LOCKED IN BOXCAR BY MASKED MEN

M. E. BUTLER ROBBED OF A WATCH AND A QUARTER AND THREAT-DOESN'T KNOW COMBINATION.

know you if he saw you again."

This remark was made by one of three highwaymen who held up Marion six births. E. Butler, night clerk at the East Side Southern Pacific ticket and freight ofnce, located just south of the steel bridge, about 7:25 o'clock last evening. robbers took a silver watch and chain and 25 cents in money from Butdid not open the safe. Butler did not know the combination, so instead of killing him, the robbers locked him in

Butler left the office to take down some numbers of a few box cars stand-ing on the siding near by. He reached when the cold muzzle of a revolver was put against his neck and the of the Utah mission. command repeated.

high as they could go," said Butler this morning, "and then I caught sight of CLAVERING WILL the masks on two of the men. The other shaded his face with his bat. While my hands were away up in the air and my fingers scratching for a few stars, another gun was put against my neck and still another shoved in my The men quickly went through my pockets and relieved me of a quar ter and my watch. The latter I valued NEW ORIENTAL LINER WILL BE LOVE ESTATE OF \$334,000 THE very highly, as it was presented to me by a brother now dead.

"The holdup men then demanded that I open the safe. I told them that I did know the combination. The leader told me that he would blow my head off if I didn't open the strong box. began to count. I thought my days were over, but when he had reached three he seemed to change his mind."

After taking the cash from the ticket box, the men asked Butler if he didn't have a pin on him. He informed them that an A. O. U. W. pin was all he wore, This was not taken. Butler was then marched up the track to one of the box cars be had started out to number, and was locked in. He had been a quarter of an hour in the car when O. Olsen, a help and pounding on the car door, J. M. Cheever, who released the pris-

of the talking was cool, but one of the weather.

it feels to be held up. the revolvers did not look as big as also has 78 steerage passengers.

session. Then can mortgage the properation, but still the feeling that one Full outward cargoes are awaiting erty or otherwise encumber it but their maired there."

Superintendent Fields of the Southern highwaymen. Detectives Snow and Kerrigan are working on the case.

QUARTERMASTER HAS TROUBLE AT TACOMA

"(Journal Special Service.) Tacoma, Feb. 26 .- A strike was declared late yesterday afternoon by the temporarily thrown out of employment, gained the naval co cargo for the Philippines has been discontinued and trouble was narrowly

the dock last night.

Quartermaster Agent Cosper, in charge of the work of loading the vessel appilled to the local police officers for assistance in putting the union men off the dock, but the chief of police refused interfere. An appeal was then made to the mayor and he likewise held that the navy building program of the 58th the city should take no hand in the matter. In the meantime 100 idle men crowded the dock, keeping non-union en from work. Mr. Cosper has now taken steps to call in the assistance of the federal government in case of further need. Late in the evening th ernment dock was cleared and 'both wharf and warehouse have been boarded up so that the steamer cannot be reached except through the quartermaster's of-

The strike developed in less than a day. The Lyra's cargo had been dis-charged and she then shifted to the government dock to load cargo under contract to the government. The union employed by the stevedoring firm of McCabe & Hamilton, who control all of the general longshoring business of Seattle and Tacoma, were soon informed that about 20 "scab" warehouse men were at work pushing trucks and the union men, numbering about 100, at once served notice on the company to withdraw the non-union men. The company refused and gave the union men an hour in which to return to work. sent to Washington, D. C., asking for relief. At the same time the strike was declared and the entire was declared and a telegram LEADING ATTORNEY was declared and the entire union agreed to stand by the men who walked off the

McCabe & Hamilton have announced their intention of hiring men wherever they can secure them henceforth, re gardless of unionism.

SCRANTON FAMILIES LEFT HOMELESS

(Journal Special Service.) Scrunton, Pa., Feb. 26 .- A cave-in covring 30 acres and affecting 200 dwellings occurred in Bellevue, near this city at 11 eleven o'clock last night. At 3 graph company received the following o'clock this morning it gave indications dispatch this morning from the Comof spreading. Some houses were com- mercial Pacific Cable company: pletely wrecked and others were out of . "We are advised by the eastern com-plumb until the doors and windows can pany that our cables between Hong

BUT HE'S MARRIED TO MAKE A ROAD HE'S ONLY NINE

Born during the war of the rebellion, bina, a 'son. Father's occupation, conand for several years a benedict, A. L. ductor on a street railway. The name Morris, a Portland newspaper man, has of the child is not given. experienced but eight birthdays. His ninth will occur on the last day of the street, a son; father's occupation, liquor ENED WITH DEATH FOR PAILING present month, for he is one of those TO OPEN SAPE OF WEICE HE peculiar personages known as a "Leap- Dennis and Julia Sullivan of 551 North-Year-baby.

land for the past 20 years show but Adolph and Marie Ospaid of 1891/2 Third seven names of persons born on the 29th street, a daughter; father's occupation, of February. On February 29, 1884, and better get this man out of the way for keeps. He is one of these on the same date four years later, there John and Annie Banan, a son; father's smart guys; he's no fool. He would were no births. In 1892 there was one occupation, newspaper man; child's name child born on the last day of February. In 1896 the February 29 record shows son of Kennilworth avenue, a daughter; The record of Portland's "Leap-Year

bables" is as follows:

February 29, 1896-To Alfred P. and Augusta Sophie Nelson of 289 Fourth dealer; child's name not given. rup street, a daughter, father's occupa-The birth records of the city of Port- tion, laborer; child's name not given. To occupation, newspaper man; child's name To Thomas and Minnie Watnot given. father's occupation, carpenter; child's name, Myrtle; To William and Mary Bedman of East Portland, a daughter; February 29, 1892-To Mr. and Mrs. father's eccupation, farmer; child's E. R. Nilson of Sacramento street, Almane, Caty.

ler, and \$5.75 from the ticket case. They then threatened to kill the clerk if he F. BURGETTE SHORT IN TALBOTT'S PULPIT

Bishop J. W. Hamilton of San Francorner of the freight shed, when cisco, who presided at the recent session three men approached him, one of whom of the Oregon conference of the Methoshoved his fist in Butler's face and de- dist Episcopal church, has appointed manded that the clerk throw up als Rev. F. Burgette Short of Wilmington, handes. Butler could not see the masks Del. to supply Taylor street church unthat covered the faces of two of the men, and thought the order was only til such time as a regular pastor may be men, and thought the order was only given in fun by some of his friends.

appointed to succeed Dr. J. H. Talbott. in the nature of a reception to the new pastor and his wife. He will preach his wer, when the cold muzzle of a reception to the new pastor and his wife. He will preach his first sermon in this church March 6,

Dr. Short has been engaged for some months in California in raising an en-dowment for the University of the Pacific at San Jose. Accompanied by Mrs. Short, he will arrive in this city on Tuesday next and will be in the prayer meeting in the church on that evening It is expected that this meeting will be both morning and evening.

POUR DAYS LATE ON FIRST TRIP -- WILL ARRIVE ABOUT MARCH 2-TWO LINERS FOR PAR EAST IN PORT TOGETHER.

Word has been received at the local office of the Portland-Asiatic Steamship company that the Oriental liner Clavering arrived at San Francisco last even-

partment of the Southern Pacific, passed later than February 24, but she lay period allowed by law during which paylonger at the Mexican port than was ment saves a discount of 5 per cent. the car. He heard Butler calling for longer at the Mexican port than was ment saves a discount of 5 per cent. In help and pounding on the car door, Oi- anticipated. It is also believed that she fixing this tax numerous difficulties sen at once went after the watchman, experienced a very rough passage com- have arisen. ing up the coast. Nearly all the steamers of late have been more or less de-Butler said that the man who did most layed on account of the recent severe There are 19 grandchildren, who are so

The Clavering will arrive at about men are about 5 feet 11 inches tall, the the same time as the Indravelli. The amounts to more than \$5,000, their counthird a few inches shorter. All are latter sailed from Yokohoma on Februsel claims that under the law \$125,000 beavy set, and wore overcoats. Butler ary 13, and is expected to arrive at the of the estate is exempt from taxation. said that all three of the men said they mouth of the river by the first of the The law provides that the tax shall go would blow off his head if he looked month. She is bringing about 6,500 into effect as soon as the legatees are in tons of the usual run of Oriental freight possession of the property.
that is brought to this coast. Among The hardest problem is whether the I did not feel like some people say that is brought to this coast. Among The barrels of it is a big shipment of raw silk. She children can be declared in actual pos-

has when three guns are pointed to-ward him is far from being the most pleasant I have experienced. The gun It was expected that the Clavering this power of encumbering constitutes whose point rested on the back of my would be out of the river bound for the neck felt very chilly all the time it re- far east before the Indravell's arrival, tax is paid now the heirs may claim and arrangements were completed for giving the former quick dispatch. Why Pacific said this morning that he did the Clavering is going to remain at the tied. If the inheritance tax as regards not think the railroad company would Bay City for four days before proceed-the children's property cannot be paid offer any reward for the capture of the ing to Portland is not known locally. Aside from coaling she will not take on any freight there.

SHIPBUILDING TRUST

(Washington Bureau of The Journal) Washington, Feb. 26 .- In the house Clared late yesterday afternoon by the today a strong effort was made by Tacoma Longshoremen's union against Congressmen Jones and Cushman of the Boston Steamship company's steam- Washington, and Livernash of California, to restore the old 4 per cent prefer-States government, 350 men have been ential under which the Union Iron works gained the naval contracts it has thus The effort came near succeeding, and undoubtedly would have done so, but for the course of sverted by the government officials on Scott in entangling the plant with the shipbuilding trust. Had the Union Iron works been on the same ground as formerly the differential could have been so provided for in the pending naval appropriation that San Francisco would have stood a good show of getting a big share of contract work called for in congress.

WILL OF CHARLES **REED IS FILED**

The will of Charles Reed, disposing of estate valued at about \$10,000, was filed for probate in the county court this morning by Attorney John Legan. All the property is located in Multnomah county. By the terms of the will, which was executed at San Francisco, Cal., September 15, 1879, all the property is bequeathed to the widow. Mrs. Cordelia The children are Mrs. Elizabeth Reed. Duff and Walter Reed, both living in this city. The testator says he leaves all the property to his wife because he knows that at her death she will look out properly for the children. Walter Reed is well and favorably known as a singer.

KILLED BY FRIEND

(Journal Special Service. Buffalo, Feb. 26 .- Henry Schwartz, a prominent attorney, was this morning Hugh Knowles of fatally Knowles and Gardner, a prominent dry goods firm. Knowles, after holding the police at bay for a few minutes, blew out his own brains. The murder took place in Schwartz's private office. The originated over business

POSTAL RECEIVES WAR NEWS.

The local office of the Postal Tele-

by the settling of the surface over the diamond vein in the Bellevue colliery of the Delaware & Lackawanna company.

Many families are rendered homeless.

ESTATE PRESENTS ARRIVE OVERDUE KNOTTY PROBLEMS

FIRST TO BE BROUGHT INTO COURT FOR SETTLEMENT SINCE PASSAGE OF INSERITANCE TAX

In the first large estate brought before it for settlement under the inher-Itance tax law passed at the last legislative session, the county court finds it ing from Salinas Cruz, Mex., and that is called on to untie a gordian knot. she is scheduled to sail for Portland on The executors of the Lewis Love estate. February 29. If this program is car- amounting in value to more than \$334,ried out she will arrive at this port 000, filed a petition yesterday to have the inheritance tax determined by the A few weeks ago it was believed that court at once in order that it may be the Clavering would reach Portland no paid by March 3, the last day of the

> An undivided one-sixth life interest in the estate is left to each of six children. provided for as to make in all 25 legatees. As each of their shares

possession is to be determined. If the an exemption of \$125,000, though several points arise in that connection to be setuntil their parents die, each sixth being considered separately, the tax will be much larger. If several years should elapse before the parents' death in each case, the value of the estate would be greatly enhanced.

KILLED THE PROJECT OPENING OF LOCAL **OPTION CAMPAIGN**

Hon. Oliver W. Stewart, chairman of the national prohibition committee, will speak for the new local option law in Portland on Sunday next as follows 10:30 a. m., First Christian church, Park and Columbia streets; 3:00 p. m., Y. M. C. A. auditorium (men only); 7:30 p. m., Second Baptist church, Seventh and East Ankeny streets.

Mr. Stewart is a member of the Illi-

nois legislature from Chicago. He is spoken of as the most eloquent speaker in the illinois assembly. During the last session of the legislature he was the leader of the temperance hosts in a battle for local option. During the last presidential campaign, with practically an empty treasury, he set in motion a special train for the Prohibition presidential candidate, Hon. John G. Woolley, which traveled more miles and visited more places than the special train of the presidential candidate of any other party. Mr. Stewart's complete itinerary in

Dregon is as follows: Saturday, February 27, Albany, Sunday, February 28, Portland. Monday, February 29, Wasco. Tuesday, March 1, Hood River. Wednesday, March 2, Dallas. Thursday, March 3, Newberg. Friday, March 4, Salem. Saturday, March 5 (afternoon), Rain-

er: evening, Portland. Wednesday, March 9, La Grande. Thursday, March 10, Milton.

POSTAL CONSPIRACY CASE BEING CLOSED

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.)

Washington, Feb. 26 .- Justice Pritchard began reading the charge to the jury when court opened at 10 this morning for the closing scenes in the postoffice conspiracy trial before a great The defendants were all in erowd. Machen was cool and their places. composed. The Groff brothers sat side by side in stoical indifference. Pritchard's charge occupied an hour, and was eminently fair. He defined reasonable doubt, and discussed at length the conspiracy statue under which the indict ment was found. He said the design to defraud need not be accomplished. But if it was proven the parties acted toward the furtherance of that design even though the government was not actually defrauded, it was a case of conspiracy. At 3 o'clock this afternoon the jury

was still deliberating. ADMITTED TO PEDERAL COURT.

INTO A STREET

DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY DE-SCRIBES THE PROPER PROCED-URE WHEN A COUNTY BOAD IS IN THE CITY LIMITS AND IT IS DE-SIRED TO MAKE A STREET OF IT.

How to convert a county road within the city limits into a street is explained in an opinion submitted to the city auditor this morning by Deputy City Attorney J. P. Cavanaugh. The city of Portland desires to extend macadar street from Lowell to Hamilton avenue which at the present time is merely part of the county highway. Mr. Cav-

anaugh says: "Section 422 of the charter provides that all county roads lying within the limits of the city of Portland, which have not been laid out or accepted as streets by the said city, shall remain and be county roads until they shall be laid out or accepted by such author ities as streets, and be under the jurisdiction of the county court of Multnomah county, Oregon, and shall be worked, maintained and improved as the county roads outside the limits of said city are worked, maintained and

improved. "The failure of the county to repair this road will not affect its charter as a county road. If the proposed extension follows the boundary lines of the present road and does not attempt to appropriate any private property, or open a new highway, or afford a new or dditional means of access to the abutting property, it would not be proper to appoint viewers for the purpose of asessing benefits or damages to the abutting property. The charter provides that the costs

of such proceedings shall be assessed upon the abutting property as a benefit. But where the survey for the extension merely retraces the boundaries of the existing road, the abutting prop erty receives no benefit and is not liable to assessment.

"There is no specific mode provided by the charter for the acceptance of county road as a city street. But this may be done by a resolution of the council directing the city engineer to make a survey and report of the proposed extension, and by ordinance of the council adopting said report and accepting the road as a street. The report of engineer should be embodied in the or-dinance to establish a definite record of the boundaries and description of the extension.

"The cost of these proceedings must be paid by the city. The proceedings provided by article I of chapter IV of the charter relating to the appointment and duties of viewers and the assess ments of benefits and damages, do not apply to the acceptance of a county road within the city limits as a city street. "The establishment of the grade and the improvement of the street can be done in the regular way after the street is extended.

ANOTHER HORROR VISITS CHICAGO

(Journal Special Service.) Chicago, Feb. 26. With a crash that startled hundreds of pedestrians on Clark and Adams streets the huge scaffolding beneath the dome in the interior of the new postoffice building gave way at 1 o'clock this afternoon, carrying 15 men. Thirteen are b be dead or fatally injured. The scaffolding, like a net work to the dome, was 160 feet high where the men were plastering the interior. Some men fell 11 stories.

The work of digging the bodies from the immense mass of wreckage was under way immediately after the accident. Not all the men were on top. Some working at the side section were struck by falling timbers and carried down to death. Timekeeper Anderson stepped off the scaffolding to a place of safety 40 feet up just as it gave way. He says the scaffolding groaned and creaked and that immediately after the nails holding the planks pulled out and all fell.

MINING EXHIBIT IS ATTRACTIVE ONE

General Superintendent W. H. Wehrung, of the Oregon exhibit at the St. Louis fair, said today: "We have our whole exhibit packed and ready for shipment. The exhibit will be shipped in the early part of

"Fred Mellis' mineral exhibit will be a part of our mining display. He will act as superintendent of that department at a salary of \$4 a day and his transportation to and from St. Louis. He will bear his own expenses while there. Nothing will be paid him for

the use of his collection. "Frank Williams and Doctor Raffety of the committee on mines and mining of the state fair commission, have returned from a trip to Baker City in the interest of the Oregon St. Louis ex-This committee's report on the display from that part of the state is satisfactory as to the gold and goldbearing rock, but we will have it obtain specimens of the other minerals that are found in the state to complete the exhibit. These will go forward with the rest of the shipment.

WHOLE FAMILY IS DOWN WITH SMALLPOX

Seven cases of smallpox are under quarantine at Woodlawn, and one case has been reported from 328 Fourth street. Dr. C. J. Zan, city physician, said this afternoon that all the cases were very mild form of the disease and the Woodlawn patients were all inmates of one house. Mrs. Paisley and four children, Mrs. Henderson and W. Robending are the Woodlawn victims. They contracted the disease from Mrs. Paisley's husband, and the city physician believes that Paisley contracted the disease out of town, where he had been working.

We have been unable to trace the Willig case," he said. "However, I anticipate no serious trouble and think we have the disease checked."

COMMERCE CLEARED **BUFORD WILL LOAD** TODAY FOR MANILA

The schooner Commerce cleared this morning for Manila with \$31,474 feet of lumber, valued at \$9,977. She is being dispatched by Balfour, Guthrie & Co. The steam schoener Charles Nel-son has cleared for San Francisco with 700,000 feet of lumber. Tonight the and will then proceed to San Francisco steamer Aberdeen will sail for the Bay City with a cargo of grain and lumber. for the Philippines.

BOY CHARGED WITH ALL A BOLD BURGLARY

of A. L. Love, 191 East Monroe street, on January 29, and stealing two gold was arrested February 20 by Detective

Detective Kerrigan stated that when courtroom was enlivened by a short he had arrested Riley the boy told him word war between Detectives Kerrigan that he had seen some one enter the Love residence on the evening of the character of Riley.

George Riley, a 14-year-old boy, was | robbery. The detective then said that the in the municipal court this morning on the charge of breaking into the home the robbery. Mrs. Riley said that her of A. L. Love, 191 East Monroe street, son was at home from 5 until 7 o'clock on the evening of the robbery, and went on January 29, and stealing two gold from the house to visit a friend, where watch chains and a ring. Young Riley he stayed until about 10:30 o'clock. Edward Rose, who is said to have told Kerrigan. Owing to the fact that the Love that Riley informed him that he state's witness, Edward Rose, left the had the chains and ring, was sent for. courtroom a few minutes before the but owing to the fact that it would trial, the case was postponed until tointo court the case was postponed. The

IRATE FATHER HAS NOT PROSECUTED

Dills, aged 16 years, called at the county go in case he adhered to his intention clerk's office yesterday and declared he would make trouble for William P. The clerk was furnished with a letter

Though the father of Nevada Allen ney's office, where he would be likely to

King for marrying her without his consent, he has not yet taken any action Minnie A. Faust, the girl's mother, givagainst his unwelcome son-in-law. No ing her consent to the union. This letcomplaint has been made by the ag- ter the father declared a forgery. The grieved parent at the district attor- groom is 21 years old.

MAYOR'S DAUGHTER FIREBOAT'S SPONSOR

boat, the George H. Williams, tomorrow afternoon. The launching of the vessel is set for 3 o'clock and nearly all new boat. the ceremony.

Engineer Fred H. Ballin, who has into the water.

tlement of these lands would enormously expand the home markets for merchants Miss Nellie Williams, daughter of the charge of the construction of the boat, mayor, will christen Portland's new fire- called upon Mayor Williams yesterday afternoon and requested that Miss Willtams be invited to act as sponsor for the

The ceremony will take place at the the city officials will be in attendance at foot of Gibbs street, where the fireboat stands on the ways ready for her plunge

CONTRACTOR MAY **CLOSE BRIDGE**

COUNTY WILL REPUSE TO ORDER MORRISON STREET VIADUOT SEUT AND DISCLAIMS LIABILITY and opened fire on the Askold, Bayan and Novik lying in the roadstead and tant factors in the conservation of wa-ALSO PROTECT ITSELF.

No order will be issued by the county ourt closing the Morrison street bridge. If such action is taken it will be by the Pacific Construction company, which has the contract for rebuilding. Though this is true, the county will take the batteries and retired after 22 minutes. precaution to adopt such measures as will not make it liable for damage suits in case of accidents. This may be stated as a result of the discussion this norning, relative to the bridge, between Webster, county judge, and County Commissioners Barnes and Showers.

If the city should adopt the same course, it is probable that the company will close the structure to foot traffic while the work is in progress. In fact, it was stated by F. M. Butler, general manager of the company for this dis-trict, in a letter addressed to the mayor and county judge, that the company the Port Arthur engagement as an in-would be forced to take advantage of stance of their utility, and quoted Adopinion of City Attorney McNary miral Dewey to the effect that with two tions, President Maxwell says and close the bridge unless it should submarine torpedo boats he could meet be absolved from liability for accidents.

The county will post warnings at the bridge, and later on, if it is deemed necessary, furnish men as guards in addi-tion to the policemen stationed there by the municipality.

The contract for repairing the bridge is with the city. Hence the action of the company will now depend on the action of the city executive board. Superintendent F. B. Fleids and Fore man Harry Richmond of the Pacific Bridge company, had a narrow escape from serious injury or death while at work on the Morrison-street bridge Wednesday. The roadway was congested with traffic and the two men stepped aside to allow a heavy wagon, lumber laden, to pass. The space between the railing and the wagon was barely wide enough for the men to stand in. The driver, as soon as the front wheels of his wagon had passed the men, turned

toward the inside track. Both Richmond and Fields were pressed against the railing and the latter was turned around several times by the long lumber before he could escape. His left hip was slightly bruised.

"If I had been standing in front of airy, in charge of the work at Portland a post," he said. "I would have been and in the northwest, is at present in crushed. I am thankful, too, that the Salem, establishing an auxiliary branch railing did not give way."
General Manager F. M. Butler of the

the material has been gathered up in that "I locality the office will be moved to some Pacific Bridge company work said: am fearful that an accident will occur. A great many people think me contrary because I desire the bridge closed, but a glance at the heavy traffic across the structure and the lumber wagon incident will show that I have just grounds for apprehension. We will open a place in the sidewalk near east end today and before long will have 10 such holes along the south walk." Two cars of steel arrived yesterday and three more are expected soon. The work of unloading the material is in progress A policeman stands on duty at the bridge to prevent accidents. Thirteen piles were driven this morning at the place where the first pier is to be erected. This afternoon piling are to be driven in the stream south of the bridge are entering the army from all ranks as a mooring place for the pile-driver

LEWIS AND CLARK **BILL IS DELAYED**

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.) Washington, Feb. 26 .- Chairman Tawof the house exposition committee has been called from the city and age at present is about 10,000, men. will be absent 10 days. He has informed Of course, this is a hard matter to get the Oregon delegation that the Lewis at, as our army is now scattered over and Clark bill will not be reported until the whole world, and dozens are enter-Commissioners Scott and Boise, who

reached here last evening, will work with and the class taken in he declined to the individual members of the house to answer. He stated, however, that they promote a favorable feeling towards the aimed to get the best class of men and exposition pending the return of Tawney. that they were satisfied with the num-Commissioner Boise was taken ill this ber of applicants.

MARINES AT 'FRISCO

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.) Washington, Feb. 26 .- Officers of the quartermaster's department today state that the transport Buford will 1,000,000 feet of lumber at Portland

in small tracts, and repay to the gov-RUSSIA'S OFFICIAL ernment the cost of the irrigation REPORT SUBMITTED into large private holdings of the public settled should be stopped by the imme-

(Journal Special Service.) St. Petersburg, Feb. 26.—General act, and the timber and stone act, and Pflug's, official report on Thursday's bombardment of Port Arthur was received this afternoon. He says 16 warships approached from the Dalny side also fired on the land batteries. After

The Russian loss was one wounded.

PRAYER FOR PRACE.

Chaplain Prays, After Which Mot War

Discussion Takes Place.

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.)

at Port Arthur she could have destroyed

CINCINNATI AT CHEMULPO.

(Journal Special Service.)

partment is informed that the cruiser

Chemulpo, where she will remain indefi-nitely. The Vicksburg also remains at

UNCLE SAM WANTS MEN.

Possibility of Trouble in Far East

Causes Military Activity.

army recruiting service has recently re-

ceived instructions from the secretary of

war to become active in the securing of

place of those who are continually being

Capt. Cecil Stewart of the Fourth cav-

of the office. After all the available

of the other large towns in the valley.

The cause of the unusual activity is

said to be due to the Japanese-Russian

war, and the possibility of Uncle Sam

becoming involved. Advertisements for

recruits are being run in all of the pa-

pers and soldiers are out inducing men

that the United States was doing busi-ness in this line. Dr. Yenney, the ex-

amining surgeon, was putting, some

candidates for the army through some stunts to judge of their physical condi-

tion. At least a half-dozen were in

waiting for the examination. The sol-

diers in charge of the office, stated that

things are moving nicely and that men

of life. In further speaking of the work, he said: "The green men are

sent to Angel Island, near San Francisco.

where they are put in training, and from there are assigned to regiments

throughout the country. The men who

have been in the service can put in a

special application and join any regi-

ment, or go to any locality for which

they may have a preference. The stand-

ing army has a footing of 60,000 men

in all branches. An estimate that is

near the mark would be that the short-

ing and leaving the service each day."

RURAL DELIVERY CARRIERS.

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.)

Washington, D. C., Feb. 26.—Andrew M. Kennedy and Lloyd Fisher have been

appointed regulars, and Mary A. Ken

carriers at Beaverton.

Quentin.

nedy and Earl Fisher substitute rural

YOUNG CRIMINAL DIES GAME.

mounted the scaffold with a smile.

As to the number of men recruited

The local office of the United States

Washington, Feb. 26 .- The navy de-

incinnati has sailed from Shanghai for

the entire Russian fleet.

Chemulpo.

discharged.

ter in all parts of the United States, half an hour the Russian cruisers re-treated into the harbor. The enemy and the essential source of streams watering the arid section of the councontinued firing some minutes and then retired from range. Meanwhile four "Whereas, Denuding the forest areas Japanese cruisers separated from the by unscientific cutting of timber, by main squadron and entered Columbia fire, or otherwise, decreases the sources Bay, where they opened a heavy fire on of the water supply, and consequently Russian torpedo boats; also on the coast reduces the valuable irrigable area, in

works.

creases devastation by floods, and diminishes the average constant flow of streams; now, therefore, be it. "Resolved. That the federal govern ment should give constant and intelli-

WATIOWAL IRRIGATION ASSOCIA

TION AT ANNUAL MEETING WILL

START A CAMPAIGN AGAINST

POLITICINS WHO USE THEIR

Members of the National Irrigation

ssociation have been notified by the

president, George H. Maxwell, that mat-

ters of great importance are to be con-

sidered at the annual meeting, which

will be held in Chicago next Saturday. It is proposed to inaugurate a vigorous

and determined campaign for the ad-

vancement of the national irrigation movement, and to prevent the irrigable

public lands from being absorbed by speculators. To this end the members of the association will be asked to adopt

an amendment to the constitution of the

organization, creating a board of direc-

In his letter to the members, Presi-

dent Maxwell calls especial attention to

the following resolutions which were adopted last month by the board of

directors of the Merchants' association

"Whereas. The waters which now run waste in such great rivers as the

Columbia, the Sacramento, the Colorado

the Rio Grande and the Missouri and

their tributaries would, if utilized, ir-

rigate and make fertile and productive

many millions of acres of land that are

now an uninhabitable waste, and the

reclamation by irrigation and close set-

large our internal commerce through

every channel of trade and promote our

national prosperity; now, therefore, be it

gation works contemplated by the na-

tional irrigation act should be built

as the actual settlers will take the land

"Resolved, First, that the great irri-

the national government as rapidly

"Second. That the rapid absorption

lands which should be so reclaimed and

diate repeal of the desert land act, the

commutation clause of the homestead

no one be allowed to obtain government

land except the settler who lives on it,

for the full term of five years required

by the homestead act.

and manufacturers, and greatly

of New York:

tors and vesting it will full powers.

OFFICES TO PROMOTE GRAFT.

the forests, and the reforestation of denuded forest areas.
"Resolved, That we approve and urge Washington, D. C., Feb. 26.—Couden opened the house with a prayer for the carrying into effect the recommenda tions of the president of the United eace, after which the consideration of States, the secretary of the interior, the naval appropriation bill was re- and the secretary of agriculture for the sumed. Roberts (Mass.) argued for the consolidation of matters appertaining to amendment increasing the submarine forestry into the bureau of forestry. torpedo boats from two to five. He used now organized in the agricultural dethe Port Arthur engagement as an in- partment."

gent, attention to the preservation of

In commenting upon these resolu-"I feel warranted in saying that this the strongest army of England eight policy has the support of the press of miles from Sandy Hook and prevent its the country, with the exception of a reaching New York. He said Dewey, in few papers dominated by the interests a private conversation, remarked that if that are now profiting themselves at Japan had used submarine torpedo boats the expense of the business interests of the country so enormously by the absorption of the public lands into large grasing estates or speculative private holdings in large bodies without settle-

ment or increased population or trade This systematic speculative absorption of the public lands into private ownership without settlement is a well or ganized industry in the west, and those engaged in it are so strongly in-trenched in congress, especially in the public lands committees, and are powerful politically in the west, where they practically hold the balance of power in both political parties, that apparently neither party in congress dares to antagonize them by any strong party advocacy of land reform.

The east is apathetic, and the result is that nothing is done in congress, though the facts are notorious, and the men to fill the ranks of the army, in land grabbing will continue with in-place of those who are continually being creasing rapidity until all the lands are gone, unless the business interests of the country take a determined stand in the matter, and make their very effectively and positively felt by a campaign which will rouse congress from its indifference and apathy."

ROYAL PICKLING CO. IS BANKRUPT

Joseph Paus and F. Wallace Sr., who to enter the service.

A call at the local office demonstrated that the United States was doing busithat the United States was doing business as partthat the United States was doing business as partthat the United States was doing busithat the United States was doing busivoluntary petition in bankruptcy today.

The liabilities are given at \$2,673, the

assets \$999. Paus claims his clothing, underwear. hat and shoes as exempt, while Wallace says he "has no clothing or personal effects, except such as he actually wears on his body."

WILL REMAIN WITH PRESENT CHARGE

Rev. W. C. Kantner of the First Congregational church of Salem has sent word to the committee of Highland church that he will not accept the pastorate there. The members of his congregation in Salem held a mass meeting last evening, and pledged during the meeting most of the money necessary for a new church. In view of this fact, Dr. Kantner will remain in Salem. where he has been most successful.

EAST SIDE MASONS.

joint social session of all the east side Masonic lodges was held last night at the Burkhard building on East Burnside street. S. M. Yoran of Burnside street. S. M. Yoran of Eugene, grand master of the Oregon Grand Lodge of Masons, was present Refreshments were served during the evening.

RILLED IN ELEVATOR.

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Des Moines, Iowa, Feb. 26.—An elevator accident at the capitol building this morning resulted in the death of Mrs. C. Fountain of Valley Junction and her mother, Mrs. Hogue. They were going to visit the senate proceedings. Both houses adjourned after the fatality.

Wardrip, aged 20, the youngest man ever executed in the penitenthary here, was hanged at 10:40 this morning. He