Portland to Have New Postmaster July 1.

## J. E. HUNT ONCE CHOSEN

Payne Refused to Indorse First | ment of these officials in preference of friendly opinions of Senator Mitchell. Choice of Mitchell.

Assistant and Superior Who Had Such a Stormy Time May Retire Together-Hall Gaining in Race for Attorneyship.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Wash ington, June 10 .- In the appointment of a new Postmaster for Portland today, an. other big surprise developed. John W. Minto secures the appointment, although not the first choice of Benator Mitchell. Steel, in a confidential way, said things. The resignation of F. A. Bancroft will unpleasant about Bancroft to his associ-

Ex-State Senator J. E. Hunt, originally selected by the senior Senator, was not acceptable to Postmaster-General Payne, who had received advices which made him somewhat skeptical as to the executive ability of Mr. Hunt.

superior, F. A. Bancroft, since the department does not consider his adminis-

tration satisfactory. Senator Mitchell is authority for the statement. Department officials will not confirm it, nevertheless admit it is possible that when Minto takes office there may be a change in the office of assistant stmaster. It is the policy of the department to defer to the wishes of the postmaster in the appointment of an assistant, and if Minto wants a new man, and this man is acceptable to the depart nt, he will be appointed, and Burck-

hardt will have to step aside. Payne Objected to Hunt.

Ament the refusal of the Postmaster eneral to consent to the appointment of Mr. Hunt as postmaster, the following letter addressed by that official to Senator Mitchell is self-explanatory:

In view of the fact that the change is to made entirely for the purpose of improving made entirely for the purpose of improving the service, and of getting rid of contentions, and scandals in the office. I can but feel that it would be improper to appoint another per-son whose appointment might result in sim-liar conditions to those now prevailing; and this would appear to be the case from papers on file, in the event of the appointment of Mr. Hunt. I must insist, therefore, that you pre-sent for appointment the name of some other recessor than Mr. Hunt. than Mr. Hunt.

Senator Mitchell immediately had a coference with the Postmaster-General and requested to be advised as to the reasons referred to, which were shown him, but which are of a confidential nature Mitchell insisted that Hunt be advised of the charges made against him, and that he be given an opportunity to refute them. But it is not the policy of the department, he was told, to investigate an applicant for office, and was given to understand that he must submit another name for consideration. After deliberating for some time the Senator sent in the name of Mr.

Officials of the Postoffice Department are extremely glad the case has been settled, and while little is known of Minio, it is believed, and hoped, he will be a vast improvement over the retiring postmaster. He has an opportunity to make a reputation with the department, for under Ban-croft affairs in the office have become considerably involved and entangled. There has been general disorganization of the force, and friction and strife has be. come evident in all departments. A good executive officer is needed to straighten things out, and the department hopes it has found such a man in Minto,

## Fought Hard for Bancroft.

Senator Mitchell made a strenuous fight to save Bancroft and plead long and earnestly with the President and Postmaster-General Payne to have him retained on romise of reform, but the minute the President heard the facts he insisted Bancroft should go. It was only by keeping the facts from the President until Monday of this week that Bancroft was allowed to hold the office until after the Oregon election. As soon as he learned the contents of the report of the inspector, the President informed Senato Mitchell there must be a change, but Bancroft would be allowed to resign.

Referring to the reports of the inspec tors, it can be stated that in addition to finding Bancroft placed his "L O, U." in the cash drawer, Inspector Wayland, who made the last investigation, found Bancroft had three or four times overdrawn his salary

## Statement of Mitchell.

Senator Mitchell, after the case had en disposed of, made the following statement:

"I believe the inspectors unwarrantably colored their reports on Mr. Bancroft more than mere facts justified. This certainly was so in regard to the charge that he lacked executive ability. The Southern Pacific Company would not have kept a man at the head of its freight department for 18 years if he lacked executive ability I insisted before the Department that the charge of inefficiency was not justified and told them the inspectors' reports showed animus, by expressing opinions instead of giving facts. The Department does not allege that anybody lost a cent through Hancroft's administration. The Department did not assail his honesty." For the past four months Bancroft's ad-

ministration has caused grave apprehen-

first investigation was made disclos ing his "L O. U." in the money drawer and conditions have grown steadily worse. While willing to admit its belief that Bancroft has not conducted the office to his personal gain, the department holds him ersonally responsible for contentions and andals, that have practically wrecked

Notwithstanding Senator Mitchell's belef that the reports of the inspectors are too highly colored, officials of the depart ment said today that there was no col oring whatever in these reports. All three ecting officials, men of long experienand training, agree as to the facts, which ed to Bancroft's downfall, and the Post naster-General and his assistants willing to take the conclusions and judgnent of these officials in preference to the

If Burckhardt Should Go.

If Assistant Burckhardt should be retired Bancroft will, no doubt, feel he has been revenged, in a measure. The friction beween Bancroft and Burckhardt ares BURCKHARDT LIKELY TO GO from the former's suspicion that Burck-hardt had furnished damaging information against him to the postal inspectors. department would not sanction Burck-hardt's dismissal on these grounds, and expressed its displeasure by refusing to approve Bancroft's recommendations. A similar rebuke was administered to Bancroft when he attempted to dismiss Clers W. G. Steel.

Bancroft, prior to his appointment, it is said, made promises to Steel, either of promotion or of some other favor, if he (Steel) would use his influence to secure the appointment for Bancroft. No sooner had Bancroft landed the office, than he epudlated his promise, and instead of helping Steel, humiliated him. When ates in the Postoffice, Bancroft heard of it, and attempted to get Steel's scalp. He he would accept. He said Mr. Choate was went so far as to represent to the department that Steel wished to resign, but the department found that this was untrue upon investigation, and ascertained Bancroft's motive and ordered Steel's reability of Mr. Hunt.

The regime of Assistant Charles A. Burckhardt is also expected to come to a close at the same time as that of his of ability to handle the affairs of the Portland office, led the department to insist upon the appointment of a new man. Minto will at once be requested to fur nish a bond of \$150,600. The department

hopes it will be filed and approved before the end of the month, so he can take charge July 1. His salary will be \$3800 per year under the increase authorize yesterday to become effective the first of next month.

Senator Mitchell leaves Washington to errow for a month's recreation and res at various Eastern resorts. He will not leave for Portland until after the Fourth of July. He said today that the delega-tion will not consider the appointment of esor to United States Attorney John Hall until after he arrives in Oregon From the present indications, it is be iteved Hall will then be recon

## Washington Postal Orders.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Wash ington, June 10.—Rural free-delivery serv-ice was today ordered established, July 15, at Deer Park, Spokane County, and Langley, Island County, Wash., with one

Ernest A. Seatton was today appointed regular and Steve C. Seatton substitute rural carrier at Bothell, Wash.

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President Concedes Attorney-Gener alship to That State Since It Is Without Representation.

WASHINGTON, June 19 -- (Special.)-- Jo. eph H. Choate, Ambassador to Great Britain, is President Roosevelt's first choice as Attorney-General to succeed Mr Knox. The President suggested Mr Choate's name at the Cabinet meeting today, saying the Ambassador was the idea election, and expressing the belief that the equal of Mr. Knox in legal ability, and having been abroad five years, was free from all corporation influences. He thought Mr. Choate would be willing to ound out his career by a full term in the Cabinet.

Secretary Hay and other members of the Cabinet discouraged the President by declaring Mr. Choate would not accept the sition, but did not succeed in affecting

the President's optimism. The President declared that the Attor ney-Generalship must be filled from New York, as that state now has no represen tative in the Cabinet,

# OREGON GETS FILIPINO BAND.

It Will Furnish Music When St Louis Building Is Dedicated.

### DROWNED DURING WATERSPOUT Three Lives Lost in Oklahoma and Several Houses Swept Away.

OKLAHOMA CITY, June 19.—Three pa sons were drowned during a waterspout which fell near Mill Creek, Indian Terri-tory, early this morning. The dead: Mrs H. R. Wilson and baby; Miss Fay Dayla. A small stream near town became a raging torrent half a mile wide, and severa houses were swept away.

At Hobart, Okla., Mrs. Kincalde was

frowned while attempting to cross a Worlen stream.

Very heavy rains during the past 45 hours have again caused the streams to overflow their banks and much damage wal result in Oklahoma and Indian Terri-

### CONDITION OF WHEAT CROP. Department Shows It Is Not as Favor able as a Year Ago.

WASHINGTON, June 19.—Preliminary returns to the Chief of the Bureau of Statustics of the Department of Agricul-ture on the acreage of Spring whent sowed indicate an area of about 17,140,800 sowed indicate an area of about 17,140,800 acres, a decrease of 116,100 acres, or 7 per cent from the revised estimate of the acreage sowed last year. The average condition of growing wheat on June 1 was \$2.4, as compared with \$6.5 at the corresponding date last year, \$5.4 on June 1, 192, and a ten-year average of \$5.8. The average condition of Winter wheat on June 1 was 71.7, compared with 78.5 on May 1, 1904, \$2.2 on June 1, 1903, 76.1 at the corresponding date in 1902 and an average of 72.8. average of 79.8.

### TREATY OF ARBITRATION.

Holland and Denmark Agree to Submit Differences to The Hague.

BRUSSELS, June 11.—Holland and Denmark have concluded a treaty of arbitration by which they are to submit to The Hague Arbitration Tribunal all differences, without exception, which may arise between them and not settled through the ordinary changes. ordinary channels of diplomacy. The only reservation is one excluding cases where the vital interests of the honor of either party to the convention is involved. This is the first instance where two sovereign states have agreed to a general treaty of arbitration. A supplementary clause to the convention leaves it open to other powers to join Holland on a similar footing. The treaty awaits ratification by the States General of Holland.

### Declines to Instruct for Parker. RICHMOND, Va., June 10 .- The State

Democratic Convention today adopted a platform. The question of instructing the delegates to St. Louis for Parker came up, and after some debate the convention declined to inderse or instruct. WORLD'S FAIR GROUNDS, St. Louis, June 10.—(Special.)—President Jefferson the convention adopted the primary plan as amended by the convention committee. It provides that all state officers cured the Filipino Constabulary Rand to furnish the music on the dedication of the Oregon building. He preferred to have this band because of the interest of Ore-tion then adjourned.

AT THE POLITICAL TURNSTILE

Colorado Troops Send Seventy-six Away.

# TOUCHING SCENE AT DEPOT

Wives and Sweethearts Try to Break Through Lines.

MORE UNION MINERS TO GO

General Bell Says District Will Be Thoroughly Searched-Train Will Not Stop Until State of Kansas Is Reached.

VICTOR, Colo., June 10 .- Acting under he orders of Adjutant-General Sherman M. Bell, of the State National Guard, a special train was made up shortly after noon today in the Short Line yards here for the deportation of 76 union miners. The train comprised a combination baggage car and two day coaches. Almost mediately the work of loading the men began. They were marched to the train between heavy lines of militia and depu-A crowd of fully 1000 people had collected to see the men placed on board. among the spectators were wives and sisters, fathers and mothers of the deported men, and the scenes were very affecting. Mothers, sisters and sweethearts cried good-bye and tried to push through the lines for a parting handshake. Most of the women had been allowed to see their relatives at Armory Hall before the men were marched out.

Officers Out to Make Train Go On. Mayor Harris, of Colorado Springs, had en apprised of the decision to deport the men and immediately took steps to see that none of them landed in that city. Under his instructions a large force of officers and deputies met the special train at 6:16 this evening for that purpose. No attempt was made, however, to unload the men there, arrangements having previously been made to send them to the Kan-ans Shits line over the Santa Fe, because of protests made against taking them to Pueblo or Denver and leaving them there The train stopped long enough at Colo-

Another party of exiled men will be sent out of the district tomorrow. Sixty me confined in the Cripple Creek bullpen w taken to the County Jall today, and charges of murder were placed against

Shortly after & o'clock tonight the mill tary committee adjourned, having exam ined all the prisoners and disposed of all the business before it. Only two men were released from custody today by the

It is said that so much testimony of ar noriminating character was given by some of the military prisoners that many who were to be deported were sent to the County Jail, where they will remain until arraigned in court.

The deportation was carried out under the following order of General Bell, ad-

seed to Colonel L. R. Kennedy: "You will proceed by the Colorado Springs & Cripple Creek District Railway to Colorado Springs, thence via the Santa Fe Railroad to the east line of the State of Colorado, taking with you the parties on the list herewith attached, and there deposit them without the State of Colorado, returning at once to these head-

quarters and make due report to me." Deportations Will Continue. Within 48 hours this district will be

rid of all agitators and other objectionable men," said General Bell, "One deportation after another will be made until none of the men who have terrorized the district so long will be left here. We intend to ontinue arresting men who are not wanted here, and they will be run out as fast as possible. The unionists are scared, and many are leaving the county of their own volition to avoid arrest and incarceration. There are still some desperate characters among the hills, however whom we intend getting, no matter what the cost. In running them down there may occur some fights, but I do not look for any serious trouble."

Squads are out scouring the hills search of certain men who are wanted in connection with the Independence assassinations. Telegrams have been sent to Sheriffs and Chiefs of Police at outside points, asking them to watch for these persons, whose names are not made

It is known, however, that detectives everywhere are looking for Victor Poole and Sherman Parker, who left the camp after the Independence explosion. Officers in the employ of the Mineowners' Associa-tion say Poole and Parker purchased tickets over the Rock Island Railroad, Poole for McCune, Kan., and Parker for Kansus City, and boarded a train at Colorado Springs several hours after the explosion. This is coupled by the authorities with the fact that bloodhounds followed the trail of one of the murderers 12 miles out, and iost it at a point where he was taken into a wagon that had been waiting there, and then driven inward Colorado Springs. The report that Foole was arrested at Kanasa City is denied. Sheriff Edward Bell has issued an order that all sulcons in the district must re-that all sulcons in the district must re-

that all saloons in the district must re-main closed until Monday.

## KANSAS PEOPLE INDIGNANT.

They Object to Colorado Sending Undesirable Citizens There.

SYRACUSE, Kan., June 10 .- Sheriff Brady, of this county, tonight received a telegram from Sheriff Barr, of La Junta, Colo., stating that a special train carrying deported miners from Colorado would h Coolidge tonight and unload the miners in Kansas. Citizens of this county are indignant at this proceeding of the Colorado authorities and an appeal has been made to Governor Bailey to prevent Colorado from dumping her alleged unde-sirable citizens into Kansas.

Kansas Can Hardly Keep Them Out. TOPEKA, Kan., June 10.—The only Kan-sas official who could be reached tonight is Assistant Attorney-General John Dawson. When asked what the Kansas offi-cials would do regarding Colorado dump-ing her deported miners into Kansas, Mr. Dawsen said he did not see what could be done, as long as the miners deported them-selves properly. If they became a nul-sance, they can be dealt with the same as tramps or any other class of undesira bla citizens. No action has been taken by the Kansas officers up to this time. They will wait to see what the protest is before taking action. Governor Balley is in St. Louis. He will return tomorrow or next day. No action, if any, will be taken until he returns.

## HE APPROVES DEPORTATION.

### Peabody Says He Intends to Stamp Dynamiters Out.

DENVER, June 10.-"I believe in stamp-ing out this set of dynamiters," answered Governor Peabody today when asked if he countenanced deportation of union men by the deputies and military in the Cripple Creek district, "and I intend it shall be done. The Supreme Court has granted me the power that policemen and Sheriffs have, and I am exercising that power. "I have not declared martial law in any community in Colorado. I have only de-

clared them to be in a state of insurrec-tion and rebellion, and the newspapers have used the term martial law in de-scribing my proclamation. When a community is under martial law, a provost guard is appointed and all prisoners are given military trial under this guard. Nothing of the kind has ever been attempted in Colorado. I have only arrested men and held them until I deemed it proper and wise to turn them over to the civil authorities for trial."

## ASKS ROOSEVELT TO STEP IN.

Federation Courts an Investigation and Pledges Co-Operation. DENVER, Colo., June 10 .- The executive

board of the Western Federation of Minconserved to the western reservation of am-ers decided today to appeal to President Roosevelt to investigate the conditions in Colorado. Secretary W. H. Haywood was instructed to send the following telegram: "Hon. Theodore Roosevelt, Washington."

"A duty devolves upon you as President of the United States to investigate the terrible crimes that are being perpetrated in Colorado in the name of law and or-der. We will render every possible as-sistance to the proper authorities in such investigation, to the end that the people of the country may realize the outrages that are being inflicted on innocent per-sons by those in temporary official power. (Signed) "W. D. HAYWOOD, (Signed)

"Secretary." It was further decided that a history of the labor troubles in Colorado shall be taken to Washington by an emissary and placed in the President's hands. It was also voted to appeal President Moyer's habeas corpus case to the United

# Infernal Machines Discovered in Palace.

### MACHINERY WAS WORKING

Explosion Would Have Occurred in a Short Time.

### **BOXES PLACED IN TWO ROOMS**

One Is in the Dining Salon Which Is About to Be Entered by Imperial Family, and Another in the Audience Chamber.

SPECIAL CABLE TO THE LONDON TIMES

AND PORTLAND ORBGONIAN.
ST. PETERSBURG, June 11.-Two inernal machines were found concealed in tobacco bexes in the Tsarskaye Selo palace near this city, where the Cmar and his family reside. One of the boxes was tound in the dining-saloon, to which room the imperial family were shortly to enter for the evening meal, and the other in the audience chamber. The machinery in both boxes was working, and would have exploded them within half an hour. Had the machines not been found in time it is probable that the entire palace would have been wrecked, and all its inmates killed.

### WAR PARALYZES TRADE.

Many Russian Factories Are Discharging Their Employes.

ECIAL CABLE TO THE LONDON TIMES AND PORTLAND OREGONIAN. ODESSA, June 11.-Reports from most of the manufacturing districts of Russia state that the output is much limited. Factories are struggling along on half, time, and the hands are being discharged for lack of orders. Trade of the leading Black Sea ports with the Far East by sea has been temporarily abandoned altogether by Russian lines. So far as the trade with Viadivostok and Singapore is concerned the Russian voluntees feet, the leading subsidized shipping of Russia, is in a still worse plight. Ekaterinoslav, of over 10,000 tons, has een captured by the Japanese. Kzan is shut up in Port Arthur, and no fewer than 12 more cruisers and transports, including ships of 12,000 tons and 30 knots speed, are lying in Russian home ports, with scores of officers and hun-

dreds of men waiting orders. The Russian tea trade with the Far East was her only foreign shipping trade of any magnitude, and the present paralysis is a severe blow to it.

## MANY RUSSIANS WANT PEACE

They Would Open Negotiations on the Fall of Port Arthur. SPECIAL CABLE TO THE LONDON TIMES

AND PORTLAND OREGONIAN. PARIS, June 11.-In the highest Russophile circles here, a most despondent feeling has been caused by the recent news from the seat of the war in the Far East. A Russian of very high position, who is in constant touch with both administrative and court circles at St. Petersburg, remarked this evening:

"In spite of the statements to the contrary," he said, "there is a very strong party among Russians of high rank and in the Czar's immediate entourage who are in favor of peace being arranged as soon as Port Arthur fails. This is not as yet the court policy, nor is the idea shared by the Czar, but it prevails among the very influential set which is anxious for the return to power of M. De Witte, who, it will be remembered, was always opposed to the Russian occupation of Manchuria,"

### Japan Terms It a Wanton Raid. SPECIAL CARLE TO THE LONDON TIMES.

AND PORTLAND OREGONIAN. TOKIO, June 11 .- Japanese publicists are inclined to regard King Edward's oming visit to Germany as politically important, in view of the ability and activity the British ruler has hitherto shown in dealing with international relations.

The prospects for a second Japanese

loan are very good. It is expected that the subscriptions will exceed those for the former loan by a large amount. The Russian operations in Northeastern Corea are denounced in Japan as a wanton raid, devoid of all military character, and merely injurious to the peaceful Coreans. Such doings are classed by the Japanese with the sinking of small mer-

### Communicates With Port Arthur. SPECIAL CABLE TO THE LONDON TIMES

chantmen by the Russian squadrons,

AND PORTLAND OREGONIAN. CHEFOO, June 10 .- The Japanese Consul has discovered that a wireless telegraph apparatus is attached in the night time to the Russion Consular flag staff here, and that the Consulate is in communication with Port Arthur.

Fear Coreans Would Turn Bandits. SEOUL, June 10.-Telegraphic communication has been re-established with Ham Heung, on the east coast.

The Corean War Ministry recommends the distribution of 2500 Corean soldiers in various garrisons, 50 to 330 each, along the Tumen River and Great South Road in several important inner towns, and at Ham Heung to prevent future Russian raids. The step has not yet been agreed to, as the policy is questionable in view of the probability of the majority of such a force descring with their rifles, turn-ing bandits and robbing the country folk rather than oppose the Russians,