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DAILY EVENING EDITION
WEATHER FORECAST.
Tonight and Friday fair; cooler
tomorrow, with light frost; warmer
Friday.

PENDLETON, UMATILLA COUNTY, OREGON, THURSDAY, MAY 19, 1904. NO. 5052.

MINED ON PORTAGE ROAD

...the Inland Empire
...Ringing Senti-
...at The Dalles.

...BERLAIN SAYS THE
...GE WILL COST \$157,535.

...Open River Association Is
...with an Executive Commit-
...Each County Bordering
...Columbia River — Delegates
...That the People of the In-
...land Will Raise Any Deficit
...Portage Appropriation by
...Subscription — Enthusias-
...Adjoins to Meet State
...in Portland Friday.

...May 19.—A permanent
...of the Open River Assoc-
...effectuated yesterday with
...of Blalock, as president;
...of Blalock, secretary,
...of The Dalles, treasurer,
...together with Henry
...Portland, and Dr. Blalock,
...Walla, constitute the execu-
...tive.

...of directors, composed of
...one from each county in the
...Oregon, Washington and
...to the Columbia river
...as follows:
...—A. H. Devers, Portland.
...—A. S. Bennett, The Dalles.
...—John Fulton, Wasco.
...—A. Woolley, Ione.
...—W. W. Stetler, Fossil.
...—T. G. Halley, Pendleton.
...—M. Elkins, Prineville.
...—Joseph Wright, Union.
...—Polk Mays, Joseph.
...—Wm. Smith, Baker City.
...—Will R. King, Ontario.
...—Has. P. Johnson, John Day.
...—Hermann Wine, Astoria.
...—T. A. McBride, St.

...Washington.
...—L. Miller.
...—John Totten, Stevenson.
...—Daniel O'Connor, Golden.
...—Arthur Coffin, North Yak.
...—E. P. Green.
...—W. W. Yentz.
...—H. H. Turner, Walla
...—M. M. Goldman, Dayton.
...—Charles L. McKenzie.

...—E. P. Trimble, Waterville.
...—E. H. Libbey, Clarkston.
...—N. H. Durham, Spokane.
...—M. T. Goss, Pomeroy.
...Idaho.
...—James E. Babb, Lewis.

...Chamberlain, in a 45-
...minute review of the portage
...road and gave the figures ar-
...riving at the state engineer.
...The cost of the portage road as
...the state engineer is \$157,
...\$14,465, out of the approx-
...\$165,000 with which to
...the right of way and carry
...preliminary work of survey.
...Members of the permanent as-
...sociation in Portland tomorrow
...the situation and take steps
...the right of way and begin
...work of construction, if it
...is advisable at this time.

...Resolutions.
...Following resolutions were
...adopted by the meeting:
...The material develop-
...ment of the resources of the Inland
...Empire has been greatly retarded be-
...cause of inadequate and insufficient
...transportation and exorbitant
...cost of water, and
...The condition of affairs
...can be remedied by opening
...a canal the upper Colum-
...bia river, and
...We, the representatives
...of various communities of Ore-
...gon, Idaho, to be bene-
...ficial to the people of the
...Inland Empire, do hereby
...pledge ourselves to use all the
...power in our power with the com-

...munities we represent toward raising
...funds that may be lacking for the
...completion of the work.

...While we realize the desirability of
...a canal and locks as a permanent im-
...provement, still we consider that the
...needs of the present warrant us in
...urging the construction of the portage
...road as a means of temporary relief.

W. J. DAVENPORT,
N. WHEALDON,
O. H. KJOS,
JAMES STEWART,
N. G. BLALOCK,
Committee.

ELY HAS RESIGNED.

The Hoodoo of the Portland Browns
Baseball Team Has at Last Given
up the Job.

Portland, May 19.—W. F. Ely, manager
of the Browns, has tendered his
resignation as manager of the team,
and will seek a position in some other
clime.

Since the beginning of Ely's term
as manager, the career of the Browns
has been one round of defeats. The
team has despised Ely heartily and
their defeats have been accredited to
their dislike for the manager rather
than to any inferior ability as ball
players.

If a progressive manager is now se-
lected Portland hopes to see the past
record of the Browns reversed.

CHINESE PORT OPENED.

An Important Concession to Foreign
Trade Interests.

Washington, May 19.—Minister Con-
ger at Peking, cables the state depart-
ment that the port of Tsinanfu, Shan-
tung province, has been opened to for-
eign trade by an imperial decree.

FIRST SESSION OF COMMISSION

MAY BE HELD DURING
JUNE IN WALLA WALLA.

It Will Probably Be a Preliminary or
Preparatory Session, Followed by a
Business Session in July—Govern-
ment Will Be Fully Represented—
Information About Land Frauds.

The Oregon irrigation commission
is about to meet and plans are being
made for the next session, which will
be held during June.

At the last meeting, held some
months ago, it was decided that the
next meeting would be some time
about the middle of June in Portland,
but this may be changed since F. H.
Newell, the head of the reclamation
work, is about to start on a tour of
this country in the interests of the
commission.

It is thought at this time that
Messrs. Newell, Richards, the land
commissioner, and Pinchot, who have
been appointed by the president to in-
vestigate the land fraud cases in dif-
ferent parts of the country, to look
after the land conditions, and to make
all observations and investigation re-
lative to remedying the present condi-
tions leading to fraudulent entries and
practices by a law to be drafted by
them for congress, will reach this
city about the middle of June. In
view of this, so Mr. Halley says, it has
been decided by the irrigation com-
mission appointed for this state and
the one serving in Washington, that a
joint meeting will be held in Walla
Walla or some other central and con-
venient place, where the wishes of
the department and the needs of the
law can be gone over with the man
who has made a life study of the ir-
rigation question. After that the Ore-
gon commission will get down to work
and start earnestly to compiling the
law for the next session of the leg-
islature.

In the opinion of Mr. Halley the
commission will do little or nothing
outside of the meeting with Mr. New-
ell until after the first part of July,
for the reason that all the members
are either active in the political cam-
paign, or have urgent private busi-
ness that keeps them away from con-
sideration of the work of the com-
mission.

TYNER PARALYZED.

Floating to Acquittal on a Flood of
Tears.

Washington, D. C., May 19.—The em-
max in the Tyner-Barrett postoffice
case was reached today when Tyner,
aged and a hopeless paralytic, was
placed in an invalid chair and rolled
up to the jury box. His counsel and
the government attorneys crowded
about, while the jurymen leaned for-
ward in an effort to catch the words.
Tears coursed down his cheeks, and
several jurymen were visibly affected.
Stimulants were administered to keep
the witness up through the ordeal.

He made a general denial of the
charges brought against him, explain-
ing his connection with the issuance
of fraud orders, saying he acted to the
best of his ability, considering only
facts and law.

Half the complaint is the result
of no investigation.

TWO JAPANESE WARSHIPS LOST

One Sunk by Collision, the
Other the Victim of Rus-
sian Mines.

SEVEREST BLOW OF THE
WAR TO THE JAPANESE.

Rumors of a Turkish-Russian Compact
by Which the Black Sea Fleet Can
Pass the Dardanelles — Japanese
Destroy More Railroad and Capture
a Commissary Train — Disappear-
ance of 50,000 Rounds of Russian
Artillery Ammunition.

Tokio, May 19.—Admiral Togo re-
ports: "Report from Rear Admiral
Dewa says the cruisers Kasaga and
Yoshino collided during a fog near
Port Arthur May 15. The Yoshino
sank, only 90 of the crew being saved.
On the same day the battleship Hat-
suse struck a Russian mine and sank."
A supplemental report by Togo
says: "At 1:14 the afternoon of the
15th, in a deep fog off Port Arthur,
the Kasaga rammed the Yoshino,
which sank, only 90 of the crew being
saved.

"The same morning the Hatsu,
while cruising off Port Arthur, cover-
ing the landing of soldiers, struck a
mine 10 knots to the southeast of the
harbor entrance. She signalled for
help and instantly struck another
mine. It sank in half an hour. Three
hundred of her crew were saved by
torpedo boats."

Japs Lose Two Warships.

London, May 19.—An official dis-
patch received this afternoon an-
nounces that the Japanese cruiser
Koshino and the battleship Hatusue
were sunk off Port Arthur. Over 600
lives were lost. Of the crew of the
battleship 81 were saved.

The former was a 4,150-ton vessel,
the latter 15,000 tons.

Reported Jap Naval Losses.

Chee Foo, May 19.—Dainty refugees
arriving today insist that the Japa-
nese fleet suffered severely in the re-
cent operations before Port Arthur
and Dally, the losses including the
battleship Kishima and either the
cruiser Asama or the battleship Fujii,
both of which struck mines. Russian
boats went out to rescue Japanese
from the sinking vessels, but were
forced to retire when Japanese rein-
forcements appeared.

The Russian consul has a Dally dis-
patch stating that two Japanese bat-
tleships were lost Monday at Port Ar-
thur and the harbor passage is par-
tially opened by the removal of the
Japanese fireships.

Japs Destroy Railroad.

Niu Chwang, May 19.—A Japanese
fleet was sighted 10 miles north of
Kai Chow today. The Japanese troops
marched several miles inland from
Kai Chow and destroyed four miles
of railroad and captured a commis-
sary train.

Loss of Ammunition.

Birmingham, May 19.—The Post
prints an Odessa report that 50,000
rounds of heavy ammunition reserved
at Kherson, has either disappeared or
is worthless. Inquiry proceedings
have been ordered.

To Pass the Dardanelles.

London, May 19.—The Central News
correspondent at Odessa, wires that
the Russian Black Sea fleet has been
ordered held on a complete war foot-
ing from August 1. Meanwhile, the
fleet is divided into two squadrons,
executing a series of practical evo-
lutions similar to those in the Crime-
an wars. It is reported an arrange-
ment has been arrived at whereby
Turkey will allow the fleet to pass the
Dardanelles for service in the Far
East.

Jap Securities Rise.

London, May 19.—Rumors of prob-
able early peace in the Far East this
afternoon caused Japanese securities
to rise violently in the financial dis-
trict.

ALL READY FOR ECHO DEMOCRATIC RALLY

The democratic rally at Echo to-
morrow will be under the auspices of
the Echo democratic club instead of
the Echo Commercial Association, as
stated yesterday.

A large tent to accommodate 500
people is being stretched today, on the
public square, to make shade for the
crowd that will be on hand.

Colonel James H. Raley and F. B.
Holbrook will be the principal speak-

JUDGE HARTMAN MAKES A REPLY

Answers Groundless Charges
Published in the Morning
Tribune.

HE BELIEVES THE TRIBUNE IS
MAKING VOTES FOR HIM.

Gives the Plain Facts on Record in
Regard to the Poor Farm Purchase,
the Valuation of Land Near Nolin
and the Railroad Assessment—His
Estimate of the County Printing
Graft—Was Threatened With Bodily
Harm for Cutting Down One Item.

Judge Hartman, when asked today,
how he liked the Tribune's editorials
roasting him, answered:

"Fine. Some of my republican
friends think I am paying Dodd to do
this heavy work for me. I am receiv-
ing assurances of support every day,
caused by the Tribune's efforts."

"How about the charge about your
placing too low values on land in the
interest of the railroad company down
the Umatilla river?"

"Oh, that's all right. I am backed
up in that by the assessment roll and
by Roe Ferguson, Lute Rothrock, Will
Rigby, Frank Clouton and N. Berkeley,
whose estimates agreed substantially
with mine. These things are of record
in the case."

"Could you tell me something about
the poor farm, the railroad assess-
ment, etc.?"

"Why, Dodd's vaporings are so silly,
his case so weak, that it should be de-
murred out of court."

"It seems a waste of time to pay any
attention to them, but will say that
owing to lack of time the hearing of
the railroad company's case before the
board of equalization was passed up to
the county court at the request of
Messrs. Watt and Morrow, who had
charge of the company's case, and on
their failure to show any good reasons
for reducing the same it was allowed
to stand as made by Assessor Strain."

"How about the much-talked of
poor farm?"

Favored the Welch Place.

"I favored purchasing the old Welch
place of 65 acres, which lies just on
the western limits of the city, about
20 acres of which are in cultivation
and about 25 more can be cleared up
at an expense of about \$1,000.

"This could have been bought for
\$5,000, and the present buildings on
the county's lots about one-fourth
mile distant could have been moved
to it at small expense, but Messrs.
Gilliland and Walker favored the
Chapman place, which was purchased.

"It consists of 160 acres with good
water rights, about 70 acres being
black, rich bottom land, 50 acres of an
alkali flat and 40 acres hill land. The
black bottom land of 70 acres is well
worth \$7,000. The alkali flat land is
partially reclaimed and produces fine
alfalfa, and will eventually be worth
\$100 per acre and such land is claim-
ed by Prof. Leckenby, is the best in
the world when the alkali is washed
out of it. The price, \$10,500, included
three horses, eight head of cattle,
farm implements, wagons, mower,
rake, chickens, etc., leaving the price
of land at about \$9,500. Judge Fee
loaned \$2500 school money on it and
he is instructed to loan only one-
third the value and he, perhaps, would
have loaned more had it been asked."

"Any returns from the place this
year?"

"Well, you know we only moved
out there last July, but have sold \$1,-
000 worth of produce, besides having
a living for the inmates of the county
house, which amounts to a saving of
several hundred dollars as we now
only have to buy groceries.

"Yes, I think it a good buy and
that it will eventually be almost, if not
quite self-supporting, which will mean
a saving of about \$5,000 annually."

Relating to Attempts to Graft.

"How about the publication of the
delinquent tax list?"

"Oh, that is one of the few grafts
attempted to be worked by the Trib-
une. For its claim of \$615,400 was
accepted, which was \$100 more than
ought to have been paid. Does any-
one suppose 60 cents on the dollar
would be accepted from a solvent
debtor? Is it not an admission that
the claim was unjust?"

"Why, they presented one bill
amounting to \$60, when the contract
price was \$1.90, and when I insisted
on cutting \$58.10 out of it I was
threatened with bodily harm, but the
commissioners sustained me. These
bills can be seen at the clerk's office."

"One more question: Did you have
any interest in the farm purchased for
a poor farm?"

"No; I sold it October 14, 1893 (see
deed records book 11, page 264), for
\$5,700."

"Had you a mortgage on it?"

"No; the balance was paid me Febru-
ary 27, 1900. (See book 5 of mort-
gages, page 210)."

INDEFINITELY POSTPONED GAS

"Sufficient Unto the Day is the
Evil Thereof," So They Put
it Off.

LARGE LOBBY WAS PRESENT
AT LAST NIGHT'S SESSION.

This Action Was Taken by Unanimous
Vote of the Council—The Bicycle
Ordinance Will Be Enforced Rigid-
ly Hereafter — Emergency Meas-
ures Will Be Put in Force in Rela-
tion to the Neglect to Make Requir-
ed Sewer Connections.

The city council sprung a surprise
on the people last night when the gas
location muddle was disposed of in-
definitely, by postponing the report of
the committee favoring the location
of the plant at the site of the power
station.

The council was called to order with
a full membership present, to say
nothing of the audience of about 30
property owners living in the vicinity
of the power house, who had gathered
with their attorney to see the final
settlement of the question. The min-
utes of the meeting were read and
adopted, and the mayor called for un-
finished business. The only business
on the table was the resolution of the
committee recommending that the re-
port fixing the location of the gas
plant be adopted.

Indefinitely Postponed.
When it was taken from the table,
Alderman Murphy moved that the
motion to adopt be withdrawn, and
the matter be indefinitely postponed,
which was done by the unanimous
voice of the council and before the
audience realized what had been done
all was over and the council was try-
ing to adjourn.

Councilman T. B. Swearingen, how-
ever, called up the bicycle law, and
asked that the marshal look into the
violations a little more closely. The
period during which bicycles are al-
lowed on the sidewalks has passed for
the summer, and still a large number
of wheelmen fail to observe the fact.
A crusade will be commenced against
those, and they will be punished
whenever caught.

Sewer Connections.
The sewer connection trouble was
also called up and discussed. The
property owners are still neglecting
to connect, while there is yet time
under the ordinance, and the sewer
committee asked that something be
done to hasten the matter along a
little. The attention of the public has
been called to the consequences
through the papers, and if they do not
heed they will be put to great incon-
venience when the limit for connection
has run out and their present arrange-
ments of cess pools and closets are
condemned as nuisances and ordered
to be done away with. An effort will
be made by the city officials to have
the work pushed, as much for the
good of the people as for the consum-
mation of the work by the city.

Old Bell Tower is Rotten.
Alderman Wells brought up the old
question of the bell tower and stated
that the timbers had become so rot-
ten that it was dangerous to be near
the tower when the wind was blowing.
The matter was referred to the fire
committee with power to take such
measures as it may see fit to repair
the property.

Before the council adjourned Judge
Fee, as a representative of the prop-
erty owners who had assembled to
hear the final action in the gas plant
case, asked the meaning of this action
of the council. He stated that the
people present, and many more, were
vitaly interested in the disposal of
the matter by the council, and wished
to have a say when the time for set-
tlement came. He asked that some
way be given them of knowing when
the question would be called up again.
It was then stated by Alderman Mur-
phy that the reason indefinite post-
ponement had been taken was in or-
der that the matter could rest until
one of the representatives of the com-
pany could meet with the committee
of the council to look for a new loca-
tion. When such a time had been fixed
a committee would be appointed from
the council and the people interested
would be notified.

The council then adjourned.

Chicago Grain.
Chicago, May 19.—May wheat
opened 99, closed the same; old July
opened 87½, closed 88½; new July
opened 86½, closed 87½. July corn
opened 48½, closed 48½.

Proposed Law Defeated.
Stockholm, May 19.—The govern-
ment bill extending the suffrage and
ordering the redistribution of seats in
the chambers, was rejected by the
lower house today.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH PROGRESS

ITS BUILDING WILL BE
ENLARGED THIS SEASON.

Furnace and Organ Will Be Added to
the Equipment and the Structure
Made Modern Throughout—Intend
to Expend Two Thousand Dollars.

The members of the Congregational
church held a meeting last evening at
which some important business was
transacted.

It was decided to put at least \$2,000
worth of improvements on the church
this summer, and with that end in
view, a committee of 13 members
headed by Dan Kemler as chairman,
and Mrs. S. A. Lowell as secretary,
was appointed to make plans and start
a campaign to raise the funds neces-
sary for the work.

The committee will begin at once,
and hopes in a short time to have all
of the money necessary for the com-
pletion of the improvements in sight
and available. The work will be done
during the summer, so the church will
be ready by fall.

The Sunday school room in the
church on Webb street, will be great-
ly enlarged and a kitchen added, so
there will be all the conveniences
needed for the social side of the
church work.

The main auditorium will also be
worked over and made larger and
better appointed. The windows will
be changed, new seats will be put in
and new furniture and carpets will be
installed in the basement, and a large
organ will be provided.

It is the intention of the committee
to raise at least \$1,500 of the money
in the city, while the rest will be
subscribed out of town.

THREE BISHOPS ELECTED.

First Address by a Woman in a Meth-
odist Conference.

Los Angeles, May 19.—An immense
crowd attended the Methodist confer-
ence this morning, which opened with
a ballot for bishops.

The colored delegates appealed to
the conference in an attempt to secure
the election of a colored bishop. The
conference is divided and the colored
people insisted, making a great fight.
A resolution recommending a
change in the marriage ritual to ex-
clude the word "obey," was referred
to the committee on revisions.

First Speech by a Woman.

The complimentary ballot for bishop
was cast at 11 a. m. There will be
no returns until 2 o'clock.

Fedora D. Nickel, of Nebraska, in-
troduced a resolution recommending
the enforcement of the church's laws.
She is the first woman that has spoken
before the 1904 conference, and the
first before any conference.

Three Bishops Chosen.

The balloting for bishops continues
this afternoon in the Methodist confer-
ence.

J. W. Bashford, D. D., of Ohio, will
undoubtedly be the fourth bishop,
having 424 votes on the second ballot.

The election as bishops of Henry
Shelmeier, W. F. McDowell and Jos.
Berry was announced to the confer-
ence as the result of the first ballot-
ing.