

CAPITAL NEWS

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Change at Salem.

Feb. 6.—There is absolute change in the senatorial center. The vote today is as follows:
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Our Fair Commissioner.

Feb. 6.—Special Commissioner King, on the Lewis and Clark Exposition in Denver, and as a committee of the legislature meets there to consider the matter of an appropriation for the 1905 fair, Governor Chamberlain has sent the following message to Governor James H. H. of Colorado: "Oregon requires your kindly offices to our special commission in the matter of the appropriation for the 1905 exposition."

Salaries for Malheur.

Legislative Test has introduced a bill to fix the salaries of officials in Malheur county as follows: Sheriff, \$1200; deputy clerk, \$1200; deputy sheriff, \$1200; treasurer, \$1200; county judge, \$1000; commissioners, \$5 per day.

Bad for Veterans.

Appropriation bill for Indian veterans will be reported adversely by the ways and means committee of the two houses. The committee are so completely unanimous that there will be no minority report. It is recommended that the \$300,000 be not passed.

Named for Jefferson.

Myers, of Salem, one of

the men appointed by Governor Chamberlain on the commission to have charge of the expenditure of the \$500,000 appropriation for the Lewis and Clark fair was named for Thomas Jefferson, who sent Lewis and Clark on their expedition to the Oregon country. He is the only man on either state commission or the Portland commission who bears the name of Jefferson. Myers was a number of years a member of the state fair board, so that work of this kind will not be entirely new to him.

BRITAIN'S STAND.

Thinks That Their Ambassador Has Not Been Insulted.
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BOWEN HAS NO POWER.

It is Said That a Representative of Venezuela Must Have Authority From the Venezuelan Congress.
Caracas, Feb. 6.—A pamphlet is being circulated here which asserts that the powers conferred on Minister Bowen by President Castro are null. The Venezuelan constitution provides that a representative of Venezuela in such cases must have the authorization of the Venezuelan congress. Bowen has not.

VENEZUELAN AFFAIRS.

is the Subject of English Cabinet Meeting.

London, Feb. 6.—The cabinet met this morning for the first time since December. Balfour presided. The Venezuelan affair was the subject of discussion.

LABOR BODIES TO AMALGAMATE

COREMAKERS TO BE ABSORBED BY MOLDERS.

Indications Are That in a Short Time This Will be One of the Largest Labor Unions in Country.
Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 6.—Tomorrow the coremakers throughout the country will take a referendum vote on the question of absorption by the molders. The trades are closely allied, and have generally had a working agreement, but the movement toward amalgamation that has been apparent in the organized labor world for some time has had the effect of making closer relations desirable.

McGovern vs. Bernstein.

Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 6.—For the first time in a long while Terry McGovern, the former featherweight champion, is to be seen in the squared circle tonight. Falling in his endeavors to clinch a return match with "Young Corbett," the little Brooklyn fighter has decided that it would be better to go against some of the lesser lights of pugilism rather than remain in complete idleness. His opponent tonight is to be Joe Bernstein and the scene of the encounter will be industrial hall. The Philadelphia law limits the bout to six rounds with no decision.

RIOTING STRIKERS

Employees of Montreal Street Car Company Wreck Cars and Kill Motorman.

MAJORITY OF THE MEN ARE FRENCH CANADIANS.

While Adjourning From a Mass Meeting at 2 O'Clock in the Morning, Word Was Received That the Cars Were Running—Wreck First Car.
Montreal, Feb. 6.—Rioting by the striking employees of the street car companies was started early today. While adjourning from a mass meeting at 2 o'clock this morning, word was received that the cars were running. They hastened to meet the first car, wrecked it with stones and dragged it from the track. The motorman and conductor were severely injured. The police dispersed the mob. Later a motorman was dragged from another car and killed. The majority of the strikers are French Canadians.

DIFFERENCES SETTLED.

Trainmen of the M. K. & T. Are Given an Advance in Wages.

St. Louis, Feb. 6.—The differences of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas railroad with their trainmen are settled. The freight men get a 15 per cent advance, and the passenger men 12 per cent advance.

GRAVE ROBBER.

Testifies Before Jury Concerning the Taking of Bodies.
Indianapolis, Feb. 6.—In the grave-robbing case Samuel Martin, colored, the first witness, said that Dr. Alexander promised him \$30 apiece for 20 subjects. Alexander promised to watch the board of health returns and notify Cantrell and Martin. His first trip was in July, when he secured the body of Glendora Gates, in the Anderson cemetery. He got \$10 for the job. He next secured the body of Wallace Johnson, which was in a badly mangled condition and he got \$5. His next body was that of Rose Neidlinger, for which he got \$10.

MORMONS ASSIST YOUNG.

Prisoner Refused to Make an Effort to Walk—Witnesses Receive Threatening Letters.
New York, Feb. 6.—The trial of Hooper Young was resumed this morning. The prisoner was literally dragged into court, refusing to make an effort to walk. Two burly deputies supported him, his feet sliding along like wood. They dropped him in a heap in the prisoner's chair, where he laid with his head on the table in utmost indifference or stupefied terror. The witnesses continue to receive threatening letters from Mormons.

Young Orators in Contest.

Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 6.—The presence in the city of large delegations of college students is evidence of the keen interest manifested in the annual contest of the Indiana Oratorical Association which takes place this evening. The competitors will include the chosen representatives of Franklin College, Indiana University, Earlham College and other leading institutions in the state.

May Compromise.

Indianapolis, Feb. 6.—The wage conference between the United Mine Workers and the bituminous operators is again in session. The belief is prevalent that a compromise will be effected.

Littlefield Anti-trust Bill.

Washington, Feb. 6.—Only 13 members were in their seats when the house met today for the discussion of the Littlefield anti-trust bill.

Granted a Divorce.

Oakland, Feb. 6.—Willita F. the wife of Louis N. Brown, ex-secretary of state, has been granted a divorce on the grounds of desertion.

BRICK WALL FALLS

Over Twenty Laborers Buried Under the Debris of a Four-Story Building in Buffalo.

FIVE BODIES RECOVERED. SEVERAL MORE DEAD.

Brick Wall of a Building in Course of Demolition Fell Over Burying the Laborers at Work—Several of the Injured in Hospitals Will Die.
Buffalo, Feb. 6.—The brick wall of a four-story building in the course of demolition on William street, fell this morning, burying a score or more laborers under the debris. Five bodies have been recovered. It is believed that more are dead. Several of the injured who were removed to the hospitals, will die. The roll of employees was called. The contractors believe that eight other bodies are beneath the fallen walls. It is possible that some pedestrians were caught also.

UNIQUE LEGAL POINT.

Conversation Regarding Property With Deceased Man, Admitted as Evidence.

Dayton, Wash., Feb. 6.—The case of Bud Jetyjohn vs. Thomas Pettyjohn was tried this week in the courts of Columbia county and decided in favor of the latter. The case involved the possession of a large number of cayuses, and was rather unique as bringing in the legal point whether conversation regarding property with a deceased man could be used as evidence. On representation of the defendant's lawyer that such an interpretation would virtually mean that possession after a man's death of his property would be more than nine points of the law, provided there were no extant writings to disprove possession, the decision was given to Thomas Pettyjohn.

MARE ISLAND LET OUT.

Secretary Moody Announces That no Battleship Will Be Built in California.
Washington, Feb. 6.—Secretary of the Navy Moody announced today that there would be no battleship built at Mare Island. Bids properly advertised and within the limits will be accepted by the government from private parties.

ALL INVITED TO COME.

Reception in Honor of Senator and Mrs. Levi Ankeny is a Public Function.
Walla Walla, Feb. 6.—The preparations for the big public reception to be tendered by the citizens in Odd Fellows' hall at 8 o'clock Saturday night in honor of Senator and Mrs. Levi Ankeny, are progressing satisfactorily. The general committee wishes it distinctly understood that this is in no sense an invitation affair—it is a reception for the general public to attend, and it is earnestly desired that all who possibly can come will do so. It was impossible in the short time in which to prepare to make a complete selection of names to act on the different committees, and it is well known that it would not be possible to honor even in this small way the hundreds who have supported Mr. Ankeny in the past.

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To Visit Her Father.

Vienna, Feb. 6.—The crown princess of Saxony will visit her father on the express condition that she come unaccompanied by Giron.

Schooner Ashore.

Vineyard Haven, Feb. 6.—The seven-masted schooner Thomas W. Lawson, coal laden, is ashore here. Attempts are being made to rescue the crew.

The disastrous effect of the prolonged drought in New South Wales is exemplified by the stock returns just published, which show a shrinkage during 1902 of 16,000,000 sheep and 275,000 head of cattle.

TRIAL OF ANARCHIST.

Says Society Enslaves Labor Therefore He Wants to Kill the Leaders of Society.

Brussels, Feb. 6.—The trial of Rubino, the Italian anarchist who attempted to kill Leopold, began today. He interrupted the proceedings several times. He believes himself a hero and admits that he is an anarchist. He says society enslaves labor, therefore he wants to kill everybody. He admits that while in London he received pay from the police to spy out anarchists. He took the money and gave it to the men whom he was supposed to be watching.

WIFE DISAPPEARS.

Students of Yale Organize into Searching Parties.
New Haven, Feb. 6.—Yale is closed this morning and all the students have organized into searching parties to aid the police in finding Mrs. Tracy Peck, the wife of the Latin professor, who disappeared last night. The woman was demoted as a result of a severe case of la grippe. She is widely known as a brilliant writer.

CANNON VERY ILL.

Grave Fears That He Cannot Live—Suffering From Appendicitis.
Salt Lake, Feb. 6.—Cannon, the democratic state chairman was operated upon yesterday for appendicitis. This afternoon his condition is very critical. There are grave fears that he cannot live.

COUNT FINED.

Had to Pay \$1 for Expecting on a Platform.
New York, Feb. 6.—Count Paul Tiesenhausen, the Russian, was released on payment of a fine of \$1 for expectorating on an elevated road platform.

Hobson Can Quit.

Washington, Feb. 6.—Secretary of the Navy Moody has decided to accept Captain Hobson's resignation.

Another Conference.

Washington, Feb. 6.—Another conference of the allies was held in the British embassy this morning.

Wheat in Chicago.

Chicago Feb. 6.—Wheat—79½ cents per bushel.

WANT AN INCREASE IN WAGES

ELEVATOR BOYS, JANITORS, WINDOWWASHERS STRIKE.

Business in the Big Skyscrapers of Chicago Suspended—Firemen May Also Strike, Leaving the Buildings Without Heat.
Chicago, Feb. 6.—All business on top floors of the skyscrapers is practically suspended by the strike of the elevator conductors, janitors and window washers, who want a 20 per cent increase. All the big buildings in the city are threatened. The firemen also will probably strike, leaving the buildings without heat.

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WAS FATALLY SHOT

Sheriff Withers of Lane County Wounded by Man He Was Trying to Arrest.

BALL LODGED IN THE SPINAL COLUMN.

His Whole Body Paralyzed—Lyons Escaped and Pose is Now in Pursuit—Was Formerly a Deputy Sheriff—Embezzled School Funds.
Eugene, Or., Feb. 6.—Sheriff W. W. Withers was shot and fatally wounded last night, 20 miles west of here, by Ellis Lyons, whom he was trying to arrest for horse stealing in Jackson county.

The ball entered the throat and lodged in the spinal column. The whole body is paralyzed. Physicians left here this morning. The body will be brought here tonight.

The sheriff entered Lyons' house and was held by his mother and wife. The shot was fired with a Winchester. Lyons escaped and a posse is now after him. He was a former deputy sheriff, but has since been in the penitentiary for embezzling school funds.

CONDITION IS CRITICAL.

George Adams, Who Was Accidentally Shot.

Walla Walla, Feb. 6.—The condition of George Adams, who was brought to the Walla Walla hospital from Athens Wednesday night, is reported to be critical. The shot and pieces of clothing, which had been in the wound in the young man's left leg for two days, were taken out Wednesday night and he was thought to be on a fair way to recovery. Yesterday morning his temperature began to rise and late in the evening he was suffering from a high fever. The surgeon did not make the statement, but inferred that amputation of the limb would probably be necessary to save the young man's life.

BATTLE OF SANTA ANNA.

Companies K, I and F, of the First Washington Volunteers, Hold a Reunion.
Walla Walla, Feb. 6.—The fourth anniversary of the battle of Santa Anna, the first struggle in which the First Washington regiment was engaged during the Spanish-American war, was celebrated in this city last night by the old members of companies K, I and F, which were mustered at Walla Walla, Walla Walla and Dayton, respectively. Nearly 50 of the boys were present from the two neighboring towns, and every man within reach of this city was present to represent his company.

The local post and lady friends provided a splendid banquet last night, and gave a smoker late in the evening. Sons of Veterans' hall was handsomely decorated with the national colors and flowers, while two tables occupied the entire length of the hall. The banquet was given early, that all the visitors might spend the evening as guests of the Red Men's carnival, where they were given places of honor. After the banquet the men lined up and marched, 100 strong, through the streets, while red fire was burned by the business men by whose places the line passed.

After spending an hour at the carnival, the veterans returned to the hall, where a smoker and campfire was held. Speeches were made by several visitors. An address of welcome was delivered by Rev. Andreas Bard, while G. B. Dorr, of Dayton, responded brightly. H. S. Blandford spoke briefly upon the work of the Red Cross. Last year the reunion was held at Walla Walla, and next year it is likely to be held at Dayton.

Show for Collies.

Stamford, Conn., Feb. 6.—A dog show restricted to collies, opened in Stamford today under the auspices of the Collic Club of America. The exhibition has attracted nearly 500 of the best collies in the United States and Canada, the most of which are entered for the show of the Westminster Kennel Club at New York next week. The judging began today and will continue until the show closes tomorrow night. The prize list is a notable one, including six valuable cups offered by the Collic Club of America and special prizes donated by H. O. Havemeyer and other prominent fanciers.