# 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.

ka rallroad bill providing for the construction of 1000 miles of Government railroad and the expenditure of \$35,- bridegroom to appear, has not been ex-000,000 was ready for the President's plained. signature today, when the Senate adopted the conference report already adopted by the House.

President Wilson has indicated his intention of signing the bill as soon as it reaches the White Hous,

#### Action Follows Long Debate.

Final action on the bill in Congress came after a long depute in the Senate, the report of the conference committee appointed to settle differences between the two Houses being adopted by a

The measure authorizes the construction of not more than 1000 miles of railroad to connect Aleska's coal fields with the Coast, the route and other details to be selected by the President. He is to decide if railroad lines already constructed in the territory shall be purchased as a part of the Government system and whether the road is to be operated by the Government or leased after it is built.

#### President's Discretion Discussed.

The discussion today was principally on a suggestion by Senator Cumming that the Senate conferees be instructed FOSTER ROAD WORK URGED to reinsert the language of the bill as passed by the Senate and stricken out by the House, providing that the President, in constructing the railroad must, if existing railroad lines in Alaska are to be bought and used as a part of the system, buy or arrange for the purchase of these lines before construction of extensions is begun.

railroads from the Alaska seaboard

Senator Pittman replied that such Lents, making it correspond with the a thing would be so obviously out- west end of the road. rageous that no President would yield to any influence which could bring about such a result. The bill, as perfected, he said, directed the President to construct a continuous line from the seaboard to the interior and that obviously it first would be settled whether the main line should be built by the railroad or purchased outright or by condemnation from existing corporations before an extension were erected in the Alaskan interior.

There was also extended debate on Senator Norris' contention that the language of the bill placed on the President the obligation to make an effort to lease the railroad after it is built, before the Government undertakes to operate it itself. Other Senators insisted, however, that the language already made this optional.

#### PLAGUE FOUND IN HAVANA

#### Second Bubonic Sufferer Discovered After First Patient Dies.

WASHINGTON, Murch 19 .- A second case of bubonic plague in Havana has been reported to Surgeon-General Rupert Blue, of the Public Health Ser-

vice, and inoculations have confirmed The first case found there several days ago ended ratally. Dr. Blue has increased the force of Public Health

#### SAILORS' PAY STATIONARY

further plarm.

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 mer-chant marine committee today that the average wages of seamen the world over have been stationary the past 69

in pulling boats in fine weather could not be relied upon to save life, or even lower boats successfully in a storm.

#### Mrs. Caroline L. Meier Dies.

OREGON CITY, Or., March 10.—(Special.)—Within four days of the death of her husband, J. Meier, at Mount Pleasant, Mrs. Caroline L. Meier suffered a stroke of paralysis and died Tuesday morning. Mr. Meler died last Friday and was buried last Sunday at was pominated today without opposition to succeed himself at the Demonstrate buried by the side of that of contexts for other offices, the vote per husband Thursday.

## SONISSUBSTITUTE FOR SIRE AT ALTAR

URRY GIRL REFUSES TO DIS-APPOINT WEDDING GUESTS.

On Failure of Chosen Husband-to-Be to Appear, Young Woman Marries His Son.

MARSHFIELD, Or., March 10 .- (Spo tial.)-Failure of the bridegroom to appear at the appointed time for the wedding did not prevent Miss Artie Belle Clark, a Curry County young voman, from carrying out her part of the matrimonial programme almost or schedule. She immediately accepted the son of the husband-that-was-to-have-been, as a substitute, and the marriage

rows were taken. William Strain is the husband, his father, F. H. Strain, being declared the delinquent and subsequently losing candidate for the hand of Miss Clark.

The wedding occurred at Eckley, Curry County. A large number of friends and relatives had gathered to witness the event and a Justice of the Peace had ridden 20 miles from Langleis to the the knot.

The appointed time arrived, but not the bridegroom. The bride waited a reasonable time, to assure her sweet heart a square deal, and when he did not appear she started a search for a substitute, so the assembled guests and Justice of the Peace would not be dis-WASHINGTON, March 10 .- The Alas- appointed. The son of the absent one was soon selected.

The failure of the original prospective

#### 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 The company was organized by J. M.

Eddy and a number of associates. Eddy and a number of associates.

Geologists have advised there is no basalt rock west of the coast range mountains in this territory, but rock which this company will handle was found within eight miles of North Bend, and is said to be of a class contractors and paving men have been wanting for years. The quarry lies four miles beyond the head of navigation on Kentuck inlet, and the plans tion on Kentuck inlet, and the plans for starting work include some dredging in Kentuck inlet and con-struction of between three and four miles of railroad,

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

Senator Cummins said that leaving it discretionary with the President the understanding that the property the removal of the embargo on arms, whether the Government should begin owners pay the rest of the costs. The erecting lines into the interior at the plan is to take over the 35-foot right northern termini of existing private of way of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Campany, making the street & Power Company, making the street 95 feet wide. The company has agreed to move its double tracks to the middle the financial strain to which he is be-

ing roads that syndicates could deing roads that syndicates could demand a prohibitive price from the
Government.

The street to move its double that the people of
Lents have taken steps to widen the
Foster road to 95 feet from East Sev-

## 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.

The meet will be held on the university campus some time in April. The Washington women participate eight field events-sprints, long distance run, hurdles, javelin, shot-put, baseball throw, basketball throw and

## 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. Krasner proved through his lawyer, Seneca Fouts, that he had been out of Service officers at the Cuban capital the city for the past two months, and and sees nothing in the situation for had been in Portland but one day when

Krasner has been at a health resort. Judge Stevenson remarked that it might be better for his health if he would stay there.

#### REFERENDUM IS ADVISED

Water Meters in Homes Unnecessary, Say Mount Scott Folk.

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

J. Allen Harrison, F. J. Marshall and others discussed the meter question. It was the sentiment of the meeting that the installation of meters ought to be stopped by means of a referendum.

#### Kansas City Mayor Renominated.

KANSAS CITY, March 10 .- Mayor Jost was not large.

# TURMOIL IN MEXICO SURE TO CONTINUE

People in Capital Ex-

Only Candidate Who Ever Congratulated Successful Opponent Now Dead Politically - Resident

BY PHILIP H. PATCHIN. New York Tribune and The Oregonian.)

Again, there is the ever-present pos States.' It may be this or it may be that, but which no one knows now. In consequence all discussion must may or may not occur.

The President of the United States insists he shall be eliminated. Huerta declares he will not leave his ill-gotten office. Those knowing the tenacity of purpose and persistence of both these executives know that it is a great test of strength. That the President of the United States can accomplish his pur pose by force of arms at any time there Property owners along the Foster is no doubt, but thus far he has shown road, between East Fifty-second to no intention of following that course, East Seventy-second streets, have permissioners to titioned the County Commissioners to waiting, waiting for Huerta to crum. waiting," waiting for Huerta to crum-The waiting for the rebels of the north to drive him out of Mexico City.

ing subjected? Can the economic situation longer last without a financial (Concluded on Page 2.)

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Rotary Club proposes to lead in Rose Festival donations, "anteing" \$75. Page 13.

## HIGHWAY ROUTE OPPOSED

Ranch Owner Near Ashland Demands Heavy Damages for Land.

tion 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

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 investi-gate the matter preparatory to insti-tuting condemnation proceedings.

# MILL RUNNING FULL TIME

NORTH BEND, Or., March 10 .- (Special.)-The North Bend Lumber Company's mill in this city, resumed full time operations today, Manager Can this be done? Can the rebels win Dimmick having returned from Cali-

The mill has been working on local contracts for several month and only

# DEFINED BY MOYER

## COMPARISON IS REJECTED

Nick Williams seeks cast-offs in Beaver Case Declared Dissimilar to Wrecking Machinery.

#### 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 They asked if he would permit the the survivors of the Christmas eve dis-

aster at Italian hall. 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.

#### Version of Assault Given. Moyer then repeated the version o 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 tive \$100. Attorney Petermann, "that in view of the intense feeling we felt that me the statement we asked?

"I don't think. I don't remember "What did you do before you became president of the Western Federation? "I have been a laborer all my life.

Unending Conflict Predicted. "You believe, do you not, that there

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## FEDERAL PLACE IS OFFERED MR. WEST

Oregonian.

GOVERNOR SAYS, HOWEVER, HE DECLINED HONOR.

Candidacy for United States Senate Campaign Launching Also Denied - Alaska Railway Commissionership Mentioned.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washngton, March 18 .- Governor West, of Oregon, before leaving for home tonight, said that a Federal appointent had been offered him by one of the members of the Cabinet, but said 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 Govern-ment trunk line railroads in Alaska, provided for by the Chamberlain bill, which finally passed Congress today.
The President is empowered by that VOLUNTARY WORKERS OUT oill to appoint three commissioners a

salaries which he himself will flx. Senator Chamberlain, who was un derstood, to have recommended the appointment of Governor West, declared C. L. Mead, Admitting He Voted for today he had made no such recommen dation and said further he did not be lieve Governor West would accept ap-pointment if it were tendered him.

"Governor West would be an ideal nan on that Commission," said Senator Chamberlain, "and if he would care to have the appointment I would gladly

ecommend him to the President." Senator Lane, who also said he had other appointment to Governor West, expressed his willingness to recommend the Governor in case he cared to go on the commission Governor West further said tonight

that he was not a candidate for any Federal office and that he would not ccept any such appointment. "Nor am I a candidate for United States Senatorship," he added.

He said he had seen something of citizens to contribute to the relief of official life during his visit to Washington, having conferred with Secre- referendum. J. W. Conway presided taries Bryan, Lane, Garrison and Dantels, and also spent part of two days dress to the public, calling the meet the members of the federation they at the Capitol. What he had seen, he ing for Thursday. said, did not appeal to him.

## PARTY FUND UNDER FIRE

Republican Leader Says Democrats ward and voluntarily signed the docu-Violated Corrupt Practices Act.

WASHINGTON, March 10 .- Republi an Leader Mann, testifying today before the House committee on election of President and Vice-President, reiterated his view that the Democratic Congressional campaign committee kick of a few small water users violated the corrupt practices act in against meter installation," said Mr. the 1912 campaign by assessing every Boise, "It is a protest of the citizen-Congressional campaign committee Democratic Senator and Representa-

The committee has before it a resolution to investigate the charge. Chair- money. man Doremus, of the Democratic campaign committee, already has testified tions probably will be without expense.

# Affidavit Has "in" for "on" and

Judgment Is Upset. SAN BERNARDINO, March 10 .- "In' written in an adidavit of service of for this referendum. summons, instead of "on," cost John

M. Case a judgment of \$1200 here to-Case sued the City of Colton and George C. Paonessa, a paving con-

of Colton later decided to contest the Judgment was upset when it was found the affidavit declared the summons was served "in the City of Col-

#### DOCTOR VICTIM OF "CURE" Labor to Help Wealthy Patients Re-

sults in Own Downfall.

NEW WORK, March 10 .- While la- try to spend our money foolishly." boring to discover a cure for the opiummoking habit, which wealthy patients for the mass meeting, with the names had contracted, Dr. Herman H. Seidler of those who indersed it, follows: fell a victim to the persuasion of the drug, according to his testimony today n the United States Court, where he is charged with naving manufactured smoking opium without a license, Most of his acquaintances were opium smokars, he said and to cure them of the referendum upon the ordinance recenthabit he had experimented with the drug, acquiring a liking for it himself. Many of Dr. Seldler's patients are said to be prominent.

#### TILLAMOOK MAKES RECORD

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

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 where the secretary of the state Board of Health. That Tillamook County is the most With a population given as 6266 by the 1910 census, and probably far in excess of that now, only one death was reorded during the month. It was due

#### MADAGASCAR WIND-SWEPT Cyclone and Tidal Wave Devastates

North Part of Island.

PARIS, March 10 .- The minister of tonight from the Governor-General of equal our present pipe line capacity. Madagascar saying that a cyclone and tidal wave devastated the northwest

region of the Island March 3. several vessels sunk, including the approaches our supply. schooners Marsouin and Jeanne d'Arc. Hundreds of buildings were destroyed

# REFERENDUM MOVE ON METERS READY

## Tomorrow Night.

#### EAST SIDE LIBRARY SCENE

**Protest Against Waste Spreads** Like Wildfire.

Commissioner Daly, Hopes He May Be Able to Atone for Mistake Committed at Election.

The referendum against the ordinance providing for \$500,000 for installation seard nothing of tender of this or any land is fully prepared and will be of meters in the water system of Portlaunched 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 re sponse 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 and Whitney L. Boise presented the ad

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 for-

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 isers are represented.

"We don't want anyone to get the idea that this movement is simply a ship of Portland at large against wasteful and unnecessary expenditure of our

Circulation of the referendum petifor many of the people present at the meeting declared their willingness to circulate the petitions and do every-ONE LETTER COSTS \$1200 thing else in their power to help the "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 Commissioner Is Criticised.

Commissioner Daly was criticised

sharply by several of the speakers, not

only for his policy in the matter of tractor. They defaulted, but the City 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 fill the petitions." "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 The address to the public and call

#### 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 ly passed by the City Council with reference to water meters.

"While this ordinance provides for the purchase and installation of 5000 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

#### Figures Tell F"nation.

"It is a well-known fact that when the question of meters was first proto accidental drowning.

A case of measles was the only contagious disease.

Ten births were recorded in 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 in-

"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 he colonies received a cable dispatch years before the consumption will "We emphatically believe that it will

creased only 20 per cent.

be time enough to commence to consider general metering when our con-Sixteen persons were killed and sumption of water som where near We believe that meters should be

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Supply Answer.

Americans Wrathful.

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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, whereupon the situation will be entirely changed and the redoutable

ner totally unexpected, at least by him. sibility of intervention by the United more or less predicated on a consideration of possible developments which

PROBLEM IS HARD TO SOLVE

Elimination of Huerta Will Not

PEOPLE DEMAND REVOLT

#### Published by arrangement between the MEXICO CITY, Feb. 25 .- (Special Correspondence.) -- To arrive at the "truth about Mexico," to tell what conditions actually are and to discuss, with

Huerta may be "eliminated" in a man-

#### Test of Strength Is On. Of course, the great question concerns the elimination of President Huerta.

# INDEX OF TODAY'S NEWS SABOTAGE SHADES

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ASHLAND, Or., March 19.—(Special.)
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have done railroad work and carried

SUPPOSE MEXICO SHOULD HARM ANOTHER BRITISH SUBJECT?

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