GOOD EVENING

Rain tonight and Saturday; fresh southerly breeze.



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Five-Story Structure at Car Company Long Beach, California, Crashes Down, Burying Occupants.

Bixbie Hotel, Just Completed, Concern Grows From a Million **Tumbles Down With Guests** and Employes-Four Bodies Recovered an Hour Later-Only One Identified.

(Journa' Special Service.) Long Beach, Nov. 9.—With res ing crashes two sections of the new five-story Bible hotel, a fine hostelry of this city, which was but recently erected, collapsed this morning, carry-ing from 25 to 30 persons to death and doing property damage amounting to approximately \$350,000, while a large

tiffed Mexicans.

Without warning this morning at \$245 o'clock, the center section of the great brick structure collapsed and sank to the ground a total wreck, carrying in the ruins a large number of people, the total at noon not being ascertained, but it is known, however, that from 25 to 30 guests of the hostelry were buried in the ruins, and as but few have been rescued alive from the debria, it is feared that the list of dead will greatly exceed this number.

An hour after the wreck of the center section of the hotel the west wing crashed to the ground. Because of the wrecking of the center section at the earlier hour there was no loss of life distribution of the surplus was adopted. (Continued on Page Two.)

(Special Dispatch to The Jenral)
Vancouver, Wash. Nov. 2.—Melvin
Simmons, a private in company H. Fourteenth infantry, is in the hospital here
with a jagged bullet hole in his back
because the lure of illicit gold was
stronger than his fear of capture by
the officers of the Fourteenth infantry,
who were looking for him as a deserter.
He was shot last night at 16 o'clock
while attempting to escape from Night

Cuts

ers-Immense Profits Are Piled Up. and a Quarter Capitalization

Melon for Stockhold-

but Public Reaps No Reductions-Lincoln to Retire as President.

Chicago, Nov. 9.—To grow from a consues of watered stock to absorb the tremenduous surplus constantly piled up is the proud record of the Puliman company. During this period not a single reduction in rates has been made to the traveling public, who are still compelled to pay by tips the salaries of the porters employed by the company. Railroad fares have been reduced during this period and the cost of construction and equipment reduced, but patrons of Pullman cars are forced to pay the same rates as they did 30 years ago, though travel has increased enormously.

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a short time and at last persuaded he to go to Vancouver with him. Once

W. A. Richards, General Land Commissioner.

Resignation of Secretary Hitchcock and Land Commission Caused by Failure to Prosecute Union Pacific for Land Fraud

Washington, Nov. 9.—The retirement of Secretary Hitchcock as head of the department of the interior and of W. A. Richards, former governor of Wyoming, commissioner of the general land office, is believed to have been caused directly by revelations made in connection with the coal land frauds along the Union Pacific railroad.

It develops that for three years the interior department had detailed information concerning these frauds, on which it failed to act. Almost a year ago a lengthy protest concerning these conditions was filed with Commissioner Richards.

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An instance which aroused some comment at the time was the creation of the Klamath forest reserves in northern California. This reserve it was alleged, while saving much valuable timber, also included much land owned by the Southern Pacific through its grant of alternate sections. This iand was absoluted with the properties of the railroads, which received in return good timber land elsewhere.

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Vancouver Officer - Shoots to Stop Fleeing Commissioner Police of the general land office declared that all matters de-

a also included much land owned by the Southern Pacific through its grant of alternate sections. This land was absolutely worthless, covered with brush or barren, valueless for either timber or grazing. By getting rid of the land, which bould not be sold or marketed, the road would save the taxes demanded by the state and secure good land in exchange.

land office declared that all matters developed by the commission had been fully looked into by the land office and nothing found to occasion criticism.

Other stories are affoat of the alleged connection of the Harriman lines with the interior department and the general land office. It has been charged that

STEAMER NANELI IS

(Journal Special Service.) Silverton, Or., Nov. 9.—John Wolfard

& Co., merchants of this city, received a letter from a former Silverton girl Steamship company of this city, will who now lives at Dallas, in which she be the first vessel in the merchant marine service to advertise Los Angeles as its home port. In conjunction with anyears ago while her mother was shop- Angeles and San Francisco.

> WOMAN DENIES SHE IS SLAYER OF NEIMAN

DALLAS PARSON'S WIFE FORGIVEN FOR THEFT

simmons, a private in company H, Fourteenth infantry, is in the hospital here with a Jagged builet hole in his back because the lure of illicit gold was stronger than his fear of capture by the officers of the Fourteenth infantry, who were looking for him as a deserter. He was shot last night at 16 o'clock while attempting to escape from Night Policeman Secrist, who had arrested him at a resort where he is said to have placed his young bride two months ago.

Simmons was a private in company H when it went to American Lake, but while encamped there deserted and came back to Portland, where he has been in hiding from the officers of the army. Before he went to American Lake, however, he had won by the glamor of his soldiery the heart of a young Portland girl whose head had been turned by his soldiery the heart of a young Portland family and the attentions of the soldier were not pleasing to her parents, but the marriage took place in spite of objection and the bride was left in Portland to wait for the return of Simmons came back before the outing was over as a hunted man sought by his former comrades for desertion. He remained in Portland with his wife for (Special Dispatch to The Journal.).
Silverton, Or., Nov. 9.—John Wolfard & Co., merchants of this city, received who now lives at Dallas, in which she says she was tempted to steal a salt and pepper dish from their store eight ping. Recently she has been converted she says, and by reading the bible has been convinced that she ought to pay for the stolen article and ask forgiveness. The value of the dish was 20 cents, but she inclosed 30 cents, and humbly asks forgiveness, stating that she is now living a different life. The lady was recently married to a preacher.

Chicago, Nov. 9.—Lucile McLeed Menhard was arraigned this morning for the murder of William Nelman and pleaded not guilty. The case was continued until Wednesday.

CHINESE WOMAN SUES PATTERSON'S PAPERS

(Journal Special Service.)
Denver, Nov. 9.—Mrs. Josie C. Hung, wife of a Chinese merchant, has sued the News and Times for \$25,000 dam-ages. Senator Patterson is the princi-pal owner of each paper.

Mrs. Hung was born in San Francisco of Chinese parents. The morning after the election in connection with a stery about corraling the votes of the under world the News published a picture of District Attorney Stiteger escorting the plaintiff to the polis.

POLITICAL STORM IS THREATENING IN CUBA

(Jeurnal Special Service.)
Hanava, Nov. 2.—A political storm is likely to break out at any moment. The Liberals called upon Governor Magoon today and demanded to know if the Liberals can expect to replace the Moderates in office. If Magoon refuses the Liberals will begin to annoy the government, which means that the American troops will be scattered through the island to maintain order,

ALL DAY SATURDAY

And as Late as Ten o'Clock Saturday Night Bring those little want ads for the great big Sunday Journal to The Journal business office. The Journal will insert in the classi-ned columns

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Providing it is not over 15 words in length. Journal wants and "don't wants" cost

LESS THAN A CENT A WORD "Road Journal Classifieds."

Authority on Newspaper Circulation Says Journal Runs Ahead of the Oregonian.

Circulation of Journal Sworn to While Oregonian, Says Expert Has Not Furnished Definite and Satisfactory Report Regarding Number of Copies.

George P. Rowell, the foremost au thority in the United States on newspaper circulation, has issued the initial
number of a new publication, Newspapers Worth Counting, which contains some information of peculiar interest to the people of Portland and
Oregon. Official confirmation is given
of the fact that the circulation of the
Oregon Daily Journal has outstripped
the circulation of the Oregonian.
Newspapers Worth Counting states
that since 1902, the year when The
Journal was started, the Oregonian
"has not furnished any definite and
satisfactory report," but has been
oredited with a circulation of "more
than 20,000."

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"Copies printed: The daily edition of this paper had credit for an average issue of 18,801 in 1895 and 28,591 in 1902, since which it has not furnished any definite and satisfactory report, but has been credited with more than 20,000 every year since, up to and including 1905.

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"The Sunday edition had credit for an average issue of 25,545 in 1895 and 34,487 in 1902, since which it has not furnished any definite and satisfactory report, but was credited with more than 20,000 every year since, up to and including 1905.

"The weekly edition had credit for an average issue of 18,210 in 1895 and 24,027 in 1902, since which it has not furnished any definite and satisfactory report, but was credited with more than 17,500 in 1904 and 1905."

These figures indicate that since The Journal entered the field the Oregonian has lost in circulation as follows: Daily, 8,000; Sunday, 14,000; weekly, 6,500.

Journal: TO ADVERTISE CITY

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"Portland, Oregon, Journal, evening, Sunday and semi-weekly:
"Copies printed daily: 5,946 in 1903; 15,294 in 1904; 21,926 in 1905.

"(The Journal's circulation is now in excess of 26,000.) "Sunday: 12,987 in 1904; 18,014 in

mi-weekly: 2,405 in 1904; 6,939

in 1905.
"This paper is one of the comparatively few that venture to make use of the Directory Guarantee Star, of which no publisher would think of availing himself were he not absolutely certain that the accuracy of the figures that report the editions he issues would stand out bright and clear in the face of the most searching investigation."

LONE BANDIT ROBS

(Journal Special Service.)

Slater, Mo., Nov. 2.—A lone robber awakened the sleeping passengers en route from St. Louis to Kansas City in Blue Cut last night, working hurriedly, and took only what his victims offered, about \$60. He left the train by a flying leap near Mexico. The train stopped, but no trace of the thief was found.

ROBBER KILLS WIDOW

(Journal Special Service.)
Lambertsville. Pa., Nov. 9.—Mrs.
Catherine Stauffer, a widow, was found murdered in hed with a bullet hole in her head this morning. Her grand-children were awakened by a robber, who tried to chiloroform them, but escaped before help arrived.

SECRETARY TAFT IS AT FORT SHERIDAN

(Journal Special Service.)
Chicago, Nov. 8.—Secretary of
Taft visited Fort Sheridan today,
object of his viail was not divubut it is supposed to be in couns
with proposed improvements.



Mrs. Herman Oelrichs.

Engagement of Fair and Wealthy Widow to Moncure Robinson, Popular Member of Newport's Smart Set Rumored—Friends of Both Deny Stories Current.

(Journal Special Service.)
Newport, R. L. Nov. 9.—Rumor has
en current in society circles here for some days past that the announce-ment of the engagement of Mrs. Theresa Ocirichs to Moncure Robinson, one of the most popular men members of the "smart set," who is also well known as a successful real estate op-erator in New York and Baltimore, is

Mrs. Oeiriche and Mr. Robinson have been seen together a great deal since the return of the widow from San Francisco, where she went to settle the dispute over the estate of her late hus-band.

however, deciare there is absolutely no basis for the report that an engagement is alkely to be announced. These persons say that Mrs. Celrichs is quite satisfied to continue enjoying the freedom of widowhood, while the former Baltimore clubman is determined to adhere to his bachelor existence, although he finds the fair widow a charming companion.

Commerce Commission Will Inquire.Into **Merger of Competing** Lines in Northwest

O. R. & N. and Southern Pacific Should Not Be Under Same Control-Fish to Be Summoned to Tell Secrets in Revenge for Being Ousted.

(Journal Special Service.)

Washington, D. C., Nov. 9.—Stuyve-sant Figh's removal from the presidency of the Illinois Central railroad is to be avenged by the government in a way he could hardly have anticipated. As a result of the action of E. H. Harriman in extending his control over this line, the interstate commerce commission has taken up for consideration the question of investigating all of the Harriman railroad enterprises. It has been decided to institute the investigation early in the new year.

This investigation will be of as much importance as was that which the commission made into the combination of the Northern Pacific and Great Northern railroads, which, as the Northern Securities company, was dissolved by order of the supreme court under the anti-trust law.

Besembles Mill Merger.

In one way, the action of Harriman resembles that of J. P. Morgan and J. J. Hill in allying the Northern Pacific

J. Hill in allying the Northern Pacific with the Great Northern. Harriman controls the Union Pacific, the Southern Pacific, the Oregon Short Line and the Oregon Kaliroad & Navigation company. which should be competing roads, in the judgment of the members of the commission, and now he has the Illinois Central and Baltimore & Ohio, which makes him a big factor in determining trans-continental rates.

The investigation of the Harriman In-

The investigation of the Harriman in-terests will be taken up under the amendment to the interstate commerce act, which passed congress in 1891. So far as the commission has con-sidered the matter, it has determined that the inquiry will be particularly into relations of the Oregon Short Line, Union Pacific and Southern Pacific, The

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MATTHEWS' GHOST WAL

Erstwhile Political Leader Seeking to Become Czar of the Legislature Again With Hodson as Prime Minister.

"Jack" Matthews, arising from the target corporations. These interests, as few that venture to make use of directory Grarantee Star, of which which is quietly working hand in hand and shoulder to shoulder with C. W. Hodson, senator from the past, desire the legislature to be make use of limited manifers. Is quietly working hand in hand and shoulder to shoulder with C. W. Hodson, senator from the good to them and, in order that there may be no doubt, it is necessary that out bright and clear in the face with the ex-collector's satellite, and with others of his tried and true friends an effort to organize the next legislature with Hodson in the chair of an effort to organize the next legislature with Hodson in the chair of the movement are lined up in solid ranks in the gleeping passengers en from St. Louis to Kansas City in Cut last night, working hurriedly, jok only what his victims offered, \$60. He left the train by a flylesp near Mexico. The train each, but no trace of the thief was like the companient of the common and the companient of the common and the companient of the common and the very much pleased to see the state purchase a printing office. Mr. Mathews and either little feibles of the common and atther little feibles of the common and the very much pleased to see the state purchase a printing plant commission, the anti-powerful the compaction of it.

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MURDERER, ROBBER AND BIGAMIST

Problems

The World's W. J. Bryan Says There Are Three Can You Guess What They Are?

The great commoner knows, and will write of them and give the solution in

Man, Bullet Strikes Stone, Glances and

Plows Hole Through Runaway.

The Sunday Journal