

GOOD EVENING. The Weather. Tonight and Saturday, partly cloudy with moderate light frost tonight; southwesterly winds.

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DESPERATE BATTLE AT PORT ARTHUR

Short but Sharp Conflict Between the Russian and Japanese Cruisers-- Both Lose Ships and Men.

Russian Story of Earlier Attack--Jews Are Again Persecuted and Russian Soldiers Tardily Arrive and Drive Away Mobs of Plunderers.

(Journal Special Service.) London, March 11.--A Chefoo dispatch reports the progress of another naval battle at Port Arthur today. The Russian destroyers and torpedo boats made a sortie from the harbor, attacking the Japanese fleet.

(Journal Special Service.) St. Petersburg, March 11.--The Novokral, a Port Arthur newspaper, copies of which have just arrived, describes the naval battle of February 9 from the Russian standpoint. Four battleships, five cruisers and one transport composed the Russian fleet.

KISHINEFF HORRORS AGAIN BREAK OUT

London, March 11.--The Jewish World today publishes a strong article on the excesses that are said by Russian dispatches to have taken place against the Jews in Kishineff. According to these cables a Russian mob attacked the Jewish quarter at Bukovina in Kishineff, drove the inhabitants out of doors, beat the women and children from their homes and sacked and burned the houses.

BRIGHT LIGHT ON MORMON POLITICS

(Journal Special Service.) Washington, D. C., March 11. -- Resuming his statement this morning witness Critchlow, in the Smoot case, said that in the campaign which Apostle Moses Thatcher made as a candidate for the state senate in 1903 he issued an appeal to young men in Utah asking them to unite with him and relieve the people from the political domination of the church.

that Smoot had positively denied ever having given the interview. It was agreed to strike out all reference to the matter. The hearing was then adjourned to 2 o'clock. The afternoon session of the senate investigation committee on Mormonism was occupied chiefly with the testimony of E. B. Critchlow, former United States district attorney in Utah. The witness stated that after the passage of the Edmunds act in 1882 and the act of '87, making adultery a crime, there were many prosecutions of the members of the Mormon church, and that more than 1,000 men were convicted and sentenced.

THE FIRST PORTLAND FIRM TO MAKE AN ADVERTISING CONTRACT WITH THE SUNDAY JOURNAL

Advertisement for The Oregon Daily Journal. Includes text: 'THE OREGON DAILY JOURNAL. Also Semi-Weekly and Weekly. Portland, Oregon, Feb. 25, 1904. WE hereby authorize the insertion of ONE advertisement, to occupy the space of lines 416 inches, to be inserted in THE JOURNAL as follows: 8 inches in every Sunday's Journal for a period of 12 months, beginning MARCH 20 for which WE will pay the sum of Three hundred and twenty-two dollars, as earned. Additional space, during the life of this contract, to be used as desired, to be paid for at the rate of 75¢ per inch per issue.'

HEARST IS VICTOR IN RHODE ISLAND

State Democratic Convention Elects Six Hearst Delegates to National Gathering Out of the Eight Chosen.

(Journal Special Service.) Providence, R. I., March 11.--William Randolph Hearst is the choice of the Democracy of Rhode Island. The wishes of 80 per cent of Rhode Island's Democratic voters were gratified at yesterday's state convention. After the convention had adjourned Mr. Fitzgerald called a meeting of the eight delegates that had been elected. Only the six Hearst men responded. A wait of an hour for Mr. Honey and Mr. Quinn did not bring either to the conference. Then the six Hearst delegates sat in session and elected Mr. Fitzgerald chairman. It was then agreed that the delegates should vote as a unit, and that their votes all be for Hearst.

Unable longer to resist the force of the huge lake of water that piled up back of the Tanner creek sewer, the dam at the rear of the engine house at Sixteenth and Washington streets gave way at 1 o'clock this morning and with a roaring, swirling plunge the flood swept madly down the hill under the engine house and adjoining buildings, out across Washington street and on down Burnside. There were no fatalities and nothing but some damage to the buildings under which the torrent went are recorded. Along Burnside street the man-holes were all open and after running for several blocks the force of the flood was spent and it found its way again into the sewer.

NOOSE ENDS SUFFERINGS OF PLUCKY MARK DUNN

(Journal Special Service.) St. Joseph, Mo., March 11. -- Mark Dunn, whom the officers of the state pronounce the most reckless and daring criminal of the decade, was hanged this morning in the jail yard. Dunn shot and killed a farmer named Alfred Fenton at a dance near Rushville in July, 1902. The men had been drinking and quarreled after the close of a dance over some trivial matter. Fenton was shot and died almost immediately. From the first Dunn put up a strong legal fight and the case was appealed, re-submitted, postponed and dragged out for months. At last final sentence of death was passed, then followed reprieve, stay of execution, on account of the prisoner's serious illness, and other delays. The end was drawing near, however, and doomed to die within the week, Dunn made a desperate attack on his death watch last Monday night.

STREETS FLOODED BY BROKEN DAM

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FRAUD AT POLLS IN PREPARATION

Colonization of voters is being practiced on a very large scale by the two Republican factions, preparatory to the primaries next Wednesday. The registration rolls of doubtful precincts have been stuffed and from the cheap lodging houses in the north end and along the waterfront hundreds of men have registered who have no legal right to vote. It is impossible to ascertain the extent of these frauds, but some instances have come to light which indicate that in many precincts the result of the primaries will be determined by the ballots of men who have acquired no legal residence in the city and who have no right to go to the polls.

At Larry Sullivan's

Larry Sullivan's sailor boarding house, at 113 North Second street, appears on the registration books as the residence of 63 voters. Sullivan began the present campaign as a Mitchell Republican, but a quarrel with Frank Baker led him to desert that faction and go over to

TO SUPPLY JETTY ROCK

The Columbia Contract Company Makes the Only Bid.

ITS PREVIOUS WORK

Controls the Quarry at Fisher's Landing From Which Stone for Construction at Gray's Harbor Was Secured.

Only one contracting firm bid for the work of supplying stone for the extension of the government jetty at the mouth of the Columbia river. It was tendered by the Columbia Contract company of which Daniel Kern is president. This is the well known firm that operates the quarry at Fisher's Landing, and although no contract has been awarded yet, Major Langitt states it to be quite probable that it will be given the work.

The company agrees to deliver by water 240,000 tons of rock at \$1.08 a ton in accordance with the specifications. These require that the rock be of three classes designated as A, B and C. Class A provides for 86,000 tons of rock, each piece ranging in size from 1,000 pounds up to eight tons.

The dredge Chinook will be brought up to Portland on Saturday to have her boilers repaired. Proposals for making the repairs will be opened next Friday. The engineers state that the big dredge can be put into thorough order in two or three weeks, and perhaps in much less time.

Engineer C. B. Hogardt, who is in charge of the improvements being made at the mouth of the river, was in the city this morning to be present when the bids were opened. Owing to the severe windstorms of late he says it has been a very difficult matter to make any material progress in the improvements that are now under way. It is generally admitted, says Mr. Hogardt, that the storms off the coast have been of greater violence and of more frequency during the past few months than for years.

Many people in the vicinity were so (Continued on Page Two.)

North End Stuffing. Both Simon and Mitchell supporters have been implicated in securing these fraudulent registrations. Down in the north end, which has always been notorious for corrupt politics, the registrations have been shamelessly stuffed, apparently in the interest of Simon. Voters have been colonized in South Portland by workers for the Mitchell faction. In precinct 16, bounded by Morning, Yamhill, Seventh and the river, and in precinct 23, bounded by Jefferson, Market, Fifth and the river, scores of voters are said to have been illegally registered. Nate Solomon of the Portland club has been especially active in the work of colonizing voters in the interest of the Mitchell faction, and in the Fourth precinct, where Larry Sullivan holds sway, there is unmistakable evidence of similar frauds in the interest of Simon.

When Sullivan was asked about the restrictions from this address he replied: "Oh, those men were all registered when Jack Matthews and I were working together, before I left the Mitchell faction. They are all Mitchell voters. Matthews and I were registering every voter we could get."

One of the most active workers for the Mitchell cause has been Nate Solomon of the Portland club. Ever since the registration books were opened he has been busy engaged in rounding up voters and taking them to the courthouse.

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