DEATH LIST GROWS

Hurricane in South Worse Than At First Reported.

SHIPPING AND CROPS DESTROYED

Forty-Eight Known Dead and Others Reported to Have Perisheb-All Wires Are Down.

New Orleans, Sept. 23.-At least 48 lives were lost in the tropical hurricane that swept this part of the country Monday and Monday night. It is reported 50 others perished in Lower Terre Bonne parish, but this report has not been confirmed.

The property loss is far heavier than was first believed and will run well into the millions.

Miles of territory have been laid waste and crops have been practically

ruined. Shipping of all kinds in the bayou inlets was destroyed. Storehouses, sugar mills and dwellings at Houma and other villages were badly dam-

aged. The damage at Grand island and Chaniere Caminada was heavy, but no lives were lost. The crops on that island were totally destroyed, for the water swept across two or three feet deep. The orange groves were whip-ped clean of fruit and foliage, hundreds of trees being uprooted.

The first message from the islands was received today when the mail steamer Grand Island reached this city. It was feared before the arrival of the boat that hundreds had lost their lives. In the tropical storm of 1903 no less than 1,500 people were drowned on Chaniere Caminada.

PLOT AGAINST PRESIDENTS.

Bomb Is Found at Meeting Place of Taft and Diaz.

El Paso, Tex., Sept. 23.-The discovery tonight of a bomb in a residence in course of erection in Juarez, across the border in Mexico, caused a sensation.

The authorities were notified and 12 workmen were placed in incommunicado. It was first reported the bomb was found in the rear of the customs house, where President Taft and President Diaz are to meet October 16, but this was later denied by the authorities.

The residence of Camillo Arguelles, where the bomb was found, is a block from the customs house, where the meeting of the presidents is to take ing Boston. place. A visit by President Diaz to friend of Diaz, was thought probable. Colonel Corella, commanding the regular army in Juarez, says the object was a small piece of dynamite.

"It was not more than a quarter of a stick," he said. "It probably was thrown there by a revolutionist some months ago, when arrests were being made of these people."

ROBBERS SLAY SIX.

Thieves Murder Whole Family in West Virginia for Loot,

Bluefield, W. Va., Sept. 23 .- An entire family of six persons was murdered and the bodies of all but one of the victims were burned with their home at Hurley, Va., early today.

The motive evidently was robbery, as the owner of the house, an aged woman known as "Aunt Betty" Justice, was generally supposed to keep a large sum of money in the place. Mrs. Justice, her son-in-law, George

children were the victims. Meadows' body, badly mutilated, was found in the yard.

The half burned bodies of the two body bearing evidences of murder before the house was burned.

The thieves are supposed to have secured the \$600 which "Aunt Betty" always carried on her person.

Squadron Tests Speed.

Honololu, Sept. 23 .- Wireless reports from the armored cruiser squadron of Admiral Sebree received here tonight state that seven of the cruisers took part in the full power run off the Island of Maui. The warships were under forced draught for four hours and the dispatches say no breakdowns of any kind occurred. According to a of a sawmill and the laying of spur noon, but which has not been officially confirmed, the West Virginia led in the speed tests and made an average of almost 22 knots an hour.

Rear Admiral Clark Iil.

Fremont, O,. Sept. 23 .- Rear Admiral Charles E. Clark, United States navy, who commanded the battleship feat received at Paris is discredited Oregon during the Spanish-American war, was taken seriously ill today. Spanish victory is complete It is an-When the war broke out the battleship nounced that the tribesmen are expect-Oregon was in Pacific waters. The vessel was ordered to hurry to Cuba, and Captain Clark took the big fighting machine around the Horn at full speed all the way. The voyage was a most conspicuous feature of the war.

Strikers Stone Trolleys.

Omaha, Neb., Sept. 23.-Riots resulting from the streetcar strike resulted in serious injury to nine men THE CENSUS POSITIONS.

Appointment Clerk Pindell Explains Method of Application.

Washington, Sept. 24. - Appointment Clerk Pindell, of the U.S. Census bureau, states on the subject of the census examination, October 23d, that the distinction between the permanent census force and the additional temporary employes provided by the Thirteenth Census act is quite important and should be remembered. As the coast mountains, says he found a vacancies occur on the permanent census they will be filled, as heretofore, by transfers from elsewhere in the service, or by selections from the existing registers of the civil service commission.

Persons now on the registers of the commission are, therefore, eligible for appointment to vacancies on the permanent census roll, but there is no greater opportunity during the decennial period for such appointments than there has been heretofore. The additional temporary positions, authorized by the Thirteenth Census act, except those above \$1.200 per annum which will be filled largely by transfers from the permanent census roll, will be given to those persons who pass the test examination on October 23rd. Those now on the registers of the civil service commission, who desire appointment to these additional census places, should take the test examination as their present eligibility avails them nothing in respect to appointments to these positions. The fact that a person is on the civil service register does not prevent him from taking this test exam-

Blank application forms and the circular of instructions were ready for distribution by September 10th. As soon as the applicant completes his application in every respect, it should be addressed and forwarded to the U.S. Civil Service commission, Washington, D. C., and not to the census bureau. Care should be taken that the envelope containing the application is prop-erly addressed and sufficient postage stamps are affixed. If the application is satisfactory a card will be mailed the applicant and it will admit him to the examination. An application must be filed in sufficient time to arrange for the examination at the place selected. No request will be granted for an examination otherwise than as scheduled for the cities and states on October 23rd.

TAFT STARTS WATER.

Opens Gates to Famous Gunnison Tunnel in Colorado.

Montrose, Colo., Sept. 24.-President Taft spent yesterday on the western slope of the Rocky mountains amid a succession of magnificent scenes. In many respects his day was one of the most interesting he has had since leav-

Late in the afternoon Mr. Taft stood Arguelles, who is a close personal on the brink of the deepest irrigation ditch in the West and far out in the foo hill of the mountains, with not a settlement in sight, made the electrical connection that started a flow of water through the Gunnison tunnel that will reclaim 140,000 acres of arid land. The greatest irrigation project the United States government ever has undertaken was thus put in operation and the opening was the occasionl of valley of the Uncompangre.

During his travels yesterday the President had ample opportunity to es of country where as far as the eye could reach the only vegetation in sight consisted of a few greasewood railroad for shipment. bushes or sagebrush. Then out of a rocky canyon the train would suddenly come upon a veritable oasis, where fields of alfalfa and miles of erchards touch of water.

Meadows, his wife and their three six miles of a mounntain range and Lebanon where he has completed sewhen the project is completed next curing rights of way for this branch. Gulf of California, to the valley on burn-Springfield line, not now operated women and three children were found this side of the mountains, where because of the wrecked bridge across beneath the debris of the house, each miner private projects of irrigation the South Santiam. already have told the wonders of the

Big Timber Deal.

Vancouver, B. C., Sept. 24.-A large timber deal whereby A. B. Kurtz, of cago in November. The Hord River New York, president of the American Financial Securities company, acquires 54,000 acres of timber land in the show. Thomas Persons is in Hood Cowichan lake country, was practical- River taking scenes of the apple inly consummated today. The purchase price was in the neighborhood of \$1,-500,000, and the new owners are to the display of fruit. spend \$500,000 more in the development of the property by the erection wireless report received this after- tracks. The Canadian Pacific railroad will build a branch line to tidewater.

Madrid Denies Defeat.

Madrid, Sept. 24.—The government is either unwilling or unable to give a statement of the Spanish casualties in the latest fighting with the Moors in Morocco. The news of a Spanish dehere, and the government declares the ed soon to ask for peace. It is known that the loss has been heavy. It is said 400 were killed on each side,

Frederick Grant for President

Chicago, Sept. 24.—Major General Frederick Dent Grant, son of the famous leader of the Union forces during the Civil war, is being boomed as the presidential candidate of the Prohibition party in 1912, by members of the last night. Two of the injured are organization who are assembling in acres of oats the yield was 10,370 bushlast night. Two of the injured are organization who are struck with this city to celebrate the fortieth annicies. This is close to 83 bushels to the lambs, \$5.25@5.50.

Wooster company plans to irrigate the lambs, \$5.25@5.50.

OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

WILD FRUIT GOOD.

Care Give Fine Results.

Cottage Grove-Lincoln Taylor, who recently returned from an outing in great many vacated homes throughout the section visited by him and the orchards, planted years ago by the homesteaders, have gone wild and the fruit county, and is supplied with 2000 is to be found in great abundance. inches or more of water from the Ap-Bears, coons and other fruit eating plegate river. Its former owners found riculture. animals have infested the orchards in many places and the limbs have been the bearing quality of the trees.

Mr. Taylor says there is rarely a case of scale or other disease to be found on any of the trees, and the cod-

Henry H. Veatch too, while on a hunting trip on Cedar creek, about aing in every direction, in order to eight miles from Cottage Grove, came upon a splendid orchard that had been entirely taken by the fir timber. He brought out fair samples of the apples, which surpass anything to be found on the lower levels in size, color and aromatic excellence. The fruit resembles more highly colored and measures alfalfa hay, and sold out at a price up space. more than 10 inches in circumference. On the William Landess ranch, just

east of town, there is a fine Crawford peach orchard in the fir timber which is heavily laden with beautiful fruit.

BIG ORCHARDS PLANTED.

Benton County Farmers Going in for Apple Culture.

Corvallis - The Western Oregon Fruit company, of which Judge Borth and J. W. Polk, of Grants Pass, are the principal stockholders, will begin planting 1,000 acres to apples and pears October 1. This company has purchased 1,700 scres near Monroe, Benton county, comes into possession October 1 and expects to plant fully ,000 acres this fall.

The Oregon Apple company will also begin planting at the earliest date pos-This company owns 800 acres south of Corvallis and has ordered trees to plant 600 acres to apples and pears at once. This company owns some of the sightliest land in Benton county.

The Willamette Orchard company, which recently purchased the famous Samuel Wyatt farm, two miles west of Corvallis, is preparing to plant 125 acres this fall.

Mayor Virgil E. Wattes, who put 40 acres of the Pleasant View fruit farm to apples this spring, will add 20 acres this fall.

There have been many small acreexpected that fully 2,000 acres of new H. Flanagan, W. S. Chandler and F. orchard will be set out in Benton C. McCollom. Those connected with county by January 1.

Filling Farmers' Warehouses. La Grande.-Over 15,000 bushels of grain are already stored in the farmers' union warehouse at Island City, although the roof on the building is not yet completed. The union is yet in its a joyous celebration throughout the infancy in Union county, but the farmers are working together splendidly, and it is thought that before the storing season is over 30,000 bushels of wheat will be in this warehouse. The study the effect of irrigation. For a wheat is pooled and held in the warelong time his train ran through stretch- house for sale, and when the buyers purchase the grain it will be conveniently near the main line of the

Work on Branch to Begin. Albany-J. B. Eddy, right of way

agent of the Southern Pacific, states told of the miracle wrought by the that work will begin on the Lebanon-Crabtree branch next week. He was The tunnel has been hewn through in Albany en route to Portland from spring it will divert the waters of the It will be eight miles long and connect Gunnison river, now flowing to the the north and south ends of the Wood-

Send Display East.

Hood River-Hood River is preparing a display of fruit at the National Irrigation congress to be held in Chi-Apple Growers' union expects to send a car of the finest apples to the great dustry with a moving picture camera. These will be used in connection with

Hophouse and Crop Burns. Woodburn-The Kendall hophouse, east of Woodburn, burned last week together with 14,000 pounds of this year's hops, which had been contracted at 9 cents. The building was owned by Frank Kendall and rented by Lee Kendall. The cause of the fire is unknown. The building and contents were insured in the Hopgrowers' Fire Insurance company.

Cove Fruit Goes East.

largest fruitraisers in the Grand choice, 23@25c. Ronde valley, are shipping mixed fruits to the Eastern markets. pears, crabapples and apples are in @3.75; cows, top, \$3.50; fair to good, season and a full crew is at work in \$3@3.25; common to medium, \$2.50@ theo rchard. Two cars were shipped 2.75; calves, top, \$5@5.50; heavy, last week and two more have been \$3.50@4; bulls, \$2@2.25; stags, \$2.56 forwarded this week.

Record Yield of Oats.

La Grande .- The largest yield of oats reported in the valley is reported by D. Sawyer, of the Pierce-Sawyer ranch, close to Hot lake. Off of 120

BIG FRUIT TRACT BOUGHT.

Acres in Rogue Valley.

Grants Pass.-One of the largest lands occurred a few days ago, when a representative of Eastern capitalists purchased the S. H. Riggs property, consisting of 1260 acres. This is one of the finest bodies of land in the much profit in raising three crops of alfalfa each year, and selling it at from badly broken, but that has not affected \$15 to \$20 a ton, but it has now become so profitable to raise fruit that three hay crops do not produce sufficient revenue to satisfy the fruitraiser. The buyer and his associates will take possession of the premises on lin moth is not in evidence. This is the first day of January, and they will splendid evidence in favor of the entire at that time put on a large force of manner, with convenient avenues runmake it the largest tract of land dovoted to fruit alone in Rogue river valley. The entire premises will be planted as rapidly as possible in peaches, pears and commercial apples. This place formerly belonged to Con-sul H. B. Miller, but last year it was into six figures.

Irrigation Near Vale.

irrigation project on Willow creek about 24 miles from Vale, is meeting with great success and encouragement in the reclamation of 30,000 acres of and just north of the project recently rejected by the government because of lack of funds. Several ranches have been purchased from settlers and three reservoirs will be constructed, the water to be taken from Willow creek and its tributaries. A railroad is being built from Vale to Brogan, the townsite of the project.

Forest Ranger Examination.

Bend-The examination for the position of forest ranger in the Deschutes national forest will be held at Prineville October 16 and 17. At these examinations applicants are put through a severe test of their abilities in the various branches of forest work, from cruising to road and bridge making. One of the most important features of the work of foresters in this region is the supervision of cattle and sheep ranging in the reserve, where the herds and bands are pastured in the summer months.

Coos Has Another Line.

Railway company has just been incorporated, with a capital stock of \$1,ages set to fruit this year and it is 500,000. The incorporators are James the movement say their plans are not sufficiently developed to make any statement of the purpose of the company. Mr. Flanagan is a local banker interested extensively in Coos bay.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat-Bluestem, 96c; club, 87c; red Russian, 85 1/4c; valley, 90c; fife, 87c; Turkey red, 87c; 40-fold, 89 1/4c. Barley-Feed, \$25.50@26; brewing, \$26.50@27 per ton. Oats-No. 1 white, \$27@27.25 per

Hay-Timothy, Willamette valley, \$15@16 per ton; Eastern Oregon, \$17.50@18.50; alfalfa, \$14; clover, \$14; cheat, \$13@14.50; grain hay, \$15@16. Butter-City creamery, extras, 36c:

fancy outside creamery, 33@36c; store, 21@22c per pound. Butter fat prices average 1 1/2c per pound under regular butter prices.

Eggs-Oregon ranch, candled, 32%c per dozen.

Poultry-Hens, 16@17c per pound; springs, 16@17c; roosters, 9@10c; ducks, young, 14@15c; geese, young, 10@11c; turkeys, 20c; squabs, \$1.75@ 2 per dozen.

Pork-Fancy, 936@10c per pound. Veal-Extra, 10@101/c per pound.

Fruits-Apples, \$1@2.25 per box; pears, 50c@\$1.25; peaches, 75c@\$1.25 per crate; cantaloupes, \$50c@\$1.25; plums, 25@50c per box; watermelons, 1c per pound; grapes, 40c@\$1.25 per crate; Concords, 25c per basket; casabas, \$1.50@2 per crate; quinces, \$1.50 per box. Potatoes-75c@\$1 per sack; sweet

potatoes, 2c per pound.

Onions-\$1.25 per sack. Vegetables-Beans, 4@5c per pound; cabbage, 1@11/4c; cauliflower, 75c@ \$1.25 per dozen; celery, 50@75c; corn, 15@20c; cucumbers, 10@25c; onions, 12%@15c; peas, 7c per pound; peppers, 4@5c; pumpkins, squash, 5c; tomatoes, 50c per box. Hops-1909 Fuggles, 20@21c per

pound; clusters, nominal; 1908 crop, 17e; 1907 crop, 12c; 1906 crop, 8c. Wool--Eastern Oregon, 16@23c per Cove-Stackland Bros., probably the pound; valley, 23@25c; mohair,

> Cattle-Steers, top quality, \$4.25@ Plums, | 4.50; fair to good, \$4; common, \$3.50

> > @8.50. Hogs-Best, \$8; fair to good, \$7.75 @7.85; stockers, \$6@7; China fats, \$7.50@8.

all grades; yearlings, best, \$4@4.25; fair to good, \$3.50@3.75; spring lambs, \$5.25@5.50.

000 acres and the deal is said to have involved more than \$1,000,000. The Wooster company plans to irrigate the lives by taking skiffs and rowing up tract and colonize it.

PREPARING FOR CONGRESS.

Display of Dry Farming Products Ar riving at Billings.

Billings, Mont., Sept. 22,-While farmers throughout the West are preparing samples of their products for display at the International Dry Farm-Old Orchards in Coast Range Without Eastern Capitalists Purchase 1,280 ing exposition which will be held here October 25-29 in connection with the Fourth Dry Farming congress, the deals to take place in Rogue river fruit Montana board of control is rushing work on the exhibit hall where the results of dry farming operations will be exhibited in ocular demonstration of the success of intelligent application

For the main division of the exposition, the local committee has secured the wool warehouse, one of the largest buildings in Billings. The building is 60 by 160 feet and is located along the railroad tracks in the center of the city. Its barn like interior is being transformed from the unaesthetic crudities of warehouse architecture into an atcoast range as fruit producing sections. men to lay out the tract in an ideal tractive exposition hall by a force of carpenters and decorators. Two high partitions will divide the room into three compartments, or large aisles, with a total of 92,000 square feet of wall space. At the base of each partition and around the walls of the entire building, shelves are being built, which will give nearly 4,000 square feet of matic excellence. The fruit resembles sold to S. H. Riggs, who kept it nine space, making a total of approximately the Gravenstein quite strongly, but is months, raised several hundred tons of 96,000 square feet of available exhibit

The grains and grasses and other products which are to be displayed on the walls and threshed grains, roots, Vale-D. M. Brogan, the Seattle fruits and vegetables will be shown on capitalist, who is constructing a large the shelves. A false ceiling is being put in 14 feet from the floor and decorated with bunting and flags. walls will have a background of black cloth. When the exhibits are in place, the gold and green of grains and grasses outlined against the black background and the red, white and blue of the national colors upon the ceiling and about the walls, will make a picture of striking artistic effectiveness. The floor space will be divided into

20 foot squares and above the center of each square will pe an arc light. Exhibits are already beginning to

arrive and are being placed in the exposition hall.

FAVORS CORPORATION TAX.

President Taft Says It Is Better Than Income Tax.

Denver, Sept. 22.-Making his way still further to the West, President but it is believed that none of the in-Taft arrived in this city yesterday afternoon, and last night, in the Denver auditorium, where a year ago William J. Bryan was nominated as his opponent in the presidential race, he faced a Marshfield-The Coos Bay Electric crowd of thousands that in its noisy welcome and continuous enthusiasm re-called some of the scenes of convention week.

President Taft, switching from his purpose to discuss the conservation of natural resources, last night took up the corporation tax and defended it against the proposition to impose a direct ioncome tax, which he said seemed and Mr. Chandler is a San Franciscan likely to pass the senate when the corporation tax was devised as a compromise. The president strongly urged, however, that the states ratify the proposed income tax amendment to the constitution in order to make such a tax available in time of necessity. The president declared that the cor-

poration tax was in itself the best form of income tax that could be levied, and pointed out that it contained many of the best features of the income tax law of England. The president declared it would be possible so to amend the corporation tax as to include within its scope every desired feature of an income tax except the levy upon incomes erived from actual salary and profes- of their occupants are lost. sional services.

The president said he opposed direct income tax except in cases of emergency and he believed it to be a prime fault in the Federal constitution that no provision is made for a direct levy to meet wartime or other extraordinary expenses.

Hill Says Leader Is Lost. St. Paul, Sept. 22 .- James J. Hill,

chairman of the board of directors of the Great Northern Railway company, said today of Governor Johnson: possessed many of the qualities of a leader combined with kindly disposition nected with the finding of a supposed and a pleasant appearance. His ability was illustrated by his career, coming, as he did, from the lowest stratum of the social structure to the highest. And his life's work with its results like paraffine poured over the topwere not matters of accident. They were due to his perseverance and abil-

Former Preacher Fills Job. St. Paul, Sept. 22. - Adolph C. Eberhart, who, by the death of Governor Johnson, becomes the chief executive of the state, was born in Sweden, 38 years ago, but came to Minnesota in 1881. He attended the public schools and was afterward graduated from Gustavus Adolphus college, at St. Peter, as a minister of the Gospel. Soon after his graduation Mr. Eberhart car, when a number of the tribesmen, abandoned church work and took up the study of law.

Big Land Deal Recorded. Merced, Cal., Sept. 22. One of the largest land deals recorded in this section of California was completed today, when the C. W. Wooster company, of San Francisco, took a bond on the Chowchilla ranch, 14 miles south Sheep-Top wethers, \$4@4.25; fair of Merced. The ranch contains 108,to good, \$3.50@3.75; ewes, %c less on 000 acres and the deal is said to have

TEN THOUSAND IDLE

Labor Troubles Tie Up All Butte Mines in Strike.

SMELTERS MAY BE THE NEXT HIT

Officers Protect Men Who Attempt to Work-Sheriff Warns Strikers He Will Shoot.

Butte, Mont., Sept. 25.—Every mine in Butte is shut down tonight and 10,-000 men are idle, with the prospect of 5,000 more being thrown out of work. If the suspension continues for five days the smelters and other allied industries will be forced to suspend. The trouble was caused by a majori-

ty of Engineers' Union No. 83 having seceded from the Western Federation of Miners and organized a new union, The Butte Miners' union ordered its members not to go to work in mines employing members of the new engineers' union. The evening was ushered in with

great excitement, when nearly 2,000 miners surrounded the shaft of the Gagnon mine, apparently for the pur-pose of mobbing 28 miners who defied the command of the union to stop work. A detail of 15 policemen with Captain Thomas Norton in command hurried to the scene, and reinforced by Sheriff John K. O'Rourke, with every deputy of his office at his back, succeeded in reaching the shaft mouth, Mounting a pile of timbers, the sher-

iff in plain language told the crowd. that the officers proposed to protect the Gagnon miners and intimated that any attempt at violence oupon the part of the strikers would result in shooting.

It is hardly likely that work will be resumed before a week, and the various smelters throughout the state may be compelled to suspend operations.

WRECK AT SEATTLE.

Trolley Car Jumps Track and Crashes Into Corner Cafe.

Seattle, Sept. 25,-Of the 80 passengers on a big Wallingford avenue car that was wrecked at the curve near the main gate of the World's fair, shortly before noon yesterday, not one escaped being cut or brused or sharply shaken, jured will die. Frank Hull, of Tacoma, aged 46, an Oddfellow attending the festivities accompanying the Sovereign Grand lodge meeting, died an-

hour after being taken from the wreck. The car got beyond control of the motorman, attained a speed of 30 miles an hour at the corner of Fourteenth street, careened, left the track an crashed into a one-story building at the southeast corner of the crossing, demolishing the flimsy building, splitting and wrecking the car and hurling the

passengers forward with frightful force Every pane of glass in the car was broken and the jagged pieces showered upon the passengers, who were tossed one upon another in indescribable confusion.

WRECKAGE LINES GULF.

Southern Coast Strewn With Broken Ships and Launches.

New Orleans, Sept. 25 .- With the list of dead from Monday's tropical hurricane well above 100 tonight, every indication points to a much larger number of victims. Many small sloops and launches are lying wrecked on the Gulf shore of Louisiana and Mississippi, and there is little doubt that some

Anxiety for the safety of steamers bound for New Orleans during the hurricane period on the gulf, has been relieved. Nearly all of these vessels were many hours late, but finally arrived at this port with the exception of the Utstein, which is four days overdue from Puerto Cortez. She was reported today to have gone aground off Seashore light near the mouth of the Mississippi, with no loss of life.

Juarez Bomb Harmless.

El Paso, Tex., Sept. 25.-It developed today that there was no plot conbomb in Juarez, Mexico. The "bomb" proved to be a small pepper box, three inches long, an inch and a half in diameter, and containing a substance Even had it been exploded it would have done no harm. The police have arrested an American tramp who had been sleeping on the premises of Senor Arguelles and had been ordered away. He had made threats against Arguelles.

Spain Turned Back. Oudja, Sept. 25.—Native reports say

that the Spanish advance toward Selouan on September 20 was stopp and turned back by a strong body of Riffians. Similar reports were current during the operations at Souk Beni Sifighting for the Spanish cause, were said to have deserted to the enemy, forcing the Spanish troops to retire to Melilla. These reports probably are the basis of a rumored Spanish reverse.

Hundreds Flee in Skiffs. Biloxi, Miss., Sept. 25.-About 500 storm sufferers are homeless at Bayou la Manre, near the mouth of the Mississippi river, and two lives were lost there. The water rose eight feet in