

ASSAIL HIS RULE

Charges Filed Against Chemawa Official.

STUDENTS COMPLAIN

Superintendent Alleged to Be Holding Their Money.

BANK WANTS SETTLEMENT

Potter Reported to Have Put It Off Two Years—He is Also Said to Have Drawn Funds for More Students Than at School.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, April 29.—Superintendent Potter, of the Chemawa Indian School, is in extremely hot water. Charges of a serious nature have been made against him by pupils at the Chemawa School, by individuals acquainted with the workings of the school, and by ranking officials with whom Potter, in his official capacity, is called upon to transact business. So serious are the charges that Secretary Hitchcock has detailed Supervisor Holland and Inspector Nesler to investigate them. The outcome of the case depends entirely upon the report of these officials. If the charges are sustained, Potter will have to go.

Accused of Misusing Money.

Potter is accused of having misused money allowed him for the school; to have appropriated, or withheld, moneys earned by pupils who worked under the outing system, and otherwise to have conducted the institution in violation of specific instructions from the Interior Department. The law now in force limits the capacity of the Chemawa School to 550. Under the law Superintendent Potter can

not accept more than 550 pupils. It is alleged that he has accepted more than 550 pupils, and that he has expended otherwise, it is to be determined. The Interior Department says Potter, if he drew money for more pupils than were actually being educated at this school, he acted wrongly.

Banking Officials Complain.

Banking officials in Salem with whom Potter is keeping his official accounts, have complained to the department that they have not been able in the last two years to have an accounting and final settlement with him, notwithstanding frequent requests from them for such an accounting. The department criticizes this action as contrary to instructions and anything but proper administration. From Indian children comes the charge that Superintendent Potter has at times withheld moneys they earned while working in private families under the outing system. Under this system, pupils who go out in service are allowed to have all the money they earn, but it is customary for these moneys to be paid over to the superintendent of the school, who is supposed to pay it in a lump sum to the pupils at the expiration of the school year. The charge is made that Potter has not always refunded all the moneys that were turned over to him.

KRUGER IS VERY WEAK.

Ex-President of Transvaal Has Symptoms of Cerebral Affection.

Kaiser Will Buy Palace in Venice.

NEW YORK, April 29.—Emperor William has commissioned an agent to purchase for him a large old historic palace in Venice, says a Herald dispatch from that city. The building is filled with art treasures. It is stated that the Emperor intends to pass some weeks in Venice each year.

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HISTORY OF EXPOSITION.	
Conceived in 1898.	
Formally launched, 1899.	
Completed, 1904.	
Commemorates the Louisiana Purchase.	
Total cost.....\$50,000,000	
Contributions—	
Citizens of St. Louis.....5,000,000	
City of St. Louis.....5,000,000	
United States.....11,853,000	
States.....7,000,000	
Foreign countries.....21,337,000	
Total.....\$50,000,000	
\$24,000,000 of this sum is a loan.	

ST. LOUIS, April 29.—St. Louis is prepared for the greatest day in her history. Tomorrow at noon, her great exposition will be thrown open to the world.

All of today, and all of tonight, the people worked with desperate energy to accomplish the thousand and one things that always remain to be done at the last minute. At the Exposition grounds men worked all day putting the final touches to the buildings, the decorations, the flags, the banners, the

feathers, the insignia of his rank as a member of the ruling house of China.

Chief Joseph En Route to Fair.

ST. PAUL, Minn., April 29.—Chief Joseph, the Nez Perce leader, reached St. Paul today with a band of 18 blanket Indians, who are going to the St. Louis Fair for a month. He came from Spokane with several other Indians of various tribes in the Colville Reservation, in Washington, on which there are the remains of half a dozen formerly powerful tribes.

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PLAN FOR A CITY

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DOES HARRIMAN OWN SITE?

Report Credits Him With Establishing a New Port.

PREPARING FOR THE FUTURE

Harbor is Well Sheltered and Is Deep Enough for All Tonnage—Close to Almost Unlimited Supplies of Coal.

OLYMPIA, Wash., April 29.—(Staff correspondence.)—Harriman & Rockefeller, Real Estate Dealers—Water Front Property a Specialty—Extra Bargains on Factory Sites, Etc." The foregoing may not be a verbatim copy of the signs that will call the attention of the world to the new city now being laid out at Doflemeyer's Point, about seven miles north of this city, but unless the people in this vicinity have been misinformed they would be neither inappropriately nor misleading.

Arrive to Represent Navy.

During the day the United States gunboat Nashville and the torpedo-boat destroyer Lawrence, which will represent the navy at the Fair, arrived in St. Louis harbor. As the ships came into the harbor, they were greeted by a chorus of whistles and shouts of welcome from crowds on excursion steamers. Salutes were fired in answer after which a delegation of World's Fair officials, including members of the Exposition reception committee, left their yachts and boarded the Nashville. Commander John Hubbard received the party and after coming ashore went to the City Hall, where he was formally received by Mayor Wells and City World's Fair Commissioners.

The name of the new city, which is now being platted in 240-foot blocks, with 100 foot streets, will comprise about 400 acres, and, owing to the curvature of the bay where it is located, there will be an unusually liberal frontage on the water.

R. R. TRUST: "THAT'S YOUR TRAIN, BOSS!"

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FIRE EATS FERNIE

British Columbia Town Is Wiped Off Map.

NEARLY \$1,000,000 LOSS

Water Supply Gives Out and Flames Rage Five Hours.

COULD NOT SAVE GOODS

Heavy Insurance is Generally Carried on Buildings and Stocks—Some Will Be Rebuilt at Once in Modern Fashion.

VANCOUVER, B. C., April 29.—Fernie, B. C., the principal coal mining town in the Crow's Nest Pass district, was practically wiped out, as far as its business interests are concerned, by fire at an early hour this morning. The entire business district of the town, fronting on the Canadian Pacific Railway tracks, was destroyed.

Fire Burns Itself Out.

The water supply was inadequate and soon gave out. The distressed inhabitants, after heroically struggling to subdue the flames, worked frantically to save what they could from the stores in the path of the conflagration.

The loss is this afternoon estimated at \$900,000. How much of that amount will fall as a loss upon the inhabitants of the town is not yet known, but it is asserted that the merchants were fairly well insured, and that as a consequence the insurance

List of the Losers.

Richards & Co., general store, Hazelwood & Suley, druggists, Mitchell & Co., tailors, Crow's Nest Pass Company's general store, The Trice-Wood Company, general store, Culbert Co., confectioners, Purdy & Co., fruits and vegetables, A. W. Broadwell, druggist and stationer, Fred S. Stork, druggist and hardware, J. D. Quail, hardware and stove, McElwain & Strim, bakers and confectioners, Jacob C. Hirschman, tailor, Albert C. Lippard, watchmaker and jeweler, P. Burns & Co., butchers, Calgary Cattle Company, butchers.

RUSSIA WILL FAVOR JEWS.

Commission Is to Be Appointed to Modify the Laws.

ASKS AMERICA TO SPEAK.

Chile Wants to Know if She Would Protect Peru in Conflict.

LIMA, Peru, April 29.—

Alarming cables dispatches have been received here from Santiago de Chile, saying that the Chilean government has instructed its Minister at Washington, Senor Martinez, to inquire whether the United States will defend Peru in case Chile shall proceed forcibly on the question of annexing the Provinces of Tacna and Arica, which that country is disposed to do.