In a Condensed Form for Our Busy Readers.

Not Less Interesting Events of the Past Week.

A rigid inquiry into the Bennington

disaster has been ordered. The German emperor and the czar

met and had a long conference. Mobile has established a quarantine on the cities below on the Mississippi

D. C., is investigating the cotton scandal.

Komura, one of Japan's peace en-

voys, says his country is not over anxious for peace. All of the crew of the warship Bennington have been accounted for with

the exception of one. There is danger that Chicago teamsters may again strike. They are dissatisfied with the number of union men

taken back to work. A party of Mazamas on their way up Mount Rainier narrowly escaped, death trict. by a boulder above them becoming loosened and rolling down.

Reports from the Immigration bureau show that during June over 10,-000 Chinese applied for admission and nearly 9,000 were admitted.

China fears an alliance of Russia and

Witte says the czar will finally settle the peace question.

A new mutiny has broken out in the Russian Black sea fleet.

Jerry Simpson, ex-Populist congres man from Kansas, is critically ill.

Yellow fever has broken out at New Orleans and a quarantine has been es-

tablished. Linievitch is anxious to fight and Oyama is willing, so another great battle again seems probable.

The president has decided not to transfer the Panama canal to the State department, but will leave its construction with Taft.

was to blame for the Bennington dis- of wood of handsome design, and drapaster and the guilty ones will be found ed with the colors. Constant guard and court martialed.

The grand jury investigating the frauds at Milwaukee is finding plenty of work. So far 251 indictments have been returned. Crime honeycombs state, county an city officials and has been going on for years.

The grave of Sacajawea, the Indian woman who acted as guide for Lewis and Clark, has been found in the Shoshone reservation near Lander, Wyoming. Major Baldwin was able to locate the place, her son having at one time been the major's guide.

The state treasurer of Kansas will be ousted from office.

Stormy times are expected in the Morocco conference.

The canal commission has called for bids for supplying labor.

A negro colony from Florida is to be established in Southern Idaho.

A bomb was thrown at the sultan of Turkey, but he was not injured.

Another batch of indictments has been returned against Milwaukee graft-

Some Russian defenses have been ice.

captured by the Japanese, together with several guns.

A murderer sentenced to be hanged 23 years ago has been tound alive in

It is said that in the peace terms to be demanded by Japan is a provision against double tracking the Siberian railway. Russian papers declare that the acceptance of this would be commercial suicide.

Japanese positions in Manchhuria are strongly fortified.

The Russian garrision at Vladivostok expects an attack by land and sea any

Baron Komura, Japanese peace enon east to Washington.

China will insist on Manchuria being returned to her when the war is over, no matter how it terminates.

A cloudburst near Joplin, Missouri, caused great damage to crops. The loss will reach \$150,000. One man

A majority of the naval board of construction has recommended that no canal, is to be made president of the but oil men place the loss at present at

WAR ON MOSQUITOES.

New Orleans Determined to Stamp Out Yellow Fever.

New Orleans, July 25 .- The old time strict quarantine established many years ago by Dr. Holt went into effect yesterday morning, and will be enforced with absolute impartiality and with the utmost stringency against all Cen-tral American ports which are consid-ered infected. The same regulations have been supposed to have been in force for some time past, but investigation shows that they have been lightened to some extent, and it is to this A Resume of the Less Important but reason that the health authorities attribute the introduction of yellow fever

into New Orleans. These regulations mean that every vessel from Central American ports will be detained at quarantine six days, and thus prevent absolutely any further cases of fever being brought into the

The situation in New Orleans is now thoroughly in hand, and it is expected that the quarantine will be lifted within a few weeks. Governor Blanchard, Mayor Behrman, the United States A Federal grand jury at Washington, Marine Hospital surgeons from coast ports and the city and state health authorities met today and determined to Five members of a Philadelphia fam- take the most stringent measures to ily were fatally poisoned by eating stamp out yellow fever and any disease which resembles it in New Orleans.

All unite in the belief that the mosquito theory in the spread of the disease is the only true one, and the fight will be carried along that line, which was that followed in Havana. No new cases of yellow fever or any suspicious cases developed today, neither were there any suspicious deaths. The disease, which was met with scientific and sanitary means from the beginning. seems to have run its course, and the physicians are proud of their work in limiting the disease to a restricted dis-

PAUL JONES' BODY ARRIVES.

Vessels of American Navy Travel 7, 000 Miles Without Mishap.

Annapolis, July 25 .- The John Paul Jones expedition, commanded by Rear Admiral Sigsbee, will complete its mission with the landing of the distin-guished dead today. The eight ships of the squadron, four cruisers and four battleships have rested all day in the anchorage of the naval academy, lying in double column, with the cruisers, headed by the Brooklyn, nearest the

The day has been without ceremony, with the exception of the exchange of calls between Admiral Sands, superintendent of the naval academy, and Admirals Sigsbee and Davis and Captain E. D. Gervais, of the French cruiser

Jurien de la Graviere. On the half deck of the Brooklyn, in spacious compartment at the entrance to the cabin of Admiral Sigsbee, lies the body of John Paul Jones, contained The Navy department says some one in a casket of lead inclosed in another is kept by an armed jackie.

Admiral Sigsbee regards his mission as eminutly successful and satisfactory. His squadron has steamed nearly ,000 miles without delay on account of accident or mishap to machinery.

Military Convicts Escape

were men sent into the fort to serve ritory. sentences for desertion from other army posts. The names of the men are: Frank Burton, Joseph Carroll, James Collingwook, Herman W. Lamp and Harry Linden. The outbreak was one of the most daring ever attempted at Fort Wright. With from six to ten guards in an adjoining room, the five desperate men sawed through two iron bars three-quarters of an inch thick.

Detention Camps Established.

New Orleans, July 25 .- The yellow fever quarantine situation affecting New Orleans is not serious, in that it applies only to persons and baggage, and this will be relieved by the immediate establishment of detention camps on the lines of all the railroads where Georgetown, Indiana, near the Ken- travelers desiring to go up to the quartucky line, has, been washed away by antine territory may remain five days. and secure a certificate of noninfection from the Marine hospital serv-

Inventor Rejects Offer.

solved a problem of signaling for ele-General Electric company, of Schenec-tady, N. Y. He added that upon the advice of City Superintendent of Schools William H. Maxwell, he had at school until he finishes.

Germans Aping the Japanese.

Berlin, July 25 .- The secrecy with which the Japanese have screened the the secrecy that would surround actual pathy of the national administration. warfare.

Job in Sight for Wallace. Atlanta, Ga., July 25 .- The Constitution tomorrow will say: "A persistent rumor is afloat in railroad circles here to the effect that John F. Wallace, formerly chief eagineer of the Panama loss or to give out any insurance figures,

TESTIMONY

Second Trial of Land Fraud Cases Not So Long as First.

JUDGE BENNETT IS PUGNACIOUS

Endeavors to Tangle Up Government Witnesses-Testimony Similar to That of the First Trial.

Portland, July 25 .- The first day's work in the Williamson trial has shown two things; one, that the time consumed will in all probability not be so long as in the first hearing; the other, that the defense is going to use the testimony of the first trial as a club with which to chastise the witnesses for the government, throw them into confusion if possible, and thus weaken the force of their testimony before the

present jury.

Judge Bennett's pugnacious crossexamination of the three witnesses Campbell Duncan, Ben F. Jones and Frank Ray, was the feature. Upon the opening of the trial the government first called Duncan, who told the same story related at the first trial of having taken up a claim at the suggestion of Gesner and with the understanding that he should get \$75 for it when patented. The direct examination was short and to the point. Mr. Heney taking advantage of the knowledge gained at the first trial to eliminate all superflous matter and recitation. The same was the case with the evidence given by Jones and Ray, but when the witnesses were turned over to the defense they were given an unpleasant time by Judge Bennett, who questioned them as to their testimony and brought them face to face with what they had

said in the former trial. This catechism related particlarly to the cross-examination at the previous trial when the quesitons had been asked by Judge Bennett. These questions were many of them leading in nature and ran with the preceding testimony, so that when the witnesses, particularly Ray, were asked if they had made certain answers they denied them, though holding still to the intent and purpose of the first statement made. The meaning in many instances was accepted as what had been meant though the exact language was denied.

ANXIOUS FOR HIS PLUNDER.

Czar and Kaiser May Have Discussed Alliance in Far East.

St. Petersbuurg, July 25 .- There is growing belief here that the attitude Germany has assumed in connection with the situation in the Far East, and the meeting between the czar and kaiser are due to a desire on the part of the German government to safeguard her Spokane, July 25.—Five military she be consulted in connection with the and that the waters of the bay will give convicts have escaped from the guard peace negotiations is thought to indihouse at Fort Wright. All of them cate that she hopes to recall ceded ter-

Insamuch as Japan has signified her willingness to have China resume the control of all Manchuria under certain safeguards, the mikado's government is believed to favor a demand by China that the territory now held by other powers under treaty obligations be ceded back to China, and that all ports in the Flowery Kingdom be made open ports, subject to no onerous trade regulations and all commerce having equal

France, despite her proverbial hatred of Germany, could be swung into line for concerted action in the Far East, as her possessions would be endangered should a united China be possible. With Russia, Germany and France acing in unity, they would be a factor to reckon with, they would be in a position to benefit greatly thereby.

Taft Party in Japan.

Yokohama, July 25 .- Secretary of War Taft and party received a demonstrative welcome to Japan, the princi-New York, July 25.—Morris Schaet- pal buildings, streets and wharves of effer, 15 years old, of Brooklyn, who this city and the shipping in the har-A storm has swept over Midway island, destroying the military camp maintained by the United States.

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bor being gaily decorated. A noisy display of daylight fireworks along the streets fronting the harbor rangounced the statement that the position as electrical engineer with a salary of \$18,000. a year has been offered to him by the this morning, and continued until the vessel was docked.

Carter Will Not Resign.

Oyster Bay, July 25 .- A consideradecided to reject the offer and remain tion of Hawaiian affairs occupied the president's attention for several hours today. He had as a guest for luncheon and during the greater part of the afternoon George R. Carter, governor of Hawaii, who came to Oyster Bay determmovements of their armies has caused ined to resign his official position to esthe German staff to re-examine the cape annoyance to which he has been methods for administering the army in subjected. The president not only devoy, has arrived in Seattle and started time of peace or war. The annual clined to accept his resignation, but maneuvers which are to take place this told him to go back to Honolulu and he year are to be conducted with much of should have the full support and sym-

Twelve Burnes to Death.

Houston, Tex., July 25.—The loss of life in the Humble fire, as near as can be determined, is 12, but no names can be ascertained. The Texas company declines to make any estimate of its

STATE CASE TO JURY.

Prosecution and Defense Tell What They Will Attempt to Prove.

Portland, July 23 .- The second trial of Williamson, Van Gesner and Biggs Hardly a Member of Crew Eson the charge of subornation of perjury, has commenced.

United States District Attorney Heney has stated the case of the governforefully.

The defense, through Judge Bennett, has told what ground will be taken by his clients in the battle to be fought out once more, and has attacked the position of the government and its attorney, has disclaimed guilt on behalf of the three accused men and has declaimed in fiery words of denunciation that the government and its detectives have harried the men accused from pillar to post like worried rabbits in front of bloodthirsty dogs.

All is ready for the old story to be told again and this will be commenced in the recital tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock when court will convene again. In the meantime the prosecution has told the jury what it intends to prove and this statement reveals the fact that the defendants will have to face new evidence not brought out at the former trial and will be put still more upon their mettle in establishing their innocence. Mr. Williamson will be proved to have been in Prineville on June 15 and to have stayed there until June 24. when the trial has come to his connection with the conspiracy, so that when he testified in the last trial not to have remembered his whereabouts he will have this time either to admit or bring counter proof to deny.

DEATH ROLL GROWS.

Loss of Life Is Expected to Reach at Least Eighty-One.

San Diego, Cal., July 24.-The Bennington horror, which shocked an entire nation by its long roster of casual ties, grows with each passing hour. Even the wildest early estimates of the terrible results of the exploding boilers aboard the gunboat have not been exaggerated and, instead of lessening the extent of the catastrophe, later and completer details have added to it. The death list may be swelled to the appalling total of four score before the last word shall have been written and one of the darkest pages in America's history closed.

These figures, which at first glance appear exaggerated, are made up of the known dead, the probable victims among the injured now in the various hospitals and the total number missing, and are summarized as follows:

Dead at morgues, 53; dead in the flooded fireroom of the ill-fated warship, 7; injured who may die, 10; missing, 15. Total, 81.

The total of probable deaths of injured men is based upon the opinion of Dr. M. H. Foster, of the United States own interests in China and to secure Marine Hospital service, in charge of herself in the possession of Kiaochau. the medical staff, and the number of China's attitude recently, insofar as missing upon the statement of Com
The commander be
Williamson, Gesner and Biggs, in their ets for the trip from Portland to San the friendliest, and her demand that lieves the missing men were drowned up this number of dead.

NOT AIMED AT GOVERNMENT

Chinese Byycott Designed to Improve California Labor Conditions.

Shanghai, July 22. - About 1,500 people, including the heads of all the principal guilds and delegates from many provinces, attended a Chinese mass meeting yesterday, which arranged to begin the boycott of American goods tomorrow. It was distinctly announced that the action taken was not against the American government, whose constant kindness was fully recognized, but it was pointed out that unless the Chinese showed themselves to be in earnest they would have no effect on the California labor conditions. There is still much doubt as to whether the boycott will really be maintained.

Valley Is Under Water.

Joplin, Mo., July 24.-The flood turned. waters of Spring river reached the big dam at Lowell, Kan., early today, and with all the flood gates open the water rose to within two feet of the top of the water. Half a mile above the dam the water broke out of the banks and flooded Park, a little village, with three feet of water. It is estimated that damage to crops and livestock will amount to \$500,000.

Comes to Land of Free.

New York, July 24 .- A young Russian claiming the title of Prince Potemkin, and said to be the son of Admiral Potemkin, of the Russian navy, a descendant of the house of Potemkin, from which the mutinous battleship Kniaz Potemkin derived its name, is in the city, having arrived on the French liner La Bretagne. The young man made the trip in the steerage, although when his property was examined at Ellis island it was found he had nearly \$25,000 in cash. He said he expects to go West and buy a farm.

Had Just Joined Ship's Crew. Washington, July 24.—The Navy de-partment has received a telegram from San Francisco, saying that 28 enlisted men who were ordered by the Navy department to be sent to San Diego for the Bermington had left San Francisco more work be done on the cruiser San Seaboard Air ine railroad. The report 2.500,000 barrels of oil, valued at July 17 and went aboard ship July 18. Francisco, and it has been taken out of cannot be verified, but comes from an \$562,500; pumping plant, damage to and therefore are among the Benning-commission.

WARSHIP WRECKED

capes Death or Injury.

Boilers of Bennington Explode in San Diego Harbor-Cause of Disaster is Unknown.

eight dead bodies are lying at morgues, on piers and on the deck of a ruined vessel of the United States navy, scores of men are lying grievously or painfully injured in sanitariums and hospitals, and 15 sailors are missing and probably have found death in the waters of the harbor as the result of an explosion of a boiler on board the United States gunboat Bennington at 10:10 o'clock

yesterday morning. The Bennington at the time of the accident was lying in the stream, just off the Commercial wharf at the foot of tal of the three men who have been on H street. The warship had received orders from Washington to sail for Port Harford, where she was to meet the monitor Wyoming and convey the vessel to Mare Island navy yard. Steam was up and everything was in spite of the protest of Counsel Bennett, readiness for sailing, when suddenly for the defense, Judge De Haven set and without any warning whatever the starboard forward boiler exploded with a deafening roar. The explosion was terrific. People standing on the shore make additional preparation, but withsaw a huge cloud of white steam rise above the Bennington. Columns of that the drawing of the new jury be a distance of nearly twice the height of that by the time the 12 men were

the spars of the vessel. On board the Bennington the un- hand. barmed members of the crew are working under great difficulties to reach the S. Potter, Daniel Clark and Ira Wade, boiler room and coal bunkers, where, it is believed, a dozen bodies are lying United States of public lands, had been wedged in the wreckage or submerged in the water which fills that part of the action of Judge De Haven in fixing the vssel. The cause of the explosion has new Williamson trial for 10 o'clock tonot yet been determined. There is day, and his remarks touching the inmuch talk among the crew, especially dictment in the Jones case virtually the irresponsible members, of weakened sustained the demurrer filed by the and leaking boilers, but until a thorough inspection of the wrecked boilers can be made no definite official statement is obtainable.

that the wreckage was all below, but but that he would render a formal dejust how serious this is will be fully cision this morning when court condetermined only after a thorough ex- vened. amination.

JURY IS CHOSEN.

Williamson, Gesner and Biggs to Face Charges a Second Time.

Portland, July 22.-Twelve men were elected yesterday morning out of 38 answering to the call of the clerk of the Federal court, to whom will be given what has proved to be the difficult task utmost limit of safety, the Harriman second hearing, which commenced yes-

minutes before 1 o'clock, Judge De be the only steamers on the run. Haven having determined to fill the panel before allowing a recess, and therefore holding court from 10 until 1 until this morning at 10 o'clock, when a half day's session will be held and the technical points disposed of prior to the real commencement of the trial. Upon the opening of court yesterday morning Judge Bennett asked in behalf

the three men be tried at the same time, as in the previous hearing. At the conclusion of the morning session District Attorney Heney dismissed the case against Willard N. Jones, Thaddeus Potter, et al., owing to a defect in the indictment. This case. which is one of conspiracy, will be taken up once more, in all probability, by a new indictment will probably be re-

Bread Riots Trouble Spain. Madrid, July 22.—Serious disorders

have occurred at Seville, arising from dam. The gauge showed 22 feet of the general distress. Four hadred farm laborers invaded Seville, looted the bakeries and shops and committed other depredations, until they were dispersed by a strong force of police and gendarmes. A mob stormed the city ing and sacked it. A member of the municipal council fleeing from the riot- of \$1,000,000 worth of ore has been ers, jumped from a window and was killed. The Republicans are summoning mass meetings in Madrid.

> Municipal Bakeries Proposed. New York, July 22. - An appeal to the Bakers' unions in America, calling upon them to assist in the establish- today declared a dividend of 4 per cent cities of the United States, Canada and ly out of the net earnings of the last Mexico, has been prepared by the Jour- fiscal year, which ended June 30 last. neymen Bakers' and Confectioners' The first dividend will fall due Septem-International union. It calls attention ber 1. At a meeting some time since a. to the possible good that may result majority of the stockholders voted tofrom state or municipal control of various public utilities, and especially the food product.

Rushing Wheat to Mexico.

Tacoma, July 22. — The German steamer Theben returned to Tacoma today with rush orders to load 1,000 tons of wheat in order to sail for Mexican who were imprisoned in the Philippines ports before the new tariff adopted by by the Americans during the war of Mexico goes into effects 1898, and who are still in the islands

JURY DISAGREES.

Ten for Conviction and Two for Acquittal in Land Cases.

Portland, July 21 .- "If you will vote for the acquittal of Williamson, we will vote for the conviction of Biggs and Gesner."

This in substance was the astounding proposal made by Jurore O. H. Flook, ment to the jury, clearly, fully and BODIES FLUNG HIGH IN THE AIR of Olalla, Douglas county, and G. O. Walker, of Walker, Lane county, to their fellow jurors in the Williamson-Biggs-Gesner trial.

For 46 hours these two jurors stood firmly entrenched against the majority, finally securing the discharge of thejury by Judge De Haven yesterday at San Diego, Cal., July 22.-Twenty. 1 p. m. Both Flook and Walker areconstituents of Binger Hermann and are said to be his warm personal friends. W. O. Cook, the juror who was supposed to be for acquittal, was in factfirm for conviction. He was one of theleaders of the jury and his questions in open court, which seemed to indicate doubt in his own mind, were asked by him as spokesman for the jury in order the secure ammunition to use on their refractory fellow members.

In all, 42 ballots were taken, and in the end it was as in the beginning, the jury standing 10 for conviction of all the defendants and two for the acquittrial for a week or more charged with subornation of perjury.

District Attorney Heney immediately asked that a new trial of the case be set for the earliest possible day, and inthe retrial of the case for today.

Judge Bennett made a plea for more time in order that the defense might out success. Judge De Haven directed water were hurled into the air and for commenced this morning, believing secured the witnesses could all be on

The trials of W. N. Jones, Thaddeus charged with conspiracy to defraud the previously set for this morning and the defendants attacking the indictment on which the prosecution is based. Hesaid that the Jones case would probably not be tried as he was satisfied It was explained by those on board that the indictment was insufficient,

NO RELIEF IN SIGHT.

Additional Steamers Cannot Be Obtained for Coast Run.

Portland, July 21 .- With first-class passengers going in the steerage, a longwaiting list for every berth, and both steamers going south crowded to the terday. When the last man of the 12 Franciscuo, and R. P. Schwerin, genwas accepted by the government, there eral manager of the San Francisco & remained but one name in the jury box. Portland Steamship company, says the Columbia and St. Paul will continue to-

Having bought their tickets for the voyage several weeks ago, would-be passengers naturally expect a chanceo'clock. Court was then adjourned to go to California without much delay. The independent boats are finding plenty of passengers, but the majority of those who go present themselves at the Harriman office to arragne for berths have already paid their money.

Slipping quietly into the city, Manof Mr. Williamson that a separate trial ager Schwerin yesterday stated posihe granted his client, but the court tively that no more steamers would be overruled the motion and ordered that put on the San Francisco & Portland run, despite the tremendous tourist traffic which has been expected for months. He denies the report from Seattle that the steamer Valencia, of the Pacific Coast company, will come here temporarily. Mr. Schwerin says that every steamer on the Pacific coast is busily making money elsewhere now. The tourists who come through Porta new grand jury yet to be called, and land, must wait their turn, therefore. Tonight the steamer St. Paul will sail for San Francisco loaded as usual.

Assayers Receive Stolen Ore. Cripple Creek, Colo., July 21 .- Six assayers of this district have been arrested and placed under heavy bonds. upon a charge of receiving high-grade ore, knowing it to have been stolen. From a set of books examined in one assaying office it is known that about \$3,000 profit was made by the assayers hall at Salonica, broke into the build- in the last six months. Other books lead the officers to believe that upward stolen in the district every year and disposed of to assay offices, who knew they were receiving stolen ore.

Stockholders Fight for Dividend.

Cleveland, July 21 .- The directors of the American Shipbuilding company ment of municipal bakeshops in all on the common stock, payable quarterpass the dividend. This was opposed by the minority stockholders, whobrought suit to force a dividend.

Will Take Spaniards Home. Madrid, July 21 .- The Spanish government, it is announced, is arranging for the repatriation of the Spaniards

1898, and who are still in the islands.