

## Merry Christmas

## Ash Bros.

Clothiers and Furnishers


Two important meetings are Bchod-
wed for this month. The first occure wed for this month. The first occura
next Saturday when the In Grande next Saturday when the In Grande
local of the Farwiers' Cocoearative VnIon holds an open meeting hero. The
meeting will bo sigmalired by the presence of H. D. G. Cox the organtrer from Wells Walle.
The other meeting of timportance to mass meeting of the members of the Taxpayers' league will thke place in
this city commenclig at $100^{\circ}$ elockic All members and thone contemplating

Ralse 8100 at Church Bazanar.
Vollmer, Idaho, Dec. 8,-The Presbyterlan Ladiee' Ald Society held a Chriatmas bazaar in the Marckell building Saturday, trom which they
realized $\$ 100$. Plans have alrendy reailized $\$ 100$. Plans have alrendy
been prepared for a church, which been prepared
will cost $\$ 1750$.

Telephone Line to Platins.
Plains, Mont, Dec. 8-The Rocky Mountaln Bell Telephone people has solictors here with a view of putting
in an exchange. They have already In an exchange. They have already farge number of restdences., Thare Spokane or Montana cittles. The line bo extended from st. Regis. Open Rifer Boat at Lewiston. Lewiston, Idaho, Dec, 5.-The Open kiver Transportation company'
steamer, Inland Emptre, which left Celllo Tuesday afternoon loaded to capacity with frelght for Columbla
River points, came into her berth at River boints, came into her berth at
the Balfour-Guthrie dock yesterday on the initial run of the season, carrying
104 tons of merchandise for Lewiston and other north Idaho townis. The In-
land Emplre te the only Open River land Emplre is the only Open River
boat now operating on the upper river; ad from Celilo the vessel' went ui

How to Fight Fires Spokane, Wash., Dec. 8 (Special)-
Trafning in the methods of preveriting and fighting forest fires will probab ly be included in the work of SpoAllen, forester of the Western Forestry and Conservation assoclation
sald recently that he hoped to secur said recently that he hoped to secure
the cooperation of the Spokane scout troops to help spread the knowledge of fire danger among the boys of the entire Northwest. Carl uitest, Jr, and the Rev. David W. Ferry, the leader
of the scout movement in Spokane, stated that they bellieved the train stated that they believed the train-
lag of every scout should fnclude ing of every scout should incluad "The boy scouts should be able to
help us greatly in our work," aalic help us greatly in our work," aald
Forester Allen. "The association t Forester Allen. "The assoclation ls
now preparing a sertes of leaflete now preparing a serles of leanet
intended for distributlon through the schools to every boy and girl in the
state of Washington, teaching the state qe Washington, teaching the care in regard to campfires."

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& \text { Iged Man Shoots Girl. } \\
& \text { San Francisco, Dec, 8-Mrs. }
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San Francisco, Dec, $8-$ Mrs. Jull TVebb-Bartley, aged 26, was sliot five
times yesterday by James Whitley, times yesterday by James whitley,
aged 60 , who is her parther in th ownershilp of the Hotel Brule and she died thls morning. Whittey who hacked his throst and pounde himself on the head with a flat iron and attempt-
ed to drown himself in the bathtuy afterward, is in a serlous condition but may.
bospital.

## Population 28,189,981.

 Wasinington, Dec. 8-It is entmat on the complete returnh from all but elght states, places the populatlon ofthe Onited States at $92,135,221$. Thte does not Include Alakka or other insular poseenstons. In 1890 ot was 62 .
d22,250 and in 1900 It wes $76,303,387$.

