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TO OUR

**CUSTOMERS** 

There Are Many of You

That we appreciate your pat-

ronage, your loyalty and stead-

fastness, fully as much as you

appreciate the help we have at

times been able to furnish you,

HOWEVER, we want to take

this public method of thanking

you for past patronage and,

with full confidence that this

patronage will continue, we

pledge you our best endeavors

in the future as you have had

Wishing you an increased

measure of Happiness and Pros-

perity for the year 1911, we are

The United States

National Bank,

LA GRANDE, OREGONI

Sincerely yours,

goes without saying.

them in the past.

RAILROAD COMMISSION SEES NEED OF IMPROVEMENT.

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State Legislature Will Get Report be transported by the railroad com-Report of Railroad Commissioners.

The Railroad Commission turned its fourth annual report over to the ed eliminating the crossing of rail-State Printer and in connection with roads and highways at grades. That the general report of the business a steady increase in the railroad miltransacted, several recommendations are made which will be submitted to ber and weight of trains will eventhe Legislature, says a Salem report. tually require the elimination of The Commission asks for an grade crossings in order to protect amendment to the Railroad Commis- the lines and property of the public, sion act to make the legislative in- is the Commission's ground for the tent unmistakable, in 'order that the recomemndation, and, as other states department may proceed and act are expending millions of dollars in upon the schedule of both freight lowering crossings, the department and passenger rates as a whole with- suggests that the Legislature proout the necessity of confining action ceed, at this time before the number to a certain specified class of rates of crossings increases. as has been the custom heretofore., A more binding law is recommended for control of railroads by the Commission in prosecuting and enforcing orders issued by that body. The ing a control of the issuance of report suggests that provision be stocks and bonds and other securimade that orders of the Commission, ties of publin service corporations made after a hearing, shall be bind- in the interest of the public and the ing the corporations and persons who investor. The report states that afterward acquire the property af- while Congress has this issue in hand fected, and for the substitution of it has failed as yet to place the conthe successors in complaints pend- trol in the hands of Federal officers, ing against the grantor or lessor. and recomemnds that it would be The reasons for this desired amend- better that control should be exerment are that the recent consolidation of a large number of railroads in the state, the constituent comp-

anies of which had been parties to Washington and Idaho into one sysorders entered by the Commission, tem is the Commission's reason for trade with Hair Goeds and Novelties, and several being parties to com- this recommendation. plaints, render the enforcement of | The increase in the mileage of orders on all lines impossible under, steam railroad lines in Oregon is recommends that authority be giv- shown to be 108 miles, making a toen the department to investigate and tal of 2491 miles of single-track lines ed .... the state state state control a lesser charge for a longer in operation.

transportation of persons or property. The report sets forth that cases Medford Spent \$934,789 for Paving, have arisen in this respect which the Commission has been powerless to relieve, resulting in a continuance of unjust discrimination. The report urges the Legislature to for public improvements. Street

provide for a suitable car to be used paving alone amounted to \$577,615, to test the various track scales in the state. Owing to repeated complaints of incorrect scales in Oregon, based upon different weights at initial points of destination, the Commission thinks it is fully justified in the recommendation, and such cars should

panies without charge to the state. The Commission makes a strong recommendation that a law be passeage, in population and in the num-

The Commission concludes its recommendations by urging the Legislature to direct the attention of the

question of the advisability of providcleed by the state than not to be exercised at all. The consolidation of Store. a number of railway lines in Oregon.

209 Fir Street

## than for a shorter distance for the MILLION FOR IMPROVEMENTS.

and 5 1-2 miles of asphalt pavement,

according to a Medford report.

Eightgen miles of cement walks and

laid within that time.

any city south of Portland.

For sale 1 - -11 de 1.

LADIES AND GENTS SHOE

"TOM, THE BOOTBLACK"

has moved to 1118 Adams .

Avenue, where he will serve

all customers, new and old.

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Medford.

Notice is hereby given that the annual stock-holders meeting of the Cove State Bank will be held at their Sewers and Water in Two Years. office in Cove, Oregon, on Tuesday, The report of City Engineer Harry January 10th, 1911 at the hour of 2 E. Foster shows a total of \$934,789 p. m. for the purpose of electing offiexpended during the past two years cers for the ensuing year and such other business that may properly come before said meeting. G. A. STOCK, Cashier. the cost of three miles of bitulithic

Dec. 3 Jan. 10.

Notice

## Notice of Street Improvement,

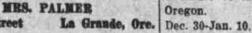
2 1-2 miles of board walks have been To whom it may concern: Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a For sewers, \$116,412 has been resolution adopted by the Common spent. Nearly 15 miles of sewers Council of the City of La Grande, Orhave been constructed, 1209 feet of egon, on the 21st day of Dec., 1910, this system being a 20-inch storm creating Improvement District No. 29, sewer laid to drain water from the and designating "X" avenue as such southwest part of the city, and 3959 district, and in pursuance of a resolufeet of 24-inch storm sewer to carry tion adopted by said Common Council off storm water in the west part of on the 21st day of Dec., 1910, whereby said Council determined and declared The gravity water system of the its intention to improve all that porcity cost \$275,000. Medford's water tion of "X" avenue in said improvesystem is one of the best equipped of ment district as hereinafter described by laying thereon Board Sidewalk, the Council will, ten days after the ser-"I had been troubled with constipation for two years and tried all of the best physivice of this notice upon the owners of the property affected and benefitted cians in Bristol, Tenn., and they could do nothing for me," writes Thos. E. Williams, Middleboro, Ky. "Two packages of Cham-ertain's Stomach and Liver Tablets cured

by such improvement order that said above described improvement be made; that boundaries of said district to be so improved are as icllows:

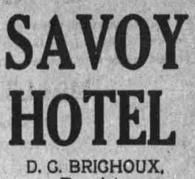
All that portion of "X" avenue from the west curb line of Second Street, to the east curb line of First street. Notice is hereby further given that the Council will levy a special assessment on all the property affected and benefitted by such improvement for the purpose of paying for such im-\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* provement. That the estimated cost of such improvement is the sum of Ladies desiring Facial Massage, \$66.00. That the Council will on the 18th day of January, 1911, meet at the Shampooing, Manicuring or Scalp Council chamber at the hour of 8 Treatment should visit the Paris Hair o'clock P. M., to consider said estimated cost and the levy of said assessment, when a hearing will be granted Switches, Curls, Puffs and Combto any person feeling aggrieved by

ings made to order can also supply the such assessment. La Grande, Oregon, Dec. 28, 1910. Massage Cream and Facial Remedies. CITY COUNCIL OF LA GRANDE.

> OREGON. SIDUC D. E. COX, By Recorder of the City of La Grande, Oregon.



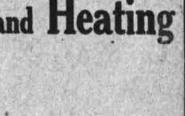
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John Melville 1428 Adams Ave LA GRANDE, ORE