## **READY AUGUST 15**

The New Columbia River Quarantine Station.

WORK TO COMMENCE NEXT WEEK

Entire Plant Will Not Be Completed. However, Till Next Year, and Will Then Accommodate 1200.

ASTORIA, June 15 .- The Columbia River quarantine station will be ready for service about the middle of August, alwill probably be some tim next year before the whole plant will be completed. Work on the wharf and buildings for the disinfecting machinery, laundry and bathrooms will be com-menced the coming week, and, under the terms of the contract, they must be fin-ished within 60 days. Later contracts will be let for the shore buildings, including residences for the quarantine officer and employes of the station, private quarters for officers of detained vessels and ac-commodations for about 1200 people. It is also the intention of the department to build a steamer for use in boarding in-

Movement for Opposition Pilots. At the meeting of the pilot commission this afternoon two applications were sub-mitted for bar branches. No action was taken on either, but the applicants were informed that at the next meeting a definite answer would be given. It is understood a movement is on foot to start an opposition pilot service.

Hospital Bids Rejected.

Word was received here this evening that the War Department had rejected all the bids for constructing the hospital at the Fort Stevens Barracks because they were higher than the estimates. The department will readvertise for bids un Escaped in San Francisco.

One of the deputies in the local customs office stated today that the purser of the British steamship Thyra, which recently left this port for the Orient, informed him that to his certain knowledge the Japanese who escaped from the Thyra got away while the steamship was lying in San Francisco harbor, and that they did so with the knowledge of the customs offi-cers then in charge.

Notes of Astoria.

The steamer Harrison brought up from Nehalem the machinery of the steamer Occident that was wrecked there some years ago. This machinery will be placed in the new tugboat that is building at Portland for C. H. Wheeler, the Nehalem

At the Saldren Logging Company's

of logs are being taken out daily.

There are 24 cases on the docket to come up for hearing at the term of the Circuit Court which will convene next

#### BUTTER-MAKING IN LINN. Leading Creamery County of the

State-Industry Growing.

ALBANY. June 15.—Line County is fast becoming a great butter-making center, and is already taking a leading part in the creamery business of the state. The Albany creamery is referred to in the press of the state more than any other. Idea County now has the creamery at this city, one at Piainview, one at Browne-ville, one at Scio and practically the one at Suayton, owned by Mr. Sceley, of this city, and depending largely on Linn County farmers for business, besides skim-ming stations at Shedds and Tangent and others in contemplation. Today a meeting was held at Lebanon for the purpose of forming an organization for the establishment of one there. Professor Withycombe, of the Oregon Agricultural College, and Messrs, Markham and Louns-berry, of the Southern Pacific, of Port-land, addressed the meeting. The movement is a great one in the line of diversified farming, upon which the Valley must found its hopes with the uncertain-ties prevailing in the price of cereals. The increase of the business of the Al-bany creamery illustrates the manner in

which the farmers are appreciating it. In May there were 88 patrons, having 632 cows, with a product of \$13,816 pounds of milk, or 13,000 pounds of butter against 56 patrons in May, 1899, with cows and a product of 211,808 pounds of milk, or 9631 pounds of butter fat, the horouse in the number increase in the number of pounds of but-ter being 500. The demand for the pro-duct is so great from this and neighbor-ing states as to justify the statement that the business cannot be everdone in this Valley, and hence the more creameries established the better for the prosperity of the Williamette Valley.

New Rural Mail Route, The new free rural mail service with Shedde as the center, which began on June 11, has already been sufficiently tried to insure its success and appreciation by It is particularly a conve tence to the small towns off the railroad.
David Shearer the first postman, delivers the mail in a covered rig, conbaining a cabinet with 30 boxes and easily makes the circuit on time. While some have been "cranky" enough not to put im boxes, nearly everybody has appreciatof the fact that it is one of the greates of modern convertences for people in the country, bringing them closer to the life of the world than any movement that has been inaugurated. "United States mall free rurol delivery," the sign on the side of the women, means a great deal wher

ters' Academy. Our Lady of Perpetual Help, of this city, were held this after-noon, and were of a creditable character. The programme consisted of instrumental music, sonra juventie exercises, a comdr. "Entancied Way": an essay by the graduate. Miss Whomah Davis, of Port-land, entitled "Where Shull I Write My Name": the conferring of graduation honors by Rev. Louis Metayer, and an ad-

CHEHALIS DISTRICT METHODISTS Papers and Discussions at the South Bend Meeting.

SOUTH DEND, Wash., June 18 .- At terday's session of the Methodist Minus terial Association for the Chehnlis Die "The Next Forward Movement in Church Work." Rev. W. M. Ludwisk spoke upon "Methods and Importance of Pastoral Visiting." A symposium followed on "The Means of Grace." Rev. V. Ray Bennett. Meeting," Roy. R. C. Harriey, of Castle Rock, on "The Public Worship," and Rev. G. J. Taylor, of Oakville, on "The Cine

Revs. E. H. Todd, N. M. Temple and A. resolutions. In the afternoon, Rev. E. L. Bowers, of Vance, led the devotions. Rev. A. W. Brown, of Skamoknwa, rend a paper on "The Value of Christian Literature in the Home and the Means of wentleth-Century Movement," and Rev C. Hartley on "The Sunday School as Evangelising Agency."

#### NORTHWEST DEAD.

Levi Kent, of Drain, an Oreger

Pioneer of 1852. DRAIN, Or., June 15 .- Levi Kent, died here Sunday, was born in New Jersey, May 24, 1821. His parents afterwards moved to Ohio and Illinois. The discovery of gold in California allured the sun

West. He followed mining from 1865 to 1832, when he came to Oregon, settling in Douglas County. From 1832 to 1838 he conducted a tannery at Scottsburg. Then for 18 years he followed agricultural pursuits near Elitton. In 1836 he moved to Drain, where he resided up to the time of his death. Mr. Kent held several pogitions of public trans serving as County. tions of public trust, serving as Con Commissioner, Postmaster and Justice

the Peace.

In 1839 Mr. Kent was married to Mrs.
Mary Alysom a widow with two children,
numely. Arthur Alysom, who resides in
California, and Ada, now the wife of Dr.
Kuykendall, of Eugene. To this union
seven children were born—John, Frank,
Walter and Albert, who reside at or near
Drain; Mrs. Fannie Winoberiev and Mrs.
Annie Drain, of Drain, and Mrs. Elis
Isham, of Cottage Grove.

Death of a Native Daughter. FOREST GROVE, Or., June 15.-Mrs. Minnie Jane Waiker, aged 67 years, a native daughter of Oregon, died at her home in this place today, after a painful illness of three years. She was born in 1852, near Albany, Or., where she resided 24 years, and, with the exception of a as years, and, with the exception of a year's residence in Portland, from 1871 to 1878, she had resided continuously in Porest Grove. In Salem, Or., in 1877, she married Samuel A. Walker, who, with three children—Charles L., Pearl M. and Raleigh C.—survives. The funeral will

SAN FRANCISCO, June it.—News has been received here from Paris of the death of Louis Schwahacher, who passed away last right after an illness of several mouths. Mr. Schwahacher was well known in Seattle and on Puget Sound, where he was interested in several enterprises.

take place Bunday.

Old Resident of Skipanon ASTORIA. June 15.—Mrs. Serah A. Jones, an old resident of Skipanon, died yesterday, after a protracted liness. She was 65 years of age, and had resided in Clatsop County for many years. She will be buried tomorrow in Ocean View

Died of Consumption. ASTORIA, June 15.—George A. Mo-Millan, son of A. B. McMillan, of Olney, died yesterday of pulmonary consumption He was Z years of age and unmarrie

SIX-POOT VEIN OF COAL New Beaver Hill Mine Shows Up Well-Black Down in Old Mine.

Marshfield News.

The tunnel in the New Beaver Hill mine, timbered in a most substantial manner, has been opened 1000 feet, and at the end a six-foot vein of coal is visat the end a six-foot vein of coal is vis-tible. A short distance from the end of the tunnel a room is being mired in solid rock, where the hoisting engine will be placed. Work on the slope will then com-mence at once, but it will necessarily be slow, as only six men can be used driv-ing the slope during the three shifts in the 28 hours.

The old raise which has been about

The old mine, which has been closed up, was opened last week, and was ex-plored for a distance of 1100 feet. No signs of fire were found, but black damp was encountered, and all precutions were taken to avoid accident. The mine will be thoroughly ventilated before work will be resumed, and several thousand tons of coal will be taken out this Fall.

Quotations of Mining Stocks. SPOKANE June 15 - The closing bids for

Bincetall 30 Butte & Boston. Crystal Deer Trail Con. Gold Ledge Golden Harvest. Lone Pine Surp. Mount. Lion. Morn. Glory	15% Princess Maud. 2 Rambler Cariboo 4 Rossland Glant. 5 Bullivan 1% Athabasca 14% God Bodie Five	37) 20 4 11% 10% 18%
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	BAN PHANCISCO, June 10.—The official clo
	ing quotations for mining stocks today were:
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	Belcher 28 Occidental Con
	Heat & Belcher 28 Ophir
	Bullion 1 Overman
	Caledonia 1 10 Potesi
	Challenge Con 14 Savage
	Chollar 20 Seg. Belcher
	Con. Cal. & Va 1 55 Silver Hill
	Crown Point 9 Standard 4
	Exchequer 1 Union Con
	Gould & Curry 14 Utah Con
	Hale & Norcross 28 Yellow Jacket

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NEW YORK, June 15.—Mining stocks today closed as follows:
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d	Mexican 18 Yeilow Jacket
1	BOSTON, June 15.—Closing quotations:
The County County of the Count	Adventure

Oregon Notes. with Pendleton. A match factory on a small scale has een established at Marshfield A new Republican paper will make appearance at Condon next week. After a canvass for funds, Roseburg ecided not to celebrate the Fourth of

Telephone connection between Hillsb and Glencoe will be established in a few

A number of Michigan timber men are looking for claims on Lake Creek, in Lane Woodburn citizens have subscribed \$1208 for the erection of a Catholic church in

W. A. Howe, of Carlton, Yamhiil Coun-

y, concluded a 20,000-bushel shipment heat this week. The new saw mill at Cooper Mountain, in Washington County, will begin cutting

umber next week. The Hood River strawberry crop, com-pared with that of last year, falls short about 10,000 crates. The local Young Men's Christian Asso.

ciation is fitting up a public reading-room at Marshfield. Laborers are being engaged in Washington County for the harvest in the eastern part of the state.

The Twickenham News has been moved to Mitchell. R. C. Irvine has succeed E. M. Shutt as proprietor. The cherry crop of Wasco County is now being gathered, and it is the largest crop that has ever been raised.

Rain this week has interfered with haygreat damage resulted, however. Robert Mays & Son shipped 2000 head

of sheep from The Dalles Thursday to Cook's Landing, to be Summered on the range back of that place. There will be several thousand tons more hay cut around Marheur Lake than last year, on account of the water fall-ing so rapidly, leaving the land dry at the

destroyed \$500 worth of new hay belonging to A. Y. March, Wednesday. The fire started from a lot of wild mustard that had been ignited in a field close by, and got beyond control.

"Rilly" Barlow, representing Ernes Hogan in "The Country Coon," arrived on the Columbia last evening, and is booking his attraction in the Northwest. Hogan and Barlow recently won their suit against the Canadian-Australian line for refusing to carry their company out of Honolulu, and the sum total of the suits begun will reach \$2,500. The company carries 25 negro performers, and has returned from a successful season in Australia and Ha-

### SALE OF HEPPNER WOOL

CHOICE CLIP SOLD FOR 35 CENTS PER POUND.

Trading Is Slow, However, and Wool Continues to Pile Up in the Warehouses-Morrow County News.

HEPPNER, Or., June 15.—Wool, Mor-ow County's great staple, continues to oil into Heppner, and the amount now row County's great staple, continues to roll into Heppner, and the amount now in Heppner warehouses is above 2,000,000 pounds. Most of it now sarriving comes by the great state road, which extends away south into the interior. There is most daily arriving in Heppner which is wool daily arriving in Heppner which has been hauled 75 to 110 miles by

wood surpass expectations. The long-distance wagons that haul it here go back loaded with general merchandise. Heppiner is the trading point for one of the largest and best wool-rateing regions

In the world.

Three woolbuyers are here now, and another large operator from Chicago is daily expected. There is considerable figuring being done, but sales seem slow. The only recent one reported is that of Frank Bowman, of Fox Valley. He has sold his entire 1900 clip of choice lamb wool to R. F. Hynd at 15 cents. This is the top price paid here thus far this season.

scason.

The Columbia River Indians have brought in this month several small pack-train loads of wool that they pulled from dead sheep in the John Day country. The sheep having died before the wool had attained its growth, the qual-

#### Wear a Souvenir Button on the Fourth.

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buttons on hand now, and every one should be adorned with at least one on the Fourth. Show your sympathy and help the monument fund. You have to be an old soldier in order to decorate yourself with a G. A. R. button, anyhody is entitled to wear a mument button. They are only cents each, and the money goes to the monument fund. but anyhody is entitled to wear a 25 cents each, and the money goes into the monument fund.

ity is not good. The Indians bring it over distances of % to 150 miles to Heppner distances of 75 to 150 miles to Heppner.
They sell this short wool here at 5 to
10 cents a pound, bringing it in wheat
sacks, which make convenient-sized bundles for their pack ponica.

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All the Heppner sheep have now gone to their Summer ranges in the Blue Mountains, where grass is better than

Welcome Rains.

A heavy rain fell in Heppner today, and was welcome. The past week has been rather scorching, and has caused much talk about half crops and less. Previous to this warm spell the wheat gave every promise of a record-bresking crop. Now, no doubt, some of it has been burned, but principally where it was poorly put in and had been allowed to become too thick. The rains show symptoms of continuing, thus assuring continued prospects of big crops.

Accident.

Heppner Hlackman was very severaly injured yesterday. He was preparing to resume his work of taking the census in the Eight-Mile section, and was bringing his horse from pasture, riding him bareback, when the animal threw him over his head on the hard road. Mr. Binckman's nose was broken and his tongue very severely bitten.

Indian Killed.

Indian Killed. A party of Columbia River Indians camping on Black Rock, west of Heppner, got into a drunken row among themselves Wednesday night, and one of them struck another over the head with the butt of his gun, killing him instantly. The slayer then smashed his gun over a rock, mounted his horse and skipped out into the night. The Indian women of the camp sang the death-rong the reat of the night.

Man-Hunting. Word is momentarily expected from the John Day country of a shooting scrape over there. William Estes, return-ing from the headwaters of Butter Creek, met a man who was hot in pursuit of other men, and only eight miles behind them. He claimed that when he re-turned, the day before, to his home near Vincon, he found that a party of freight-ers from the John Day had camped there during his absence, and on leaving had induced his wife and children to go with them, and had also taken all the and money there was on the place. He was breathing vengeance, and it was expected that when the meeting sh

Demand for Heppner Horses, The demand for horses here has been better this Spring than for many years, and average work horses have found ready sale at \$175 to \$250 a pair. There is a representative of the Government here now buying a carload of horses for the cavalry at Walla Walla. The Heppner hills are the home of the horse and when raised here he has bone, wind,

FINE RAIN IN ROGUE VALLEY. of Great Benefit to Crops-Started With Hall Storm

GRANT'S PASS, Or., June 15.—This county was visited by a most beneficial rain last night and this morning. Yesterday was showery, the afternoon bringing a short hall storm, with stones three quarters of an inch in diameter. It rained steadily for 12 hours, from 6 o'clock last About one inch of water fell in that time. There was some hay down, but the first crop of alfalfa had already been stowed away. The rain is of in calculable benefit to potatoes, corn. mel-ops and small fruit. Such heavy rain has not fallen in June for seven years. It has continued showery all day

Lewis County Teachers' Institute. CHEHALIS, Wash., June 15 .- Arrangements are complete for the flet annual institute of the teachers of Lewis County. The sessions will be held in the Cheballa High School and the Opera-House, and the meeting will commence June E and close the Sth. Among the June & and close the 25th. Among the west-known educators who will be present are State Supermiendent Browne, President Graves, of the State University; President Wilson, of the State University; President Wilson, of the State Normal School at Etlensburg; President Bryan, of the Agricultural College, at Pullman; President Mathia, of the Whatcom Normal School; Editor McCully, of the School Journal Ellensburg; Professor, Coffer of Journal, Ellensburg: Professor Coffey, of the State University; Editor Brintnall, of the Seattle School Journal. The seasions fessor Preist and others whose name

Schools and Agricultural College CORVALLIS, Or., June 15,-In order to define the relation of the public schools to the state institutions of learning and at the same time provide examinations for those who desire admission to state colleges, the State Board of Education at Salem has planned a scheme of special examinations to be conducted under the supervision of County Superintendents, the questions being prepared by the state

board. This will greatly assist in an un-derstancing as to entrance, and will be found very convenient, especially in the more remote parts of the state. Prop-erly managed, it will do much to elevate the rural public acheols. The State Ag-ricultural College, which has officially recognized the system, will publish in the new catalogue the following an-nouncement relative to the scheme: "Pupils who have completed the state

Pupils who have completed the entate course of study and peased the required examination thereon according to the regulations prescribed by the State Board of Education for conducting uniform examinations for graduation and evidenced by a diploma signed in accordance with such rules, will be admitted to the freshman year without further examination; provided, that such pupils must be at provided, that such pupils must be at east 15 years of age."

School Officers in Pacific County. SOUTH BEND, Wash., June 18.—Re-turns for school elections in the outside districts show the election of the follow-Menio District-J. Goodrich, director; E.

W. Tilly, clerk. District 5-E. Bues, director; E. S. Balley, clerk. ok-Charles R. Johnson, director; W. A. Barrows, clerk.
Bay Center—J. E. Goodpasture, director;
L. A. Rhoades, clerk.
Ilwaco—W. R. Snook, director; J. A.

Haverton, clerk.
Nabcotta-H. J. Wiegardt and O. J. Mc-Kenney, directors, and A. P. Osborn,

clerk.
Oysterville—S. S. Slingerland and John
Clark, directors, and B. F. Wade clerk.
A 5-mill tax was voted.
Beach—Jesse S. Gould, Charles Seastrand and Nils P. Hanson, directors, and
Miss Ola Gillespie, clerk.
North Cove—A Hoist, director; Anders
Clarkson, director; Anders Gjertsen, clerk.
Tokeland-W. S. Kindred, G. L. Houk
and P. W. Stewart, directors, and Mrs.

Lizzie Kindred, cierk.
Willapa—John Louderback, director, and
W. D. Paulding and C. G. Lundquist tied for clerk.

Frances—No election on account of the fire on that day.

MONROE, Or., June 45.-Unless a heavy rain shows up within a few days crops throughout the South Willamette Valley will be almost a failure. From Eugene north as far as Corvallia on the west north as fur as Corvallis on the west side, and Jefferson on the east side, all crops are suffering on account of lack of moisture. Wheat is heading out, but the heads are very light colored and sickly looking. Oats are also off color and very thin on the ground and of short straw. Cheat and rye grass have made a fair stand, but rape, corn and other fodders are an extremely short crop. There are a few cases in which this will not apply, but the rule is poor crops.

Fruits fare a little better. Cherries, plums and Petite prunes are promising

plums and Petite prunes are promising a good yield. Pears and apples, in most orchards, are above the average in num-ber and size on the trees for this por-Probably one of the best crops this year is that which has resulted from proper care of the chicken yard. With all classes of chickens selling at a fair price and the unusually splendid weather, which has prevalled during the season, the symptomer farmers with her season. crage farmer's wife has made the most of her opportunities and can display a large flock of Spring fryers.

End of the School Year.

FOREST GROVE, Or., June 18.—The examinations in Tuslatin Academy and Pacific University were completed this evening. Now all attention will center on the exercises of commencement, which will begin with the anniversary of the Conservatory of Music in Marsh Hall, tomorrow night. Commencement visitors are already arriving, and the town is fast assuming the holiday air characteristic of it at this season.

The public school at this place closed

today. Superintendent H. A. Ball pre-sented diplomas to the following gradu-

ates:
Blanche Bailey, Maud Buxton, Marle Markee, Lillian Hyde, Treesie Smith, Hugh Sparks, Marie Staehr, Theresia Stribich, Mary Thompson and Lee Vis. Hugh Sparks received first honors, Marle Staehr second, and Theresia Stribich third. Professor Ward Swope has been the principal the last year, and the enrollment has been the greatest in the history of the school. He has been re-elected for the school. He has been re-elected

OREGON CITY, Or., June 15 .- E. R. Greenman, superintendent of the Upper Clackamas hutchery, is in the city, getting supplies, expecting to return the first of next week. Assisted by a crew of four men he is busy getting everything in readiness for the season's work, which will begin the latter part of July. A substation is being built about a mile be-low the main hatchery.

H. H. Johnson left last night for Doug-

as County, where he has a Governmen surveying contract on the north fork of the Umpqua. J. L. Swafford, Cariton B, Harding, William Maynard, Alex Brown weeks hence. In view of this it is cur-mised that the visit of Mesere. Howard and Page has something to do with negoand A. Beatle were among the crew that

Clackamas Teachers' Institute. OREGON CITY, June 15.—County Su-perintendent N. W. Bowland is making up the programme for the teachers' annual county institute to be held in the Circuit Courtroom in the Courthouse, July 1, 6 and 7. President W. C. Hawley, of Sa-lem, has been secured for instructor in civil government and history. Negotia-tions are pending to secure Professor A. R. Coffey, of the Washington State Uni-versity, and other prominent educators. This will be the last institute held during Superintendent Bowland's term of office, which will expire in August, and it is ex-pected that it will be as successful as the

Telegraph Line to Dawson VANCOUVER, B. C., June in - Completed work on the all-Canadian telegraph tion work on the all-Canadian telegraph line to Dawson has about been completed, and hereafter direct connection can be made with Quesnelle, Huzleton, Telegraph Creek, Atlin, Dawson, Taku Arm, Tagion

Washington Notes. Two botels in Centralia closed this

A brass band has been organized at Sorth Yakima

Walla Walla will build ecinder paths by a taxation of \$1 upon each bicycle owner.

A large field of Spring-sown wheat near Hay averages four feet eight inches in Within the next 10 days 22,000 sheep

will be shipped from Sprague to Eastern at Little Falls Wednesday night and stole goods to the amount of \$165.

The Soldlers' Home at Orting is short of funds for its support, the nur than provided for

A Japanese who had been detained in

the Whatcom City Jail by the Immigration Inspector died very suddenly Wednesde The White Crest Canning Company, at cortes, has been reorganized with more tal, and will enter the salmon can-

The grand lodge of Masons decided Wednesday to continue to refuse membership to liquor dealers. The question caused outte a etrong fight.

The Puret Sound Packing Company, of New Whatcom, expects to give employ-ment to all the white labor it can procure. As few Chinamen as possible will, be em-

Announces laboring men are forcibly preventing the landing of Jananese there to take their places in a mill, where the white men refuse to work on account

THE BEST PEOPLE ARE GOING ON THE ....

# SELECT RAILROAD EXCURSION TO SEASIDE

SUNDAY ....

....JUNE 17

This excursion will be in charge of the Women of Woodcraft, Portland Circle, No. 55.

The train will leave Union Depot at 8:30; will reach Seaside at 12:30. Returning, will leave Seaside at 5, reaching Portland at 9:30. A delightful day at Oregon's most beautiful coast resort. Don't miss the opportunity of the delightful ride by rail along the Columbia River, the Rhine of America. Tickets, round trip, only \$1, on sale at Woodard, Clarke & Co.'s, Leo Selling's shoe store, Skidmore's drug store, Baron's shoe store, DeLashmutt Bros., confectioners. Tickets may also be obtained from any of the lady members of Portland Circle, No. 55.

The train will be a limited one, run on fastest express time, and tickets will not be sold

beyond the capacity of the train. People should buy their tickets today. Don't forget, only reputable people will be carried on this excursion. The ladies in charge reserve the right to refuse admission to the cars of any person who may be consid-

ered in the least objectionable.

ELECTRIC LIGHT ENTERPRISES.

This Is Now in Progress and Other Projects of Moment to the Town Are Allied.

SALEM, Or., June 15.-More large business transactions are pending in Salem than at any other time in several years. The most important of these is the ad-justment of the affairs of the street rail-ways, which have become very much in-volved. F. H. Page, of Portland, who of the London & San Francisco Bank, which institution holds a controlling morttheir interests here. It is believed that the outcome of their visit will be of great moment to various industrial interests. The history of the Salem street railways is very complicated. The electric light enterprise, that in the mutations became merged with the car lines, was started in 1886 by S. W. Blasdel. The first horse-car line was established in 1889. Now all the electric lighting and street-car service of the city are under one control. At the organization of one of the car npanies that was subsequently sorbed, a mortgage for \$25,000 was given on all the property it then owned or might acquire, and now there is a ques-tion as to whether that pledge extends to all the property in the consolidated concern to the vitiation of another mortgage for \$100,000 in process of foreclosure y the London & San Francisco Bank. The holders of the \$25,000 mortgage were made defendants in this foreclosure suit. While they have thus far filed demurrers only, it is understood that if they are called upon to answer they will claim that their mortgage is a first lien upon all property of the Salem Light & Traction Company acquired subsequent to March 5, 1897, when consolidation was effected. Otherwise the \$100,000 morigage would be a first mortgage on all property owned on that date, and the \$25,000 mortgage would come in second. The only conten-tion, if any, will be over property cov-ered by the clause of the \$25,000 mortgage, which includes property thereafter acquired. This property includes addi-tions to the tangible property and such property as franchises, lighting contracts, to. The London & Sun Francisco Bank it is understood, claims that its mort-gage is a first lien upon all this property It is certain that the London & San Francisco Bank, or its assigns, will come

is in regard to the contracts and fran-chises acquired since Murch 15, 1897. In view of the fact that a rival light and power company is to be established in this city, this question is important to the general public. The foreclosure sult, in due course, would come to trial at the regular term

of Judge Boise's court, to be held two

tiotions for a settlement of the question

of ownership of the franchises and con-The change in the ownership of the street-raliway lines has started rumors of other changes. The Salem Light & Traction Company has been operating its clant by steam power, thus entailing an amense expenditure of fuel. At the same me a vast amount of water power has een going to waste down the old flouring mill flume on South Mill Creek, Negotiations have been under way for a transfer or lease of the old flouring mill plant to an electric light and power company. This plant is owned by the Salem Pouring Mills Company, controlled by Portland capitalists. The property has been idle for years. With the old electric light company changing hands and a new one about to be established, it is believed that the old mill and its vast water power will be utilized for an electric light plant by one concern or the other. Then this raises a new rumor—that if the Sa-lem Flouring Mills Company disposes of its idle property, it will rebuild the milithat was burned down last Fall. There is every indication that the company is still contemplating rebuilding, but there is no indication what the decision will be It is believed, however, that the next few weeks will witness a settlement of all these questions, and that their settlement will be such as to work great

Rangers as Game Wardens. The following Forest Rangers have been appointed Deputy Game and Forestry Wardens by permission of the Secretary of the Interior: W. M. Morse, Montavilla; Thomas J. Maupin, Portland; Newt Fer-rell, Salem; C. F. Elgin, Rosedale; Eph-raim Henness, Gates; J. M. Staats, Dufur; W. E. Wells, Portland; R. W. Veatch, Porest Grove; A. L. Morris, Harrisburg; D. D. Shaw, Lebanon; L. R. L'vermore, Eugene; Adolf Aschoff, Marmot; G. W. Woods, Bull Run; W. H. Hesseman David Carter, Argenti: A. C. Dufur; H. I. Richardson, Mount W. P. Vandervert, Lava; C. J. Dodd, Springfield; A. B. Lacy, Rickreall; W. C. Ward, Viola; Millard Hyatt, will-ametic; C. J. Vanzile, Roseburg; Robert Watson, Roseburg; F. L. Kent, Drain; James Wheeler, Fort Klamath; I. J. Carson, Central Point; W. G. Kropke, Ashiand; J. R. Wick, Ashiand; S. R. Wright, Klamath Falls, W. C. Ketchum, Salesa, Klamath Falls; W. C. Ketchum, Salem: E. G. White, Detroit: G. V. Taylor, Macleay; W. C. Walker, Dufur; W. H. Nash, Sisters; Sidney Scott, Eugene; Henry Iraand, Jacksonville; Harry Langell, Jacksonville; J. C. McCully, Jacksonville; A. S. Ireland, Roseburg; C. F. Bartrum,

Capital City Brevitles.

IMPORTANT FOR SALEM
Francisco a dispatch asking him to use his influence with the Oregon delegates to the National Republican Convention to induce them to support Irving M. Scott for the second place on the National Republican ticket.

publican ticket.

Rev. E. S. Lewiss, D. D., of Columbus
O., will hold services in this city next
Sunday, under the auspices of the International Sunday School Association. The final examinations in the Salem public schools began today. The regular semiannual graduating exercises will be held Friday evening. June 23, when a class of about 40 pupils will receive diplo-mas.

PRANKS OF LIGHTNING. apered About Baker City Residence

Last Evening. BAKER CITY, June 15.—A heavy hunder storm passed over the city today companied by copious downfalls of rain. Lightning struck the residence of C. E. Porter, at the corner of Third and Estes streets. It entered the front room on the north side of the house, ran around the molding on the upper part of the room, scorching it, and a part of the room, scorching it, and a part of the bolt went through the wainscoting, burning a large hole. The other part went into a water tank lying in the next room and through the floor, after doing no other injury than leaving a burning merk in its track. Forturately, the family were absent at the time, and no one was injured. Mr. Porter is manager of the telephone office in this city. telephone office in this city

To Build a Fruit Drier.

VANCOUVER, Wash., June 15,-R. L. Austin, of Ocosta. Wash., today awarded a contract to Weston Brothers, of this county, for the construction of a fruit drier on his fruit farm, at Lake Shore. The drier will cost \$1000. Mr. Austin has 30 acres of prunes on his farm, and, not-withstending the general shortage, he estimates that he will have 50 to 15 tons of dried fruit. Mr. Austin will also erect a warehouse and other farm buildings at once on his place, it being his intention to move here with his family in the near

Idaho Notes.

sawmills at Troy have closed down for the Summer. Boise was struck Wednesday afternoon by a 54-mile-an-hour gale from the south-east, accompanied by a downpour of rain. It is believed the winds played havon

the orchards.

An audience of 2000 at the Idaho Uni versity at Moscow listened attentively to an address by Brigadier-General Charles King Wednesday on the college man in

CENTER OF POPULATION.

Has Steadily Moved Westward Sinc the First Census.

Indianapolis Press. Where is the center of population in the United States? This is one of the many interesting questions to be settled by the census of 1900 According to the ast official report, the census of 1890, this point is in Southern Indiana. To be exact it is located at 20 degrees. It minutes and 2 seconds north latitude and 25 degrees 31 minutes and 2 seconds west longitude point 23 miles east of Columbus Since the first official census in 179

there has been a steady westward move-ment. The center of area of the United States is in Northern Kansas, and the center of population has been slowly, but surely, traveling in that direction. The point has moved westward 506 miles. The center of populasion, according to the official census, has been as follows: 1790-Twenty-three miles east of Balti 1809-Eighteen miles west of Baltimore

1820-Sixteen miles north of Woodstock, 1830-Nineteen miles southwest of Moorefield, W. Va. 1840 Sixteen miles south of Clarks

1850-Twenty-three miles southeast of Parkersburg, W. Va. 1869-Twenty miles south of Chillicothe, 1870-Porty-eight miles east by north of 1880-Eight miles west of Cincinnati.

districts in the Western territory during the past 10 years has been pronounced has been larger in the East or in the West can only be determined by the official returns from all of the states. New lands are being opened up constantly in the West. Prosperous villages now flo ish where only a few years ago cattle grazed. No accurate estimate can be made of the population in these terri-

Taking, however, the larger cities in the Bast and West semi-official figures would seem to indicate that the westward movement has ceased, and that the course of the center of population is now toward the East. Comparing the estimated in-crease of 10 of the principal Eastern and Western cities, the balance is in favor of the East.

In considering the increase in the larger

cities it is interesting to note that the actual figures show a balance of 707. the actual neuros show a balance of 70%, 198 in favor of the East, the percentage of increase is larger in the West. For the Eastern cities the percentage of increase is 41 per cent and for the West 50 per cent. The growth in the West is in the smaller cities. The percentage of increase in the small-

tual figures are in favor of the Eastern territory. If the same percentages apply in the towns and villages, the center of population will probably be located fur-ther on its journey to the center of area,

The Jackersfontein diamond mine, 70 miles southwest of Bloemfontein, produced stones to the annual value of 12,000,-000, and their quality is excellent

PORTLAND, June 15 .- 8 P. M .- Maximu emperature, 54; minimum temperature, 56; fiver reading at 11 A. M., 13.2 feet; change in the last 24 hours, -0.5 foot; total precipitation, 8 P. M. to 8 P. M., trace; total precipitation, from Sept. 1, 1890, 36.62 inches; normal pre-cipitation from Sept. 1, 1890, 44.90 inches; de-ficiency, 8.28 inches; total aunahine June 14, 0:00; possible sunshine June 14, 15:42.

WEATHER CONDITIONS. A disturbance of considerable energy is central over Southeastern Idaho. It has caused showers pretty generally throughout the North Pacific States, and the raises have extended into California as far south as San Francisco. Thunder storms are reported as having occurred at Spokana. Boise and Red Bird. The barometer continues to rise rather rapidly off the California Cant. the California Coast, and the indica that it will form a high-pressure area that will move north and cause fair and warmer weath-er in this district by Sunday. Saturday, how-ever, will probably be showery.

WEATHER FORECASTS. Porceasts made at Portland for the 28 hours adding at midnight Saturday, June 16: Oregon-Showers; warmer southwest probably fair and warmer Sunday;

Washington — Showers; probably fair and warmer Sunday; westerly winds. Idaho—Showers; cooler east portion; Sunday fair and warmer; westerly winds. EDWARD A. BEALS, Forecast Official. The Oregon Mining

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