CHASESMUGGLERS WITH AIRSHIPS

What May Come if Baldwin Succeeds.

WINTHROP WATCHING TESTS

Men May Try to Dodge Tariff With Aeroplanes.

REVENUE OFFICERS TO FLY

Test of Army Airship Will Settle Question of Aerial Pursuit of Smugglers and Transportation Between Big Cities.

WASHINGTON, July 21 .- Although the United States has been slow to take up the balloon and aeroplane for Army pur poses, the probable future usefulneses of these serial craft in other directions is not being overlooked. The carrying out of a tentative plan, to connect several large Eastern cities by an aerial transportation line will depend largely on the suc cess of Captain Baldwin's flights in his dirigible balloon at the Fort Myer Army

One of the most interested spectators at the trials will be Beekman Winthrop. Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, who Is directly in charge of the customs service. At the present time the customs service depends upon the revenue cutter service to patrol the coast and to prevent smuggling of goods, but that the customs officials are giving consideration to the exigencies which may arise if aeroplanes become of value in the prevention of illegal importation of goods is evident by the interest they are taking in the Army

While the dirigible balloon has been perfected to the point where several ions can be carried for 12 hours, and possibly longer, it probably would be the swift aeroplane in which the smuggler would place reliance to clude aerial revenue cut-

Though the possibility of the use of aerial craft for such a purpose seems very remote, yet the condition may soon be an immediate one, and it is not with out significance that the Treasury officials are interested in the airship tests.

BALDWIN WILL FLY MONDAY

Ascension in Army Airship to Follow Present Storm.

WASHINGTON, July 31 .- Rushing the work of inflating his dirigible baltoon for the preliminary tests at Fort Myer Captain Thomas S. Baldwin expects to make his first ascension in his new airship Monday next, during the calm which he figures will follow the storm now coming up the coast in the direc tion of Washington. The work of manufacturing the gas was begun this morning and will be completed Sunday

The tent on the cavalry drill grounds which will house the airship during the official trial is being got ready, though Captain Baldwin does not like to keep his airship in a tent. Great difficulty will be experienced, however, in taking the balloon back to the balloon-house after each flight, so the tent will have to suffice.

The trial that Captain Baldwin will make Monday, if weather conditions are favorable, will be the first in this machine. The motor was tried out at Hammondsport, N. Y., but before the dirigible can be sent aloft a proper balance of the suspended frame must be secured. This will be done Sunday after the inflation of the bag is completed. Captain Baldwin is also trying out his plane and apparatus with which he will control the upward and downward movements of the snip.

In all of his 2000 ascensions, Captain Baldwin has used hydrogen gas, generated under his own supervision. brought his own hydrogen plant to Fort Myer. It consists of four large oaken casks in which a ton of iron filings is distributed. Water is then poured in and they are sealed up, an opening through which the sulphuric acid is poured only remaining. When the acid is poured in, the chemical action sends the hydrogen gas into a cask smaller than the others, into which a tream of water is constantly flowing. The water in this last cask washes or purifies the gas, which is then carried through rubber tubing into the balleon which has a capacity of nearly 20,000 cubic feet.

Woman Invents Acroplane.

NEW YORK, July 31 .- Miss E. L. Todd, once a stenographer in the patent office at Washington, and the first American woman sirship inventor, has announced that she has invented an aeroplane, the working model of which she hopes to exhibit at Brighton Beach tomorrow, when Henry Farman shows what his much larger flyer can do Miss Todd says her aeroplane is perfect so far as present knowledge of aeronautics in general is concerned.

Barge Works Burns.

BUFFALO, N. Y., July 31.—Fire at the plant of the E. F. Jones Steel Barge Company caused a loss of \$150,-

FIRE IS STARTED BY HEAT OF SUN

IMMENSE COAL PILE BURNS MORE WHEN WATERED.

Southern Pacific's 10,000 Tons at Sparks, Nev., Blazing Fiercely, Due to Hot Weather.

RENO, July 31 -- (Special.)-Ten thousand tons of coal lying in the bunkers at the Southern Pacific yards in Sparks became ignited today by the excessive heat, and all efforts to extinguish the ames with water only added to their

The continued warmth caused the



Timothy L. Woodruff, Chairman of Republican State Committee of New York,

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spontaneous combusion, and it is feared that, if the temperature is not lower to morrow, the pile supports of the elevated railroad leading to the bunkers will be surned off and the immense supply will become a total loss.

When the fire hose was played into the coal bins today the oxygen seemed to therease the burning. For five years in succession the railroad officials have been troubled by these fires, and until the bunkers are covered from the sun it is believed the flames will recur an-

FLOOD SWEEPS COUNTRY

Cloudburst Stops Communication and May Destroy Lives.

AZUSA, Cal., July 31.-Fifteen feet of water is sweeping down the big fork of the San Gabriel River, carrying trees and driftwood with it, as the result of a eloudburst in San Gabriel Canyon, All stages have been tied up and communistion with the camps

No reports of loss of life have been received, but a rescue party has been formed and will start for the mouth of he canyon to offer assistance, if it is

Oppressive Heat in California Bro-

ken by Thunder Storm. BAKERSFIELD, Cal., July 31.-The oppressive heat of the past few days was which was felt all over the country,

broken today by an electrical storm especially in the mountain districts. In four distinct spots in the San Emidio Mountains, south of here, lightning struck and started forest fires, which are as yet beyond control, despite the efforts of a small army of men.

In the Tehachapi Mountains a small cloudburst occurred, but no damage was done to property. The electric waves interrupted the service of the power comnanles throughout the afternoon. In Bakersfield rain fell for an hour or more.

Sultry Day in Los Angeles.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., July 31.-While the maximum temperature today was 91 degrees, which is the record for the season, the proportion of humidity in the atmosphere made this by far the most unprostrations were reported, but stormcharged clouds hung low over the city which have broken in the foothills and mountains today.

Sudden Storm Cools Riverside.

RIVERSIDE, Cal., July 31.-Riverside was visited by a thunderstorm shortly after noon today. The storm was accompanied by a high wind and a brisk shower which lowered the temperature 39 degrees in half an hour. Up to noon, today was the hottest of the season, the thermometers registering 105 in the shade.

GIRL VICTIM OF BRUTES gregating \$5.690,945. The record for each

Kidnaped and Returned Home Senseless and Almost Dead.

PITTSBURG, July 31.-Clara Konter, 18 years old, residing near Shousetown, left her home Monday afternoon to make some purchases in either Shousetown or Pittsburg. She failed to return, and a search was instituted without success. About midnight wheat shipments. The shipments of this Tuesday the girl's mother found her lying across her bed at the family iome, apparently in a dying condition. since worked with the young woman, but up to today she

had not regained consciousness.

One theory advanced is that the girl was kidnaped, being taken to one of the many camps in the vicinity, where she was drugged and forcibly detained tablished a new high record for that until Tuesday night, when she was commodity. During the month there were and esizibors were searching for her.

JULY BUSINESS IS GOOD IN PORTLAND

Summer Only Adds to Commercial Growth.

RECORDS BROKEN IN REALTY

Nine Sales of Inside Property Involve \$1,346,000.

GAINS ALSO IN BUILDING

Permits for Month Aggregate \$1, 038,360. While Export Trade Is Much Heavier Than Ever Before During July.

COMPARATIVE JULY FIGURES.

Portland's industrial and commercial growth knows no stopping. The open ing month of the "quiet" Summer season, universally complained of elsewhere, shows only increased activity here. Ante-election rumors that busi ness will be dull until the Presidential Even the pessimist finds himself without fuel for complaint when confronted with a review of trade conditions for the month that ended yesterday. These figures reveal, in many particulars, a healthy increase not only over the business of the corresponding month a year ago, but over that of any other month during the year.

The stability of this city commerthe active movement of real estate at good valuations. During the last six weeks nine pieces of business property, representing an aggregate consideration of \$1,346,000, have changed owners. In a majority of instances, the buildings now standing on the property will be replaced by substantial business blocks.

market an impetus, although there has circles for months. It is an unques tioned fact that the real estate market LIGHTNING FIRES FORESTS in this city never was more stable, values more positive or the outlook for a further brisk movement at the same satisfactory values more bright. These recent large deals have had the effect of even further strengthening an TODAY'S Fair; northwest winds. unfailing confidence in property values

and the city's future. During the 26 business days of July, the real estate transfers show the sale of property carrying considerations aggregating over \$1,600,000 or an average of over \$60,000 a day. These figures include only the actual considerations reported in the deeds so that the total could be increased by fully 20 per cent and not misrepresent the true market value of the land transferred. That would bring the total of the month's transfers practically to \$2,000,000. The largest individual deed included in these figures was that recording the purchase by Theodore B. Wilcox of the Yeon property, corner Seventh and Stark streets, for \$150,000.

Permits for 458 Buildings.

Building permits issued during July numbered 458 and represented improvements aggregating \$1,668,360. This was comfortable day of the Summer. No the record month for the year. For the same month in 1907 only 373 permits were issued for improvements amounting to and tonight there is mometary expecia- \$700,671. Included in last month's pertion of a heavy storm, similar to those mits were applications for eight foundations for business blocks. Of the eight, four are to be 10-story buildings. permits covered only the laying of the foundations the contractors deferring the matter of procuring permits for the superstructures until the initial work of constructing the foundation has been

An idea of the activity in building it this city is furnished by reference to the records in the office of Building Inspector Dobson. During the first seven months of this year building permits have been issued for improvements agnonth was as follows:

Construction Work by Months.

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Total	2951		\$5,090,94
For the month	just	ended a	u merens

of nearly 25 per cent is shown in exporcereal for the first month of the fiscal year 1908-9, including flour reduced to a wheat basis, reached a total of 312,615 bushels, as compared with 233,550 bushels

for the same month in 1907. High Mark in Foreign Trade.

Foreign lumber shipments for July es-

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LASSO A DEER IN **NEW YORK HARBOR**

PORTLAND, OREGON, SATURDAY, AUGUST 1, 1908.

CREW OF TUGBOAT GIVE WILD

Frightened Animal Bowls Over Policemen and Leads Citizens Lively Chase Through Streets.

NEW YORK, July 21 .- A deer chase n the down-town district gave the business center a novel entertainment today. The animal was caged for the game preserves of W. S. Webb, vicepresident of the New York Central Railroad, in the Adirondacks, and the crate had been placed in an expres

wagon, which started up town. The deer forced the top bars off its temporary prison, and leaped into the street. While the driver shouted to pedestrians to head off the game, the deer fled in other directions. A police man and a citizen who attempted to eatch the animal were easily bowled over and the deer fled for several blocks until he reached the Hudson River, plunging into the river and was headed for Governors Island, when the crew of a tugboat lassoced him.

WADE ELLIS REWARDED

Platform Builder to Be First Assis tant Attorney-General.

CINCINNATI, July 31.-Wade H. Ellis. Attorney-General of Ohio, has been offered the position of First Assistant At torney-General of the United States. Mr. Ellis, who is resting after the strenuous work preceding the nomination of Willfarn H. Taft for President, has asked for time to consider the appointment

Before and during the Republican con vention Mr. Ellis was engaged on the Republican platform and it is believed that his strenuous efforts in that connec tion were responsible in large measure for his present promotion.

FIRE NEARING MARSHFIELD

Threaten Destruction Town-Citizens Excited.

MARSHFIELD, Or., July 31 .- (Spe dal.)-Forest fires threaten destruction of Marshfield. Ashes and cinders falling in the streets and the volunteer fire department has been busy protecting property. Smoke has Illinois William Howard chose the name become very dense, and the people are greatly excited.

ablaze and unless the wind changes cially finds further convincing proof in grave fears are felt for safety of the

Maxwell Will Investigate.

WASHINGTON, July 31. - Captain Maxwell, of the gunboat Marietta, which has been ordered from Porto Cortez to Celba, Honduras, has been directed to investigate the cfreumstances leading up to the cancellation town, Ohio; Lanesboro, Minn.; West Milof the exequatura of These sales have served to give the president Davila, and also to afford protection and refuge aboard his vesnot been a noticeable full in real estate sel for them, if this should become

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ONE OF THEM INFANT GIANT

Taft Clubs Organized in Many Cities and Towns.

PREDICT ELECTION

Candidate Declines Invitation to Denver and Will Rest Till September-Spends Day at Golf and on Horseback.

HOT SPRINGS, Va., July 31 .- Despite : seavy mail which kept his secretary and three stenographers busy until late tonight, Mr. Taft was comparatively carefree today. He divided his work with a game of golf in the morning and a ride with General Corbin as a compani he afternoon, Colorado wants Mr. Taft in September, according to an urgent in vitation which came today from the management of the Interstate Fair and Exosition to be opened Labor day at Denver. As the acceptance of the in vitation would mean an abandonment of Mr. Taft's present plan to conduct his ersonal campaign without travel, his

regrets were sent. Baby "William Howard Tafts" have appeared in New York, Indiana and Illinois, according to letters from three of parents to the candidate. Each baby will get an autograph letter from the original bearer of the name, and perhaps

ome memento additional. The Hoosier Taft was born while the Republican nominee was delivering his speech of acceptance. The parents of the nearly a year ago, but not for political reasons, as their statement is that the Heavy timber back of the city is boy weighed 25% pounds at birth. New York haby is credited with the real "Taft smile." His father, a druggist, writema

"From the way the youngster smiles every time I ask him if the Republican party is going to win I feel sure you will be our next President,"

New Taft, clubs were reported from New York City, Philadelphia, Beaumont Cal.; Kendallville, Ind.; Knoxville, Tent colored); East Orange, N. J., Middle ton, Pa.; Phoebus, Va.; Cincinnati and This despatch from Samuel P. Powers,

president of the Middlesex Club of Boston, was received today: "Sitting by the shore of the loud resounding waves, the Middlesex Club to

day at its annual holiday banquet sends you assurances of its affectionate regard and admiration and of its certainty of Many congratulatory letters on the acceptance speech were received by Mr. Taft today. Mr. Taft has not yet in-

dicated whether a reply will be made to Mr. Bryan's comments on the speech. CONSULTS NEW YORK LEADERS

Hitchcock Lays Plans of Campaign With Woodruff and Parsons.

NEW YORK, July 31 .- Frank H, Hitch-

cock, chairman of the Republican National Committee, today met the New York state leaders and discussed with them the situation as it relates to the National campaign. During the early part of the day he met Herbert Persons, chairman of the New York county committee; William L. Ward, member of the Na Hot weather sets fire to great coal pile at tional Committee from New York State, Reno. Page 1. sought the conference in order to present to Mr. Hitchcock their personal views of the co-operation they expect between National officials and state managers. While Mr. Hitchcock declined to define his wishes concerning the question of renominating Governor Hughes, his visitors gained the impression that he expects the state convention to name the present Governor as a candidate for another term. Twenty miners rescued from living tomb at When Mr. Hitchcock was in L.e West he Pernie, B. C. Page 6. found distinct sentiment for Governor found distinct sentiment for Governor Hughes and that his nomination would strengthen the present ticket in other sec-

tions of the country. Frank B. Kellogg, of Minnesota, who has been retained to assist in the prosecution of the Standard Oil Company case, called on Mr. Hitchcock. Mr. Kellogg is en route to St. Paul after a conference with Attorney-General Bonaparte at Lenox, Mass.

BIG TASK FOR MITCHELL

Will Conduct Trade Agreement Department of Civic Federation.

NEW YORK, July 31.—Ralph M. Easley. ecretary of the National Civic Federation, today announced that John Mitchell, ex-president of the United Mineworkers of America, beginning tomorrow would devote his entire time to the in terests of the trade agreement department of the Federation. As a member of the executive council

of the Federation, Mr. Mitchell has been chairman of the trade agreement committee, but far more aggressive work than hitherto has been possible became

NEEDS EVERY CAR FOR BIG TRAFFIC

ORTHWESTERN ROAD EX-PECTS BUMPER CROPS.

Has Kept Equipment in Repair and Bought More at Bargain, Ready for Good Times.

CHICAGO, July 31 .- (Special.) - Officials of the Northwestern Railroad firmly be lieve that inside of six weeks every bit of equipment and power that company possesses will be needed in transport ng to market the abundant crops o the West and Northwest. This statement was made today and was coupled



Representative Herbert Parsons Chairman of Republican Committee of New York County.

with another to the effect that the railroad is backing up its opinion of the speedy return of ample tonnage by an order for 1000 freightcars.

The road's belief in returning prosperity further evidenced by the fact that its equipment has been kept up-to-date as to repairs throughout the depressed period of traffic. In this respect the company has been different from many rallroads which have permitted their cars and locomotives to join the "bad order"

It is understood that the company secured the lowest price on its order that has been obtained in several years. During the last period of depressed equipment prices the Northwestern took similar advantage of the market, which represented \$1,000,000 saved to the

ANNUL LUMBER CHARTERS

Oklahoma Proceeds Against Members of Yellow Pine Trust.

GUTHRIE, Okla., July 31 .- Ouster suits were filed by Attorney-General West in the State Supreme Court today against the Foster, Badger, Clark & Bates and Long-Bell Lumber Com-

Kansas concern. quo-warranto proceeding and seaks to bombs from Ysleta, below El Paso, to annul the charters of the defendant the place where they were found today. companies, to forfelt their personal property and recover fines fixed by the by Mexican children, who were playing

court. Receivership is also asked. junction restraining the members of with sticks of dynamite and iron slugs the Yellow Pine Association from mak- from blacksmithshops, and had percusing effective a pool alleged to have sion caps and fuses for exploding them. been perfected in St. Louis July 8 by representatives of the 100 firms belong- lutionary rendezvous at Ysleta, it is said, ing to the association for the purpose the bombs were removed at night and of fixing and maintaining the price of hidden where they were found in an yellow pine.

DECIDE ON OWN DIVORCE EXTEND PHILIPPINE ROAD

Man and Wife Draw Up Agreement and Judge Signs Order.

SEATTLE Wash. July 31 -- (Special.)-Dr. Edward C. Neville, well known in medical circles, has been granted a are being considered by officials of the divorce after a secret hearing in cham- War Department and Vice-Governor bers and after a statement was filed by Mrs. Neville in her divorce pleadings that stay in this country. A request has a full agreement had been reached between the couple on the division of property. The couple deeded to each other verything there was in controversy and eft the courts nothing to decide. Mrs. | the Manila-Dagupan Railroud about Neville took \$5262 in settlement of all claims and was restored her maiden the Province of Benguel.

MODERATE GAINS MADE

Dun's Weekly Review of Trade Is Hopeful in Tone.

NEW YORK, July 31.-Dun's weekly review of trade tomorrow will say: Trade reports continue to indicate moderate net gains each week, although progress is irregular. make much better exhibits than others The net result, however, is a larger volume of business in the aggregate, and comparisons with this time last year are especially cheering when it is considered time were being realized.

More plants have resumed, but there

are still many workingmen unemployed. West Virginia Ticket Complete. CHARLESTON, W. Va., July 31 --After completing its ticket by naming Attorney-General, the Democratic state

mornling.

HILL ABANDONS

Says Pacific Trade Gone a Year Ago.

AMERICA CANNOT COMPETE

Only Way to Continue Is Run Steamers at Loss.

NEED LAWS THAT GIVE AID

Great Northern Man Says Shipping Must Have Legislation That Helps, Not Hinders-Subsisdies Would Do No Good.

ST. PAUL, Minn., July 21,-The anouncement that the Hill lines have abandoned the marine portion of their share in the trade with Japan and China, while retaining affiliation with Japanese steamship lines, came as a shock to many people of the Northwest. According to the chairman of the board, James Hill of the Great Northern, it was to be expected.

"Why," exclaimed Mr. Hill, "our Pacific trade has been gone for a year. As long as 15 months ago I told them what

Asked if the action of the American trans-continental roads in withdrawing from the Pacific carrying trade was due to resentment at the action of the Interstate Commerce Commission, Mr. Hill re-

"Resentment, no. The Commission can not be blamed for enforcing the law. The Pacific trade was given up because it did not pay. America today has no flag on the high seas, or might as well not have, for we cannot compete with any other country, and must hand the load over to anybody that asks for it. The only way for us to continue in the to own their own steamers and run them at a heavy loss.

"We are not a seafaring nation. have no sailors, though under the law Americans must constitute two-thirds or three-fourths of the crews. What we must have to make an ocean-carrying trade possible is not subsidies, but in selligent legislation, legislation that helps

FIND BOMBS ON BORDER

Authorities Uncover Explosives Hidden by Revolutionists.

EL PASO, Tex., July M .- Deputy U. S. panies and the Central Coal & Coke Marshal Hillebrand today located 69 Company, all Missouri corporations, bombs three miles northwest of El Paso. and the Glenn Lumber Company, a where it is believed Mexican revolutionists had hidden them. A secret service The petition is in the nature of a officer from San Antonio traced the Some of the bombs had been uncovered

with them. The bombs were ec An auxiliary petition asks for an in- of old fruit and vegetable cans, filled When officers got close to the ravoarroyo bank covered with dirt.

Vice-Governor Forbes May Interview London Bondholders

WASHINGTON, July 11 .- Some important Philippine rallroad problems W. Cameron Forbes, during the latter's reached the War Department to have Governor Forbes go to London in she near future to consult with James E. Speyer and the British bondholders of the extension of the line to Bagio, in

Bagto is a Summer resort and there are located there important hospitals and other public works. The road is yet 18 miles short of Bagio, Whether Governor Forbes is to go to London will be determined after further consultation with Secretary Wright.

HASTE CAUSED DISASTER

Inspector's Finding on Hanna Explosion-Scal Mine as Tomb.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., July 21.-In a report addressed to Governor Brooks today on the Hanna coal mine disaster of last March, costing 50 lives, State that a year ago all records up to that Coal Mine Inspector Noah Young declares that certain laws governing the operation of coal mines had been violated by the Union Pacific Coal Company in its haste to open up an entry which there had been a fire, thereby causing an explosion.

The Inspector suggests that the mine be scaled forever as a tomb for E. H. Morton, of Webster County, for the men whose bodies were not recovered and makes recommendations for convention adjourned at 5 o'clock this new statutes for the protection of men working underground.