson's

Table Damask at special prices this week, including Hemstitched and Fringed Cloths with napkins.

Spanish and Mexican Hand-Drawn Work Table Linen-Doilies, Center Pieces, Scarfs, Tray and Tea Cloths; also Dinner Cloths with Napkins.

Fine Dinner Sets 60-piece American Dinner Sets,

\$4.80. 100-piece American Dinner Sets, \$8.25.

100-piece Australian China Dinner Sets, \$17.55. 100-piece French China Dinner Sets, decorated, \$27.00.

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Turkey, Fish, Game, Roast, Soup and Salad Sets. Prices \$4.68 to \$22.00.

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Large variety, ivory, pearl, buckhorn and celluloid handles. Prices 90c to \$12.00 per set.

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BILL PROPOSED TO PERPETUATE THE STATE COMMISSION.

ACTIVE BARBERS' MACHINE

To Require Annual Fee of \$1 From All Who Shear and Shave-Financial Report.

SALEM, Nov. 23.—(Special.)—The Oregon state barbers' law, in its present form, is inoperative in some important particulars, according to H. G. Meyers, secretary of the State Barbers' Commission. As now framed, for instance, the law declares what shall constitute a misdemeanor, but fails to provide penalties for an infraction of its provisions. In or-der to remedy this condition and further promote the interests of the profession, it is proposed to amend the present law very materially at the coming session of the State Legislature.

At a recent mass meeting of barbers held in Portland, a number of amend-ments were proposed and unanimously in-dorsed. The effect of the amendments will be to perpetuate the State Burbers' on and to provide for the re newal of barbers' licenses annually upon the payment of a fee of \$1. By the pro-posed changes in the law, an apprentice will be obliged to work at the trade for three years before he will be considered eligible to take the examination before the State Barbers' Board. A number of minor changes are also proposed. The proposed amendments are sweeping, and affect all but two of the sections of the

The State Barbers' Board in its report to the Governor, which will be filed to-morrow, recommends the passage of the bill and the proposed amendments financial part of the report shows the following:

Balance\$109 60 The expense items were as follows:

GET A BRAND NEW ORGAN And Lose an Old Pastor and Other Members.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Nov. 23.—The with-drawal of Rev. James W. McGarvey, pres-ident of the Bible College of Kentucky University, from the Broadway Christian Church became final today when that church, by a vote of 361 to 202, adopted the organ for use in worship. Rev. Mr. McGarvey opposed the instrument on scriptural grounds, and was noted throughout the denomination for his utterances against it. For 30 years the church, which he organized and of which he was first pastor, observed his wish, but several weeks ago those favoring instrumental music de

President McGarvey immediately de manded a letter transferring his member-ship to any church where there is no organ, conditional on the vote. Two fac-tions developed in the church and the campaign was intense. Rev. J. W. Seachery, late Prohibition candidate for Congrees, also has withdrawn and Professor Henry H. White, former president of Ken tucky University, and others say they will eave the church when the organ is in-

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trimming, 1 to 12 years

35c to 60c

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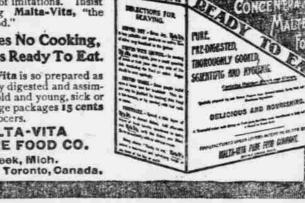
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Black Hills Bishop Installed. LEAD, S. D., Nov. 23.—The Rt. Rev. John Starika was today formally installed ns Catholic bishop for the Black Hills Diocese.

Beath of Mrs. Priester. OREGON CITY, Nov. 23. - (Special.) --Mrs. Annie Priester died yesterday at Stafford, of consumption. The funeral

will be held tomorrow afternoon.