# MAY RESULT

Ship Subsidy Graft Seems Likely to Slip Through With Many Objectionable Features.

OTHER FEDERAL PROJECTS MAY SUFFER FOR FUNDS

Much Amazement Among Observers at Capital Over Easy Path That Measure Has Traveled Without Apparent Priction.

By John E. Lathrop. (Special Correspondent of The Journal.) Washington, D. C., Feb. 28.—The \$50,-000,000 graft provided in the ship sub-sidy bill seems likely to slip through the congress and the executive department, without receiving the attention ment, without receiving the attention its objectionable features deserve. There are several federal improvement projects which are suffering for lack of available funds, yet the congress gives to the shipowners in the form of annual subsidies an aggregate of \$28,-126,000 as a present on account of carrying the mails, during the ten years for which the subsidy makes provision, and enough more in per ton bounties for freight carriers to make up the grand total of the graft to fully \$50,-000,000.

The government has expended millions on the improvement of the Columbia river, and now that \$400,000 is needed to save the works already begun from destruction there is healtancy on the part of the congress to appropriate that sum.

Other federal projects are in danger of serious damage from the action of the sea and the elements, and the same heaitancy is manifest in providing money needed, to save the works from annihilation.

sources of the federal treasury.

Eillions to Ballroeds.

Some one has discovered that the government is paying \$46,000,000 annually for carrying the mails to the railroad companies, and that a large proportion of this is in excess of what is actually earned. It is apparent, from the disclosures this week in the house committee on postoffices and postroads, that the agents of the transportation corporations have engaged in wholesale corruption and have employed ingenious means whereby to "stuff" the mails during the times when the quadrennial weighing has taken place, so that every year the government has paid immense sums more than the roads really were entitled to.

The method used in determining the amount a given road shall receive for carrying the Ideeral mails over a given stretch of track is obviously crude, and.

had it been devised by a grasping corporation without conscience or soul, would not have made more facile the robbing of the public treasury. Graft in Weighing.

Once every four years government employes are sent to a given point to weigh the mails carried for, say, six weeks, and from this an average is struck and this is the basis of the charge made by that road for the comfour years.

ing four years.

A certain senator stated the other day that he had personally proved that the railway agents stuffed the mails during the weighing period, and related how he had noticed that a cierk of a congressional committee came to him periodically and offered to furnish him with public documents not on his quote to be sent to his constituents. This

### All Run Down

Wenting in vitality, vigor, vim,—that is a condition at no one can safely nelect, for it is the most common predisposing cause of disease. The blood is at built; it needs purifying or pariching and the best mediane to take is

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Another astounding fact was developed in the committee meeting—that there is actually no check on the second assistant postmaster-general, who has charge of all the railway mail service, and virtually audits his own accounts. A representative of the auditor's division of the postoffice department testified before the committee that his chief has absolutely no way of ascertaining the correctness of the accounts for carrying railway mails sind, the only conclusion to be drawn therefrom is that the honest administration of the \$16,000,000 item of railway mail business rests entirely upon the personal probity of the second assistant postmaster-general. No one knows how much the railroad corporations have thus stolen from the people through mail stuffing, but enough has been brought to light to prove that, if correct methods were smployed in this department, there would be more money for river and harbor improvements, without increasing the total amount collected from the people for the expenses of the federal government.

\*\*Talk Over Coming Campaign

Amid Enthusiasm.

\*\*MANY PARTY LEADERS

GATHER AT BANQUET

\*\*Resolutions Adopted Favor Election of Senator by Direct Vote of People, Support Pledge Number One and Indorse Governor Chamberlain.

\*\*GENERAL OF TALK OF

# SAVES TRAIN

Southern Pacific Overland Limited Escapes Horrible Disaster Through Hobo.

NOTIFIES ENGINEER OF DERAILED TRUCKS

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### A HELPLESS CRIPPLE

Young Woman Refuses to Forsake Sweetheart Because of Accident and Weds Him.

(Journal Special Service.)
San Francisco, Feb. 28.—True in her love for the man to whom she had plighted her troth, Miss Gertrude Smith of Oakland refused to forsake smith of Oakland refused to forsake him when he suddenly became a help-less cripple. He offered to release her from her promise, but she spurned the offer and resolutely said they should be married and now they are husband and wife, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Gardner, he an invalid for life and she the care-taker and breadwinner.

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Four months ago A. L. Gardner, by trade a roofer, fell from a building on

trade a roofer, fell from a building on which he was working, sustaining injuries which left him a helpless invalid. Only a month before the accident he won the heart of Miss Gertrude Smith, a friend of his childhood, and she had promised to become his wife.

Gardner was removed to Providence hospital, where for 12 weeks he hovered between life and death. Medical science finally triumphed so far that his life was saved, but he will never recover his health and must always be cared for like a child. Miss Smith nursed him through his illness and now as wife she is his caretaker and earns their living.

### CHRISTIAN FEDERATION READY FOR ITS WORK

H. S. Wallace of the Cooperative Christian Federation, which is planning large colonization schemes to be carried out in this state, will leave Portland tonight for New York with the contracts relating to the Mid-Oregon railroad, signed and ready for completion.

The necessary steps have been taken for advertising the purposes and operations of the federation. Meetings have been hold within the last four days at which the organization of district centers of publicity for both membership and bond subscriptions throughout the United States was effected. This action was in accordance with the plans formulated long since and accepted by the New York parties associated in the enterprise.

builds up the whole

Journal Special Service.

Birmingham, Ala, Feb. 28.—Eight men are dead and 10 so badly injured that they will probably die before night by an explosion in the Little Cahaba mine at Pipe, Alabama, Jast night.

## DEMOCRATS PLAN American

sembly meeting held in the afternoon at the city hall. The gathering was called to order by the chairman of the county central committee. W. V. Vaughn of Silverton, who made a short speech stating the purpose of the gathering. Paul Broat of Salem was made temporary chairman and Fred Palmer of Salem was chosen secretary. A committee on resolutions was then appointed as follows: Charles Dick, W. H. Holmes and Francis Feller.

W. H. Downing of Shaw was elected chairman of the central committee for the ensuing two years and Fred Palmer of Salem was made permanent secretary. Speeches were then made by the leading Democrats present and after much enthusiasm had been stirred up the following were requested to run for the legislature as representatives:

Dan J. Fry of Salem. H. R. Crawford of Turner, F. S. Senn of Silverton, W. V. Vaughn of Silverton and Charles Dick of Salem.

Candidates were also mentioned for the various other offices, but these will

San Francisco, Feb. 28.—Coal has been discovered in San Francisco. The discovery was made at the base of Twin Peaks within a stone's throw of the Sutro monument on Clarendon Heights.

Heights.

On Priday men blasting rock in a quarry uncovered a small ledge of bituminous substance resembling coal and when placed in the stove of a neighbor burned readily. Quickly the rumor took wings that a large quantity of coal had been discovered at the quarry and estimates of the quantity taken out ranged all the way from a large chunk that a small boy carried home to his mother to 40 tons.

It is understood an effort will be made by the owners of the property to determine whether or not there is coal in sufficient quantity to justify sinking a shaft.

Moser Out Again.

After a severe illness lasting almost a week, Deputy District Attorney Gus C. Moser is able to attend to legal



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# THE CURIOUS

Accused Murderer in McMinnville Jail Dislikes Limelight of Publicity.

DEFINITE DATE FOR TRIAL NOT ARRANGED

Tillamook Resident Charged With Killing Wife and Daughter Spends Much Time Reading and Says He Will Be Set Free.

Seven Million Boller Pair.

Instead of with the local and unpretentious enterprise that was at first contemplated, Portland entertained the world with a \$7.500,000 exposition. Those figures do not include the cost of supplies furnished on the grounds nor the estimated value of the art exhibit, said to have been one of the most valuable ever collected.

Three years before the opening of the exposition it was estimated that there might be a total attendance of \$300,000. Instead, the actual paid admissions during the exposition period alone amounted to nearly 1,600,000.

When the exposition movement had reached its first stages of fulfillment, eastern patronage was not taken into consideration; it was generally admitted that the city was too remote from the centers of population to depend on eastern visitors, so hopes of success were founded on the loyalty of the people of Oregon and neighboring states. However, far eastern states sent to Fortland 125,000 guests. It is impossible to estimate how many times each of the easterners paid admission into the grounds.

What California Did.

Original promoters of the fair counted upon cordial support not only from Oregon, but from California. Liberal estimates of the original promoters placed the number of possible visitors from California at 5,000. Instead of 5,000, the Golden state sent seven times that number to visit the exposition.

Portland itself sent more than 500,000 people through the gates of the exposition. The number was far in excess of the original estimate of the total attendance from all sources.

The genesis of the Lewis and Clark fair was a resolution adopted by the Oregon Historical society December 16. 1900. It suggested the exection of a monument on Clatsop plains, near Sensition of Lewis and Clark. The resolution also favored the holding of a northwest industrial exposition at the city of Portland in 1905.

Such an exposition as was contamplated would not have exceeded \$300,000 in cost and would likely have been held in the city of Portland in 1905.

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Such an exposition as was contemplated would not have axceeded \$300,000 in cost and would likely have been held in one building. The resolution was drawn and presented by Lowis B. Cox. now dead. It was suggested to him by Dan McAllen of Portland, whose incessant efforts to create interest in the propostd fair resulted ultimately in the great exposition that, as he expresses it, "placed Portland on the map."

Morning Olympian Sold.

(Special Disputes of The Journal.)

Olympia, Wash., Feb. 28.—R., T.,
Buchanan, a newspaper man recently
from Indianapolis. Indiana, has purchased the Morning Olympian of this
city from Hartwell & Pfeifer, former
owners and publishers. Mr. Buchanan
was formerly connected with the Indianapolis News as its editor. The purchase price has not been made public.

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### STUDENT VOLUNTEERS MEET AT NASHVILLE

(Journal Special Service.)
Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 28.—All the railway trains arriving last night and carly this morning brought delegations to the fifth international conference of the Student Volunteer movement, which was formally opened in this city today, to continue in passion until next Monday. It is estimated that 2,000 dele-

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gates and other visitors already have reached Nashville, and it is expected that by tomorrow another 1,000 will be

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