

Archbishop Buries Bodies in Vast Hole in Center of Ruins of Messina.

Harbor by Soldiers.

MESSINA, Jan. 7 .- A most impressive functal coremony was witnessed here today, when Archbishop Barrigo made his way through the ruins of the city to the cemetery at Mare Grosse and blessed a grave 100 feet wide and 30 feet deep, containing 1300 bodies. The dead were piled one on top of the other, and the bolies covered with quickfime. The prelate was followed to the cemetery by a large gathering of survivors, whose lamentations min-gled with the Latin words of the serv-

Subsequently the Archbishop walked a panic. through the ruins and blessed the mili-tary hospital, the military college, the barracks and the Archbishop's house, considering these wrecked edifices as so many cometeries. Under them were the corpses of soldiers, students, police-

men and monks. All the valuables found among the ruins are being taken on board the steamer Duca di Genoa in the bay. Yesterday currency to the amount of \$3,600,000, including the contents of the safe of the Sicilian-American Bank,

was transferred to this vessel. A banker named Mauromati, who was one of the richest residents, lost everything. Yesterday he went to the au-thorities barefooted and half clothed and asked for a pair of shoes and an

with the exception of Saint Andrea Aveiland, all the churches in Messina have been destroyed.

SHOCK EVERY SIX MINUTES

Quakes Continue in Stricken District

of Forlorn Sicily.

MESSINA, Jan. 7.-Earthquake shocks are still continuing here at the rate of about 10 per hour. Fire also has ugain broken out, completing the destruction of the City Hall and the records stored

A party of men under the direction of Major Landis, the American military attache at Rome, has been working for four days to extricate the hodies of A. S. Cheney and wife from the ruins of the American Consulate. The apartment of the Cheneya has not yet been uncovered and many feet of wreckage still remain

and many the to be removed. Bayard Cutling, Jr., Winthrop Chanler and Stuart K, Lupton, consular repre-sentatives, are making every effort to trace Americans supposed to have been in the earthquake zone at the time of the bala to far, without success. The disaster, but so far without success. The authorities have determined to isolate Messina as the only means of preventing an outbreak of serious illness. The relief parties complain that the starving refu-gnes require the most nutritious food and green require the macaroni. The work of the soldiers in Messina today consists princi-pally in gathering up dead baties and burying them in quickline. Out of re-spect to the prevailing religious failing, it



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Alessina" is wiped out," was the re-ply. "My whole family is there," shricked the passenger. "My poor wife and children. They are all dend." The Sicillan threw himself on the deck, and, though his fellow passen-gers crowded around and endeavored deck, and, though his fellow passen-gers crowded around and endeavored to comfert him, he continued to wall. Others thronged about the interpreter and questioned him frantically about the dimeter, and at each new detail these coming from the earthquake Educators and Clergymen Join in those coming from the earthquake region wept and wrung their hands or ran shricking about the deck. So distressing did the scene become that the captain ordered the interpreter to discontinue his fale until the Skillana had left the site. Corregiment of Portland are enhanced and in their indersement of the "Ben-Hur" contest which is being carried on by The Oregonian among pupils of the public and Catholic schools, the prizes to be 300 tick-ets to the production of "Ben-Hur" at the Heilig Theater the night of January 18. When interviewed vesterday they not only had left the ship.

NEW SHOCKS CAUSE PANIC

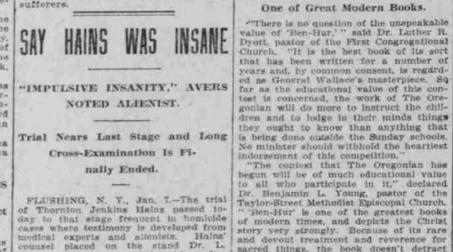
Shakes Roofs Off Houses at Palmi

and Monte Leone.

When interviewed yesterday they not only expressed the highest opinion of the book on which the contest is based but deon which the contest is based but de-clared that its study and the composition of essays would be of great educational value to the pupils who participate. "No minister of the Gospel can consist-ently withhold unatinted praise of 'Ben-tion' 'declared encourter and the se-NAPLES, Jan. 7 .- Dispatches received here state that several earthquake shocks occurred at Monto Leone and Palmi this evening. The roofs of the houses were shaken down and the people thrown into Hur." " declared one pastor, and the ex-

Vancouver's Quota \$282.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Jan. 7 .- (Speclal.)-Vancouver has sent \$252 to Gov-ernor Mead for the Italian earthquake manner that will keep it long in the puplis' minds.



medical experts and allenists. Hains' counsel placed on the stand Dr. L. Samuel Manson, an allenist, who, after Samuel Manson, an alientist, who, after listening to a hypothetical question re-garding Captain Hains' sanity, declared that on August 15, when Captain Hains shot Willia. E. Annis, he was suffering from impulsive instanty. The long cross-examination of Thorn-ton J. Hains was concluded at the morn-ing session and the defense began the presentation of expert testimony to prove the freenoity of Captain Hains.

presentation of expert teaching to be the insanity of Captain Hains. District Attorney Dariin declares he has completely shattered the defense, but Hains today asserted his belief that next week would find him a free man. "Type told only the truth to the court," with he "and Mr. Darin has not forced "Ive toid only the truth to the court," said he, "and Mr. Darrin has not forced me to deviate from it. When I could not remember the smaller details—a broken sentence, an insignificant action—I have frankly said so. My story, in the mate-rial points, is unshaken and will be be-lieved."

Book Has Literary Merit. Dr. W. H. Heppe, pastor of Grace Meth-odist Episcopal Church, was also warm in his praise of the study of "Ben-Hui" by children of the public schools. "The book is one of the finest and most wholesome pieces of modern literature." he said. "It gives the rising generation a very cleas idea of Christ's time and the influence and evolution of his life. Another reason that it is beneficial to young people is its high literary merit as compared with much of the trash of the present day." It was expected Wedneslay that The Oregonian would be able to atnounce this morning the names of those composing the morning the names of these composing the two committees on awards. The appoint-ment of these committees, however, was not completed yesterday, owing to the ad-journment of school, caused by the storm.

be benefited.

THE MORNING OREGONIAN. FRIDAY, JANUARY 8, 1909.

REDUCTIONS





in his army and to drill them on the desert, ready for the day when the Romans were to be driven from the land.

Romans were to be driven from the land. It was a bitter disappointment to Ben Hur, therefore, when Christ himself re-vealed his divine mission on earth. Not until the awful day when Christ was crucified did Ben Hur realize that his dream of a temporal kingdom for the Messiah was ashes. Ben Hur married Esther, the daughter of Simonides, and both became Chrispressions of other clergymen showed that they thoroughly agreed with him. It is their unanimous opinion that General Wal-lace's novel teaches a useful lesson in a

of Simonides, and both became Chris-tians. It was the wealth of Hur that provided the catacomb of San Calixto in Rome, the burial place of the Chris-tlan martyrs stain during the persecu-tion set on foot by Nero. "There is no question of the unspeakable value of 'Ben-Hur,' " said Dr. Luther R. Dyott, pastor of the First Congregational Church. "It is the best book of its sort

GALLS SWEETHEART THIEF

SALESMAN ACCUSES GIRL OF STEALING JEWELS.

Causes Arrest for Embezzling Ring She Says Was Given to

Pledge Troth.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 7.-Charged with grand larceny by Evan Collins the man to whom she says she is engaged to be married, Dorothy Allen, a 17-year-old sacred things, the book doesn't detract from the theme. There are some scenes in 'Ben-Hur' which, if fixed in the minds of young people, will never be lost, par-ticularly the healing of leprosy and the charlot race. Every boy and girl who enters The Oregonian's contest is sure to

be married, Dorothy Affen, a 17-year-old girl, was arrested today. Collins, who says he is a salesman for a dental supply house of Scattle, had been arrested for carrying concealed weapons last Monday. He declares that he has given to Miss Alien at different times \$1500 worth of jeweiry and that she intended to take several trunks of her own and one be-longing to him to New York. The trunks were seized at the railway station today and, when Miss Alien called to inquire about them, she was arrested on Collins' charge that abe had embezzled the \$400 diamond ring which she alleges he gave her to seal the engagement.

dimining which she mages be gave her to seal the engagement. Miss Allen stated that she had no in-tention of leaving the city and that Col-lins' trunk was taken to the station through a mistake of an expressman.

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was determined not to burn the dead. The English have established a splendid relief camp in the hills behind

San Glovanni. A search for survivors in still going on and yesterday seven living persons were taken from the ruins. The majority of these now found alive are children and elderly persons who evident ly did not expend their energies in vain efforts to free themselves.

OVER 2000 WOUNDED PEOPLE

Search of Ruins at Messina Reveals

Many Held Captive.

ROME, Jan. 7 .- General Manna, the

ROME, Jan. T.-General Manza, the commander at Messima, has sent the fol-lowing dispatch to Premier Globotti: "Today, as on preceding days, search is continuing among the debris for in-jured. Ten were found today. The prob-ability of finding others is diminishing every bour, but the search is going on and will be continued while one is found alive. The work of removing the dead for burial is progressing.

for hurial is progressing. "At least 2000 persons have been extri-cated alive from the ruins. About 500 bodies have been buried with overy precaution. Every facility has been given to the refugees to have the city. I am convinced that their removal is necessary in the present condition of the city. am providing for, besides sanitary set vice and subsistence, the resumption of essential services, such as illumination, railways and postal service. Railway com-munication with Pakermo and maritime imunication with Naples has been re communication with Naples has been re-established. Bullway employes have been sent to the Calabrian coast to re-establish the railways to Naples. The building of huis has begun, and this will be pushed forward as rapidly as possible. The hy-gience condition of the troops is excellent, extention the the horizabiles and the innotwithstanding the hardships and the in-clemency of the weather."

AMERICAN RELIEF ARRIVES

Special Train Loaded With Succor

Leaves From Rome.

ROME, Jan. 7.- A special train left here this morning for Civita Vecchia with the American relief party, hended by Ambas-sador Griscom on board. They will sail for Messina on board the steamer Bay-ern, chartered to convey the American relief to the south. The party includes a

number of doctors and nurses. The Ambassador is going only as far as the Straits of Messins, where he will start the Siralts of Messina, where he will start the Bayern on He work of relief. He will meet Admiral Sperry, who is coming from Port Said on board the flagship Connecti-cut, in the sirait, and return with the Connecticut to Naples. The American hattleships following the Connecticut north will be placed at the disposal of the trailing approximation. the Italian authorities.

BAY CITY SENDS \$10,000 A DAY

San Francisco Aid to Italian Suffer-

ers Still Coming In.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan, 7.—Figures compiled today show that the contri-butions of this city to the Red Cross relief fund for the Italian earthquake victims total to date \$124,556. Of this sum 380,000 has already been forward-ed to the National hendquarters of the Red Cross at Washington. Shipments

liered." When court opened today the witness was shown a newspaper clipping, and he stated that he had made some of the statements contained in the article. The District Attorney read from the news-paper clipping and asked the witness if he had not said that, on their motor-boat trips, he and his brother always were armed. Hains denied he had made any such statement. any such statement.

STORM SWEEPS DAKOTAS Worst in Many Years Blocks North-

ern Pacific Road.

BUTTE, Mont., Jan. 7 .- A Miner dispatch from Livingston states that the Northern Pacific superintendent's office there reports that the worst storm in many years is sweeping the Fargo di-vision of that road in North Dakota. There has been no traffic in outlying

stations today. OVER HUNDRED FIRES A DAY

Chicago Fire-Fighters Have Strenuous Time in Frigid Weather.

CHICAGO, Jan. 7.—After answering 22 fire alarms in the bitter cold last night, the fire department found no rest today. They were called to half a dozen fires due They were called to half a cozen investigation overheated furnaces and stoves and responded to 16 alarms turned in by some alleged joker. In the 24 hours up to 5 A_c M, today the department had answered a total of 114 calls. The thermometer stood at zero today.

ST. PAUL GETS SOME WARMER

Cold Wave Gradually Breaks Up

and Mercury Climbs in Sight.

ST. PAUL, Jan. 7. Gradually the cold verve is passing away. The local Weather Bureau reopried a temperature today of 14 degrees below zero here. while in the north the range was from 22 to 30 degrees below zero. Devils Lake, N. D., was the coldest point in the United States last night, with a temperature of 26 below zero.

TAFT CONSIDERS CABINET

President-elect Also Decides Not to

Address Atlanta Negroes.

AUGUSTA, Ga., Jan. 7.-President-elect Taft conferred today with P. C. Knox, who will be his secretary of state, on the

who will be his secretary of state, on the subject of cabinet appointments. Senator Knox is chairman of the inaug-ural committee of the Senate and House, and said tonight he had to tell Mr. Taft that he intended to see him properly in-augupated and his own appointment as secretary of state made and confirmed before he censed to be Senator from Pennsylvania. This indicates that Mr. Know will not write from the Senate un-

Pennsylvania, Inis indicates that all, Knox will not retire from the Senate un-til after March 4. That the railroad employes favored the selection of Myron T. Herrick, of Ohio, for a cabinet place was indicated to Mr. Thit by Warren S. Stone, grand chief of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engi-

erintendent Frank Rigler and Father Edward V. O'Hara expect to complete these committees today and the names will be published in The Oregonian to

Father O'Hara has caused announce-ment of the contest to be made in all the Catholic schools of the city, and there promises to be keen competition among pupils of these institutions, as well as those of the public schools. In speaking of the competition yesterday, Father O'Hara said:

'Ben-Hur' can be highly commend-"Ben-Hur can be highly commend-ed to pupils of our schools and for that matter to those who are no longer pupils, as a vivid presentation of an important period in history. The auth-or has a wonderful faculty of making his readers live in the scenes that he denicts so vividity are they brought

depicts, so vividly are they brought before the imagination. It would be well for pupils who are studying the book to observe the ong defect in Ben-Hur's character which is the trickery employed by him to win the charlot race. This, however, in no way de-tracts from the force and value of the

Indorsed by Mrs. Sitton.

Mrs. L. W. Sitton, member of the Board of Education, yesterday joined Board of Education, yesterday joingu with the other directors in recommend-ing that all pupils who are eligible enter the "Ben-Hur" contest. "The study of fhils book and the composition of essays based upon it will be of great help to all who participate, she with "I am always glad to have the said. "I am always glad to have the pupils take up one particular line of investigation, and in this case it is particularly desirable because of the historical and literary merit of the

Pupils who wish to enter the "Ben

Pupils who wish to enter the "Ben-Hur" contest should remember that their essays must be in the hands of The Oregonian by next Tuesday, Janu-ary 12. The following day they will be turned over to the judges and no essays received after Tuesday will be considered. The essays should be about 150 words long and written on only one side of the paper. In the upper left hand corner the pupil should write his name, address, grade and school. All pupils of the high schools, eigth and ninth grade grammar schools and of corresponding grades in the Catholic schools are eligible to partici-pate. For the 300 best essays The Date. For the 300 best essays The Oregonian will give 200 tickets for the performance of "Ben-Hur" at the Heilig theater the night of January 18. The synopsis of "Ben-Hur" which The Oregonian has been publishing ,be-ginning last Monday, is concluded with



B EN HUR believed in Christ as liter-Jews. To Hur the words "King of the Jews" had but one meaning—that Christ was to reign as a temporal monarch— that the Romans were to be driven from Judea and the nation with its old wor-

Judea and the nation with its old wor-ship, its old glories restored. Belleving that, Ben Hur devoted all his energies to the raising of an army which should be ready when the moment came to seat Christ upon the throne of Judea. His friendship to Sheik Ilderim had placed under him 10,000 Arabs of the desert born, soldiers every one of them. With these 10,000 spears as a nucleus, Ben Hur began to enlist the men of

AT THE HOTELS. Hoisi Portland-T. G. Atkinson, San, Francisco: C. Gates, Salem: C. S. Freiand, Boise, H. Cayburgh and wife, Sacramento; J. R. Norris, Chicago: H. Welisch, San Francisco: S. Newhouse, Salt Lake City, W. Norton and wife, Spokane: W. E. Kins, Baker City, T. Tipton, Denver: C. F. Kut-newsky, Salt Lake City, Miss Florence Rob-erts, L. Bergen, Mary Bortrand, New York; H. R. Karle, Deitoit; R. Reed, City, F. R. Whiteomb, Seattle; F. A. Davis, J. E. Grant, Spokane; G. E. Youle, E. F. Mitchell, F. Worker, G. E. Youle, K. F. Mitchell, F. Wogler, City; H. L. Pipp, Chicago; R. Schläky, New York; E. S. Huichlinson, San Fancisco; W. L. Barmsey, New York; O. A. Experimental, J. B. Bertheld, P. W. Shattuck, New York; A. B. Bertheld, P. W. Shattuck, New York; A. B. Caller, G. H. Flummer, Tacoma; J. A. Fouch, Cheveland; A. F. Decker, New York; A. H. Wilson, San Fanger, Sentifie; C. A. H. Wilson, San Fanger, Sentifie; J. H. Flanagan and wife, Marnheld; J. B. Bertheld, P. W. Shattuck, New York; A. B. Caller, G. H. Flummer, Tacoma; J. A. Fouch, Cheveland; A. F. Decker, New York; A. H. Wilson, San Flay, Sas Francisco; O. W. Clegg, Chicago, J. Jounbar, and wife, Astoria; A. De-housbar, and wife, Astoria; A. De-ton, Marnheld.

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