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OLYMPIA, April 15.—Governor McBride evidently has little faith in statements given out by the Goss Contracting Company, which is building the capital annex.

Referring to the statement of the firm's superintendent that work would be suspended on the Capitol annex for probably three months, and the general impression resulting therefrom that the Capitol will not be ready for the next Legislature, the Governor said, very emphatically:

"Those who incline to the belief that the Capitol annex will not be built, or that it will not be finished in time for the next session of the Legislature, are very much mistaken. I see no reason whatever why the building cannot be completed within that time. I have examined all the sub-contractors which have been awarded by Contractor Goss, and am satisfied that they bear out that idea. The contract for the steel trusses for the domes, which calls for completion by November 1, is the chief item, and if that contract is completed, and there is no reason why it should not be, the rest of the work will be easy. The public is needlessly alarmed.

The people of Olympia may rest assured that the Capitol is going to be built." And now Contractor Goss is out with a statement in line with the foregoing. Notwithstanding his superintendent is responsible for the information as to shutting down work indefinitely, Mr. Goss says matters are all right. However, the construction company has been having so many troubles, and work has proceeded so slowly, there are few people who believe the superintendent's opinion given out to the effect that the building will be completed, or even the legislative halls finished by the time the Legislature meets.

Seabey Receives His Commission. J. D. Seabey has received his commission as receiver of the Olympia Land Office, at which position he was reappointed some weeks ago. There was considerable talk of a fight against Mr. Seabey's reappointment, but he seems to have been the gainer thereby. His commission is dated March 5, 1902, and is for four years. His term expires on June 1, 1906, so that he really gained a year of extra-official service.

State Issues \$60,000 School Bonds. Governor McBride and State Auditor Atkinson today issued 12 bonds of \$5000 each against the permanent school fund, under the law providing for the investment of the permanent school fund, for the payment of state warrants. All told, there are state bonds now issued amounting to \$1,300,000.

E. L. SMITH TALKS ABOUT FRUIT. Enthusiastic Meeting at Newberg. Where Unions are Being Formed. NEWBERG, April 15.—The Newberg Small Fruit Association is being organized here, and the horticulturists of this vicinity are turning their attention toward the raising of strawberries. They are endeavoring to form a union similar to that of Hood River, for the purpose of making strawberry culture a recognized industry here on a business basis. Hon. E. L. Smith, of Hood River, president of the State Board of Horticulture, addressed the citizens here last night on "Fruit Unions." He was accompanied by Horticultural Commissioners Newell, of Milleville, and Reynolds, of Salem.

In the course of his paper Mr. Smith reviewed the conditions of general business co-operation, and declared the fact that of all industrial classes the farmer is the least inclined to profit by united and organized effort. Mr. Smith admitted that fruit unions had their weak points as well as their strong, such as the possible incompetency of the manager or board of control, and the disloyalty of some stockholders to their organization. However, he declared that these points may and must be overcome, for in this day the only means of success is by co-operation.

At the close of his address Mr. Smith conducted an open parliament, answering many practical questions relative to strawberry culture and the working of fruit unions. He gave an interesting account of the history of the industry at Hood River, and of the evolution of the market which has resulted from the organization of their union. In his opinion the industry can be made a great success here, where conditions are naturally so favorable.

Commissioners Reynolds and Newell spoke briefly, the latter emphasizing the need of careful preparation of the soil before planting the berries, and the thorough cultivation of the plants. Before the meeting closed the discussion turned to the apple industry, in which Mr. Smith is especially interested. The question of various fruit crops, which precipitated the oral argument on the value of the Ben Davis. Mr. Smith was very pronounced in his opinion against this apple, and on it being suggested that much money had been made off them he raised a hearty laugh by the quick retort that lots of money was also made by breaking into banks, but he didn't want to make his money that way. It was remarked that the market was being opened in China for the Ben Davis, but the speaker expressed strong doubts on the proposition, saying that the Chinese are not the "heavenly Chineses" than to believe he could be so imposed upon. The discussion caused much merriment.

WOOD WIRES HIS ACCEPTANCE.

Democrat Who Will Make Race for United States Senator.

SALEM, April 15.—The certificates of nomination of all the Democratic candidates for state and Congressional offices were filed in the office of the Secretary of State today. The certificates were signed by A. D. Stillman, chairman of the convention, and Charles V. Galaway, secretary. All the candidates have filed acceptances, except J. K. Weatherford, nominee for Congress in the First district, and R. F. Bonham, nominee for Supreme Judge. A certificate of the nomination of C. E. S. Wood for United States Senator was also forwarded to the Secretary of State, but as the convention officers neglected to make the required affidavit it was returned for completion. Mr. Wood has telegraphed his

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DALLAS, Or., April 15.—That oil has been struck on the Whitaker farm near here is the belief of everyone in this section, but those in a position to know refuse to talk. At any rate, boring has stopped, and casing commenced, preparatory to "shooting" the well. It is known that the drill was in oil rock, and considerable gas is now escaping.

It is reported that Mr. Whitaker, owner of the land on which the well is located, has been offered \$200 per acre for his holdings, which would amount to about \$200,000, but he refuses to sell. An effort is being made by several men in this locality to lease land in the vicinity of the Whitaker farm for the purpose of boring for oil.

To Resume Boring for Oil. BAKER CITY, April 14.—A message from Vale, Malheur County, received in this city yesterday, announces that the Sol Hirsch oil syndicate, of Portland, will resume boring for oil in a few days.

SOWING FLAXSEED. Proprietor of New Salem Mill Begins Work in Polk County. SALEM, April 15.—Eugene Bosse, the proprietor of the flax mill in this city, is now busy sowing the flaxseed for the crop of 1902. He began sowing in the tract leased from farmers in the Polk County hills. The electric motor which will be the source of power at the mill until water power can be secured, was installed today.

Tax Money Turned Over. Sheriff Durbin today paid into the County Treasury \$50,485.75, collected recently on the taxroll of 1901.

Commercial Club Rally. The Greater Salem Commercial Club will hold a meeting in the City Hall tomorrow evening for the purpose of arranging for a club rally to be held some time in May. The subject of a Fourth of July celebration will also be considered.

Good Salem Improvement. SALEM, Or., April 15.—An important piece of property improvement was commenced today when workmen began tearing out the brick front of the R. M. Wade & Co. store on Commercial street. This is one of the largest business houses in town, but as it was built 30 years ago, it is old-fashioned. A new front with large plate-glass windows will be constructed, and the building will be made entirely modern in arrangement. After this improvement has been completed Salem will have remaining but very few of the old-fashioned business blocks, and will have many structures that give the town an up-to-date appearance.

New Mining Corporation. BAKER CITY, April 15.—Articles of incorporation of the Gem Mining Company have been filed with the County Clerk. The incorporators are Albert Geisler, William Polman and D. W. French. The capital stock is placed at \$100,000, with shares at the par value of \$1. This is the noted mine from which a large number of very rich specimens were recently taken for the Oregon exhibit at the Charleston Exposition.

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Vote to Admit Women Delegates. DALLAS, Or., April 14.—The Oregon Conference of the United Evangelical Church today unanimously decided to admit women delegates to both the annual and general conferences. The statistical report showed an increase of 111 during the past year, and a total membership of 1528. The receipts from all sources were \$256; expenditures, \$408. Officers were re-elected as follows: C. C. Poling, trustee; B. J. Kelly, secretary; J. Bowersox, treasurer.

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The accident is a mystery. The train was running rapidly over a level stretch of open, sandy country. Glancing back, the engineer says a great cloud of dust rising from the train. He threw on the reverse brakes just as the crash came which hurled six cars from the track. The baggage-car rolled down the embankment and landed on its side. The engine was thrown bottom up, and quite a way from the track. The mail-car was jammed into the earth and on its side. The passengers escaped with minor injuries. The track was torn up for 150 feet.

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WALLA WALLA'S WATER SUPPLY. How City Made Big Improvement in the System. WALLA WALLA, Wash., April 15.—How to increase the water supply of Walla Walla is a question that the old water company studied, and its successors, the City Council, are solving. The company's right to take the water of springs on its place and convey it over his premises, paying him \$1000 therefor. This right was transferred to the city with the rest of the property of the company. This land is situated about four miles easterly of the city. During the winter and spring the city had a force of men at work developing the springs. A large delegation of citizens yesterday accepted the invitation of Mayor Babcock and the Council and visited the work. They found that about a mile of trenches had been dug on bedrock from the main spring and other wet places and the water turned into eight-inch terra-cotta pipes, three of which, being connected, empty into a four-inch pipe, which flows with much force. The superintendent of the work declared "the flow amounts to 3,000,000 gallons every 24 hours." Another large spring included in the original project, which will give a flow nearly as great, is to be connected to the reservoir, thus giving a daily supply of between 5,000,000 and 6,000,000 gallons.

From the site of the proposed reservoir to the city the water will be carried in a pipe which will give a pressure great enough for a very forcible gravity system, and add the water to the existing system, which will give a total flow of 10,000,000 gallons. The general opinion of the visitors today is that good work has been done, and it should be prosecuted to completion. A proposition to give the city the right to complete the proposed gravity system of water works will be submitted to the people in the near future.

OUT FROM THUNDER MOUNTAIN. Miner Says the Camp is Much Richer Than Reported. WEISER, Idaho, April 15.—Pat Rasche, who has been at Thunder Mountain since November, arrived this afternoon, bringing glowing accounts of the richness of the new Eldorado. He says that half of the richness of the camp has never been told, and that no man would believe it unless he saw it himself. The Dewey Mine has been worked down for some time, because men will not work there when they can make four or five times as much per day at locating claims. Mr. Rasche has a large amount of coarse gold that he panned out far up on the hillsides. He says there is much good placer ground there that will be worked this summer. Mr. Rasche has come out at the request of his partners who have a hand for some of their properties. He is an experienced miner, and has mined in many states, but has never seen such a showing as is at Thunder Mountain. He says the mine is rich in gold, and he has five days' coming from the camp to Council.

Death of Admiral Kempf's Wife. OAKLAND, Cal., April 15.—Mrs. Cornelia Selby Kempf, wife of Rear-Admiral Kempf, United States Navy, is dead in this city. The cause of death was acute pneumonia. Rear-Admiral Kempf, who returned from the command of the China squadron March 19, was with his wife when she died. Mrs. Kempf was a daughter of ex-Mayor Selby, of San Francisco.

Accepts Chair at Berkeley. ITHACA, N. Y., April 15.—Assistant Professor W. O. Winters, of the Cornell University Department of Geology, has accepted a similar position in the University of California.

Oregon Mining Stock Exchange. PORTLAND, April 15. Quotations today were:

Alaska M. & M. Bid. Asked. Bronze Mountain 125 125 Carbon 15 15 Copper 15 15

SALE OF THE OLYMPIA. THE DALLIES, April 15.—Fire in a brick building on Front street occupied by Doc Smith, destroyed about \$5000 worth of property, and for a time endangered the whole block. The blaze originated in the dwelling portion of the building, where a stove had been left on a hot stove. The blaze quickly communicated to the adjoining store of Chew, Kee & Co., but was controlled there before serious damage to the building occurred, although the stock was partially destroyed by water and smoke. At 11:30 a second alarm was turned in, flames having broken out again in another section of the building, some further damage being done. The heaviest loss is on the brick building, owned by Max Vogt, and estimated at \$3000. Doc Smith's loss of stock and household goods amounts to about \$2000. The building occupied by Chew, Kee & Co. is owned by George Ruch. All are insured.

AGAIN IN TOILS OF THE LAW. Man Who Broke Jail at Canyon City Brought Back From Idaho. BAKER CITY, April 15.—Sheriff C. P. Lawrence, of Grant County, arrived in this city last night from Boise, on his way to Canyon City with William Maddy, who escaped from the county jail at Canyon City last Fall. Maddy was arrested for stealing bullion from the Red Boy mine. The theft is said to have occurred about the time that Geoffrey and Taylor were held up by highwaymen last Summer. Maddy is alleged, in collusion with several other employees of the Red Boy mine, to have