The weather Showers this after noon, tonight, probably Wednesday

36,362

VOL. IX. NO. 58.

PORTLAND, OREGON, TUESDAY EVENING, MAY 10, 1910.-TWENTY PAGES.

PRICE TWO CENTS. OF TRAINS AND I

# THE LOWER HOUSE

Final Vote 200 to 126; Merger Clause Cut Out and Commerce Court Clause Left in, as Final Touches.

TAFT BEFORE PASSAGE SAYS BILL IS GOOD

Insurgents Turn His Dogged Indorsement Into an O. K. Upon Their Work.

(United Press Lessed Wirs.) Washington, May 10.—The house this afternoon adopted the railroad regulation bill, as reported by the committee of the whole. The final vote was 200 to 126.

When the bill came up Mann of Illinois offered an amendment rees tablishing the clause permitting mergers under certain conditions. The amendment was defeated, 168 to

Representative Adamson moved to ecommit the bill with instructions to eliminate the commerce court clause. The motion was defeated. 176 to 150.

The railroad bill as passed by the house omits two important clauses in the measure as originally drafted, and adds two others which the administration framers did not incorporate.

The rate agreement clause and the clause permitting railroads under some circumatances to merge were stricken out of the hill.

Clauses providing for the agassment of the physical property of railroads and providing that no railroad may charge muse for a short haul than for a long haul over the same line, have been added to the original measure.

Only the scarred and battered wreck

(Continued on Page Str.)

Terrorism, Bearing Arms and GREEK **Absorption of Army Among** Means Advocated.

Cairo, Egypt, May 10. — Theodore Roosevelt's appeal for law and order in Egypt had little effect on those inclined to favor a revolution, and the nationalist movement still lives. Mohammed Kamel, a well known Egyptian revolutionist, writing in the Egyption Gasette, openly advocates an upfising and suggests several plans for a successful rebellion. He says:

The time for action has come. The means of action, however violent, will be nobler than this deadly silence and cowardios.

CABIN WHERE THE PEPOON MURDER IS ALLEGED TO HAVE TAKEN
PLACE, THE MURDERED WOMAN AND THREE PRINCIPALS IN THE CASE



Gleaming Like Great Searchlight Thrown Across Black

Dome of Heavens, Comet

Rushes Earthward.

Former Banker Accused of **Embezziement Under Merci**less Fire of Questions-Makes Admissions.

long haul over the same line, have been added to the original measure.

Only the scarred and battered wreck of the measure as it went to the house was left when the house was finally ready to vote on it. Whole sections had been stricken out and the whole measure was patched with amendments.

President Taft, however, is satisfied with the measure.

'I am not so familiar with the condition of the bill in the house as in the senate, he declared, but I think possibly the condition of the bill in the bill has not been emasculated in either house and, that it contains all the remedial features of the original bill and that the things omitted are neither substantial nor vital.

Long and Short Eaul.

The sharpest skirmishing likely to come up in the final stages of the railroads must not charge more for a shorter haul than for a longer haul over the same line.

The administration does not favor this amendment. The amendment, however, was adopted in the committee of the whole in spite of the efforts of the regulars to have it killed, and it is unsequenced by the bank and contained to the same less willing to definite the committee of the whole in spite of the efforts of the regulars to have it killed, and it is unsequenced by the bank and contained to repeat the bank and contained to the same less will little hesitation. It is only by admitting false entries of the regulars to have it killed, and it is unsequenced to right the bank and contained to the bank and contained to the bank and the formation of the bank and the same and the provided that he was battered, first from one side and then from the other. Administration does not favor this amendment. The amendment, however, was adopted in the committee of the whole in spite of the efforts of the regulars to have it killed, and it is unsequenced or sidestipped a merciles at the same account in the case where none the less scripts and Morris less fire of questions directed by A. E. Clark, special prosecutor in the case wherein Morris tascuted by a merciles at the sactua

Morris was less willing to admit.

Morris was less willing to admit having sworn to the false entries as true in statements issued by the bank and published in the newspapers. The state, however, succeeded in placing in evidence a statement published in September 1996. This was after the \$50,000 in "cash Items" had been carried into cash, and appeared as each in the general ledger and the published statement of the condition of the bank:

Madras to the Klamath Indian reserva-

Railroad Contractors Flock Into

(Continued on Page Eleven.)

## WORK TO KLAMATH

(Continued on Page Three.)

(United Press Lessed Wire.)

Gasette, open): advocates an upgravious several plans for a

gravious and suggested several plans for a

gravious several pla

Group Showing Mr. and Mrs. Pepoon and three children. Below are cuts of Morton Crossman and Mrs. Walcott, who figure in the case.

The cabin is the Crossman home where Mrs. Pepoon was probably

## YOUNG WOMAN DIED

Absorbing features of today's developments in Pepcon case. George L. Pepcon, ex-student for ministry, charged with murder of autiful young wife, talks for first time since arrest.

Declares he is guiltless; that Ray Wilcox, paroled convict, is the derer; that he saw his wife die in convulsions, but thought it was a fainting spell.

Twelve jurors are selected by noon and taking of testimony is pected to begin this afternoon. Presiding judge stops threatened open battle in court when prose

CITIZENS OF CROOK

Presiding judge stops threatened open battle in court when prosecution accuses defense of resorting to dilatory factics to prolong trial (By Verne Hardin Porter, Journal Staff Correspondent.)

Colville, Wash., May 10.—George L. Pepoon, accused of the murder of his wife, made his first and only statement to the press exclusively for The Oregon Daily Journal today. He talked for an hour and a half with the correspondent.

"I am guiltless," he averred, "I am confident I can prove it. Ray Wilcox, the convict, poisoned my wife, but I did not know it until he escaped. I believe he loved her and murdered her to cover his wrongs.

"I was a fool, I loved her as I never before loved a woman, but I did not think others loved her, too. Now I know Wilcox loved her and Morton Crossan, too. I welcome this trial, I even welcome being in jail; think if I had not been accused I would not have been able to live out my life with the countryside suspicious of me and mentally accusing me of murder. I feel no till will towards either Mrs. Wolcott or Mrs.

Pugh. They labored according to their convictions.

place in the state. The lightness of

Pugh. They labored according to their convictions.

ailroad Contractors Flock Into
Bend to Secure Sub-Contracts on 125 Mile Extension
of Oregon Trunk.

Special Dispatch to The Journal, Jou

## PORTLAND FAR IN LEAD AS A CITY OF BEAUTIFUL HOMES

Census Figures Will Show That in Proportion to Population Rose City Has More Home Owners Than Any Other.

BEACH SAYS SEATTLE'S FIGURES ARE UNRELIABLE

Seventy Thousand Would Be Added Here if Local Area Were Same Size.

"Portland has a greater population than any conservative Portland man over believed.

'Portland will be shown by sus to have more home owners in proportion to the population than any other city in the United States, not even excepting Philadelphia, which hitherto as held the record.

"Portland has more than 200,000 peo ple; more than Seattle gives us credit

or (210,000).
"Possessed of the same area as Settile (183 square miles) Portland would idd 70,000 to the population shown by the census; if those communities which are immediately contiguous to the city, communities, which are only divided from the city proper by imaginary lines were included, Portland would add 20.000 to the population shown by the con-

He said instead: "The Scattle esti-mate of 310,000 population for Portland in totally unreliable and incorrect. I doubt not but that their estimate of 230,000 for their own city is as com-pletely unreliable and incorrect.

Portland has an area of 44 square miles: Seattle 143 square miles. Port-land in built like a real city; Seattle

If Portland included the commun

If Portland included the communities whose people, many of them, do not know they are not Portland residents there would be added 8000 from St. Johns, 4000 northeast and east, 7000 southeast, 5000 south, 2000 southwest, 2000 west and northwest of the city, which, with 6000 interspersed between more thickly settled communities, would, (Continued on Page Three.)

Community in Alaska That Can Realize How Old Man Midas Felt About It.

chooner Anita Phillips put into the set-

tlement of Yakataga, the first ship in

the sweep of the tail extends speward from the central body at an angle of about 25 degrees for a tremendous distance.

To the observer here the tail is attended to the control most in the dead of aight and for an hour or more affect and to the control most in the city having across the heavens in the dead of aight and for an hour or more affect and the control most in the city having the ministry that the ordinance will be adopted, eight of the 12 members of the council most in the city having promised to give the measure their suppressed to handle liminenes of the council most in the city having promised to give the measure their suppressed to handle liminenes will be across the council most in the city and port.

To im measure their suppressed to handle liminenes will be across the control on the side. Done of the council most in the control must be vested in the first state of the public claimor for the care of the council must be vested in the restriction of the cleation of 180% while mass a uncertaint of the surface was amplified to of the care of the council must be vested in the restriction of the care of the council must be vested in the council mass and a suppressed to the most council mass the across the public claimor was amproved for a mental possible to the restriction of the care of the council mass the across the public claimor was amplified to of the care of the council mass the across the public claimor of the care of the council mass the care of

## the atmosphere is also conductes to a remarkably clear view of the heavenly visitor. Bises Over Pilot Butte. From the main streets of Bend the comet rises directly over Pilot Butte, ON DOCK BONDS TOMORROW; an extinct volcane, about 500 feet in height, a mile and a half east of town A week ago when the residents here first began their early morning obser-ORDINANCE MAY BE ADOPTED vation the tail of the comet, figurative-ly speaking, appeared about two feet long. Each succeeding morning the length has greatly increased, until now the sweep of the tail extends upward from the central body at an angle of