## OFFICIAL COUNT IS ABOUT TO BEGIN

Official Checking of Votes of Recent City Election to Take Two Days.

#### MAYOR TO SETTLE RUMORS

Decision Concerning Assignments to Commissioners to Be Made This Week, Says Executive-Many Reports Are Circulated.

Official count of the vote cast in the city election last Monday will be started tomorrow by clerks in the office of City Auditor Barbur. All necessary blanks have been prepared and the count will

go ahead without delay. It will take about two days. Uneasiness which prevails at the City Hall because of the retirement of Com-missioner Brewster and the election of missioner Brewster and the election of George L. Baker to take Mr. Brewster's place July 1, will be set to rest this week by Mayor Albee. He announced yesterday that he will definitely decide this week on what assignments will be made to the Commissioners. He refused to disclose any of his plans yesterday, declaring that they are still indefinite. Rumors Are Many.

There are many rumors at the City Hall about what is likely to take place. One rumor is that the Mayor Intends to take the water bureau from Com missioner Daly and turn it and the park bureau over to Commissioner-elect Baker. The Mayor neither affirms nor denies this rumor.

It is rumored also that there will be

no changes in assignments, the Mayor purposing to place Commissioner-elect Baker in the position now held by Com-missioner Brewster, with no change in the bureaus under him. This also is

neither affirmed nor denied.

There is much uneasiness among officials from the Commissioners on down to some of the clerks and lesser em

Strings Being Pulled.

Strings are being pulled on every side by the many individuals interested by the many individuals interested in the rearrangement of the municipal affairs which will be necessary with the change in officials. It is rumored that Commissioner Bigelow, who was re-elected, is seeking to get more of a department to handle than that he now holds, and that Commissioner Daly is striving to cling to the the Water Bureau, which is the largest bureau in his charge.

Another rumor which is being circulated is that Commissioner Bigelow intends to try to oust City Treasurer Adams, who was his principal opponent in the election. J. O. Wilson, one of Mr. Bigelow's supporters, is mentioned as a likely successor to Mr. Adams. Commisioner Bigelow said yesterday that he had given the subject no serious thought. Strings Being Pulled.

ject no serious thought.

Change Not Certain, He Says.
"Neither the name of Mr. Wilson nor any other person is being considnor any other person is being considered for the position, and I do not know that there will be any change in the office," said Mr. Bigelow.

It is known that E. T. Mische, ex-Park Superintendent, is endeavoring to get back into the position which he gave up last Fall because of friction between himzelf and Commissioner Brewster. The position now is held by J. O. Convill.

It is not considered likely that there

It is not considered likely that there will be any extensive changes in the heads of bureaus as a result of the change in Commissioners, owing to the fact that to make any changes will require a majority vote of the Coun-ell. It is said that the Council members generally are satisfied with the

## **CEMENT PAVING URGED**

1000 FARMERS PETITION BOARD TO USE CONCRETE.

Another Petition, Signed by 100, Questions Motives of Cement Advocates in Their Part of County.

Signed by more than 1000 farmers

living in Eastern Multnomah County, a petition was presented to the Board of County Commissioners yesterday morning strongly indorsing cement concrete pavement for county roads. The petition was presented by J. J. Johnson, petition was presented by J. J. Johnson.
Simultaneously another petition from
more 100 residents of the southwestern
part of the county was presented asking the Board not to be unduly influenced by petitions of cement advocates from that section. This document declared many of the circulators
of previous petitions were engaged in
the business of selling cement. It expressed the hope that the Board "will
not be unduly influenced by a petition actuated by personal interests."

The eastern Multnomah farmers gave
three reasons why they thought ce-

three reasons why they thought ce-ment concrete was best suited for county roads. In this connection the petition said:

"That a larger per cent of the cost is represented in material value in ce-ment concrete roads than any other; "That they afford the safest surface for all sorts of vehicles, being less slippery, and suitable for safe travel a larger number of days through the year than most of the other forms;

"That relative to the wearing qualities they are the most economical, if built under proper conditions."

bullt under proper conditions."

The Board has under consideration the bids of 12 paving companies for contracts for the paving of 70 miles of county roads. No indication was given at yesterday's meeting as to when these bids would be returned from the engineers' hands.

The Olympic Paving Company wrote the Commissioners asking to withdraw

the Commissioners asking to withdraw its quotation of \$7 cents for bitulithic paving with a concrete base on sec-tions of the Powell Valley and Foster roads. The company's agent declared a mistake had been made in figuring this estimate, and that the cost of the concrete base had not been taken into consideration. This letter was reconsideration. This letter ferred to Roadmaster Yeon.

#### ASTORIA HAS BAD BLAZE Loss Amounts to \$14,000, With In-

surance One-Third That Sum.

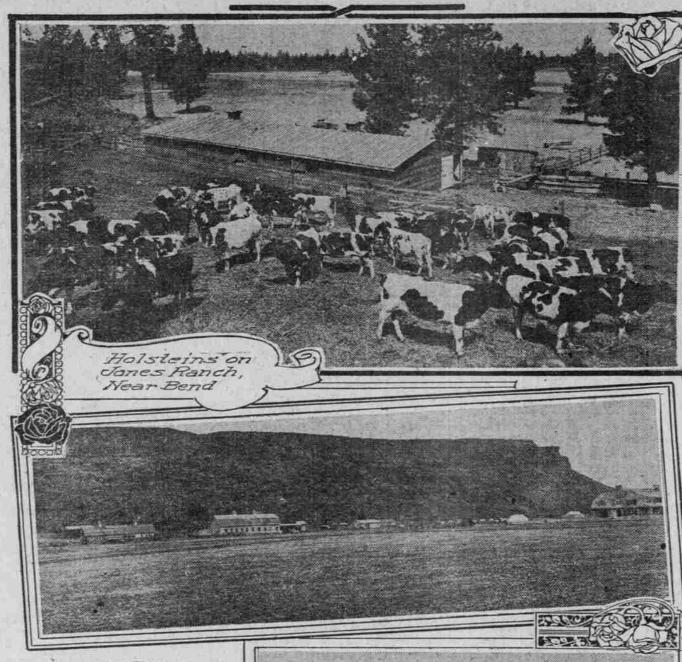
ASTORIA, Or., June 12,—(Special.)— Astoria was visited by the most serious

Astoria was visited by the most serious fire in several months at about 2 o'clock this morning, when the E. Hauke & Co., grovery store and butcher shop, at 1459 Franklin avenue, were destroyed with their contents.

There is every reason to believe the fire was of incendiary origin and was started by thieves who were robbing the store. The loss amounts to approximately \$14,000, with insurance of about one-third of the sum.

### EXPERTS TELL FARMERS OF CENTRAL OREGON HOW TO COMBAT PROBLEMS

Fourteen Meetings Held in District Which Is Being Reclaimed and Where Towns of Merit Are Springing Up. Addison Bennett Says Homesteaders Still Face Many Trials, but Will Win in End.





B END, Or., June 12.—(Staff Correspondence.) — The ampaign organized and conducted by the joint forces of the Northern Pacific, Great Northern, Spokane, Portthe agricultural and social affairs in the vast country tributary to the Oregon Trunk Railyay. This vastness almost staggers those who know the most staggers those who know the severy portion of it before the road was put in operation some four years ago.

Taking Bend as the base of supplies and because I am writing from here, it is found that from here the road is in touch through automobile service, with points as far south as the state line below Klamath Falls and Lakewing and south as the state line below Klamath Falls and Lakewing and south who to raise more crops and what to do with the California line. Then there is the large territory west of the railroad, in the Sisters and Black Rutting and and the stage territory west of the railroad, in Thomas St. land & Seattle and the Oregon Trunk

Government calls the dry farming lands, where the unit is 320 acres, others on lands of a different charac-ter where the unit is 160 acres. Still others, of course, have purchased irrigated lands.

Right here I might stop and write several columns about the troubles the latter class have experienced, rather



later place and nearly as far down to the latter place and nearly as far down to the California line. Then there is the large territory west of the railroad, in the Sisters and Black Butts sections, and all of the country around Prine-ville and up the Crooked River and other streams cast and north of there.

Thousands Settle in Country.

To show the remoteness of even Bend from Portland it is only necessary to mention that the trip from here to Portland that can now be made in about ten hours by rail usually took five days by team and rail via Shaniko or The Dalles. Just previous to the ending of the railroad construction and since then thousands of settlers have come into this country and nine-tenths of them are making, or attempting to make, homes on the lands. Most of them are homesteaders, some of the party is as follows: Professor Thomes Shaw; A. E.

Lovett, agriculturist to do with those territory west of the party is a solection. He has been piled with questions of the railroad smentioned, was selecting the trailroad submitted to the campaign and surely no vital interest to the questions of the party was closer. He has been piled with ques

the majority of them. But that would entail the report of failure or partial failure of such projects as that at Laidlaw, La Pine and those of the Deschutes Valley. Such a story would bring forth heart-burns and would have to deal with occurrences and conditions that would make interesting differs that would make interesting the properties. of The Oregonian.

ditions that would make interesting under 400 miles. Meetings have been



UNIVERSITY OF OREGON GRADUATES WED.

Lovett, agriculturist for Crook County; as a whole. It has just happened that free W. Graham, Western Industrial and Immigration Agent of the Great Northern; C. E. Arney, holding the same position with the Northern Pacific; D. C. Freeman, publicity agent, and J. T. Hardy and W. C. Wilkes, assistant general freight and passenger. ers and pupils. But the great versa-tility of knowledge shown by the pro-fessor and his great good nature even sistant general freight and passenger tility of knowledge shown by the pro-agents of the S. P. & S. and Oregon fessor and his great good nature even Trunk roads. Also the correspondent there got the better of his audience and many of them will no doubt profit by his advice there given.

Great Changes Shown,

We visited no place that I had not visited before. I had been at most of the places and in all of the localities many times, both before and since the road came in. And let me say that it is only those thus conversant with the facts who can appreciate the vast changes that have taken place all over this section during the last four years.
And let it be said, here and now, that
the advancement of the country as a
whole has been wonderful. I speak advisedly. I speak with the knowledge gained by being at one time a pioneer homesteader myself. I speak with the knowledge gained by visiting and writing about various pioneer settle-ments in several states. And again is say that I wish to emphasize the remark that the pioneers who followed the railroad into this great interior

country, and those who came in just in advance of the rallroads, have made a better record than I ever saw pio-neers do. Let it not be forgotten that these pioneers have in most cases a gigantic ask still before them. Let us not close our eyes to the altitude or the temperature or the rainfall of the country. These homesteaders did not settle upon garden spots; far from it. But let me say that I never saw settlements made up of as good a class of people as have come into this country. I mean as to intelligence and industry. Some of them have accomplished and are accomplishing miracles, or what look like miracles.

HOOD RIVER, Or., June 12.—(Special.)—The wedding of Lyman G. Rice, of Pendleton, and Miss Florence Avery at the orchard home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Avery, on the East Side, on Saturday, June 5, came as a great surprise to local friends as well as those in other cities, where the principals are well known.

In the presence of members of the family only, the wedding ceremony was performed by Rev. G. E. Heineck, pastor of the Pine Grove Methodist Episcopal Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Rice left immediately on a wedding trip to Victoria, B. C. and points on Puget Sound. They returned to the University of Oregon, of which they are both graduates, for the commencement exercises. Mr. Rice is a member of Beta Theta Pi, while his bride is a member of Kappa Kappa (a Redmond, a Culver, a Madras, a Metolius in Mrs. Rice was prominent in musical circles in Eugene.

Mr. and Mrs. Rice will make their home in Pendleton, where Mr. Rice is in business. Towns Are Flourishing. Professor Shaw has been preaching



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So I say, in conclusion, that in sending to these troubled people a man like Professor Shaw the railroad officials have done something that places them as heavy creditors to Aven and

cials have done something that places them as heavy creditors to every section of this vast interior country.

While I give first place to the speeches of Professor Shaw I do not wish to detract one lota from the splendid talks given at nearly every place by Messrs. Arney, Graham, Hardy, Freeman—and particularly to the great assistance rendered by Professor A. E. Lovett, the County Agriculturist of Crook County. He is not only a fine talker but a clever and accomplished gentleman and his services were invaluable to the party.

Wife, 16, Obtains Divorce.

ATTORNEYS REPRESENTING HUS-BAND PETITION FOR DISMISSAL.

No Reason Given for Withdrawal of Divorce Case Brought by Son of Noted Actress.

of Mrs. Modjeska present in the court-

that his wife did not want to live in the United States, where he had made his home since 1898, and left him to return to her native land. Disputes over property rights and financial set-tlements delayed the case from time to time. It was scheduled to be tried

to time. It was scheduled to be tried before Judge Morrow in February, but was twice postponed. Harrison G. Platt and B. B. Beek-Rhoda May Dillon, 16 years old, wen a divorce yesterday morning from John A. Dillon, to whom she was married at The Dailes July 8, 1314, Judge Mcdinn awarded the decree. The coupie sloped from the girl's home at Rowena. Or. The girl alleged that Dillon deserted her. Her mother, Mrs. M. Meyer, brought the suit in her behalf.

About 200 colors are known to dyers, of which only about 100 are made in the United States.

Harrison G. Platt and B. B. Beekman appeared in court yesterday on behalf and rocurt yesterday on behalf in court yesterday on behalf was nowleski. Mrs. Modjeski. Mrs. Modjeska Ward Alderman, and is opposed by Clyde T. Bonney, County School Superintendent. A. E. Crosby and James Rees are the aldermanic candidates in the School Superintendent. A. E. Crosby and James Rees are the aldermanic candidates in the School Superintendent. A. E. Crosby and James Rees are the aldermanic candidates in the School Superintendent. A. E. Crosby and James Rees are the aldermanic candidates in the School Superintendent. A. E. Crosby and James Rees are the aldermanic candidates in the School Superintendent. A. E. Crosby and James Rees are the aldermanic candidates in the School Superintendent. A. E. Crosby and James Rees are the aldermanic candidates in the School Superintendent. A. E. Crosby and James Rees are the aldermanic candidates in the School Superintendent. A. E. Crosby and James Rees are the aldermanic candidates in the School Superintendent. A. E. Crosby and James Rees are the alderman and is opposed by Clyde T. Bonney, County School Superintendent. A. E. Crosby and James Rees are the aldermanic candidates in the School Superintendent. A. E. Crosby and James Rees are the alderman and is opposed by Clyde T. Bonney, County School Superintendent. A. E. Crosby and James Rees are the alderman and is opposed by Clyde T. Bonney, County School Superintendent. A. E. Cros

son and daughter, came to Portland three months ago, when the suit was scheduled to be tried. At that time Mr. Modjeski's attorneys asked for a postponement. This was granted by Judge Morrow only after Mrs. Modjeska's expenses had been provided for.

Mr. Modjeski was the engineer who supervised the construction of the Broadway and Harriman bridges in Portland.

### THE DALLES IS TO ELECT

cial.)—Dr. J. E. Anderson, representa-tive of Wasco and Hood River counties room.

The suit has been pending in Circuit Court here since January, 1914. Mr. Modjeski, son of Mme. Modjeska, the famous Pollsh tragedlenne, complained back. His opponent is J. T. Rorick.

whom he defeated two years ago.

A Mayor, City Treasurer, th
Councilmen and three Water Comm sioners will be selected by the voters of The Dalles at their annual municipal election Monday, June 21. Mrs. Mabel C. Ellis has no opposition for re-elec-tion as City Treasurer, and Paul W. Childers is unopposed as candidate for Councilman in the First Ward. Joseph

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