

MARCOLA HOTEL
TOTAL LOSS
Building and Contents, Valued at \$7,500, Consumed by Mysterious Fire.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Eugene, Or., March 2.—The hotel at Marcola, a town on the Molok branch of the Southern Pacific, 17 miles northeast of Eugene, was destroyed by fire this morning shortly after midnight. The fire started in an unoccupied room, but its origin is a mystery, no one having been in the room during the night. The flames gained such headway before they were discovered that the guests had difficulty in getting out. Many rushed into the street with no clothes on. Citizens furnished wearing apparel to keep such from suffering. The town has no fire department. A bucket brigade was formed and did effective work, saving adjoining buildings, which caught fire several times. The building and contents are an entire loss. The building was a three-story frame erected last summer at the cost of \$4,000. The loss on contents is thought to be \$2,500. There was some insurance on both. The building was owned by C. Cole, founder of the town. The equipment was the property of L. A. Seelye. He had leased it to M. Miller, who conducted the hotel. There was no wind at the time or the whole town was in flames. The town would have been destroyed.

CHALLENGES ON STATEMENT NO. 1

U'Ren Invites Opponents to Meet Him at South Portland Meeting.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Oregon City, March 2.—W. S. U'Ren has issued the following challenge to debate on Statement No. 1: "Oregon City, March 1, 1908.—To Messrs. C. W. Hodson, S. C. Beach, A. A. Bailey and Other Anti-Statement No. 1 Republicans—I am honored by the Republican club with an invitation to speak at its hall, corner of Front and Gibbs streets, Thursday evening, March 5, at 8 o'clock. I shall be glad to endeavor to sustain and justify the principles of Statement No. 1 for the election of United States senators. I am authorized by President Lillis to divide the evening in joint discussion of this question with any Republican who may be chosen by you to represent your opinion in opposition. I invite all of you to be present and ask questions from all sides. Last night, especially, will be present and ask the questions he thought of after I left the hall at the club meeting on Friday last. I shall remain in the city until the close of the meeting and promise my opponents the same courteous consideration I ask you may give me. Let us reason together. Respectfully yours, W. S. U'REN."

Dr. D. E. Potter, Pacific coast secretary of missions, the Presbyterian church, presented the matter of a laymen's missionary union. An attempt will be made to organize such a union here and in the neighboring churches. Dr. Potter will meet this evening with Dr. Potter to arrange for it. It is planned to hold a meeting at the Commercial club or one of the large hotels, Monday, March 30, at which a previously organized committee will work distributively on the matter. Tuesday evening there will be a mass meeting of the church and the active operation of this and everything about the arrangements will be left with the laymen and the mission will be merged into the church. At that meeting Dr. J. Campbell White of New York, the organizer of the Laymen's missionary union, will be present and will speak. A platform will be adopted for the world's campaign.

Germany Angry Police Trap Alleged Forger

Berlin, March 2.—Trouble between Germany and Russia is threatened over the torture of Edwin Levin, a newspaper correspondent, who is held prisoner at Minsk. It is probable that Germany will release him, but let us reason together. Respectfully yours, W. S. U'REN."

Statement Good in Clackamas

Republican Central Committee Adopts No. 1 by Vote of 11 to 5.

Oregon City, March 2.—The Republican central committee of Clackamas county met Saturday afternoon in the county court room. C. Schuebel presiding. Twenty-two members from all over the county were present.

Rich Gold Strikes Made Near San Diego

San Diego, March 2.—According to an announcement made today, the gold strikes were made the past two weeks from the south of Locust, 30 miles from this city.

Officer Arrests Boy and Kills Father

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Santa Clara, Cal., March 2.—Frank Shafter, county probation officer, today shot and killed John Yancovich, a wealthy fruit dealer, whose son Shafter had in charge.

YOUNG WOMEN WHO SENT FOR "ONE FIREMAN."



Pictures of Miss Anna Sands, the home of she and her sister, Miss Louise Sands, on left, and Barney Reilly, one New York fireman who was summoned by telephone to extinguish a blaze behind the Waldcooting. When Reilly, very much out of breath, arrived at the mansion he was asked at the door for his card. When he pushed on past the butler in his eagerness to get at the fire he was reminded that he should wipe his feet before he entered the reception room. The Misses Sands called for one fireman so that luxurious furnishings of their home would not be ruined by unnecessary deluge of water.

BISHOP PADDOCK COMES TO HELP BUILD OREGON

By Lulu R. Lorenz. Bishop Robert L. Paddock of the new Episcopal diocese of eastern Oregon is now on the scene of his future labors, having arrived within the borders of Oregon Saturday. He will spend the month of March in his new diocese, and will be in Pendleton, where an indefinite stay will be made. He will here enter into a careful survey of his future work in eastern Oregon.

Rebekah Meeting at Pendleton

Obd Fellows Open Lodge at Hermiston

REPEL DEMANDS FOR SILENCE
MASSES OF VOTERS IN STATE NOT IN SYMPATHY WITH RUMP CONVENTIONS.

Old line Republicans of Multnomah county and of the state are looking back with much satisfaction at the Republican "mass meetings" which were out of its wrangling existence in Selling-Hitrich hall Saturday afternoon. Former spokesmen of the old time machine throughout the state are preparing to take their cue from the action of the Hodson-Beach-Balley delegates of Saturday morning, and are preparing to call meetings in other counties for the purpose of declaring the party in opposition to Statement No. 1.

Even the leaders of these movements are forced tacitly to admit, however, that the conventions have been called together by the old time leaders, and have been or will be attended by old line delegates for the purpose of putting in the old time machine. The great mass of the silent voters throughout the state have not taken part in the calling of the conventions, and will not be influenced by the platforms and recommendations announced by the organizations.

Masses Against Machine Rule. In Multnomah county the central hope of the old machine and in Marion county where the office holding class makes its home, is arising the chief opposition to the principle of the people's rule as made certain by the primary law and its provisions. But even here, investigation shows, the old time voters are not the support of the principle of political rule by the people as outlined in the primary law and will turn their backs on the machine rule.

SHIP GROUNDS OFF FIRE ISLE
Coamo Goes Ashore While Carrying 100 Passengers and Crew of 50.

New York, March 2.—With 10 passengers and a crew of 50 aboard, the steamer Coamo of the New York Porto Rico line, went ashore near Fire Island this morning. The vessel grounded in a dense fog.

CARRY SUNDAY LAW TO LIMIT

Thirty-Two Merchants Follow Saloonmen Into the Law's Arms.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Spokane, Wash., March 2.—The Sunday closing campaign started in earnest this morning by the filing of complaints against 32 proprietors of places of business for keeping open on Sunday. Among these are a morning paper and a theatre movement in line.

COMMERCIAL CLUB UNWILLING TO DIE

La Grande, Or., March 2.—Strenuous efforts are now being made by leading business men and members of La Grande Commercial club to prevent the organization from becoming bankrupt through a foreclosure threatened by parties holding a \$5,000 mortgage. Judge T. H. Crawford, who is president of the club, at a mass meeting appointed a committee of business men to have charge of the financial recuperation of the club, the committee to report at another mass meeting next Friday night, when it is expected some satisfactory solution of the financial difficulty will be presented.

MRS. M'BEE, AGED PIONEER, IS DEAD

Pendleton, Or., March 2.—Mrs. Samantha M'bee, one of the oldest pioneer women on the coast, died at the home of her son, Charles M'bee, six miles south of here, last evening at the age of 88 years. She came from the California in 1852 and had made Oregon her home since that time. She was the mother of 13 children and a native of east Tennessee.

\$1,000 Bobs Up Mysteriously and Conspirator Goes Free

One thousand dollars in cash, deposited with the clerk of the circuit court this morning, brought liberty to E. E. Radding, who has been confined in the county jail and unable to give bail since he and Mrs. Belle Waymire were convicted last Tuesday evening on the charge of attempting to blacken the reputation of Mayor Lane.

As the bail is in cash, the identity of the person or persons backing Radding remains a matter of mystery. There has been much curiosity to learn the names of those who are taking so much interest in the cause of the convicted conspirator. It is believed that some of the old time leaders, who have been or will be attended by old line delegates for the purpose of putting in the old time machine, are taking this morning produced the cash for his client, \$500 in gold and \$500 in currency, and the money was in the strong box of the county clerk as security for the appearance of Radding whenever he is wanted in court.

Patrick Bruin, former chief of the detective force, who recently resigned and took a lofty fling at Mayor Lane, now appears in the courtroom as a witness in behalf of Radding and Mrs. Waymire. In an affidavit filed this afternoon by Seneca Fouts, on which a motion for a writ of habeas corpus was granted, Bruin is named as the witness by whom it is proposed to show that Mayor Lane made statements damaging to his side of the case.

NAVY GUNNERS ARE POOR SHOTS

Commander Sims Says Marksmanship at Santiago Was Disgrace.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, March 2.—Commander William S. Sims criticized construction methods of the American navy before the senate investigation committee today. Open ammunition hoists he pronounced a grave source of danger.

GIVEN HEARING ON CHARGES TO DEFRAUD

R. H. Wells, J. N. Saylor and Frank Caviness, the three men arrested some time ago on suspicion of being responsible for the large number of defunct state bank notes which have been circulated in Portland recently, are having a hearing before United States Commissioner Sladen this afternoon. The men were arrested by the local authorities on charges of using the local defunct state bank notes.

MAPLE DAY AT BAKER CITY

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Union, Or., March 2.—A local nursery of this city has sold 500 young maple trees to high school students of Baker City, to be planted on Maple day, a new holiday instituted by the Baker city schools this spring.

THE SON OF HAM

From the Washington Herald. "During a revival in Texas," said Philip R. Bangs of Toledo, Ohio, his turn for a story having come, "a negro was requested to have had visions about heaven and hell. His boss called him up and interrogated him as to what he saw in both places, and first as to what the white men and darkeys were doing in heaven. 'Lord, boss, the white men was all a-tilting back in their chairs, with their heels on the banisters, s-s-smoking cigars, and the niggers was down on their knees a-shining up their golden slippers. Then as to what was going on at the other place. 'If you believe in boss, every single white man had a nigger in his hands a-holding' him up between him and the flames."