### INSANE MAN'S DEED

Sets Fire to His Own and Rival Drug Store.

THROWS HIMSELF IN FLAMES

Jealousy at Success of Competitor Provokes Eccentric La Center Druggist to the Awfal Act-Loss About \$5000.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Sept. 29.-(Sp. cial.)—Crazed by jealousy of his business rival and tired of living, Dr. R. S. Davis, of La Center, Clark County, Sunday night set fire to his own drug store and that of his rival, Mrs. Sarah White, and then took poison, having surrounded him

off with various weapons. The people were aroused by an alarm of fire and found both drug stores in flames The fire from Mrs White's building ig-nited the residence of J. W. Bennett, dock agent of the Lewis River Transportation Company, destroyed it and spread to a shoe store and a small photograph gallery, which stood between the two drug stores. All were completely de-

The body of Dr. Davis was found in his own building, surrounded by a dirk knife, a Colt's revolver and a hammeriess Winchester shotgun. Davis was an erratic nort of character, and had been up for examination as to his sanity. He had lived at La Center for nearly 25 years. He was very bitter toward the rival drug store, and everything points to the fact that he fired the property of his hated competitor, then that of his own, after which he took poison to end his life and and placed the weapons close in reach for use in case of an emergency, should be be discovered, or the poison fail to bring death. Davis carried a stock of goods hood of \$2000, which, together with all the property destroyed by the flames he kindled would foot up a total loss of about \$3000.

Davis hated Mrs. White, who kept the opposition drug store about 50 yards from his own. He imagined that she was unfair in trade and that her efforts were direct-ed toward injury of his business. Those who are acquainted with the circum-stances covering their trade relations say there were no reasons for this enmity Notwithstanding, Davis bore toward Mrs. White a constant feeling of unimosity and the destruction of her property by fire and the following suicide are the re-sult of the old man's insane imagination of wrongs done him, but which others

A few years ago Davis was arraigned before Judge Miller in the Superior Court on a charge of insanity. The complaint filed against him was prompted by victous actions on the part of the old man when measures were taken to build a sidewalk in front of his store. This improvement be positively refused to allow to take place, and he enforced his resolution to that effect by standing guard over the property with a shotgun. After hearing the evidence, Judge Miller decided that instead of being instane Davis was morbidly eccentric and ordered his release. Dr. Davis, the dead man, was S years of age, and had owned and operated a drug store at intervals since 1873. He has no relatives in Clark County, nor any on the Coast, so far as is known. Prosecut-ing Attorney W. W. Sparks received the information this morning, and has gone to La Ceater to make investigations.

#### SELLING STATE FARMS. People Are Buying Up Land Taken

by Foreclosure.

SALEM, Sept. 29. -(Special.) - State Land Agent L. B. Geer has sold all but 62 of the 240 farms he had on hand two years age. Many of there sales were based the last 12 months, since the real estate came strong. In nearly every instance the state has been able to realize as much as the farms had cost the sch is in a stee tarms had cost the school fund, and in some cases the state will make a profit. On the whole, the state will not come out the loser by its loans, which seemed so poor a few years ago. The farms referred to were taken by the Board of School Fund Commissioners by the foreclosure of mortgages taken to secure loans made to farmers in various parts of the state. Borrowers were per-mitted to get behind in their interest, and, seeing no way to pay off the accu-mulation of debt, lef the state take the land on the mortgages. Many of the forcelosures were effected during the hard times. Since more effected during the hard times. Since more prosperous times have arrived the forms have advanced in value,

and the school fund profits thereby State Land Agent Geer says that nearly make their homes upon the farms. While some of the buyers are Oregon men, a considerable number are Easterners who have recently arrived in the state. Geer says that sales are still being made and that the remaining farms are going

#### SHERIFF'S SALE ENJOINED.

Legal Proceedings Brought Against Benton County Sheriff.

CORVALLIS, Sept. 20.-(Special.)-At the Courthouse this afternoon there was to have been a Sheriff's sale of 20,000 acres of land for taxes due Benton County. The lands are what are known as the Coe lands, and were recently acquired of the Coast Land & Livestock Company by the Pacific Colonization Company. The delinquent taxes aggregate nearly \$3900, and were for the six years ending in 1900. Last Saturday night Sheriff Burnett and Clerk Moses were served with notice of suit begun in the Benton County Circuit Court to enjoin the sale, and proceedings under the war-rant for sale of the lands have been brought to a standstill.

grounds urged by plaintiffs for the injunction are that the lands were as-seased in a lump, while some of them were not contiguous; that the levy made by the court in some cases was faulty in that it simply stated "that the levy was 13 mills," instead of declaring that "a levy of 13 mills is hereby made on all property, etc."; that no session of the County Board of Equalization was held, and various other technical objections In May of this year, representatives of the Coast Land & Livestock Company appeared before the County Court and offered to pay \$450 in full satisfaction of the entire claim, as a compromise, urging at the time the objections to the assess-ment set forth above. The court refused the offer and ordered the lands sold, with the result above related.

#### POWER OF JUSTICES.

Can Set Aside Jury Decisions Not in Accordance With Law.

SALEM Sept. 29.—(Special.)—Judge Boise decided a point of law new in this state when he rendered a decision hold-ing that a Justice of the Peace has power to set aside the verdict of a jury because it is not in accordance with the law and evidence. In a Justice Court it has always been the rule that a jury is judge both of the law and of the evidence. The Legislature of 1839 passed an act over verdicts, judgments, etc., as are pos-sessed by courts of record. Under the sessed by courts of record. Under the authority of this law, Justice of the Peace E. D. Horgan set aside the verdict of a jury in a secent case tried by him, and fury in a secent case tried by him, and are coming in freely, and are of better the party aggrieved went to the Circuit grade than last year.

Court on a writ of review. Judge Boise sustained Justice Horgan and sent the case back for a new trial.

Under this rolling Justices of the Peace will have much more authority in the trial of cases than they have ever had be-fore. The case has attracted wide attention among attorneys here, and there was much difference of opinion as to what the decision of the Circuit Court would be.

THE GEM, A RICH MINE. Reported Good for a \$60,000 Yield Each Month.

BAKER CITY, Sept. 29 .- (Special.)-The Gem mine, located in the Sparta district, is keeping up its record as a rich pro-ducer. It was from this mine that a lot of rich specimens were taken last Spring, which attracted so much attention at the Charleston Exposition.

Superintendent Torrey, who has been in charge of the mill for several months past, reported that he took \$922 in gold from the plates as the result of seven hours' run on Gem ore recently, and the concentrates will average \$255 to the ton, At this rate the mine is good for a yield of over \$50,000 per month, Mr. Gelser says that it is the intention

of the owners to sink a deep shaft to the lower levels before attempting to work the mine extensively. The owners are the mine extensively. The owners are confident from the showing already made that they have struck another bonanza.

#### DISALLOWS ATTORNEY'S CLAIM.

Judge Boise Holds It Not a Charge Against Receivership Fund.

SALEM, Sept. 23.—(Special.)—Judge Boise rendered a decision today disallowing the claim of Brown & Wrightman for \$6560 attorneys' fees for services rendered to Gilbert Bros. in the litigation arising out of the clozing of their Bank, and to the receiver. In the trial of the case evidence was introduced as to the reason ableness of the fee, but Judge Boise did not decide this point, as he held that the services rendered were not a charge against the receivership funds, while the amount to be allowed for services to the receiver will not be fixed until the serv ices have been completed. Judge Boise held also that Brown & Wrightman are entitled to retain the \$433 paid them by

WHO WILL REPRESENT OREGON! Governor Geer Looking for Delegates

to National Irrigation Convention. SALEM, Sept. 29 .- (Special.) -- Governo Geer is desirous of learning the names of 15 men in this state who will attend the session of the National Irrigation Convention, at Colorado Springs, October 6 to 9. Oregon is entitled to 20 delegates to the onvention, and only five men have been found who intend to go. As irrigation is now one of the most important of the in-dustrial enterprises in the West, Governor Geer hopes to have Oregon fully represented. Those already commissioned as delegates from this state are D. H. Stearns, David M. Dunne, A. King Wilson and two residents of Utah, who formerly resided in Oregon.

BURGLARS TAKE JEWELRY. La Grande Store Loses \$000 Worth of Diamonds.

LA GRANDE, Or., Sept. 29.—(Special.)— The jewelry store of J. H. Pears was entered Friday night between the hours at \$500. At the time of the robbery lights were burning in the store and the streets were thronged with people. Officers have obtained no clew to the robbers.

Work at Fish Hatcheries. OREGON CITY, Or., Sept. 29 .- (Special.) The United States Fish Commissi abandoned Eagle Creek and Tanner Creek for propagation purposes during the bal ance of the season. Up to last Saturday 220,000 eggs had been secured at the Eagle Creek station, and after these have eyed they will be shipped to one of the other stations of the commission for hatching. At the Little White Salmon 8,228,250 eggs have been received, at Big White Salmon 2,151,000, at Rogue River 928,600, and at Clackamas station 400,000.

Concludes to Run for Senator.

ELMA, Wash., Sept. 29.-(Special.)-J. R. O'Donnell has decided not to withdraw from the race for Schator. He had thought it best to withdraw, in order to devote his entire time to rebuilding his mill, lost in the recent fire. The Republican central committee persuaded him to on a farm to earn his way through sch remain in the race, relieving him of the necessity of a personal canvass. this understanding, he has decided to remain on the ticket.

far only a few minor complaints have been made. This year timber lands are assessed at from \$2 to \$5 per acre. Last

Ask \$15,000 Damages.

THE DALLES, Sept. 29 .- (Special.)-A suit for \$15,000 damages was instituted here today against Scufert Bros. by Pete Johnson, a former employe of that firm, who received injuries at the Scufert can-neries some six months ago, resulting in the loss of one leg. The accident was caused by the breaking of a tackle used in connection with a seine mooring, which Johnson claims was due to carelessness on the part of the firm.

State Taxes Comng In.

SALEM, Sept. 29.—(Special.)—Baker and Sherman Counties today paid their state taxes for 1902 in full, the former remit-ting to the State Treasurer \$8970, and the latter \$4002. Under the new law authorising counties to pay their state taxes in two installments, there have been no delinquencies, but all counties have paid The last installment is due

For Director of Exposition.

BAKER CITY, Sept. 29 .- (Special.)-The name of John Waterman has been sug-gested as one of the directors of the Lewis and Clark Exposition from Eastern Oregon. Mr. Waterman is one of the leading financiers of this city, and he takes a keen interest in everything that is calculated to advance the interest of this section of the state.

McMinnville Schools Open.

M'MINNVII.LE, Sept. 29.—(Special.)—The McMinnville public schools opened today with appropriate exercises at the Colum bus School building. Professor L. R. Al-derman is principal and Professor Linden vice-principal. The assistants are: Miss Dotha Daniels, Miss Hattie Williams, Miss Dickison, Eva Hembree, Miss Green, Miss

ASTORIA, September 2. Special.)—Collector W. L. Robb has decided not to appoint a Deputy Collector for the port of Tillamook at present, as there is no business for one to do. If the need of one there should become manifest he has a number of applications to act on.

Salem Regimental Inspection. SALEM, Sept. 29 .- (Special.) -- Colonel George O. Yoran, of the Fourth Regiment, N. G., was in Salem tonight to conduct the quarterly inspection of Company F. He will inspect the Woodburn company

Tuesday evening, and the Albany com-

pany Wednesday evening. Beet-Sugar Factory Starts Up. LA GRANDE, Or., Sept. 29 .- (Special.) The Amalgamated sugar refinery plant at this place, with 350 tons daily capacity, started up today in full operation. Beets

TAUGHT SCHOOL 36 YEARS

J. K. BUFF, WELL-KNOWN MARION COUNTY MAN.

Past 60, but Expects to Serve for Several Years Yet-Some of His Original Methods and Eccentricities.

SALEM, Sept. 29 .- (Special.)-J. K. Buff, of Silverton, was granted his first teacher's certificate in Marion County M years ago, and has taught school every year since that time. Probably no other teacher in the state has as long a record of continuous service. Mr. Buff is past 60 years of age, but expects to serve a number of years yet by virtue of the life di-ploma which he carned many years ago. Though he is past the age when most men ease enjoying vigorous exercise, Mr. Buff elights in a spin over the country roads n a bicycle, and even when the roads are not in the best condition he thinks miles, in an hour and three-quarters. That is a very leisurely pace for him. When out wheeling he wears a white bi-cycle suft adorned with numerous brightcolored sashes and ribbons and glistening

e discussion at all teachers' institutes and his ready wit has added much to the life of many a meeting of that kind. He has a wonderful memory of facts, and has delved into all the arts and sciences for his vast fund of useful information. Orig-

J. K. BUFF, OF SILVERTON



WHO HAS TAUGHT SCHOOL 36 YEARS.

inality in his methods of presenting a subject or conducting a discussion makes him always entertaining, however dry the mat-ter in hand. He has given much attention to the subject of character-reading, and for his success in delineating the char acter of people whom he meets. He reads the character not only by the shape and development of the head, but also by the

of the and in this way he worked up to the end
With of the last year of the classical course in Williamette University. He did not gradu ate because he lacked one study, and this he had omitted because he had not the Equalizing Clatsop Assessments.

ASTORIA, Sept. 23.—(Special.) — The County Board of Equalization began its work this morning and will continue in session during the rest of the week. So far only a few minor complete. So He had the reputation, as a young man of being able to whip any other men country. At the same time he was not a trouble-maker. It is related of him by an year they were assessed at from \$3 to old friend that one time when he was attending school at Sublimity another young to from \$1 50 to \$3 per acre.

Though the young lady in the community. Though the young man was much Buff's superior in size, the latter promptly ordered the offender to prepare for a thrashing. The two doffed their coats and engaged in a rough-and-tumble, from which Buff emerged decidedly the winner. The bullics always gave him wide berth

At a teachers' institute once Mr. Buff was asked how he would open school the first day of the school year. "I wo call the school to order." he replied, "n tell the pupils I had been engaged to teach them, and would tell them what I expect-ed them to do. If the school had a hard reputation. I would tell the boys that I could outrun any of them in a race, throw any of them in a wrestle, or whip any of them in a fight, and if any of them in doubt about it we would go out in the yard and test the matter." That was yard and test the matter." That was Buff's style and yet it is said that he is one of the kindest teachers and seldom resorts to punishment of any kind. At recess he is a boy among the boys, but when school is in session he is the master. A man passing his school one Winter day beard a great turmoli going on inside, and went to the door. A huge pile of boys filled the open space in front of the desks, but no teacher was to be seen. "Where is your teacher?" he asked an "Where is your teacher?" he asked an urchin who had stopped for breath. "Down under there," he replied, pointing to the bottom of the heap. Observing the pres-ence of a stranger, the boys slowly un-piled, and Mr. Buff was the last one up. That was one way of furnishing exercis-

for the boys on a rainy day.

Another story told of Mr. Buff is that he always disliked wearing shoes, and many times when teaching he would start from home barefoot, carrying his shoes over his shoulder. When he neared the schoolhouse he would sit down and put on his shoes. With all his eccentricities he has been a very successful teacher.

BIDS ON GOVERNMENT HAY. Scattle Merchants Anxious to Furnish

Philippine Army Supplies. SEATTLE, Sept. 22.—(Special.)—Of the 15 bids put in for 2000 tons of hay and 8,000 tons of cats to be shipped for the use of the Army in the Philippines, Major Bingham sent the lowest bids to Washington. D. C., by telegraph, and he is ex-pecting word from there almost any time to award the contracts. At the same time

bids were opened in Seattle bids for the same supplies were opened in Portland, and, without knowing to whom the contracts will be awarded, it is known that the bids received in Seattle were lower than those submitted in Portland. The lowert bills received in Seattle were as follows: Hay-Bartlett & Foote, 800 tons at \$15 per ton, delivered at Tacoma; W. W. Hobinson, 1000 tons at \$15 40, delivery at Seattle; J. P. Fransioli, 200 tons at \$15 follows.

in 30 days from the award of the con-tract. W. W. Robinson also put in a bid for the entire 2000 tons at a figure of \$11 40 for Puget Sound hay, delivery at

Seattle. Onts-W. W. Robinson, 500 tons at \$22 65. delivery at Seattle; Balfour, Guthrie & Co., 1000 tons at \$22.85 and 500 tons at \$23.25, delivery at Tacoma; P. J. Fransioli, 160 tons at \$23 50, delivery at Tacoma; McDonald & McBean, 250 tons at \$23 50, delivery at Seattle.

#### PRUNE SALES AT SALEM.

Association Has Sold 35 Carloads-

Prones Are Rich in Sugar. SALEM, Sept. 28 .- (Special.)-H. S. Gild manager of the Willamette Valley Prune Association, has sold 35 carloads of prunes, principally Italians, at the association price, which is on the basis of 3% cents for the four sizes. This would be 4% cents for the 40-50 size, in bage. As the larger sizes are in demand, a quantity of 30s were sold for 5% cents per pound, which would be a 2-cent basis. All the prunes sold were for November delivery. and the association is out of the selling market until the fruit has been received and graded, so that the quantity under control of the association can be definitely

"Is the association buying any prunes this y ar?" Mr. Gile was asked. We are not going out soliciting prunes, but if growers wish to come to us to sell, we pay 4 cents for 40s. That is about what they are worth. We have reliable reports from Chicago that prunes have been sold there recently at that price for chipment from here, and, of course, a few sales of that kind prevent a higher price being secured very soon thereafter. The prunes sold at 4 cents were probably

bought from the grower at 3% cents.
"The prunes now coming in are of excellent quality, and are particularly rich in sugar, which should make them popu-

The association prunes are principally from the Rosedale neighborhood, as most of the members reside there. The huge power grader which was installed in the association warehouse last year will be started in a day or two, and then it can be determined how the prunes are running as to size.

#### CLARK COUNTY PRUNES.

Crop Being Picked-One Hundred Cars Less Than Last Year.

VANCOUVER Wash., Sept. 29.-The prune-drying season has now fully opened in Clark County. Little more than half a crop will be realized. The crop is light, particularly in orchards located in the lower altitudes, but fairly good on higher levels. The crop of the county is esti-mated at about 150 carloads, against over 250 carloads last year. The fruit is generally much larger and of better quality than usual. The present price is 415 cents for 30-40n. The drying season will last about 30 days. A number of dryers were put in operation last week, but on account of late rains many were delayed in start-ing until today.

#### SMALL HOP CROP.

Washington Growers Disappointed Over This Year's Yield.

TACOMA, Wash., Sept. 29.-Hoppicking in Washington is now practically over. Hopgsowers are disappointed over the yield, which is one-fifth below what was expected. Dry weather prevented the hops from maturing. The Western Washington crop, according to prominent hop-growers, will amount to 18,000 bales, as compared with 22,000 last year. Eastern Washington will produce 12,000, as compared with 14,000 bales last season. Oregon crops are just reversed, and will reach 80,000 to 30,000 bales, as compared

to 70,000 last year.

Laying British Cable.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 29.-The bark Captain Dodd, from San Pedro, Vidette. reports that on September 23, at noon, in latitude 27 degrees 33 minutes north, longitude 137 degrees 18 minutes west, she sighted a steamer laying a cable. The teamer was no doubt the Colonis, which left Puget Sound some days ago for the purpose of laying the British-Australian cable between the northern coast and Fanning Island. The position of the vessel when seen by the Vidette was about midway between Cape Flattery and Fan ning Island, and indicates good progress in the work. At Fanning Island-in the neighborhood of 1000 miles south of Honolulu-the station is said to be in full readiness for the cable. Other steamers are engaged in laying the cable between Fanning Island and New Zealand.

Fair Weddings Draw Crowds. WALLA WALLA, Wash., Sept. 29.-(Special.)-Four thousand people saw Judge Glasford perform the ceremony that made M. E. Galloway and Miss Mary Schell man and wife at the Fruit Fair last night. The couple were the recipients of many valuable presents; the largest was \$100 worth of household furnishings, given by one of the hig business houses of the city. Tonight occurred the wedding of Fred J. Rigaby and Miss Laura Russell. Tomorrow night will be the last night of the fair, and a large platform has been erected for a grand free dance.

Hatchery Site for Ontario.

BAKER CITY, Sept. 29.—(Special.)—Gov-ernor Geer, Secretary of State Dunbar and State Fish Commissioner Van Dusen were at Ontario Friday and Saturday, looking over the ground with a view to establishing a state fish hatchery on the Snake River near Ontario.

The location of the Oregon fish hatchers on the Idaho side of the Snake River was on the Idaho side of the Shake River was the occasion of a protest from the citizens of Ontario, last Spring, and the present tour of inspection, on the part of the State Fish Commission at this time was purpose of remedying this defect if possible.

Mail Snek Looted at Prosser.

NORTH YAKIMA, Sept. 22.—(Special.)— A mall sack destined for the East was stolen from the truck in front of Nelson Rich's store in Prosser last Wednesday evening, between the time of the locking of the mail sacks in the store, in which is the postoffice, and the time for the call for the bag by the mailcarrier. On the following day the remains of the bag were found, the bag having been slit open by a sharp knife. Though there were valuable packages in the bag, none

To Sow Grass Seed in Burned District VANCOUVER, Wash., Sept. 29.-(Special.)-The Board of Clark County Commissioners returned last evening from a four days' tour of the burned district, the object of their trip being to investigate the proposition of sowing grass seed in the territory covered by the recent fires. According to estimates made about 1500 acres will be seeded. Five tons of seed has been contracted for, although much more could be scattered to good advan-

McBride Grants Requisition Papers. OLYMPIA, Sept. 20 .- (Special.) - Governor McBride issued a requisition today for the return to this state of Earl Hanson, George Hart and Fred Bickel, who are under arrest in Portland. The men are accused of stealing 18 horses in Yakima County, September 15, and driving them necess the state line into Oregon.

THROUGH THE COLUMBIA RIVER as follows: Hay-Bartlett & Foote, 800 tons at \$15 per ton, delivered at Tacoma; W. W. Bobinson, 1000 tons at \$15 00, delivery at Scattle; J. P. Fransioli, 200 tons at \$15 50, delivery at Tacoma; John B. Stevens, 300 tons at \$15 90, delivery at Tacoma.

All these bids were on Eastern Washington hay delivery to be completed with-

#### M., E. CONFERENCE CLOSES

WEEK'S SESSION AT GRANT'S PASS ENDS LAST NIGHT.

Most Successful Held In State-Next Session at Snlem-No Presiding Elder Changes.

GRANT'S PASS, Sept. 29,-(Special.)-The Oregon Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, which has been in seesion in this city for the past week, closed this evening with the passing of the usual resolutions and the reading of appoint-

ments by Bishop Cranston.

The next session of the conference will be held at Salem. Nearly all of the visit-

ing delegates left for their homes this evening. The session just closed was the most successful ever held in the state. The appointments for the various churches of the conference were an-Eugene District.

Albany-M. C. Wire. Amity-T. L. Jones. Brownsville-M. T. Wire. Corvallis-T. L. More. Cuttage Grove-R. C. Lee. Creswell-C. A. Honsel. Dallas-E. F. Zimmerman. Drain-James Moore. Eugene-B. F. Rowland and E. C. Al-

T. I. Ford-Presiding elder.

Falls City-B. A. Bristol. Halsey and Harrisburg-C. E. Crandall. Independence and Buena Vista-S. Sny-

Jefferson-R R Hamilton Junetion City-D. L. Shrode. Lebanon-C. L. Hamilton. Mchama-C. F. Round. Monroe-J. H. Skidmore. Dhilomath. T. Santalied Philomath-To be supplied. Shedds-D. L. Fields. Sheridan-To be supplied. Siletz Indian Mission-E. H. Bryant. Springfield-J. C. Gregory. Toledo-C. M. Bryan. Turner-K. J. Hollingsworth. Wendling-Edward Gilling. I. D. Driver, lecturer in Williamette University and member of Eugene Quarterly W. S. Young, member of Eugene Confer-ence, was left without appointment to at-

Grant's Pass District. D. T. Hummerville-Presiding elder. Ashland-J. T. Abbott. Canyonville-J. C. Zimmerman. Coquille and Bandon-W. H. Myers. Fort Bidwell-W. P. Hepper. Fort Klemath-To be supplied. Girdiner-W. W. Edmondson.

tend school

Grant's Pass-J. W. McDougail. Jacksonville and Central Point-E. B. ockhart. Klamath Falls and Bonansea-To be sup-Lakeview-C. M. Smyth.

Marshfield-B. F. Peck. Medford-W. B. Moore. Myrtle Point-J. B. Hoagley. Salem District. D. A. Watters-Presiding elder Beaverton-S. S. Lee. Brooks-J. M. Sweeney. Canby-Andrew Monroe. Clackamas-S. W. Potter. Cornelius-P. S. Clemo. Dayton-R. E. Dunlap. Dilley-Israel Putnam. Forest Grove-S. F. Belknap. Hillsboro-T. H. Fertig. Sellwood-C. A. Lewis. Silverton-L. H. Pederson. Tillamook-Gabriel Sykes.

Viola-To be supplied. Woodburn-S. H. Greenlee. F. H. Brown, superintendent of Stickney Indian Mission Home and member of Salem First Church Quarterly Conference. Lincoin-R. C. Blackwell. Monogram-C. A. Stockwell. McMinnville-K. T. Atkinson Nehalem and Bay City-Walford Smith. Newberg-Hiram Gould. Newberg-Hiram Gould. North Yamhill-D. H. Leech.

Oregon City-W. S. Grim. Oswego-A. C. Fairchild. Salem-First Church, John Parsons, Lese Church, W. R. Gordon Portland District.

L. T. Rockwell-Presiding elder.

Mount Tabor-S. E. Meminger.

Portland-Centenary, W. B. Hollingshead; Central, W. T. Kerr; Chinese Mission, Chan Sing Kal; Clarke Church, F. L. Young: First Church, H. J. Talbott; Grace Church, J. R. T. Lathrop. St. Johns Church—To be supplied. Sunnyside—W. H. Selleck.

Trinity-Alford Thompson. University Park-C. T. McPherson. Woodlawn-W. J. Waltz. Portland circuit-To be supplied. Rockwood and Pleasant Valley-W. T. Ruinier and St. Helens-H. Moys. aside and Hammond-W. Hatch. Warren and Houlton-Lewis Davies. Astoria-V. Harold Oberg. Cedar and Troutdale-J. H. Wood. Clatskanie-J. A. Hawkins.

Clarate and Bridal Vell-M. Gresham-H. L. St. Clair. Knappa circuit.—Harvey Hill, Montavilla—C. P. Hester, A. N. Fisher, to be editor Pacific Chris-

tian Advocate. Portland Ministerial Changes.

Few changes have been made in the Portland district. The presiding elder, Rev. L. E. Rockwell, has been retained, and the pastors of the most important city churches will remain in the same pulpits for another year. Two members of other districts have been sent to Portland's suburban churches. These are Rev. W. H. Selleck, who comes from the Puget Sound conference to the church at Sunnyside recently vacated by Rev. H. B. Elworthy, and Rev. C. P. Hester, who has been given the Montavilla Church. W. J. Waltz goes to Woodlawn from Sellwood. while Rev. C. A. Lewis, the former pastor of the Chinese Mission, takes the Sellwood pastorate. A Chinese minister, Chan Sing Kai, will have charge of the mission. There are several changes in the country There are several changes in the country churches of this district. A former young member of Centenary Church and recent theological graduate, Harvey Hill, has been assigned to the Knappa circuit.

WILL SUPPORT UNIVERSITY. Members of Conference Pledge Their

Aid for Salem Institution. SALEM, Sept. 29.—(Special.)—General W. H. Odell, president of the board of trustees of the Willamette University, re-turned today from the conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Grant's Pass. He is highly pleased with the unity of sentiment shown in favor of sustaining the university at Salem. With one voice the members of the conference pledged their support to this pioneer edu institution, and volunteered their assistonce in raising the funds necessary to pay off the debt. President Coleman was given a very cordial welcome to the conference, and Sunday evening he delivere an address that was magnetic in its effects.

The ministers agreed to invite President Coleman to each of their pulpits this year. and to permit collections to be taken for the university. With this assistance President Coleman is satisfied the debt will be raised by January 1.

Senator Booth Endows Willamette. SALEM, Sept. 38 .- (Special.) -- While no subscriptions were solicited at the recent conference of the M. E. Church at Grant's Pass, Senator R. A. Booth, of Eugene, voluntarily contributed \$1600 to the debt

Abercrombic, now performing the duties of engineer officer of the department, has been ordered to join his regiment, the Thirtitch Infantry, stationed in the Phil-

First Lieutenant James B. Allison, Sev. enth Infantry, having reported at depart-ment headquarters, according to order, has been appointed aid de camp to General Randall

Doctor Jere Black Clayton, after completing his duties with ninbulance corps, No. 3, will report to the commanding of-ficer at Vancouver Barracks for duty. During the absence of Major J. Z. Max-field, signal officer of the department, Major E. T. C. Richmond, of the artillery corps, will take temporary charge of the office, According to telegraphic instructions

from the Assistant Secretary of War, Ser-geant Wallace W. Biggers, Daniel B. Burnett, Corporals Charles R. Stone, Joseph Randolet, John H. Hoeppel, John Lawrence and Privates B. Bovee, Hampton Green, M. V. Vaden and H. W. McDonald, o. the Signal Corps, at Vancouver Barracks, have been sent to Fort Riley. Kan., to take part in the maneuvers there

David A. Reitzel, Company E. Seven-teenth Infantry, now at Vancouver Bar-racks, has been transferred to the Twen-ty-nin'h Infantry and sent to the Presidio to be forwarded to Manila upon the first transport leaving San Francisco.

TAKEN TO LEAVENWORTH. Artillery Private Sentenced for Robbery and Desertion.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Sept. 29.— Guarded by four men. Private Diamond, of the Tenth Battery, field artillery, left this city tonight, bound for Fort Leaven-worth. Kan., where he will serve eight years. At a recent court-martial held here Diamond was found guilty of highway robbery and desertion and was sentenced to 10 years, but the reviewing officer re-

mitted two years of the penalty.

Three months ago Diamond held up, robbed and severely beat a brother soldier. He was arrested, but broke jail and deserted. He was again arrested in Pen-dieton, Or. During the term of his incarceration he was a most dangerous prisoner, and had to be kept in double irons most of the time. He is recognized as a desperate man, and will be continu-ally under the muzzle of a revolver.

OBJECTS TO TRANSFER Application for Injunction Against

Tacoma Railway. NEWARK, N. J., Sept. 28.—Vice-Chan-cellor Emery heard argument on the ap-pilcation of William H. Coler, Jr., for an injunction to restrain the transfer of the Tacoma Railway & Power Company to the Scattle, Tacoma & Interurban Rail-way Company, for \$709,000, or 55 per cent of the capital stock of the first-named

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BOISE HOTEL ROBBED. Two Masked Men Do the Job and

Secure \$600. BOISE, Idaho, Sept. 29.—Two masked men held up the Natatorium last night, securing about 2009. Four guests were relieved of their valuables, one being struck over the head with a pistol be-cause he did not move quickly enough.

La Grande Carnival Closes.

LA GRANDE, Sept. 29.—(Special.)—The La Grande street fair and carnival, which closed Saturday night, was a success from start to finish and drew large crowds of people to the city. The fruit and vegetable display, thought not what it should have been, could not be excelled by any other in the state. The parades of the societies were admired by all. Friday was baby day, and 150 bables were entered in the contest. The prizes awarded were: Pret-tiest baby, A. Delbert Eurdett, of La Grande; best dressed, Reginald Fisher, of cove; most hendsome twins, Ruth and Ruby Harris, of La Grande.

Independence Schools Open INDEPENDENCE, Sept. 22 .- (Special.)-The Independence public school opened today with a larger first day's attendance than for years past. This year's faculty is made up of the following members: Principal T. J. Newhill: assistants, C. D. Simpson, Lettle Masterson, Vanche Dick irson, Ivy Burton, Adona Cochrane, Nellie Burke, Mrs. Mary Tuck.

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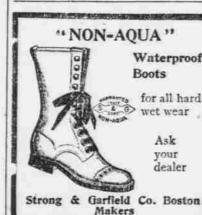
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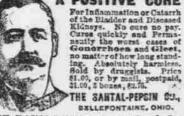
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