ROSS REPORT IS IN:

Governor Lister Says That Inhumanity Charges Evidently Are Disproved.

CONFERENCE CALLED OFF

Ross Brothers, in Jail, Both Deny Ill-Treatment, but Say Juller and Sheriff Are Unfriendly and Tell Their Story.

efal.)-The unanimous report of the four investigators of the Ross case in Pacific County-Mrs. Abbie E. Dunforth and Mrs. T. J. Hamilton, representing the Taroma Weman's Club; C. H. Mucker, of the State Bumane Bureau, and Mrs. Kate L. Young, representing Gov-ernor, Lister-was made public today. The findings occupy several typewrit-

tem sheets.

The expected additional report of Mrs. Danforth and Mrs. Hamilton on North River conditions, following their trip to this country, the scene of the alteged "night-rider" cutrages, was not forthcoming. The conference that the women arranged for today with Governor Lister was not held because Mrs. Hamilton was called suddenly to California by the report that her slater. Granton was entered asserted to different by the report that her safety is dring. After her return the conference will be head.

Governor Lister made no scomment upon the report except to say that the charges of inhuman treatment evi-

dently are disproved. The report, in part, follows:

There is no doubt that Mrs. Margaret M. Ross and her some were grissiausly wronged at the hands of the alleged night riders. No one whom The question as to who is guilty of this wrong is for the courts rather than us to say. It is not within our province to attempt to act either as judge, jury or prosecutor.

Cruelty Churge Befuted. "We find no evidence that the Ross brothers or either of them have in any manner been cruely or inhumanely treated at the hands of anyone since they were committed to the Pacific County Jail."

County jail."

After recounting the history of the North River treathies the report deals with the charges made by Mrs. Ross of III treatment of her sons, Earl, 76, and Frank, 24 years of age, stating: "Mrs. Ross assured the women's clubs of Tacsons and the state humans bireau that her beyn were entirely insocent of any wrongdoing; that they were gwarn into court by prejured teatimony, that they were being kept in snittery confinement and that visitors and friends who have asked to visitors and friends who have asked to see them have been continuously re-fused admittance.

"We find that neither of the brothers have been in colliary confinement, Both Hart and Frank agree in statements made to us reparately, in substance as

was not unreasonable in fiself, neither was it too heavy for them. When the reprieve granted by clovernor Lister had expired. Earl Ross was locked up a few days before Frank surrendered. Earl it first refused to work, according to his own statement, and was locked up in the cage described below, and was fee a second of days not as was, for a couple of days, put on TOLKE DEST

by 14 feet fong, entirely in the open, and enchosed only by bars several inches apart, at both top and ends and one side, which is within two feet of a window. Opening from the other side are two cells about seven feet square, in which are bunks with comfortable mattersees and bleekets. ttresses and blankets.

Sheriff Charges Disobedience.

The Sheriff insists that Frank Ross was put in the cage because he was about his work. It is stated by some will be delivered by Rev. D. Roland Martin. pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church. and the music will be translated by the Christian choir. The vised them not in. The morning after frank Ross was put in the cage, Earl Ross was put in the cage, Earl Ross admits that when he was asked to go to work he refused unless his clear. vised them not to. The morning after Frank Ross was put in the cage, Earl Ross admite that when he was asked to go to work he refused unions his brother was released, and that he instated on being placed in the cage with his brother, which the Sheriff did.

"Instant of being is solitary confinement, the two brothers were permitted to be together at all times. They were permitted to converse, read or play cards. Both testify that they had the

reards. Both testify that they had the Tacoma Ladger every day; always had one weekly paper and sometimes two; three books of fiction, a deck of cards

and cribbage board.
"When asked if they had in any way heen treated cruelly or inhumanely, both said so, but that the Sheriff was not friendly nor was the jailer, They said thay were well fed and the jail was warm and comfortable and the air

Jall "Paradise" to Others. "It is simple partice to say that the Pacific County jall is a palace in every way when compared with most county

way when compared with most county jails.

"We have interviewed every friend my witness whom Mrs. Ross has so far asked in to see, and in every case we have asked if they knew of any new evigence which can be had now, that, if introduced at the trial of these boys, ments, prehably have changed the ver-dict of the jury, or which, if pre-dented to the Governor now, would pastify him in granting a pardon. In every case the apayer has been 'no.' Some have said they felt the loys were

ret gulliy, netwithstanding their con-viction, and therefore, thought they should be perfoned.

The report says that Governor Lis-ter has declined to grant a pardon, un-less Superior Judge Edward H, Wright or Francouter John L O'Phelan assent, lander Wright the remort says profests or Fronceutor John L. O'Pheran assent. Judge Wright, the report says, protests against granting a pardon on the ground that the prisoners have been "Disabsolient, definet and smeering in their natitude toward both the Sheriff, and the sourt, and have refused to do light work nontract them by the Sheriff and the sourt, and have refused to do

uniform they could do it under their The court inslate that Inseruch as there are some 45 indictments pending against 12 alleged night rifers, whose trials are yet to be hold, to pardon the Ross brothers at this time would. in all probability, give opportunity for further disturbances and prevent or im-

"The Presecuting Attorney is out a the city at the present, but all believ that he is opposed to a pardon." the re-

BULL RUN LOGGING AIM

Within Reserve.

MELSO, Wash, Nov. 28,—(Special.)
—With the purpose of logging their holdings in the Ball Run River water-shed, C. A. Taylor, formerly of Kelse; G. T. Hegg, of this place, and J. E. Cameron, of Portland, recently organized the Cameron-Taylor Lumber Company, with a capital stock of \$65.88s. The company swas 1160 acres of fine

CIVIL WAR VETERAN IS SUB-VIVED BY WIDOW AND CHILDREN HERE.



Eli Walker, of 1609 Mississippi avenue, who passed away No-vember 18, 1915, was born in Hanodeburg, Ind., January 13, 1982. He enlisted in the Civil War December 25, 1841, in Com-pany I, Fifty-ninth Regiment, In-diana-Volunteers. He was honor-ably discharged as Corporal unably discharged as Corporal un-der Captain Neil February 14, 1866, at Elmira, N. Y.

fast, at Elmira, N. T.

He is survived by a widow,
Mrs. Adah Walker, and six children—E. Or Walker, of 1220 Ninth
avenue South, Seattle, Wash,
Eny E. Walker, of Lebanon Or.;
Edwin S. Walker, of Ellisboro,
Or.; A. E. Walker, of 1262 East
Twenty-first atrest South, Portland; Mrs. Estella Long, 1188
East Couch, Portland, and Nins
E. Manion, 1603 Mississipp ave-E. Manion, 1609 Mississipp ave-

imber land in the Bull Run water-thed 500 acres of which He within the reserve. In addition to the timber, he company owns a sawmill plant hear

the company owns a sawmill plant hear Buil Run with a capacity of 50,000 feet daily, and logging equipment.

As soon as a te flume can be finished from the mill to Buil Run Station, the mill will be started. This flume must be constructed across Buil Run River. Mr. Hogg will have charge of the woods work. Mr. Taylor who is secretary of the company, will have supervision of the mill, and Mr. Cameron, who is president and trensurer, will operate the selling end of the husiness from the main office in Porthusiness from the main office in Port-

FARMERS ARE TO GATHER

Grays Harbor Dinner Will Be to Discuss Dairy Development.

ABERDEEN, Waste, Nov. 20. second-hand shoes which Frank re-fused to wear, and at first refused to ment of the county agriculturally and work. He was permitted to write to for dairying will be discussed. Presi-ble agent for a pair of his own shoes, which came later. For a few days both came later. For a few days both commerce, in announcing boys worked, Frank working a part of class for the dinner said he expected. Chamber of Commerce, in announcing

boys worked. Frank working a part of the time in his tennis slippers.

"Frank Ross says that on Oxfober II Sheriff Bell called him in from his work, told him to take a bath, and then looked him in the 'cage,' and that no reason was sasigned. The cage is a barredieff room within another large, say, light room, about if feet wide by 18 or 20 feet long.

"The cage itself is nearly 5 feet wide by 14 feet long, entirely in the open, by 14 feet long, entirely in the open, started at Satsop.

Centralia Churches Plan Service.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Nov. 15 .- (Spe-(ial.)—The programme was announced yesterday for the union Thanksgiving services of the local churches, which will be held this year in the Haptist

BUILDING IS OPENED

Johnson Hall, for Administration Purposes, Dedicated at Eugene.

GROWTH IS RECOGNIZED

link, the first building in the new rec a greater university on a new campus

J. A. Churchill, State Superintendent een placed.

This ceremony was held in the open air, after which the audience filed into the auditorium within the building. Among the speakers who culogized the life of J. W. Johnson, first president of the university, for whom the building was named, was John Straub, a member of the first faculty, now the oldest member of the faculty with 40 Likely, to Oppose H. C. Dunsmore ears of service.

sisture that voted money for the

Contractors' Bonding Company Vol-

HOQUIAM, Wash, Nov. 18,-(Spe-

TWO MORE MINERS FOUND

two miners were recovered from the wrecked Ravendale mine, of the North-western Improvement Company, today, bringing the number found to 17 and leaving 14 still in the mine. Today's bodies were those of Joseph Baldacci and Remen Mediains. and Romeo Medaine

p------CHRONOLOGY OF CHIEF EVENTS IN ROSS CASE.

June, 1912—Mrs. Margaret M. Ross and sons. Earl (now 26), and Frank (now 26), jump timber claim in North River country, Pacific County, previously filed upon by Mrs. May Vanderpoel.

August 11, 1912—Cabin of Stephen Root, settler, burned and Root drivan away by band of armed men. Assault charges subsequently were filed against Frank and Forrest Martin and George Wheaten, cases now pending in Supreme Court in attempted change of venue. August 17—Earl and Frank Ross accused of assaulting Al Bradley, neighbor 52 years old.

ley, neighbor, 55 years old.
October 4 Ross beys convicted of third-degree assault in Bradley case, fined 559 and costs, amounting to about \$500. Cases appealed

to Supreme Court.

January 10, 1914s. Ross boys fell large tree on their claim, falling on Vanderpool cabin, eccupied at time by Mrs. Vanderpool.

January 11—Ross cabin burned by armed and masked nightriders.

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Rass family being driven in wagon II miles into Chenalia, now Grays Harbor, County.

January 15—Mrs. Ross swears out warrants for arrest of 11 alleged nightriders, including Claude Vanderpool. All defendants acquitted on coercion charge in justice court.

March 24—Information filed by prosecutor in Superior Court against nine defendants, charging arson in connection with night-rider raid. Defendants subsequently acquitted, or cases disminsed.

April. 1914—Frank Ross convicted of assault for tree-felling and fined \$50; case against Earl Ross dismissed.

September, 1914—Mrs. Ross charges J. N. Howard with assault; case dismissed for failure to prosecute.

December 1—Cabin of W. A. Watters, a partisan of Mrs. Ross, burned.

January 21, 1915-Governor Lister pardons Frank Ross in tree-fell-

January 23—"John Stone," Federal investigator of nightrider cases, posing as oil inspector, shot at from ambush.

April 20. Supreme Court affirms convictions of Earl and Frank Ross on Bradley assault charges.

May 24. Grand jury returns 49 indictments against alleged night-

June 23. Governor Lister grants 30-day reprieves to Earl and Frank Ross pending trial of nightrider cases. July 3-12. Two nightrider cases tried; jury acquits in each in-

August 15—Acting Governor Hart refuses further to suspend reprieve of Roas boys.
August 20—Earl Ross taken into custody to serve out fine in Bradley assault case; Frank Ross a fugitive.
October 4—Frank Ross taken into custody.
November 6—Supreme Court prohibits change of venue to Lewis
County in remaining nightrider cases.
November 12—Committees appointed by Tacoma Woman's Club and
by Governor Lister to investigate charges by Mrs. Ross of ill-treatment of some by jail authorities and North River conditions generally.

\$87,000 U. OF O.

Structure Is Named After First President of University-John Straub, Member of First Faculty, Is Speaker.

EUGENE, Or., Nov. 20 .- (Special.)-Recognition of a transition from the eld period of hand-te-mouth existence of the University of Oregon to a new era of growth and development marked the dedication today of Johnson Hall, Oregon's new \$87,000 administration

As expressed by President Campbell, the building closes the rectangle of the old campus and forms, as a connecting tangle, as blocked out in the plans for President Campbell announced the

possibility for the addition of more buildings to this new campus within a comparatively short time.

The formal dedication was the presentation of a key to President Campbell. It was handed to him by A. C. Dixon, member of the building committee of the University Board of Regents, and the president, in turnhanded it to L. H. Johnson, steward of the university, who announced that the key was not to lock the building, but to open it to the use of the State of Oregon.

of Public Instruction, before this had formally sealed the niche in the corner-stone in which documents of record had

Other speakers were Arthur L. Venzie, '50: Professor F. S. Dunn, a former student under President Johnson; President Kerr, of the Agricultural College, and members of the Oregon Leg-

untarily Offers Repairs.

cial.)—Extensive repairs are to be made at once by the contractors' bond company to 2700 feet of concrete paving on Aberdeen avenue, in East Hoquiam, according to a report made to the City Commission. The paving has

Total Dead Recovered Are 17 With 14 Expected Out Soon.

SEATTLE, Nov. 20 .- The bodies of

It is expected that the remaining bodies will be recovered in a few hours, as the debris has been nearly cleared

STOPS TOBACCO HABIT.

The imp Taste in H ignored in and cost. rative Deg and origin excelled a Coverings for the a Shoppin Rent plus prices ac furniture and Fleor Goverings Tith ********** Interior Decoration The importance of Style and Good Taste in Home Furnishing must not be ignored in the consideration of value and cost. The assistance of our Decorative Department, where personal skill and originality are backed up by an unexcelled assortment of Furniture, Floor Coverings and Drapery Fabrics, is yours for the asking. Shopping Note — Remember, Low Rent plus Low Expense has affected our prices accordingly.

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POLK POLITICS BUZZ

Both Parties Lining Up Candidates for 1916 Primaries.

CLERKSHIP IS CHIEF PLUM

Likely to Oppose H. C. Dunsmore for Republican Nomination. Many Offices Uncontested.

DALLAS, Or., Nov. 18 .- Special.)hough the primaries do not come until next Spring, the bee is beginning to buss in Polk County already. The announcement by D. M. Hampton, of Mon-mouth, chairman of the Republican county central committee, that the com-mittee would hold a meeting in this city soon, brought to the surface the am-bitions of several would-be public ser-vants.

company to 2700 feet of concrete paying on Aberdeen avenue, in East Hoquiam, according to a report made to the City Commission. The paying has been down enly about a year, but has proved faulty in many places, and the City Engineer says it was not properly laid.

Fugh & Arens, the contractors, took the job with a two-year guarantee provision in the contract. Since they finished the work the contractors have been in financial difficulties and have dissolved partnership. Fulfilling the

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second-band show which Frank refixed to wear, and at first refused to
ment of the county agriculturally and For County School Superintendent H.
C. Seymour, incumbent nad now completing his second term, will undoubtedly be the Republican nominee. The office of Treasurer may go begging, owing to the cut in salary to \$750. However, J. H. Brown, of Salt Creek, is being urged to make the race for the Republican nomination. Mr. Brown is a member of the Republican county central committee. For County Assessor no one has been named as yet, though it is certain that Frank Meyer, Democratic incumbent, will be the nominee of the Democratic party. In the election of 1912 he was elected by a majority of three votes.

Williams is a rancher and is well known in Douglas County. The property interests were settled out of court, Roseburg Schools Tested for Fire.

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lority of three votes. wells will run again in order to test out the strength of the recall was beginned being directed against the whole County Court. It is said that Mr. Wells will run again in order to test out the strength of the recall agi-

The affice of County Attorney will be before the voters for the first time be before the voters for the first time in this county. J. E. Sibley, incumbent, and a Democrat appointed by ex-Governor West, has not signified his intention of running, though it is believed that he will be the Democratic nominee. That the Republicans will put forth a candidate is without question. Several Republicans have been mentioned in this connection, among them being B. F. Swope, of Independence, Edward F. Coad, G. O. Holman, Edward K. Piasecki and Walter L. Tooze, Jr., of Dallas.

CRAB FISHERMEN BUSY "Gets-It" for Corns, Two Hundred Dozen Are Taken

From Alsea Bay in One Night. NEWPORT, Or., Nov. 20,-(Special.)-

Now that the salmon season is drawing to a close, fishermen on Alsea Bay are turning their attention to the crab industry. As a consequence, hundreds of dozen crabs are being shipped to Portpland and outside points such as land and outside points each day. One night this week 200 dozen were brought to this city from Alsea by team and most of them left out by the morning

Lincoln County is the only county in he state which does not have a closed season on crabs and, as a result, Yaquina Bay has few left. Alsea Bay being further from market has not been fished out, and the present heavy shipments are to satisfy the demand for Yaquina crabs.

A movement is on foot to have the

closed season throughout the state ap-ply also to this section, as a means of otecting this resource.

BOND RETIREMENT PENDING

Governor Lister and Auditor C. W. Clausen, the other members of the Board of Finance, approve the plan. The bonds were authorized by the Legfalature of 1909 to take up illegal Chency and Bellingham Normal School warrants.

COLUMBIA RIVER RISING

Continued Rains Swell Stream, but Bridge Work Isn't Delayed.

VANNCOUVER, Wash. Nov. 20.— (Special.)—The recent continued rains have swelled the Columbia River until it is about five feet above zero, but the Vancouver ferry between Vancouver and Hayden faland is having no trouble to making the landings.

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The rain is welcome as there was a shortage, and the grune growers especially are pleased with the weather conditions. Work on the Columbia River Interstate Bridge is not being delayed.

Rancher Sues Convicted Thieves. Rancher Sues Convicted Thieves.

ROSEBURG, Or., Nov. 20.—(Special.)

Just as Joe West and Charles Briggs were being led from the County Jally esterday preparatory to being taken to the Penitentiary at Salem, they were served with copies of a civil complaint filed against them by W. R. Vinson, a Coles Valley rancher. In the complaint Mr. Vinson asks to recover the sum of \$150, which he alleges is a reasonable price for the three cattle which were stolen by Briggs and West prior to the time of their arrest a few weeks ago. Briggs and West were convicted of stealing the cattle and were sentenced to indeterminate terms of from one to 10 years in the Penitentiary.

Hair-Pulling Charge Wins Decree.

ROSEBURG, Or., Nov. 20.—(Special.)
—Charging that her husband had a fascination for pulling her hair, Mrs. G. T. B. Williams, by Judge ton in the Circuit Court. In addition to a decree the plaintiff was awarded the custody of their miner child. Mr. Williams is a rancher and is well known in Douglas County. The prop-erty interests were settled out of court.

Another hig fight promises to de-elop over the office of County Com-tissioner. The term of George A. fells, Republican, expises part

Marshal Named Humane Officer.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Nov. 20.—(Special.)—J. K. Carson, City Marshal, has been appointed humane officer for Hood River. During the past several years the local branch of the Society for the Prevention of Crueity to Animals has exerted a wide influence and several prosecutions for ne

Linn Produces More Turkeys.

ALBANY, Or. Nov. 20.—(Special.)—
Linn County will expert many turkeys
this year. Raising turkeys is becoming quite an industry in some sections
of the county. A few years ago practically no turkeys were raised for the
market in this county, but the number
grown is increasing annually.

SURE as Sunrise!

Any Corn, With "Gets-It" on It, Is an Absolute "Goner!"



Washington Considers Taking in \$206,024 School Issue.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Nov. 20.—(Special.)
—If Attorney-General W. V. Tanner gives his approval to the project, the State Board of Finance will take immediate steps to retire the \$206,024 normal school bends, the only remaining general bonded debt of Washington. State Treasurer Edward Meath, chair-man of the board, announced today.

"Cets-It" Puts Your Feet in Clover. them come off with "Gets-It." It just loosens the corn from the true flesh, easily, and then makes it come "clean off" 48 hours ends corns for keeps. It makes the use of tape, corn-squeezing bandages, irritating salves, knives, scissors, and razors really look ridiculous. Get rid of those corns quickly, surely pallossity, — just casily, — with "Gets-It." For warts and bundons, too. It's the 20th century way.

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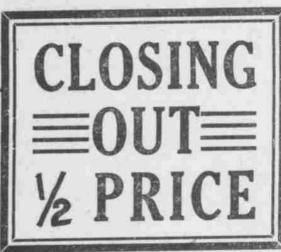
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