

GOOD EVENING

THE WEATHER.

Showers tonight; Thursday fair and warmer; westerly winds.

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LA FOLLETTE SAYS GEARIN UPON RATE ISSUE VOTED FOR PEOPLE

Oregon Senator's Course Warmly Commended by the Wisconsin Statesman and by President Roosevelt's Friends.

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.)
 Washington, D. C., May 16.—Senator Gearin's course during the consideration of the rate bill in the senate has been consistently for effective and desirable legislation. He has voted with La Follette, Republican from Wisconsin, and against Aldrich, Chase, Keam, Borah and other railroad senators on every amendment offered by La Follette to the rate regulation bill, with one exception, La Follette's amendment governing the long and short haul. On this Gearin, with La Follette understanding his action, voted against the Wisconsin senator because as the amendment was couched, Gearin feared it would militate against coast interests too heavily. The Congressional Record shows that Gearin on every other roll-call when La Follette's amendments were being voted on, supported them.

La Follette said today when approached regarding Gearin's course in voting on the bewildering mass of amendments and amended amendments, which have come thick and fast, and rendered it exceedingly difficult to keep them separate in one's mind:

Excerpt From La Follette.

"I may say with pleasure and enthusiasm that, in my opinion, Senator Gearin has voted in every instance for the people against senators who have sought apparently to prevent adequate legislation for the regulation of railroad rates in the United States. I differed from him on one amendment, the long and short haul, but that was due to honest differences of opinions, as to the desirability of that amendment which I myself offered.

"I appreciate the loyalty with which Senator Gearin supported the measure which I sought to have incorporated in the rate bill, and which, as I view the situation, were destined to strengthen it, and make it really accomplish objects for which it was drafted.

"I expect to speak in Oregon during the coming summer or fall, and when I go there I shall not hesitate to say from the platform that on the rate regulation bill, transcendent in importance and requiring as it does unusual discrimination to discriminate between genuine and spurious proposals in connection with it, John M. Gearin has demonstrated his splendid faithfulness to the cause of the people.

Gearin's Good Record.

"I regard Gearin's record on the railroad regulation bill as ample proof that he never would support any measure not calculated to protect the common man from the designs of those who too often do not hesitate to incorporate in their own advantage, and the Congressional Record shows that following the La Follette amendment, relating to long and short haul, Senator Gearin answered year on year every La Follette amendment.

"One was to provide a long term of imprisonment for railway managers who violated terms of the rate bill. Railroad senators cut down the penalty, some desisting, notably Forsaker, to impose only a fine. The La Follette amendment, providing that after the interstate commerce commission had passed on a given rate, practice or transportation contract and the corporation had appealed to the court and there offered new testimony not heretofore offered in the commission's hearing, the court should return the case to the commission, that the latter might modify its order in the light of new testimony."

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HOLY ROLLERS STARVING

Word received from Nehalem is to the effect that the deluded followers of "Joshua" Creffield, the "Holy Roller" leader, are starving in the camp established by him near Necata Head. Five women and a baby are said to be in a pitiable plight, fearing to leave as they were commanded by Creffield, whom they regard as the Messiah, to await his return. They do not believe the story of his death. The camp is 14 miles from Waldport. The citizens of the latter place refuse to assist the sufferers, having no use for the Holy Rollers.

CHAMBERLAIN PROTECTED AND KEPT IN CONTACT REFERENDUM LAW

When Legislators Sought to Nullify the Will of Voters the Governor Fought and Won the People's Fight.

The people of Oregon on June 2, 1902, declared by a vote of 62,024 to 5,668 that they wanted the referendum, but this immense majority in favor of popular supervision of legislation would have gone for naught if it had not been for one man. That one man was George E. Chamberlain. As governor of the state he stood firmly against all attempts to defeat the people's will, exposed and defeated a deep-laid conspiracy designed to restore the very conditions that had been condemned and saved the referendum to the voters of Oregon.

When the legislature met in January of 1903 members of the majority who held partisan advantage above public weal decided to ride rough shod over both the referendum and Governor Chamberlain. Their plan was based on the decision of the supreme court to the effect that the legislature was the sole judge of what constituted an emergency. According to the law voters cannot pass upon measures to which a clause is attached, declaring that an emergency exists. The conspirators began work by tacking an emergency clause to almost every bill that was introduced.

Wouldn't Permit Juggling.

Governor Chamberlain was up in arms at once. On January 18 he informed both branches of the legislature that he would permit no such juggling with the law. His message said in part:

"Petitions to refer acts passed by the legislature must be filed with the secretary of state not more than 30 days after the final adjournment of the legislative assembly which passed the bill on which the referendum is demanded. The plain intent of this reserve power was to enable the people of the state to have referred to them directly for their approval or rejection any act of the legislature which, in the opinion of at least 5 per cent of the legal voters, should not find permanent lodgment on the statute books of the state, except as may be necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health or safety.

"The supreme court of this state has practically held that it is the legislative province to declare in an emergency clause what acts are necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health or safety, and in the exercise of this power it seems to me that great care should be used by the legislature to avoid attaching an emergency clause to any bill which is not clearly and distinctly for the purpose of preserving the public peace, health or safety of our people.

Too Many Emergency Clauses.

"My attention has been called to the fact that many if not a majority of the bills which have been introduced in both the house and the senate have an emergency clause declaring such bills to be for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the people, thus in effect cutting off the right to have such laws referred to the people.

"I am bound by the same oath of office as you and the other officers of the state to support the constitution in letter and in spirit as I understand it, and following the construction heretofore given by the courts and the people to constitutional provisions like the one under consideration, I shall feel it my duty to refuse to assent to any act containing the emergency clause referred to unless it is clearly apparent that the emergency is immediate within the letter and the spirit of this amendment."

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HOLY ROLLERS IN CAMP ON ROBINSON'S ISLAND, THREE MILES SOUTH OF CORVALLIS, IN NINETEEN HUNDRED AND THREE.



Top row, left to right—Levin, Brooks, Mrs. Worrall, (Portland), Esther Mitchell, Rose Seely, Florence Seely, Wesley Seely, Mrs. Frank Hurt, (nee Sandell), Frank Hurt, Edna Seely, Ona Baldwin, Campbell. Bottom row—Mrs. Lewis Hartley, Olive Sandell, Mrs. B. E. Starr, Mrs. Clarence Starr, Mae Hurt, Mrs. Maud Hurt Creffield, Joshua Creffield, Mrs. Victor Hurt, Sophia Hartley, Atta Bray.

ELECTRIC LINE TO SOUND

Centralia-Chehalis Trolley Road to Be Extended South to Portland and North to Tacoma.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
 Tacoma, Wash., May 16.—Benjamin J. Weeks, new general manager of the Pacific Traction company, which is building an electric line south from Tacoma, arrived here from Spokane, where for the past three years he has been active in the construction of the Inland Interurban company's lines. Mr. Weeks is also head of the prospective Centralia-Chehalis interurban, and in an interview regarding it, says:

"The Centralia-Chehalis line will be built to Portland, south from Centralia and Chehalis, and north from those places to Tacoma. There may be an extension to the Grays harbor country, but we have not yet considered that part of it. Announcement will be made later of the probabilities of building the road to Seattle.

"People are surmising that because I come here as head of the traction company, that its lines and the Centralia-Chehalis project are one, and for that matter it would be simple to make them so, if we wished, but at present they are altogether separate and backed by different men.

"In other words, plans for a through

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Mr. Bourne is a man of great and varied resources in politics. His personality fuses the Mitchell-Ellis Republicans and the Populists in a homogeneous mass. Through him both these branches of the great silver families in Oregon are united under a single crown. First, he becomes secretary of the state Republican committee, next a Mitchell Republican candidate, and finally a Populist candidate for the legislature. Here is a scheme of politics truly Napoleonic. It is an achievement of genius to gain such a position. It would make almost any other man dizzy to be the Populist secretary of the Republican state committee, a Mitchell Republican candidate for the legislature on the Populist ticket and a Populist candidate for the legislature on the Mitchell Republican ticket. But Mr. Bourne carries all these honors without losing his head.

The Oregonian differs very widely from Mr. Bourne, but it can afford this tribute of admiration to the energy, versatility and genius of the man who leads the state Republican committee, the Populists and the Mitchell-Ellis Republicans in a joint campaign and common cause under the silver flag with Chairman Hirsch, Judge Williams and General Beebe riding in his triumphal car.

"LIAR" SHOUTS BAILEY

Declares That Correspondent Close to White House and His Informant Are Guilty of Falsehood.

(Journal Special Service.)
 Washington, D. C., May 16.—Senator Bailey in the senate today declared that the dispatch to a western newspaper saying that Bailey was secretly opposed to railroad rate legislation was unqualifiedly a malicious and deliberate lie. He said that the correspondent was close to the White House and denounced the correspondent and the man who gave him the information as an "unqualified, malicious and deliberate liar, no matter how high his station or what office he holds."

Tillman jumped to the floor and denounced that the entire story be read. During the reading Tillman's face was a study. "The story held Tillman up to scorn and ridicule as the senator who by stealth sought indirectly an interview with the president after the dinner invitation had been withdrawn. Tillman had counted eight falsehoods in the article concerning himself and said that he had never lost faith in Bailey. He said the correspondent was a "muck raker."

Bailey arose and said that he denounced the story which he had previously discovered was published in a New York paper this morning. He said

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ESCAPE PARENTS; ELOPE; WED

Popular Young Couple of The Dalles Dodge Unsympathetic Relatives and Fly to Portland to Become Man and Wife.

An early morning train, an irate father and far-away friends played leading parts in a romantic marriage that has stirred society in The Dalles. And number 13 is also conspicuous in that the young couple, who were married in this city yesterday morning, first met.

William J. Seufert and Esther M. Beck were the young couple that fled to Portland to be married. The groom is 21 years old, his bride, 18. Seufert is the son of P. A. Seufert, owner of the salmon cannery at The Dalles and one of Oregon's richest citizens; the bride's parents are well-to-do Wasco county folk.

Last Monday evening young Seufert called on his fiancée. The call lingered long past twilight and even moonlight, and just before the rosy tints of morning were evident the whistle of the west-bound train was heard. This was 2 o'clock a. m. Mrs. Beck was ready. Rushing down to the depot the couple boarded the train and started for Portland.

Mr. Seufert Sr. noted that his son was not at home at the time the morning fires were built, so started on a tour of discovery. He was not long in finding out the facts, and it was only a few minutes until he was struggling with a long distance telephone, trying to reach Portland friends and ask them to stop the elopement.

But when the friends here learned of the affair they rushed to the depot, met the runaway and accompanied them to the office of the county clerk, where a marriage license was secured. Then the triumphal procession wound its way to the home of Rev. J. A. Leas, where the ceremony was performed.

Mr. and Mrs. William J. Seufert are spending their honeymoon in this city.

DISGRACE FOR BUILDING LAW FROM DEPTHS NEW IDEAS ADOPTED OF EARTH

Secretary Shaw Says That a Young Man in Government Employ Is Wasting His Time Vegetating.

(Journal Special Service.)
 Baltimore, Md., May 15.—That a man who works for the government is wasting his time and may be court-martialed if he shows he has any ideas, was the sense of an address made by Secretary of the Treasury Shaw to a graduating class of the United States revenue cutter service last night. Shaw said:

"There is one thing which I want to warn you young men of. There is nothing that will take the native capacity out of a man as quickly as employment in any branch of the army or navy. If I wanted to make a fine preacher out of a young man, I would send him to West Point, for it is the best school on earth.

"In one branch of the government service I won't say which—if a man has a good idea, they court-martial him. After he has suppressed his ideas for two or three years no more propose themselves, and he becomes a figure-head. The army and navy have lots of men whose ideas have been suppressed.

"I want to sympathize with you young men on one point, and will congratulate you also. You have succeeded in getting into an easy place. You officers of the revenue department are not as important in the eyes of the world as men who are lying around all the time, supposedly, waiting for an opportunity to do some fighting. Something about all government departments which might appeal to some of you is that you are not likely to die from overwork. I would willingly go a thousand miles to see the grave of a man who had died from overwork, but I am sure I would not find that he had been in the employ of the United States government."

Structures in the New San Francisco Regulated by Width of Street—Savings Banks to Reopen Soon.

(Journal Special Service.)
 San Francisco, May 16.—The building laws committee today finally decided that all new structures must not exceed two and one half times the width of the streets upon which they face and to limit class B to 102 feet and class C to 70 feet if metal lath are used and 80 feet if wooden. Frame buildings to 45 feet and both A and B shall be of incombustible material. A to have a steel frame which will carry the weight of all floors and walls.

It is certain that parts of the city south of market and on North Beach will be set aside for manufacturing purposes, in which wooden frame buildings covered with corrugated iron will be allowed.

The decision of the savings banks to open May 22 has removed any lingering doubt as to the stability of those institutions and created a good feeling among small depositors. It is now assured that commercial banks will open not later than June, while some will be ready for business several days earlier. With the reopening of banks and the payment of insurance losses reconstruction will begin with a rush.

Five large kitchens are now in operation and within another week these kitchens will be feeding 50,000 refugees, many of whom will pay for their meals.

School authorities have decided to establish summer schools at Golden Gate park, where 12 tents will be erected. School work will begin Monday.

Prominent Chinese are negotiating with Mayor Mott with a view of locating Chinatown in Oakland. This move, however, is looked upon as a bluff intended to alarm San Francisco into withdrawing her opposition to the reestablishment of the old Chinatown.

Flood of Waters Spouted Forth Near Mount Olivet Following Earthquake, Spreading Ruin in Wake.

(Journal Special Service.)
 San Francisco, May 15.—Within a couple of minutes after the big earthquake and before they had time to collect their shattered nerves, a few people living within the section at the base of the mountain just south of Mount Olivet cemetery were put to their wits' end by a swirl of water that went rushing down into the cemetery toward the railroad track. Like an avalanche it rushed along, carrying everything within a scope of 100 feet wide and fully one half a mile in length. Trees were uprooted and buried, barns, work and tank houses were carried away, and between 25,000 and 30,000 feet of lumber, the property of the cemetery association, was carried away.

Several horses belonging to a neighboring farmer were caught in the swirl, but struggled for their lives, and emerged completely coated with a soft, sticky mud. Many pigs were lost and an "elite potato patch was washed out.

"At the point from which the water gushed an excavation about 100 feet wide and from six to eight feet in depth remained, with the bottom covered with soft mud.

Among the few people who visited the spot were Father Cooper of Ocean View, T. J. Welch, the architect, and M. V. Brady, builder. None of these men have any fixed theory as to the eruption, but are of the opinion that it was probably some subterranean reservoir.

FIRLAND YOUTH IS MISSING

Horace Jones Jr. Has Not Been Seen Since Sunday Morning and Foul Play Is Suspected by His Relatives.

Whether Horace D. Jones, aged 22 years, a cement contractor living at Firland on the Mount Scott line, became the victim of a thug last Saturday night cannot at this time be told by his parents and many friends. Certain it is that Jones has completely disappeared.

The young man left his home last Saturday at noon for the purpose of collecting certain sums of money due him. His partner in business is Virgil Garrison. The missing man, it is said, collected nearly \$100 during the early afternoon of Saturday and gave his father \$15 and his partner another \$15. He returned to his collecting work and did not return home to supper, nor at any time since. Last Saturday night the young man visited the home of Miss Berale Curtis, south of Arleta, a half mile distance from his own home. It is reported by the young woman that Jones left her residence after the last car for the city had passed. If this is in fact the missing man was compelled to walk home through woods and over unimproved tracts of land, covered with heavy underbrush.

Sunday morning arrived and Mrs. Jones, the mother, became worried over the absence of her son, and her husband began to make inquiries concerning the young man. He called at the Curtis home and was told the whereabouts of the visit as related above. Further inquiry made in Portland Monday morning brought the information that young Jones had been seen by a friend at First and Morrison streets at 7:30 o'clock Sunday morning. This is the last trace of the young man that can be found. Many persons living at Firland and Arleta have searched the country adjacent to these streets in vain.

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