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The Experiment Farm
Central Oregon is to be congra-
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W. J. Kerr, of the Oregon Agri-
cultural College and his associacultural College and
$t \geqslant s$ to this section of the state for
the purpose of selecting sites for experiment stations in this part
of the State. Of course each locality thinks it is the best possi-
ble and only feasible location for the college experts to section. We
ditions of this great se will not enter into a family quar rel with any of our neighoors
this regard, for we couldent con vince them that our locality is he best, nor the
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The fact that one site already been selected and another will dy made of the favorable and unfavorable agricultural conditions, by men who have work along
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these lines, is the good news these lines, is the gisit of these gentlemen. In the course of their take to determine the exact rea sons why certain crops fail un suggest curative measures wis advantages which can be o come benefits of such an es lishment are too many to attemp to name them alities havesufficient faith in this commun the desired effect, namely, the practieal value of this par of the state to withhold thei
judgment until further experi ments have been made. Th dissatisfed ones who have con" this sectio through good seasons and ba with less effect now that offficia experiment farms are soon to be
located here. The practical as sistance which the officials wil be able and willing to give to th
ranchers, may possibly help ma uai start toward prosperity. will profit, regardless of the loca gralulate the entire section the state. We only hope that th delay in making their choice o the second site, and that the tions will be brough
promptly as possible.

## A Storied Region

## Columbia Basin, as listed by

 United States Goelogical Survey is one of those tremendous re sour the volume of whic staggers imagination and brichhuman conception to a halt. This report tells us that great river of the Pacific Water shed has a drainage area of 259. British Columbia and with tor tuous windings in and out among dark defiles and hidden mountain passes, as if ordered nature to drain the greatest pos sible area, it winds back and
forth in the province in which its beginning lie, and draws from countless tributaries in Montana, Wyoming, Idaho, Nevada, Washington and Oregon in like devious ways, until its waters are innally buried "in the bitter moon-ma the Columbia and its tributaries aggregate 2136 miles in length;

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## this region extend from the ex- The governor has been aske

 treme rigors of the North to to confer with officers of the mildness of the Oregon and league in this state and secureWashington coast. Agricultural- the interest of those who are ly speaking this immense area capable of collecting and installis equally varied and wonderful. ing an exhibit which will be a
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forbidding mountain fastness to work. Under this plan no county semi-aridity on the great pla- nor community will have an ad-
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vantage over others in the state. where the clouds irrigate the Any city, county or reputable
crops there is wide and diversi- land company desiring to make


STATISTICS OF
CENTRAL OREGOM


 tin" of Portland, Oregon, con tains some very interesting sta-
tistics indicating progress made in Oregon along various lines
during the year 1911. Many will find these figures startingly large, but their compilation absolutely accurate and the ance of Oregon as a State..
 extremely satisfactory. Amon ber of Commerce Bulletin', which were given us officially or based in their several lines, we present
the following as covering the statistical progress of the State Oregon during 1911: Total de-
posits in State banks December 10, \$107,946,896.99; resources State Banks December 10, $\$ 71$, 177,838.40; barley crop, $3,000,000$ bushels, valued at $\$ 2,000,000$ beet crop 60,000 tons, valued at
$\$ 300,000$; number of cattle, 380 968 head valued at $\$ 7,043,414$ the total value of the cereal prooats, corn, flax, kale, rye, etc. was $\$ 21,425,000$ : value of coal
mimed, $\$ 1,107,478$; value of $\min$ mimed, $\$ 1,10,418$, value of $\$ 4,20,546$; dairy products, $\$ 16,500,000$; public schoo fund was $\$ 0,589,170.12$; value school census showed 180,798 pu land exhibit carries its own
ification. We cannot spend pub- $\begin{aligned} & \text { vils; school enrollment, } \\ & \text { pupils; value of school property }\end{aligned}$ $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Evening Telegram. } & \text { (including grounds), } \$ 9,921,394 \\ 80 ; \text { value of eggs } \$ 5,250,000 \text {; val }\end{array}$
 BE RECORD BREAKER of goats and sheep, $\$ 415,058$; of
hogs, $\$ 454,157$; value of imports, $\$ 2,637,977$; total value of livestock, $\$ 80,0394,76$; mohair output, $\$ 300,000 ;$ of horses and mules, $\$ 12,282,385$; of oats, $\$ 5,000$
000 ; of onions, $\$ 300,000$; Port of Portland expended in Columbla provements, $\$ 183,78,434$; the popoultry (including eggs), $\$ 6,500$; 000; cost of railroad improve ments, $\$ 29,570,000$ with $\$ 27,000$ 000 authorized for 1912 , value 000 authorized for $\$ 890,644,164,55$ timber cut, $1,500,000,000$ feet; ce wheat crop, $\$ 11,250,000$; vegetais $\$ 16,000,000$."-Northwest News. Do you know that of all the minor an
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$\qquad$ was in St Paul last year, and it kind furnishng space for th At a cost of $\$ 15,000$ the business interests of Minneapolis and league the soace necessary to

Inormation on Poultry
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