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Volume of Christmas Business This Year Amazing-All Records Shattered-Local Stores Well Supplied -Larger Stocks and More of Them to Select From.

Busy! Busy! Busy!

glean from the merchants of the city been killed and eight missing; 24 mi-Christmas business being transacted pitals, with the likelihood that sev- building, the establishment of a bank this year in the city of Medford eral will die; half a dozen bodies and completion of a \$5000 depot on the pacific & Eastern, Eagle Point There was small staisfaction to be of the D. Friedlander Leather Fac- may be said to be coming into its defense. gained from visiting the many retail tory, with exhausted rescuers fight- own. Business has taken on renewrush has forced managers, propri- is the summary today of Philadel- rapid growth in the little city is asetors, as well as the clerks, to the phia's Yuletide tragedy. floor in order to care for the trade. Too the summary of horror caused the intent to do the Christmas shop- vants were sacrificed to incendiarism and hardware stores. ping early was evident in the city-lof the worst type. but it was impossible to do it all in At 3:30 this morning the remain- and will soon be ready for business a day or a week.

ford this year will contain gifts of that covered several bodies. The en- Brown, Joe Rader, J. E. Enyart, S. no less a value than \$500,000. And tire fire department, aided by the A. Carlton and Ira Dodge. galow. Thousands of dollars have tinuously on the ruins. been dispatched to other cities where Under the glare of the electric time to Eagle Point properties. Medford folks have relatives and lights firemen, police and laborers friends and thousands of dollars toiled to lift the crumbled walls and EXPRESS RATES ARE have been received in this city. The uncover the remaining victims. total is amazing.

of business done. All are unable to the fire and to fix responsibility. in the city in a lively fashion,

There is no disputing the fact on fied as a hoseman named Eidelman. any hand that last week was by far The intense cold interfered with the greatest six-day period in local rapid work and the authorities demercantile channels for that time of clared that several days must elapse the impetus of the "early shopping" ered. movement, which has been fostered | Shortly before daylight the body of in an inconceivable number of ways, Patrick Carroll, a fireman, was recurrent week a close rub for record man John Carroll was taken from the

chandising. setting in with a tide and rush that section of flooring; were dragged out.

hour through the long aisles of the at the nozzles. narrow confines of the teeming coun- blankets and after considerable de- and will make his home here. He ar- the existence of Santa Claus before month. If a smallpox case appears structure, occupying an entire block ters, where goods are displayed. The lay water was turned on the burning rived on Tuesday and lost no time in the pupils. The matter probably will here Smith must give up his home Not a wall was left standing and not throngs can move in but a single di- building. As soon as the fire had deciding upon an investment. rection. Once swallowed in the been controlled the rescuers encounmacistrom of those who have some tered great sheets of ice that covempty stocking to fill, the shopper is ered the ruins and compelled them to borne along relentlessly. Deft and use their axes. A score of firemen polite salespeople eager to assist in that had rushed from warm enginedispensing the good cheer stand room in the cold air were overcome ready with tempting suggestions up- and were taken to hospitals, on their tongue-tips and the current

SENATOR NELSON TAKEN

Nelson W. Aldrich was taken to which will appear at his house Tues- so-called Oregon land fraud prosethough it was given out that the sen- long trip last season, scoring a most leged frauds in the Blue Mountain and convicted at his third trial, but ator was not in a serious condition, pronounced success, and this year forest reserve, were dismissed by

hand, resulting from an accident that Rajah of India." befell Aldrich a few months ago, At | Seats on sale at Haskins' drug man Binger Hermann, the time of the accident it was an- store, Saturday, December 24. found.

\$500,000 IS 16 FIREMEN MOCK

Yuletide Tragedy in Philadelphia-Lives of City's Servants Sacrificed to Incendiarism of Worst Type-Blazing Ruins Collapse, Burying a Score or More-Burns All Night,

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 22. Such is the refrain dinned into the Sixteen firemen dead and six miss ears of ye scribe who endeavored to ing; one policeman known to have some idea of the magnitude of the jured firemen and policein city hosshops of the city, as the Christmas fng ice and fire to reach them-that ed activity and prospects for a

The fire is believed to have been

give any accurate estimate of the Ten hours after the fire had been amount of business done. All are brought under control the rescuers express rates throughout the countries and individuals for five fire companies to the scene. A mon R. H. Hanauer assumed the reunable to give any accurate estimate came upon the unconscious form of try. Complaint has been made killed Jesse C. Smith with a knife, material used in the construction of second and third alarm quickly folof the amount of business done. The Fireman Glazier, although trapped of the amount of business done. The Fireman Glazier, although trapped against the express companies from following a quarrel. He was defined against the express companies from following a quarrel. He was defined against the express companies from following a quarrel. He was defined against the express companies from following a quarrel. The supreme court has lowed, bringing out Marshals Horan in which it was demonstrated that larger stocks than ever before were bly mangled, his life was saved by a purchased. But they are traveling fellow fireman, whose body nearly but until this letter came the local ont back doors to the various homes cut in two protected. Glazler from shipping interests did not know that counsel. It was due in a great de-

chinisgy and George Erderman, The present week, moreover, is crushed to death beneath a falling

seems incredible to him who has had The fire started at 10 o'clock last occasion to stroll through the vast night and burned until nearly dayreaches of the busier houses of light. The water in the hydrants Medford in the past week or ten was nearly congealed with the cold Humanity is massed hour after turned on the blaze the pressude died publisher of the Sycamore Tribune at complaint from the parents of War-

of traffic is accelerated in this way. WILLAMETTE GLEE CLUB CHRISTMAS ATTRACTION

TO GOTHAM HOSPITAL Manager Hazelrigg has arranged for an extra Christmas attraction in NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Senator the Willamette University Glee club.

nonneed that Aldrich was struck by It looks now as if the Bevani Op- has been sentenced to one year an bring the case to trial. a street car or a taxicab, but no wit- era company may cancel its northern McNeill's Island and for pay a fine This brings to an end the famous of the Oregon land fraud prosecu- his trip last fall that raising chil- ment with other banks to give the nesses of the reported accident were trip. If so, the Glee club will be the of \$2000, it was recommended that land fram cases of Oregon which tions and the reasons that impelled dren was more important than rais-

EAGLE POINT ARE PLANNED

Ten Thousand Dollar Store Building and Bank Structure Among Those to Be Built at Once-Old Settlement Takes on Life and Energy.

With the erection of a \$10,000 sured.

W. Von der Hellen and Frank There is something from rosy dawn by the holocaust may be added the Brown have purchased a large tract to dewey eve, and that something privation and sorrow brought to the of land lying near the depot and doing gives no promise of abating families of the dead and dying have cut it into building lots. They until after Saturday night. The rush throughout the city and the suspi- will erect a \$10,000 building which started some three weeks ago-for clon that the lives of the city's ser- will house their general merchandise of Mock's statement the judge sen- plications between Germany and

A new bank has been incorporated der of the building collapsed and ad- The incorporators are H. Von der The Christmas stocking in Med- ded tons of masonry to the debris Hellen, W. Von der Hellen, J. Frank

the presents range all the way from men of the building department and The building lots are to be handled a Christmas card to a modern bun- the police, have been at work con- by Claude Miles of this city, who has been devoting his attention for some

TO BE INVESTIGATED

chants who have been for years in fired simultaneously in half a dozen commerce, says that he is in receipt begin his confinement in the state in sureties. The lower court held that Captain Patrick Doyle, Pipeman been recorded. their hands in amaze at the amount under way to determine the cause of interstate commerce commission, announcing definitely that the commisa large batch of petitions was filed, teered his services, the man having death. The dead fireman was identicommence action. The inquiry will inal lawyer that Mock escaped the go into the earnings of the express gallows and a verdict of first degree companies, their capital and cost of murder, year. In fact, so strong has been before the last body can be recovthe smaller portion of the charge for express carriage, while the express that last week is likely to give the covered. Near him the body of Firehonors in the history of local mer- debris. Later Fireman George Ma- pany's charge grows with distance, for the terminal service in long or short haul.

EASTERN EDITOR INVESTS IN WESTERLUND ORCHARDS

SENTENCED TO

Convicted Man Declares That Hs Is Not a Coward and Acted Only in Self-Defense-Stabbed Victim in Quarrel Over a Canine.

second degree for the killing of Jesse today. ber, responded when asked by Judge taken sketches of the Bokrum forti-Thursday morning.

tenced the man to a life term in the Great Britain. penitentiary.

Mock heard the words, "It is the SUPREME COURT GIVES order of this court that you be confined in the Oregon state penitentiary for the Pmainder of your life," ap-

no means with which to employ

"Jonah of Cupid" Quits Job.

in Needham township, has handed in his movements. his resignation. He says he was a "Jonah of matrimony."

No Santa? Parents Angry.

reach the board of education.

GERMAN JAIL

British Army Officers Convicted of Spying on German Fortifications Given Four Years Each by Court-Admitted Sketching Fortifications.

LEIPSIC, Germany, Dec. 22 .-Captain eBrnard Trench and Lieu-"I am not the coward I am called, tenant Vivian Brandon, English army am not fruity. I acted only in self officers, convicted of spying on German fortifications at Bokrum, were With these brief words Julian A sentenced to four years imprison-Mock, found guilty of murder in the ment each by a German court here

C. Smith in this city last Septem- The Englishmen admitted having F. M. Calkins, previous to imposing fications and then having given the sentence upon the convicted man, sketches to the British officials. The Morris & Co. spread today to the and were unanimous in the opinion outcome of their trial, it is expected, Immediately apon the conclusion will bring about international com-

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 22 .parently unmoved, although his face In order for a piece of construction blanched a shade whiter when he to be "a public work," it is not neces- ery fire company in Chicago to the club, signed by four of the eight congrasped their meaning. His apparent coolness was evidently the re- it may float. Such is the decision conflagration from sweeping the en- Jackson County bank, Fred H. Hopsult of mental preparation, for he of the supreme court of the United tire stockwards district. knew that a life sentence would be States. The point axose in a suit Among the dead are believed to be It was brought out that this offer in the state of Washington as to several of the commanding officers had been made the club in 1908, but After the sentence was passed whether or not the single-serew of the fire department, including had been rejected, after which two Mock was taken back to his cell in steamed Lieutenant Harris, being two fire marshals and several com- of the signers, F. H. Hopkins and the county jail. He looked neither built in 1905 at the Puget Sound En- pany captains. The volume of business trading in the city has this year been amazing.

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The volume of business trading in the coroner to the right or left, but appeared in deep meditation. He will probably army, was "a public work" within the fire is benefit to the right or left, but appeared in deep meditation. He will probably army, was "a public work" within the fire Marshal Burroughs, Fire Marshal B be taken North Thursday evening to meaning of the statute relating to shal Horan, Captain John Collins, but in the meantime the deed had it was within the statute and award- George Murawski, two unidentified The crime for which Mock must ed judgment against the Title Guar- firemen. spend the remainder of his days be- anty & Trust company of Scranton. The first alarm was turned in at Dr. J. M. Keene, who, however, resion will take up an investigation of hind prison bars for, was committed Pa., on the bond, and in favor of 3 o'clock this morning and brought fused to sign it as sponser, whereaffirmed the judgment.

Worked Too Hard.

Too much work is the excuse fight freezing weather, inferior fighter. Moore has been a building or working on the ground considered the entire matter a fight COLUMBUS, Ind., Dec. 22.—Dis- busy boy for the last six months floor, an immense tank of ammonia between real estate brokers and not couraged over the fact that all cou- and a rest, the followers of the fight exploded without a moment's warn- proper for the club's action. He ples, with one exception, whom se game say, would do him much ing. In an instant the burning wood- thought the club could not afford to had joined together in wedlock, had good. He was drawn and thin when work was hurled in all directions maintain the exhibit as creditably as been divorced, David D. Coons, for he faced Langdon and all through Firemen nearest the tank were blown it was kept up at present. He urged several years a justice of the peace the fight a lack of ginger marked through the flooring to the roof by real estate men to get together for

Rents Pesthouse for Home.

GRANITE CITY, III., Dec. 22 .-WARSAW, Ind., Dec. 22.-L. L. Under an agreement to vacate on a escaped the concussion of the burst-Kemper, principal of the Center ward day's notice. James Smith, a mill ing tank, were overcome by the George S. Anderson, recently the school, has received a strenuous worker, has moved his family into fumes of the ammonia and were bur-Sycamore, Ill., has invested in the saw children against a school teach- of houses caused Smith to rent the when it fell. Westerland orehards in the valley er who has taken occasion to deny pesthouse from the city for \$12 a

LAND FRAUD CASES DISMISSED BY JUDGE WOLVERTON EXCEPTING THE INDICTMENT AGAINST JOHN M. WILLIAMSON Binger Hermann Indictment Among months in the county jail and that Jones' Sentence to McNeill's Island

Those Dropped-Heney Asks * for Dismissal.

PORTLAND, Or., Dec. 22.—All the Roosevelt hospital today to undergo day, December 27, for one perform- entions, excepting the indictment an operation on his hand, and al- ance. This give club made its first against John M. Williamson for alan ambulance was used to convey makes its first appearance in South- Judge Wolverton in the federal court Heney will leave for San Francisco who died soon after he had been conern Oregon. The club has a most this afternoon on motion by Special tonight and will go to Washington af vieted of aiding in the frandulent there are not enough children in the The ailment is described as a stif- attractive program, concluding with Federal Prosecutor Francis J. Hency. ler Christmas. He expects to re- work of men whom he thought were town to give a Christmas church enfening of the tendons in his left a laughable little comic opera, "The Among the cases dismissed was the turn either in the spring or summer his friends. indictment against former Congress- to try Williamson. Hency said that In recommending that the cases be writes that the conditions arise from directors of the bank had appropris-

Jones pay a fine of \$10,000, should he consent to the reduction. His sentence will not begin until February 1, because there is an application for a pardon before President Taft.

is still awaiting trial, is not likely to won a new trial on appeal.

Reduced If He Will Agree t o Pay a \$10,000 Fine.

The John Williamson case, which tention of the nation, due to the fact that some of the most prominent men be dismissed. Williamson was tred in the west were indicted for alleged

Among them was the late United States Secutor Mitchell of Oregon,

only attraction during holiday week the sentence be reduced to four several years ago attracted the at him to bring the cases to a close. Ing crops.

Nelson Morris Packing Plant Scene Commercial Club Appoints Commitof Disaster-Tallow House Destroyed and Ammonia Plant Explodes, Killing and Maiming Fire men, Including Officers.

CHICAGO, Ill:, Dec. 22.-After ten hours of fighting the fire that cent meeting of the Medford Comthreatened to destroy the Nelson mercial club was present Wednesday Morris Packing company's plant and evening, when the Exhibit building endangered the entire Union stock- was again discussed. The club reyards, was brought under control seinded its resolution of the previous this afternoon. At I o'clock ten bod- meeting indorsing the maintainance ies had been recovered from the of the exhibit as at present conductruins in which it is believed more ed and adopted a resolution declarthan 30 firemen lost their lives. .

firemen, the fire that destroyed the building an dexhibits.

low horse had crumbled before the dealers, and that the time was ripe fierce heat and one of the piles of for the Commercial club to acquire PUBLIC WORK DECISION masonry fell upon the spot where it the structure and maintain the exwas believed the bodies of 20 miss- hibits. A deed was shown to be on ing firemen lie buried. A third general alarm brought ev-

and Burroughs. In half an hour the the sentiment of those present was \$1,000,000 warehouse was burning overwhelmingly in favor of the resofiercely and the firemen were handi- lation. PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 22 __ capped by low water pressure and

upon the firemen working near theta. The men inside, who might have

The warehouse was a four-story an hour after the explosion.

DR. COOK WILL BE IN AMERICA THURSDAY

NEW YORK, Dec. 21 .- Dr. Fredrick A. Cook, who claimed that he thought he had discovered the north pole, will arrive tomorrow on the steamer George Washington, No committees of citizens or naval pageants will welcome him to New York as the explorer was received a year ago.

Dr. Cook is returning to spend the holidays with his family,

Town Lacks "Kiddies": No Fete.

ITHACA, N. Y., Dec. 22 .- The tertainment A church woman Jackson County bank stated that the Williamson wanted to be vindicated dismissed in Judge Wolverton's the removal of nearly all the mar- ated \$200 as the bank's share of the The case of Willard N. Jones, who and for that reason he had decided to court, Heney made a lengthy state- riageable young folk to the cities, publicity fund of the Commercial ment in which he recited the history Colonel Roosevelt told the people on club, in accordance with an agree-

tee to Negotiate for Acquisition of Building and Display - Large Membership Present and Long Debate Ensues.

The largest attendance at any reing that the exhibit should be maintained by the club, and appointing a CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 22.-Having committee to open negotiations with claimed the lives of probably 30 John D. Olwell for the purchase of

Real estate men were out in force tallow house of the plant, and at that the maintainance of the exhibit, noon it was stated that the entire as at present conducted, with a real plant was in danger of destruction. estate office in the structure, worked At 12 o'clock the walls of the tal- to the disadvantage of other realty record conveying a half interest to the building itself to the Commercial kins, J. W. Perkins and Edgar Hafer.

Debate and Resolution

The resolution was presented by

President Colvig left the chair to speak against the resolution and took fans today are advancing for Pal About an hour after the arrival of occasion to score real estate brokers Moore's losing a decision to Tommy the first engines and while more than for instances of misrepresentations Langdon, whom the fans say is a far 100 men were clustered about the to purchasers made by them. He the force of the blast, and the walls. their own good and the good of the with hardly a waver, toppled ontward valley and end their rivalry.

Amendment Offered.

R. H. Hananer and Dr. J. M. Keene led the fight for the resolution. Bert Anderson stated that he thought it a question of special privilege and that in permitting the exhibit as conducted to be maintained on its right of way, the Southern Pacific was granting an unfair advantage to Mr. Olwell, Messrs, C. E. Whisler and G. Putnam opposed the resolution and the latter offered to amend by striking out section 1. which reseinded the Commercial club's former action, and section three, which declared the maintainance of the exhibit injurious. Section one was retained by the club and the singer of the resolution agreed to striking out section three,

As finally adopted, the resolution rescinds the former action of the club, claiming it not the sentiment of a majority of membership, pledges the club to maintain, if opportunity is secured, a creditable exhibit, and authorizes a committee to secure a proposition from Mr. Olwell for the purchase of building and exhibit, and submit the same to the directors of the club.

Accepts Bank's \$200.

President W. I. Vawter of the

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