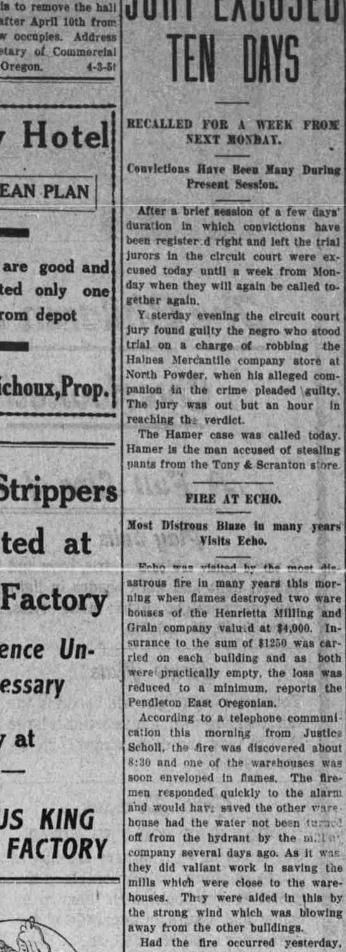
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8:30 and one of the warehouses was soon enveloped in fiames. The firemen responded quickly to the alarm and would have saved the other ware house had the water not been turned off from the hydrant by the millacompany several days ago. As it was they did vallant work in saving the mills which were close to the warehouses. They were aided in this by the strong wind which was blowing

Had the fire occurred yesterday. there would have been a much greater loss sustained as a large quantity of baled hay which had been stored in one of the warehouses, was shipped out last night. There were only 200 sacks of barley in the other building which belonged to John C. Williams and this was a total loss as there was no insurance carried on it.

FORTUNES HAVE ALREADY MADE AT BEEN IMBLER AND THERE ARE MORE TO COME.

Taking into consideration the fact that Imbler's fruit section has never had proper organization until this Spring; that it has never had advertising along a regular campaign line; that the fruit has been sold hither and thither as the individual might see fit, and taking into further consideration that the orchard area has not been overly large until now, it is of some consequence to know that several snug fortunes have already been cleaned up by orchard men.

. The Laidlaw purchase netted the owner a good return. In fact it was a deal that received prominence all over the West. Other smaller transactions have shown profit to land owners.

Are You in the Market for a Good Investment?

When we say, "are you in the market for a good investment?" we do not mean-have you \$50,000 to invest. Not by any means, for the average investor invests his savings. Under the plans of fairness and equity which have been adopted in the Imbler district it is possible for the man or woman with a few hundred dollars to handle an orchard tract. A tract that will increase in value from the date of purchase and one that will net the owner big returns if it is held. The orchard planting plan relieves the investor from all care of his land except to go out occasionally and look it over if he so desires.

city, no improvements except trees which are 13 years old. This is a fine location, road on two sides, good water right and produced over \$4300.00 last year Price is \$6,500.00, one half down and balance on reasonable time. This year's crop will more than pay all expanses and balance of purchase price.

Ten acres, two miles 5 acres in 9-year-old apples, 2 1-2 acres of cheeries that will bear considerably this year, and 2 1-2 acres of garden land. Small house and barn. This place is on main county road, near school and will make a fine home. Price only \$3,500.00, one third down and balance on time. This is fine strawberry land, and when planted, will yield the price of the property every

Ten acres, just one mile out, practically new six room house and barn, close to school and a fine money-making home. There are 8 1-2 acres in apples, and 1 1-2 acres in pasture. Last year this place produced 4,300 boxes of apples and will easily pay itself out after first payment. Price is \$5,500.00, onehalf down, good time on balance. Soil unexcelled for strawberries and small fruits.

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The origin of the fire is in doubt but it is thought to have been from a spark from a passing engine or from a match or cigarette stub carelessly thrown by a hobo or a member of the extra train crew which was in the yards. The two buildings were almost entirely consumed by the flames but will probably be rebuilt. The insurance was carried in a Hartford company and in a London and Lancashire company.

· NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the council of the city of La Grande, Oregon, for the construction of 4,965 square yards of bitulithic pavement on Main avenue, between west line of Fourth street and east line of First street, together with excavation, curbing and drainage, the same to be constructed according to the plans, specifications and estimates on file in this office. All bids to be in by 8 o'clock p. m. April 12th, 1911, and each bid to be accompanied by a certified check of 5 per cent of the amount of the bid. The council reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Attention of all contractors is called to the agreement of Warren Brothers' company, filed with this city, in accordance with which agreement Warren Brothers company agrees to license all contractors desiring to bid for the work to lay bitulithic pavement in accordance with its patents and the terms of said agreement. La Grande, Oregon, April 6th, 1911. C. M. HUMPHREYS, Recorder.

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And when you go to the Imbler district to look over your tract that has been carefully planted and cultivated you cannot help then feeling the importance of your investment.

Fruit land is the one investment now on the market for the small investor that is absolutely sure of returns. All you need to do is to select an honorable concern with standing to handle your tract.

Those having good fruitland investment offerings in the Imbler district are:

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