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| $4-$ | Salem, Oregon, Monday, May 30, 1949 |
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| The Grand Old Man of Oregon Democracy |  |

Exactly 48 years ago a San Franciseo-Portland train w delayed for a couple of hours by a train wreck, or a trestle
fire at the tunnel on the summit of the Siskiyou moun-
tains. While the passengers scattered over the area pick-
ing spring flowers then in full bloom, some of the passening spring flowers then in full bloom, some of the passen-
gers had a smoking room session. One of them introduc
ed himself as as Walter Pierce, lawyer-farmer of Pendleton
 Pierce, who had already served four years as school
superintendent and four years as county clerk of Umatila
county, was afterwards a member of the Oregon legislature as state senator eight years, governor for four years,
democratic national committeeman for four years, U. S.
representative in congress for 10 years, all elective office as well as regent of the Oregon State college for 22 years,
Between times he was lawyer, farmer, stock raiser and
public utility operator. tisan, was tinged with populism. He was a firm exponent
of public ownership and "agin' the interests" and for the
"down-trodden." He was a New Dealer decades before
FDR saw the light. As governor. Pierce, after repeated natorial campaigns he tore tax recepits in two to demon-
strate how he would cut taxes. Many of the proposed re
forms he advocated are now the law of the land. The true source of Pierce's popularity, we think, is his
pleasing personality, good nature, kindliness, friendliness and sympathy. He is one of those few men who seem in-
apale of holding grougese against enemies, polititical opimself. At the same time he fights "not as one who
cateth the air" for any cause he deems just,
The Capital Journal, which has consistently opposed
nany of the Pierce programs, is glad to congratulate
Falter Pierce on this, his 88 th birthday, which finds
im as keen and alert as ever, and hopes he lives to round
int a century. He is certainly the "grand old man" of


| Cruel World | yet reached epidemic dimensions, but it has stretched out longer and is taking a heavier |
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| Pasadena, Catit. ip-Motorist Themas S. Cabo, 72, ran over | toll than did that of 1948 . <br> A further complication has |
| Toliceman J. E. Corrigan sald Cabo stopped on the wrong | been the appearance of pneu- |
| side of a street yesterday and got out to cheek an address. | monia plague, more contagious |
| The ear rolled backwards and pinned him underneath, his | and a deadlier killer |
| leg aeting as a block which stopped it. <br> Cabo yelled for help. Corrigan responded with eitations | rectly dlagnosed in time, than the bubonic variety. |
| for parking on the wrong side and tailing to set the brakes |  |
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| 'Aly Khat' | Dr. Seal points out that |
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| er pretty | in the past hall century, and day knowledge of the scourge |
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## 'Aly Khat'

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## Threat of Plague Epidemic In India Recalls Terror

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