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pened a temporary establishment in

will stay in Astoria, opening a perma-

ELKS PLAN MONSTER TREE

nent business later.

the basement of the Y. M. C. A., and

Hundreds of Astorians were enter-

tained for two hours Sunday at the

high school auditorium by the band

of Al Kader temple of Portland. W. F. McKenney, president of the Oregon State Elks' association, con-ferred by Exalted Ruler Fertig and other officers of Astoria lodge concern-

ing final details for the Elks' Christ-mas trees for 2500 kiddles next Sat-

urday evening. The Elks of Portland

and other Oregon lodges are sending 2500 Christmas baskets here for dis-

tribution. The Elks' bank of Port-land will play at the exercises.

E. G. Gearhart, city auditor and po-

lice judge, Monday was exhibiting an ordinance passed by the city council

following the great fire in Seattle in

which the city fathers of Astoria, then

a town of less than 5000 inhabitants.

appropriated the sum of \$500 for the

The old ordinance proves of extraor-

dinary interest just at this time when

offers of aid and cash are coming in from all parts of the country, Seattle included. An interesting fact in con-

nection with the accidental discovery of the old ordinance is that one of the largest of the local wooden structures in the big fire here December 8, known

as the Page building, and housing busi-ness establishments on the lower floor

and the Merwyn hotel on the two up

per floors, was built by the late Mayor

Page, who signed the Seattle relief

At University to

University of Oregon, Eugene, Dec. 19.—Thef irst campus robbery that has

taken place in years was staged Sat-

urday night, when a thief or thieves

threw a brick through a front window of the University Cooperative store

Rob Co-op Store

Thief Uses Brick

ordinance.

relief of the Seattle fire victims.

SIGNED BY MAYOR PAGE

of Astoria, June 8, 1889, immediately



score or more of representatives and about a dozen senators of the next Oregon legislature assembled in the city council chamber Monday afternoon, in conference with Acting Gov ernor Ritner, Governor-elect and the committee of 10 from Astoria, and indicated their willingness to do what is possible in the way of state aid for the rebuilding of a street through the stricken city. ,

Those present were not pledged to a definite program of procedure, but a committee of five was appointed to outline such a plan, after it confers with Governor-elect Pierce, the state highway commission and the Astoria relief committee. This report is to be forwarded to Milton R. Klepper, who was chairman of the meeting, and he may then call a meeting of the legislators to further consider it. BANKBUPTCY THREATENED

This action followed a general disussion of the situation and the declaration from members of the Astoria delegation that if aid is not extended to the unfortunate city it will go bankrupt. Governor-elect Pierce, who was greeted with hearty applause, declared that, one of the saddest things in the history of Oregon has happened to Astoria, and that he is in full accord

with the idea of state relief. "I cannot tell you what I am going to say in my message," said Pierce. "but I do want to help. Show me the way and I am with Astoria."

The meeting was opened by Mayor Baker, who had called the assemblage together. He declared that, as the fed eral government has recognized Astoria's need for outside help, the state of Oregon also must do its part After the situation had been reviewed by members of the Astoria committee. Mayor Baker turned the meeting over to the legislators, and Milton Klepper was elected chairman and Mrs. C. B. simmons secretary.

YEON PROMISES SUPPORT John B. Yeon, speaking on behalf of the state highway commission, expressed its desire to aid the city of Astoria if legal way is opened. He stated the commission is willing to go as far as possible, and recommended that if the federal government provides the means for constructing bulkheads along Commercial street and fills the street, the state highway commission should pave the street as a part of the state highway, and also have two connecting links, the total to cost approximately \$270,000.

One of the telling features of the meeting was the statement or stra. Kinney senator-elect, who was cailed upon to represent the conditions at Astoria. She told of the physical conditions of what was the business section of that city, with its streets as well as its buildings wiped out of existence, and of the inability of Astorians to carry the financial load of reconstruc-

"If we do not receive aid our town will go bankrupt." she declared. "We have come to the point where we simply have got to appeal for outside

NOT EASY TO ASK

"It is not an easy thing for us to ask aid. Five generations of the Kinney family and six generations of my own family and six generations of my own family have been trail-blazers in Oregon and pioneers in its development. Not once have they asked special fa-vors for themselves or their localities;



Parties of men who haid case of fire-swept city before Portland and Oregon Monday.

The Polar Cake Ice Cream company,

Astoria Business Men Plead Stricken City's Cause morning, when he opened the store for business, but students told him that they had noticed the hole in the win-dow when passing thep lace Sunday.

> SHOPLIFTING ON INCREASE Eugene, Dec. 19 .- Shoplifting is increasing rapidly, local merchants re-port. One woman was halted yester-day at the door of a stoor and \$150 worth of goods removed from under her coat. No charges have been filed.

NOBRIS OWEN Eugene, Dec. 19.-Funeral services for Norris Owen, 59, farmer of the Lorane section, were held here Monday. He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Owen, Lane Ploneers,

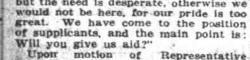
Paline Frederick, me in Seattle and the palatial home Screen Star, and of Miss Frederick in Beverly Hills is being occupied by her aunt and uncle,

Doctor-Mate Part who was her business manager. According to friends of Miss Fred-erick, she and Dr. Rutherford never ived together as man and wife. Dr. Los Angeles, Dec. 19.-(I. N. S.)-Rutherford is a second cousin of the star, being a first cousin of her mother,

Pauline Frederick, stage and screen Dr. 'Rutherford, however, it was star, has separated from her husband, Dr. Rutherford, well known Seattle stated, made plans to retire from his physician, whom she married at Rivprofession after his marriage. He was erside last June, according to infor aid to have refused several offers of mation obtained from friends of Mis onnections in his work in the city.

The marriage of Dr. Rutherford and Frederick today. Incompatibility was given as the Miss Frederick was a big surprise to cause of separation, but no mention the many friends of "Polly," as the was made of plans for a divorce. star is affectionately known.





Will you give us aid?" Upon motion of Representative Graham of Washington county it was decided to authorize the chairman to rippoint a special committee to confer with the governor-elect and the state highway commission and Astoria comnittee, and then formulate plans for ed legislation to give Astoria re-

Chairman Klepper appointed as this committee Senators Robert S. Farrell of Portland and O. B. Robertson of Fick company of Portland. The con-Condon, and Representatives L. M. Cern expects to incorporate as the As-Condon, and Representatives L. M. cern expects to incorporate as the As-Graham of Forest Grove, D. E. toria Shope Brick company with a Fletcher of Independence and E. N. capitalization of \$250,000 and a maxi-Hurd of Seaside.

The 10 members of the Astoria comand fancy faced bricks. mittee present were Major W. S. Gil-bert, G. C. Fulton, attorney; Frank Barker, hardware merchant; C. R. Hig-gins of the Astoria National bank; O. B. Setters, mayor-elect of Astoria; James Brenner, mayor of Astoria; W. Bruce O. Rowan of Portland an- of which Peter L. Cover, formerly of nounced today that the company will Portland, was general manager, when be ready to provide concrete bricks to the local trade for permanent construc-tion by the time the street-widening problem is settled and new permanent F, McGregor, president of the First Nasavings bank, and John Tait.

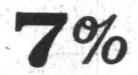
NEW BRICK CONCERN WILL

McGregor, president of the First Na-tonal bank; George W. Sanborn, fish acker; Frank Patton of the Astoria evings bank and Lobo Teit. Astoria ern Outfitting company, two of the building will occupy 50 by 100 feet. larger retail concerns burned out in one story high, with full basement, and the fire, have combined on the erec-tion of a new temporary frame home making plants in the Northwest,

ALD IN RECONSTRUCTION Astoria. Dec. 19.—One of Astoria's brand new industries as a result of the free will be a huge brick making fac-a crew of 25 carpenters under direction brand new industries as a result of the free will be a huge brick making fac-

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