# THE OREGON SUNDAY JOURNAL, PORTLAND, SUNDAY MORNING, MARCH 17, 1907

# **BIG FLOOD CAUSED BY CUTTING DOWN FORESTS**

**Receding Waters Leave Streets** of Pittsburg and Allegheny Full of Mud.

### DANGER OF DISEASE FOLLOWS HIGH WATER

Losses Aggregate Many Millions-Hundreds of Thousands Homeless and Out of Employment-Machinery in Factories Coated With Mud.

Maximum stage of the rivers,

25.6 feet, Damage to property and busi-ness interests is variously esti-mated up to \$25,000,000. Idienous of 38 blast furnaces

futeness of 35 blast furnaces causing the curtailment of 25, 600 tong of pig iron a day. Fully 200,000 workmen made idle, pending receding of waters. Electric light service sus-pended throughout Allegheny couples.

Railroad and traction service demoralized for 24 hours. Waterworks suspended and fires rage unchecked on south

ublishers' Press by Special Leased Wire.) Pittsburg, March 16.—As the worst

force and the Allegheny, Monongahela and Ohio rivers returned into their

mannels, the extent of the damage me is astounding. Property and busi-

known in Pittsburg spent its

ington) were entirely submerged, fire broke out in the business part of the ward and for a time threatened the en-tire hill with destruction. Not a dop of water was available for domestic purposes and the fire had full swing until the remedy of dynamiting was resorted to. Several houses were thus destroyed and the progress of the flames stayed, but not until property to the value of nearly \$250,000 had been destroyed. destroyed.

Flood Caused by Destroying Forests

Flood Gaussed by Destroying Forests. The flood situation in Pittsburg en-gaged the attention of Gifford Pinchot, United States forester. Talking of the cause of the flood, he said: "The great flood is due fundamen-tally to the cutting away of the forests on the watersheds of the Monorgahela and Allegheny mountains, which are high and steep and receive a heavy rainfall. Originally these slopes con-tained hardwood forests. Beneath the trees a heavy undergrowth and thick cover of leaves on the ground and the roots of trees and shrubs so held back the water that dangerous floods seldom occurred. The ruin of the mountain by cutting the timber is now accomplishing the ruin of the walley."

## **RIVER STILL RISING**

Crest of Flood Has Not Yet Passed Cincinnati.

Cincinnati. (Pablishers' Frees by Special Leased Wire.) Cincinnati, March 16.—Late this evening Government Forecaster Basier, who has declared for two or three days that the flood would reach or go beyond the 65-foot stage, modified his views slightly, saying: T now have doubts that the river will go quite to the last January high water mark, 65 feet and 3 inches, but it may. It will, however, go over 63 feet. By Monday night all danger should be over and the waters receding." At 5 o'clock this afternoon the stage, as regularly taken at the city water-works department, was 55 feet 9 inches, and the rise is continuing as it has for the past 24 hours at a fraction over one inch an bour.

done is astounding. Property and eval-ness interests suffered greatly. No ex-sot figures are obtainable, but estimates according to area included vary from bio.000.000 to \$20,000.000 and days and weeks must elapse before normal con-ditions are fully restored. We if any of the army of \$00,000 workmen who were thrown into idle-ness by the big flood will be able to workmen who were thrown into idle-ness by the big flood will be able to seen work before Monday. The mills are all covered with mud; costly ma-chingry is, damaged and in many places may have to be replaced, and it is doubtful if industrial affairs will re-work on contracts worth millions is stopped, material is damaged and the embarrassment caused manufacturities will be such as has never been caused here before by flood or any other con-ditions.

### Flood Claims First Victim.

Flood Claims First Victim. All passenger trains are arriving and departing on all the railroads. The first death as a result of the flood was that today of Thomas Finn, foreman in a Pennsylvania railroad gravel pit at a suburb who was killed by a landaide. Strangely enough, Finn had just left the hospital after recovering from io-juries received in a aimliar way during the January flood. The general relief committee has ample funds for the relief of sufferers. Covington and Newport, Kentucky, conditions, although distressing in the flooded districts, will not be as bad as in January. Many people who were

In January. Many people who were forced to move during then, profited by the experience and did not move back.

Refugees in Schoolhouses, In Newport the city relief committee today placed two large barges with four guards on each and a number of small boats in commission to relieve or serve flood sufferers in any way fessi-ble. Schoolhouses are being occupied by sufferers tonight, one room at a time, as applicants appear.

# POOR ARE SUFFERING

At The other and the set of the second second second set of the second se Crest of Flood Passes Parkersburg, Leaving City in Darkness.

(Publishers' Press by Special Lessed Wire.) Parkersburg, W. Va., March 16.—The crest of the flood stage on the Ohio sition. Traffio is Resumed. The paralyzed railroads have for the most part resumed operations and fro running trains. Not a railroad running into the city escaped financial loss due to the flood and some of the lines were entirely out of commission. Street car traffic is now in full operation again, and the clouds in full operation again, and the cloud in the course is solated to again the store is a suffering. All the churches and public houses have been turned into re-

**Pimples and Blotches** 

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# Hood's Sarsaparilla Insist on having Hood's. Get it today.

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**Object of Roosevelt's Conference** With Governor of Illinois Was Presidential Question.

# **RECOGNIZES ILLINOIS'** POLITICAL SIGNIFICANCE

Both Refuse to Discuss Purpose of Conference-Teddy Boosts Taft for President-Dencen Gets Gunboat for State Naval Militia.

(Hearst News by Longest Leased Wirs.) Washington, March 16.—Governor by the sense and Attorney General Stead of illinois, who came here last night pre-parage to taik railroads and the railroad ituation with the president, met through appointment today at 2:80 at the White House. Before that time on visited the navy department, where governor Densen put in a plea for a warship for the Illinois naval militin, the granted, although a vessel has not of been designated. The state author-ties prefer one of the historical vessels doubt that the request will be granted from Spain at the battle of Manila, such as the lale de Luson. If manila, such one of the vessels to the philippines. Philippines.

#### Politics, Not Railroads.

Philippines. Politics, Not Extloreds. Governor Densen, as indicated last night, has not come here solely for the purpose of talking railroads. The state of Illinois is an important one in the presidential contest, and the strength of Cannon is not known there. There are chances for other candidates, and it is practically certain that the presi-dent decided that issue with the Illinois representative today. Secretary Taft's frends are now figuring on Illinois as surely is on Ohio. The president is credited with being's Taft boomer, and the report is he killed two birds with one stons when he sent for Governor Densen and Attorney General Stead. The governor had a conference last night with Senator Cullom. Governor Densen before going into the conference with the president re-peated that he knew only in a general way what was to be talked about, and that he would maintain that the presi-dent should make a statement. No one has been able to fathom yst why the president sent specifically for a repre-sentative of the middle west to talk over the railroad situation. The Chicago & Alton case as revealed



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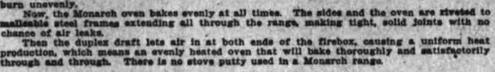
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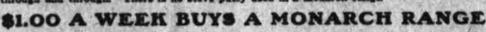
You know from and experience that you can't do good baking if one part of your oven is hotter than another. And in most cast steel ranges the oven is not heated uniformly. The cast steel frames must be bolted, because they are too brittle to stand riveting. Then the seams are filled with stove putty. A few heatings and coolings and the cast steel expands and contracts, the bolts loosen and the putty falls out, leaving an open erack to suck in outside air and cause the fire to burn unevenly.

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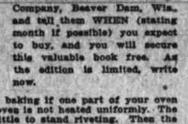






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both cities are able to meet all re-guirements. Testerday, while the flood was at its height and the power pumps supplying the twenty-second ward (Mount Wash-

ditions. Pittsburg Streets Like a Swamp. The flooded districts of Pittsburg and Allegheny are converted into swamps. The receding waters have left ten square miles or more in a filithy and unsanitary condition, most favorable to pestilence. The process of reclaiming has, however, been taken up most vigorously under the direction of experts, and will proceed unceasing-ly until danger from this cause has been aliminated.



TRAINING IN SCHOOLS Beetal Dispetch to The Journal.] Salem, Or., March 16.-The move-ment for the introduction of manual training in the public schools of the city received a new and fresh impetus this afternoon at the meeting of the Salem Woman's club, when Mrs. Allos H. Todd spoke of the importance of "Needlework Instruction in the Public Schools." Superintendent J. M. Pow-ers of the city schools and Principal George W. Jones of the blind school gave their views on the benefits of manual training. Professor H. H. Herdman of Portland spoke on English literature.

ARGUMENTS FOR MANUAL

over the railroad situation. The Chicago & Alton case as revealed by Harriman is one for the interstate commerce commission and the depart-ment of justice, and if they cannot find a federal law, it would have been easy for the president to have directed the federal attorneys at Chicago to take the matter up and find out what they could in conjunction with the state au-thorities without sending for the gov-ernor and the attorney general. Not tibe Japanese School Case.

Not Like Japanese School Case. Such action was not taken in the Cal-ifornia case. In that case the president simply sent orders to the federal at-torneys what to do. The visit here of the school board was simply a spectad-ular incident.

ular incident. Governor Densen and Attorney Gen-eral Stead on emerging from the White House this afternoon said they would not make a statement in regard to the conference. They went over to their hotel and left for Chicago at 5 p. m. They intimate, however, that the pres-ident would give out a statement. At the White House it is not admitted that a statement was to be given out or would be given out. Mr. Stead declined to say anything about the Chicago & Alton, or anything else.



(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Seattle, Wash., March 16.—Bringing 12,000 tons of general merchandise pro-visions and hardware, the first cargo of freight from New York received in Seattle by way of the new Tehauntepec railroad, on the American Hawaiian Steamship company's steamship Ari-zonian, will arrive at the Oriental dock this evening. Her cargo is equivalent to 409 carloads of freight and consists of freight recently landed at the At-iantic terminus of the road by the steamships Hawaiian, Luckenback and Carolyn. The bulk of the cargo is in package freight and will be welcomed by Seattle merchants, whose stocks have diminished as a result of the railroad blockades. blockades.

## SALEM'S GAIN LAST YEAR TWO THOUSAND

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Salam, Or., March 18.—The 1907 di-rectory for the city of Salem will not be completed before April, but from data unat can be had now it seems the population will show an increase of more than 3,000 for the past year. The book for the past year is complied by the R. L. Cook company and the work here is under the supervision of A. B. Kaiser. The years ago the population of Sale..., estimated from the directory, was 14,000. The 1907 volume will also contain the tax list of Marion county and other valuable information.

Suburban Homes Selling. Kennedy & Hickok have sold to E. H. Spranger a five-acre tract in "De Lash-mott Oatmar Little Homes." They re-port an inquiry for many small homes in and around Portland, and believe the present influx of homeseekers from the east will continue during the sesson.



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