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TWO REPUBLICAN CONVENTIONS IS THE SITUATION AT ABERDEEN

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Progressives Have More Uncontested Delegates and More Counties Than the Standpatters, and Every County Except Skagit is Represented in Their Convention--Standpatters Have No Representation From Ten Counties--No Compromise Will Be Made, and as a Result Two Delegations Will Go to National Convention.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
Aberdeen, Wash., May 15.—Republican delegates chosen by the counties of this state are today holding two state conventions here, one for Taft and the other for Roosevelt.
Decision to hold a separate convention by the Roosevelt "steering" committee, and the Roosevelt delegates are meeting in the Knights of Pythias hall. The Roosevelt contingent has both more uncontested delegates and more counties represented than the Taft convention. Together with the contested delegates the progressives are represented in every county except Skagit. The standpatters have no representation whatever in 10 counties notwithstanding the action of the state central committee in unseating the King county primary delegates seating Taft delegates in practically every contested county.
Senator Hammer, of Skagit, and E. Robertson, Taft men, this morning made a tentative proposal, giving the progressives 10 of the 14 national delegates. The matter is now being discussed by the Roosevelt caucus. The feeling is general that they will accept no compromise.
Senator Falconer, of Everett, probably will be the chairman of the Roosevelt convention.
Uniformed policemen and special guards were stationed in front of the Grand theatre, where the Taft convention is in session.
The Taft convention opened at 10:20 this morning in the Grand theater, with no representation from

Spokane, Benton, Pierce, Adams, Snohomish, Columbia, Garfield, Kittitas and Stevens counties.
Franklin county's five LaFollette delegates withdrew because the convention was not representative. The roll was not called. Thomas F. Fisk, of Mason county, was elected temporary chairman and W. T. Laube, of Seattle, secretary, according to pre-arranged slate.
No one was admitted to either floor or balcony without cards previously issued by E. B. Benn. Consequently the gallery was only half filled.
The delegates cheered C. E. Claypool, Olympia, when he said: "I would rather go down to defeat with Taft than share a victory with a political buccaneer steering a pirate ship."
The convention broke all precedents by naming only nine members each of the committee on credentials, platform and rules, instead of 39 on a basis of one for each county.
At 10:20 the Roosevelt convention was called to order by Secretary E. C. Snyder, of the state central committee. Mayor Dilling and Thomas Murphree, of Seattle, had previously left the hall to confer on a tentative compromise proposal of the Taft men submitted early this morning, and returned with the information that the Taft convention was being held in spite of the agreement to wait until 1 o'clock.
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Flood Still Rampant

New Orleans, May 15.—Sixty thousand persons are endangered by a break in the Mississippi river levee on the west bank, 25 miles north of here. The break is 200 feet wide, and affects 10 square miles of territory.
The same spot was the scene of the worst break of the 1903 floods.

FIRES ARE RAGING ON THE SOUND

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FOUR MEN BURN TO DEATH
Pacific National Mill Burned This Morning—Logging Crews From All the Mills Are Fighting Fires, and the Fire Association This Morning Sent a Crew of 250 Men to Help Get Blazes Under Control.

Seattle, Wash., May 15.—Four men are dead, it was ascertained when Inspector Dave Russell of the Washington forest fire protective association phoned to the local offices of the association this morning that the men succumbed in the flames at Dempsey camp near Birds View, Skagit county. The fire is said to be under control in that district and that the damage is not as heavy as reported, the green timber having withstood the flames, and allowed the slashings to burn.
Several farm houses have been destroyed, and the people have sought refuge beyond the fire lines. Nineteen families have been rendered homeless in Dempsey's camp. Nearly all the equipment, and several camp houses and offices have been destroyed.
Along the line of the Tacoma and Eastern railway which taps the region of the present forest fires, the entire district is burned out, and the old logging works in the district have been destroyed. Logging crews of all the mills are fighting the fires and little headway is obtainable as the whole country around is enveloped in a thick smoke rendering progress impossible. The Pacific National mill was burned this morning. The mill however, caught fire from the sparks of its own burner. Several cars were burned near the mill.
In Skyhomish and Skagit counties a heavy fire is still raging in the vicinity of the English-Dempsey logging camps, the fire starting at the foot of the hill and eating its way up to the top, burning the camps in its path.
The Washington Forest Fire Protective association began the work of organizing fire crews this morning, and already over 250 men have been sent to the scene. Inspector Russell is keeping the local men in touch with the situation. At present only meager details are obtainable owing to the impenetrable condition of the district. The names of the dead men have not been reported.

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King Christian Now.
Copenhagen May 15.—King Christian was proclaimed here today on receipt of news of his father's death in Hamburg.

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ARRANGE DETAILS OF FRANCHISE

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE MEETS REPRESENTATIVE OF P. E. & E. AND FIX THE BASIS ON WHICH FRANCHISE WILL BE GRANTED.
A meeting of the ordinance committee and street committee of the city council was held last night in consultation with F. W. Waters, representative of the Portland, Eugene & Eastern Railroad company, for the purpose of adjusting matters relative to the proposed franchise, asked by that company, and which is now before the city council. The entire franchise was gone over and discussed from every point of view. The matter of compensation was the principal one, it being held that the city council would not be justified in granting a franchise without being suitably recompensed. After considerable discussion on this point it was decided that, in addition to the tax of \$15 a year per car operated, that the railroad company should be required to furnish part of the material for the bridges, so it was accordingly agreed that the railroad company should contribute \$8000 toward building the bridges at Summer street over North Mill creek, at Center and Fourteenth streets over North Mill creek and on Seventeenth street near Chemeketa street. The question of what line should be used for through trains from Eugene and points south of Salem, when the road is completed, was also discussed, and it was decided that freight trains might come into the city along South Commercial and North Commercial streets, but between Trade and "D" streets Front street should be used. It was decided that the street car company should pave the streets where tracks were taken up, especially where a street is now paved. All points of differences between the committee and the representative of the railroad company will be taken under advisement by the railroad people, and, when settled, a new ordinance will be drafted to contain all the provisions agreed on in the conference last night the spirit manifest last night was to have the substitute ordinance ready for the council meeting next Monday night.

SAILORS AND COMPANY SETTLE THEIR TROUBLES
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Southampton, Eng., May 15.—The sailing of the White Star liner Olympic for New York today marked the close of differences which have existed for some time between the company and its stokers and firemen. The Olympic was unable to sail recently on her regular trip because of a strike of firemen and stokers, the men claiming that the vessel, which is a sister ship of the lost Titanic, was not provided with sufficient and seaworthy lifeboats.
The latest thing in larceny is reported from Pendleton. Near there some one stole a hand of sheep, shared them, and returned them, minus the wool, to their owner.
Eleven marriage licenses issued at Bandon last week.

Minneapolis, May 15.—Delegates to the quadrennial general conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, in session here, quit wrangling long enough today over the report on Episcopacy for the conference to send a message of condolence to the Danish premier on the death of King Frederick.
Bishops Warren, Moore and Neely were retired today by the conference. The vote stood, for the retirement of Bishop Warren 449, Moore 524, Neely 469.
Bishops Warren and Moore did not oppose their retirement.

A vast amount of railroad material is being shipped into Vale.
Lakeview is experimenting with the growing of sugar beets.

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