

PROTECTS CONVICTS

Governor Chamberlain Compels Stove Foundry to Remedy Conditions Which He Declares Are Not Fit for Human Beings.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Salem, April 2.—After a conference between Governor Chamberlain and the officials of the state stove works at the Oregon penitentiary it has been decided by the corporation that leases convict labor to put in a complete ventilating system that will improve the sanitary conditions under which the convicts manufacture stoves.

It has long been known that the prison shops needed fans to carry off the poisonous fumes generated in the stoves, and that the rooms were filled with a fine metallic dust created in the finishing rooms by emery and polishing wheels. In some of these rooms workmen were employed with moistened sponges strapped over their nostrils. The air was filled with flying sparks and metal dust that was injurious to eyes and lungs and the most rugged convicts could not long endure the poisonous air.

The attention of Labor Commissioner Hoff has been repeatedly called to these facts but he was powerless to act, having no authority under the law over the convict laborers. Governor Chamberlain then took up the matter and personally inspected the conditions under which the men labored and pronounced them unfit for human beings. He suggested a ventilating system, but the management of the state stove foundry pleaded lack of means to install the ventilating plant. The governor then took up the matter with the prison warden and issued an order that the entire force of 400 prisoners be detailed to perform the dangerous labors in the nickel-plating and polishing rooms. That would have resulted in each convict spending only two days in the year in the worst parts of the shops. To this the contracting firm demurred, as it would give them a continual succession of unskilled labor and reduce the profits of their contract to a minimum.

Then you will have to put in the draft ventilator and give the men a chance for their lives against the metal dust and acid," said the governor.

Yesterday the state stove works corporation, through Superintendent Fleming notified the governor that his orders would be complied with at once. About 50 convicts are employed in the nickel-plating and polishing work, when the foundry is running, but the ventilating system will be put in for the entire shop.

"Bursen" stockings for tender feet; 35c kind for 10c. See page 3.

MEDICAL BUILDING.

Now Nearly Completed and Rapidly Being Occupied.

Proceeding the new today column on another page of this paper will be found a cut of the new medical building, now nearly completed, located at the northeast corner of Park and Alder streets. The building was designed and will be operated to meet the special needs of the medical profession.

The building is 100x100 feet in size and six stories in height, the first floor being devoted to stores, and the five upper floors to offices.

The main entrance is in the center of the Alder street frontage through a covered court 18 feet wide by 40 feet long, which provides light and air for the offices in the center of the building. There is a light court 18 feet wide and 25 feet long in the center of the north side of the building, and on the east side there is a light court 18 feet wide and 24 feet long, which, together with the Alder street frontage on the south and Park street on the west, will make every office light and desirable.

The building is of steel frame construction, with exterior of light pressed brick, and has gas, electricity, compressed air, running water, hot water, steam heat, pneumatic cleaning apparatus, metal sashes, wire lath, plate and wired glass windows throughout; tiled halls and toilets on each floor, two large electric elevators, and all modern conveniences and appliances to meet the requirements of the medical profession. All tenants must be members of and recognized by the official medical association. There are only two such buildings in the west, one in Portland and one in Seattle.

CONGRESS MAY NOT ADJOURN UNTIL JUNE

Speaker Cannon Believes Work Can Be Rushed Through by May 16.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Washington, April 2.—Congress may not adjourn until June 1. Taking into consideration the mass of unfinished business, particularly that which affected appropriation bills, many congressmen say that an adjournment earlier than that date is impracticable, while Speaker Cannon declares that if hard work is done this congress ought to end not later than May 16.

At present five appropriation bills remain to be reported to the house, and others are in various stages. The only one that has become a law is the urgent deficiency bill, which was reported January 22. The Indian appropriation bill has passed both branches and was sent to conference. Having passed the house, the pensions appropriation bill is now in the senate; and so on the status of these money bills is such that it points to a late adjournment.

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BANK CLEARINGS ALMOST EQUAL HIGH MARK OF '07

Last Wednesday's Clearings Little Short of Record Made March 18 Ago, Highest in History of City—Financial Condition in Portland Best in Country.

For the week ending yesterday Portland bank clearings aggregated \$6,353,971.90. This amount is within \$253,000 of the total for the same week of 1907, and the spring of last year was the greatest in the city's history in volume of business.

The last week was characterized by very high and very low records for single day's bank clearings. The highest was on Wednesday, when the Clearing House association handled \$1,734,229.

A. L. Mills, president of the First National bank, is authority for the statement that this was the highest record in the city's history with the single exception of March 18, 1907, when the clearings exceeded \$1,800,000. There has been a slight decrease of bank deposits during the last month and Mr. Mills accounts for this by the fact that farmers are drawing on their surplus funds for this season's crop work.

He says financial conditions in Portland are the best to be found in the country, and that the further east one goes the less favorable the situation becomes. Climatic and crop conditions in the Pacific northwest add to the solidity of the money market here, for with a certain wheat crop of more than \$0,000,000 bushels in view for the three states of Oregon, Washington and Idaho there cannot be very much chance for hard times in this region.

CAN'T STAY OUT OF ROSE SHOW

People of The Dalles Decide to Let Nobody Pass Them in the Parade.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
The Dalles, Or., April 2.—At a mass meeting of the citizens of The Dalles it was decided that The Dalles and vicinity should be represented at the Portland rose show in June. G. R. Thomas, representing the rose show management, was present and outlined plans and purposes. It was decided to raise funds by popular subscription and a committee consisting of John A. Gavin, president of the Commercial club, F. A. Seufert, Max Vogt and Mr. Thomas was selected to canvass the city. By noon yesterday \$613 had been raised and a contract was once drawn up with J. W. Harper of Portland for the construction of a float 22 feet long, to cost \$400.

The float, according to the plans outlined, will be a work of art and in keeping with the excellent quality of the products of The Dalles and its progress. It will be decorated with cherries, peaches, and melons, three of the principal products of The Dalles, and for which The Dalles is famous. An additional sum is now being raised for incidental expenses and for returning the float to The Dalles.

Some time ago it was provisionally decided that The Dalles and vicinity would not be represented at the rose show, and considerable comment was made at that time. Since then, however, there has been further consideration of the matter which has resulted in The Dalles deciding to be represented in a way commensurate with its importance and progress.

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NEW YORK PROVES LOYALTY TO TEDDY

(United Press Leased Wire.)
New York, April 2.—New York has just won the Roosevelt anti-rape suicide handicap in fine shape. Dr. Darlington, health commissioner, reported today that 32,555 babies were born in the five boroughs between January 1 and April 1, 1908, the biggest number on record in any three months in the city's history and greater by 3,361 than in the same period in 1907.

The death rate, 18.43 per thousand, was on the other hand lower than the average for the last 10 years.

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CHICAGO MILK WAGON DRIVERS PACIFIED

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Chicago, April 2.—The threatened strike of milk wagon drivers which would have caused much hardship and suffering, has been averted. The drivers today agreed to accept an offer from their employers which provides an increase of \$1 a week to be based upon the rate of wages and not upon the guarantee of 14 cents per quart for their first offer. The drivers' original demand was for an increase of \$5 a week.

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ABERDEEN WANTS TO ENTERTAIN WARSHIPS

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Aberdeen, Wash., April 2.—The combined efforts of the commercial clubs of this place and Hoquiam, backed by the work of congressmen, succeeded this section will entertain one or more of the ships of the fleet as they come into northern waters. It is desired to secure a cruiser, a torpedo boat and a torpedo boat destroyer, if possible, to stay for two or three days. The Perry was here three or four years ago, and vessels drawing 18 feet are crossing that bar with ease, so it is considered not unlikely that this desire may be gratified. It would draw a large crowd from all parts of this section, many of whom would be unable to go to the sound for the purpose.

NEW CORPORATIONS FILE THEIR ARTICLES

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Salem, April 2.—Articles of incorporation were filed in the office of the secretary of state as follows:
Home Telephone company of Independence, Polk county, Oregon; capital stock, \$8,000; incorporators, D. G. Dove, J. L. Hanna and W. L. Bice.
Pacific Coast Asbestos Manufacturing company; principal office, Portland, Oregon; capital stock, \$2,000; incorporators, James B. Finigan, William T. Finigan and C. M. Smith.
Wair Inhaler company; principal office, Portland, Oregon; capital stock, \$100,000; incorporators, Thomas McCusker, S. C. Spencer and W. E. Farrell.
Reliance Mining company; principal office, Baker City, Oregon; capital stock, \$200,000; incorporators, R. G. Parker, F. L. Powers and W. J. Doyle.

equipment have postponed the move. The Standard Trust company, a new organization headed by A. H. Garland of New York, is waiting to open business in the present quarters of Hartman & Thompson.

L. J. Wilde, who has retired from the position of Pacific northwest manager of the National Securities company, has returned from Los Angeles and will make Portland his home.

J. H. O'Brien, formerly connected with the Citizens bank of San Diego, has accepted a position with the German-American of Portland. He bears not only a good name as a banker, but has a brilliant record as a member of the Thirteenth Minnesota volunteers in the Philippines.

Instructions have been issued from Mr. Harriman's office to resume construction at once on the Northwestern railroad, known as the Snake river line of the O. R. & N. from Huntington to Lewiston. The road was being built last year under direction of W. H. Bancroft, general manager of the Oregon Short Line, with headquarters at Salt Lake. He has given orders to resume work, where it was left off last fall, about 30 miles north of Huntington. This is the first of the large Harriman railroad construction projects to be taken up since the shutdown following the financial flurry.

Growth Means Good Work.
The Mount Hood Electric railway, which is being financed through the Union Trust company of San Francisco, has issued orders to resume construction work with a larger force of men than ever before on the line between Portland and Mount Hood, 50 miles. The company will complete the first division of 25 miles between Portland and Bull Run river within the next 60 days. An electric power plant to develop 74,000 horsepower is being installed with water power at Bull Run.

The company has secured enormous land holdings and water rights in the vicinity of the junction of the Sandy and Bull Run rivers, and its plans contemplate ultimate development of electric current, second only to Niagara Falls. It is by far the largest undertaking of this kind in the west.


Security in Excellent Shape.
The business of the Security Savings & Trust company has increased rapidly since its removal in February to its new home in the Corbett building. The company has notified the state bank examiner that he is at liberty to examine the company's business at any time in advance of the date of the taking effect of the new state banking law in May.

Every Portland private bank is in prime condition for the examiner, and when the complete reports of all the city's banking institutions are on file, it will make encouraging reading for Oregon's financiers and business interests.

Hartman & Thompson's bank will remove to its new quarters in the Chamber of Commerce building about April 10. Delays in construction of interior

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