GALVESTON PLAN FOR WALLA WALL

NEW FORM OF CITY GOVERS'MENT COMING.

cial Club of the Gardon City ring the Apoption of the west Know

Walla adopt the Galves ndation of reial club of this city, says Walla Walla Statesman. The matas brought up in the meeting of

spearing in "Success."

vely discussion and airing of
is at once followed the mention atter and everyone who was at with the form of munici-which has worked so success-aliveston, where it was intro-ned in Momphis. Des Moines of places, was heartily in favor location of the new costern the sloption of the new system.

The present form of government have in this sity is old and obso-

Vice President Dement, cesiding, "We need an up-m of city government." everyone present. Sevbe tried here. The sposed of by a motion secretary make a digest icipal control and report mercial club for action at

is taken to ascer ether or not Walla Walla la out of the backwoods and be ar a village, but a first-class a matter will more than likematter will more than like-ried out. There is no doubt, for Kirkman of the club said at. that Walla Walla has and 25,000 inhabitants, taking attle and Portland.

will be surely taken this d application be made for When this is granted charter. When this is granted, effort will be made on the part who favor the Galveston systo have it introduced here, in all billty. It will be tried.

RACING AROUND THE GLOBE.

Three Salling Vessels Leave Port on a 14,000 Mile Race.

The Portland Telegram tells of the race of three sailing vessels from Portland around the globe, as

Three windjammers sailing fro rtland the latter part of next week will be the contestants in what prom es to be one of the greatest races and Cape Horn ever pulled of at. The craft will be the Aman bark Acme, Captain McKay British bark Jordanhill, Captain lly, and the British ship Celtic Captain Daniel.

purse of \$150 will be turned the winner. The money, \$50 oh was contributed by each pillated in the he Captain A. Crowe yesterday after-noon. Besides, an agreement was drawn up to which each of the principals subscribed, and it also bears the signature of P. Rosenstein

Arriving off the Horn, each of the aptains agreed to leave a letter on island of Diago Ramirez, addressed to his competitors, letting them know when he passed and other parculars of the voyage from the Co. lumbia river. Captain Crowe is instructed to forward the purse to vinner when the completion of the passages has been officially reported.

The Celburn will clear for Queenswith a cargo of wheat, while the Jordanhill will call at the same port bound for England with a lum ber shipment. Laden with lumber the Acme will go to New York. It is ned that it takes just as long s first to complete the voyage, her kipper will be declared the winner. The trio are completing their car

goes and will be ready to sail about the same time If one should get two or three days the start of the others that fact will be taken into consider ation. In other words, the ships that is out the least number of days will carry off the prize.

speedy, and the result of the 14,000 ee will be awaited with una hated interest by local mariners. A few years ago Captain McKay took the Aeme from Hongkong to Baltimore in 90 days, a voyage which usu-

lly occupies four months.

The Jordanhill has made a nur ber of rattling passages from the Pa-cific coast to the United Kingdom, while the Celticburn is regarded as a marvel, when it comes to cutting through the bounding seas. The tric are in command of seadogs of long experience, who have the reputation of knowing how to take advantage of every stirring breeze.

FREIGHT BUSINESS BETTER.

Average of 75 Cars Per Day Pass Westward Through La Grande.

Railroad freight business has been on a steady increase the past few weeks, says the La Grande Star. The ipal part of the business is west.
It is stated at the O. R. & N. parters that an average of 75 f through westbound freight pass th La Grande every day.

are is some enstward movemen or, but not in the quantities that this part of the road has been accessomed to handle. If there were same proportional amount of business toward the east that there is now westward bound, the O. R. & N. would ization.

doing the biggest freight business

that was expected to get in motion on the strength of the spring colonist ss, is a disappointment. There are ow scarcely more than coach loads, here there were train loads of homecekers last year.

The railroad men in the La Grande offices assert as a positive fact that there is now more travel toward the east than there is toward the west. The cause of this unusual and unexpected condition is ascribed to the hard times in the east.

Throughout the section of country from whihe the homesceker travel is principally drawn there is still a stringency and notwithstanding the cheap fares, the proportion of those who have money to travel is more limited than heretofore.

On the other hand, the coast people do not feel the stringency to any unu-sual extent and they have money with which to travel. This is given as the only explanation of the present situwhich more people are going east than there are persons coming west.

CANADIAN PROGRESS.

The Growth in Imports-Forel Capital In So

Consul H. D. Van Sant of Gingsto ontributes the following information oncerning Canadian foreign trade

concerning Canadian foreign trade and development:

Canada imported from the United States in 1985 \$6,000,000 pounds of cotton of the value of \$5,500,000, and from other countries 500,000 pounds of the value of \$6,500. In 1997 the cotton imports from the United States reached 12,000,000 pounds of the value of \$5,000,000; from other countries 23,000,000; from other countries 23,000,000 pounds of the value of \$5,000,000; from other countries 23,000,000 pounds of the countries 25,000,000 pounds of the co

tries 234,000 pounds, value \$29,620.
The following quantities of hard coal were imported in 1907: From the United States. 2,756,332 tons; from other countries, 28,539 tons.

Pulpwood exported from Canada to the United States in 1945 amounted to 593,624 cords, valued at \$2,600,816; in 1907, 628,744 cords, valued at \$2, 748.901.

To secure British capial, not only for the large demands of the raffway builders, but also for the smaller de nands of the manufacturer and factory and house builder is a movement which the Canadian Manufacturers' association will seek to persuade British loan companies to establish branches here.

The winter has been an exception ally long and dull one among trades men and retailers generally in Kings ton. In some of the larger stores preparations are being made to replenish the depleted stock. American dealers in all staple goods used in the retail trade will find a market here for a limited amount of goods of various kinds, hardware, drugs, staple proceries, cotton goods and fabrics, millintry, plated ware, tailor clothing, windmills, wire fencing fancy goods and toys, tinware and ousehold goods. Taken in connec tion with other cities and towns it would pay to send commercial men

MASONIC TROWEL AT PORTLAND

mposing Ceremony to Welco Round-the-World Messenger.

Masons of Oregon will receive the silver trowel, that is being sent around the world to every jurisdiction in Christendom, with appropriate ceremonies, on April 20, says the Portland Oregonian. Imposing exercises will be held at the Masonic Temple, West Park and Yamhill streets, when there will be a reception to the grand mas ter, officers and members of the grand lodge of Oregon.

The trowel will be brought to Portland by a delegation of Masons from Pocatello, Idaho, where the Mason of Idaho welcomed the symbol of Masonry to that state. The visitors will formally deliver the trowel to the gon jurisdiction, when, having performed their trust, they will return to Pocatello. It will then devolve upon a committee from the Oregon Masons to deliver the trowel in person to the jurisdiction of another state.

During the reception at the Masented by the Pocatello delegation, composed of William Wallin, D. North Clark and Rev. P. Murphy, all mem bers of Portneuf lodge No. 18.

Following the imposing ceremonies of receiving the trowel, a banquet will spread, of which Frank Robertson will be toastmaster. The following committee of well known Masons has charge of the general arrangements: Russell Mackenzie, Frank Robertson Hugh J. Boyd, Frank B. Mallory, J. Raymond Rogers and Charles

Boise to Have \$100,000 Park.

Within a short time by special elec ion, to the voters of Boise will be submitted the proposition of voting \$100. 000 in bonds for a city park, says the Boise Capital News. The ordinance calling for the election is already being prepared by the city attorney and the matter is causing considerable comment. A short time ago the city was presented with 40 acres along the banks of the Boise river extending from the Eighth street bridge to the Broadway bridge on the north.

The property is centrally located and is an excellent site for a park, but for a city, which in a few years, will have over 50,000 inhabitants, the tract was not considered large enough and negotiations were made for the purchase of two tracts on the north, one known as the Broadway park consisting of 64 acres, which can be pur-chased for \$26,000, and the Brock

The owners of these tracts have agred to accept city bonds for all but \$4000 of the purchase price, and the interest on \$100,000 bonds, counting the inhabitants of Boise at 20,000, each per annum.

has been taken up and discussed by with a small quantity of cooked meat the Columbia club and practically re-once a day, at noon, the amount of ceived the indorsement of that organ-

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO BE VOTED UPON

Dishonest or Unfit Official May Be Called Out of Office by Petition of the People Under Amer Be Voted Upon in June-Offending Official Given a Chance to Vindicate Himself by Second Election

The thirteenth in the list of 19 pro posed initiative and referendum measure to come before the people at the June election is the recall amendment to the constitution. neasure will appear on the ballot in he following form:

Proposed By Initiative Petition. For an amendment to article 2 of the constitution, giving the voters power to call a special election at any time to discharge any public ficer and elect his successor. yes or not, 324, yes; 325, no. Vote

The measure as it has been sub-mitted to the voters is as follows: CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.
Article II of the constitution of the

tate of Oregon shall be, and hereby is, amended by adding thereto at the end of said article a new section which shall be numbered section 18 of said article II and shall be as fol-

Section 18. Every public officer in Oregon is subject, as herein provided, to recall by the legal voters of the state or of the electoral district from which he is elected. There may be equired 25 per cent, but not more of the number of electors who voted in his district at the preceding election for justice of the supreme court to file their petition demanding his recall by the people. They shall set forth in said petition the reasons for said demand. If he shall offer his resignation, it shall be accepted and take effect on the day it is offered, and the vacancy shall be filled as may be provided by law. If he shall not resign within five days after the petition is filed, a special election shall be ordered to determine whether the people will recall said officer. the sample ballot at said election shall be printed in not more than two hundred words, the reasons for demanding the recall of said officer as set forth in the recall petition, and in not more than two hundred words the officer's justification of course in office.

He shall continue to perform the duties of his office until the result of said special election shall be officially declared. Other candidates for the office may be nominated to be voted for at said special election. The candidate who shall receive the highest number of votes shall be deemed elected for the remainder of the term, whether it be the person against whom the recall petition was filed, or another.

The recall petition shall be filed with the officer with whom a petition for nomination to such office should be filed, and the same officer shall order the special election when it is required. No such petition shall be circulated against any officer until he has actually held his office six months, save and except that it may be filed against a senator or repre sentative in the legislative assembly at any time after five days from the beginning of the first session after his election. After one such petition and special election, no further recall shall be filed against the same officer during the term for which he was elected unless such further petitioners shall first pay into the public treasury which has paid such special election expenses, the whole amount of its expenses for the preceding special election.

Such additional legislation as may aid the operation of this section be provided by the legislative assemincluding provision for payment by the public treasury of the reasonable special election campaign expenses of such officer.

But the words "the legislative assembly shall provide" or any other similar or equivalent words in this constitution or any amendment thereto, shall not be construed to grant to the legislative assembly any exclusive power of law-making nor in any way to limit the initiative and referendum powers reserved by the people.

BLACK FOX INDUSTRY.

The Animals Raised for Their Skin in Prince Edward Island.

Consul John H. Sherley of Charlottetown, in forwarding the following report, says that as strangers are not allowed on or about the fox farms it is impossible to secure any very definite information concerning the industry.

There are three black fox farms near Atherton, where these animals are raised for their skins. These farms contain 20, 25 and 80 respectively. Th skins are sold in London at prices ranging from \$500 to \$1800 each, according to quality I am informed that the fur is used for ornamenting the cloaks of royalty as it is the only fur to which gold will

cling The farm containing 30 foxes is on Cherry's Island. The farm contain-ing 20 foxes is in a rough, broken woods country, where the animals are confined by heavy woven wire net ting The wire is set in the ground two and three feet in order to keep the foxes from burrowing under, and is about eight feet above ground, with tract adjoining it, consisting of 40 post of another three or four feet of acres, which can be had for \$12,000. wire in order to keep them from a cure inwardly at the top of each wire in order to keep them from climbing over the fence They sleep in the open the year around, in hol-low trees and in hollow logs.

These animals are not crossbred, are confined to their own kind, to would amount to less than 25 cents keep the fur of the best possible qualach per annum.

The matter of purchasing this land on oats and milk and bread and milk. meat being lessened during the summer, as it has been shown that too keep the door shut.

much meat creates mange, diseased These animals are very wild, and no one can get near them except the keeper, and he only when he brings them food.

SHEEP SUPPLANT CATTLE.

ske River Ranges Are Changed and Settled Upon.

The ranges of the Salmon river, where 25,000 head of cattle find pas ture during the winter, will within a few years be given over to sheep, says a Lewiston item. This is the statement made by State Land Agent C. J. Munson, who has recently visited the Salmon river country, where the state has made selections of timber land, which will be leased to the stockmen of that section for summer range

Mr. Munson was in the city yesterday and completed filings on approximately 4200 acres of timber land recently selected in the Salmon section. During the time the selections were being made he discu the grazing question with a large number of the Salmon river stock men and reports that many are making arrangements to dispose of cat-tic and take up sheep, because the ranges have been depleted of the good grass and are now only fit for sheep pasture.

He says such men as Frank Wyatt will soon be out of the cattle busine and engaged in wool growing and the general conditions of the Salmon river valley will bring larger returns from sheep than from cattle, which will result in the complete elimination of cattle from that section within a few years.

TO SAVE THE BISON.

American Bison Society Sets Aside

National Herd and Range. Through a bill recently introduced in congress by Senator Joseph M. Dixon of Montana, the American Bison society formally called upon the government to establish a national herd of bison on the Flathead Indian reservation, in northwestern Montans, says a Washington paper. The society offers a nucleus herd as a gift, if congress will provide the land for a range, and fence it in.

A year ago the organization engaged Professor Morton J. Elrod, of Missoula, to spend the summer 1907 in making a thorough examination of the Flathead reservation, which now is being thrown open to settlement, and recommend a site for a national bison range On Professor Elrod's report is based the plan now before congress

The site proposed for the new national herd is situated immediately north of Ravaili, on the Northern Pacific railway, which is the station which 398 bison were shipped to Canada last year. The ideal range desired contains 20 square miles (12,-800 acres) of ridges and hills, nearly all of it too steep for agriculture of any kind, and of no value to any one save as grazing lands.

In the ravines and water course there is as abundance of water, and sufficien timber to afford a shelter for bison in the severest storms. The grazing grounds are abundant for the support of 1000 bison, without the necessity of feeding them.

ENOCH ARDEN AT PROSSER.

Former Husband of Young Wife Comes on the Scene Unexpectedly.

A dispatch from Spokane says: After having lived with his beautiful wife for years, having one child by her and enjoying home life in apparent perfect happiness, the home of Richard Evans, one of the most highly respected of the young men of Prosser, Wash., has been shattered by the appearance on the scene of Bruce Burt, a traveling agent for stove polish, who alleges Mrs. Evans shall was his wife in the never been legally divorce

Mrs. Evans admitted the truth of Burt's story, although claiming her marriage was annulled, and in guish has fled to her mother in Seattle. Apparently Burt's coming here was the merest accident. There is nothing to indicate that he knew she was here before he came.

Burt has been in trouble with the city officials here, having once been arrested for drunkenness and ordered to leave the city. Evans, who is the son of one of the ploneer residents of the city, is sure his wife will return. About four years ago Evans met and wooed Miss Florence Masham, now his wife, then a pretty telephone girl at Sunnyside.

Yakima Gives \$9000 for Exhibit.

The county commissioners will provide in all \$9000 towards defraying the cost of the county exhibit at the Seattle exposition next year, says the Yakima Republic. On Yakima Republic. On this year's rolls an approriation of \$5000 is prorided for and the additional \$4000 will be provided for on the tax rolls of next year, thus conforming with the law which limits the amount of money which can be voted for the exhibition to one haif of one per cent.
A meeting of the commissioners,
representives of the Commercial club and of the Horticultural union was held yesterday afternoon and a committee consisting of Dan Sinclair, W. N. Irish and A. B. Weed was appointed to visit Scattle and selec a site for the Yakima exhibit.

Build \$10,000 Country Home Work has begun on a \$18,000 house for E. J. Haasze on his property on Summit View road. The residence when completed will be one of the finest, best appointed and most mod. of the wool market. ern houses of North Yakima or the surrounding valley. Architect Perrin has prepared the plans, which are said to be absolutely unique, Haasze owns property in olose prox-Mr. imity to Dr. Henry's residence on Nob Hill The building site commands a splendid view of the Wide Hollow valley, he Naches gap, Fruivale, Nob Hill and North Yakima.—Yakima Republic.

If there is a skeleton in the closet,

A MASTER STROKE

THE ERIE ROAD GIVES HIM OCEAN-TO-OCEAN LINE

tory of the Big Deal Is Told in a Fascinating Manner-Its Financial and Commercial Importance Stag gors Wall Street--The Gre Railroad Stroke of the Century.

A special dispatch by the United Press from New York gives the intereting details of Harriman's master stroke in securing control of the Eric system this week.

That E. H. Harriman grabbed off the biggest bargain on record, even in these days of Wall street bargains when he came to the rescue of the Erie railroad in such a spectacular nanner, was made plain today, who stock market operators had had time to analyze the deal, says the dispatch All Mr. Harriman was required to put uj was \$4,500,000 of borrowed money. Here are some of the things he got in return:

What Harriman Gains. Control of the Erie railroad, \$400,000.000 corporation. A through freight and

line from San Francisco to New York, for which he has been working and dreaming and scheming for years. Renewed prestige, which compet

sated in a great measure for his loss as a result of the "big stick" vigorously wielded for several years President Roosevelt. Five million dollars in new Erie 6

per cent short-term notes, which his control of the road will enable him to meet when they mature three years

Two hundred and fifty thousand dollars of actual cash, handed back to him for use as pin money at a time when many millionaires are having s struggle finding money to finance lobster and champagne suppers.

The story of how he did it reads like a tale from the Arabian Nights. First, he learned that the Brie was going to have a hard time getting the noney to meet its obligations of \$5. 500,000, which matured yesterday. Then, brough interests allied to him, he made sure that no banking establishment would advance the necessary

Next, he allowed alarming reports of the Erie's difficulties to be published broadcast, so that the holders of the short-term notes would be come alarmed and sell them at panic prices. Then he sent agents into the market, who picked up \$5,000,000 of the notes at 80 cents on the dollaran investment of \$4,008,000.

Finally, he made his spectacular offer, which at the last moment, saved the Erie railroad from a receiver-

ship. The offer looked as if he were ing to put u pan immense sum just out of ure philanthropy, but there was a string tied to it It was for the purchase of new 6 per cent notes at

95 cents on the dollar sufficient to pay off all the old notes whose holders would not accept new notes at par and a bonus of 5 per cent in cash. Mr. Harriman already owned \$5.

000,000 of the \$5,500,000 notes, so it was necessary for him to put up anly \$500,000 more in cash. He even got back a par of this because certain speculators had sold notes they did not own, and in order to deliver the goods today, were forced to pay a premium

And now all the financial world is standing aghast at the result.

The acquirement by Mr. Harriman of a transcontinental line is the part of the deal which appeals most to railway men. Mr. Harriman and his associates, it is reliably reported. stand ready to spend, under certain conditions, from \$30,000,000 to \$40,-000,000 for improvements in terminals, unnels, trackage and rolling stock. If these plans are completed, Mr. Harriman's dream of a perfectly squipped, complete transcontinental road, with Erie as the eastern outlet, will have come true.

WOULD NOT CONSIGN WOOL.

Utah Woolgrowers Urge Against Ac cepting Low Prices.

At the meeting of the evecutive committee of the state woolgrowers association yesterday the subject of wool prices was a vital topic and it was brought before the meeting by a communication from the Utah wool growers' association. After conside ing the letter it was decided by the ommittee to take the matter advisement and to meet ap ain May to take definite action in behalf of the woolgrowers of D is state. The Utah letter, hich contains some very pointed things upon the

subject of wool prices, is as follows:
Sal', Lake City, Utah, March 16, 1908. Dear Sir; -The executive board of

the Utah Woolgrowers, after consultation with the leading woolgrowers of Ut h, Wyoming and Idaho, deem it a visable to notify all the woolgrowers of the inter-mountain region in relation to the present condition You are fully aware that there is

whole country; especially in trial lines. This was caused by the rived in Pocatello from Portiond. recent financial panic. The money pecting to meet the team here as market is now clearing up and is the Pocatello Tribune. It was n much better in the east. At present there is a tendency to bear the wool ger Jack O'Brien of the La Gran market and thereby cause sheepmen bunch that they learned definite to account ruinous prices for the land that they learned definite to account ruinous prices for the land that they learned definite to account ruinous prices for the land that they learned definite to account ruinous prices for the land that they learned definite the country to the land the land that they learned definite the country to the land that they learned definite the country to the land the land that they learned the land the land the land that they learned the land the land the land that they learned the land the land that they learned the land the land that they learned the land th to accept ruinous prices for their that plans to do spring training in P coming clip. After careful investicatello had been abandoned. gation, we advise woolgrowers at the present time, not to accept a lower figure than two cents per pound less are nothing but creeks now.

than was paid for their citpe

Under no circumstances, opinion, should woolgrowers cowool to eastern markets wait for a raise in prices. The tory of the past is conclusive The the consigning of wool breaks market in the east and the consi or, nine times out of 10, is the lo and seldom realises more than consignment advance.

If we are going to hold our we at all, it should be held in the we If the sheepmen will units and ke posted on market conditions, there no question but what they will real fair prices this season.

The shearing season will comme

in parts of our state in about to weeks; before selling your clip, it w be to your advantage to keep post and advice with the office of ti company. Our organization will ke and will advise its stickholders up request either by wire or letter as the condition of the wool market.

We think it very essential that coolgrowers combine in keep thomselves well posted in regard future conditions of the wool ma ket, as well as heir other interes THE UTAH WOOLGROWERS.

HURRY UP CELILO CANAL.

Walla Walla Paper Reviews Progr of River Work.

The Walla Walla Statesman says the work of completing the Cellio nal, to which work Congressman R. Ellis is now devoting his best forts:

After a great amount of preliming work, revising plans of the gover ment canal between The Dalles a Celllo, have been completed and fi warded to Washington for approv mys the Statesman, Government engineers in charge this important work have assurant

that the revised plans will be imme ately taken up by the government a thorities and if approved, a substant appropriation for continuing the w will be made. The Cellio canal is the only real

important work to be done in ord open up a channel from Lewiste to the sea, and it is hoped that the vised plans will be approved and necessary appropriation made. Within the past year numerous

structions to navigation in both t Columbia and Snake rivers have b removed by government dredges at the work is to be continued with abated energy. The rapid development of a v

area of country tributary to the Clumbia an dSnake rivers, with the I erensed traffic incidental to such dev opment, makes it imperative that pen channel to the sea be constru ed as quickly as possible.

MORROW COUNTY SHEEP SALE

Early Spring Movement of Starts Out Well.

The Heppner Gazette says of Mo row county sheep sales of this sprin Afater a long depression in sheep market the spell has at been broken and several sales are ported this week.

F. C. Oxman, who was the of heaviest buyers in this county is season, was here this week and maveral purchases. Mr. Oxman bought from Wm. B

ratt 1700 mixed yearlings at \$2.5 per head. He also purchased about head from Wm. Beymer, 1500 her from Silas Wright, and a lot

coarse wool yearlings from D. justus. The prices on the last let 1 ere unable to learn. Paul Hister, the well known sheet an, this week sold to H. A. Yocu

100 head of yearling wethers with th wool on for \$4.50 per head. This is the first sheep sale in the vicinity this season and is consider od price. However, Mr. His

sheep were in fine condition. TO BEGIN WORK ON THE O. &

Portland People Ready to Building Toward Scattle

The directors of the Oregon Washington Railway company mally accepted the franchises rece y granted by the Seattle city co cil, at a regular meeting at the Porland headquarters Monday Preset land headquarters Monday Preset at the meeting were the following directors: W. W. Cotton, H. F. C. ner, R. Blaisdell, W. A. Robbir as W. R. Litzenburg, all of " as a W. R. Litzenburg, all of Portiss The meeting laste only a few mi

The most imports at business the mere formal acceptance of thethe franchises, as ir acceptance of the san attle city charter. It was strong intimated by one of the directors thrie setual construction work on tela Scattle end of the road would be within the next few weeks, and the the entire Washington portion of t of

the next year. Specific dental was made that t M Harriman people had any intention re making a joint arrangement with t Northern Pacific Railroad for tpa common use of the former's tunn me at Tacoma. The Oregon & Washin ton is to use the big hole exclusive in

Formal notification that the fra wo chises granted by the Seattle coun had been accepted are being preparate and will be forwarded to the Seat city authorities forthwith. La Grande Not to Train.

Manager Abe Pierce of the Pootello team learned yesterday that the La Grande team of professionals the eastern Oregon league would in come to Pocatello for spring training seneral business depression over the W. G. Kotteman, an infielder, whole country: especially in

The rivers we fished in when a