

PASSED THROUGH SEATTLE

STATE RAILROAD COMMISSIONERS WILL BE IN PORTLAND TODAY.

Are en Route to San Francisco, Accompanied by Members of Interstate Commerce Commission.

SEATTLE, Wash., June 2.—The members of the 13th annual convention of State Railroad Commissioners, which is to begin at San Francisco Tuesday, passed through Seattle this evening. The party numbered 12 members. After the dinner, which will last three days, and will discuss topics of railroad legislation, they will return via the Northern route to Chicago. In reply to a question of the Interstate Commerce Commission, of Washington, D. C., are in the party.

IDAHO SUPREME COURT. Legality of the Creation of Clearwater County in Question.

BOISE, June 2.—In the Supreme Court yesterday arguments were heard in the Clearwater County case. Some time ago the Treasurer of that county made requisition upon the state Auditor for a number of the new annual \$500 liquor licenses. The Auditor refused to issue them on the ground that the creation of the new county was invalid. The Treasurer of the county then asked a writ of mandamus compelling the Auditor to issue them on the issue of the writ brought up the full case.

W. E. Borah and J. J. Blake, representing the county, contended that the creation was legal, because an amendment to the state constitution provides that new counties may be created, besides the constitutional restriction of the square mile, the whole territory to the sum of \$1,000,000. The resolution to put this amendment before the people passed the House of Representatives when 28 of the 49 members were present. But 27 of the 49 members were present when the amendment of the entire membership of the body must vote affirmatively upon an amendment resolution, and that at least a two-thirds of those present must so vote. Because this was not done, it is contended the amendment is invalid, and thus a county may be created by the Legislature without the \$1,000,000 taxable property.

UPPER CLACKAMAS HATCHERY. Everything is in Readiness for Active Work.

OREGON CITY, Or., June 2.—Cyrus Crumley, superintendent of the Upper Clackamas hatchery, is here today, and will start on his return trip tomorrow, having everything in readiness for active work. The racks are all placed in position, and the flume that carries water to the plant has been repaired. There is now a good run of salmon in the Upper Clackamas, and a good season's catch of salmon eggs is assured. The meshhouse, a small log structure, was burned the day before Mr. Crumley and his crew started out, but the only loss to the state was the dishes burned. All the food supply, except a few potatoes, was lost, but the

cook stove was only slightly damaged. The men came out to the settlement to a supply of food, and Mr. Crumley and Mr. Ulrich continued on his trip to Oregon City, to report progress to the Fish Commission. The building caught fire under the soil in this vicinity, the men were at work about a quarter of a mile away.

GREAT IRRIGATION SYSTEM. Work to be Commenced at Once on Ditch Near Baker City.

BAKER CITY, June 2.—All arrangements have been completed for the construction of the great Powder River irrigation system which the Powder River Land & Irrigation Company has been preparing to build for several months past. This canal, when completed, carry water sufficient to irrigate at least 50,000 acres of land. About 20,000 acres will be brought under cultivation at once. J. C. Ulrich, United States engineer, has made a final examination of the land available for irrigation in the vicinity of Baker City, and he has pronounced it all first class. Mr. Ulrich says that owing to the fact that there is a stratum of hardpan underlying the soil in this vicinity, the farmer will be able to get along with much less water and yet produce better crops than would be possible where there is gravel or porous clay under the soil. The purpose is to push the work on the main ditch, so that by next season at least 25,000 acres of land can be irrigated.

Baker City Natatorium. BAKER CITY, June 2.—The work of erecting a natatorium in the eastern part of the city will be commenced the first of next week. The building, for which the plans have been prepared, will be 100 by 100 feet. The main pool will be 50 by 100 feet, and range in depth from 3 to 10 feet. About 80 bathtubs, including the private plunge baths, will be provided. In addition to the main recreation room there will be two large parlors. The purpose is to make this natatorium very complete in all its appointments. The building will be quite an ornament to the eastern portion of the city. The natatorium is to be completed and ready to open within the next 90 days.

Northwest Pensions. WASHINGTON, June 2.—Pensions have been granted as follows:

Oregon—Increase, James Handley, Portland, \$9; Thomas J. Blair, Pendleton, \$12; Joseph Dinnels, Silverton, \$5; William P. Hopkins, Company 36, Seventh Infantry, Harrisburg, \$12; Charles Horn, Oregon City, \$12; Original, Charles C. Jackson, Silver Lake, \$5; Original Widows, Emma Johnson, Woodburn, \$8.

Washington—Increase, Gotthold Janig, Fairhaven, \$10; Gideon W. Foster, New Whatcom, \$17; Ashley W. Holland, Spokane, \$10; John Carmody, Spokane, \$12; Original, Walter S. Lewis, Seattle, \$10; Idaho—Walter S. McArthur, Boise, \$6.

Transfers Ordered. WASHINGTON, June 2.—Corporal Samuel F. McColeman, Company 36, Seventh Infantry, Vancouver Barracks, has been transferred to the Twenty-eighth Infantry, organizing at that post. The same transfer was made to the residence of E. C. Cross, in this city, under the auspices of the I. O. O. F.

Hospital Matron Resigned. SALEM, Or., June 2.—Mrs. E. M. Holton has resigned her position as matron of the Salem Hospital.

Warm weather weakens, but Hood's Sarsaparilla strengthens, regardless of the season. Try it.

BACCALAUREATE SERMON

ADDRESS TO WILLAMETTE UNIVERSITY GRADUATES.

Delivered by Rev. J. R. T. Lathrop, of Grace Church, Portland—Other Commencement Events.

SALEM, June 2.—The annual baccalaureate sermon at Willamette University was preached this morning by Rev. J. R. T. Lathrop, pastor of Grace M. E. Church, of Portland. In introducing his subject, Dr. Lathrop said that it was with some hesitancy he undertook the important task of addressing the first graduating class of this institution in the 20th century. He reminded the students that they are only a small part of the great class of thousands of graduates who go out this year from all the colleges and universi-

DECLINE IN WOOL LOOKED FOR.

The Opinion of Leading Growers in Eastern Oregon.

BAKER CITY, June 2.—S. A. Helmer, of this city, one of the largest woolgrowers in Eastern Oregon, is of the opinion that the price of wool will not advance this season, but, on the contrary, he expects the ruling price for Eastern Oregon wool to decline to about 7 cents per pound and remain there for some time. Mr. Helmer has about 50,000 pounds of wool on hand, which includes a greater portion of last year's clip. He is receiving more wool every day which he is storing to await an advance in price. One reason, in the opinion of Mr. Helmer and other prominent woolmen, for the decline in the price of wool is the fact that wool has been so high that manufacturers of pure woolen goods have been obliged to advance the price of

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If your druggist cannot supply you, send one dollar and we will express a large bottle to you, all charges prepaid. Be sure you give us your name and address. Address, J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass.

Wanted: Men and women without schoolroom experience, and a small percentage of them were successful in obtaining certificates.

The Wasco Warehouse Milling Company is erecting a new grain warehouse on the bank of the Columbia at Columbus, Klickitat County. The building will be 80x90 feet, and have a capacity of 100,000 bushels of grain.

Considerable indignation has been created in the neighborhood of 12 miles west of Davenport on Hawk Creek by dynamiting of fish. Hawk Creek is a favorite stream for trout fishing, but owing to these depredations the water is now filled with dead fish.

An important sale of sheep has recently been consummated near Colfax, by which H. M. Johnson, a prominent stockman and citizen of Colfax, becomes half owner of a band of 300 head of sheep, formerly owned by Alexander Smith. The price paid was \$250 per head, including all lambs. The sale also includes the privilege of the range known as the "Flag Pole" range near Hay station, the land being owned by the Northern Pacific Railway Company.

A contest at Aberdeen is on between Alderman Stewart, the Mayor, City Attorney and other Aldermen. The Council ordered Stewart's arrest for erecting a fence on the city highway, which Stewart claims is his property. The Street Commissioner tore down the fence, and another was put up. Stewart has now brought suit against the officials to enjoin them from interfering with him and for damages alleged to have been sustained by his arrest. A long litigation and trouble is expected.

BURGLARS BURNED A TOWN

After Committing Two Robberies They Set Fire to the Place.

BEAUMONT, Tex., June 2.—The town of Jasper was entirely wiped out by fire today. Seventeen houses, including several business houses in the place, and a number of residences, were destroyed. The town has no fire department. Previous to the fire the Postoffice and the office of the County Treasurer had been blown open and robbed. The conclusion is that burglars blew open these safes and then set fire to the town to create excitement that would afford them an opportunity to escape. The loss by fire is estimated at \$100,000. The robbers escaped. It is not known how big a haul they made.

Quincy Wholesale House Burned.

QUINCY, Ill., June 2.—Fire destroyed the wholesale house of the Tenk Hardware Company today and damaged adjoining property. The fire was started by a defective electric light wire, and George Schlag, chief of the fire department, was badly burned by the current. The total loss is \$75,000, covered by insurance.

Archbishop Keane's Order.

ST. PAUL, June 2.—Archbishop Keane has ordered that hereafter all candidates for the priesthood in his jurisdiction shall complete their studies at St. Paul Seminary instead of at Montreal, as has been customary. This will greatly increase the attendance at the local institution and will necessitate the erection of new buildings.

"Bob" Noble recently sold 25,000 head of sheep and has driven them to his corral on Louise Creek to be delivered. The prices paid ranged from \$25 to \$25.00 a head.

NORTHWEST DEAD.

Captain Clarence Cox. VICTORIA, B. C., June 2.—Captain Clarence Cox, one of the best known sailing captains who for years cruised to Behring Sea and latterly had been master of river steamers on the Yukon, died suddenly at his residence this morning. Heart failure is said to have been the cause.

R. L. Russell.

OREGON CITY, June 2.—R. L. Russell, until two years ago postmaster and merchant at Parkplace, died this evening of typhoid fever. He was a prominent wood contractor. He was 37 years old.

Postoffice Moved.

BLACKFORD, June 2.—The postoffice at Blackfoot, Idaho, has been moved to a building owned by C. W. Berryman.

Washington Notes.

It is reported that Tacoma will have another afternoon newspaper. Preparations are being entered into to entertain the Editorial Association, which is to meet in Hoquiam in August.

Pomeroy citizens have voted in favor of issuing bonds for a city water system, 15 miles long from Tukannon Creek. The cost will be about \$50,000.

At the recent examination of teachers there was a total of 92 Applicants in all the counties of the state, 105 of whom wrote to raise grades. Only 326 certificates were issued.

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Several large woolgrowers in this section of the state have long regretted the high price which wool attained last year, because they could see that the result would be to encourage the production of mixed goods, which could be sold at a much lower figure. The more mixed goods manufactured and sold, the less demand there will be for wool, and down will go the price. Such a condition of affairs seems to be the result of the wool market all over the country. The price for extra fine lots of wool will remain up, but common grades are bound to decline, or at least that seems to be the opinion of the best-posted growers in this section of the state.

Johnny Wolf's crew, or the first Juniors, are working hard and showing up well. The crew had the look of being slow but they are gradually being worked up to it. They are looked upon as a strong junior crew, and will put up a similar race to that of last year's Juniors.

Last week Smith, Grimes, Babb and Rogers formed a well-proportioned junior crew, averaging about 150 pounds, and are evidently bound for Victoria, B. C., next July, judging from the amount of training. Later, when the excitement waxes hot, they intend taking an early morning row as well as