

JAMES J. HILL IN CRITICAL CONDITION

Grave Operation, Dangerous Account of Patient's Extreme Age, Is Performed.

'EMPIRE BUILDER' RALLIES

Eminent Surgeons, Nurses and Members of Family Keep Vigil. Specialists Hurry in Special Train to Operating-Room.

ST. PAUL, Minn., May 27.—James J. Hill, railroad builder and capitalist pioneer, lay in a serious condition at his home tonight, after having undergone a critical operation late this afternoon. Eminent surgeons, nurses, members of the Hill family and a few close friends kept vigil through the night. Archbishop John Ireland, longtime friend of the empire builder, was among those who visited the sick room.

mission announces open competitive examinations as follows: June 7, 8 and 9.—Assistant examiner for both men and women in the Patent Office, Washington, D. C., entrance salary \$1500 a year.

HUGHES' STRENGTH IS GAINING LILLY

Band Wagon Delegates Take Note That Favorite Sons Make Little Headway.

OREGON VOTE SWAYS MANY

Professional Politicians Continue to Try to Name Some Other Than Justice, but Those in Ranks Feel New Yorker Can Win.

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DEATH DUE TO ACCIDENT

INFECTION FOLLOWS CUT WITH AX SUSTAINED BY F. W. POWER.

Late Secretary of Oreno Nursery Was Graduated From Albany College and Admitted to Bar.

ORENCO, Or., May 27.—(Special).—Frank W. Power, of this place, who died Monday at a hospital in Salem, was the victim of an accidental six weeks ago while splitting wood.

COLLEGE YEAR CLOSING

PACIFIC UNIVERSITY PREPARES COMMENCEMENT CALENDAR.

Exercises Will Begin June 1 and Conclude June 7.—Season Now Ending Is Successful One.

PACIFIC UNIVERSITY, Forest Grove, May 27.—(Special).—The calendar of commencement events at Pacific University closes another successful year of one of the pioneer and oldest colleges of the Pacific Northwest.

ALASKA LINE IS RUNNING

Completed Section Being Operated to Accommodate Farmers.

SEWARD, Alaska, May 27.—An official report of the progress on the United States Railroad, Anchorage section, shows the track completed 33 miles out from Anchorage and trains running 25 to 30 miles an hour.

WIDOW TO GET HALF

REST OF CLOSSET ESTATE INCOME TO GO TO CHILDREN.

Woman Asks Dower Rights Instead of Equal Share as Provided for in Husband's Will.

A one-half interest in the revenue from her husband's estate, which is valued at nearly \$300,000, has been awarded Mrs. Emilie Closset, widow of the late Joseph Closset, by Circuit Judge Gantenbein.

STEVENSON MAN BURIED

DAYTON DAYS WILL BE JUNE 16-17.

STEVENSON, Wash., May 27.—(Special).—Walter M. Fraine, who died at Stevenson Hospital Saturday, May 21, of apoplexy, was interred in the Odd-fellows' Cemetery Monday, Rev. Charles H. Neller officiating. The funeral was attended by the Woodmen of the World lodge of this place, Miss Martha Blaine, a niece, of Portland, was present.

FEDERAL PLACES OFFERED

Examination for Portland Job Is to Be Held June 21.

The United States Civil Service Commission

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who, they feel, will fill the office creditably, there is far more sentiment for Hughes than for any other.

TODAY Starting at 1 P. M., Continuous to 11 P. M. ALSO MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY A NEW SHOW WE'RE PROUD OF

STRAND THEATER PHOTOVILLE PARK AT STARK Complete Change of Program Every Sunday & Thursday

EVERY ACT A HEADLINER The Celebrated French Dancer VERNA MERSEREAU And a Company of Talented Artists in an Elaborate Dramatic Dancing Fantomime "A ROMANCE OF OLD EGYPT"