RAILROAD CHIEFS MAINTAIN-SILENGE

Result or Subject of Conference at Spokane Not Given Out.

ELLIOTT TALKS OF CROPS

President of Northern Pacific o Opinion That Outlook Is Good Hill Pleased With Prospects for North Bank

SPOKANE, Wash., May 6 .- (Special.) -Phree visiting railroad presidents, one chairman of the board of directors, and the general manager of a local railroad, met tonight at 10 o'clock at the Northern Pacific depot. What the meeting was for, other than to say "how do you do" and "how are you today," the rallroad heads refused to

divulge.
President Elliott, of the Northern Pacific, arrived at 9:45 o'clock on the North Bank, en route to a meeting of the directors in New York. He said: "The matter of grade separation is now up to our engineering department

and as soon as that department reports we will take it up with the city for solution. At that time the matter of a new depot and moving our shops and yards to Yardley also will be set-

Elliott Would Stay.

"The country is looking fine and the year looks like a good one for crops, judging from what I have seen while on the Coast. I am much disappointed at not being able to stay in Spokane. but was delayed on the Coast, so have to go through to New York to confer with the directors of the road."

President Elliott will leave over the Northern Pacific at \$:15 o'clock Sun-day accompanied by Superintendent J. M. Rapelle. He stayed over light in Spokane to take a daylight ride to Faradise, Mont., to see new work being done on the line.

The other members of the party that consulted with President Elilott tonight were Louis W. Hill, president of the Great Northern Call B. Great Nor

the Great Northern, Carl B. Gray, president of the Spokane, Fortland & Scattle; George B. Harris, chairman of directors of the Burlington, C. M. Graves. general manager of the Spokane & In-land Empire system, and E. J. Cannon counsel of the Northern Pacific in Spo.

Hill Evades Queries.

President Hill evaded all question by replying in the negative, while Presi dent Gray had little to say other than that he liked what he had seen of the West and was well pleased with the outlook for the North Bank. Mr. Hill flatly denied the possibility of a union depot in Spokane, the Joint use of trackage with the Harriman lines or the pushing of work on the Oregon Trunk Railroad to give a short line from Spokane to San Francisco.

Presidents Hill and Gray and Mr. Harris will leave Sunday morning at 7:26 o'clock in a special train over the North Bank for Portland. This train will meet a special train conveying Julius Kruttschultt, director of maintenance of the Harriman lines, and President O'Brien of the O.-W. R. & N., to Spekane, near Pasco. Mr. Gray said that a meeting would probably be effected, but as to what the object might While

RATE HEARING PROLONGED

Complaining Citles Closing Case Raises New Development.

TACOMA. May 6 .- Complaining cities closing their case in the rate hearing before the State Railroad Commission today raised unexpected developments which prolonged the hearing into next week, when the railroads will begin their testimony to show that present rates do not five an unreasonable profit for the amount invested. Among profit for the amount invested. Among the witnesses to appear will be J. G. Woodworth, of St. Paul, traffic manager of the Northern Pacific; W. G. Johnson, assistant controller of the same road; John G. Drew, of St. Paul, controller for the Great Northern; F. W. Robinson, of Portland, general freight agent for the Oregon-Washington Railway & Navigation Company. In the hearing today, Scott G. Henderson, president of the Commercial Club of Kennewick, Wash, testified he prid more to ship certain machinery. Club of Kennewick, Wash., testified he pr.'d more to ship certain machinery to Spokane than he paid to ship the same machinery back from Spokane. Henry Blakeley, general Western freight agent of the Northern Pacific, testified that in his opinion railroads should not attempt to change existing commercial relations between cities by establishing rates specially favoring new or developing communities.

ANTI-SOCIALIST PLANS LAID

Indiana Business Men Alarmed by Heavy Vote of New Party.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., May 6 .- (Special.)-The fact that the Indiana Socialists increased their vote in the election last year in 76 counties, showed a slight loss in 10 counties, and held their own in six counties, increasing their



total in poll of the state at large by about 8000 votes, is causing a great deal of comment in business circles among a class of men who have not heretofore taken more than a passing nterest in politics.

The ultimate end of Socialism, as aleged, is state and Government ownership, and Indianapolls business men think there is but one way to conteract it, and that is by intelligent control and regulation of corporations, especially of public utilities. There seems to be no division of opinion in respect to this remedy, but how it is to be brought about is the question.

Andrew Smith, secretary of the State Bankers' Association and vice-president of the Capital National Bank of this city, is an advocate of state and Gov-

SECRETARY TO JAY BOWER-MAN PASSES LAW EX-AMINATION.



Miss Wayfe Hockett.

Miss Wayfe Hockett, secretary of Jay Bowerman, was a mem-ber of a class that successfully passed a special examination for admission to the bar held a few days ago by Associate Justice Moore, of the Oregon Supreme Moore, of the Oregon Supreme Court, at Pendleton. Miss Hockett is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hockett, of Eugene. After being graduated from the Grants Pass High School, she went to Condon and entered the law office of Mr. Bowerman and accompanied him to Portland 10 weeks ago. Miss Hockett did not attend a law school, but devoted her spare time, office hours and nights to reading.

ernment control and believes that proper regulation will do more than anything else to counteract restlessness among the masses, and place a bar in the way of the marked advance of

WATTS SUIT IS DROPPED

St. Dennis Heirs Quit Prosecution, but Bar Continues Inquiry.

PENDLETON, Or. May &-(Special.)-The lawsuit against Homer L Watts The lawsuit against Homer L Watts, an attorney, which resulted in a bar investigation of four prominent members of the county bar, was dismissed today by Circuit Judge Phelps. Joe St. Dennis, the one heir who held out yesterday for a prosecution of the case in which the heirs were charging Watts, their former attorney, with the misappropriation of \$600, voluntarily appeared in court and asked that the case be dismissed.

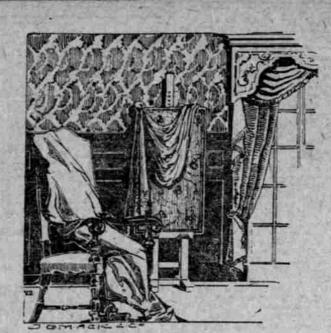
While this ends the lawsuit it does not While this ends the lawsuit it does not end the bar investigation into the al-leged questionable practices of Watts, J. B. Perry, D. W. Bailey and Will M. Peterson. The committee probably will complete the taking of testimony next week and then make its report.

HENEY FIGHTS SILETZ BILL

Congress to Be Asked to Repeal Settlers' Measure.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 6.—Francis J. Heney, it is said, will have a bill introduced in Congress repealing the Siletz settlers'

George L. Baker.



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Union Station.

As the last comforter was pulled out the officers stepped back while the crowd pushed from the rear. At the bettom of the box was the model for a log boom. The box and its contents were taken to the police station and last night Fred, the police station dog. comfortably quartered himself in it, unministed of the avoitiement of the content of the con

hension it had caused. It was learned

that the box had been dumped into the

church stairway by a drunken express-man who mistook the church for the

Suit for Torpedo Station Dropped.

SEATTLE, Wash., May 6.—The suit pending in the United States Circuit Court to condemn Keyport Peninsula.

bill that was enacted at the last session | duced, it will be opposed by Oregon of Congress. Hency declares this is bad legislation and will validate a number of fraudulent entries, including some in the Jones' group. If the bill is introduced it will have to be presented by a member of some other delegation than that from Oregon, and if intro- United States and Canada.

3500 Scottish Emigrants Sail. GLASGOW, May 6.—Three steamers salled from the Clyde today, carrying 2500 Scottish emigrants bound for the

TWO REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES FOR COUNCILMAN IN FIRST WARD WHO HAD TIE VOTE.

NOMINEES FOR COUNCILMEN-AT-LARGE AND WARD COUNCILMEN.





his neck to get a peep. A bed com-forter was the first object and the mys-

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH YARD SCENE OF SENSATION.

Drunken Expressman Mistakes Edifice for Union Depot and Leaves Package There.

The neighborhood of St. Joseph's Catholic Church at Fifteenth and Couch streets was thrown into a fever excitement yesterday when a mysterious box was found at the foot of a stairway leading to a walk to a side door of the church. A series of reports came to the police station that an infernal machine had been planted near the church door to blow up the sanctuary while others. blow up the sanctuary, while others were of the opinion that a murder had been committed and the box contained the body.

Patrolman Huston was the first offi-cer to respond to the alarm and ner-vously stood guard over the box until Detectives Carpenter, Price and Graves, and Patrolmen Long, E. Adams, Stuart and Burke arrived.

and Burke arrived.

The box was locked and the lid was nailed and screwed down to make it doubly secure. The officers borrowed screw drivers, hatchets, hammers and tools and cautiously went about open-ing the box. A crowd of 100 uneasily elbowed close to the officers, who were just as expectant and apprehensive over the contents of the box. When the lid was loosened it was carefully lifted and every one craned

It is very discouraging to choose an attractive pattern in the new Spring styles and fabrics only to see it copied in the much cheaper clothing.

mindful of the excitement and appre- poned.

tery was still underneath. Then an-

other comforter was pulled out while

part of the crowd thought they could

hear an alarm clock ticking away the time for an explosion, and the other part were of the opinion that a muti-lated body would surely be discovered. As the last comforter was pulled out

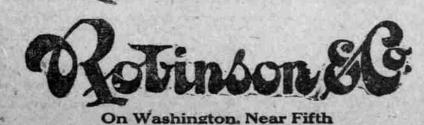
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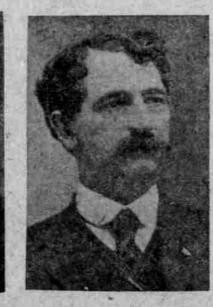
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