BIG POWER PROJECT FAVORED IN REPORT

irrigation Near Snake River Planned by Citizens.

\$10,000,000 TO BE SPENT

Engineers Outline Contemplated Improvement in Walla Walla and Franklin Counties.

Development of waterpower profects and irrigation works on a tremendous scale on the Snake river and making fertile a large acreage in Walla Walla and Franklin counties. Washington, is the subject of a report recently made to a group of citizens of both countles by E. G. Hopson, Portland manager and irrigation expert.

The project as a whole involves an expenditure of more than \$10,-000,000. In a tentative stage as yet, it promises, if carried through to completion, to bring about the most extensive development by use of electric power for irrigation in the Columbia river watershed.

It was estimated in the report of

Engineer Hopson that 100,000 horsepower will be developed by harnessing the waters of the Snake river for commercial purposes. Generating Cost Low.

The electricity will be generated at low cost, it was said, and will be made available for saie in eastern Oregon and Washington districts, being distributed over a wide area. It is supposed this new supply will have a material effect in reducing the cost of power to consumers in those sections.

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It is proposed to use power for pumping water to 80,000 acres of land near Burbank and Pasco. The irrigation system will include three large districts already completed

and under ditch as well as large additional acreage of sagebrush land of the highest fertility.

Navigability of the Snake river, too, will be improved very much by completion of the proposed work, the construction of the proposed work. since the construction of two locks at the proposed dam on Snake river will permit boats to pass dangerous rapids that are at present practi-cally impassible save at high-water

State Approval Sought.

The committee of Walla Walls and Franklin countless men, who are behind the project, will proceed, first, to obtain the approval of the state reclamation board, it is said, before attempting to finance and construct the project.

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"The development of this work."
said Mr. Hopson, "and others like it will go a long way toward realizing the hopes of Fortland business interests in obtaining complete openriver navigation with the inland empire. It is likely the co-operation of the federal government will be extended to this project in connection with these contemplated navigation improvements."

John Patton, manager, said today the company has not yet decided on rebuilding, but will decide soon. Timber holdings of the company are large and include some of the finest timber in the state. This is the second time fire has destroyed the plant. The first occurred when the founder, the father of the present head of the company, was living.

Assessment Ratio Is 42 Per Cent.

\$150,000 MILL BURNS

Lumber and Shingle Plant at Elbe, Wash., Is Destroyed.

EATONVILLE, Wash., Sept. 29.— (Special.)—The sawmill of the Elbe Lumber & Shingle company at Elbe, 15 mlles south of Eatonville, was razed by fire last night. Fire of un-determined origin started at 10:30 under the planting mill and burned



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sessed valuation is placed at \$17,-11,000 by the state equalization board, which placed this county's ratio of assessed valuation to real valuation at 42 per cent. Only five counties in the state are given a higher ratio than this county, the highest being 46 per cent.

Auto Goes Off Bridge.

Newspaper Interest Sold.

MONTESANO, Wash., Sept. 29,-Special.)-Announcement was made today of the sale of the interest of Dan Cloud in the Montesano Vidette to Roy G. Rosenthal, editor of the University District Herald, Seattle. Mr. Rosenthal will arrive in Montesano about October 15 te take up active direction of the paper. Mr Rosenthal is a graduate of the University of Washington.

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