BE UNION'S NEXT MOVE BACK TO TEXAS ABRAHAM RUEF STAGE BURNS JEALOUS WOMAN

Join Platform Men.

Strikebreakers Have Violated City Carmen Must Be Broken In.

(Journal Special Service.)
San Francisco, May 15.—Cars are erating on six lines today and there has been no serious disorder. The strike leaders conferred today with the heads of the unions represented in the United Railways' barns and shops on the subject of a general strike, which, it is believed will be ordered. eved, will be ordered, In spite of repeated assurances that

police could and would preserve or-in the city and enable the United Railways to run cars without interrup-tion, the disorder steadily increases. Yesterday was marked with almost conviolence on the lines in the district and all along Market atreet during the afternoon, crowds as-sailed the carmen and passengers with vile epitheta. Many bricks were thrown and not a single car on the Mission street lines returned to the barn with-out marks of a bombardment through walch it passed. The rioting was the most serious since last week's bloody battle.

Police scattered at intervals along the arlines were powerless to prevent the ouble which continued almost untrouble which continued almost un-broken from noon until the last cars were taken into the barns at 7 o'clock last night. At the end of the day's work many of the strike breakers in-formed the officials of the road that they would not take set the company's cars again unless provided with revolv-ers with which to defend themselves. The rioting centered around the car barn at Twenty-ninth and Mission streets, where crowds of union men and sympathisers stationed themselves durthisers stationed themselves durng the day.
At 5 o'clock the number of strike

WIFE FILES DIVORCE SUIT

side of the story was related to Judge 2 years.

BASELESS RUMOR IS CAUSE OF

CLOSING OF THE LADD SCHOOL

Employes of United Railways the cars through any mob in San Francisco if you will give us back our guns, but it is murder to send us out on the streets when the police either can't or

won't handle the mobs. A woman with a baby in her arms was a passenger on one of the cars on PLAN TO ARREST EVERY

NONUNION EMPLOYE

Strikers Declare That Farley's

Strikebreakers Have Violated City

Was a passenger on one of the cars on Mission street yesterday afternoon. When the mob charged the car and rocks crashed through the windows, she held her babe to her breast in an agony of fear. An eye witness states that a paving block that came through the window where she sat passed within a few inches of the baby's head. The conductor came to her aid and com-Ordinance Which Provides That forted her until the car had got clear

> Passengers were followed as they left the cars and stoned for blocks until they outdistanced their pursuers. One man was overtaken and cruelly beaten until he was dragged away from the mob and taken inside the Twenty-ninth street barn. The strikers led the riot-ing and the police were apparently unable to cope with the situation. Mullally, who was in the thickest of the trouble between 5 and 6 o'clock, said last night:
> "This has been the worst rioting since the strike began. Every car that turned in at the Twenty-ninth and Mission streets barn had been stoned. Men had been hit, windows broken and the cars bumped by trucks."

To Extend Operations.

Notwithstanding the Increasing violence President Calhoun declared late last night that the company would exlast night that the company would extend the operations of lines still further and run cars to the beach. It has been said that the company would not lare to send cars over this line as it is impossible for the police to protect it.

Charging that President Calhoun of the United Rallways is violating the laws of the city of San Francisco in allowing men to operate his cars without having here.

allowing men to operate his cars with-out having had seven days' experience in that city, the strikers believe they in that city, the strikers believe they have discovered a way in which all of Farley's strikebreakers can be thrown into jail and the lines again tied up. Warrants have been demanded and 750 of them issued in the name of John Doe. These will be served upon the carmen who have been imported to break the strike and unless it can be shown that they have compiled with the law they will be est

plied with the law they will be cast into prison.

It has been clearly demonstrated that the police force of San Francisco is inadequate or unwilling to cope with the present situation and Governor Gillette has decided to make his head-

At 5 o'clock the number of strike sympathisers lining the streets was augmented by hundreds of men returning from work, who rode in 'buses to the Mission district, and lingered to share in the demonstrations against the strikebreakers and those persons who had the temerity to ride on the cars.

"Garmen Want Their Guns.

"We have shown you that we are nervy men," one of the strikebreakers said to Thornwell Mullally, who was a step were taken.

Gillette has decided to make his head-quarters here until the strike is settled.

Hints of a boycott of the United Mission, president of the International Carmen's union. Mahon calls attention to the effect that a boycott of the Bay City lines by all of the laboring men in the city would have, and declares that the company would be unable to operate at a profit if such a step were taken.

Oil Company Must Answer Charges of Perjury.

(Journal Special Service.)
St. Louis, May 15.—H. Clay Pierce, president of the Waters-Pierce Oil company, must return to Texas to answer charges of perjury. Pederal Judge Adams refused him a writ of habeas corpus at 2:18 o'clock today and ordered the prisoner remanded to the custody of the police. Sheriff Matthews will

Charges of perjury against Pierce to make a formal statement declaring against the Standard Oil company in Texas. After the Standard had been convicted of conspiracy in the restraint of trade, as. its charter revoked the Waters-Pierce Oil company was organ-ized and through the aid of Senator Balley secured a charter. It was soon learned that the new oil company was simply the Standard un-

der different guise and proceedings followed. It was during this last hearing, the state of Texas alleges, that Pierce committed perjury. He refused to admit the ownership of the Waters-Pierce company by the Standard, and when this was proven grounds for perjury charges had been laid.

Prosecution of Pierce will follow soon after his arrival in the Lone Star state, and it is not believed that the courts

OF PARTICULARS

Defense in Idaho Land Cases Submit Arguments on This and on Their Demurrer.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Moscow, Idaho, May 15. — Argumen on the motion for a bill of particulars. and the demurrer to the indictments in the land fraud cases occupied the session of the-federal court this morning. Defendants' counsel contend that they are entitled to know the witnesses that will be summoned and the descriptions of lands referred to in the indictment. which the prosecution states they will rely upon to prove the offenses charged against Kester, Kettenbach, Robnett, Dwyer, West and Smith. The defense claim that it is absolutely necessary they have this knowledge in order to prepare for trial. District Attorney Ruick continued to resist this motion most positively. The court, while reserving his decision, intimated that t least part of the motion will probably

THEN REFUSES TO TESTIFY

The suit involves not only the decree of divorce, but property worth \$100,000 in May, 1890. Their children are Alma, and the custody of five children. Enke was present with his witnesses, and his side of the story was related to Judge 2 years.

Visement.

The trial jury reported at 11 o'clock, but was excused till this afternoon. The district attorney has not yet indicated which case will be tried first.

HIGHWAYMEN ROB ON CITY'S STREETS

Youthful Robbers Hold Up G. G. Smith at Tenth and Madison Streets.

G. G. Smith of 394 Columbia street while on his way homeward at 10:55 o'clock last night was held up at the corner of Tenth and Madison street

by two armed thugs and relieved of a purse containing \$2 in cash and a bill Smith reported the crime to Patrolman J. J. Murphy and a search was made by several policemen for the dar-ing highwaymen. The victim of the

ing highwaymen. The victim of the footpads describes his assailants as be-ing extremely youthful and of siender build. Both men wore long dark overcoats and were unmasked.

Miss H. Johnson of 426 Hoyt stree reported to the police this morning that a sneak thief entered her home yesterday and carried away a woman's green coat, a straw hat trimmed with pink

roses and a red silk parasol.

C. K. Miller, day foreman at the
Northern Pacific Terminal company's
roundhouse notified the police today of the theft of a number of valuable tools, belonging to one of the shop employes

RAILWAY OFFICIALS TRY TO BLOCK HENEY

(Journal Special Service.) San Francisco, May 15.—It has been announced that an effort to block Pros-ecutor Francis J. Heney in his investi-In commenting on the comparatively small apportionment for each day's attendance during the current year Assistant Superintendent H. B. Dewey said:

The present year of the court and remaining employes in the United States with ignore the order of the court and remaining employes in the United States with ignore the order of the court and remaining employes in the United States with ignore the order of the court and remaining employes in the United States with ignore the order of the court and remaining employes in the United States with ignore the order of the court and remaining employes in the United States with ignore the order of the court and remaining employes in the United States with ignore the order of the court and remaining employes in the United States with ignore the order of the court and remaining employes in the United States with ignore the order of the court and remaining employes in the United States with ignore the order of the court and remaining employes in the United States with ignore the order of the court and remaining employes in the United States with ignore the order of the court and remaining employes in the United States with ignore the order of the court and remaining employes in the United States with ignore the order of the court and remaining employes in the United States with ignore the order of the court and remaining employes in the United States with ignore the order of the court and remaining employes. that the heaviest penalties for contempt be imposed upon them.

MILITIA TO WATCH A CIVIC ELECTION

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Scattle, May 15.—Because of Sheriff Smith's refusal to appoint deputies to preserve the peace and make arrests if TAKEN TO ASYLUM

Junction City, Or., Msy 15.—Al Johnson, formerly a restaurant keeper here, was yesterday judged insane and taken to the asylum. His real name is Knute Knutsen. He is over \$e years old, and has lived in this vicinity over \$0 years. He has a nephew, Karl Knutson, at Newport, Oregon the only relative he knows of

Destroyed by Fire on Lonely Desert Trail.

San Francisco, May 15.—When Abraham Ruef pleaded guilty to the charge of extortion this afternoon he made the following statement:

"With permission of the court I desire to make the following statement against the protests of my attorneys. To the public I have only feelings of the greatest kindliness and here I wish to make a formal statement declaring to make a formal statement declaring over a sizzling hot borax flat on the way from Amargosa siding on the Sait Lake railroad he suddently felt a blaze licking his back. Turning he saw the whole stage affame. On it was a lot of freight, some baled hay and other combustibles, but no passengers. Love leaped off and unhooked his horses, and by that time practically everything was wiped up. He had been smoking a cigaratte.

His story is believed by those who

His story is believed by those who know him, but the postal authorities are investigating. The currency was for the

FIVE DEAD IN

Trainmen Perish in Head-On Collision on Southern Pacific Near Copley.

Southern Pacific overland train No. t 5 o'clock this afternoon, was wrecked ast night near Copley, California, by a head-on collision with two southbound locomotives. Five men of the crews of the engines and train were killed or are

missing and under their engines. No passengers are reported injured.

It is expected that the track will be cleared and the northbound train will be able to reach Portland tomorrow morning. All three of the lecomotives participating in the collision were nearly demolished and are masses of scrap tron. It was necessary to dispatch two iron. It was necessary to dispatch two extra locomotives and a wrecking train to the scene.

The two southbound locomotives were proceeding south from Dunsmuir, and running close together, at a high rate of speed. It is reported that they dashed around a curve and suddenly were confronted by the northbound passenger train. The two locomitives were run-ning down grade, and before they could be checked the collision occurred, piling treme cost and great personal sacrifice caused me to lower those high ideals which I had held up to that time, so sacred. Now I have but one course Engineer train, was instantly killed. Engineer Wooden and the firemen of passenger train, was instantly killed. Engineer Wooden and the firemen of the locomotive pulling No. 12 are re-

answer denying her husband's charges and making counter charges of cruelty. Settlement of their property rights out drawn from the box and not summoned by the marshal. I make this statement so the whole fendants claim that this jury should be fendants claim that this jury should be drawn from the box and not summoned by the marshal. The trial jury reported at 11 o'clock. The trial jury reported at 11 o'clock. The trial jury reported at 11 o'clock. LIVESTOCK SHOW

Busy Ever Since.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Corvallis, Or., May 15.—Elated with similar event last year. Corvallis will not a criminal matter. The police of-hold another horse show this spring, or ficer refused to take any action in the rather a general livestock show, since fine cattle, sheep, goats and swine will also be exhibited. The date for the big Instruments Returned. affair has been set for June 7 and 8. There is fair promise that the show will sclipse in size and interest anything of the sort ever held in Benton county. Committees are at work on details and arrangements and deep interest is taken throughout the county, as last year's show not only aroused a greater interest in the fine stock of this section than ever before, but it also advertised abroad the fact that Benton had fine animals, which has resulted in frequent visits during the past year of numerous horse buyers from neighbor-ing states, who have paid higher prices for horses than farmers hereabouts had ever before received.

Seventy-Pive Cupq as Prizes Realising the far-reaching effects of the first show, Corvallis will leave nothing undone to make the coming event even larger and more attractive and successful. It is estimated that \$550 will be needed to purchase the cups that will be given as awards, as about 75 cups will be required, as now estimated. Already \$250 has been donated and the committee, will Shish the canvass to-day or tomorrow.

The amount will be easily secured. Whether cups alone, or cups and ribbons will be awarded, the latter for second and third places, is as yet undecided.

The executive sommittee is made up of Thomas Fawestt, William Currin and Henry Ambier. The general committee is W. H. Savage, chairman; Grant Eigin, secretary; Henry Ambier, Thomas Fawcett and W. H. Currin. All these are energetic workers and things are movement of the secretary along under the secretary. ing rapidly along under their leader ship. List of Classes Exhibited

Horses—Draft, standard bred, thoroughbred and graded draft horses.

Cattle—Beef breeds, Shorthorns, Herefords, Aberdeen Angus; dairy breeds, Jersey, Guernsey, Holstein and Short-Sheep-Lincoln, Cotswold, Shropshire

Death of Dr. Poppington.

Chicago Nurse of Taking Surgical Instruments.

(Journal Special Service.)
Chicago, May 15.—Dr. Raiph Fenton,
reported of wealthy Portland family, left for Portland several days ago with a warrant out for his arrest on a charge of larceny by bailes for stealing instru-ments from the Illinois Eye and Ear in-

ments from the Illinois Eye and Ear infirmary where he was an interne.

Back of the arrest of Fenton is the story of a jessious woman. Fenton was apprehended upon the complaint of Superintendent Garrard of the Illinois Charitable Eye and Ear infirmary, and the warrant charged the larceny of surgical instruments and a quantity of medicine left in the care of Anna Scanlon, a nurse, aged 22. Miss Scanlon thought highly of Fenton until she learned that he was corresponding with a young lady in Portland. Miss Scanlon, who says Fenton promised to marry her, immediately confided to a daughter of Superintendent Garrard that Fenton had taken the instruments and drugs, and the warrant was issued. The property was returned some time ago.

Father Explains Matter.

Dr. Ralph A. Fenton arrived at Port-land last Friday, and went immediately to his father's residence, 110 East Six-teenth street. Judge Fenton, when shown the foregoing dispatch, frankly stated the circumstances out of which the difficulties arose. His statement was as follows:

"Dr. Fenton was chosen at a competitive examination as interne of the Illinois Eye and Ear Infirmary June 1, 1996, from the senior class of the Northwestern University Medical school of Chicago, where he graduated with the highest honors. He was known as a civil service appointee in a state institution, and was senior interne.

"Shortly after his induction into office the head nurse, Miss Cora A. Mathis, now in Arizona, gave to Dr. Fenton, from the abandoned surgical instruments of the institution, of which there were a large number, a few sur-"Dr. Fenton was chosen at a com

there were a large number, a few surgical instruments of small value which surgeons would no longer use. He had these continuously in his possession in the infirmary where he was on duty, and did not know that it was any violation of the rules or at all improper to receive them. Miss Mathis resigned some time near Thanksgiving last, and was succeeded by another head nurse whose assistant was Misa Anna H. Scanlon, a very capable and efficient nurse who had been in the infirmary since September last. She knew that Dr. Fenton had these abandoned surgical instruments and proffered to complete his set from the same source of supply, which Dr. Fenton supposed was regular and proper and he accepted a few additional articles.

tendent and Dr. Fenton occurred on Tuesday, April 36. The superintendent said that strictly speaking it was con-trary to the rules for the nurses to turn over these articles to the internes. Last Year It Was Horses Alone,
and Buyers Have Been
Busy Ever Since.

On the next day, Wednesday, May 1,
Miss Scanion apparently made a complaint before the municipal judge, and
on that afternoon a police officer came
to the infirmaty, interviewed Dr. Fenton and the superintendent, told them the complaint had been made and that he held a warrant, but after conferring with the superintendent suggested that Corvallis, Or., May 15.—Elated with it was a matter for the superintendent the pronounced success that attended a to handle as a matter of discipline and

Instruments Beturned.

Thereupon the superintendent suggested that Dr. Fenton should go and get the instruments and return them, which he did that evening and they were promptly turned over to the superintendent on the evening of the same day. Dr. Fenton's time would have expired June 1 next. He immediately notified his chief surgeon of his intention to leave the infirmary and diately notified his chief surgeon of his intention to leave the infirmary and was in Chicago from April 30 until 11 p. m. of the evening of Monday, May 7, and his whereabouts were known not only to the infirmary officials but could have been ascertained by the officers. His family and friends feel that it is the case of a jealous woman desiring to have revenge.

CLARK CHILDREN SUE FATHER OVER A WILL

against their father and one of their brothers. Mrs. Clark died in June, 1901. The suit brought this morning alleges that Clark, before his wife's death, transferred to her the John Clark Saddlery Company and some real property.

Mrs. Clark is alleged to have kept the
documents in her possession and never
had them recorded. Their hiding place was nover known, and the papers were not found until last March, nearly six years after Mrs. Clark's death.

BELIEVE MENINGITIS EPIDEMIC IS OVER

Premiums will be given in the horse show for the following: There have been no new cases of spinal meningitis today. Dr. Wheeler hopes that the epidemic is over. Julia Johnson died just night at St. Vincent's sanitarium of the disease, which leaves at ill six cases at the hospital. Eric Johnson, a patient 60 years old, is in a dying condition and cannot recover. Hattle Deeds is also in a very serious condition. The others are Ruth Gariet, aged three years, Oscar Larsen, Charles Stoeckel and Clarence Johns of Macadam road.

If you have a horse "on your mind" —not a nightmare—"read The Your-inal ada,

PRICES DOWN

Chicago Wheat Market Opens Lower Than It Closed Yesterday, and is Kept There.

(Journal Special Service.)
Chicago, May 15.—In the fight for
the mastery of the wheat market today
the Wall street clique lost out, although the battle at times was within anyone's grasp had they a little strength to grasp it.

The market opened sharply
1%o to 1%c lower than the troffering at the close of the market.

terday evening.

The Wall street clique is said to ho nearly all the available supply at the time, and at the lower prices its pu chases are still quite heavy. On the other hand the grain trade, or the insiders, are trying to reestablish their trade which has been temporarily blocked by the great fluctuations in The bears had the advantage of the

battle from the start, weather reports from Manitoba and other points in the from Manitoba and other points in the northwest being much improved.

Bull leaders claim this advantage of their opponents is only temporary and they will make them repay 2 cents a bushel for every cent the price of December option goes under a dollar a bushel. They say that while they have temporarily lost control of the market the real damage done the east by unfavorable weather and the green blin in this country and the scarcity in the European crop they will soon regain more than they have lost. Dellar wheat, they argue, will come again and the price will stick close above that figure whether American crop prospects improve or not.

prospects improve or not.

At the closing of the market today prices were 2% to 2% cents a bushel under the bid value of yesterday.

AT FESTIVAL

Chamber of Commerce Trustees Plan to Hold Flower Show in Portland.

The Portland chamber of commerc trustees has appointed a committee to co-operate with the Portland Rose so-clety in its movement for a rose show in Portland this year. The rose society has called a meeting to be held at the chamber of commerce auditorium Saturday evening, May 18, at 8 o'clock, to

Miss Scanlon Threatens.

"Meantime Miss Scanlon and Dr. Fenton were thrown together a good deal, and apparently she presumed that his attentions were more than mere friendship, although nothing was said by dividual citizens who have shown an institute of the statement of the st either party to indicate that Miss Scan-terest in the movement or desire to lon regarded Dr. Fenton in the light of lend support are asked to attend the a suitor. When Dr. Fenton discovered the state of her feelings, he told her the rose society, today issued the follow-that he was in no position to return or ing notice:

reciprocate her affections, and in some "A meeting of the Portland Rose soway she discovered the fact that Dr. clety will be held on next Saturday. Fenton was in correspondence with a young lady in Portland and upbraided him for what she claimed was his demerce, for the purpose of electing offception in this respect, which led her cers for the ensuing year and transto threatening to disclose the fact that acting any business that may be law-he had these surgical instruments. She fully brought before the meeting, and and Dr. Fenton immediately reported to the superintendent the entire facts and that these instruments were in his possession. have expressed a desire to cooperate in this work, and also to individuals whe have through the papers promised their asistance.

E. B. McFARLAND."

The "Rose City" of the Pacific coast

is expected to make good in this move-ment. As a city where the most beauti-

ful roses in the world bloom in greatest profusion. Portland is famous the country over, and a rose show in Portland should, it is said, be an event worth traveling miles to see.

It has been proposed that the festival be held in the wonderful Forestry building, now the property of the city, at the old exposition grounds. The interior of this building, with a ceiling 50 feet high upheld by monster trees, is regarded as an ideal place for exhibiting the great banks and festoons of roses that will be produced when the time that will be produced when the time comes for opening the festival, and for the holding of any ceremonies, or even for the giving of a grand ball should it be decided to close the event with a function of that character.

FORTY APPLICANTS PASS EXAMINATIONS

Successful Candidates for City Positions Will Be Appointed at Once.

Twenty-nine applicants for positions as drivers, hosemen and truckmen in the fire department and 10 for places Another move in the controversy between John Clark and his children over service commission of Portland at its
the estate of Clark's deceased wife was
made this morning when three of the
children filed a suit in the circuit court
tions and seven in the latter. Following

are the successful applicants for driv-ers, hosemen and truckmen: William A. Ezard, Andy Bascomb, John McCulloch, Herman S. Bates, John John McCulloch, Herman S. Bates, John Metzler, John A. Schmidtke, Fred B. Mc-Elwain, Jessie L., Carter, Winifred H. Ring, George R. Watson, Milton V. Brown, William E. Shell, George J. Felton, William C. Varney, Joseph Curran, John S. Buhtte, William J. Miller, Alex Desbouilles, Ira Fitzgerald, Charles Haberland, Richard E. McMichael, Johnsey, Martin, Hoy J. Abbott, Fred C. Schmidtke, Charles B. Barger, Arthur F. Howlett, Patrick A. McHugh, Franz E. Jaques, Frank H. Tucker.

The new stokers are: George W. Al-

Jaques, Frank H. Tucker.

The new stokers are: George W. Allen, Charles F. Smith, Andy Bascomb, James Mallon, Alfred B. Cunningham, Claud D. Jett, George W. Tabaka, Peter J. Loomis, Clarence O. Williams, William C. Tyson.

Appointments of the successful candidate will be made at once.

Johann Flinch has been promoted from the position of calker to that of gateman at the head gate.

man at the head gate. Dead Body in the Columbia.

The Dailes, Or., May 15.—Engineer Harry Jones last night discovered the dead body of a man floating in the river near Rufus. He informed the authorities there and an inquest will be held

There was a pocket edition of a panic at the Ladd school, Park and Madison streets, today as a result of an unfounded rumor that one of the pupils of the school was dying of malignant cerebro-spinal-meningitis at her home on Alder street. As a consequence achool was dismissed for the day. As a matter of fact there was no case of the dreaded disease among the pupils and the alarm was groundless. However, it caused a vast amount of work on the part of Dr. Wheeler, who was forced to examine all the alling children in the school. Patrolman J. J. Murphy is said to be the innocent cause of a portion of the trouble. In passing the school this morning he is said to have remarked to one of the teachers that a little girl, one of the pupils, was the victim of a severe attack of the epidemic. Upon investigation, the alleged information conveyed by the patrolman was found to be without foundation. At any rate, his remark was overheard by a small boy who immediately busied himself with circulating what he had heard among the other pupils. Pupils became frightened and hurried home. So general became the panic that Dr. Wheeler, the city's health officer, was summoned and made a thorough investigation. The little girl in question was not even afflicted with a bad cold. MORE SCHOOL MONEY BUT PLAN UNION EMPLOYMENT MORE PUPILS ATTENDING

Olympia, Wash, May 15,-The appor tionment of moneys in the current school fund was made today for the quarter ending May 10. The apportionment on the basis of each day's attend-ance was .0455. The other apportionments for the year have been as fol-lows: August .021, November .0955, February .011, total .083. The total amount apportioned today was \$1,083,-

has been increased from five months to aix months, and the average daily at-tendance has been much higher on ac-count of the rigid enforcement of the count of the rigid enforcement of the compulsory school law. The result was an unexpectedly large increase in the total days attendance and a corresponding reduction in the per diem apportionment. The total amount raised this year for the current school fund was the maximum allowed by law. This is the first time in the history of the state that the maximum ievy has been raised, and this is due to the increased valuations. Heretofore the 5-mill limitation on the lavy has reduced the per capitarised to a sum below \$10 per capita. In the year 1905-6 the actual amount raised was \$9.54 per child of school ago."

ne of today's want ads come from

BUREAU FOR RAILROADS

Chicago, May 15.—The railroads centering in Chicago are considering the advisability of establishing a union employment bureau to secure a better grade of operating employes. Great secrecy is maintained regarding the project because the bitter opposition of the labor organizations is feared. In operating conferences which recently have been held by various roads here, the subject has received unanimous approval.

It is stated that the labor organiza tions are opposed to such a bureau, and declare that it would amount to a blacklist. Railroad officials, however, insist that in no other business are

VERY AGED SWEDE

operating employes is so great new that any applicant, no matter what his record, finds almost instant employ-ment with any road.

men employed without question as to previous record.

GENERAL STRIKE WILL TO TAKE PIERCE STATEMENT OF DEATH VALLEY IS A VICTIM OF BEARS POUND

President of the Waters-Pierce San Francisco Politician Says Twenty-Seven Thousand Dollars Dr. Ralph A. Fenton Accused by His Ambition Wrecked His High Ideals.

Abraham Ruef.

that they always fully believed me innocent of all the charges against me. My personal condition is such that I cannot stand the terrible strain of another three or four months in court The nightly conferences with my at-torneys, long hours over lawbooks and daily appearance in court have under-mined my health so that it would be beyond my physical powers to endure it. "Moreover the strain upon those who are near and dear to me is such that their health is also undermined and they are in a state of vital collapse. Their lives are in danger. I have occupied a prominent position in this city. I have long borne an honored and respected name. My private professional life is without stain. I have held up my head among my fellow-citizens, and justly. Until the election of 1985 it was no fiction of mine such that it might bear out in any way the charges made against me in the newspapers; until that election my life was clean and true to the high ideals I had al-

ways held.
"But my desire to hold together the
vast political machine built up at ex-The trial of the divorce suit of Hercann to an abrupt end in Judge Sears.

Sears. When Enke's attorney announced that his case was closed, Mrs. Enke's attorney stated that his client refused ay afternoon by the refusal of Mrs. Enke to testify in her own hehalf. Mrs. Enke to testify in her own healf. Mrs. Enke to testify in her own healf. Mrs. Enke to testify in her own hehalf. Mrs. Enke to testify in her own healf. Mrs. Enke to testify in her own healf. Mrs. Enke to testify in her own healf. Mrs. Enke to appear at the morning of the low of the flead of the loc

Abraham Ruef's case.
"I am not guilty of the crime charged in the indictment, but in view of other charges against me and for the reasons stated above, I desire to have the court allow me to change my plea of not guilty and substitute that of guilty; also move that the court discharge the ury. I throw myself upon the mercy

of the court." Heney immediately consented to the motion and the judge discharged the jury. Ruef was led away in charge of Detective Burns. He shook hands with a number of newspaper men. His eyes were full of tears and his hand shook.

CHANGE IN THEIR PLANS SAVES SHRINERS' LIVES

Visiting Shriners of Medinah temple, Chicago, are thankful because they de-cided to stay over a day at Santa Bar-bara, instead of coming through from Los Angeles on the regular schedule, because their train would have been wrecked at Honda instead of the one on which more than a score of people were sent to their death. After leaving Los Angeles the Shrin-ers stopped at Santa Barbara. They were in four sections, and the Medinah crowd was on the first section. Most of them wanted to spend more time at Santa Barbara than had been allotted to them by the schedule planned, and, as the second section was in a hurry to run through to San Francisco, change was made whereby the Medinah train was held as the second section.

The first section left several hours ahead of the Shriners, who arrived in Portland this morning, and many were switch. When the train carrying the members of Medinah temple came along a track had been built around the wreck and they were carried by the spot without stopping.

PROSECUTION LOSES THREE BEST WITNESSES

(Journal Special Service.)
Boise, Ida., May 15.—A decided sensation followed the circulation, after court reconvened of a report to the effect that the attorneys for the state had discovered a serious flaw in their case which might have an evil effect on it. According to the story three witnesses, two of whom were former members of the Western Federation of Miners, and one ex-member of the executive board, who had made declarations to agents for the state which it was held would tend to strengthen the credibility as a witness of Harry Orchard, flatly declined to come to Idahe to testify. Two of these men are in Colorado and one in the Goldfield district. They have been the enemies of Hay wood and Moyer for years.

Some efficient servant girls are answering the Journal help want ads.

and Dorset horns,
Swine — Berkshire, Peland China,
Yorkshire and Chester Whites.

Dr. Edgar Poppington, 75 years of ago and a pioneer of 1853, died at his resi-dence, 573 Third street, this morning after a lingering illness of several