

reduce the burden of taxation upon farm-ers and land owners. Umatilia County will also advocate the enactment of a new and more practical road law, with the County Surveyor as general superintendent of all county

a fanning mill, as there are no other seeds in it to take out, and by stirring and skimming it. I take out the straws, white caps, etc., that interfere with drilling, One man can vitriol and skim more wheat in this way then he could clear in a fanning mill, and more than he can vitrio) in a barrel. So I find it economical and sure. It don't pay to raise smut. Onefourth smut on a 29-bushel crop means a loss of five bushels per acre, besides loss in price of balance, besides danger of blowing up machines and being disagree-able to work in. It easily represents a loss that takes off the profits, and gener-

rice. "I seldom run my seed wheat through wood depreciated and many were comwood depreciated and many, were com-pelled to let go of their holdings at about actual cost." When asked if the increased price of lumber in any way affected the price of cordwood, the dealer said that wood suited for lumbering purposes was never reduced to cordwood, while the increased manufacture of lumber produced a larger amount of slabwood and refuse for fuel that must be sold in competition with cordwood and the result was to contract rather than to expand the price of the cordwood. The price of wood in Salem is practically the same as for the same time last year. Big body fir brings \$3, good oak is worth \$4, while second-growth fir is worth \$2 50 to \$2 75, according to qual-The scarcity of first-growth fir has ity. increased the demand for good second growth fir and its consumption has been advanced largely. In fact, there is more second-growth fir wood burned in Salem at the present time than ever before. When the supply of second-growth fir has been exhausted then the shipment of cordwood to Salem will begin in earnest. Superintendent J. D. Lee, of the State Penitentiary, has given Farmer Porter a force of 10 trusties with which to clear tract of about 20 acres belonging to the state, on Mill Creek, west of the Reform School. The land is covered with a School. growth of oak and ash, which will be used for fuel in the prison chapel and the officers' quarters. The bulk of the wood that is used at the Penitentiary is

about three years ago, when Coquille City was able to muster enough votes to get it. The old Courthouse is to be sold to the gree.

highest bidder in a few days. The cus

every woman wise and comely. They are thrifty and contented to a marked de

JUNCTION CITY, Or., Aug. 21.-(Special.)--William G. Eaton died in this city Thesonly way for the outsider to get

panies of the Eight Infantry in command of a Major of that regiment have been ordered to replace the coast artillery Skagway. The One Hundred and Twenty-sixth has been at Skagway since May, having been ordered there from Fort

Captain C. P. Summerall is in

ronds. At present there is no system in making, improving and repairing county roads. No record of grades is kept and no scientific methods are employed in the construction of county highways. The bill will give the Surveyor a small salary as county road commissioner, so that with his fees he can devote much of his time to seeing that roads are made and repaired in a systematic manner, with proper grades and in accordance with modern scientific principles.

Another measure the delegation will vocate is one making corporations liable for injuries to an employe resulting from the megligence or misconduct of a fellow also a bill to establish a state board of health, with county boards; also a direct but graduated inheritance tax. A bill will also be introduced providing for the appraisement of lands but once This bill, it is said, will in five years.

lators, will strenuously urge the enact-ment of a law to establish a state grain ommission, which shall inspect and fix the grade of wheat and other grains. Senator Smith, who voices the views of the other members of the Legislature from Umatilla, says the wheatraisers of Eastern Oregon are very anxious for the passage of this bill; that under the present system Oregon has but three grades of wheat, while Washington, which has a grain commission, gets the benefit of an extra grade called "choice milling." This ade commands 1 to 1½ cents more a ushel than No. 1 wheat. The cost of grade maintaining a state grain commission is maintaining a state grain commission is defrayed in Washington by a tax of 59 cents a carload of loose wheat and 75 property, which consists of 19 full claims ents a car of sacked wheat, the railroads being required to collect the tax when lect their freight bills. As each car is inspected, the seal of the inspector is attached, indicating the grade of wheat. In this bill it is proposed also to provide for regulating warehouse charges, and weights and measures used in handling

### CLACKAMAS COUNTY BILLS.

#### One for State Control of School Books and Sale at Actual Cost.

OREGON CITY, Aug. 01 -(Special.)-Just what measures will be introduced at the next session of the State Legislature by the members from Clackamas County is largely problematical. Most of them are undecided, and have given the subject little thought. Representative Huntley said today that probably some changes would be made in the pharmacy law, but it was too early to forecast the nature of the changes that might be made. He is a member of the State Pharmacy Board, and, of course, takes a deep interest in all matters relating to the drug business. He believes the present tax law should be amended so as to remove the 3 per cent discount for early payment. Mr. Huntley says that the present law is an actual disadvantage to the small farmer, and there are many such in Clackamas County, as the average farmer has less money o spare in the Spring when the taxes ecome due than at any other time of the year. Mr. Huntley has the interest of his constituents at heart in this matter, for he is well able to pay his own taxes as soon as they are due and obtain the ben-

efit of any discount. State Senator Brownell, Representatives Huntley. Webster and Paulsen stand squarely upon the platform promulgated by the Republican county convention last March. They are opposed to any increase in county salaries, and have promised to labor for the following measures: Control of the school text-books by the

State of Oregon, and their sale to the people at actual cost.

Reducing the passenger fare in the State of Oregon to 3 cents per mile. A Precinct Assessor law. To raise a portion of the state revenues

ally ly more. "I believe if farmers would adopt this method, keeping plenty of vitriol in the bag in water, and let it be in water long enough to absorb vitriol before putting in wheat, that we would not hear many, if any, complaints about smut, especially if you choose wheat for seed free from smut, although I have got new kinds of wheat twice from others that was smutty, and sowed and raised no smut.

The delegation from Umatilla, backed by Union and other Eastern Oregon legis-in in vitriol water, if it be second-hand, to be sure to kill any live germs of smut sticking to It.

#### Change of Mine Management.

SUMPTER, Aug. 31.-(Special)-A deal ias been made in the stock of the Goldbug Grizzly, changing the management of that company. C. G. Laybourn, who represented Minnesota associates in the bought by contract. acquisition of the great Malheur porphyry dike, on which work has commenced for the erection of a 20-stamp mill, purchased the Griffith and Butterbaugh interests of the Gold Bug-Grizzly. He, with J. J. the Gold Bug-Grizzly. Hennessy, one of the original owners, on the southerly extension of the great mother lode passing through Cracker Creek district. A shaft is now down day.

100 feet on the property, the sinking plant is complete for a considerable more depth, and all is in readiness for the resumption of work, which is to be within Mr. Hennessy says that sink ing will be the plan of development, and work will be pushed vigorously from now eral Labor Union

### No One Was Filled.

LIVINGSTON, Mont., Aug. 31 .- It was earned today that no one was killed in the stage accident near Gardiner yesterday. Miss Mae Leonard, of Chicago, suf-fered a dislocated collar-bone and severe bruises about the body. Joseph Baird and family, of St. Louis, were also bruised and scratched, one of the lead horses was instantly killed, and it is miraculous, considering the nature of the accident, that the passengers escaped without loss of life.

#### Fire in Montana Mine.

BUTTE, Aug. 31.-The entire hoisting plant, pumping station and shafthouse of the Alice Consolidated Gold & Silver Min-Company was destroyed by fire to-THE day. The plant was one of the most modin the state. The loss is estimated at 000. Part of the fire crept down the shaft, but this being Sunday, no lives were down.

A flying spark from a passing engine is supposed to have started the fire as the holst had not been in operation for over a week. The flames spread rapidly and for a time threatened the mill and smelter and the town of Walkerville, only the veering of the wind saving them. The loss is partly covered by insurance,

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## READY FOR BIG CELEBRATION.

#### Business to Be Generally Suspended in Oregon City.

OREGON CITY, Aug. 31.-(Special.)-A meeting of the Federated Labor Union was held last night to complete the ar-rangements for the celebration of Labor Marshal C. W. Kelly apointed the following aids: B. S. Waker, Painters' Union; F.-W. Humphrys, Clerks' Union; J. J. Brown, United Textile Workers; J. K. Morris, Carpenters' Union: J. Fineucan, B. E. Dolan, Horace Williams, Fred Mosier, George Simmons, George Chambers, Fed-

Manager J. H. Howard announced the following appointments: Ticket seller, E. E. Taylor; ticket takers

at upper gate, C. M. Oglesby, John Fin-cucan; ticket takers at main gate, John Kelly, S. S. Walker. The parade will start promptly at 10 A. M. and after its arrival at Canemah Park, the exercises of the day will be held. J.

Morgan will deliver an oration on T. Morgan will deliver an oration on Labor, and G. R. H. Miller will recite an original poem. The number of floats for the parade is constantly increasing. This year is the first in the history of Conservice what the Government of the state Oregon that the Governor of the state has proclaimed Labor day one of general observance. All the banks and business houses in the city will close from 9 A. M.

until 4 P. M. The woolen mill and Crown Paper mill will shut down tomor-row morning and will not resume operationh until Tuesday morning. The Will-amette Pulp & Paper Company will per-mit any of its employes who desire to lay off, and should the majority of the men not work, the mill will probably shut

## Certificates for Teachers.

OLYMPIA, Aug. 31 .- State Superintendent Bryan has issued certificates to the following named teachers in Clark County as a result of the recent examinations Esther Brown, Dorothy Cooper, Annia E. Cook, Zella Cotterell, E. H. Drum, Gertrude Ewing, Pearl Hedge, Lucy Johnson, Ella Meaney, Flora McKee, Sam W. Neidigh, Laura M. Robb, Ellen Reilly, Florence Snodgrass, Grace Sawyor, J. B. Gehr, Thomas Bowman, Cora Cameron, Mary Cheyne, Clemitena Cameron, Lizzie Dolan, Joanna Frazer, Wm. Hargraves, Herwigh Lechner, Ray Morgan, Adina Malmstem, Luiu C. Owens, Alice Reid, Louise Sugg, W. Walter Smith, Maud

tom-house for the Southern Oregon district is retained here and John Morgan, who has also for many years kept the leading hotel of the town, the Arago, is Collector of Customs.

Marshfield, near the head of Coos Bay. is the largest town in the county, its population being estimated at about 2000.

It is a much younger town than Empire City, but its more rapid growth is due to the location. It is conveniently reached from all the sloughs of the upper half of the bay and from Coos River, the only considerable stream flowing into the bay. It was a convenient trading center, and that made the town and keeps it thriving. It has a shipbuilding yard, coal bunkers, a salmon cannery, cold storage plant and creamery. Its electric lighting and water service are supplied by private corporations. Nearly all the buildings are of

wood, and they range up to four stories in height. It is the northern terminus of a railroad 27 miles long, that extends into the interior to Myrtle Point, on the Coquille. That road was originally designed to reach through to the Southern Pacific at Roseburg.

velopment agencies began about 12 years ago. Coos Bay men did not start it.

vertised, and a few sales were made. All the townsite of Glasgow, with all its graded streets and long wharf, and East

rafiroad was built then and the boom fizzled. But while it lasted it was about the rosiest thing Coos Bay has ever seen.

Coos Bay is the commercial end of the whole County of Coos. The chief agricultural section is in the Valley of the Coquille, but the exportable products of that valley go to market through Coos Bay, although the Coquille River itself is an ambitious port. Lumber from the Coquille is sent by rail over to Coos Bay, and a caving of 50 cents per thousand feet under the cost of shipping direct out of the Coquille River. And so it is with other products. Coos Bay's superior harbor gives it command of all the commerce of Coos County. And that fact draws industries directly to its shores.

Two sawmills now in operation on the bay saw daily about 300,000 feet of fir lumber. Another to be put in operation in two weeks will saw 100,000 feet more. Three mills not running have capacity for sawing 450,000 feet, chief of these, of course, being the big mill at Empire City. Shinments of coal are now comparatively light and come from but one mine, at Libby. For the past two or three years extensive work has been prosecuted in opening up new measures and blocking out the coal for mining advantageously at the lower Beaver Hill mine, and it is said heavy shipments from that mine will be resumed the coming Fall. Shipbuilding plants on Coos Bay have a capacity for turning out 10 to 12 complete

into this region is to come by steamer, one days. of which arrives about once a week, or

by stage, 70 miles or more, so it is generally true that the newcomer lands at Coos Bay with an empty stomach or a perjured soul, maybe both. The stomach at the time of his death, and Mrs. Amanda Harper, of Colfax, Wash. He emigrated to Jackson County, Missouri, difficulty, at any rate, could not get to a better place for a remedy. These conditions are not conducive to communicain 1845. In 1846, his first wife having died, he was married to Miss Mary Bibee and their two children, Charles and F tion between Coos Bay and the rest of the world and so long as they do obtain, Coos Bay will remain an undeveloped country-M. Eaton, both reside near Colfax, Wash. In 1847 Mr. Eaton enlisted in the war with Mexico. He was mustered out in behind the times. This is, of course, no crime and Coos Bay people are entitled 1848. In 1858 he crossed the plains with to their preference so long as they can his family to Oregon, settling in Lane County, about 12 miles below Eugene, attain it. But the region is too rich to be kept bottled up at this stage of the and in 1879 moved to this city, where he has resided over since. Mr. Eaton at the time of his death, was probably the oldworld If Coos Bay will not or cannot dig out, others will tunnel in. Then transest man in Lane County. He was a member of the Christian Church. The formation will be inevitable and we shall funeral took place this afternoon, and the remains were hald to rest in the have a Coos Bay with a numerous population, large commerce and notable in-Odd Fellows' cemetery. dustrial activity.

One whose time is valuable will go to Coos Bay from Roseburg over the old Coos Bay military wagon road, the trip consum ing about 20 consecutive hours. There is another stage line from Roseburg, which

goes to Myrtle Point and there connects The boom to which Coos Bay people with the railroad for Marshfield. It in point when asked about large, new de- volves staying over night at Myrtle Point. Another stage line for Coos Bay leaves the Southern Pacific at Drain, but that Coos County business men subscribed and also kills two days. All through mail for paid \$75,000 to aid construction of the Coos Bay points goes over the Roseburg-Coos Bay, Roseburg & Eastern Railroad, Marchfield line, of which Liveryman C. and another railroad was talked of to P. Barnard, of Roseburg, is proprietor, reach the northern shore of the bay. The But it is no parlor car jaunt on the best town of Glasgow was platted on the north line and under most favorable circumside of the bay, and the town of East stances, as anybody will find who travels Marshfield on the east side of the upper that way. Those who may wish to make bay, Portland people being interested in railroad connection at Marshfield should both of them. Both were extensively ad- note that passengers are carried between Myrtle Point and Marshfield only every the real estate on the bay advanced in other day. And the management of the sympathy. A lone dairyman now occupies road is so unwilling to bind itself to any regular schedule that it will not handle the mail, because that would necessitate Marshfield is similarly metropolitan, No regular trains. So we have the rather unusual spectacle of stage coaches carrying the mail right alongside the railroad track for 27 miles.

Of course nothing is available here that bears upon the Grand Central Railroad project for Coos Bay. I asked Banker Bennett, of Marshfield, what he thought of the enterprise, and he said he had no inside knowledge of the matter, but that from what he saw on the outside he could shipped to San Francisco from there at find no particular reason to criticise it, "Those people don't ask us to give them anything and they don't ask for credit or other favors," said he, "therefore they don't give us ground to pry into their affairs. So long as they go ahead and pay their way I think we are bound to credit them with good faith. But I don't know anything about their main project." The Belt Line Railway Company's dock is practically completed, but the men cannot get lumber enough to finish it wholly. All the mills on the bay have greater demanda made upon them than they can meet. The construction crew is idle because of a change of plans to make the belt line a pile road instead of putting it on bulkheads. This made necessary some relocation, which the engineers are now engaged on, and President Greene says when the surveyors get ahead far enough the construction will proceed. President Cooks, of the Land Company, has camps established and about 30 men engaged in preparing the new townsite for occupation. It cannot be denied, even by

last night at 7 o'clock, of senile debility, at the age of 85 years, 7 months and 9 Lawton Mr. Eaton was born in Knox County, Tennessee, January 22, 1817, In 1836 he was

TROOPS FOR PUGET SOUND.

Eighth Infantry Headquarters to Be

ommand of a Colonel of the Eighth In-

fantry, now returning from the Philip-

pines with his men, the small quota of men now on duty at Fort Lawton will be

oreased, so that at least 400 men will

be regularly stationed there. With this large assignment of men increasing the

rank of the post a great deal of improve-

ment work will be ordered, providing for the transformation of the area about the

quarters into a beautiful military park. It is also ordered that the headquarters

and of the Eighth Infantry regiment

erts at the post it will be an attractive

to this department, for it is readily ap-parent from them that the War Depart-

will be a permanent branch of the depart-ment of the Columbia.

be stationed at Fort Lawton. With his men the fort will have five companies. To

this time it has been only a two-company post. Upon the arrival of the Eighth In-

fantry men the greater part of them will

Colonel Dougherty, of the regiment, will

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Boys Were Not Drowned. married to Miss Annis Hendricks, and they had two children, J. J. Eaton, of this city, with whom Mr. Eaton resided ASTORIA, Or., Aug. 31.-(Special.)-The three young boys who went out tomcod

fishing on the river yesterday and were supposed to have been drowned returned home this morning. They had rowed across the river, a distance of seven miles, to the home of a friend of the family of one of the boys, where they had remained over night. The eldest boy was 13, and the youngest 9 years old. The boat that they went in was a small and light skiff.

Mayor Hughes, of Baltimore, who entertained Prince Henry of Prussia on his visit to that city, has received no recognition of the courtestes he extended, but is shedding no tears in consequence



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