## CREMATED ALIVE

Fate of Three Young Children at Olympia.

### NO WITNESS TO CATASTROPHE

Besidence and Its Contents Also Consumed-Origin of Blaze Uncertain, but It Is Thought Victims Played With Fire.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Dec. 26.-Joshus Lav-

About II o'clock a man ran up to them, and informed them that their house was on fire. Rushing to the scene they found on fire. Rushing to the scene they found the house entirely consumed, and, after a little search, the charred remains of their three little ones were discovered. The children were aged 4 and 3 years, and a 5-months-old babe, which the mother left sleeping in its carriage. The origin of the fire is uncertain, but Mrs. Lavering thinks the children must have played with the fire.

Shagreen, as Postmaster at Nahcotta.

#### TO SIMPLIFY TAX SYSTEM. Senator Mulkey Favors Bill Which

Will Be More Businesslike.

MONMOUTH, Dec. M.—Senator B. F.
Mulkey, speaking of new laws which he
will introduce or father at the coming
session of the Oregon Legislature, said:
"I desire to join in simplifying the
machinery in our tax vertex."

machinery in our tax system. Many relics of the fee system are manifest in the requirements of our tax laws. Time and expense would be saved by adding columns to the original assessment roll instead of adding an entire copy of the roll to mark its advancement from the Assessor to and through the Clerk's and the Sheriff's offices beyond the point of delinquency. Endless loss would be evoided if a simple expression of the statute constituted the tax roll as it leaves the Clerk's hands, alten upon each property named in the roll for the taxes assessed against it. machinery in our tax system. Many rel

seemed against it.
"A stiff penalty should be visited against A sun penalty should be visited against delinquents. A system of rewards and punishments might go well with our tax-collecting. The weak taxpayer pays as soon as he can. The strong taxpayer procrastinates. A penalty for delinquency and a discount for prompt payment would bring money out of hiding to swell the county treasury, and the annoyance and expense that comes of delinquences. and expense that comes of delinquency

and expense that comes of delinquency would fall to a minimum.

"Property and not persons should be made the basis of the assessment. It should be made clear that partial receipts should not be issued for taxes except a certain specified portion of the property assessed is rolensed thereby and the money paid is applied uniformly in paying special school and city as well as general taxes. Small towns and school districts in some sections are crying out for relief against a system that may be so construed as to give a clear receipt for county, school and state taxes, and leaves county, school and state taxes, and leaves the payment of special taxes largely to the generosity of the taxpayer, "A legislative thorn should, I think, be

A legislative thorn should, I think, be located about the region of the tax-collector's coat tails to urge him forward to collectors do not require it, but will urge no objections to such a course. The bendamen of all others should become interested in their principal's confluct in the vital matter of collecting taxes as a business man collects abecome due him. All business men would fall surely if they employed in their business the methods employed in their business the methods which our statutes either impose or

"I think a state board of equalization a positive necessity, and those who have in the past opposed it have come to real-ize its need more than its old-time friends. If Mulinomah County abolishes one of its Circuit Judges, as we hear is contemplated, a board composed of one member for each department of each ju-dictal district would give each section a correct representation. This board need meet but once in three or four years, it seems to me, as property values would seems, to me, as property values would shift little during the interval. The Gov-ernor, Secretary of State and State Treasurer would constitute a good board. In any case, it seems the Secretary of State should be ex-officio a member of the board."

### WEHRUNG ON NEEDED LAWS. Favors Fair Assessment, Direct Pri-

muries and Better Road System. HILLSBORO, Dec. 26.—Senator W. H. Wehrung of Washington County, has announced his intention to labor for the

wing measures at the coming session of the State Legislature.
"First—An equitable assessment law.
"School—An election primary law that
would do equal justice to all parties; and

Third-Some practicable and efficient road law, that would insure a better condition of the public highways, that would not be too burdensome to the taxpayer. "My choice for United States Sensior naturally would be a good, outspeken, true Democrat, and, if worst comes to worst, I would take it myself-if they would increase the salary."

#### PENITENTIARY IMPROVEMENT. New Wing Has Been Completed-

Good Changes It Will Bring. SALEM, Or., Dec. 28.—The new wing at the Oregon State Penitentiary has been completed, and will be occupied as soon as the steam cooking apparatus can be piaced in position. The bathroom and steam-heating plant are already in use. It is apparent that this new addition to the prison will greatly improve the con-veniences for serving food to the prison-ers. and will make the institution up to late in every respect. The bathroom in particular is a vast improvement over the former bathing facilities, and is greatly appreciated by both officials and prison-Heretofore the prisoners have bathed in old wooden tubs, only four being pro-vided for the whole number of inmates of the institution. This made the pro-cess of bathing a tedious one for the officers who superintended the operation, and an unsatisfactory one to all concerned. The new bathroom is provided with 18 shower fountains, so that the men may bathe quickly and effectively. Cleanli-ness will now be the rule in this depart-

of the prison. cooking, under the new system, will be done with steam heat, which will make it possible to regulate the tempera-ture so as to secure the best results. The steam will be supplied from the same boiler that furnishes heat for the whole building, and it is expected that a con-siferable saving in fuel will thus be ef-

The dining-room, on the second floor, is arranged so that the convicts may march in through the chapel and take their In through the chapel and take their places at tables where the food has been spread for them. The room is large, light and niry, in direct contrast with the small, dark, close cells in which the prisoners have heretofore received their food. Under the former method of serving food there was considerable wasts on account of food left on the places by the prisoners. At the community table each man will take only so much food as he sectarian, but will be under the control.

prison officials that a saving can be made

in this particular.
In one corner of the dining-room, and In one corner of the diring-room, and elevated above the floor, is a steel cage, in which an armed guard will be siationed while the prisoners are in the room. Due precaution against an outbreak forbids that an armed guard should be placed where the prisoners may take his rifle from him.

The dining-room and kitchen will be ready for use early in January, and by the end of the coming year the record of expenditures will show whether the new wing has been a means of reducing ex-

wing has been a means of reducing ex-penses in the particulars mentioned. Aside from the question of expense, it is apparent to every visitor to the institution that the new wing is a great

TO CHANGE PISHING SEASON. Chinook Fishermen Will Petition Washington Legislature.

SOUTH BEND, Wash., Dec. M.-Chinook fishermen will ask the coming Legislature to change the fishing season. They desire that fishing begin about May and end November, making a close season of the rest of the year. This would allow silverobtained the year. This would allow silverering's three children were burned to
death this morning and his house, together with its contents destroyed by
fire. Lavering is a cripple, and earns
his living by hauling wood. This mernhis living by hauling wood. This mernhis he had gone to the woods to loud his
wagor, and his wife accompanied him to
assist.

About II o'clock a man ran up to them.

Deputy Sheriff for Pacific County. As practically all of the officers of Pa-cific County were re-cleated, there will be no change in deputies in any of the offices except that of the Sheriff, where

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Notes of St. Helens.

ST. HELENS, Or., Dec. 35.—Stanwood's mill commenced fluming its first consignment of railroad ties this morning. The ties are cut about six miles above here, then rafted down Militan Creek to the Oregon Wood Company's flume, whence they are dispatched to this place to be loaded on scows for shipment to Portland and

Divorce Denied.

SALEM. Or., Dec. M.-Judge Boise to-day denied a divorce sought by Allen Simpson from his wife, Margaret. About six months ago a similar decision was rendered in a suit brought by Mrs Simpson against her husband.

New Washington Postmasters. WASHINGTON, Dec. 36.—Washington Postmasters were appointed today as fel-

Olive B. Munks, Fidalgo: Louis Poot, Port Ludlow; George W. Richey, Port Stanley; Harriet S. Mumford, Salkum.

Clatsop Settles Scalp Bounty Tax. ASTORIA, Or., Dec. 25.—County Treasurer Thompson today sent to the State Treasurer \$25 %, the balance of the Cintsop County scalp bounty, which amounts

Oregon Notes.

The A. O. U. W. Hall at John Day was dedicated Christmas night. Albany defeated Shedd Saturday by a cotball score of 16 to 6.

The Enterprise Council has contracted

for two are lights of 2000 candle power and for six incendescent lamps of 22 candle power.

Thomas Barnes and G. W. Lucking were arrested at The Dalles Sunday morning by order of the Sheriff of Umatilia Coun-They are charged with burgiary. William Bartmess received a sentence at La Grande of three months in the County Jall for having discurred a re-ligious meeting and for other misde-

The child of Mr. and Mra. G. W. Bu-chanan, of La Grande, was smothered to death Sunday. They were going to Oro Dell and wrapped the child up too

The Marshfield Council has contracted for a \$50 hook and ladder truck. A permit has been granted to E. G. Flannagen to conduct a staughter-house at South Marshfield. The Mayor has made the following appointments: City Attorney, J. S. Coke, Jr. Treasurer, John F. Hall; Marshal, John W. Carter; Nightwatchman, J. E. Fitzgerald.

missioner Reed, closing the mili sluice to the O'Hanna Creek. The closing of the sluice overflowed considerable territory. and the Judge will request the Fish Commissioner to see if some other means can be devised so as not to obstruct the outlet of water.

man will take only so much food as he sectarian, but will be under the control wants to eat, and it is the opinion of the of this church

WELL-KNOWN ASHLAND MAN SHOT HIMSELF THROUGH HEART.

Had Been Suffering From Bad Health for Some Time, but Never Intimated Suicide.

ASHLAND, Or., Dec. 24.—Robert Tay-lor, a well-known resident and politician of this section, died from the results of a of this section, died from the results of a self-inflicted gunshot wound this morning about 10 o'clock, at his farm, six miles south of here. Taylor had been spending the Christmas holidays with his family, who reside in Ashland, and returned to the ranch last night. This morning he told the young boy who works on the place to go out and dig some carrots, while he (Taylor) would go with his gun in search of some hogs on the range.

About 10 o'clock the lad, Frank Will-

DEAD BY HIS OWN HAND aged 67 years, died at the asylum today STATE EDUCATORS MEET

Washington Teachers Convene. Washington Teachers Convene.

ELLENSBURG, Wash., Dec. 25.—The
State Teachers' Association convened here
in annual session this afterpoon. About
16 outside teachers are present. On account of the small attendance, only one
topic, "Child Study From a Psycological
Standpoint," was taken up today. W. E.
Colgrove, of Seattle, read a paper on the
subject. This was followed by a general
discussion. Tonight a public reception
was held.

\$100,000 Fire at Calgary. CALGARY, N. W. T., Dec. M.-The nost destructive fire in the history of

## GALLERY OF NEW MEMBERS OF OREGON LEGISLATURE.



LOT L. PEARCE, REPRESENTATIVE FROM MARION COUNTY.

SALEM, Dec. 26.-Lot L. Pearce, who will be one of Marion County's Representatives in hallem, Dec. 28.—Lot is Pearce, who will be one of Marion County's representatives in the lower house of the next Legislature, was born in Polk County, near Salem, September 1, 1866. Most of his youth was spent on the farm. His common school education was received at a country school near his farm home, on the Oak Grove road. In 1883 he removed to Salem, and entered the employ of the hardware firm of R. M. Wade & Co., with which firm beshas been ever since. He started in as a storeblack, and by his faithful attention to his duties worked his way up to a clerkship, and in 1890 became secretary of the

In politics, Mr. Pearce has always been a consistent Republican, and was one who lessly stood for the gold standard at a time when many feared that the State of Oregon might commit itself to the silver fallacy. He has been a delegate to every Republican County Convention held in Marion County in the last eight years, and was a delegate to the state convention of 1898. He was elected by a handsu

iams, says he heard a report of a gun, and on returning to the house for dinner found Mr. Taylor lying across the door of the woodshed, on his side, bleeding, with a gunshot wound in the lung just above the heart, and an old-fashioned shotgun close by on the ground. Williams mmediately came to town with the news, and a physician, a number of citizens and other points.

The First National Bank, of Portland, has ordered an execution against the property of Daniel Holton, to satisfy a judgment of \$18,028 is.

Taylor had resided in Ashland and was engaged in the saloon business for the past 18 years. For the past two years his health had been bad, and he retired from business a year ago and engaged in ranching. No instimution had been given townships of sarebrusgi land were surveyed. The land can be easily made productive by irrigation. Surveys have been made for a system of canals to bring water from the Deschutes River, and the project found practicable.

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Aberdeen Business Men Swindled Out of About \$250 by One Man. ABERDEEN, Wash., Dec. M.-L. D. Savage, stenographer in the office of City Attorney J. C. Cross, resterday swindled many business men by inducing them to cash worthless checks in sums ranging from \$15 to \$40. Savage made out the checks payable to himself. He had but little trouble in getting them enshed, and as the banks were closed Christmus, the fraud was not discovered until this morn-ing. The total amount secured is estiing. The total

Following is the list, so far as known, of those victimized and the amount lost Following is the list, so far as known, of those Weitimized and the amount lost by each: Evans Drug Company, \$9); Edward Dolan, \$40; McHugh & Fife, \$15; Frank Grange, \$20; Fred King, \$17.50; Pearson & Campbell, \$20; N. G. Kaufman, 20. Savage also secured 25 on a type-writer, but when he left this morning he failed to leave the machine.

Sheriff Huff has wired a description of Savage to all stations along the line. A warrant for his arrest was issued this afternoon. But little is known of Savage here. He came to Aberdeen about a year Chester Rust has been released at Corvallis on 250 ball. He is charged with largenty of a cow.

Arrested for Stage Robbery. LAKEVIEW, Or., Dec. 25,-Bob Ogles-oy, driver of the Lakeview-Paisley stage, was arrested tonight by Postmaster Wil-cox for the robbery of that stage Decem-ber 21. Money that he took from the mail has been identified.

Held for Highway Robbery. VANCOUVER, Wash. Dec. M.-Patrick White was arrested yesterday for high-way robbery, and confined in the county jail here. He will be given a preliminary hearing tomorrow.

#### DEATH OF WALTER CONGER. Old Resident of Portland Expired

Suddenly at Chehalis. CHEHALIS, Wash, Dec. 26.-Walter Conger, an old resident of Portland, died bere this morning under circumstances that will necessitate a Coroner's investigation. It is not known yet whether his leath resulted from apoplexy or suicide. J. E. Fitzgerald.

A number of complaints have been received by Judge Gray, of Clatsop County, in regard to the gate put in by Fish Com
that he had been drinking heavily for several weeks, and when he went home from the office this morning he told his wife in regard to the gate put in by Fish Com
that he had taken a bottle of laudanum. An empty bottle was found on his per-son, but Dr. Smith, who was called, de-clared that Conger could not have taken

the opiate. Conger admitted to the doctor afterwards that he had poured the contents of the bottle on the floor, and only intended to scare his wife. An hour after the docto seare ms whe. An nour arter the doc-tor left however, Conger was fead. Conger was superintendent for the Che-halls Water Company, owned by Morris & Whitehead, of OPtiland. The deceased has two grown daughters

in Portland-Mrs. Joseph Hally and Mrs. Peter Mennhan, of Salem.

Corvallis teams, with a score of 5 to 5. The game was watched by several hundred people, and there was much interest in the outcome.

MEDFORD, Or., Dec. 28.—About 50 peo-ple left Medford today on the holiday ex-cursion of 10 days to San Francisco. This is the largest number that has ever left Medford on an excursion to San Fran-

Payment on Union County State Tax. SALEM, Or., Dec. 36.-Union County to-day paid \$5000 on its 1899 state tax.

Telephone connections to Dayton are school work."

football New Year's. Colonel John G. Boyle, of Yakima, is snnounced as a candidate for the posi-tion of City Marshal.

Chinook will petition the County Court At Walla Walla 202 marriage licenses

have been issued during the year, and 22 divorces have been granted. It is thought that the Davenport schools, which were closed on

of smallpox, will reopen after the holi-The tailoring establishment of Charles

Herald, at Tacoma, was broken into thieves, who smashed a plate-glass dow early Tuesday morning and took vercoats and trousers to the value of Thomas Malony, ex-secretary of the J. B. Horner, Corvallis; W. W. Bristow,

Democratic State Central Committee, be-lieves that the long-sought solution of the State Capitol question will be found by the Legislature during the coming ses-Department of Superintendi

was cited to appear in Colfax December 25 and prosecute the disharment proceedings instituted against Attorney M. O. Roed, cannot attend on that date, and has stipulated with J. N. Pickerell, attorney for Mr. Reed, to continue the case until

Frederick Roff, a well-known resident of Walla Walla, has been adjudged in-sune, and will be taken to the State Hos-pital at Medical Lake. His delusion is of a peculair nature. He imagines the universe is ruled by the sun, moon and stars; he is the sun, his wife the moon, and their two children are the stars.

Two men were killed at Black Diamond Monday. Gomer Davis, a well-known resident of that mining camp, was found dead near the railroad tracks under cirumstances which indicated that he had een run over by a train. Angelo Devero, n Italian miner, was crushed and in-tantly killed under a mass of rock which fell from the roof of a level in which he

F. M. Jeffry was arrested a few days ago at Republic for tearing up a street. He thought he could hold possession of the street under a placer-mining location. The street had been declared a public road by the County Commissioners, but some informality was discovered in the records. Justice Palmer dismissed the case on the grounds that he had no junisdiction, as the title to the land was in question. The title to the land has been "Pupils." J. H. Orcutt, Drain; S. I. Pratt, in dispute for about two years.

George L. Allen, Yakima County Clerk. will ask the County Commissioners that his salary be increased from the date of the census in June. This will bring the question of salaries directly before the commissioners for consideration under the new classification. Under the present returns of the census enumerators Yakima County is placed in the lith class, which gives all the present office-holders an in-crease of \$100 to \$300 a year. It is held crease of 5100 to 5300 a year. It is held that under the state constitution no of-fice-holder can have his salary increased or diminished during the term to which he was first elected. It is the opinion of prominent attorneys that this clause does

"County Institutes," Superintendents W. Miller and J. C. Zinser and ex-Superintendent D. W. Jarvis.

"Enumeration and District Funds," Superintendents George Bethers and C. L. Gilbert. SALEM, Or., Dec. 26.-Peter Monohan, not apply under the circumstances,

CONVENTION OF WESTERN DIVIS-ION OF TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.

Attendance Is Large and Good Results Assured-Programme to Be Concluded Saturday.

ALBANY, Dec. 26.-The first annual

ALBANY, Dec. %.—The first annual meeting of the western division of the Oregon Teachers' Association convened in the Presbyterian Church here tonight. A large number of educators are in attendance. It was probably during the term of office of Superintendent Sylvester Simpson that the State Teachers' Association was first mentioned, but it fell to the lot of Dr. L. L. Rowland to discount of the purpose of mature deliberation. Then State Superintendent Powell continued the work; and his successor, Professor E. B. McElroy, thoroughly implanted the linstitute throughout Oregon. It fell to the lot of State Superintendent Ackerman, however, to organize the eastern and western divisions of the Oregon State Teachers' Association, placing both divisions practically into the hands of the teachers. Upon a vote of the teachers last Winter at Salem, the session was located at Albany, and the following officers were duly elected: Frank Riger, of Portland, president; P. L. Campbell, of Monmouth, first vice-president; E. D. Reaster, of Eugene, second vice-president; G. W. Jones, of Salem, secretary; Nettle M. Whitney, of Albany, treasurer. In addition there was organized the department of superintendence, with A. S. McDonald, of Corvalils, as president, and C. L. Gilbert, of The Dalles, as secretary. There is also valils, as president, and C. L. Gilbert, of The Dalles, as secretary. There is also to be organized a college department at this meeting. It will therefore be seen that this is the first session of the western division of the Oregon Teachers' As-

sociation.

The address of welcome was delivered by Dr. W. H. Davis, Mayor of Albany,

who said in part:
 "Glancing over the path of the depart-ing years we see the impress of the teacher on every hand. In the line of retrospection we see man made happier and better by the thought, work and skill of his fellow man. We see steam harnessed with iron bands doing the work of 1,000,000 hands; we see electricity in part taking the piace of steam, but in addition trans-mitting the words and thought of men, annihilating time and space and serving a multitude of purposes too numerous to mention. All these we see, and more, too. And by whose hands are these things done? By the hands of the teacher; by the teachers of men and women are these

things done.

"Happily situated, then, is he who has some earnest, honest mind to guide him through the shoals of ignorance and folly into the deep sea of knowledge and truth. In a century our Nation has grown from 5,000,000 or 5,000,000 to 75,000,000 people, and now, more than ever, the teacher is demanded. Recently our Nation expanded to the Asiatic shore. In a short time peace will be established, and with the advent of peace industry will be resumed.

"It is safe to say that the 10 years of

"It is said to say that the as years of American 'schoolma'sm' will do more for the Philippine people than all the 400 years of Spanish dominion. I, as the rep-resentative of the people of Albany, extend to you a hearty welcome."

Superintendent E. V. Littlefield, of Yam-hill County, made the response to the address of welcome, Among the things he said was that the better educated the nation the botter fighter that nation is. He made the comparison between the American and the Spanish Nation, snowing that we are a better educated Na-tion, having a public school teacher for every 200 of our inhabit, ats. He also said that the public school system teaches the American boy to fight all along the line of progress, and for this reason the American citizen is now eccupying so prominent a position in the world. Professor Littlefield referred briefly to

the subject of school legislation as fol-"At the last session of the Legislature "At the last session of the Legislature a portion of the school laws was amended. The school organization has been strengthened as a result of the change. The teachers desire that the remainder of the laws be amended, and are coming to a conclusion at this meeting of what is most needed. We hope to be able to make suggestions and recommendations to our legislators that will strengthen more the school laws and enable us to more the school laws and enable us to

On account of illness, the President of Seattle and Tacoma teams will play the association, Professor Frank Rigler, football New Year's.

Allen Long committed suicide about 15
address of the evening. Instead, informal remarks were made by Governor Geer all remarks were made by Governor Geer and Search Laboratory. and State Superintendent Ackerman. A reception was then tendered the visiting teachers, Governor and Mrs. Geer be-ing among those present.

The meeting will continue until Saturfor a plank road of 600 feet through the day. The programme for the session unbusiness nart of the town. Thursday.

"Child Study in the Service of the Teacher." Henry D. Sheldon, Eugene. Apperception, J. Burnham, Portland. "Parallellem Between the Development of the Child Mind and That of the Race," Woods Hutchinson, Buffalo, N. Y. Address, Governor T. T. Geer.

Department of Elementary Education-Phonics, "Its Relation to Primary Reading," "Its Relation to Spelling," Frank Rigier, of Portland. "Composition in the Advanced Division,"

"Logical Method in History Work," Mrs. by the Legislature during the coming sension in the purchase of the Thurston County Courthouse for \$225.000.

Assistant Attorney-General Vance, who was clear to appear in Collar Day.

"Correllation of Reports with State Course of Study," Superintendents E. T. Moores and J. F. Nowifa. "Desirable Modifications in the Present School Law," Superintendents F. B. Hamlin and ex-Superintendents A. P. Arm-strong and G. W. Jones, "Eighth Grade Examinations," Superin-

tendents H. A. Pall and E. E. Bragg. Department of Secondary and Collegiate Education—"Relation of University to Sec-ondary and Collegiate Education," Frank Strong, Eugene; H. L. Boardman, Mc-

"High School Courses of Study," J. A. Churchill, Baker City; T. T. Davis, Port. "Electives in the High School Course," Frank Rigler, Portland; E. D. Ressler, Eugene "Art of Study," H. E. McGrew, New-

Friday. "Constructive Work in Elementary Schools," P. L. Campbell, Monmouta; Miss Minetta Magers, Salem. "Relation of the Elementary Schools to

berg.

"Department Work in Elementary Schools," M. L. Pratt, Portland; F. Giafke, of Portland, "Practical Psychology," H. W. Kellogg,

Portland.

Department of Superintendence—"Means of Securing More Efficient Supervision of Rural Schools," Superintendents R. P. Robinson, J. W. Shipley and E. V. Littlefield. "County Institutes," Superintendents W.

"Standard of License to Teach," Super-

# intendents I. H. Copeland and C. L. Starr.

Department of Secondary and Collegiate Education—Adoption of constitution and election of officers.

"The Normal School." J. A. Benttie,

Weston.

"Higher Education in Its Relation to the Public School Teacher," H. B. Buckham, Moomouth.

"College Athletics," W. N. Ferrin, Forest Grove; W. H. Lee, Albany.

"The Acceptance of Eighth Grade County Examinations for Admission to High Schools," W. M. Clayton, Ashland.

Saturday. "School Libraries: How to Secure," C. A. Hitchcock, Ashland; L. M. Traver. "The Relation of Education to Our Government," W. C. Hawiey, Salem; C. C. Poling, Dallas,
"The Best Unit of School Administration," J. H. Ackerman, Salem.

WHATCOM NORMAL SCHOOL,

Trustees Submit Annual Report-Estimate of Needs of Institution. OLYMPIA. Wash., Dec. 28.—The bien-nial report of the trustees of the State Normal School, at Whatcom, is on file in the Governor's office. There are a total of 284 students enrolled in this school. The average of the student body is 19 years.

The trustees' report states that last year's work was greatly hampered by the inadequate teaching force, and lack of proper facilities for the large attendance of students. The citizens of Fairhaven and New Whatcom contributed about \$300 to complete additional rooms in the school building.

addition to provide funds for the regular maintenance of the school; also for the following purposes: To complete the present building; to erect a wing to the present building or another building; also four or five living-rooms for the janitor; for additional science apparatus; for additional text-books; to arrange and prepare a museum; for additional teaching force; for a dormitory for girls; for

The last appropriation is so nearly exhausted that the legislature will be asked to make another for continuing the school for the Winter term immediately upon

convening.

The financial statement shows that, August 31, 1990, there remained of the furni-ture fund of \$4000 appropriated by the Legislature of 1890, \$734; the fund of \$4000 for heating apparatus is completely ex-pended; the maintenance fund of \$17,000 showed an unexpended balance of \$8894; the appropriation of \$3000 for improving the college grounds has all been expend-ed but \$47; \$2000 for books and stationery is totally expended; also the \$8500 appropriated for equipment of museum and natural history room; the fund of \$1000 for laboratory supplies has a balance of \$70, and the \$1500 appropriated for equip-ment of the library has a balance of \$255

Light and Water Contest Settled. FOREST GROVE, Or., Dec. 26.—The electric light and water contest here has been settled by the withdrawal of the proposition of E. W. Haines. This means that the city will continue to supply these

F. Johnson shipped a carload of prunes

Thieves stole an 89-pound tub of butter from a freight car at the Northern Pacific depot a few days ago, at Mulian.

G. I. Martin, a farmer living three miles west of Moscow, met with an unfortunate

accident one day last week. He went to the woodshed after an armful of wood. A hoe fell from overhead, and the blade nearly severed his nose from his face. Action for \$10,000 damages has been commenced in the District Court at Wallace by Horace Chase against the Bunker Hill & Sullivan Minins. Milling & Concentrating Company and Fred Decker for injuries alleged to have been sustained by the plaintiff while in the employ of the

Abraham Seequa, the Coeur d'Alene Indian who escaped from the county jail at Moscow Wednesday, was captured near Tekoa Saturday by Sheriff Buchanan, and

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taken back to Mozcow. Seequa was held for introducing whisky on the reservation and was confined in the jail to await the

and was confined in the fall to await the action of the grand jury.

Articles of incorporation of the Engle Comet Mining & Milling Company, limited, of Wallace, czpital stock \$1000, have been filed with the Secretary of State; also articles of the New Sweden Farmers' Union, limited, of Idaho Falls. The latter company is organized to deal in merchandles, farm implements and livestock. It has a capital of \$20,000.

At Lewiston Monday 1889 acres of school

At Lewiston Monday 1890 acres of school land were sold by C. B. Steumanberg, special agent of the State Land Department. The total acreage offered for sale was 220 acres. The highest price per acre paid was 515 50, and the lowest, \$10. The average was \$12 per acre, and the total sale amounted to \$22,340. The first cash pay-ment, which also included interest to the extent of \$1234.40 for the year 1901, amountextent of \$133 40 for the year 1801, amount-ed to \$821 65. The tract bringing the high-est price embraced 180 acres, located four miles southwest of Nez Perces City. C. J. McRea was the purchaser, paying \$250. The land sold is all located in the reser-vation country, near Nez Perces. The state had appraised the land at values ranging from 110 to \$12 per acre.

Oregon Industries.

Boling & Dougherty took a traction en-gine from Wallowa to Elk Mountain last week for use at their saw mill.

Work is progressing rapidly on the elec-tric plant for Enterprise. The plant will be in running order in about two weeks. Kendrick, owing to the prevalence of scarletina.

Griffith was acquitted at Moscow this week of the charge of having murdered his wife last July.

E. W. Oliver, of Island City, intends to double his sugar-beet acreage the coming year, and will plant 190 acres. On the 60 acres which he had last season he cleared \$450, or \$8 per acre.

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The planer that used to do duty at the old Mechanical Hall at the Agricultural College, and which went through the fire that destroyed the building, is to be put to work in the paper mill at Lebanon. The latter establishment is to be increased to double the present capacity. There is much activity in logging on the Willamette, a few miles above Cor-vallis. Reuben Kiger has sold all the vallis. Reuben Kiger has sold all the ash, maple and fir on his 500-acre farm on Kiger Island. The huyer is the Corvallis saw mill. The prices paid are: For ash, 50 per 1000 feet; for maple, 54; for fir, 51. The timber must all be cut and taken away within a year from next March. The ground from which it is taken is to be seeded by Mr. Kiger for grasses for sawing leads.

for pasture lands.



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