# DEWEY'S VICTORY AT MANILA BAY 14 YEARS AGO TODAY

## In Portland It Is Good Roads Day; Maypole Dances Are Features Observed in New England States.

Today, May 1, is the fourteenth anniversary of the destruction of the Spanish fleet by an American squadron under Admiral George Dewey in Manila bay.

This is also the day of the May pole and the May dance, especially observed in the rural districts of the New England states, and in old England and some few other European countries. In Sweden it is the one real gala day of the year for the children.

In Portland it is Good Roads day. It is also Straw Hat day, the celebration in honor of the official advent of the summer lid having been very successful, except in one more or less important detail. The rain prevented the advent, and the straw hat has been as scarce on the street today as it was last Christmas.

In the church calendar May 1 is the combined day of St. Phillip the Apostle and St. James the Less. The day was anciently observed in Egypt and India by festivals and merrymaking as the time when the sun enters Taurus.

In old Ireland the natives celebrated by building fires at intervals along the highways and then driving their cattle in and out between the blazes. Parents carried their children through in the same way, the custom probably being a modification of the ancient habit of offering cattle and children as sacrifices in connection with religious festivals.

England was the home of the May pole and the flower gathering and dancing features of the day's observance. In the days of Henry VIII it was the custom for the people to go out in the hills and gather flowers with which to decorate their homes, inside and out. Then at the time of the Roundhead parliament, 1644, all celebration of the day was forbidden, as it was considered trivial. New England, following the lead of the mother country, also decided that the young people were having too much fun in their celebrations and the Puritans forbade them.

The custom was revived again later, and so on down to the present time. While the real significance of the day is somewhat hazy, May 1 is looked upon as a day of semi-festivity of some sort.

Of late years, too, particularly in Europe, May 1 has been the occasion of concerted labor uprisings, and pending strikes in America as well as in the old countries, are often called at this time.

## POSTAL RECEIPTS OF APRIL SHOW A GAIN OF 16.57 PER CENT

Portland's postal receipts for April, 1912, show a clear gain of 16.57 per cent over April of last year, according to official figures compiled at the postoffice today.

This is even higher than the estimate made by Assistant Postmaster Williamson yesterday, and is the biggest increase recorded for any month so far this year. The receipts for the month just ended totaled $94,671.05, as compared to $81,211.44 for April, 1911, a gain of $13,458.61.

Postal receipts are considered one of the best possible indexes of a city's prosperity and growth.

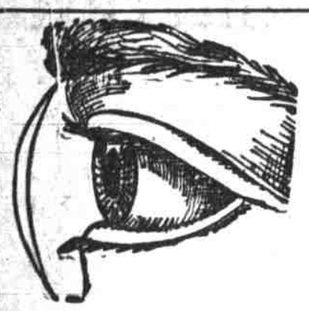
### Roosevelt Men in Control.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Harrisburg, Pa., May 1.—With the Roosevelt delegates in control, the Pennsylvania Republican state convention met here today. William Flinn of Pittsburg probably will be the national committeeman chosen.

The faction led by Senator Penrose will not attempt to defeat the election of 12 Roosevelt delegates at large.

A platform was adopted at the convention demanding the nomination of all candidates for public office by direct primary, and instructing the delegates for Roosevelt. The platform indorses the presidential primary plan and the direct election of United States senators. It also indorses legislation making the wilful violation of election laws punishable by imprisonment.

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# BILL CUTS DOWN FEDERAL EXPENSE

## Appropriation Measure Includes Item Abolishing Commerce Court.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Washington, May 1.—Drastic reforms, including the abolition of the coinage at the mint at San Francisco and of the commerce court are recommended in the budget appropriation bill reported to the house today on appropriations. Other proposed reforms are:

Reduction of the salary of the president's secretary from $7500 to $4000; transfer of the bureau of manufactures from the department of commerce and labor to the state department; abolition of coinage at the mints of San Francisco, New Orleans and Carson City, with the substitution of an assay office for the mint at San Francisco, and the abolition of assay offices at Boise, Helena, Seattle, Salt Lake City and Deadwood.

# WASHINGTON WOMEN WORK FOR GOOD ROADS

"I hope to see the day when women of Oregon will take as much interest in good roads as their sisters of Washington," said Mrs. Edith Tozier Weatherred, one of the most prominent women of Oregon and Washington who is visiting Portland. "The women of Washington took the matter up as an economic problem in which they had a right to be interested and with the idea of educating men to the realization that women can handle subjects dealing with the realities of life as intelligently as men.

"The good roads movement in Washington appealed to them as a subject in which they had a real interest. To the woman of the country it had special significance, as good roads mean many comforts and advantages they could not otherwise receive. They mean better chance for the children to get to and from school, better opportunity to attend church and other meetings, and much more comfortable traveling.

"The good roads convention held by the women of Washington January 26-28 demonstrated to the men that women can accomplish something in economic lines. At this meeting the women brought together the automobile owners and the farmers, and showed them how their interests were common and not at odds. This was done by bringing speakers of each faction to the meeting and giving them opportunities to present their wants and needs.

"That the convention was a success is evidenced by the numbers of letters and messages of congratulation from many of the most prominent men in the country, including President Taft. Other states are watching Washington, and the states in which women are franchised with great interest, and it is by thus demonstrating their strength that women prove they are worthy of the vote."

In the convention held in Tacoma the leading spirits were, in addition to Mrs. Weatherred, Mrs. Emma Smith De Voe, Mrs. Virginia Wilson Mason, Mrs. Dora Cryderman and Mrs. Jennie Jewett. Women were present representing all parts of the state.

# SHIP LINE "TRUSTS" OPENLY VIOLATE LAW

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Washington, May 1.—Charging that foreign steamship trusts are openly violating the Sherman anti-trust law, the merchant marine committee of the house today unanimously reported the bill of Congressman W. E. Humphrey of Washington, which provides that no monopoly owned steamship shall be allowed to enter or clear United States port.

The report charges that these foreign steamship trusts are controlling 98 per cent of the country's import and export business in violation of the Sherman law.

## EUGENE PAVING BONDS BRING GOOD PREMIUM

(Special to The Journal.)

Eugene, Or., May 1.—Merrill, Oldham & Co. of Boston were the successful bidders for a recent issue of $50,000 street paving bonds authorized by the people of Eugene. Their bid was considered by the city council to be the best of 26 submitted, including two in Eugene. The firm agrees to take the bonds at par with accrued interest and pay a premium of $660. The bonds will bear 5 per cent interest. An extensive paving campaign for the summer has already begun by the letting of contracts or authorization by the council for the paving of four miles of streets and several more petitions for the improvement are being circulated.

## WAPPENSTEIN "BROKE" WHEN SHERIFF CALLS

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Seattle, Wash., May 1.—Charles W. Wappenstein, former chief of police here, who is under a three to ten year penitentiary sentence for bribe-taking, is "broke." That is what he told the sheriff when he was presented with a bill for court costs amounting to $1669. Rev. W. A. Major will present a petition to the governor asking that Wappenstein's confinement in the penitentiary be stayed for four months so as to give him an opportunity to prepare a petition for a pardon.

## STANDARD OIL ASKS PERMISSION TO LIVE

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Jefferson City, Mo., May 1.—The state supreme court today was asked to amend its decree in the case of the Standard Oil company of Indiana and allow the company to pay a $50,000 fine on showing that its trust connection had been dissolved, and also to permit it to continue to do business in Missouri. Attorney Hagerman represented the Standard Oil company.

### Bachelor's Club Organized.

(Special to The Journal.)

Cove, Or., May 1.—The Cove Bachelors' club has been organized with the following officers: John Dean, president; Harry Aultes, vice president; Martin Christensen, secretary; G. G. Stackland, treasurer.

# SILLY TO THINK CUPID WOULD OBEY

## Spokane Realty Broker Weds in Spite of Court's Order to Contrary.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, May 1.—Braving the wrath of Judge J. Stanley Webster, who announced from the bench that he would punish to the limit all persons who remarried within six months after being divorced, Edward Robinson of Spokane, president of the Arcadia Orchards company, one of the largest realty firms in Washington, today is reported to have secretly married Ethel B. Irving, also of Spokane, who worked in his office as a stenographer.

Robinson was divorced from his first wife only two weeks ago in Spokane, his wife receiving the decree, Judge Webster awarding Mrs. Robinson $300 monthly.

Friends of the couple here say they do not know where they were married, nor where the Robinsons are now staying. If Robinson returns to Spokane he probably will have to face a contempt charge for violating Judge Webster's order. The present Mrs. Robinson recently attained much notoriety by routing a burglar from her apartment in a San Francisco hotel.

# PIONEERS TO MEET; CHAMPOEG PICNIC

## Early History of Pioneers Will Be Recounted; Matthieu to Attend.

The early history of Oregon will be recounted and intimate tales of the thrilling days when the west was being converted from a wilderness will be told tomorrow by pioneers who participated in actual occurrences at Champoeg, where they and their friends will gather for the annual celebration commemorative of the first convention that resulted in the creation of an American civil government on the Pacific coast. The picnic, an annual affair, will be held on the exact site of the famous meeting place, where May 2, 1843, 69 years ago, 102 pioneers met and organized a provisional government under the stars and stripes. On that day it was definitely decided that the "Oregon country" should look to the United States, not Great Britain, for protection and law. The picnic will be held under the auspices of the F. X. Matthieu Cabin of the Native Sons of Oregon. Mr. Matthieu, after whom the cabin was named, is the only surviving member of the convention of 1843. He will attend the picnic.

The meeting tomorrow will be presided over by ex-Governor Geer, and the principal address of the day will be delivered by Fred Holman of Portland, president of the Oregon Historical society.

The boat that will carry Portland pioneers, their relatives and friends to Champoeg will leave at the foot of Taylor street at 6:45 p. m. Lunch will be served by members of the cabin on the grounds.

Champoeg formerly was the site of the first Hudson Bay company's warehouse south of Oregon City and was considered the center of population when the convention of 1843 was called together. For this reason it was chosen and settlers from all parts of the Willamette valley met there and made history.

The site of the meeting place is now marked by a small monument, erected by the state, which is set in the middle of a three acre plot, owned by Oregon. A movement is now afoot to add 12 more acres to the tract and convert the whole into a state park, to commemorate the convention and the birth of government on the Pacific coast.

## SCAFFOLD COLLAPSES; WORKMAN INJURED

Arthur W. Kutsche, a contractor, with offices in the Yeon building, was badly cut about the face, and several other workmen narrowly escaped injury, at 11 o'clock this morning, when the false work on the top of the new Albina branch library building, Knott street and Rodney avenue, collapsed. Kutsche was taken to his home, 735 Hoyt street, immediately after the accident.

Mr. Kutsche, who has the contract for the building of the library structure, was on the top floor of the building superintending some work. Weight of brick and other material piled in the center of the temporary floor, caused the supports to give way. Several men, including the contractor, fell a distance of about 20 feet, when the floor collapsed. Mr. Kutsche was in the center, and was buried under the debris. The others saved themselves from injury by grabbing hold of the tile wall and clinging there until help reached them.

## TEAMSTER RUN OVER; SERIOUSLY INJURED

William Morgan, a teamster employed by A. J. Murphy of 463 Goldsmith street, was painfully injured at 8:50 o'clock this morning, when an empty lumber wagon ran over him, partly crushing his chest. The accident occurred near East Ninth and Siskiyou streets. He was taken to the St. Vincent's hospital in the Red Cross ambulance.

## WIDENING OF SEVENTH ST. FAVORED BY FIRM

The Meier & Frank company is the latest large realty owner on Seventh street to withdraw its opposition to the proposed widening of Seventh street. According to Julius Meier his firm is now in sympathy with the movement, realizing the importance of a wide boulevard from Broadway bridge to the heart of the city.

### Underwood Is Leading.

(Special to The Journal.)

Jacksonville, Fla., May 1.—Returns from the presidential primaries here yesterday are coming in slowly, but already there is no question but that Oscar Underwood will lead Woodrow Wilson by a heavy plurality.

### Delegates for Taft.

(Special to The Journal.)

Concord, N. H., May 1.—The New Hampshire state convention yesterday elected delegates to the Republican national convention in Chicago and instructed them to vote for President Taft.

# THO' FORCIBLY FED WOMEN TO KEEP UP HUNGER STRIKE

## Rubber Tube Thrust Through Nostril and Into Throat and Liquid Food Pumped Down Into Stomach.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

London, May 1.—Despite the terrible torture of forcible feeding as practiced at Aylesbury prison, a number of suffragettes confined there today are still on a hunger strike.

"And I know several who will keep it up until the termination of their sentences—if they survive," said Dr. Frances Ede, who was herself one of the participants in the strike before her recent release from the institution.

As a result of Dr. Ede's revelations, Home Secretary McKenna, who has jurisdiction over the prisons of England, admitted in parliament that 25 out of the 28 suffragette prisoners in Aylesbury had attempted to starve themselves, as a protest because certain privileges had been withheld from them and that it had become necessary to resort to forcible feeding. When pressed by inquisitive and indignant members he reluctantly declared that five of the women thus fed had become so ill under the treatment that they were discharged upon the advice of medical officers. Describing her experiences and those of her fellow prisoners, Dr. Ede said:

"Oh, it was horrible. One cannot conceive a more exquisite torture than having a rubber tube thrust through the nostril and into the throat and liquid food pumped down into the stomach. But, more agonizing to me were the pitiful cries from the cells where women already most too weak to stand were undergoing similar treatment. A girl in the next cell to mine was suffering from phthisis; but that made no difference to the officials. I thought they would kill her.

"Fortunately for me, my sentence expired in a few days after the hunger strike was inaugurated. When I left prison several of the women were still adhering to the resolution to take no food voluntarily and they were being subjected to the brutality of forcible feeding once a day. I protested to the prison physician with all the indignation I could muster, but he merely replied: 'What Mr. McKenna tells me to do, I must do.'"

# HOW TO RETAIN SOIL MOISTURE

## Reclamation of Arid Wastes Depends on Science, Says "Bill" Hanley.

How the miracle of moisture conservation will make central Oregon the granary for the northwest was discussed by "Bill" Hanley and Professor Scudder of O. A. C. "missionary to the farmers" before the Ad club at lunch, in the Multnomah this afternoon. C. C. Chapman presided.

Colonel Hanley declared that all hope for the transforming of the millions of acres waste land in Oregon was in science. That the transformation is being accomplished, that the sage brush is disappearing and the productive fields appearing in greater area than any Portland man can scarcely imagine, was Mr. Hanley's assertion. He invited the Admen to attend the development congress at Lakeview this summer.

Professor Scudder outlined the work being done in the "kindergarten of soil culture." He told of the half sections—hundreds of them—out in the central Oregon country upon which have been built the shacks of the homesteaders. He told how these men, impatient, clear the sagebrush and at once plant the seed, then when the crop fails in the dry ground, go away saying "Central Oregon will not grow wheat." Then he told how the moisture must be held in the ground by a top surface of mulch for at least a year before the crop is planted; when the seed is in the ground, the top surface must be kept stirred so that the moisture will not evaporate. In this way there will still be enough of the winter rainfall left to mature the grain. Such soil must have depth and natural quality, he said, and the homesteader would do well if he examined for himself. Ignorance of conditions in the dry country invites failure, averred the speaker.

About a fourth of the Ad men wore straw hats to the luncheon in honor of "Straw Hat Day." They kept on their hats during the luncheon. A. G. Clark, president of the club, received a brand new hat from O. O. Dinsmuir to wear to the national advertising convention at Dallas. Mr. Clark leaves within the next few days. After the luncheon the "Straw Hat Brigade" went down in front of the hotel and had their pictures taken, the purpose being not only to show in the local papers that straw hats were seasonable in Portland May 1, but to send them throughout the country. A delegation from the Ad club is planning to go to Seattle Saturday morning to attend the Seattle club's installation ceremonies.

### Injured Lad Better.

The condition of Wallace McKay, 21 years old, who was injured late Monday evening at Fifth and Morrison streets, when an automobile in which he was riding was struck by another machine driven by W. A. Cadwell, a real estate agent, is much improved today, according to a report from the St. Vincent's hospital, where the young man was taken.

### Inquire Into Telephone Rates.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Tacoma, Wash., May 1.—Complaints that the new long distance telephone rates out of Tacoma issued by the Bell corporation are exorbitant will be investigated here by the state public service commission. The new rates, which are higher than formerly, will be suspended until the commission completes the work.

### Celilo Postmaster Resigns.

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.)

Washington, May 1.—A. L. Kyniston, postmaster at Celilo, Wasco county, has resigned.

"Want" ads will be received over the phone only from those whose names are listed in either of the telephone directories.

# MT. TEMPLE WITHIN SIGHT OF TITANIC

## Affidavit of Passenger on Canadian Steamer Sensational; Waited Till Ship Sank.

(Special to The Journal.)

Washington, May 1.—Dr. F. C. Quiterau of Toronto, a passenger on the steamer Mount Temple at the time of the Titanic disaster, today sent Chairman Smith of the investigating committee affidavits taken in Toronto on April 29.

In these the doctor swears that the Mount Temple was within sight of the sinking Titanic. The Mount Temple, says the affidavits, hove to, extinguished her lights and waited until the Titanic sank before approaching.

## KLAMATH FALLS ELKS PLAN UNIQUE EVENT

(Special to The Journal.)

Klamath Falls, Or., May 1.—Two hundred and fifty horses and 50 men and women are to take part in the three days' program that has been arranged for the Elks' Rodeo, which is to be held in Klamath Falls, May 31 and June 1 and 2, according to announcement made by C. J. Ferguson, a member of the Rodeo committee. Three days' relay races for men and women, three days' pony express races for men and women, cow pony races, wardrobe races, bucking contests, wild horse races, steer bucking contests, are included in the program.

## SUE SOUTHERN PACIFIC FOR $10,625 DAMAGES

A damage suit against the Southern Pacific railroad, involving $10,625.21, damages alleged to have resulted from delay and rough handling of two shipments of 250 cattle from Los Banos, Cal., to Portland in February, 1911, began in the federal court before Judge Bean this morning. Kidwell & Caswell are the plaintiffs. Most of the morning was passed in selecting a jury.

## DIPLOMATIC OFFICER DIES IN WASHINGTON

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Washington, May 1.—After an illness of several weeks, Thomas Cleveland Dawson, resident diplomatic officer of the state department, died here today from a complication of diseases. Dawson, who was 46 years old, was a native of Hudson, Wis.

### Klamath Women Organize.

(Special to The Journal.)

Klamath Falls, Or., May 1.—A Woman's Civic league has been organized by the women of Klamath Falls. The officers elected are: Mrs. Mary A. Jackson, president; Mrs. J. C. Brockenbrough, first vice president; Mrs. F. T. Sanderson, third vice president; Mrs. G. W. White, secretary; Mrs. R. E. Wattenburg, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Fred Melhase, treasurer; Mrs. E. B. Hall, Mrs. J. J. Mahl, Mrs. F. J. Williams, Mrs. Elmer Applegate and Mrs. C. C. Hogue, directors; Mrs. G. W. White, Mrs. Francis Olds, Mrs. F. T. Sanderson and Mrs. Thomas Hampton, committee on by-laws and constitution.

### Court Upholds Slap.

San Francisco, May 1.—A wife may slap a woman for writing letters to her husband, says Police Judge Shortall. "You did just right, madam," he told Mrs. Lily Heur, dismissing a battery charge brought by Miss May Cook.


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# WESTERLUND WINS MT. WILSON RACE

## Olympic Athletic Club Runner Breaks All Records; Makes Course in 1:21:56.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Pasadena, Cal., May 1.—Paul Westerlund of the Olympic Athletic club of San Francisco won the Mount Wilson race today, breaking all records for the run to the summit in the time of one hour, 21 minutes and 56 seconds.

The route is 7.71 miles, with a rise of more than 5000 feet. Last year the course was 39 miles shorter and the time was 1:24:02, so Westerlund's record is the more remarkable.

Last year's winner was L. P. Farley. Second today was the Indian runner, Philip Zeyuma, who finished in 1:25:07, and third was A. Gregg of the Los Angeles Athletic club, in 1:31:37.

In the following order then came G. Calligaro, Los Angeles; Floyd Cooper, Los Angeles; J. B. Jordan, Chicago; Frank Carris, L. A. A. C.; A. L. Miller, Toronto; Dal Fahy, Honolulu, and Will Robertson, Los Angeles police force. The other 14 finished straggling.

L. P. Coombs made the run in full military equipment as a test. Edith Gray, an 8-year-old girl, made the run in two hours and six minutes. All contestants finished in good condition.

### Oregon City Divorce Record.

(Special to The Journal.)

Oregon City, Or., May 1.—Bessie B. McMillan filed suit today for a divorce against Daniel W. McMillan. She avers that he falsely accused her of infidelity. They live in Portland. Anna B. Whittier has asked the court to compel her former husband, Fred V. Whittier, to show cause why he has not paid her $25 a month alimony for the support of herself and three children. Decrees have been granted in the following cases: Addie Munday against Henry Munday, W. A. Burke against Ona L. Burke and W. S. Elliott against Celia E. Elliott. Paul Rothman seeks a divorce from Kate Rothman, alleging desertion.

# YANKEE GENERAL RETURNS A WRECK

## Homer Lee, Los Angeles Man Who Served With Chinese Rebels, Nearly Blind.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, May 1.—Dispatches today from Honolulu say that General Homer Lee, formerly of Los Angeles and lately in command of a force of the victorious revolutionary army in China, nearly blind and partly paralyzed today is a passenger on the steamship Shinyo Maru, en route here.

He is confined to his stateroom under the constant care of Mrs. Lee. For years General Lee advocated the idea of freeing China from Manchu rule and he hastened to the orient to offer his services to Dr. Sun Yat Sen, leader of the revolutionary movement, at the beginning of hostilities.

### Water Shortage Causes Trouble

(Special to The Journal.)

Hood River, Or., May 1.—On account of a temporary shortage of water on the heights, owing to delay in the installation of the new filtration system, the city council has decided to turn 10 inches of irrigating water onto a 10 acre tract and permit it to filter into a spring from which the upper water works system is supplied. Dr. F. C. Broslus, president of the council, opposed the plan and when it was carried over his objections he resigned. A dispatch was received yesterday stating that the filters passed through Omaha, Neb., last Friday. Their installation in the near future is anticipated.

### Republican Primaries.

(Special to The Journal.)

Kalama, Wash., May 1.—The Republicans hold their primaries today. Seven delegates from South Kalama and eight from North Kalama are to be chosen to attend the Republican county convention at Kelso, Saturday, May 4. At the caucus last night seven Taft delegates and seven Roosevelt delegates were named in the south precinct, and the north precinct named 16, mostly Taft delegates.

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