

Cottage Grove Leader

NEWS OF THE WEEK

In a Condensed Form for Our Busy Readers.

A Resume of the Less Important but Not Less Interesting Events of the Past Week.

Bryan says Alabama primaries were a victory over the trusts.

Senator Denby, of Louisiana, has been re-elected by the legislature.

The republican national convention will open each day with a prayer.

A federal grand jury has begun an investigation of the New York cotton exchange.

Night riders continue to do much damage by burning tobacco barns in Kentucky.

A man has been arrested in Chicago for obtaining money while posing as a United States army officer.

Returns from the city election at Denver indicate that the democratic candidate for mayor will be elected.

It is said Bryan will support Culberson for the democratic presidential candidate if he cannot get the nomination himself.

The pupils of one of New York's schools have been appointed sergeants to report misconduct by the regular patrolmen.

A New York man has killed his father and himself because the son did not like a second marriage by his father, who is 72 years old.

The Chinese boycott against Japan has crossed the ocean, a number refusing to sail from San Francisco on a Japanese steamer.

Paper trust officials deny all charges of a combine.

Bryan has carried the Alabama democratic primaries.

Heyburn of Idaho threatens to talk the dry homestead bill to death in the senate.

Commander Robert E. Peary says he can reach the north pole on an outfit of \$50,000.

Senator Stewart, of Nevada, has lost another fortune in the decline of mining stocks.

Roosevelt and Taft oppose Burrows for chairman of the national republican convention.

Anna Gould and Prince Helie are finding many obstacles to marriage, but may wed in England.

The Arkansas legislature, called in extra session by the governor, has adjourned without doing anything.

A union of the Methodist Episcopal Congregational and United Brethren churches is being considered at the general conference of the Methodists.

A naval launch rammed the torpedo boat Stiletto off East Island, N. Y. No lives were lost. The Stiletto is the first torpedo boat put into active service by the navy, and is 25 years old.

Head of the paper trust denies its existence.

All indications point to an immense Canadian wheat crop this year.

Nobreaks railroad employees will aid the railroads in fighting rate laws.

Bryan is being shadowed by an officer, as there have been threats of violence.

A street car strike is on at Cleveland, Ohio. There has been much rioting and some bloodshed.

Good conduct marked the stay of the sailors and marines of the Atlantic fleet at San Francisco.

Two men, who are accused of robbing the New Mexico express office of \$35,000, have been captured.

No appropriations will be made for rivers and harbors this session, according to leaders in congress.

Secretary Taft's managers claim he has the assurance of support from 592 delegates to the national convention.

Disorder has sprung up in the interstate commerce commission. Some of the "confidential clerks" may lose their places as a result. Two members have given employment to their sons, who are charged working hardest when drawing their pay.

Grever Cleveland is rapidly gaining in health and strength.

Trouble is brewing between China and Russia along the Manchurian-Siberia border.

A \$50,000 memorial to Abraham Lincoln is to be erected at his birthplace in Kentucky.

Latest estimates of the dead in the recent Louisiana tornado place the number at 50.

Commercial bodies all over the country are protesting against the increase in freight rates.

Both sides in the Dimpnd-Hyde land fraud case have tried at Washington claim a victory.

Russian troops will destroy the Persian villages near the border, where the recent trouble occurred.

Hindus at Calcutta attempted to blow up a number of whites by placing a bomb on the car tracks.

No liquor will be sold or brought into the republican national convention hall, according to a decision of the leaders.

In an encounter with Arabs the French troops lost 13 killed and 65 wounded. The Arab losses are described as heavy.

The old plant of the Omaha Packing company has been destroyed by fire, together with 3,000,000 pounds of meat, involving a loss of \$500,000.

Another woman now figures in Senator Platt's domestic affairs.

The governors' conference plans to form a permanent organization.

Tonopah, Nev., is rapidly recovering from the effects of the recent fire.

The Oklahoma house has passed a bill providing that the state shall fix wages.

Minnesota democrats have declared for Johnson, and refused Bryan as a second choice.

Proceedings in the endeavor to recall Thaw from the New York jury for the criminal insane are in progress.

MOBS RULE CLEVELAND.

Shoot Down Carmen and Burn Cars—Little Girl Killed.

Cleveland, O., May 20.—The most serious violence of the street car strike which has been on here since Sunday, occurred in Lakewood, a suburb, last night, when four men were wounded with bullets, one car burned and another partially wrecked.

Trouble had been anticipated, and the first car to Clinton carried no passengers. When it stopped before a railway bridge, a crowd which had been lying in wait, leaped from hiding places and opened fire on the crew and guards. Guards W. G. Barnes and John Swanto returned the fire, more than 30 shots being exchanged.

While the shooting was in progress the crowd grew to nearly a thousand. Another car arrived and its crew joined in the fight. Gasoline was poured on the second car and it was burned to the ground. The Cleveland police were notified, and 60 officers were sent to the rescue. The first car, riddled with bullets and windows broken, proceeded to the barn.

An earlier disturbance occurred in the downtown district, when Yatta Workinson, a little girl, was killed by a car while attempting to cross the street. As soon as he realized what had occurred, the motorist speeded the car several blocks ahead, where the police were notified. The conductor then left the car and sought refuge in a nearby drug store. A crowd attempted to reach him, while others attempted to catch the fleeing car. The police arrived just in time to save the conductor, whom the mob was yelling, "Lynch him! Lynch him!"

The state arbitrators took up the task of endeavoring to effect a reconciliation between the strikers and the Municipal traction company early last night, and remained in session several hours.

RESERVE DAY FOR VISITORS.

Tacoma Planning for Entertainment of Many Strangers.

Tacoma, Wash., May 20.—Wednesday, May 27, the day on which the full battleship fleet will parade in Tacoma's harbor, will be reserved for visitors from out of town, who will be given exclusive freedom of the nation's big fighting machines. This arrangement will give those not living in Tacoma the first opportunity to visit the battleships. The general committee deemed this precaution necessary because of the great crowds of people coming to Tacoma from Oregon, Washington, and as far east as Idaho and Montana, some of them for a single day only.

In Tacoma they expect to find special advantages, for from the high bluffs surrounding Commencement bay and from an immense natural grandstand, hundreds of thousands of visitors can be accommodated with a perfect view of the spacious harbor. William Jones, chairman of the general committee, says he is advised that thousands are coming from Seattle to view the parade of the fleet, and to the superior advantages enjoyed in Tacoma. In consequence of the expected rush, the steamship lines and the electric and steam roads running into Tacoma are preparing to handle immense crowds. Most of the cities and towns adjacent to Tacoma are preparing to send their school children here en masse, and members of the Grand Army of the Republic, military and other uniformed organizations of this and adjoining states will be in Tacoma May 30 to join with the forces from the battleships in paying honor to the dead of two wars in a memorial day parade that will be without parallel in the history of the Northwest.

BRINGS CARGO OF CHINESE.

Suspected Mission of Jap Steamer to California Coast.

Los Angeles, May 20.—Immigration officials were notified last tonight of the arrival of a mysterious Japanese steamer at Gaviota, in Santa Barbara county. The vessel carries a large crew. When the captain attempted to land his men the authorities prevented it. An immigration officer will investigate.

The immigration authorities at this point telegraphed the officials at Gaviota to detain the vessel until an investigation could be made. The steamer had been seen off the coast for several days, which fact led the officials of Gaviota to telegraph to this city for instructions. It is thought the vessel may contain Chinese, who are trying to land in violation of the immigration laws.

Reduce Convention Rates.

Chicago, May 20.—In making rates of 1 1/2 cents a mile for the Shriners' convention in the Twin Cities, the Wisconsin Central railroad has set an example which undoubtedly will be followed by other western roads. That the interstate commerce commission is taking great interest in the squabble of the roads over convention rates and would like to see the matter settled is evidenced by a statement made today by a member of that body who declared that he thought the roads were hurting themselves.

Wants Woman for President.

New York, May 20.—That Mrs. Roosevelt would make a better president than her husband is the opinion expressed today by Mrs. Lydia Kingsmill, author, and woman suffrage agitator. "Many women are capable of filling that high office," she said. "A woman as conductor to the president would also create an ideal situation. I mention Jane Addams, of Chicago; May Wright Sewell, of Indianapolis, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton as women who would make either good presidents or conductors."

Expect to End Strike.

Cleveland, O., May 20.—Rioting yesterday continued to mark the progress of the street car strike, though the end of the trouble seems to be in sight. In many instances the cars and the crews that man them were stoned, but the police were so quickly on the scene that serious disorders did not result. In one part of the city a street car collided with an explosive which had been placed on the track and was badly damaged, but no one was hurt.

Troops Suppress Rioters.

Tokio, May 20.—The rioting at Hankow, which began 10 days ago, has been suppressed. The damage to property inflicted by the rioters amounts to 500,000 yen. Many persons were killed or wounded.

OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

FRUIT PROSPECTS GOOD.

Umpqua Valley Fruit Men in Good Spirits.

Roseburg.—The report of President H. N. Cobb, of the Douglas County Fruit Growers' association, shows the fruit crop in the Umpqua valley will be very good this year. The strawberry crop is good, and the berries are coming in pretty fast now. The peach crop is fair, and the last frost was a detriment in only a very few sections. The pear crop is fair. Apples will be good. The prune crop will also be good, as only a few of the small sections of the county were late enough to be caught by the frost. The cherry crop is good. All kinds of berries are excellent. The crop in general was not damaged to any noticeable extent, and the fruit growers are greatly pleased to note that this section, while it was reported to have been damaged by the late frost, will be as good or even better than last year, and will be first in the market with all kinds of berries, and cherries. Many shipments of berries will be made to Portland the latter part of the week. Several small shipments have already been made. The home markets will be supplied with local-grown fruits of all kinds from now on.

LEASE BIG TRACT.

Sheepmen Gobble 100,000 Acres as Overflow to Forest Reserve.

Pendleton.—One hundred thousand acres of fine range land has just been leased in Baker county by Morrow, Gilliam and Umatilla county sheepmen as an overflow range from their forest reserve allotments. The land is logged off timber land, and lies in a strip 50 miles in length between Austin and Pleasant valley, in Baker county, and belongs to the Umatilla National Forest company of that district. It was leased for five years by Dan P. Smythe, of this city, and A. K. and A. Smythe, of Arlington, William Smith, of Arlington, and A. C. Whittier, of Baker county. The sum of \$8,000 was paid for use of the tract for five years. Over 50,000 head of sheep will be held in the territory during a portion of the summer. It is well watered and contains fine grass.

Halt in Timber Land Buying.

Klamath Falls.—J. W. Alexander, of the Weyerhaeuser Lumber company, is in this city on business for his company. He states that he is not here to buy timber, but that he expects to buy when special inducements are offered. There is but little movement in timber in this section, and it is expected until after the presidential election. While the price of farming lands in this section has increased in the past six months, timber land has decreased from \$1.50 a thousand to 75 cents and \$1. However, those holding claims are not worrying over conditions, as they feel sure the slump in timber is but temporary.

Whipping Up on Tule Contract.

Klamath Falls.—It is stated here that Chief Engineer Hood has given imperative orders that the dredging on the mouth of the river be completed as soon as possible. The contract will be forfeited. The contract consists of a grade four miles along across swamp land, now rank with tules, and the agreement now is that crews must be worked day and night in order to throw up the grade at the earliest possible date in order to allow it to settle and dry before the track is laid.

Says Half Peach Crop is Lost.

Pendleton.—Half the peach crop in the vicinity of Freewater and Milton has been destroyed by the aphid, said John S. Vinson, of Freewater, while in the city a few days ago. He says where heretofore the aphid has only affected leaves of trees, this year it has attacked the blossom and destroyed the fruit. The surviving part of the crop will be much larger and better than it otherwise would have been, and the increased price will probably largely compensate for the loss.

Improving Walnut Trees.

McMinnville.—George C. Payne, the walnut expert from California, has been in this vicinity for the past several days, doing grafting work in the walnut groves and along the streets and on the lawns, or wherever there are walnut trees that do not seem to be up to traditional requirements. He has inserted English walnut scions on a large number of eastern and California black walnut trees that were formerly planted for ornament and shade.

Open Reserves June 1.

Pendleton.—Sheepmen of Umatilla county have received notice that sheep may be taken upon the Wenaha forest reserve June 1, instead of June 15, the date originally set. For some time sheepmen have been asking for the use of the reserves on the Blue mountains earlier than usual, because of the dry weather prevailing this spring. Dan P. Smythe, secretary of the sheepmen's association, has received notice from Supervisor Schmitz that admission would be granted June 1.

Will Exhibit at State Fair.

Oregon City.—The board of directors of the Clackamas County Fair association has authorized the executive committee to make a county exhibit at the state fair, which will follow the Clackamas county fair. The board appropriated \$50 for premiums for juvenile exhibits, and reappointed Thomas F. Ryan, George Lazelle and T. J. Gary as a committee to direct the affairs of the association.

Cherry Fair at the Dalles.

The Dalles.—The mid-summer meeting of the State Horticultural society and cherry fair will be held at the Dalles, June 30 to July 2, inclusive. Prizes will be offered for various exhibits of cherries, and there will be a program, each day. R. H. Webber, A. F. Lake, and G. E. Saunders, the committee, are now busily engaged in making the arrangements.

Bumper Crop Promised.

Arlington.—Heavy rains throughout this section of Oregon a few days ago have added many thousands of dollars to the wealth of Gilliam and adjoining counties. The weather is warm and the farmers happy. Every one predicts a prosperous year for this part of the state.

COUNTIES TO EXHIBIT.

Oregon Commission Asks Active Cooperation of All.

Portland.—County judges and commissioners of the counties of Oregon, as well as all the commercial organizations of the state have been sent a letter by the Oregon-Alaska-Yukon-Pacific commission in which the commissioners ask for cooperation in making Oregon's exhibit at the Seattle show the greatest state exhibition at next year's big exposition. The commissioners set forth that Oregon will have the most complete state building at the fair, and that the cooperation of the officials in securing thorough and attractive exhibits of Oregon's resources will be imperative. The letter which has been sent by the commission through President Wehrung is in part as follows:

"The expense to your county in collecting such an exhibit will not be large. Get a live man to take hold of the work and push it, bearing in mind that it is quality not quantity that is wanted. After you have gathered your exhibit we will transport it to Seattle, install and maintain it without further expense to your county; we will also place an attendant in charge, and will keep in close touch with you during the fair, so that your county will get all the benefit possible in the way of advertising, etc."

The commission is also having printed a 96-page booklet on the resources of Oregon, which will be distributed during the exposition. Two pages of this booklet will be devoted to each county. We also intend to show by moving pictures the farms, orchards, livestock, mountains, streams and everything of interest in each county.

We must have your help and co-operation in the gathering of your exhibit. If we were compelled to buy these exhibits the state would have to double its present appropriation, but with your assistance we hope to carry out our present plans without asking for any further appropriation."

Teacher to Visit Europe.

Salem.—Miss Ida M. Case, instructor in grammar, literature, English and rhetoric at the Ashland normal, has been selected by the board of normal school regents to take part this year in the annual tour for teachers conducted by the national civic federation. Each year the federation sends 500 teachers to Great Britain and Ireland for the purpose of observing methods in those countries. The school boards recommend the teachers, and the list is made up from those recommended.

Pays Large Inheritance Tax.

Salem.—The second largest inheritance tax ever paid into the state treasury was received recently. It was the tax on the estate of Amanda Reed, of Clatsop county, appraised at a valuation of \$1,385,918.89. The tax was \$7,141.40. The largest tax paid was on the estate of Henry Weinhard, which amounted to \$15,248.54. The appraised value of the Weinhard estate was but \$1,381,967.23, but was left in a lump sum, while the Reed estate was divided among a large number of beneficiaries.

New Outfit on Klamath Ditch.

Klamath Falls.—The outfit of Maney Bros., contractors on a portion of the south branch federal reclamation canal, has arrived overland from Nevada. A large force was brought in with the outfit, and a substantial camp is being made six miles from Klamath Falls. Maney Bros. have the reputation of rushing work, and it is probable they will take on addition work before the season is over. Their trip across the country was delayed by the finding of snow on the mountains near Alturas.

Chautauqua Preparations.

Oregon City.—The work of grading and putting the ground in good condition at Chautauqua park, at Gladstone, is going on, and will be pushed to completion. Secretary Cross has expected to complete the main program this week, but owing to business during the session of the circuit court, and other unavoidable circumstances, was prevented from doing so. The program, however, will be ready for the press the latter part of next week.

Hatchery Superintendent.

Oregon City.—W. H. Smith, of Park place, has been appointed superintendent of the state fish hatcheries at Walla and Ontario.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Apples—Select, \$2.50 per box; fancy, \$2; choice, \$1.50; ordinary, \$1.25.
Potatoes—Select, 70c per hundred; Willamette Valley, 45c per hundred; East Multnomah, 55c; Clackamas, 55c per hundred; sweet, 5 1/2c per pound.
Fruits—Strawberries, California, \$1.50@1.85 per crate; Oregon, 10@12 1/2c per pound.
Vegetables—Turnips, \$1 per sack; carrots, \$1.50@1.75; beets, \$1.25; parsnips, \$1.25; beans, wax, 12 1/2@13 1/2c per pound; head lettuce, 35c per dozen; artichokes, 50c per dozen; asparagus, 7@8c per pound; egg plant, 25@30c per pound; parsley, 25c per dozen; peas, 6@7c per pound; peppers, 20c per pound; radishes, 15c per dozen; rhubarb, 2@3c per pound; spinach, 85c per crate.
Wheat—No. 1, 80c per bushel; red Russian, 86 1/2c; bluestem, 91c; valley, 89c.
Barley—Feed, \$2.50 per ton; rolled, \$2.7@2.8; brewing, \$2.6.
Oats—No. 1 white, \$2.75 per ton; gray, \$2.7.
Hay—Timothy, Willamette Valley, \$17 per ton; Willamette Valley, ordinary, \$15; Eastern Oregon, \$18.50; mixed, \$16; clover, \$14; alfalfa, \$12; alfalfa meal, \$20.
Dressed Meats—Hogs, fancy, 8 1/2c per pound; ordinary, 7@7 1/2c; large, 6c; veal, extra, 7 1/2c; ordinary, 7c; heavy, 6c; mutton, fancy, 10c.
Butter—Extras, 24c per pound; fancy, 23c; choice, 20c; store, 16c.
Poultry—Mixed chickens, 13@14c per pound; fancy hens, 14 1/2@15c; roosters, 14@15c; ducks, 12@13c; broilers, dozen, \$4.50@5; dressed poultry, per pound, 1c higher; ducks 16@17c; geese, 8@9c; turkeys, alive, 17@18c; dressed, 19@20c.
Wool—1907, prime and choice, 6@6 1/2c per pound; 1906, 1 1/2@2c per pound.
Wool—Eastern Oregon, average best, 11@15c per pound, according to shrinkage; valley, 10@12 1/2c.
Mohair—Choice, 18@18 1/2c per pound.

BIG FLEET BREAKS UP.

Atlantic Battleships Start North, Others Go South.

San Francisco, May 19.—The Atlantic fleet of battleships, after 12 days of naval pageantry and merry-making in San Francisco, sailed yesterday morning at 10 o'clock for Puget Sound, arriving off Seattle on May 21. One-half of the ships will dock at Bremerton navy yard while at the north, and the others will return here for repairs and painting beneath the water line.

Play days in Puget Sound will be over half the month, and then the officers and men will resume the usual routine of man-of-war life. Orders call for the reassembling of the fleet in San Francisco harbor not later than July 3. On July 7 the fleet will sail for Honolulu, and after a week's stay there will go direct to Auckland.

The Pacific fleet of armored cruisers, under command of Rear Admiral Dayton, sailed south Sunday morning at 8 o'clock, and Rear Admiral Sperry, in command of the Atlantic fleet, hoisted for the first time his commanding flag of blue. Being junior in lineal rank to Admiral Dayton, Admiral Sperry was compelled by naval regulations to fly a subordinate flag of red so long as the Pacific fleet remained at this station.

The long line of armored cruisers, which sailed for Santa Barbara, was headed by the flagship West Virginia, and included the Colorado, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Washington and California. The protected cruiser Charleston, flagship of Rear Admiral Swinburne, also sailed with the fleet, but her destination is Monterey.

IMPROVE IN COREA.

Conditions Are Growing Better Under Prince Ito's Rule.

Seoul, May 19.—Conditions through out Corea are improving. The determination of Prince Ito, the resident general from Japan, to suppress the lawless element, so that the peaceful farming population may do their work in the outlying districts, where armed bands are harrying the farms and villages, is shown by the prompt arrival of reinforcements of gendarmes numbering about 2000 men, who will be stationed throughout Corea.

Prince Ito has issued strict instructions to Japanese soldiers and civilians that they must not treat the Koreans as a conquered people, which they are not. But that all the rights of law-abiding citizens must be respected, under penalty of severe punishment.

Four thousand Korean police, under Japanese officers, will be enlisted and trained. Four hundred new telephone telegraph offices will be established in the districts infested by revolutionists, so that easy communication may be had with the soldiers and police.

The crop prospect through Corea is excellent. Prince Ito today attended the celebration of the 25th anniversary of the opening of Chemulpo to foreign trade. He was accompanied by a number of foreign consuls and the Korean minister of agriculture. Chemulpo was en fete. At a banquet, Prince Ito, in his address, spoke of the peaceful and friendly development of Corea in order that the Koreans might, in the future, have independence under a stable government, and become a friendly and prosperous ally of Japan.

BLACK CONGRESS PLANNED.

Delegates From Entire World Going to London.

London, May 19.—Delegates from a thousand dioceses scattered throughout the Pan-Anglican congress to be held in London in June. These delegates, including laymen and clergymen, will in most cases be accompanied by their bishops, and if the prophecy of the organizers is fulfilled, the congress will rank among the great gatherings of religious workers.

Most of the American bishops have sent their acceptance, and, as the diocese in the United States will also send one or more clergymen or laymen, America will be well represented as regards numbers and ability; all the colonies will have their spokesmen and missionaries from every portion of the globe will come to tell of their work among native tribes.

The programme embraces problems of a diverse character, and in order to get through the list of papers the work has been divided into six sections, which will be discussed during the week of June 16 to June 22.

Aid for the Unemployed.

New York, May 19.—Alexander Law, who was delegated to convey to Washington a resolution passed at the recent convention for the unemployed held here, reported to a gathering of unemployed today in Manhattan Lyceum. He said the Congressmen Furness, of New York, had promised to introduce in the house of representatives the resolutions of the convention calling for a large public works to furnish employment for the idle. President Roosevelt, Mr. Law reported, had been too busy with the conference of governors to grant him a hearing.

Fierce Fight With Arabs.

Paris, May 19.—Official dispatches from General Vigy, commander of the French forces in Algeria, who engaged in a fierce fight with Arabs on Thursday, state that he occupied Bondebis, the stronghold of Mulai Hasan, and vigorously shelling the tribesmen, who number 6,000. The enemy dispersed in all directions, abandoning their camp and large quantities of stores and ammunition. They suffered severe losses owing to admirable handling of the artillery by the French. The latter lost three killed and nine wounded.

Cholera Among Troops.

Simla, May 19.—An outbreak of cholera has compelled the withdrawal of nearly all the white troops with Major General Willecocks' first column into the cholera camp. The intense heat and the absence of running water, necessitating depending upon the muddy village water tanks, make the danger of a cholera epidemic serious. On approaching Khap Pass today, the pickets of Major General Willecocks' force had a desperate four hours' fight with Mohamad troops.

Venezuela Pays Debts.

Caracas, Venezuela, May 19.—The Venezuelan government today made its monthly payments on account of the foreign claims, despite the curtailment of revenue resulting from the closing of the port of La Guayra. There have been no new cases of bubonic plague for four days; should four more days go without a case, the port will be reopened.

SEEN BY THOUSANDS

Atlantic Squadron in Slight Two Hours Off Astoria.

GET SPLENDID VIEW OF PARADE

Excursion Steamers Salute Warships as They Round Tillamook Head—Colors Dipped in Reply.

Astoria, Or., May 21.—From every point of vantage on dunes and headlands the attention of thousands of patriotic people of the Pacific Northwest waved their welcome and farewell to the battleships of the Atlantic fleet as they steamed up the coast. Ten thousand throats cheered the imposing pageant of the nation's naval power; hats were flung high in the air and tears streamed down the faces of many spectators in an excess of patriotism, as the imposing force of monster fighting ships rounded Tillamook Head and came in sight of the waiting multitude.

It was a magnificent sight, such as the Oregon coast has never before witnessed. In the lead, flying Rear-Admiral Sperry's blue two-starred flag, was the Connecticut, the splendid type of the navy's latest fighting machines. The vessel that led the squadron on its historic voyage from Hampton Roads, with "Fighting Bob" Evans on the bridge, still stood at the head of the column, which was made up of the following ships:

First division—Georgia, Connecticut, Kansas, Minnesota, and Vermont.

Second division—Georgia, Nebraska, New Jersey and Rhode Island.

Second squadron, third division—Louisiana, Virginia, Ohio and Missouri.

Fourth division—Wisconsin, Illinois, Kearsarge and Kentucky.

Accompanying the war vessels was the hospital ship relief. As the fleet rounded Tillamook Head at 11:30 in the morning, the battleships, which were steaming abreast of each other in a straight line stretching to the horizon, swung into a single column, the flagship leading the van, and cruised within two miles of the surf, affording a splendid view to the spectators on shore. A fleet of excursion steamers crossed the bar early in the day and greeted the battleships off Tillamook Rock with a volley of whistles. Each vessel was loaded to its capacity with excursionists, and their cheers were added to the noisy salute. The mosquito fleet escorted the war vessels northward of the Columbia River, when they returned to the mouth of the bar, the battleships resumed their positions steaming to the north abreast of each other.

As the squadron steamed along in perfect order, each vessel dipped its colors in acknowledgment of the loud acclaim from the excursion craft.

BOMB WRECKS TENEMENT.

Black Hand Angered Because Efforts to Extort Money Failed.

New York, May 21.—The refusal of a wealthy Italian physician to comply with the demands of Black Hand criminals for money resulted in endangering the lives of 100 persons yesterday, when a bomb was exploded in the tenement house at 316 East Eleventh street. A number of persons were injured and the occupants of the house rushed into the street in panic, while doors and beams which had been twisted out by the explosion tumbled all around them. The lower part of the house was almost completely wrecked. No one was injured, but the explosion was so powerful that the explosion occurred. The others injured were struck by flying timbers in their apartments.

Western Pacific to Rush Work.

Reno, Nev., May 21.—Orders have been issued to rush with all possible speed the work of constructing the Western Pacific Railroad's new tunnel through the Sierra Nevada at Chilcot. The slow progress made during the past winter is partly responsible for the order, which authorizes the employment of an increased force. It is not thought that the tunnel can be completed inside of a year. Officials of the road expect that within two years trains will be running through Reno from Great Salt Lake to tidewater in the west.

Big Deal in Oil Land.

Los Angeles, May 21.—The biggest oil deal in the history of California has been closed by the purchase of 1,200 acres of oil fields in the heart of the Coalinga district by the American Petroleum Company for the sum of \$