THE MORNING OREGONIAN, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1909.



Haphazard Tariff Legislation. In no important operation would any great business enterprise proceed in the haphazard manner which Congress follows in roviang the tariff. And yet the United States Gov-erament is the biggest and wealthlest cor-poration in the world. The adjustment of the tariff is an operation which, directly or indirectly, affects the prices of almost very commodity produced at imported by marry 20,000,000 of people, which deter-mines the volume of a domestic trade of \$50,000,000 and which retards or pro-nuites the weither of every one of those \$2,000,000 persons.

He went on to show that the conflicting statements of men of diverse interests about the same schedules of the tariff rannot have the truth sifted out of them chanot have the train silled out of them by the ways and means committee, but that only a board of men of large ex-perience in trade can do this. The matter needs judicial adjustment. He declared the tariff of 1881 to have been largely hased on the tariff commission's recom-mendations and to have been on the whole "the beat balanced tariff this country has seen in a generation." He called attention to the absence of busi-ness decangement enjoyed by France and Germany, which have tariff commission. Germany, which have tariff commissions

Blast at Tariff League.

Hinst at Tariff League. Now let me mention that class of ob-fectors among whom is the American Pro-sective Tariff League, who pretend that we want the commission to usure the consti-tutional powers of Congress and frame tariff bills. Let me tell 700, my friends, that this charge is based pairily ou isnorance and parily on malles. Isnorance makes it because it has not examined our proposition, Malkee makes it because is wants to frame a defective tariff. Uke the present act, and like all recent acts. It wants the existing method relatined because of the graft that is in it, or because it wishes to kaop the tariff listics in politics. We den convert homest informance, and stand ready to do it for the trickery and dishonesty which is wolved by the American Protective Tariff.

"Three Rubes" at Orpheum

If at any time during the present week you feel as if you had lost every incentive in the world to live; or if you have that don't-care-whether-school-keeps-or-not sen-sation, just take a stroll around to the Orphoum and see the show, and witness the "Three Rubes" in their jay act.

A Clever Farce Comedy,

Thomas J. Keogh, assisted by Miss Ruth Francis, is presenting a sketch at Pantages Theater this week, which is unusually good —It is called "The Ward Hesler." Mr. Keogh is a dever versatile comedian and Miss Francis is an extremely elever actress who sings well.

Bleycle Riding at the Grand.

Wonders are performed on the bloycle by Ralph Johnson at the Grand Theater this week. Johnson is in a class by himself and is assisted by an acrobat who is above the ordinary. Johnson's place de resistance is a leap on the wheel from a platform 20 bigh to the stage. non. They were requested toda President-elect Taft to decide this 15.

COMING ATTRACTIONS.

Hanford Tomorrow Night.

Beginning ismorrow night at the Heilig Theater the eminent tragedian, Charles B. Hanford, will thangurate a senson of Shakes-pearian plays. The opening bill tomorrow night will be "The Winter's Tale." Friday sight, "Othelio." Saturday affermoon, "Muca Ado About Nothing." Saturday pight, "The Merchant of Venice."

mendations the bureau system in * the Navy would receive its death blow. Some opposition existed on that account,

EXTRA SESSION MARCH 15

Aldrich and Cannon Decide Question at Taft's Request.

state Commission Enlarged.

today

by

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16 .- The date for STEAMER LINE TO PANAMA the calling of the special session of Con-gress to revise the tariff will be fixed definitely at a conference tomorrow be-tween Senator Aldrich and Speaker Can-

San Francisco Shippers Will Meet to Organize Independently.

The hunter's eyes are bound; he is al

lowed six shots, guided by the sounded of the bell. If he fails to hit the tiger, the roles are reversed and the hunter be-

the tiger. This continues until blood flows. Another society has "cham-pagne evenings," where one among 20 bottles is drugged with morphia.

tion. It is practically agreed that the extra session begin not later than, March

SAN FRANCISCO. Feb. 16.-The first positive step toward the organization of an independent steamship line between this port and the Pacific terminals of the Panama Rallroad will be taken Thurs-day, a call for a meeting of shippers having rouge forth setting that data Some HOUSE -PASSES MANY BILLS having gone forth setting that date. Some ϕ prominent local firms doing extensive business between this city and New York Wireless for Ocean Liners-Inter-

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16 .- This being tives. have been invited to send representa-

The object of the meeting is a full still the legislative day of yesterday, the House today, for the most part, devoted discussion of the practicability of the

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