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THE PERSONNEL OF THE COMMISSION.

The Oregonian has not been in haste to comment upon the personnel of the new Railroad Commission... The commission has not been in haste to comment upon the personnel...

plan of a Railroad Commission the initial appointments might do should they prove pitiable under railroad influence... To cite a single point out of many, they have authority to suspend the operation of the demurrage clauses for thirty days...

The powers necessarily intrusted to the commission are very extensive... To be sure, the remedy is subject to judicial review and may be stayed by injunctions...

PRESTIGE OF THE COLUMBIA RIVER. The Port of Columbia bill passed the Oregon Senate yesterday by a vote almost unanimous... It is a measure of unusual interest...

Unless unexpected obstructions are placed in the way of its operations, the new law will remove the sole remaining disability complained of by the International Association of Sailing-Ship Owners...

It will be impossible for the Port of Columbia to effect any improvement of conditions at the entrance of the river without Clatsop and Multnomah sharing proportionately with Multnomah in the expense of the improvement...

If the time ever comes when it is cheaper to take the cargo to the ship than to take the ship to the cargo, some of the numerous shipping companies will be done at the point nearest the sea... That is a simple economic problem...

CONGRATULATIONS TO MR. RADER. The headquarters committee of the Anti-Saloon League has made a final report upon the charges against the Rev. Paul Rader...

though it is by no means impossible. At any rate, Dr. Wilson seems to have admitted to members of the audience that he made a mistake as to the facts and there the matter must rest.

We have never for a moment believed that Dr. J. R. Wilson, of the Portland Academy, would lend himself consciously to a scheme of whitewashing Mr. Rader...

What's the matter with Kansas? One of her citizens is flying the red flag of anarchy and predicting a rebellion in case Moyer and Heywood are found guilty of the cowardly assassination of Governor Frank Steiengenberg...

THE RAILROAD TRAGEDIES. Five separate and distinct investigations have been held or are to be held to ascertain the causes of the recent terrible wreck of a New York Central electric train...

The Governor refuses to be excused for two of Oregon's normal schools and the Legislature will take it all out on Drain. Altogether it is not a happy year for Douglas County...

The one great consolation about the compulsory pass law is that, while the railroads have to give passes to state officers, the aforesaid state officers do not have to accept the passes.

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BAILEY IN HIS OWN DEFENSE

Senator Explains Deals With Corporations and Denies Charges. AUSTIN, Tex., Feb. 20.—"I gave them a written opinion in which I stated that if they attempted to do business in the state they would be put in the penitentiary and their property absorbed in fines and penalties."

General Castro is reported to have suppressed the latest revolution by capturing and executing General Parades in 1906... It is painful to read of the execution of an American citizen by these chronic war-seeking nations...

Regarding the B. F. Yoakum indebtedness, Bailey said he was not Mr. Yoakum to buy Kirby Lumber Company stock in that transaction... Mr. Bailey denied that his efforts in behalf of clients had any effect upon his public duties...

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CONSIDER SHIP SUBSIDY BILL

House Republicans Sign Petitions for Night Sessions. WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—Until after another conference of Republican leaders tomorrow, it will not be determined whether the Littauer ship subsidy bill will be considered at this session of Congress.

NAVAL BILL THROUGH SENATE Increased Allowance for Coal and Powder Factory. WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The naval appropriation bill, carrying \$100,737,697, was passed by the Senate tonight in 35 minutes.

MORE ROOM IN THE STEERAGE Immigration Bill Affects Mediterranean Steamers Chiefly. WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The Navigation Bureau of the Department of Commerce and Labor is a statute which points out that the effect of section 42 of the new immigration act, which has been signed by the President...

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PLAYGROUNDS FOR THE YOUNG

Roosevelt Indorses Movement to Acquire Them in Cities. WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—Municipal playgrounds within easy walking distance for every boy and girl in the large cities were advocated tonight by President Roosevelt in a letter and a speech.

CONSERVATIVES IN MAJORITY Elect Their Man President of New German Reichstag. BERLIN, Feb. 20.—The Reichstag today elected Count Udo von Stolberg-Wernichow, who is first vice-president of the House, to be president.

AGAIN DENOUNCE SWETTENHAM Kingston People Say He Refuses Offered Aid. KINGSTON, Jamaica, Feb. 20.—A mass meeting of citizens held Monday night condemned Governor Swettenham for refusing monetary assistance coming here.

Nicaragua Gains the Victory. MANAGUA, Feb. 20.—The Nicaraguan army under General Vanusen and Fornos has defeated the forces of Honduras at several points, capturing important positions.

IMMIGRATION BILL SIGNED Commission of Nine Created to Investigate Whole Question. WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The President today signed the immigration bill.

CHAMBERLAIN A PHYSICAL WRECK. LONDON, Feb. 20.—An interesting authoritative statement concerning the health of Joseph Chamberlain is published here today. Although it does not confirm the worst rumors, it shows that Mr. Chamberlain is completely broken physically, although he is mentally alert.

Gunboat Gloucester Again Floats. PENSACOLA, Fla., Feb. 20.—The United States gunboat Gloucester, which was broken ashore during the hurricane of last September, was floated today. The vessel is badly damaged and will go into drydock.

STILL ON THE MARKET

