renting of patrol-boats, and the operation of the Wenatchee hatchery, as suggested by Fish Commissioner Little, of Washing-

has yet been declared against the brewery.

The rainfall in Astoria during the month

of March was 8.50 inches, which is 1.53 inches in excess of the average rainfall

SHEEP VALUES REDUCED.

Heppner Owners Will Accept Ten

Per Cent Cut in 1900 Prices.

sheepralsers independent of Eastern buy

Large Increase Probable.

Sheep in Eastern Oregon have all Win-

tered well, and indications are favorable for one of the largest increases on rec-

ord. Last year some bands yielded an in-

Sheep-Shearing Rate Reduced.

Wool Market Is Stagnant.

consigning, and say they can hold their

Mining Stock Quotations.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 1. + The official

closing quotations for mining stocks today were as follows:

5 Kentuck Con... 6 Mexican 9 Occidental Con 9 Ophir

1 Overman 75 Potom

17 Savage 14 Seg. Belcher 72 Sierra Nevada 05 Silver Hill 12 Standard 1 Union Con

13 Utah Con 12 Yellow Jacket ...

Adams Con\$0 23 Little Chief ..

BOSTON, April 1.-Closing quotations

Notes of Oregon Mines.

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oday as follows:

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fevelopment has proved it to be one

nothing but the open range.

HEPPNER, Or., April 1.—Some of the heepmen here concede a slight reduc-

for that month.

in the papers.

hundreds of acres.

for \$5 an acre.

strike is still in progress at the

FOR REWARD OF HAZZARDS

GOVERNOR ROGERS ADDRESSES PRESIDENT M'KINLEY.

Hopes Washington Men Who Assisted in Capture of Aguinaldo May He Promoted.

OLYMPIA, April 1.-Governor Rogers took the initiative today to secure recognition for Captain Russell T. Hazzard and his brother, Lieutenant O. P. M. Hazzard, of this state, who assisted in the capture of Aguinaido. The following telegram in this connection was today sent by the

Olympia, Wash., April 1.-To the President, Hon. William McKinley, Washington, D. C.: Sir-I sincerely hope that promotion may be given Captain Russell T. Hazzard and Lieutenant O. P. M. Hazzard, formerly of the Washington Volunteers, who were with General Funsion at the time of the capture of Aguinaido. can vouch in the fullest manner for Captain Hazzard. His character as a man and as a soldier is of the higest. Lieutenant Hazzard, his brother, I am told, is a man of the same stamp. "JOHN R. ROGERS.

"Governor of Washington."

NO MORE PUGET SOUND LOG RAFTS. Toredo Proved Too Destructive, and a Move to Columbia Is Made.

PORT TOWNSEND, Wash., April 1. Deep-sea log rafting from Puget Sound is at an end. The tug Tatoosh will sail from was injured at the Breitenbush lumber here tomorrow for the Columbia River, camps last Friday, and died in this city having in tow a big detrick scow used in the construction of the monster log rafts. The cause of the change of base of the Robertson Log Raft Company is due to the destructiveness of the toredo on Puget Sound. In future, all such rafts will be constructed on the Columbia Riv-When the big raft built on Puget Sound in 1900 was dismantied at San Francisco, fully one-fifth of the contents was ruined by the ravages of the toredo. It is said by the company that when rafts are constructed in fresh water such losses will not occur. As but a few days are occupied in towing to San Francisco, the toredo will have no opportunity to take hold of the logs.

According to leading sawmill men, ocean Shipping men say steam and sail craft cannot compete with rafts, which is assigned as the reason that ship-owners have made such determined efforts to se-cure an act of Congress preventing rafts from being towed on the ocean. The successful delivery of two big rafts at San Francisco last year demonstrated that this mode of transportation is possible, and this season promises considerable ac-tivity in that line, with Westport, on the Columbia River, as the base of operations.

VANCOUVER MAY PROTEST. Basket-Ball Team Incensed at Decis-

ion in Game With Multnomah. VANCOUVER, Wash., April 1.-The result of the basket-ball game at the Mult-nomah Club, in Portland, Saturday even-ing, between the ladies' teams of the Multnomah and Vanoouver Athletic Clubs is covered. Clubs, is extremely unsatisfactory to the members and friends of the last-named organization. The decision of Referee ickersham upon which the Multnomah team was declared to be the winners, is quite freely characterized by basket-ball enthusiasts and others who witnessed the event as being an arbitrary usurpation of authority, which was unwarranted by the recognized rules of the game. Considerable indignation is expressed by members of the team and the club over the marter and its accounted. the matter, and it is probable that a formal protest will be sent to the man-agers of the Portland team by the Vanteam, at its first meeting, which

The Commissioners' Court of Clark County convened today. An important matter which the board will consider is the appropriation of county funds for the purpose of advertising the resources of the county in the interest of immigra-The matter will be brought before the Commissioners by the Vancouver Commercial Club, which has prepared data for a folder setting forth the industries, resources, climate, etc., of the county. The Commissioners will be asked to bear the expense of printing this mat-ter. The Commercial Club will undertake to be responsible for its proper distribu-

will be held Thursday evening.

APPOINTED BY GOVERNOR. His Son-in-Law Gets One of Three Plums Shaken Off.

OLYMPIA, Wash., April 1.-Governor Rogers today made the following appointments: Professor A. Van Holderbeke, of Snohomish County, to be State Horticulissioner, vice G. E. Baker, term expired. William Blackman, to be State Labor

Commissioner, factory, mill and rallway inspector, vice W. P. C. Adams, term L. P. White, of Whatcom, trustee of

om Normal School, vice Jere Neterer, who resigned to become Superior

William Blackman, who was appointed State Labor Commissioner, railway, factory and mill inspector, is Governor Rogson-in-law. For the past four years he has been state factory inspector, an office which was consolidated with that of Labor Commissioner by the recent Legislature. W. P. C. Adams, the retiring Labor Commissioner, was one of the original Populists of the state, and Congress on the Pop in 1894. He was made State Labor Comdoner by Governor Rogers soon after the latter's inauguration, in 189

L. P. White, who succeeds Jere Neterer as trustee of the Whatcom Normal School, has been identified with the Normai School at Whateom, as its friend, since it was established. He is a promias its friend. nent business man of Whatcom,

ROOT DECLINES APPOINTMENT

Of State Printing Expert-Expected to Be Labor Commissioner.

SPOKANE, Wash., April 1.-Henry G. Root, of this city, has declined the position of State Printing Expert, to which he was recently appointed by Governor Rogers. The letter containing his resignation was mailed to the Governor last night. The appointment was for four years, at a salary of \$1800 per annum. Mr. Root had expected the appointment of State Labor Commissioner, for the duties of which he had been preparing himself for four months. He says that, while he is grateful to the Governor for the appointment, and to his freinds for their efforts

in his behalf, he prefers not to accept. B. E. Houghton, a Tacoma printer, who was an aspirant for the appointment Mr. Root secured, may secure the position vacated by the resignation,

SUPERINTENDENTS MUST WAIT

Supreme Court Holds Their Term of Office Begins in August.

OLYMPIA, April 1.-The Supreme Court today handed down an opinion of interest to County School Superintendents. The case was that of the State ex rel. W. J. Meredith, relator, vs. Boyd J. Tallman, Judge of the Superior Court of King Judge of the Superior Court of King
County, respondent. The Legislature of
1889 passed an act amending the code of
public instruction so that the term of of-

should begin on the first Monday of August next after the election, instead of the nd Monday in January, as heretofore. In King County the newly elected Super-intendent, W. J. Hartranft, demanded possession of the office in January, when the rest of the newly elected officers took sion. This demand was refused by County Superintendent Meredith, and the Superior Court of that county, under a judgment, ousted the relator and placed Hartranft in office. The Supreme Court, however, reverses this decision, and holds that there was no vacancy in the office of County Superintendent, and the lower court should have sustained Meredith's

MARCUS OPPENHEIMER DEAD. Washington Pioneer and Founder of

the Town of Marcus. COLVILLE, Wash., April 1.—Marcus
Oppenheimer, for nearly 40 years a resident of Stevens County, and founder of
the town of Marcus, died at Coiville yesterday, of old age. Deceased was widely known throughout Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho. He was one of the first settlers in this section. He was born in Germany, and came to Washing-ton with two brothers, Samuel and Joseph, both of whom died several years ago. He had traveled all over this sec-tion, and in early days was an Indian

was for many years engaged in the gen-eral merchandise business at Colville, but retired from active life about four years ago. He was never married.

The remains will be brought to Spokane this evening, and will be shipped to Portland for interment.

trader and Government contractor. He

Bert Brown, of Salem.

SALEM, Or., April 1.-Bert Brown, a young man, whose home is in this city, was injured at the Breitenbush lumber last night. He was working in the woods and was struck by a tree which swerved from its course as it fell. The deceased was a son of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Brown, of this city, and was 26 years old, The remains were burled this afternoon, the funeral services being conducted by Rev. H. L. Pratt, of the United Evangel-

DIED FROM EXPOSURE.

Washington Man Who Went Into

Barn to Spend the Night. SOUTH BEND, Wash., April 1.—The dead body of Charles Anderson was found yesterday morning in W. D. Paulding's barn, near Willapa. The deceased had a railroad ticket in his pocket to South log rafting has become a permanent fea-ture of the lumber trade, and for the de-livery of heavy timbers, piles and spars. Bend. He had just completed a term in the Walla Walla Penitentiary for bur-glary. It is supposed that he was on his way home, and got left in changing cars at Chehalis, and started to walk to this place, as he was seen staggering along the railroad track above Wiliapa, Friday morning. He presumably went into the barn where he was found to spend the night, and died from exposure, as the weather was cold. His home was near Ovsterville. He was aged 27 years, and not very bright mentally.

Wilson Man Gets a Job.

OLYMPIA, Wash., April 1.-A. W. Frater, of Seattle, was today appointed by Secretary of State Nichols to be statisti-cian in that department. Mr. Frater's duties will be principally to compile and edit a work on the state's resources for immigration purposes, and his salary will be \$1800 a year. The appointment is made under the law of 1895, the law governing the matter passed at the recent session being null and void because Lieutenant Governor McBride failed to sign it.

A. W. Frater is a prominent Wilson Republican. He has twice been before th Republican State Convention as a candi date for Attorney-General, but failed both times of nomination. Secretary Nichol himself is a follower of ex-Senator Wil-

Legislators to Consult Constituents. VICTORIA, B. C., April 1.-The Legis-lature will be adjourned for two weeks from Wednesday to allow members to consult their constituents on the railway question, the government having decided to be guided entirely by its supporters on

this question.

The budget speech will not be delivered of the Board of Regents of the normal this question. that Finance Minister Turner will announce his retirement from public life to take a position as agent of the general province at London. This office opened in May, and it is expected that R. E. Gosnell, secretary to the Premier, will go over to open it. It will cost the province \$10,000 a year.

New Board of Audit and Control Met. TACOMA, April 1.-The State Board of Audit and Control met here today under its newly organized form, consisting of three members, Henry Drum, of Spokane; C. Reid, of Seattle, and Ernest Lister, of Tacoma. Under the law, the short term member, Lister, was ade chairman. The present clerks were reappointed temporarily, and the board immediately proceeded to the consideraplies for the state institutions under its | course it will pursue in the matter.

charge.
Nothing was done at the afternoon session, except to consider the bids for sup It will be three days before the awards can be announced

Landing for Pacific Cable.

VICTORIA, B. C., April 1.-The steam Oundra, which made a survey of this coast for a landing for the Pacific cable, has returned. It is understood that a more favorable place for landing than that at San Juan was found in Barclay Sound, and that the cable station will be at Alberni. Engineer Peake will go Australia by the steamer Miowera on Friday to select a landing-place in the south-ern colonies. A contract for a cable steamer larger than ever built has been let to an English firm. It will take 10,000 tons of cable for the stretch from here to the Fiji Islands.

Naval Station Bids Called For.

SEATTLE, April 1.-Blank forms for proposals have been received at the Chamber of Commerce from the War Department at Washinngton, D. C., for supplying the Puget Sound Naval Sta-tion with 29,314 pounds of steel angles, pounds of steel angle clips, 27,022 pounds of steel channels and 5375 pounds of steel beams, all to be used in the construction of an angle, plate and smithy shed at the naval station. In the same connection proposals are also asked for the purpose of selecting the best six ora-a quantity of teak and cherry lumber. The bids will be opened April 16.

New Northwest Mining Company. NEW YORK, April 1.-The Ohio North western Development Company, to deal in mining rights and operate mines in the States of Idaho, Washington, Montana and Oregon and in British Columbia filed articles at Newark, N. J., today Authorized capital, \$50,000; incorporators

Saloons Must Go.

C. V. Childs, James R. Kraphtoft and H

GOLDENDALE, Wash., April 1.—The ealicense ticket was elected today by a large The following are the newly elected officers: Mayor, Colonel E. W. Pike; Councilmen, A. C. Chapman, J. E. Chappell, W. A. McKenzie, H. B. Carrott, William Enderby; Marshal, William Van Vactor.

Idahoans Strike It Rich.

BOISE, April 1.-There is much interest here in the discovery of oil by Bolse peo-ple at Redding, Cal. The syndicate has for the County Superintendents partners that he has a fine flowing well. Ington. The syndicate's interests on the

HAS RURAL MAII

SALEM'S NEW SERVICE WAS BEGUN YESTERDAY.

Eight Carriers Are Employed, and Residents Within a Radius of 10 Miles Are Supplied,

SALEM, Or., April 1 .- Salem's rural mai elivery system was put in operation to-ay. Eight carriers started out with mail day. for all the residents within a radius of eight to 10 mies of the city. The car-riers had an extremely discouraging day upon which to begin their labors, for a heavy south wind has been blowing all day and considerable rain has fallen. Citizens Declare for Occupation Tax.

A mass meeting of citizens was held a mass meeting of citizens was need at the City Hall tonight to consider the question of an occupation tax. There were about 100 representative citizens present, and the sentiment was unanimous in favor of an occupation tax, provided an equitable distribution of the burden can be made. P. H. D'Arcy was chosen chairman of the meeting and chosen chairman of the meeting, and Frank Davey secretary. Over half of those present expressed their views on the subject. The prevailing sentiment was that voiced by W. T. Slater, that since the tax is a necessity, no patriotic citizen should question its legality. The city is facing a deficiency, and must lay an occupation tax or go behind, and the latter alternative should not be chosen. latter alternative should not be chosen A motion unanimously carried for the appointment of a committee of 10 to prepare a schedule of license fees. The compare a schedule of ficense fees. The committee is as follows: H. J. Bigger, lawyer, chairman; Isadore Greenbaum, merchant; George B. Gray, merchant; John
Holm, blacksmith; J. A. Simpson, liveryman; Thomas Holman, electrician; J.
W. Wilson, barber; R. P. Bolse, Jr.,
broker; F. A. Baker, merchant; J. H. Albert, banker, The committee will report bert, banker. The committee will report to a mass meeting of citizens next Monday evening and the report, if adopted

will be submitted to the City Council. Telegraph Operator Resigns. D. C. Sullivan, night operator at the Western Union telegraph office in this city, has resigned, and J. J. Fernandi, of Walla Walla, will succeed him.

Dividend for Bank Creditors. W. T. Slater, receiver of the Williams & England Banking Company, which went into insolvency in this city, a few years ago, today declared a dividend of 10 per cent to the creditors. This makes 95 per cent distributed upon all claims. There is property enough remaining to make up the other 5 per cent, so that in the end the concern will pay all expenses of winding up its affairs, and creditors will receive 100 cents on the dollar. Many of the creditors at the time of the bank's failure had no hopes of getting more than a small part of their deposits, and will be agreeably surprised to get all their money again. The successful manage-ment of the business reflects great credit upon the receiver.

Marion County Tax Collections. Sheriff Durbin today made his first pay-ment to the County Treasurer on account of collections on the 1900 tax-roll. The amount was \$6906 48. As is usually the case, taxes come in slowly for several weeks after the roll is opened.

Marion County Finances. The summary of the Marion County

n t-	Treasurer's monthly report shows the fol- lowing:
e - h	Cash on hand March 1 \$12,330 85 Receipts 6,314 96
	Total
8	Balance on hand Anell 1 - \$14 976 76

Reform and Mute School. The Board of Trustees of the Reform School and Mute School today ordered numerous minor improvements and repairs at the Reform School, aggregating cost over \$4000, and directed that fire escapes be placed in the Mute School building

Superintendent Will Attend. Superintendent J. H. Ackerman will go school at that place

teachers' institute at Roseburg, from Wednesday till Saturday \$5000 Franchisc Forfeited. The time within which F. R. Anson was required to have in operation an electric lighting plant, under the terms of a franchise granted to him by the City of Salem, over a year ago, expired today, and the condition has not been complied with. Mr. Anson gave a \$5000 bond to be forfelted in case he failed to have his plant in operation by April 1, and if the bond can be enforced, the city will be \$5000 ahead. The surety on the bond is a surety and trust company. While no reason has been stated why the bond should not be enforceable, there is a general feeling that it will not produce the amount promleed on its face. The City Council will

OREGON-CALIFORNIA MEET.

probably decide tomorrow evening what

Universities' Track and Field Athletes Will Contest at Eugene. EUGENE, Or., April 1.-Arrangements

have been prefected whereby there will be a dual track and field meet between the University of Oregon and the University of California in this city on May The California-Stanford meet will b held April 20, after which Berkeley will select her best 10 men to come North and meet the Universities of Oregon Washington. The meet with the team from the latter institution will occur in Seattle, May II. The Oregon-California meet will no doubt result in a victory for the southerners, although Oregon has strong team this year. The men are hard at work under Trainer Trine's direction, and there is plenty of good material on hand. The meet of May 7 will be held on the racetrack at Bang's Park.

This is the week of the regular Spring vacation and recitations at the University are suspended until Monday. Quite a number of the students will spend the

The senior class has elected C. C. Mc-Cornack class orator, and Miss Eather E. Johnson, poet for the class day exercises of commencement week. The tryouts for tors of the senior class, for places on the commencement day programme, will be held in Villard Hall, May 4. The senlors are now busy peparing their orations

as the Webfoot, will appear on Junior day. The class of 1904 has organized a tennis club, with O. B. Tout as persident and J. H. Rawistone, manager.

The college annual, which will be known

LARGE TIMBER DEAL.

Land Containing 40,000,000 Feet and

Logging Machinery Sold. ASTORIA, Or., April 1.-One of the largest timber deals made on the Columbia River for some time has just been closed at Cathlamet. The holdings of J. B. Yeon have been sold to the Pelton-Arm strong Company. The transfer includes about 40,000,000 feet of standing timber, besides the logging road and machinery used in several camps.

An instrument was filed for record to day whereby James A. Remick, of Michi-gan, acknowledges that he holds in trust for George B. Remick et al., a one-fourth interest in timber lands located as fol-fows: 14,960 acres in California, 41,560 acres in Tillamook County, 9400 acres in Clatsop County, and 5040 acres in Wash-

BIG SHORTAGE IN WHEAT Coast are represented by W. W. Curtiss, who is now in this city. Negotiations are in progress for the purchase, by foreign capitalists, of the

West property, at Westport, including the valuable mill site. Who is behind the SALEM AND MACLEAY WAREHOUSE deal is not known, but it is thought that FIRM SO CHARGED. some Michigan lumbermen who have rep-resentatives in this section are interested

If Farmers Would Stop This Abuse, Master Fish Warden H. G. Van Dusen opened his new offices in the Brown building today, and installed H. M. Bransford as office deputy. This evening Mr. Van Dusen left for Salem to-satiend to a meeting of the State Fish Commis-They Must Unite in Support of Candidates for Office.

SALEM, Or., April 1 .- About a score of sion to be held tomorrow. The principal matters to be acted upon are enforcement of the law prohibiting fishing on Sunday, Marion County farmers are grieving behouses of A. M. Humphrey & Co., of this city and Macleay, and can now get neither their grain nor its value. Such things as this have happened to Willamette Valfarmers year after year, and probably be a common occurrence in time to come. It is the same old story in ai-most every case. The warehouseman is an honest farmer, toiling beside his fel-North Pacific brewery, in this city, and very little can be learned about it from the proprietor or the strikers. No boycott lows, making an honest living and gain-ing the confidence of all who know him. He embarks in the warehouse business on a small scale, gradually enlarges his business, is given charge of the farmers' wheat without giving any security there-Captain Robertson, president of the Robertson Raft Company, says that there is absolutely no truth in the report that he intends to build a log raft to take across the Pacific, and the idea was enfor, lives well, drives a fine team, runs for office, and makes himself a good fellow generally. But suddenly his farmer friends are brought face to face with the fact that his prosperity has been built up on the products of their honest toll. They call for their wheat and are tirely new to him until he read about it met with a stony stare of supreme amazement that a farmer should expect to get his wheat back after putting it in a ware-house. The warehouseman gives no explanation. He can't account for the shortage in wheat or money. Both are gone. The only pertinent question is: "What are you going to do about it? I haven't tion in the price of yearling wethers of mixed sexes, and say they are willing to any property you can get hold of. A warehouseman has never been sent to prison. If you go to law about it, you take \$2 25 after shearing. A Dakota buy-er has secured one Not of 600 head, at \$2; but does not seem able to buy any more won't get anything, but if you give me time, I'll settle with you on such terms as I can." And the farmer settles on the at that figure, which is 50 cents below last year's selling prices. There is good grass all over Morrow warehouseman's terms, the latter goes on living a life of ease, and ranks as an

County, and the range has improved won-derfully. Where the grass formerly stood enterprising business man. Farmer Can Remedy This Abuse. in scattered bunches, sheep have tramped There are remedies for this sort of evil, however. The farmers have their it so that a carpet of fine, green grass covers what was bald spots, aggregating choice: To require the warehouseman to give security, or keep their wheat at home. The farmer complains that the hundreds of acres.

While values are low in Morrow County, sheepraisers are buying up lands and increasing their ranges. In that way they will be able to hold over their yearlings, instead of selling them at the reduced rates offered by Eastern buyers. The mutton markets of Portland and Puget Sound promise to render Morrow County sheepraisers independent of Eastern buyers. laws regarding warehousemen are not strict enough, and insists that the Legislature should see that the farmer is pro-tected. He also says the roads are so had in the Winter that he cannot haul his grain over them. Both these matters are within the control of the farmers. If they announce their intention not to vote for Legislative candidates who are M. Hager, a pioneer who has seen not pledged to the enactment of the laws they want, they will get them. If they Umatilla County lands increase to their present values, says that the poorest grazing lands of Morrow County are gorefuse to re-elect the men who are absent when the warehouse bills come up, or who vote against such measures, the bills ing to be worth \$10 an acre. At present good farming lands may be bought here in their interest will be passed. And probably not until then, for the ware-housemen find it to their interest to have

strong lobbies at the Legislature.

The road difficulty is also practically in the control of the farmers. The County Courts do not dare to disabey the mandates of the agricultural classes. As a matter of fact, the County Courts have ord. Last year some bands yielded an increase of 115 per cent, while the average was probably 100 per cent.

The weather at present is rather disagreeable for young lambs, being blustery by day and frosty by night; but many sheepmen now provide shelter for their lamb bands, where formerly there was nothing but the open range. been building mud roads for half a cen-tury, because the farmers liked that easy. way of working out road taxes. the farmers—the people most interested-take the initiative and demand the construction of roads that are good in Win ter, the roads will be built, and every farmer may then have his farm granary haul his wheat to market when the price

The Morrow County Woolgrowers' Association held a meeting here Saturday suits him, and be at the meroy of one less middleman. What the farmers pay out for storage would build their granaries: and reorganized. Its members resolved to pay 6 cents per head for shearing sheep this year, instead of 7 cents, as last what they lose by being at the mercy of warehousemen would go far toward year. In the northern part of Morrow County, where the wool is sandy, 7 cents building their roads.

will be paid, where 8 cents was paid last In the Humphrey matter referred to, there is talk of all sorts of proceedings. Some of the best business men of the The wool market here continues stag-nant, with more than 2,000,000 pounds in city are among those listed as losers. It appears that the shortage amounts to about 10,000 bushels. Some of the losers growers' hands, who hold it firmly for 12 to 15 cents. The only transactions for months are a few made by E. H. Clarke, propose settling with Humphrey & Co. at 50 cents on the dollar; others want to commence criminal proceedings, while representing an Eastern house, who is here to receive consignments. Mr. Clarke has secured the 1900 clips of the flocks the rest are waiting for something to hap pen. Developments have been awalted with interest for the past three weeks. owned by D. A. Herren, Barney Doberty and P. McDaid, aggregating 150,000 pounds. This wool will be shipped to Pendleton. it will be accoured and then sent Most of the growers are averse to

CORVALLIS, Or., April 1.—A one-ses-sion farmers' institute was held in the Oregon Agricultural College chapel Saturday afternoon. About 50 farmers were in attendance, Professor Cordley discussed "Wheat Pests"; Dr. Withycombe, "Ro-tation of Crops," and Professor Kent, "Dairy Problems." Much interest was aroused by the addresses. In the discussion that ensued the warmest interest developed. The farmers took so important a part in the proceedings that the addresses had to be curtailed for want of time. On account of the success of the meeting, another institute will be held here two months hence.

Eggs Command Fancy Prices. CORVALLIS, Or., April 1 .- On account of a rivalry between two local firms, an quantity of eggs is reaching the

Oil will be the leading business and the greatest wealth-producer of Washington within the next two years, and all those who profit by an early investment in the oil stock of the

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while it is selling at 12% cents per share will be the lucky winners. All treasury stock now sold will go in the further development of our property as now planned. We have no salaried officers.

Many large fortunes have been made in California within the past year by small investments at low prices of stock. Now is your time before prices advance. Our stock is going fast. We are receiving large mail orders daily, beside heavy local subscriptions. We have but a small block of low-priced stock left. People who have investigated our large tract of patented land of 1404 acres, near Tenino, Washington, WITHIN 15 MILES OF TIDEWATER, at Olympia, and on the main lise of the Northeen Pacific Railway, pronounce the indications the best in the West and have all taken a good block of stock,

The Pennsylvania expert who officially examined the property and whose report will be found in our prospectus, has taken several thousand shares, showing his appreciation of its value. The organizers of this company placed their faith on this expert report and advanced sufficient cash to purchase the best deep drilling machinery in the East and nearly enough beside to complete the first well. This machinery will at once be placed in position on the ground with the best and most experienced drill. lers in charge. All inquirles made at our offices or by mail cheerfully and promptly answered. Call or write for prospectus. All mail orders with remittances, address to C. Christopher, president.

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cents, or 2½ cents above the local mar-ket price. In fact, it is an advance on the Portland price. Because of it, eggs are pouring into town from all directions. The receipts at the two houses in question Saturday were 1370 dozen, or 750 dozen for one and 620 dozen for the other

Rain Suspends Farm Work. HILLSBORO, Or., April 1.-A heavy rain has been falling all over Washingon County today, and farm work is entirely

PRICE FOR SALMON. Columbia Fishermen's Union Fixes

It at 6 Cents Per Pound. ASTORIA, Or., April 1.-At a meeting of the Columbia River Fishermen's Protective Union, held this evening, the price of salmon to the canneries for the coming season was fixed at 6 cents per pound In means that the cold-storage men will a penalty of 3 per cent charged be obliged to pay fully 8 cents per pound for the large fish, John F. A. Johnson This means that the cold-storage men will for the large fish. John F. A. Johnson was elected patrolman for the union.

At the Council meeting this evening business to pay a license was withdrawn and a measure introduced imposing an annual license of \$25 on second-hand and \$22,000 was paid in before becoming delunk stores.

At Woodburn.

WOODBURN, Or., April 1.-The annual city election, held here today, possed off quietly, 198 votes being cast. The license quietly, 198 votes being cast. The license suicide this afternoon by taking strych-ticket was defeated by 12 votes. The fol-filme. It was a case of jealousy, his lowing Citizens' ticket was elected: May-or, S. Tomlleon; Councilmen, D. A. Mc-with whom he had been keeping com-

shal, F. C. Prevest; Recorder, C. F. Whitman; Treasurer, E. H. Wright.

At Cottage Grove.

COTTAGE GROVE, Or., April 1,-The inual city election today passed off without any incident of note. The two factions worked hard for their respective candidates. The result follows: Mayor, Hon. R. M. Veatch; Recorder, J. E. Young; Councilmen, J. K. Barrest, Oliver Veatch and J. C. Johnson; treasurer, H. Eakin. Mr. Veatch got a big majority for Mayor. The vote for the reissuance of city bonds was defeated.

Clatsop County Tax Collections.

ASTORIA, Or., April 1.—Collections on the 1900 tax-roll of Clatsop County were concluded by Sheriff Linville Saturday, will be commenced in about 10 days, and sesaments, amounting to \$36 31 were made by the Sheriff, making a total of \$134, 021 25. Of this \$169,718 33 was collected leaving a delinquent list of 134 362 63 This is the largest proportion made in several years. Last year the linquent.

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