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CITY NEWS IN BRIEF

Monday is May day.
Back door will go up to morrow.
The Olympia School Board will meet Monday.
An infant boy of Richard Bonn died Tuesday night.
The daily weather has retarded the growth of garden products.
Patrick Kelly left yesterday for St. Joseph, Mo., to make it his home.
A girl baby has appeared in the family of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Austin.
C. C. Harley, a vagrant, was sent out of town by the police authorities Tuesday.
S. G. Cosgrove, of Pomeroy, has been appointed a Regent of the State University, at Seattle.
The next meeting of the horticultural society will be held in this city on Saturday, May 13th.
Joe Kirkendall, who has been a clerk in Lansdale's grocery store, has gone to Seattle to reside.
Capt. Howard was over from the Soldiers' Home at Orting, this week, to visit his many friends.
The Board of Control are about to let a contract for a \$10,000 hospital at the Soldiers' Home, Orting.
That poor old lady "Charley's Aunt" is again perambulating the stage. She should be retired on a pension.
Ida Alice Schinke has sold to Mrs. Eva Wilson the north half of the northeast quarter of sec. 30, tp. 19, for the sum of \$500.
Olympia women will "do the honors" at the Washington Building, Lewis and Clark Fair, from August 13th to the 19th inclusive.
The first annual election of the Thurston County Fruit Grower's Association will be held at the courthouse, to-morrow at 1 p. m.
C. R. Peterson has bought of D. N. Conrad, of Licking, Ohio, a lot 65 by 310 feet in size, fronting on Budd's Inlet in Bigelow addition, for \$750.
Mrs. Ida B. Smith has bought through Administrator A. J. Falkner of the estate of Aaron Hartsock, lot 2 of block 63 Sylvester plat, paying \$900 for it.
Reuben A. Crowley appears, from the public records, to have purchased lots 3 and 6, in block 6, of Horton's addition, for \$150, from J. T. and Maud Crowley.
Gov. Mead, accompanied by a party of friends, will visit Sand Island, on the Columbia, to make personal examination of the bounds in dispute between this State and Oregon.
J. T. Collins, a crook of pronounced individuality, was arrested Tuesday night, by detective Bennett and Officer McNeil, who had "jumped" the chain gang at Tacoma a few days ago.
Rufus Buckner, aged 17 years, died at the home of his parents on Langridge street, Tuesday morning, of consumption. The funeral service was held, Wednesday, by Rev. W. S. Crockett.
Paroles were granted this week by Gov. Mead to J. W. Walters, Jr., of Kittitas county, serving a term in the penitentiary for obtaining money under false pretenses, and Joe Hader convicted of forgery.
Daniel Bagley died in Seattle yesterday morning. He was 87 years old. His son Clarence, aged 87. He was probably the best known clergyman in the State and commanded the respect of all who knew him.
Lusher, the desperado held for criminal assault, has materially weakened his defense by proof that quite a number of his assertions are untrue. Legal practice has established the axiom "False in part, false in all."
The following people left this week for the East to remain at the several points of destination: Mr. and Mrs. L. Hartman go to Toledo, Ohio; Edgar Jevins to Wakefield, Kansas, and W. E. Mund to Pendleton, Oregon.
Gov. Mead has offered a reward of \$500 for apprehension of the murderer of F. L. Dames, at Bellingham, on the 11th inst. That city and Whatcom county have likewise offered rewards of like amount, making a total of \$1,500.
The local lodge of Odd Fellows intend to hold a bond training celebration next month, at which the last evidence of indebtedness incurred in building their fine hall building will be cremated with appropriate ceremonies.
Delphi's population was increased last Saturday by the arrival of a cute little boy at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Michael J. Neylon, and it is safe to say, knowing the "Colonel" as we do, that the youngster will be, in time to come, a good and true Democrat.
So positive are the officers of the law of the guilt of L. L. Lusher, the man held for assault upon Mrs. Northcraft, at Bucoda, a few days ago, that they have placed shackles upon him, to prevent escape during the period of placement at the hospital.
President Streets of the Chamber of Commerce, has been authorized by that body to appoint a committee of nine citizens to call a public meeting to decide upon a harbor improvement and to invite Major Mills, the U. S. engineer, in charge of harbor matters on Puget Sound to be present for instruction and consultation.
Petitioners ask the pardon by Gov. Mead, of R. L. Bogardus, convicted at Spokane, of embezzlement of \$1,000, while Secretary of the Spokane Building and Loan Association. These friends allege that the crime was merely a technical one, that the money had been deposited in the treasury of the society but not entered on the books. Upon such a showing, how could he have been convicted in a court of justice?

Checks for \$2,983.50 and \$915 were turned over to Gov. Mead by his predecessor, this week, that have been held in trust for unclaimed money sent by the United States to pay the Washington Volunteers for services at Camp Rogers while a training camp at the Philippines, and the smaller sum the unpaid balance of the fund for rejected applicants for service.
Gov. Mead Tuesday granted four pardons of malefactors serving terms in jail and penitentiary. They were: E. F. Foy, Seattle, serving six months in King county jail, for obtaining money under false pretenses; Henry Bunting, Whitman county, criminal assault; C. V. Vrooman, Whatcom county, forgery, and Hans Johnson, Spokane, receiving stolen property.
The County Commissioners have appropriated \$600 towards bulkheading the Chehalis river at a point between Rochester and Independence, where the river is cutting away the meadows and causing a bar and the existing water works, which it will create still further damage. The farmers along the river agree to furnish the labor and other requirements to complete the work in good style.
Gov. Mead has appointed Harry Fairchild, of Bellingham, Railroad Commissioner; L. Davis, of Davenport, Dairy and Food Commissioner; and Charles E. Shephard, of Everett, and Ira P. Englehart, of North Yakima, Commissioners for promotion of uniform legislation in the United States. Sam C. Hyde will probably be Commandant of the Soldiers' Home at Orting, and N. L. Grigg, of East Sound, may be appointed Adjutant.
Mrs. Maud Fanchier, aged 19, wife of Bert Fanchier, died Wednesday evening of cancer of the stomach. Deceased was the daughter of the late Joseph Gale, the oysterman. She inherited property to the amount of \$30,000 in oyster lands, which will go to her 11 months old baby. The funeral will be held to-morrow at 2 p. m., from the Fanchier residence, Rev. W. S. Crockett conducting the services. Interment will be made in Masonic cemetery.
Two fire alarms in one day is an unusual thing for our town, but it was the experience of Tuesday. One was sounded from Box 25 on Eastside, and was caused by flames on the roof of George Talcott's home. It was extinguished before the firemen could reach the place, it being nearly half a mile distant, but they were there in good time. The other alarm was by telephone and caused by burning soot in the chimney of the residence of Robert Swan on Westside.
A crank has written a letter from the bastille at Fort Steilacoom to Gov. Mead, in which he represents that he is a British subject, unlawfully restrained of his liberty, and that if he is not immediately released and provided with board, lodging and pocket money, at Spokane, he will let the dogs of war loose upon our own State, and he does not believe there will be "an inch of it left" after the ordeal. He signs himself "Kenneth Harrington Bellare," which sounds toney if its writer does make a vicious stab at the rules of orthography in writing it.
The Olympian gives a list of houses to be built for homes this season, under contract of the Olympia Manufacturing and Building Co., as follows: A residence for State Auditor Clausen, on Franklin and Fifteenth; one for Mrs. Alvin Cottrell, on Main and Eighteenth, a cottage for Mrs. P. A. Skillman on Twenty-first and Main; a residence for Mrs. James Fell on Nineteenth and Main; a Westside cottage for Miss Elizabeth Mass, and a residence for Wm. Nauman on Tumwater. The average cost of these buildings will be from \$1,800 to \$2,000 each.
Adjutant General Drain has announced the holding of a camp of instruction for the Washington National Guard, at American Lake in July. Opposing militia and Department of the Columbia have been invited to join the Washington rifle team in a match. Eighteen will comprise each team, three of whom will be officers and three alternates. There will be no general armament of the W. N. G. this year, but it will be a camp for rifle instruction from July 10th to the 19th inclusive. The record of the instruction camp and ensuing rifle matches will be made partly as the basis for selecting the team of eighteen officers and men who will be taken to Sea Girt, N. J., from this State in August to participate in the national rifle match.
The representatives of a transmontane railroad by Cowitt pass made application to the Chamber of Commerce Wednesday night for consideration of a proposition to make the tidewater terminus on Budd's Inlet. They want terminal grounds donated and subscription for bonds bearing six per cent, to the amount of \$50,000. The proposed route taps coal beds said by the government in its inspection for marine purposes to be the best in the State, and a dense timber belt. It is claimed this route will shorten the distance at least 50 miles to the North Yakima and this city. The Chamber and other members of the Chamber discussed the matter with the gentlemen, Messrs. Taylor and Holmes, yesterday. The road is known as the Puget Sound Eastern, and it is claimed that the Washington Trust Co., of Seattle, will finance the enterprise.
On the farm on which she was born 63 years ago, at Nisqually, Mrs. David E. Hartman, one of the best known pioneer residents of the county, died last Sunday afternoon, at 5 o'clock. She had been ill for several weeks, death being due to a form of dropsy. Mrs. Hartman was the daughter of James McAllister, a member of the Michael Simmons party who founded the town of Tumwater. Mr. McAllister crossed the plains with an ox team in 1844, and not a great while after reaching Puget Sound settled on a donation claim at Nisqually. McAllister creek and springs bear his name. Deceased was the mother of six children, three daughters and three sons, all of whom, but one who resides in Spokane, were present at her death. The father was killed in the Indian war, near Puyallup, having enlisted as a volunteer. Deceased was public spirited and possessed considerable literary talent, having taken the premium of two tickets to the Chicago Fair, awarded by the Ledger, for the best story on frontier life. One of her brothers, since deceased, was said to have been the first white child born on Puget Sound. The funeral rites were held in the Presbyterian Church, Wednesday, at 1 p. m., Rev. R. M. Hayes officiating. The request has been made by the family that there be extended the many friends for aid and sympathy in their deep affliction.

The "liners" have another serious complaint against service at the postoffice delivery windows as of the conduct of that obliging individual and comports for the whole neighborhood. The present complaint is that announcement is made that the windows will be opened at a certain hour and then keep an expectant crowd waiting from twenty minutes to half an hour before service begins, while the clerks keep up a banging of doors, or a closing of drawers within the sacred precincts of the mailroom, doubtless to convince the patrons that "something is doing" within. Last Sunday people waited twenty minutes, about half a hundred of them, which on any other day but the Sabbath would be, based on a salary basis, a clear loss of 16 hours, or over two salary days, which at \$80 per month means a loss of over \$5 to the public, and if we can cut holiday and vacation, allowed postal employees the basis of computation becomes much larger. Why not bulletin the exact hour when delivery will begin and place it at one when a reasonable time for assorting the mail may be allowed? If the public is to pay any attention to the official announcement still on the delivery window, he may go at 2:30 p. m., the time adopted during the winter, which was changed to 3 o'clock several months ago.
HAS GOT A MOVE ON.
IS CONSIDERING THE MATTER OF RAILROAD LEGISLATION
Asks Some Pertinent Questions of the Department of Justice That Have Already Been Affirmatively Answered by Former Attorney General Knox—The Committee Seem to Regard Their Duty From a Garfield Point of View—Chairman Elkins Favors "Bill" Measures—New Foundland Threatens Our Fishermen.
(From our regular correspondent.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., April 20.
The Senate committee on Interstate Commerce has gotten to work and is holding daily hearings on the subject of railway rate legislation. As a starter Senator Elkins, chairman of the committee, invited nearly fifty railway men to appear before the committee and testify as to why the Government should not attempt to fix railway rates. When the railroad men have concluded their testimony "such others as may desire" will be at liberty to testify. To the unprejudiced observer it will appear as if the committee was more anxious to hear the railway men than the opposition. Of course the railway men who come to Washington will have all their expenses paid by their companies and their salaries will go on just the same, while the shipper or other opponent of the present system must come here at his own expense, often leaving his business to suffer in the meantime.
Senator Elkins has also appealed to the Department of Justice for opinions on two questions as follows: first, Can Congress delegate to a commission the power to fix railway rates? second, can a federal commission allow differential rates between ports without conflicting with the ninth section of the constitution, which prohibits discrimination between the ports of the several States? The answer to these questions are not likely to meet with the approval of some of the members of Mr. Elkins' committee or with that of the railway men. Both questions have already been answered by high authorities on the subject. Senator Knox, former attorney General has assured your correspondent that Congress has the right to delegate its authority to fix railway rates to a commission, and Senator Spooner has informed your correspondent that there is nothing in the constitution of allowing railway differentials which conflicts with the section of the constitution referred to.
There is, unfortunately, an obvious disposition on the part of the Interstate Commerce committee to regard the current hearings as little short of a farce. While they are unwilling to be quoted on the subject they admit their belief that it is the intention of the chairman of the committee to conduct the hearing with the purpose of belounging the issue rather than with the hope of elucidating it. Moreover, they are convinced that the Chairman, with the assistance of several members of the committee, are desirous to report to the Senate at the earliest opportunity, a measure which will furnish just as little remedy for existing evils as the necessities of the situation compel, rather than a measure which will remedy existing evils to the full extent of the power of Congress.
There are some members of the committee who do believe that they believe to be the purpose of the chairman. These include all the Democrats, members and Senator Cullum and Deliviere. If they hold together they may be able to accomplish their aim but the chances are against them. It is asserted that Mr. Elkins believe that if his committee report to the Senate a "bill" of railway measure before the next House can effect its organization and pass a railway measure along the lines of the Townsend-Esch bill, for instance, he can hold the Senate to the programme proposed by its committee and thus prevent by enactment of drastic legislation. In this regard, however, there are some indications that Mr. Elkins is counting without his host. Their are a number of Republican Senators, not members of his committee, who are in their intention so amending any railway rate bill which may be reported as to make it adequate and effective in dealing with those grave evils to which the President called attention in his last message and on which he will dwell even more extensively in his first message to the next Congress.
Official announcement has been made that the Venezuelan affair, is for the present at least, a closed incident. The modes tried with Santo Domingo has been accepted and seems to be working without friction; the United States has refused to become involved in the Franco-German dispute regarding the open door in Morocco and now New Foundland has seized the opportunity to advance to the center of the stage and threaten American fishermen who may seek to ply their trade in New Foundland waters. Disappointed by the failure of the United States Senate to ratify the Hay-Bond reciprocity treaty, naturally disappointed perhaps Premier Bond has procured the passage through the upper house of the New Foundland legislature of retaliatory legislation which, according to the telegraph reports from St. Johns, violates the rights granted to the fishermen of this country by the treaty with Great Britain of 1818 and which is still in force. The dispatches relate that once the Bond bill becomes a law the New Foundland government will seize any American

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"Get up! Get up! Get up! What's the matter?" yelled a parrot as a nery burglar was ransacking a bureau-drawer in a room occupied by B. Allen, in Seattle. A few mornings ago, the parrot's calls finally awakened Allen, and he jumped up and screamed, "Police! Help! Police!" The burglar saw that things were getting too warm, and he jumped through a window and escaped.
The dance-hall question at Hoquiam is now a dead issue, as the owners closed them down last Saturday evening. Owing to the repeated arrests made, Mr. Getche found they could not make the business pay, so closed down the Hoquiam Hoquiam.
The Seattle Police Department has been afraid they might get pulled any minute and have to go before a court. This scared them, and the owners found all they had to stop.

WEST SEATTLE GETS A MOVE ON.—Seattle leads in everything. Last Monday the entire government of West Seattle was arrested by Judge Yaake for contempt of court in holding an election despite a restraining order of his court. The Mayor and Councilmen were arrested, taken to the ferry and thence over the bay to the court-house on Westside, where they were released on the assurance that they would not skeddadle before the time for appearance to answer. The ballot taken was to annex certain districts to the municipality, and is the result of a struggle between two street-car lines for patronage which promises great prospective value. The election was held and the result hastily brought to this city for filing with the Secretary of State by City Attorney De Wolfe. So far, it seems the plan has succeeded, unless the Judge carries a master key of the situation.
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A BRIGHT IDEA THAT WAS NOT A SUCCESS.—A barkeeper at Bellingham evolved the bright idea of robbing himself the other night, with the result that the final act of the comedy as it proved to be, reveals himself as standing behind prison bars with calcium turned full on. He took the money, over \$50, from the till and secreted it in his room, then called up the police and related a story of how two masked men (a tall one and a short one) held him up with pistols and rifled the till, departing with the usual injunction. The "barkeep," who sports the somewhat unwarranted name of Goodman, is a better thief than liar, and in his narrative crossed his statements so often as to lead to suspicion and a search of his room disclosed the money, tied up in a handkerchief. He afterwards confessed, but declared he was drunk.
GERMANY'S PROVERBIAL FRIENDSHIP.—Germany seems to be somewhat partial to European powers when notification is served on the United States of termination of existing tariff agreement next year, the day the new treaties go into effect. The intimation is given that while Germany is willing to make a new treaty, our government cannot reasonably expect to share in the privileges of the new reciprocity treaty given certain other powers for like concessions.

STRIKERS at San Juan, Porto Rico, have trampled the American flag under their feet in their riots. It is quite evident we have too much "colony."
THE trade unions of Spokane have declared war on the Portland Fair, and instructions have been given to refrain from aid or assistance in any way.
ODD FELLOWSHIP was eighty-six years old last Wednesday, and the event was celebrated by about 1,500,000 members throughout the world.
HARRIMAN has made a continuous excursion route over the Union Pacific, this summer, that will bring many people westward.
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