



SENATE AGREES TO ALASKAN RAILROAD

Last Points of Difference Overcome.

BILL READY FOR PRESIDENT

Signature at White House Assured in Advance.

EXISTING LINES DEBATED

Question Raised Over President's Duty in Event Existing Lines Are to Be Used—Discretionary Power Remains.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—The Alaska railroad bill providing for the construction of 1000 miles of Government railroad and the expenditure of \$35,000,000 was ready for the President's signature today, when the Senate adopted the conference report already adopted by the House.

QUARRY WILL BE OPENED

North Bend Men Form Company to Mine Basalt Rock.

NORTH BEND, Or., March 10.—(Special.)—A company has been organized here to open a basalt rock quarry. Surveys have been made and arrangements are going ahead as fast as possible.

FOSTER ROAD WORK URGED

Property Owners Ask County to Pay One-Third of Cost.

Property owners along the Foster road, between East Fifty-second and East Seventy-second streets, have petitioned the County Commissioners to pay one-third of the expense of widening the road to 55 feet from the present 35 feet.

CO-EDS IN EARLY TRAINING

Washington Girls Hope to Beat Vassar Athletic Records.

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON, Seattle, March 10.—(Special.)—To beat the athletic records set by the women of Vassar College in a recent track meet, the co-eds of the University of Washington have commenced their annual track season work earlier than in former years.

SAM KRASNER DISCHARGED

Notorious Underworld Character Not Convicted of Vagrancy.

Sam Krasner, whose connection with underworld characters for the past four years has made him notorious, was discharged by Municipal Judge Stevenson yesterday from a charge of vagrancy, sworn to by Police Sergeant Harms and Patrolmen Long and Wise.

PLAGUE FOUND IN HAVANA

Second Bubonic Sufferer Discovered After First Patient Dies.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—A second case of bubonic plague in Havana has been reported to Surgeon-General Rupert Blue, of the Public Health Service, and inoculations have confirmed its nature.

SAILORS' PAY STATIONARY

Andrew Furuseth Says No Advance Has Been Made in 69 Years.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—Andrew Furuseth, president of the International Seamen's Union, told the House merchant marine committee today that the average wages of seamen the world over have been stationary the past 69 years.

REFERENDUM IS ADVISED

Water Meters in Homes Unnecessary, Say Mount Scott Folk.

That water meters for the homes in Portland are uncalculated for and their installation an unnecessary expense to the city at this time, was the sentiment of the members of the Mount Scott Improvement Association expressed at the meeting Monday night.

MADAGASCAR WIND-SWEPT

Cyclone and Tidal Wave Devastates North Part of Island.

PARIS, March 10.—The minister of the colonies received a cable dispatch tonight from the Governor-General of Madagascar saying that a cyclone and tidal wave devastated the northwest region of the island March 2.

MRS. CAROLINE L. MEIER DIES

Within Four Days of Death of Her Husband, J. Meier, at Mount Pleasant, Mrs. Caroline L. Meier Suffered a Stroke of Paralysis and Died Tuesday Morning.

Mrs. Caroline L. Meier died last Friday and was buried last Sunday at Camby. Her wife was 69 years, eight months and nine days of age. Her body will be buried by the side of that of her husband Thursday.

SON IS SUBSTITUTE FOR SIRE AT ALTAR

Curry Girl Refuses to Disappoint Wedding Guests.

PROBLEM IS HARD TO SOLVE

Elimination of Huerta Will Not Supply Answer.

PEOPLE DEMAND REVOLT

Only Candidate Who Ever Congratulated Successful Opponent Now Dead Politically—Residents Americans Wrathful.

BY PHILIP H. PATCHIN. (Published by arrangement between the New York Tribune and the Oregonian.) MEXICO CITY, Feb. 25.—(Special Correspondence.)—To arrive at the "truth about Mexico," to tell what conditions actually are and to discuss, with any degree of assurance, what the future will be, is, indeed, a difficult task. So much depends on what may happen, and there is no way of telling about that. At any moment the rattle of a machine gun may break the peace of the city, just as it did about a year ago, when the President of the United States, who had been entirely changed and the redoubtable Huerta may be "eliminated" in a manner totally unexpected, at least by him. Again, there is the ever-present possibility of intervention by the United States. It may be this or it may be that, but which one no one knows now. In consequence all discussion must be more or less predicated on a consideration of possible developments which may or may not occur.

TURMOIL IN MEXICO SURE TO CONTINUE

People in Capital Expect Intervention.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—(Special.)—The future of Mexico is more uncertain than ever. Page 1.

INDEX OF TODAY'S NEWS

The Weather. YESTERDAY'S—Maximum temperature, 65 degrees; minimum, 48 degrees. TODAY'S—Fair; easterly winds. Page 1.

SABOTAGE SHADES DEFINED BY MOYER

Wrong in Flooding Mine Not Admitted.

CHICAGO, March 10.—Charles H. Moyer, president of the Western Federation of Miners, tonight told the Congressional committee investigating the Michigan copper miners' strike of his deportation from the mining district last December. Three men, Moyer said, went to his hotel room in Hancock on the night of his deportation. They asked him if he would receive a larger committee of citizens, and on his agreeing, Moyer said, 15 or 18 more men entered the room. They asked if he would permit the citizens to contribute to the relief of the survivors of the Christmas eve disaster at Italian hall. Moyer said he replied he had not told the members of the federation they should not accept outside help in caring for their dead, but said they felt they ought not and he would not advise them to accept relief contributed by those outside the federation. Moyer then repeated the version of the alleged attack he has given in the past. "Did the men who committed this outrage wear masks?" Representative Casey asked. "They wore no masks," replied the witness. He added that he could not call the names of any besides one named Hensley. "Isn't it true that I said to you in the Hancock Hotel," Moyer was asked by Attorney Petermann, "that in view of the intense feeling we felt that you would be responsible for whatever might happen if you did not issue the statement we asked?" "I don't think I don't remember it that way."

HIGHWAY ROUTE OPPOSED

Ranch Owner Near Ashland Demands Heavy Damages for Land.

ASHLAND, Or., March 10.—(Special.)—The first discordant note in connection with the location of the Pacific Highway in this locality has arisen over the survey of the route west of Ashland. The present route is by the Farnham Hill on the outskirts of the city. The highway authorities want to reduce the grade by running the line through the Billings ranch, a valuable property in that vicinity. The owner wants heavy damages and the County Court has appointed viewers to investigate the matter preparatory to instituting the condemnation proceedings.

MILL RUNNING FULL TIME

Orders for Cargoes of Spruce Received at North Bend.

NORTH BEND, Or., March 10.—(Special.)—The North Bend Lumber Company's mill in this city, resumed full time operations today. Manager Paul Dimmick having returned from California with cargo orders for spruce lumber. The mill has been working on local contracts for several months and only part time.

FEDERAL PLACE IS OFFERED MR. WEST

Governor Says, However, He Declined Honor.

CANDIDACY FOR UNITED STATES SENATE ALSO DENIED—ALASKA RAILWAY COMMISSIONERS MENTIONED. OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, March 10.—Governor West, of Oregon, before leaving for home tonight, said that a Federal appointment had been offered him by one of the members of the Cabinet, but that he had declined the offer. The Governor refused to say what office had been tendered him, but it is understood it was a place on the Alaska Railway Commission, which is to have charge of the construction of the Government trunk line railroads in Alaska, provided for by the Chamberlain bill, which finally passed Congress today. The President is empowered by that bill to appoint three commissioners at salaries which he himself will fix. Senator Chamberlain, who was understood to have recommended the appointment of Governor West, declared today he had made no such recommendation and said further he did not believe Governor West would accept appointment if it were tendered him. "Governor West would be an ideal man on that Commission," said Senator Chamberlain, "and if he would care to have the appointment I would gladly recommend him to the President."

KIDNAPING IS DESCRIBED

Miners' President Does Not Sympathize With I. W. W., but He Predicts Labor and Capital Will Go on Fighting.

CHICAGO, March 10.—Charles H. Moyer, president of the Western Federation of Miners, tonight told the Congressional committee investigating the Michigan copper miners' strike of his deportation from the mining district last December. Three men, Moyer said, went to his hotel room in Hancock on the night of his deportation. They asked him if he would receive a larger committee of citizens, and on his agreeing, Moyer said, 15 or 18 more men entered the room. They asked if he would permit the citizens to contribute to the relief of the survivors of the Christmas eve disaster at Italian hall. Moyer said he replied he had not told the members of the federation they should not accept outside help in caring for their dead, but said they felt they ought not and he would not advise them to accept relief contributed by those outside the federation. Moyer then repeated the version of the alleged attack he has given in the past. "Did the men who committed this outrage wear masks?" Representative Casey asked. "They wore no masks," replied the witness. He added that he could not call the names of any besides one named Hensley. "Isn't it true that I said to you in the Hancock Hotel," Moyer was asked by Attorney Petermann, "that in view of the intense feeling we felt that you would be responsible for whatever might happen if you did not issue the statement we asked?" "I don't think I don't remember it that way."

COMPARISON IS REJECTED

Case Declared Dissimilar to Wrecking Machinery.

CHICAGO, March 10.—Charles H. Moyer, president of the Western Federation of Miners, tonight told the Congressional committee investigating the Michigan copper miners' strike of his deportation from the mining district last December. Three men, Moyer said, went to his hotel room in Hancock on the night of his deportation. They asked him if he would receive a larger committee of citizens, and on his agreeing, Moyer said, 15 or 18 more men entered the room. They asked if he would permit the citizens to contribute to the relief of the survivors of the Christmas eve disaster at Italian hall. Moyer said he replied he had not told the members of the federation they should not accept outside help in caring for their dead, but said they felt they ought not and he would not advise them to accept relief contributed by those outside the federation. Moyer then repeated the version of the alleged attack he has given in the past. "Did the men who committed this outrage wear masks?" Representative Casey asked. "They wore no masks," replied the witness. He added that he could not call the names of any besides one named Hensley. "Isn't it true that I said to you in the Hancock Hotel," Moyer was asked by Attorney Petermann, "that in view of the intense feeling we felt that you would be responsible for whatever might happen if you did not issue the statement we asked?" "I don't think I don't remember it that way."

REFERENDUM MOVE ON METERS READY

Campaign Launching Tomorrow Night.

PORTLAND, March 10.—The referendum against the ordinance providing for \$500,000 for installation of meters in the water system of Portland is fully prepared and will be launched tomorrow night at a mass meeting of the citizens of Portland to be held in the East Side Library at 8 o'clock. A citizens' committee, coming in response to a general call issued last week, met in the Central Library last night and adopted unanimously a call to the public for support of the referendum movement and an announcement of the meeting for launching the referendum. J. W. Conway presided and Whitney L. Boise presented the address to the public, calling the meeting for Thursday. Adoption of the address and call for the referendum was by unanimous vote of the people present, who filled the assembly room, and after the adjournment of the meeting many came forward and voluntarily signed the document. More Than 100 Sign Up. The call is issued over the signatures of 125 representative citizens. Both the large users of water and the small users are represented. "We don't want anyone to get the idea that this movement is simply a kick of a few small water users against meter installation," said Mr. Boise. "It is a protest of the citizenship of Portland at large against wasteful and unnecessary expenditure of our money." Circulation of the referendum petitions probably will be without expense, for many of the people present at the meeting declared their willingness to circulate the petitions and do everything else in their power to help the movement along. "I voted for Commissioner Daly," said C. L. Mead, "and I am glad of an opportunity to atone for my mistake by getting out and doing everything I can as an individual to fill up the petitions for this referendum." Commissioner Daly is criticized. Commissioner Daly was criticized sharply by several of the speakers, not only for his policy in the matter of meters, but for other measures which he has fathered in the Council. "Mr. Daly has been a trouble-maker from the moment he took office," said F. W. Goldapp. "I am heartily in favor of this referendum and will do what I can to help it along." "If we simply lie down and allow the city officials to spend our money whenever and wherever they choose, regardless of the needs of the people," said Mr. Boise, "there will be no end to the extravagance. We should, in this referendum, make an example so emphatic that they will never again try to spend our money foolishly." The address to the public and call for the mass meeting, with the names of those who endorsed it, follows: Call to Public Issued. "To the Voters and Taxpayers of the City of Portland: "We, the undersigned, your fellow citizens, desire to present our reasons for appealing to you to invoke the referendum upon the ordinance recently passed by the City Council with reference to water meters. "While this ordinance provides for the purchase and installation of 500 meters, it is the expressed intention of Commissioner Daly to continue placing meters until every service is supplied. "There is nothing personal in this controversy and we are opposing the meter policy solely on the ground that we believe it to be an unnecessary waste of the public funds, whether the money thus expended is derived from a bond issue, or from surplus revenues of the water department. "It is a well-known fact that when the question of meters was first proposed, the city had only one pipe line from Bull Run with a capacity of 22,500,000 gallons per day; now with the new pipe line added we have a capacity of 67,500,000 gallons per day. And while our supply has increased 200 per cent, our population has increased only 20 per cent. "It is conceded by everyone that a large part of our water now runs to waste over the spillways and through the sewers, and that it will be many years before the consumption will equal our present pipe line capacity. "We emphatically believe that it will be time enough to commence to consider general metering when our consumption of water somewhere near approaches our supply. "We believe that meters should be installed for all large consumers, at (Continued on Page 2.)

CAMPAIN LAUNCHING TOMORROW NIGHT

East Side Library Scene

PORTLAND, March 10.—The referendum against the ordinance providing for \$500,000 for installation of meters in the water system of Portland is fully prepared and will be launched tomorrow night at a mass meeting of the citizens of Portland to be held in the East Side Library at 8 o'clock. A citizens' committee, coming in response to a general call issued last week, met in the Central Library last night and adopted unanimously a call to the public for support of the referendum movement and an announcement of the meeting for launching the referendum. J. W. Conway presided and Whitney L. Boise presented the address to the public, calling the meeting for Thursday. Adoption of the address and call for the referendum was by unanimous vote of the people present, who filled the assembly room, and after the adjournment of the meeting many came forward and voluntarily signed the document. More Than 100 Sign Up. The call is issued over the signatures of 125 representative citizens. Both the large users of water and the small users are represented. "We don't want anyone to get the idea that this movement is simply a kick of a few small water users against meter installation," said Mr. Boise. "It is a protest of the citizenship of Portland at large against wasteful and unnecessary expenditure of our money." Circulation of the referendum petitions probably will be without expense, for many of the people present at the meeting declared their willingness to circulate the petitions and do everything else in their power to help the movement along. "I voted for Commissioner Daly," said C. L. Mead, "and I am glad of an opportunity to atone for my mistake by getting out and doing everything I can as an individual to fill up the petitions for this referendum." Commissioner Daly is criticized. Commissioner Daly was criticized sharply by several of the speakers, not only for his policy in the matter of meters, but for other measures which he has fathered in the Council. "Mr. Daly has been a trouble-maker from the moment he took office," said F. W. Goldapp. "I am heartily in favor of this referendum and will do what I can to help it along." "If we simply lie down and allow the city officials to spend our money whenever and wherever they choose, regardless of the needs of the people," said Mr. Boise, "there will be no end to the extravagance. We should, in this referendum, make an example so emphatic that they will never again try to spend our money foolishly." The address to the public and call for the mass meeting, with the names of those who endorsed it, follows: Call to Public Issued. "To the Voters and Taxpayers of the City of Portland: "We, the undersigned, your fellow citizens, desire to present our reasons for appealing to you to invoke the referendum upon the ordinance recently passed by the City Council with reference to water meters. "While this ordinance provides for the purchase and installation of 500 meters, it is the expressed intention of Commissioner Daly to continue placing meters until every service is supplied. "There is nothing personal in this controversy and we are opposing the meter policy solely on the ground that we believe it to be an unnecessary waste of the public funds, whether the money thus expended is derived from a bond issue, or from surplus revenues of the water department. "It is a well-known fact that when the question of meters was first proposed, the city had only one pipe line from Bull Run with a capacity of 22,500,000 gallons per day; now with the new pipe line added we have a capacity of 67,500,000 gallons per day. And while our supply has increased 200 per cent, our population has increased only 20 per cent. "It is conceded by everyone that a large part of our water now runs to waste over the spillways and through the sewers, and that it will be many years before the consumption will equal our present pipe line capacity. "We emphatically believe that it will be time enough to commence to consider general metering when our consumption of water somewhere near approaches our supply. "We believe that meters should be installed for all large consumers, at (Continued on Page 2.)

PROTEST AGAINST WASTE SPREADS LIKE WILDFIRE

Like Wildfire.

PORTLAND, March 10.—The referendum against the ordinance providing for \$500,000 for installation of meters in the water system of Portland is fully prepared and will be launched tomorrow night at a mass meeting of the citizens of Portland to be held in the East Side Library at 8 o'clock. A citizens' committee, coming in response to a general call issued last week, met in the Central Library last night and adopted unanimously a call to the public for support of the referendum movement and an announcement of the meeting for launching the referendum. J. W. Conway presided and Whitney L. Boise presented the address to the public, calling the meeting for Thursday. Adoption of the address and call for the referendum was by unanimous vote of the people present, who filled the assembly room, and after the adjournment of the meeting many came forward and voluntarily signed the document. More Than 100 Sign Up. The call is issued over the signatures of 125 representative citizens. Both the large users of water and the small users are represented. "We don't want anyone to get the idea that this movement is simply a kick of a few small water users against meter installation," said Mr. Boise. "It is a protest of the citizenship of Portland at large against wasteful and unnecessary expenditure of our money." Circulation of the referendum petitions probably will be without expense, for many of the people present at the meeting declared their willingness to circulate the petitions and do everything else in their power to help the movement along. "I voted for Commissioner Daly," said C. L. Mead, "and I am glad of an opportunity to atone for my mistake by getting out and doing everything I can as an individual to fill up the petitions for this referendum." Commissioner Daly is criticized. Commissioner Daly was criticized sharply by several of the speakers, not only for his policy in the matter of meters, but for other measures which he has fathered in the Council. "Mr. Daly has been a trouble-maker from the moment he took office," said F. W. Goldapp. "I am heartily in favor of this referendum and will do what I can to help it along." "If we simply lie down and allow the city officials to spend our money whenever and wherever they choose, regardless of the needs of the people," said Mr. Boise, "there will be no end to the extravagance. We should, in this referendum, make an example so emphatic that they will never again try to spend our money foolishly." The address to the public and call for the mass meeting, with the names of those who endorsed it, follows: Call to Public Issued. "To the Voters and Taxpayers of the City of Portland: "We, the undersigned, your fellow citizens, desire to present our reasons for appealing to you to invoke the referendum upon the ordinance recently passed by the City Council with reference to water meters. "While this ordinance provides for the purchase and installation of 500 meters, it is the expressed intention of Commissioner Daly to continue placing meters until every service is supplied. "There is nothing personal in this controversy and we are opposing the meter policy solely on the ground that we believe it to be an unnecessary waste of the public funds, whether the money thus expended is derived from a bond issue, or from surplus revenues of the water department. "It is a well-known fact that when the question of meters was first proposed, the city had only one pipe line from Bull Run with a capacity of 22,500,000 gallons per day; now with the new pipe line added we have a capacity of 67,500,000 gallons per day. And while our supply has increased 200 per cent, our population has increased only 20 per cent. "It is conceded by everyone that a large part of our water now runs to waste over the spillways and through the sewers, and that it will be many years before the consumption will equal our present pipe line capacity. "We emphatically believe that it will be time enough to commence to consider general metering when our consumption of water somewhere near approaches our supply. "We believe that meters should be installed for all large consumers, at (Continued on Page 2.)

VOLUNTARY WORKERS OUT

C. L. Mead, Admitting He Voted for Commissioner Daly, Hopes He May Be Able to Atone for Mistake Committed at Election.

PORTLAND, March 10.—The referendum against the ordinance providing for \$500,000 for installation of meters in the water system of Portland is fully prepared and will be launched tomorrow night at a mass meeting of the citizens of Portland to be held in the East Side Library at 8 o'clock. A citizens' committee, coming in response to a general call issued last week, met in the Central Library last night and adopted unanimously a call to the public for support of the referendum movement and an announcement of the meeting for launching the referendum. J. W. Conway presided and Whitney L. Boise presented the address to the public, calling the meeting for Thursday. Adoption of the address and call for the referendum was by unanimous vote of the people present, who filled the assembly room, and after the adjournment of the meeting many came forward and voluntarily signed the document. More Than 100 Sign Up. The call is issued over the signatures of 125 representative citizens. Both the large users of water and the small users are represented. "We don't want anyone to get the idea that this movement is simply a kick of a few small water users against meter installation," said Mr. Boise. "It is a protest of the citizenship of Portland at large against wasteful and unnecessary expenditure of our money." Circulation of the referendum petitions probably will be without expense, for many of the people present at the meeting declared their willingness to circulate the petitions and do everything else in their power to help the movement along. "I voted for Commissioner Daly," said C. L. Mead, "and I am glad of an opportunity to atone for my mistake by getting out and doing everything I can as an individual to fill up the petitions for this referendum." Commissioner Daly is criticized. Commissioner Daly was criticized sharply by several of the speakers, not only for his policy in the matter of meters, but for other measures which he has fathered in the Council. "Mr. Daly has been a trouble-maker from the moment he took office," said F. W. Goldapp. "I am heartily in favor of this referendum and will do what I can to help it along." "If we simply lie down and allow the city officials to spend our money whenever and wherever they choose, regardless of the needs of the people," said Mr. Boise, "there will be no end to the extravagance. We should, in this referendum, make an example so emphatic that they will never again try to spend our money foolishly." The address to the public and call for the mass meeting, with the names of those who endorsed it, follows: Call to Public Issued. "To the Voters and Taxpayers of the City of Portland: "We, the undersigned, your fellow citizens, desire to present our reasons for appealing to you to invoke the referendum upon the ordinance recently passed by the City Council with reference to water meters. "While this ordinance provides for the purchase and installation of 500 meters, it is the expressed intention of Commissioner Daly to continue placing meters until every service is supplied. "There is nothing personal in this controversy and we are opposing the meter policy solely on the ground that we believe it to be an unnecessary waste of the public funds, whether the money thus expended is derived from a bond issue, or from surplus revenues of the water department. "It is a well-known fact that when the question of meters was first proposed, the city had only one pipe line from Bull Run with a capacity of 22,500,000 gallons per day; now with the new pipe line added we have a capacity of 67,500,000 gallons per day. And while our supply has increased 200 per cent, our population has increased only 20 per cent. "It is conceded by everyone that a large part of our water now runs to waste over the spillways and through the sewers, and that it will be many years before the consumption will equal our present pipe line capacity. "We emphatically believe that it will be time enough to commence to consider general metering when our consumption of water somewhere near approaches our supply. "We believe that meters should be installed for all large consumers, at (Continued on Page 2.)

TURMOIL IN MEXICO SURE TO CONTINUE

People in Capital Expect Intervention.

PROBLEM IS HARD TO SOLVE

Elimination of Huerta Will Not Supply Answer.

PEOPLE DEMAND REVOLT

Only Candidate Who Ever Congratulated Successful Opponent Now Dead Politically—Residents Americans Wrathful.

BY PHILIP H. PATCHIN. (Published by arrangement between the New York Tribune and the Oregonian.) MEXICO CITY, Feb. 25.—(Special Correspondence.)—To arrive at the "truth about Mexico," to tell what conditions actually are and to discuss, with any degree of assurance, what the future will be, is, indeed, a difficult task. So much depends on what may happen, and there is no way of telling about that. At any moment the rattle of a machine gun may break the peace of the city, just as it did about a year ago, when the President of the United States, who had been entirely changed and the redoubtable Huerta may be "eliminated" in a manner totally unexpected, at least by him. Again, there is the ever-present possibility of intervention by the United States. It may be this or it may be that, but which one no one knows now. In consequence all discussion must be more or less predicated on a consideration of possible developments which may or may not occur.

TEST OF STRENGTH IS ON

Of course, the great question concerns the elimination of President Huerta.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—(Special.)—The future of Mexico is more uncertain than ever. Page 1.

REPUBLICAN LEADER SAYS DEMOCRATS VIOLATED CORRUPT PRACTICES ACT

Washington, March 10.—(Special.)—The future of Mexico is more uncertain than ever. Page 1.

DOCTOR VICTIM OF "CURE"

Labor to Help Wealthy Patients Results in Own Downfall.

NEW YORK, March 10.—While laboring to discover a cure for the opium smoking habit, which wealthy patients had contracted, Dr. Herman H. Seidler fell a victim to the persuasion of the habit he had experimented with the drug, acquiring a liking for it himself. Many of Dr. Seidler's patients are said to be prominent.

TILLAMOOK MAKES RECORD

Only Death in County in Month Due to Accident, Report Shows.

TILLAMOOK COUNTY, March 10.—The most healthful spot in the world is indicated by the February vital statistics received yesterday by Dr. Calvin S. White, secretary of the State Board of Health. With a population given as 6266 by the 1910 census, and probably far in excess of that now, only one death was recorded during the month. It was due to accidental drowning. A case of measles was the only contagious disease. Ten births were recorded in the month.

PARIS, MARCH 10.—THE MINISTER OF THE COLONIES RECEIVED A CABLE DISPATCH TONIGHT FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL OF MADAGASCAR SAYING THAT A CYCLONE AND TIDAL WAVE DEVASTATED THE NORTHWEST REGION OF THE ISLAND MARCH 2.

SIXTEEN PERSONS WERE KILLED AND SEVERAL VESSELS SUNK, INCLUDING THE SCHOONERS MARZOUIN AND JEANNE D'ARC. HUNDREDS OF BUILDINGS WERE DESTROYED OR SERIOUSLY DAMAGED.

PLAGUE FOUND IN HAVANA

Second Bubonic Sufferer Discovered After First Patient Dies.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—A second case of bubonic plague in Havana has been reported to Surgeon-General Rupert Blue, of the Public Health Service, and inoculations have confirmed its nature.

SAILORS' PAY STATIONARY

Andrew Furuseth Says No Advance Has Been Made in 69 Years.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—Andrew Furuseth, president of the International Seamen's Union, told the House merchant marine committee today that the average wages of seamen the world over have been stationary the past 69 years.

REFERENDUM IS ADVISED

Water Meters in Homes Unnecessary, Say Mount Scott Folk.

That water meters for the homes in Portland are uncalculated for and their installation an unnecessary expense to the city at this time, was the sentiment of the members of the Mount Scott Improvement Association expressed at the meeting Monday night.

MADAGASCAR WIND-SWEPT

Cyclone and Tidal Wave Devastates North Part of Island.

PARIS, March 10.—The minister of the colonies received a cable dispatch tonight from the Governor-General of Madagascar saying that a cyclone and tidal wave devastated the northwest region of the island March 2.

MRS. CAROLINE L. MEIER DIES

Within Four Days of Death of Her Husband, J. Meier, at Mount Pleasant, Mrs. Caroline L. Meier Suffered a Stroke of Paralysis and Died Tuesday Morning.

Mrs. Caroline L. Meier died last Friday and was buried last Sunday at Camby. Her wife was 69 years, eight months and nine days of age. Her body will be buried by the side of that of her husband Thursday.

SENATE AGREES TO ALASKAN RAILROAD

Last Points of Difference Overcome.

BILL READY FOR PRESIDENT

Signature at White House Assured in Advance.

EXISTING LINES DEBATED

Question Raised Over President's Duty in Event Existing Lines Are to Be Used—Discretionary Power Remains.

QUARRY WILL BE OPENED

North Bend Men Form Company to Mine Basalt Rock.

NORTH BEND, Or., March 10.—(Special.)—A company has been organized here to open a basalt rock quarry. Surveys have been made and arrangements are going ahead as fast as possible.

FOSTER ROAD WORK URGED

Property Owners Ask County to Pay One-Third of Cost.

Property owners along the Foster road, between East Fifty-second and East Seventy-second streets, have petitioned the County Commissioners to pay one-third of the expense of widening the road to 55 feet from the present 35 feet.

CO-EDS IN EARLY TRAINING

Washington Girls Hope to Beat Vassar Athletic Records.

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON, Seattle, March 10.—(Special.)—To beat the athletic records set by the women of Vassar College in a recent track meet, the co-eds of the University of Washington have commenced their annual track season work earlier than in former years.

SAM KRASNER DISCHARGED

Notorious Underworld Character Not Convicted of Vagrancy.