## **CURRENT EVENTS** OF THE WEEK

## Doings of the World at Large Told in Brief.

General Resume of Important Events Presented in Condensed Form for Our Busy Readers.

An Illinois legislator admits receiving \$1,000 to vote for Lorimer for U.

Patten and his friends on the Chicago cotton exchange cleaned up \$320,-000 in one day.

Swope, the St. Louis millionaire, was killed by a violent poison.

One person was killed, two fatally injured and about 15 others hurt in a street car collision in Seattle.

British Democracy has forced the Lords to pass the budget which was defeated last fall, and expects further

Portland is much worked up over the alleged carelessness of census takers. It is claimed that at least 30,000 persons in the city were not counted. Speaker Cannon declares the minor-

ity rules the house and that such rule must be stopped, even if it becomes necessary to change the constitution. A rich rancher of Elk City, Idaho

has not been heard from since he went hunting March 7, and two men who went in search of him two weeks ago President Taft, speaking at Buffalo, apologized to the state of New York

and congratulated the entire nation upon the appointment of Governor Hughes to the Supreme court. Negotiations for about 280 locom tives and 5,000 to 6,000 freight cars,

which the Harriman lines expected to purchase, are retarded because of ina-bility to secure satisfactory terms. The Indiana Democratic convention

has endorsed John W. Kern for U. S.

The New York stock market is demoralized, everyone trying to sell to

Charles Wezler, confessed murderer of Mrs. Schultz at Gig Harbor, seeks a second degree verdict. Amid wild enthusiasm, San Fran-

cisco business men subscribed \$4,000,-000 for their 1915 fair. Ruth Bryan's first husband, Leavett,

says her second marriage will be legal and that he will fight it. Rockefeller is discouraged at the de lay in securing a national charter for his great philanthropic project.

An insane young man aged 19 shot and seriously wounded three persons in New York and then committed sui-

Newspaper publishers in the East see a famine in paper unless congress passes the Mann bill removing the duty on pulp and paper.

A cod fishing schooner from San Francisco is reported lost with several members of her crew. She has been missing since last October. The bridge of the Milwaukee road

over the Yakima river was destroyed by a washout and an engine and five British Corporation Contests With cars of lumber went into the river.

About fifty acres of ground, piled 25 feet high with lumber in the yards of the Humbird Lumber company at Sand Point, Idaho, were swept by fire, destroying about \$300,000 worth of lum-

Peary is off for Europe on a lecture A negro leader and 22 followers have

been arrested in Havana for inciting a

at \$2,000,000. Lawyers of Reno, Nevada, seek to disbar one of their number who adver-

tises a specialty of easy divorces. Two hundred girls at Cornell college, New York, are seriously ill from ptomaine poisoning caused by impure

Edward Keaton, aged 110, living national exposit near Natchez, La., was bitten by a rattlesnake, but the doctors say he will to \$4,165,320.

A jury has been chosen to try F. August Heinze, accused of misapplying funds of the Merchants bank, of New York,

A huge Russian bear in the New York Zoo turned on its keeper and nearly tore him to pieces before he

The heirs of Mrs. Octavia Adelaide Moss, a rich New York woman, are having a hard time finding her wealth, which was hidden about her house in secret places known only to herself.

Cotton seed in the South is now

A New York girl committed suicide

on the beach at Naples, Italy. Thirty-six hundred miners of Phoenix and Greenwood, B. C., are on strike, \$100,000 subscribed for a Lincoln

ment funnd 40 years ago is lost and cannot be located. Governor Hughes of New York, has

been appointed associate justice of United States Supreme court. A sealing steamer with 187 men

board is believed to have gone down off the New Foundland fishing banks.

The bean crop in Mississippi has been totally ruined by the freezing weather. Ice half an inch thick was

The loss of the cotton crop in the South from frost will total millions, and is the worst calamity that section has known since the Civil war.

OFFICERS CONTINUE RAID. Another New Yorker Charged With

Conspiracy to Violate Laws. New York, May 2.—Another import-ant arrest in the Federal bucket shop crusade was made today when govern-ment officers arrested Frank Maier, of the firm of Morrison & Maier, in his

office at No. 44 Broad street.

The specific charge against Maier is conspiracy to violate the Federal law against bucket shops. It is alleged Maier, in conjunction with Louis Cella, Edward Altemus and H. D. Duryee,

Witnesses state conclusively that ed Joseph Decker, a telegrapher. The wone, the St. Louis millionaire, was

SLUSH FUND TALKED.

Fetzer Will Tell Grand Jury About \$200,000 Paid.

Chicago, May 2 .- John C. Fetzer, who alleges that a "slush fund" of about \$200,000 was used in advancing legislation and city ordinances desired the Chicago & Western Indiana Railroad company, entered into con-ference with State's Attorney Wayman today. Details were not made public. Neither the suit filed by the company to recover \$525,000 from Fetzer, out of which the company alleges Fetzer de-frauded it, nor the latter's injunction seems likely to come up for settlement in court in the near future. Develop-ments, however, are expected when Mr. Fetzer tells his story to the grand jury, especially summoned to hear it next Monday. Fetzer alleges that a large portion

of the money which the company seeks to recover was spent in securing the passage of bill 777 at Springfield to validate bonds issued by the Chicago & Western Indiana, in securing from the common council of Chicago the vacatin seeking to block an extension of Howard Lewis. the Illinois Central in suburban Chi-

RACE LINES BLOTTED OUT.

"Jim Crow" Laws of Louisiana Are

Found to Be Badly Muddled. New Orleans, May 2.—"There are

are not negroes."

This a salient sentence in a decision has been covered. that has thrown the race laws of Louisana into a state of chaos. All statutes made and provided to keep separate and distinct whites and negroes practi-cally are affected by the ruling of the Louisiana Supreme court that octo-roons, quadroons and mulattoes are not

The court holds that where the text of the law merely says "negroes" it cannot be applied to octoroons or other persons of mixed blood. It defines the negro as a member of the black or African race, having in his veins no trace of Caucasian blood. Persons of lighter or darker skins than mulattoes can evade the laws by demanding that the state prove they are negroes.

BUYERS WANT WEALTH.

Railroad for Property.

Vancouver, B. C., May 2.-The Braa British corporation, issued a pany, a British corporation, issued a write in the Supreme court today to compel James Dunsmuir and others, being James Dunsmuir and others, pany is negotiating with the Silverton, the Abiqua Lumber complete and ready for operation in pany is negotiating with the Silverton and the silverton are pany is negotiating with the Silverton and the silverton are pany is negotiating with the Silverton and the silverton are pany is negotiating with the silverto coal lands and mines on Vancouver island and the Dunsmuir properties in California, to comply with terms of an option given to the British corporation for sale of the properties. These properties were transferred recently Reports place the damage by Chin-ese mobs in recent riots at Changsha ident and vice president of the Canadian Northern Railway company, for

Panama Fair Fund Grows.

San Francisco, May 2.-Numerous subscriptions, ranging in amount from \$10 to \$25,000, and aggregating in all \$64,820, were received by the finance ommittee of the Panama Pacific International exposition today and the grand total of the fund on hand was swelled

Small subscriptions with a few of arger proportions amounted to \$39,820 for the day when notice was received from the Life Underweriters, association of San Francisco that the directors had voted an investment of \$25,000.

San Francisco, May 2.-Following his indictment Saturday by the Marion county grand jury on a charge of grand larceny in connection with the operations of a gang of alleged fake poolroom men at Sausalito, Harry P. Flannery, president of the San Francisco board of police commissioners, resigned his office early today, the res ignation being immediately accepted by Mayor McCarthy. Flannery de-clared that he took this step for the best interests of the city and so as not to embarrass the administration.

Herman Passes Crisis. Roseburg, May 2.—Spending a rest-ful night, Binger Hermann awoke this morning much improved, and Dr. K. L. Miller, the attending physician, says that he has passed safely through the to a bulletin issued by the physician late today, Mr. Hermann sat in a chair for nearly an hour this morning. appetite has returned, and he partakes of limited rations regularly, while his

San Francisco, May 2.—Antonio has it for the purpose of electrifying Ranieri, the first white victim in this the present system to McMinnville. city to succumb to beri-beri, died to-day. Two Chinese have died from the

## INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND PROGRESS OF OUR HOME STATE

FOR FREE LOCKS.

vention So Declares.

\$2,375 an Acre for Fruit Land. Breaking all records for bearing fruit lands in Oregon, a part of the famous Burrell pear orchard near Medford was sold last week for \$2,375 an acre. The property comprised acres, and was purchased by C. H. Burrell, of Philadelphia for \$28,000. The trees are in full bearing and have yielded a net income of \$500 per acre for several years past, such a thing as failure of crop having never been

There have been several sales in the Hood River valley and in Southern Oregon, where bearing orhards were sold for from \$2,000 to \$2,200 an acre, but until this purchase by the Philadel-phia investor, \$2,200 has stood as the record price for Oregon land.

Irrigation Maps to Be Distributed.

Salem-Maps that have been pre-pared jointly by the state and the United States government under appropriations made by both government for the purpose of encourgaing diversions of water for irrigation in the common council of Chicago the vacating of a street desired by the road, and distribution by State Engineer John

These maps are made on a 1½-inch scale and with a contour of five foot intervals. The maps give the elevations in the first quadrangle, including 200 square milems surrounding and adjacent to the city of Eugene. Last summer these geological surveys were continued on a second quadrangle of the same area north of the first, and it no negroes who are not persons of color, but there are persons of color, but there are persons of color who are not negroes."

the same area north of the life, and is expected the surveys will be continued until the larger portion of the irrigable land in the Willamette valley

> Reduced Rates to Summer School. For the first time in the history of Oregon, the Southern Pacific company has granted reduced rates for attendants at the University of Oregon summer school. The reduced rates go into effect Saturday, June 18, and continue through the session to its close, Satur-day, August 6, thereby making it possible for teachers attending the session to save materially in railroad fare. Reduced rates have also been granted ences to be held at the university the week previous to the opening of the

> > Logs May Go By Rail.

Lumber company and the Southern Pacific railroad company with a view to making arrangements to convey logs to the mill over their lines of railroad. It was learned that the proposition of the Silverton Lumber company had lot at once. The upper story will be been accepted providing such arrangements can be made.

Will Build \$10,000 City Hall

Lebanon-Lebanon is to have a new city hall. Plans have practically been accepted by the city council, the build-ing to cost between \$10,000 and \$12,-000. The building will be 60x90 feet, of cement up to the first windows, and from there up of brick, with a pressed brick front. The lower floor will be divided into an office for the marshal, three cells for prisoners, a firemen's room and a room for the fire apparatus of the city.

gon, has placed on file in the local office a state "selection" of 44,505 acres in Baker county, which will, be given away to homesteaders who will pay for house lettuce, 50c@\$1 per box; green away to homesteaders who will pay for the irrigation and reclamation. The proposition is similar to the Twin Falls 20c; rhubarb, 1@2c per pound; spinach, project under the Carey act, but it is reported that the state of Oregon will 1 not charge for the land.

La Grande Plans \$75,000 School. La Grande—Plans have been adopt-ed for the \$75,000 high school building to be constructed this summer. exterior of the building will be extremely attractive, being built of white pressed brick and terra cotta trimmings. The general style of architecture will be classical of the latest

Dredge Will Deepen Channel. Tillamook-The master of the government dredge has received instruc critical stage of his illness. According tions to dredge out the channel to Til-squabs, \$3 per dozen, to a bulletin issued by the physician lamook, the chief of engineers having, Hops—1909 crop chair on the recommendation of Major Mor His row, granted \$1,000 for the work.

McMinnville-Southern Pacific sur-

Railroad Bonus Raised. has known since the Civil war.

Zeppelin II, one of Count Zeppelin's best airships was torn from its morings by a fierce storm and totally wrecked.

As a control of this unusual disease, but Ranieri is the first Caucasian here to subscription \$7,875 necessary to clear up the right of way and depot grounds for the Oregon Trunk railway.

Bend—Bend has raised by popular subscription \$7,875 necessary to clear up the right of way and depot grounds for the Oregon Trunk railway.

Sneep—Best wethers, \$5,000,0.75; good like to good wethers, \$5,000,0.75; good like to go

AID OREGON GOOD ROADS.

Willamette Open River an Rate Con- Expert to Be Sent to Points in State

to Give Illustrated Lectures. Oregon City—The convention of the Willamette Open river and Freight rate association at its business session adopted the report of the locks committee providing that it be the sense association that the good roads expert of the Oregon Good Roads association that the good roads expert pany, is the financier who hopes to May Have to Unite As In the Maier, in conjunction with Louis Cella, Edward Alternus and H. D. Duryee, has been furnishing stolen quotations to bucket shops all over the eastern part of the United States.

The government agents at the same time cut the telegraph wires leading for the realization of this condition pledged itself to work to be provided in the providing that it be the sense of the sociation that the good roads expert will be sent from the department of agriculture to give 10 illustrated lectures at strategic points in the state.

The association pledged itself to work the views presented with the lecture will illustrate the benefits financially elevated railroad officials to buy the and otherwise design and to hurry up and time cut the telegraph wires leading to all places here and in New Jersey suspected of being bucket shops. Coincidentally two special agents of the
United States department of justice
paid a visit to an office in the Lincoln
Trust building, Jersey City, and arrested Joseph Decker, a telegrapher. The
Dolice say Decker had in the office asy Decker, a telegrapher. The police say Decker had in the office asy Decker had otherwise derived from systematic construction of solid highways. The bidders in return for a department of solid highways. The cause of the possibility that the trouble pro to have copied quotations and sent them practically all over the United States.

ciding where to construct them, and to award the contract for their construction as soon as possible.

cause. The general policy of the dethink they ought to get. While Mr. partment is to stimulate interest throughout the northwest.

Blair has not announced what his cash throughout the northwest.

McMINNVILLE LAND RICH.

Ohioan Pays \$600 an Acre for Four-Year-Old Orchard.

McMinnville-An apple grower from Ohio, Mr. Cox, has purchased the 20-acre apple orchard of Dr. W. fl. Boyd, of Portland, the property being situa-ted half a mile from this city, at a price of \$12,000, or \$600 an acre.

The orchard was planted for years ago and comprises Baldwins, Jonathans, Rome Beauties and Spitzenbergs.

City Park to Be Improved. Astoria-The city park commission on the park property south of the city reservoir. The entrance will be widened to double its present width by the removal of a portion of the bank now under the control of the water commis-The overflow of water from the drinking fountain will be utilized by the erection of a trough for horses. This will prove a great convenience to the traveling public along the county road from the city to Young's river.

Many Laborers Wanted. Portland-Fifteen hundred railroad laborers are wanted at once by the Pacific Railroad & Navigation company, which is building a railroad from Hillsboro to Tillamook. One thousand men are steadilyx at work, but it is said that the number could easily be augmented to 2,500. General Manager E. E. Lytle states that work on the line is progressing nicely, but to get it completed as soon as desired a great deal more help must be had.

Auto Stage Line for Tygh Valley. Tygh Valley-Tygh Valley is soon to have an auto stage running between Nopinitia and Dufur to connect with the auto line from Dufur to The for the two state educational confer- Dalles. This will be appreciated by people living in this part of the county, as they can visit The Dalles and re-

Cannery In Eagle Valley.

Baker City-Farmers and fruitmen Silverton — Having been deprived of Eagle Valley have let a contract for the privilege of running logs down until recently owners of the Dunsmuir pany is negotiating with the Silverton time to handle this year's vegetables seven-day trip. From Buffalo the

Brick Block at Vale.

Vale-T. T. Nelsen will erect a 50x 94 foot, two-story brick on his corner used for offices. The estimated cost of the building is \$20,000.

PORTLAND MARKETS. Wheat - Track prices: Bluestem

90c; club, 86@87c; red Russian, 85c; Barley - Feed and brewing, \$23@

24.50 per ton. Corn-Whole, \$33, cracked, \$34. Hay-Track prices: Timothy, Willamette valley, \$20@21 per ton; Eastern Oregon, \$22@25; alfalfa, \$16.50

17.50; grain hay, \$17@18. Fresh Fruits—Strawberries, Florin, Baker Land Given to Settlers.

La Grande — John H. Lewis, secretary of the state land board of Oretoes, 4c.

Vegetables — Asparagus, \$1@1.25 onions, 12c per dozen; radishes, 75c@\$1 per box; rutabagas, \$1.25@ 1.50; carrots, 85c;@\$1; beets, \$1.50; parsnips, 75c@\$1.

Onions—Oregon, \$2 per hundred; Bermuda, \$2@2.50 per crate. Butter—City creamery, extras, 29c per pound; fancy outside creamery, 29c; store, 20c. Butter fat prices average lic per pound under regular

butter prices. Eggs-Fresh Oregon ranch, 231@ 24c per dozen. Pork-Fancy, 13@13 c per pound.

Veal, fancy, 91@10c per pound. Lambs-Fancy, 10@12c per pound. Poultry-Hens, 20c; broilers, 27@ 28c; ducks, 221@23c; geese, 121c; turkeys, live, 20@22c; dressed, 25c;

-1909 crop, 13@16c; nominal; 1910 contracts, nominal. Wool—Eastern Oregon, 14@17c per pound; valley, 18@21c; mohair, choice,

Cattle - Best steers, \$6.50@7.75; veyors have run through one of Mc-Minnville's thoroughfares and rumor good cows, \$5.75@6; strictly good cows, \$5.75@6; fair to good, has it for the purpose of electrifying \$5.50; light calves, \$6@7; heavy calves, \$4@5; bulls, \$4@5.25; stags, \$4.50@ Sheep - Best wethers. \$5.50@5.75;

Hogs—Top, \$10.75@11; fair to good, \$10@10.50.

CITY ROADS MAY MERGE.

Gigantic Chicago Deal Involves On

Hundred Million Dollars. Chicago, April 30 .- Unification of the Chicago elevated railroads, regarded as the first essential step toward a perfect transportation service, was today said to be in sight. A gigantic deal, involving a capitalization of \$100,000,-

deal more than the present value of the stock of the different companies.

The capitalization of the elevated roads in stocks and bonds, equipment, notes and other outstanding obligations, is a little more than \$100,000,

FREIGHT RATES GO UP.

Transcontinental Roads Plan to Meet Increased Expenses.

Washington, April 30 .- Freight tariffs showing considerable increase over the present rates from Western territhe city limits northwestward to the Judge Galloway orchard, five mlies out, a considerable portion of which is set to orchard. This is the highest figure

This is the first step taken by the ever quoted for trees of this age in this section. Mr. Cox intends to build on the tract and make his home here. ing expenses.

Already tariff schedules have been

filed for Western roads increasing the has under consideration a number of improvements to be made this summer from Minneapolis and St. Paul to New from Minneapolis and St. Paul to New York and other Atlantic seaboard points. The present rate on wool from Minneapolis to New York is 59 cents per hundred pounds. Under the new tariff the rate will be 64 cents a hundred pounds, an increase of nearly 20 per cent.

An increase also has been made in the freight rate on live hogs between the Twin Cities and Chicago of 2½ cents a hundred pounds. This is an increase of about 12 per cent over the present rate. While no tariff has been filed with the commission increasing the rate on wheat products from Chi-cago to the Eastern territory, it seems likely the rate on hog products from Chicago to Eastern points will be increased.

The tariffs already filed with the commission are for all the roads in Western Freight association territory, and the rates will become effective simultaneously on all of them.

Fearing Law, Bucketshops Close.

Washington, April 30.—Results already have been accomplished by the crusade of the department of justice.

Steel and of a favorable quarterly ment in the early part of last Novement in the earl ready have been accomplished by the crusade of the department of justice against the bucket shop business. In addition to the offices affected by the iron, proposals for reducing output to indictment against a number of principals, scores of houses in the Middle tion, and a falling off in new orders. addition to the offices affected by the indictment against a number of principals, scores of houses in the Middle tion, and a falling off in new orders with the king of Denmark in the king's private car.

West have closed their doors and other for different lines of finished products.

In Paris, however, he was unable to receive the treatment for arterio sclerated to the control of the control week previous to the opening of the summer school, and for the exercises of commencement week, June 19 to 22. Every indication points to an exceptionally large attendance at all of these two did doubtless be glad to hear of this, as it will be quite an improvement over the present mode of traveling.

West have closed their doors and outers are expected to follow. Should the efforts of the department towards breaking up the business entirely prove unavailing by prosecution under existing the province of the control of the department towards breaking up the business entirely prove unavailing by prosecution under existing the province of the control of the department towards breaking up the business entirely prove unavailing by prosecution under existing the province of the control of the department towards breaking up the business entirely prove unavailing by prosecution under existing the province of the control of the department towards breaking up the business entirely prove unavailing by prosecution under existing the province of the department towards breaking up the business entirely prove unavailing by prosecution under existing the province of the department towards breaking up the business entirely prove unavailing by prosecution under existing the province of the department towards breaking up the business entirely prove unavailing by prosecution under existing the province of the department towards breaking up the business entirely prove unavailing by prosecution under exist. unavailing by prosecution under exist-ing laws, it is said that new legislation will be asked of congress.

Taft Starts on Trip. Washington, April 30. - President president goes to Pittsburg, then to Cincinnati, St. Louis and back home, reaching here May 6. There have een many predictions as to the line the president's speeches will take on the trip. He has given no hint himself of what he will say, but it is significant that he is carrying with him a full set of figures on the operation of

Strike May Hit Seattle. Seattle, Wash., April 30 .- The union carpenters of Seattle, of whom there 2,300, at a meeting last night adopted a resolution demanding a wage scale of \$4.50 a day instead of \$4 now paid, and voted to go on strike Monday morning if their demands are not granted. Eight hundred men were present and the vote was unanimous. The carpenters' union of Seattle is rated the wealthiest local labor body in the world. It owns a seven-story hotel building and other valuable property

Seattle Japs Number 4.000. Seattle, Wash., April 30.—The census of Japanese in Seattle, nearly completed, will show a population of more than 4,000 people of that race, or more than twice as many as any other American city has. Adding the truck farm- Great Northern railway has just orderers in the surrounding country, there ed the telephone train dispatching apare 10,000 Japanese in and near Seat- paratus to be installed on six more ditle. In the state of Washington the census is expected to show 20,000 Japanese, as against about 40,000 in Cali-

Court Nins Thaw Plan. New York, April 30. — Harry K. divisions, reaches in the neighborhood Thaw, who killed Stanford White, of 1,900 miles. The telephone system must remain in the Matteawan insane of the Great Northern will extend asylum. The appellate division of the over the entire main line. Supreme court in Brooklyn handed

Washington, April 30.—Representa-tive McCredie today had a hearing beto present arguments in support of his bill authorizing the states of Oregon and Washington to adjust 400

**MORE CHINESE** RIOTS FEARED

Governments Begin to Realize Gravity of Situation.

Boxer Revolution.

Washington, April 26 .- There is conmouth. So, with flaming anti-foreign posters being posted in the streets of Changsha, it is readily understood what the effect may be on the neigh-

boring districts. If the riots spread it is believed that the foreign nations will stand together with the Chinese government to help bring about order and prevent bloodshed, as during the Boxer troubles.

Effective naval vessels in the vicinity appear to be the United States cruiser Cleveland, the Japanese gun-boat Uji, and the British river gun-

boat Snipe.

The Cleveland, which has just arrived at Hankow is of 3,200 tons displacement and carries ten 5-inch guns, eight 6 pounders, two 1-pounders, four Colt automatic and one 3-inch field gun. The Snipe is a British river gunboat, which has just been refloated after having run aground near Changsha. She is 58 tons displacement, carries two 6-pounders and four 45-inch Maxims. The Japanese gunboat is 620 tons displacement and carries four 12-pounders and three Maxims.

MONEY IS TIED UP

New York Bankers Try to Sell Stocks -Few Buyers.

New York, April 26 .- The fianncial Review says the markets of last week registered a sharp revulsion of sentiment from the hopeful temper of the residue of the r week before. It was the commonly accepted view of the close market observers that the advance has been organized by important capital and by banking interests to stimulate outside adoption of a more elastic and more interest in the dealings and to proclaim a feeling of confidence at the cident lends argument in favor of such financial center which might react on a change.

general business.

The action of the market at the opening of last week was sufficient to demonstrate the failure of the experiment. Instead of buying orders, the country sent orders to sell stocks and took advantage of the higher prices

established.

The professions of contentment with had come from official sources in con-

Secretary Wilson to Take All Such From Reserves.

Washington, April 26.-Although stockmen who hold permits to graze in announced today that the law does not contemplate the inclusion in the re-serves of any but timbered lands and that whenever non-timbered lands are found within reserves they must be re-

stored to the public domain. In making the elimination he will use discretion to protect the water supplies of cities and towns, but beyond that he will insist that all large areas of grazing lands, particularly around the outer boundaries, be taken out. He holds that grazing lands cannot be reserved to prevent stream pollution.

Hermann Is Improving. Roseburg, Or., April 26. — After spending a restful night, Binger Hermann awoke this morning showing evidence of slight improvement. Not only is he able to lie in bed comfortably for the first time since his severe illness began, but he is also spending much of his time in conversation with members of his family, whom he readily recognizes. According to a bulletin issued by K. L. Miller, the attending physician, late this afternoon, the patient is resting easier than at any time during his illness.

St. Paul, Minn., April 26 .visions of its road. This road is aland in every new extension which in-cludes the Fergus Falls, Breckenridge,

North Dakota, St. Cloud and Cascade

down a decision today which sets aside the appointment by Justice Tompkins, of the Supreme court, of a referree to take testimony bearing on Them's possible transfer. The court to the stadium from Cambridge, that Larz Anderson, class of '99, of Brookline, was the man. The proposed bridge would replace the present struc-

TO AID CAUSE OF PEACE.

Taft and Carnegie Dedicate \$1,000,-

000 Bureau Home. Washington, April 27.-The magnificent new marble building of the Inter-national Bureau of American Republics —within a stone's throw of the White House-was dedicated in the name of

universal peace today.

President Taft joined with Andrew Carnegie, Secretary Knox, Senator Root and Senor de la Bera, the Mexican ambassador, as representative of the Latin-American republics, in prophecies of peace among the 21 American republics, and pledged themselves to strive for that happy state. Mr. Carnegie went so far as to express the that Canada, with the consent of Great Britain, would some day join the family of peaceful American republics.

The president called out general laughter by referring to the contro-versy between Theodore Roosevelt and Mr. Carnegie two years ago at the laying of the cornerstone of the building dedicated today. "They differed as to the methods by

which peace should be obtained," said the president, "but that both were nest and strenuous and determined to have peace there was no doubt." "Hear, hear," shouted Mr. Carnegie

as the laughter died away.

The new building, a gift of Mr. Carnegie, won the admiration of all who assed within the bronze portals this afternoon and at the reception tonight, at which President Taft and Mr. Carnegie headed the receiving party.

ZEPPELIN AIRSHIP LOSING

Accident, in Which Hundreds Could Not Save Craft, Turns Opinion

Berlin, April 27.-German aeronauts are asking whether the destruction of the airship Zeppelin II at Weilburg will not prove a fatal blow to the school of rigid airship construction. There has been manifested lately a disposition in army circles to oppose fur-ther purchase of airships of the Zeppelin type on the ground that they are too unwieldly to meet varying condi-tions of actual service. In the latest accident it was noted that the crew of several hundred men under experienced officers was unable to keep the enormous framework from blowing away. whereas the ship of the non-rigid type

army, owing to the personality of in-ventor and the personal support given him by the kaiser. Lately, however, aeronauts have been inclined to the

NORWEGAIN POET DEAD.

in Paris for Treatment.

Paris, April 27-Bjornstjerne Bjornson, the Norwegian poet, novelist, dramatist, reformer and advocate of The professions of contentment with the conditions of the steel trade which had come from official surrounded by his family. His end was peaceful.

osis, from which he was suffering. but notwithstanding, he showed marked improvement for a time, due entirely

to his wonderful vitality.

Again in February his death was expected momentarily, but the crisis passed, though leaving him less able to withstand the next attack During death he was conscious for some hours.

Pittsburg, April 27 .- In seven wards of the city today, special elections of select and common councilmen were held to fill the places of those who resigned after being indicted for graft

ing.
In the twentieth ward, George H. Riley, one of the "immaculate six the common council in 1898, when the alleged bribing was going on, was de-feated for common council. Riley, it was testified in the early part of the graft prosecutions, was one of the six men "who could not be reached."

Gotham Awaits Weston.

New York, April 27 .- Mayor Gaynor granted permission today for Edward Weston to tramp down Broadway with an escort of police when he arrives here. Weston will probably reach the city late Friday, 75 days after his start from Los Angeles, 3,400 miles away, and 15 days ahead of his schedule. At the city hall Weston will be received by Mayor Gaynor, to whom he will present a letter from the mayor of Los Angeles. Weston will stop at Schenectady tonight. Weston's aver-age each day is 45 1-3 miles.

Socialists Stone Count.

Vienna, April 27.-Count Albert Apponyi, the ex-Hungarian minister of worship, whose guest Theodore Roose-velt was on his trip to Budapest, was attacked at a political meeting at Temsevar Sunday night by a crowd of Socialists. They bombarded his carriage with stones and eggs and cudgelled the count severely. After desperate ef-orts, the coachman forced the horses through the mob and the count took refuge in the bishop's palace

spiracy to defraud the government out of customs duties on sugar, macaroni, figs, cheese, and other merchandise.

Comet is Seen Minus Tail.

Zurich, April 27 .- The observatory here officially reports that Halley's comet was visible to the naked eye for and washington to adjust unterences over the boundary line where it follows the Columbia river. After his hearing snow were intermittent here all day, positions was due east, just above the committee assured him the bill so far the damage in Tennsesee from horizon. There was no trace, however, would be favorably reported next week. It the present cold snap has been slight. of the tail, even with the telescope.