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## RREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST



| Boston, March 12. - Another ses tragedy has been revealed to naval operators at the government wireless stations at Charleston Newport by fragmentary messages re- ceived through the ether. Whether the breaks in the message are caused by the distress on board the vessel sending them or not is not known. Not enough has been received at either station to locate or identify the craft in trouble. <br> "In distress, notify life-saving sta-tions-west-south- east-" is the way the message was read at Newport. <br> Another wireless station picked up fragments of a message about the same time which were in effect that a vessel was drifting in distress off the New Jersey coast. The word "Trainer" was among other unconnected words was among other unconnected words received and this led to the supposition that the message might have referred to the schooner "Ann B. Trainer, which was reported early in the week ginia coast. $\qquad$ |
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## Nursery for Rogue River Valley. Medford -Rogue river valley is to have one of the targest nurseries in the West. The Yakima Nursery com-

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| Fruitmen to Experiment. <br> Medford-The Rogue River Valley Horticultural society has re-elected J. E. Watt, president for the third term. The other officers are: H. T. Findlay, vice president; Harry Tuttle, Hecre- tary; J. A. Perry, treasurer. Professor Ogara addressed the fruit men. Mr. Ogara will have headquarters at Medford during the coming summer and direet his investigations in cross pollenization. Experiments will be made this spring at frost prevention. <br> Southern Oregon Counties to Unite. Medford-Jackson, Josephine, Douglas and Klamath counties are to organize an association for their common protection. The commercial clubs of Southern Oregon have taken up the matter. Thes association will bring pressure to bear at the next legislature for measures which the peculiar needs of this section of Oregon necessitate. <br> Support Crater Lake Scheme. Medford-Petitions asking the Jackson county court to appropriate $\$ 70,000$ for the construction of the Crater lake road, for which the state has appropri- ated $\$ 100,000$ contingent upon a $\$ 100,-$ 000 appropriation from Jackson and Klamath counties, bave been placed in circulation and are meeting with great success. <br> Thorne for Insurance Clerk. <br> Salem-Insurance Commissioner Kozer has announced the appointment of J. M. Thorne, of Roseburg, as chief clerk in the insurance department. county and is an experiened banker. <br> French Colony for Coos Bay, Marshfield-E. Grapin, who represents a colony of French people in New York and others in Paris, is at Coos York and others in Paris, is at Coos Bay investigating the place with a view of possibly bringing a colony to |
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| Railroads to Start Suits at Once Many Western States. <br> Chicago, March 10.-A meeting the executive committee of the tomorrow to formulate a plan of actio in view of the decision of the Feder court nuilifying the 2 -cent pasaeng and maximum freight rate law in $M$ souri. It is understood that there an almost unanimous opinion that th roads ought to return to a 3 -cent fa as soon as the schedule can be pr pared. <br> One large system is known to be fator of accepting the auggestion the court, and make the rate 24 cen for the "strong" lines and 3 cents for the "weak" lines. The prevailin sentiment is against this, however, it is regarded as in conflict with th part of the court's decision which d clares that the railroads ought to ear 6 per cent for the stockholders. <br> A meeting of the executive officia of the Weatern roads will be held soo with a view to concerted action againi all 2-cent passenger laws. It is ex pected that suits will begin soon Illinois, Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska lowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin and Ind ana and posaibly Michigan. The Kan sas senate killed the 2 -cent bill, but 2 -cent rate made by the state commin sion is in effect. |
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| Chicago, March 10.-J. J. Schmidt, a butcher at Chicago Heights, was found guilty today in Judge Kersens which had been made up in sausage. The conviction followed an investigation started by butchers in Chicago Heights and Harvey, who were unable to understand why Schmidt could sell his product at a lower price than they could afford. <br> Schmidt's sausages were said to have gained such a reputation for aweetness of flavor that he was able to sell great quantities. This is believed to have caused the enmity of his competitors, with the result that they examined his product. The butcher was convicted under the atate law prohibiting the sale of diseased eattle. The penalty is a year in jail, and a fine of penaity is a year in jail, and a ine of 81,000 . Schmidt's attorneys entered a motion for a new trial. Assistant State's Attorney George Gunther pros- ecuted the ease. ecuted the ease. |  |
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