PROVISIONS OF BILL

Power of Interstate Commission Over Railroads Enlarged.

New Rate Bill as Passed by Senate Allows Interstate Board to Fix Rates.

Washington, May 19 .- The principal Commerce commission to fix rates. The provision conferring this authority is found in the fourth section, which amends section 15 of the interstate commerce law so as to accomplish this This section directs the commission to investigate complaints of unjust and unreasonable charges on the part of common carriers in the transportation of persons or property, or of regulations or practices affecting such charges. It also authorizes an inquiry as to whether the rates or practices are "unjustly discriminatory or unduly preferential or prejudicial, or otherwise in violation of the act," and, in case any of these conditions are found to exist, the commission is empowered to determine and prescribe what will be the just and reasonable maximum rate, and what regulation or practice is just, reasonable and fair.

Further, authority is given the commission to enforce its orders, and they are to go into effect within 30 days and continue in force for two years unless suspended, modified or set aside by the commission or by a court of competent

A penalty of \$5,000 for each offense in disobedience of the order is imposed, and the penalty is to accumulate at the rate of \$5,000 a day in case of continuous violation. Orders other than those for money payments are to be enforced by the federal courts through writs of mandamus or injunction, and, in case of appeal to the supreme court, these cases are to be given preference over all others except those of a criminal

The bill was amended by the senate so as to give the United States circuit | ed at \$250,000,000, while the total cost courts jurisdiction to entertain suits of the lock canal would be at least brought to annul or change the orders \$190,000,000, and the cost of transof the commission and to provide against the granting of interlocutory decrees without hearing and making appeals from such orders direct to the supreme court.

There are no changes in the law relative to the reports to be required of struction of the multilock canal procommon carriers, and a penalty of posed by the minority." \$100 a day is imposed for failure to comply with the report requirement. The commission is given access to the accounts of the companies affected by Omnibus Bill in House for Lightships the act, but examiners are forbidden, under penalty of heavy fine and long imprisonment, to divulge the facts ascertained. A fine of \$500 for each failure to keep proper accounts is pro-

TRANSIT TUBES FLATTENED.

Sand and Water of East River Make Costly Work Valueless.

New York, May 19 .- Mayor McClelland announced today at a meeting of the Rapid Transit commission that, crushed by the weight of eand and water, the roofs of the Rapid Transit tubes under the East river, connecting the subway system in Manhattan with Brooklyn, have been flattened so seriously at various points that they must be rebuilt so that trains can pass through them.

C. M. Jacobs, chief engineer in charge of the Pennsylvania tunnels under the East and North rivers; Gustay Lindenthal and C. S. Smith, called in as experts, declars that the present conditions in the East river are sufficleat to cause a delay of from 2 to in addition to the unexpended balance hree years in the work. Reconstruction is expected to be absolutely neces- Manzanilla to be applied on the new ditches. sary for more than 1200 feet of the sec- tender. tion from Joralemon and Hicks streets out under the Brooklyn waterfront.

World's International Commerce. fully \$25,000,000,000 in the year 1906, says a bulletin issued by the depart-"world's international commerce," explains the bulletin, is meant be accomplished as quickly as they de trade between nations in 1906 will be considered necessary. six times as much as in 1850, and twice as much as in 1870.

New Delegate to Rio Conference.

appointed one of the American dele- large number of people by the army gates at the Pan-American Conference during the San Francisco fire is incorat the University of Wisconsin.

DANGER OF QUAKES.

One of Chief Reasons for Committee Favoring Sea Level Canal.

Washington, May 18. - That the earthquake that destroyed San Francisco helped determine the vote of the senate committee on interoceanic canals from the fact that a feature of the ma-PENALTIES MADE MOST SEVERE jority report is a discussion of the effect earthquakes might have on locks and dame. The majority report in favor of a sea level canal was submitted today by Senator Kittredge.

The report says that the canal structures would be exposed to injury by earthquakes, particularly the locks at Gatun. If the lock walls should be moved, leakage would result and the Wasco, Socialist; George E. Chamberpurpose of the railroad rate bill passed gates would be useless. In case of yesterday is to permit the Interstate fracture of locks, months or years Withycombe, Benton, Republican. might be required for repairs, and meanwhile traffic would be interrupted.

the board of consulting engineers, is H. Sroat, Marion, Democratic. not liable to injury by earthquakes, for it will be built on a solid rock foundation, reinforced with strong walls and buttressed at each end with walls of rock. Nor are the side slopes of the Culebra cut likely to be disturbed, but an earth dam on an alluvial base might be cracked, draining the lock and ruining the canal. The committee

"At San Francisco, where the water pipes were broken, the disaster was greatly augmented by this cause, for the water could not be held in the pipes and directed on the flames. What would happen to the aqueduct, conduits, pipes and valves, buried in the concrete walls, used for filling and emptying the locks, cannot be well conjectured."

It is stated that ships of all classes could be passed through the sea level canal in 8% hours less than the time Hawk, Multnomah, Prohibition; J. that would be consumed in passing ships through locks alone. The cost of annual maintenance is estimated at \$1,840,000 for the sea level and \$2,-330,000 for the lock type. A sea level canal free from all obstacles could pass 100 warships in less than a day. Naval commanders and commercial shipmasters oppose locks.

The majority argues that an enemy could destroy a lock canal much easier than a sea level canal with explosives. The cost of a sea level canal is estimatforming the latter into a sea level canal would be \$200,000,000. The conclusion of the majority is "that the sea level canal can be realized in 10 or 12 years at a cost not exceeding \$60,000,-000 above that required by the con-

AIDS TO PACIFIC NAVIGATION.

and Signal Stations.

Washington, May 18 .- The house priation of something in excess of \$1.

300,000. Among the provisions are:

\$60,000. Light station and range lights at Honolulu harbor, \$40,000. Fog signal at entrance to harbor at

Humboldt, California, \$15,000, Lightkeeper's dwelling at Cape Mendocino, Cal., \$5,500.

Light and fog signal station near Point Cabrillo, California, \$5,000. Light vessel for use off the mouth of

the Columbia river, Oregon, \$130,000. Lightkeeper's dwelling at Robinson Point, Washington, \$5,000.

Fog signal at Ediz Hook light staion, State of Washington, \$10,000. New tender for inspection service in the 13th lighthouse district, \$110,000, of \$40,000 for the repair of the tender

Rebuilding of Stanford.

San Francisco, May 18 .- Stanford University will be reconstructed at Washington, May 19. - The world's once, and by next September every international commerce will aggrerate building necessary to the work of the college will be in perfect condition. The work has already commenced, and ment of Commerce and Labor. By the there is plenty of money on hand to assure the trustees that the repairs may the imports plus the exports of all sire. The structures will be rendered countries of the world from which sta- earthquake proof. Three experts have tietical trade reports are available. been appointed, and their report will The figures given indicate that the be the basis for whatever changes are

Withdraw Troops June 1.

Washington, May 18 .- General Greewas made in the local foundry. ley has reported to the War Depart-Washington, May 19 .- Paul Samuel ment from San Francisco under date of of Madison, Wis., has been last night that the reported killing of a in place of James S. Harlan, who has rect. General Greeley adds that he has strike has been made at the Goldbug been obliged to decline the place owing notified the citizens' committee and the mine, in the Red Boy district, on north an secident to his knee. Paul Red Cross that the troops will be drawn drift, vein No. 5. The pay streak is pound; ordinary, 5@6c; lambs, with the government shall have all the coal Reinsch is professor of political science from San Francisco not later than eight to ten inches thick. One assay pelt on, Sc. June 1.

OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

OFFICIAL BALLOT.

Up by Secretary of State.

Salem - Secretary of State Dunbar has issued his certificate of the Republican and Democratic primary nominations the nominations of the Socialists and Prohibitionists and the arrangement of the names on the official ballot. The state senatorial and congression-

al ticket is as follows: Governor-I. H. Amos, Multnomah county, Prohibition; C. W. Barsee, lain, Multnomah, Democratic; James

Secretary of State-Frank W. Benson, Douglas, Republican; R. C. It is maintained that the dam at Brown, Douglas, Socialist; T. S. Mc-Gamboa proposed by the majority of Daniel, Multnomah, Prohibition; P.

> State Treasurer-Leslie Butler, Wasco, Prohibition; G. R. Cook, Multnomah, Socialist; J. D. Matlock, Lane, Democratic; George A. Steel, Clackamas, Republican.

> Supreme Judge-C. J. Bright, Sherman, Prohibition; Robert Eakin, Union, Republican; T. G. Hailey, Umatilla, Democratic; Marcus W. Robbins, Josephine, Socialist.

> Attorney-General-C. C. Brix, Crook, Socialist; A. M. Crawford, Douglas, Republican; Robert A. Miller, Multnomah, Democratic; F. B. Rutherford, Multnomah, Prohibition.

> Superintendent of Public Instruction J. H. Ackerman, Multnomah, Republican; J. E. Hoemer, Multnomah, Socialist: Henry Sheak, Benton, Prohibition.

> State Printer-J. C. Cooper, Yamhill, Socialist; Willis S. Duniway, Multnomah, Republican; Alvin S. Scott Taylor, Klamath, Democratic.

> Commissioner of Labor Statistics and Inspector of Factories and Workshops -O. P. Hoff, Multnomah, Republican; W. S. Richards, Linn, Socialist.

United States Senator (to fill vacuncy)-Hiram Gould, Yambill, Probibition; Fred W. Mulkey, Multnomah, Republican; J. D. Stevens, Multnomah, Socialist.

United States Senator (term beginning March 4, 1907)-Jonathan Bourne Jr., Multnomah, Republican; John M. Gearin, Multnomah, Democratic; B. Lee Paget, Multnomah, Prohibition; A. G. Simola, Multnomah, Socialist.

Galloway, Yambill, Democratic; Edward F. Green, Benton, Prohibition; Willis C. Hawley, Marion, Republican; W. W. Myers, Clacksmas, Socialist. Congressman, Second District-W. R. Ellis, Umatilla, Republican; James Harvey Graham, Baker, Demorcatia; A. M. Paul, Union, Socialist; H. W.

Stone, Multnomah, Prohibition.

Congressman, First District-Charles

Spring Produces Clams. Albany-Water from a spring flowing from a solid sandstone hill, three miles committee on interstate and foreign northeast of Lebanon, produces fresh commerce today authorized a favorable water clams. Though there are no report on an omnibus bill carrying be- clams in the spring, and, so far as tween 20 and 25 projects as "aids to known, none that its water could come navigation" and anthorising an appro- in contact with in any way, yet the water, when poured into a trough, produces clams, which grow to ordinary Light station at Makapuu Point, Is- size. Water flows from solid rock land of Oahu, Territory of Hawaii, through an iron pipe, about 45 yards. into a watering trough. In this trough the clams develop. The trough has been frequently cleaned, but fresh water clams always developed in it again.

Indians Want to Work.

part of the labor in constructing the Klamath project of the United States reclamation service will be performed by the Indians of the Klamath reservation, who are said to be faithful workmen. It is understood the question has been taken up with the Indian bureau through the proper channels and that from 100 to 250 descendants of the braves who fought on the battlefields of the lava beds in the famous Modoe war will work in digging the

Flooded With Paper Money.

Oregon City - Oregon City is being flooded with paper currency in consequence of a suspension of the mint at San Francisco by reason of the earthquake and subsequent conflagration. Local banks have received their gold ries, 8c per pound. and silver largely from the San Francisco mint, and have always been plentifully supplied beretofore.

Entire Sawmill Made in Albany. Albany - The Albany Iron Works has just completed a complete sawmill | 90c per box; parsley, 25c; turnipe, \$1 outfit and shipped it to Medford, where it will be erected and placed in operation immediately. All the machinery from the largest to the smallest piece

Rich Strike in the Goldbug.

Sumpter-The Blue Mountain American says: "Another wonderfully rich gives \$300 to \$1,900 a ton."

INITIATIVE MEASURES.

Will Pass at June Election.

Salem-There are 11 measures upon in June, five of which are proposed amendments to the state constitution. The remaining six are legislative measnres proposed by initiative. Their ti-

Shall act appropriating money maintaining insane asylum, penitentiary, deaf mute, blind school, university, agricultural college and normal schools

be approved? For equal suffrage constitutional amendment.

For amendment to the local option law giving anti-Porhibitionists equal privilege.

Hood and Barlow road and providing for its ownership by the state. For constitutional amendment pro-

and applying the referendum to all at once with the intention of having laws affecting constitutional conventions and amendments. For constitutional amendment giving

cities and towns exclusive power to enact and amend their charters. For constitutional amendment to al-

printer's compensation to be regulated by law at any time. For constitutional amendment for the initiative and referendum on local,

special and municipal laws and parts of laws. For bill for a law prohibiting free

passes and discrimination by railroad companies and other public service corporations. For an act requiring sleeping car

companies, refrigerator car companies and oil companies to pay an annual license upon gross earnings.

For an act requiring express companies, telegraph companies and telephone companies to pay an annual license upon gross earnings.

Mammoth Canal at Klamath Falls. Bend- Mason, Doris & Co. have the contract for construction of a big canal at Klamath Falls. The amount involved is about \$400,000, and something like 700,000 yards of dirt will be excavated. The contract includes much the Chinese government, vised by concrete work and a tunnel 3,300 feet long, which will pass under the town of Klamath Falls. Seventy-five teams and about 300 men have been engaged. The contract calls for a trench nine whereas in April, 1906, 19 arrived, miles long, 44 feet wide on the bottom and 75 feet at the top and 13 feet deep. The in-take is at Upper Klamath lake.

Hop Farm Is Incorporated.

Salem-The Molson Hop Farm comorporation whose articles have been entitled. filed in the secretary of state's office, with Albert J. Ray, Clifton N. Mc Arthur and Earl C. Bronaugh as incorporators. The principal office is in Portland and the capital stock is \$50,-000, in shares of \$100 each.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat-Club, 72c; bluestem, 73c; red, 70c; valley, 70c. Oats-No. 1 white feed, \$29; grav. \$28.50 per ton.

Barley - Feed, \$23.50@24 per ton;

rewing, \$24@24.50; rolled, \$24.50@ Hay-Valley timothy, No. 1, \$12@

3 per ton; clover, \$7.50@8; chest, Klamath Falls-It is probable that a \$6@7; grain hay, \$7@8; alfalfa, \$13. Butter-Fancy creamery, 1714@20c. Eggs-Oregon ranch, 19e per dozen.

per pound; mixed chickens, 13 to 0814c; profess, 20@225c; young roosters, 2 % @13c; old roosters, 11@12 %c; dressed chickens, 16@16%c; turkeys, ive, 15@18c; turkeys, dressed, choice, 0@23c; geese, live, 10@11c; geese, 7c, young 20c.

Hops-Oregon, 1905, 1136@1236c. Wool-Eastern Oregon average best, 16@21c; valley, coarse, 22@23c; fine, 24@25c per pound; mohair, choice, 28

Fruits-Apples, \$2.50@3.50 per box; herries, \$1.25@1.50 per box; strawberries, California, \$1.25@1.50; Oregon, 10c per pound; gooseber-

Vegetables - Asparagus, 75c@\$1.25 box; beans, 10c; cabbage. \$1.75@2 per 100; cauliflower, \$2.25 per crate; celery, \$5 per crate; head lettuce, 25c per dozen; onions, 10@15c per dozen; peas, 5@6c; radishes, 15c a dozen; rhubarb, Sc pound; spinach, @1.25 per sack; carrots, 65@75c per eack; beets, 85c@\$1 per sack.

Onions-4c per pound. Potatoes - Fancy graded Burbanks, 60@65c per hundred; ordinary, nominal; new California, 214@216c per bound.

Veal-Dressed, 31/4@61/4c per pound. Beef-Dressed bulls, Sc per pound; ows, 416 @516c; country steers, 5@6c. Mutton-Dressed fancy, 7@8c per

Pork-Dressed, 7@9e per pour d.

DELAYS RELIEF MEASURES.

House Decides to Wait for Further News From San Francisco.

Washington, May 16 .- After hearing Secretary Talt and Supervising Archi- Congress May Legislate Land Retect Taylor, the emergency sub-committee of the house committee on approin favor of a sea level type is apparent Ticket To Be Voted On in June Made Questions on Which Oregon Voters printions today decided to delay action regarding the \$500,000 asked for by the president for San Francisco and the which the people will be called to vote \$656,000 asked for to repair the federal buildings damaged by the recent earthquake in California.

As to the emergency fund, Mr. Taft tle and order on the ballot, which are explained that he would be able in a to be voted "yes" or "no," foilow: week or ten days to submit a detailed estimate which would probably cover everything which would be needed for relief purposes. He was unable to state what that amount would be.

The estimate regarding the building was a preliminary recommendation made by telegraph on a cursory examination of the damage done to the build-For law to abolish tolls on the Mount ings in question. These buildings are in such shape that they are being used and the Treasury department is re- form is justified and much to be deviding method of amending constitution quested to have detailed estimates made sired. the amount carried in the general deficiency bill, which will be taken up by

the committee in two weeks or more. Mr. Taft informed the committee that there would continue to be a conlow the state printing, binding and siderable expenditure for relief purposes for some time to come.

MORE CHINESE ADMITTED.

Increasing Number Come as Members of Exempt Classes.

Washington, May 16 .- The bureau of immigration today issued a statement regarding the disposition of Chinese seeking admission to the United States, covering the month of April, 1906, as compared with April, 1905. The statement shows that out of a total of 100 arriving in April, 1905, 86 were admitted and 14 deported. A large increase of arrivals in April, 1906, is noted, 241 having landed in this country, 13 of whom were deported.

A significant feature of the statement is the number of Chinese arriving in this country on certificates issued by United States consular officers. April, 1905, 12 such reached these shores, only one of whom was deported, none of whom was deported. This showing, it was explained at the bureau of immigration, is a refutation of the charge which it is said repeatedly has been made that certain classes of Chiness were not being accorded that libpany, of Rickreal, Or., is the title of a erality of treatment to which they were

PETS OF THE RAILROADS.

Some Coal Companies Get More Than Their Share of Cars.

tending to show favoritism by railroad ed States Realty and Improve companies in the distribution of coal Company, today conferred with Frankcars was elicited today when the Interstate Commerce commission resumed relief committee, upon means to be its investigation into the alleged rail- supplayed to remove from the minds of road discrimination.

Shortly before the close of the afternoon session George W. Clark, a car distributer employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad company at Altoona, Pa., admitted that he had received orcare to the Berwind-White Coal com-

Arthur Hale, superintendent of transportation of the Baltimore & Ohio Rail road, was on the stand the greater part of the day. Through him it was freezed, old 10c, young 12c; ducks, old brought out that the Merchants' Coal company had frequently received many cars in excess of their percentage allotment, while various smaller companies suffered a shortage.

Limit to Skyscraping.

San Francisco, May 16 .- At a meeting of the joint committee on building laws with the various sub-committees it was definitely decided to recommend the following ordinances: On streets 100 feet wide or over, the height of buildings facing thereon shall be unlimited. On streets 80 feet wide or width of the street upon which the building faces.

Develope Philippine Coal Mine. Washington, May 16. - The house ommittee on insular affairs today presented a favorable report on a bill for the leasing of the military recervation on the Island of Bataan one of the Philippine group, for coal mining purcoses. The requirement is made that creater than the cost of mining.

CUTS OFF SALARIES

ceivers Out of Office.

WOULD MAKE NO APPROPRIATION

House Committee on Appropriations Cuts Out Amount for Officials Whose Terms Expire Soon.

Washington, May 17. - The house ommittee on appropriations will not make provision in the sundry civil bill or the salaries of land office receivers whose terms expire during the present. year. The public lands committee has refused to report a bill abolishing the office of land receiver, notwithstanding the recommendations of the president and general land office, but the appropriations committee believes this re-

However, the appropriation committee has not jurisdiction over this general subject, and can only act as outlined, to cut off the salaries of those receivers whose terms are about to expire.

Under this change, Miss Anna M. Lang, receiver at The Dalles, the only woman land officer in the West, will be legislated out of office unless the senate should restore this appropriation, but no other Oreogn official would be affected this year.

In Washington, Receivers L. B. Andrews at Seattle and A. J. Cook at Vancouver would lose their office after July 1, along with Edward E. Garrett at Boise, Charles G. Garby, Lewiston; William A. Hodgman Halley; Charles G. Warner, Coeur d'Alene and George A. Robethan, Blackfoot, Idaho, and P. M. Mullen, Juneau, Alaska.

It is expected that the senate will restore this appropriation to the sondry civil bill, but, if it should not, the officers named, with many others, will be dropped on June 30 next.

CAPITAL TO REBUILD CITY.

Company to Loan \$100,000,000 To Be Organized This Week.

New York, May 17 .- The Herald today says: One hundred million dollars is to be the capitalization of the new mortgage loan corporation which is to be organized here to advance money for the rebuilding of San Francisco. The promoters of the enterprise at first argued that \$10,000,000 capitalisation would provide an ample vehicle for handling hundreds of millions of investments, but it was found that San Francisco favors a much larger capitalization, giving opportunity for investment by the Pacific Coast. Hence it is now considered best to capitalize for \$100,000,000, with paid in subscriptions reaching \$10,000,000 cash.

E. H. Harriman, president of the Southern Pacific; Frank A. Vanderlip, vice president of the National City Bank: Senator Newlands of Nevada Philadelphia, May 16 .- Testimony and H. S. Black, president of the Unitlin K. Lane and Thomas Magee, both of San Francisco, and members of the investors in the East the fear that the complicated mortgage laws of California will inflict double taxation upon owners of mortgages in San Francisco.

FAVORS SEA LEVEL CANAL.

Poultry-Average old hens, 14@15c ders to make special assignments of Senate Committee Votes, Carmach Having Broken Deadlock.

Washington, May 17 .- The senate ommittee on interoceanic canals voted today in favor of constructing a sealevel canal. Senator Carmack's return from Tennessee broke the deadlock which occurred at a former meeting.

The vote today was had on a resolution presented by Senator Kittredge, declaring it to be the sense of the committee that the construction of a sealevel canal be recommended. On motion the affirmative votes were: Messrs. Platt, Kittredge, Ankeny, Morgan, Carmack and Taliaferro. Chairman Millard voted in the negative.

Pay What They Legally Owe.

San Francisco, May 17 .- The insurance companies will settle their losses in their own way, each company acting over, the height of buildings shall be for itself, according to the contracts limited to 200 feet. On streets less embodied in its policies, and the Fire than 80 feet wide, the height of build. Underwriters' Adjusting Bureau will ings is to be one and one-half times the make no attempt to dictate a general policy or lay down uniform rules for the companies to observe in the settlement of claims. The adjustment bureau is merely to act as a board of appraisers in dealing with claims and only report on losses sustained, leaving settlement to the respective companies.

Relief Fund Feeds 164,000.

Washington, May 17 .- Dr. Edward T. Devine, Red Cross representative in San Francisco, reports that requisitions it desires at a price to be 10 per cent for supplies have been reduced to 104, 000 a day.