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# **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.

The London Times has much praise for President Roosevelt.

Russia will support Italy in the pro-

Ruef's lawyers have again had his trial postponed on account of technical-

put on between San Francisco and Alaskan points.

A Kansas City lumber company has entered a plea of accepting rebates from railroads and paid a fine of \$13,000.

No more bodies have been recovered from the burning Hanna, Wyo., mine. entrances have been closed to The steamer Pomona, which went on

the rocks a short distance north of San Francisco, is fast going to pieces and will be a total wreck. It is still hoped the engines may be save !. The senate inadvertently printed a

report on sealing which attacks the in-tegrity of Vice President Fairbanks and many other prominent men. The document has been withdrawn.

The German wants Griscom for am

bassador instead of Hill.

The National and Mexican Centra

railroads of Mexico have merged. There is no material change in the condition of Senato Penrose, of Penn-

Sir Henry Campbell-Bannermann British premier, is in a very critical

country from Mexico. The auxiliary cruiser Prairie ran

aground at League Island navy yard. No damage was done. The absconding teller and auditor o

the Pittaburg Farmers' Deposit National bank are held in \$250,000 bail each. Twenty Toledo, O., lumbermen have been sentenced to serve six months in jail for violating the city's anti-trust

A Russian anarchist tried to throw bomb at the police of New York during a riot of unemployed. A companion was killed and he was fatally wounded. The assassin of W. D. Stevens has

pleaded insanity. Secretary Taft will deliver the Me-

ford faculty and denounces the students' are cicthed.

Congressman French, of Idaho ies that no immigration meas

ure will pass congress this session. A score of persons were hurt by

eavy wind in the vicinity of Boston, lowa, and Medison, Illinois. Pittsburg bankers admit that the paying teller and auditor of the Farm-

ers' Deposit National bank have stoler \$1,105,000 during the past three years The British house of commons has ed a bill providing that all clocks be advanced 80 minutes in order to use more daylight by promoting early ris-

The general assembly of Virginia has adopted a resolution removing Judge J W. G. Blackstone, of the Eleventh circuit, from office on grounds of immorallty and gross neglect of official duty. Indana Democrats have declared

Rhode Island Republicans will senuninstructed delegates.

themselves for Bryan.

Tramps are causing much trouble all Pacific coast railroads. The largest clock in the world will be

put on a soap factory at Thomaston Conn. T. e dial is 28 feet in diameter Iowa Democrats have indorsed Bryan and the Nebraska platform.

The Illinois Republican convention has indorsed Cannon and declared for tariff revision.

Admiral Evans has answered the critics of the battleships, saying the armor belt is not too low

Railroads have decided to attack the rate laws of Illinois and Missouri der the Supreme court decision.

The condition of Senator Penrose, of Pennsylvania, is said to be very grave and little hope is held out for red

A severe earthquake in the City of Mexico greatly terrified the people cracked numerous walls and stopped

The State department is without tails of the reasons for Emperor William refusing to receive Dr. Hill as

Williams, Democratic leader of the house, has offered to support some of Roosevelt's measures if he will secure

Ruef's bail has been reduced from

Louisiana's state primary law has

The fleet at Magdalena bay is making rapid progress with its target practice La Follette says Standard Oil and MESSENGER IS KILLED

Robbers Then Loot Express Safes o

Kan., March 31 .- A. D Bailey, an express messenger of the Wells-Fargo company, was killed by an unknown person on Santa Fe train No. between Florence and Newton early Sunday morning. The murder was very brutal, with robbery as the object. Both the local and the through safes were ransacked and at least \$1, 000 in money and some jewelry taken. The amount the robbers secured is not

The dead body of Messenger Bailey was found at 4 o'clock Sunday morning when the train reached Newton. It was stretched on the floor of the car the head beaten to a pulp and lying in a pool of blood. The back of the skull was crushed and the end of the ca where it was lying was spattered with blood. The plood spatters reached to

the ceiling. There was no evidence of any struggle, the indications pointing to the commission of the murder while the The Haytien president is again arresting conspirators against his government.

A line of first class steamers is to be put on between San Francisco and the ministrio of the min

The custom of the messenger has been to go to sleep soon after leaving Flor-ence and it is possible that he did this Sunday night. After being struck while sleeping, and rendered uncon-scious, his body rolled to the floor, and the robber, after beating him on the head, covered it with the dead man's coat. One blow was struck at the apparently a hatchet, which broke the iay bone. From the dead man's pockets the keys were removed and the safes ransacked. Then the keys were put back into Bailey's overcoat, the coat folded and put in his grip, where it was found later.

### ORDER RATES CUT.

Stanford students want to remove Commission Finds O. R. & N. Tolls Are Excessive.

Portland, March 31 .- It is undertood the Oregon Railroad commission wlil sustain the complaint of the Portland chamber of commerce against the O. R. & N. company and will issue an order this week requiring a material reduction in class rates over the main and branch lines of that road through-

The extent to which existing tariffs will be affected by the ruling of the commission cannot be learned, but the Many Japanese are being caught at effect may be to disturb transcontinent-San Diego making their way into this al rates and, probably, to require an adjustment all along the line in the inter-est both of the railroad and the shipper. If the decision of the commission is at tacked by the Harriman interests it wil e assailed undcubtedly on the ground that its enforcement would necessitate not only a wholesale revision by the railroad of its tariffs but would serious

ly disturb interstate business.

It is expected that the findings of the litigation on the part of the railroad company positively to test the powers of the railroad commission which, under the act by which it was created, is authorized to fix rates. The members of the commission were cautious and thorough in their investigation of the complaint of excessive freight charges. It is said the commissioners feel confi-Secretary faft will deliver the Memorial day oration at Grant's tomb, to be fair and reasonable and such as cannot be considered an abritrary exer-President Jordan defends the Stan- cise of the authority with which they

# Closely Guard Adams.

Telluride, Colo., March 31 .- As the result of the attempt to murder General Bulkley Wells, general manager of the Smuggler-Union mines and mills at Pandora, Sheriff Fitzpatrick is taking precautions to guard the jail in which Steve Adams, charged with the assass nation of Arthur L. Collins, General Wells' predecessor, is confined. The feeling against Adams is becoming more

bitter from day to day.

Feeling against Adams has also been agendered, it is said, because of the fact that during the past two weeks fulhave returned to the district.

# Going Out of Business.

Victoria, B. C., March 31 -News was brought by the Empress of China today that of the 28 emigration companies in the business in Japan last year, but three remain. The Morioka to Callao, the first shipment of 1,000 being embarked just before the Empress of China left; the Meiji company will and the arrangement of a contract with send 500 Jápanese to Peru in April and the Kokoku company is arranging to send 1,000 to Brazil. The Morioka pany has charted a steamer to carry 3,000 Japanese to Chile.

# Many Days to Reach Bodies

Salt Lake City, Utah, March 31.—A special to the Herald from Hanna, Wyo., says: Seventy-one men are known to have lost their lives in Mine No. 1 of the Union Pacific Coal company, although 54 names are obtainable. Seventy-one coffins have been rushed to Hanna. The rescuing party is working heroically, but the bodies will possibly not be reached for several days, as it will be necessary to close the west stope and smother the fires below the tenth level and then draw off the large quantities of gas.

Paris, March 31 .- The body of the late Gregory Gerschunin, the Russian terrorist leader, who died recently in Switzerland, was buried to lay in Montparnasse cemetery in a grave purchased by Russian exiles in Paris. Four asand persons followed the hearse. The procession was headed by a car carrying a mass of huge wreaths tied dians will be required to round up with red ribbons, which were sent by their own ponies, all other expense be-American Socialist organizations, who were represented by Anna Strunsky.

# Inother Plot Discovered.

Port Au Prince, March 31 .- A fresh nspiracy against the government has een discovered in this city. The leader arrested on March 14 on suspicion of conspiring against the president and who was released with four others on March 24, took refuge this afternoon the names, residences and occupations age; valley, 16@18c, according to quality; mohair, choice, 25c per pound. of the plot, General Larraque, who was

# OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

SEND PAMPHLETS TO VOTERS

Secretary Benson Has Mailed 25,000 Blooded Stock at O. A. C. Farm

Copies in Four Days. Salem-In four days 25,000 copies of

They can send out about 5,000 pamphlets a day, and at the present rate will Portland. have the work done in 15 days, or by A 6-ye the 11th of April, if the registration lists reach the secretary fast enough.

In order to aid the postal cleaks, Mr. Benson is having the pamphlets put into separate sacks for each community, as far as possible, thus saving now giving 70 pounds of milk per day.

### MILLS RESUME IN BAKER.

Start Wheels Turning. Baker City-One of the largest indus ries in Baker City that was affected by the recent panic is soon to begin opera-tions again and will give employment to several hundred men. The South Baker Lumber mills have been idle for the last few months, but the wheels will be set turning as soon as enough ogs can be brought down to insure a steady run. At the time of closing down, the Oregon Lumber company had large supply of finished lumber in the y: ds, and owing to the lessened de-mana for lumber there has been no ne-

essity to run the mill. The Stoddard Brothers Lumber company has been running its mill in this 000 feet of finished lumber each day. The mill of the Oregon Lumber comoany at Austin has been running steadiall winter, turning out a like amount of the finished product. Lumber conditions are beginning to improve no-

Klamath at Rose Festival. Klamath Falls-Klamath county will ave a float in the parade at the Portand rose festival, and the committee n charge are asking for suggestions rom all citizens of Klamath county. Difficulty is being encountered in plan-ning a float that will be fully repreentative of all the county's resources The chamber of commerce has appointed Judge George T. Baldwin, John Ellis and T. W. Stephens as a commit-tee, and they will ask the cooperation of all in securing a significant Klamath

### Work on Keno Canal.

Klamath Falls-Work on the Keno anal, a part of the Klamath projet that was commenced last year, has been resum d. A small force is getting everything in readiness for the large force that will be put on April 1. This spring should see the work completed as far down as the power plant that Moore Bros. will operate in conjunction with the canal. Surveyors are

Albany-Pupils of the seventh and eighth grades of the Albany public schools will devote their spare time this spring to growing vegetables and flowers. They will engage in practical work in connection with the new study of agriculture now required in the seventh and eighth grades of the public schools of the state and will be stimu ly a score or more of miners and others lated to active efforts by a series of who were deported during strike days prizes offered through the arrangements of Superintendent A. M. Sanders, of the local public schools.

Malheur Water Rights.

Vale-Rev. H. S. Wallace, president f the Christian Cooperative federation has left Vale, after a stay of nearly three weeks in the vicinity. The net mpany is arranging to send emigrants results of his negotiations while here are the filing of deeds to two valuable reservoir sits on Upper Willow creek the Water Users' association of Willow creek to take over the control of the im oundipng of water for the whole Upper Willow creek. The printing and pre paring of the individual contracts now being done.

> Five Killed on Railroads Salem-The report just issued by the ailroad commission shows that in February five persons were killed and 26 jured on the railroads of the state These are tabulated as follows: sengers, 3 killed and 23 injured; trainnen, 3 inujred, and other employes, 2 The accidents during nonth are estimated to have caused a 600. There was one derailment du ing the month.

Must "Dip" Mangy Cayuses Pendleton-Every horse on the Umatilla reservation range is to be dipped during the month of May, according to an edict issued by Dr. S. W. McClure, of this city, who is head of the bureau of animal industry in the Northwest. The purpose of the wholesals dipping is to eradicate mange, which is prevalent among the Indian horses. The Ining defrayed by the department of In-

University Data in Bulletin.

University of Oregon, Eugene-A 5@61/c. the university office containing a brief historical sketch of the institution, the names of all regents and their terms of the officers where a similar chart of the officers where the sketch of the officers of the officers where the sketch of the officers where th

COWS ARE GOOD MILKERS.

8 ow Big Yields.

Corvallis-An Ayrshire cow on the initiative and referendum pamphlets college farm, in the milk period of a have been mailed to registered voters little more than ten months just closed, n Oregon by Secretary of State Benson. has yielded 11,679 pounds of milk. The These pamphlets weighed over 4½ amount of butter fat was 466.69 tens, filling 105 mail sacks, such as pounds, equivalent of 544 47 pounds of are used for paper mail. The postage butter. At 30 cents per pound the was \$750.

The work of sending out these feed her during the period \$40, leaving pamphlets is only one-quarter done, a net profit of \$123.34. Her diet was however, for there will be at least alfalfa, with a very light ration of bran 109,000 registered voters in the state, and rolled oats during the summer, and each must receive a copy. Secretary Benson has five clerks engaged in 30 pounds of kale and eight pounds of this work, addressing envelopes, put-ting in the pamphlets, sealing, etc. The animal is 6 years old, and came from the farm of Mrs. Honeyman, of A 6-year old Holstein from the

Frakes herd at Scappose yielded over 13,000 pounds of milk during a similar period, which closed in December, making a butter product of over 52

Horse Show at Salem Salem—Elaborate proparations are under way to make the horse show to be held in this city Saturday, April 4, the banner horse fair of the year in the Willamette valley. All the citizens of the Capital City are taking hold of the work incident to such an undertaking with a vim that augurs well for the euc cess of the affair. The finance commit-tee is meeting with the very best of success and encouragement, and will easily have collected over \$500 in cash, besides many valuable cups, etc., to offer as prizes, before its labors are hended. Over 23 beautiful cups are already subscribed by the enterprising firms of Salem. Many of the leading horsemen of the state have signified their intention of entering their high class animals, and everything points towards a most successful, pro and educational meeting Salem Saturday, April 4.

Make Eugene Buildings Safe. Eugene-The city council, the Eugen ire department and the Merchants Protective association are working together toward making every building in which public meetings are held in Eugene abolutely safe in case of a fire. Every school building, church, theater and meeting hall is being carefully examined, and such recommendations as are made are being carried out without objection. New ordinances will be framed regulating crowds which gather inside of buildings and penalties fixed for failure to comply with the laws.

Trains Soon to Klamath. Klamath Falls-That the California Northeastern is to be completed to Kla-math Falls this year is evidenced by the rapid progress being made in construction and tracklaying. By the first of April the track will be finished to Dorris, and already two camps have been established between Dorris and the Klamath river, where the grade across the swamp lands will be finished for a stretch of 8,000 feet by the middle of April.

# Boosting State Fair.

Salem-F. A. Welch, secretary of the state board of agriculture, is rushations for the still at work on the extension of the be held here in September. Postal canal down the river to Keno, but it is cards advertising the fair have been not known when work on that part will sent broadcast over the United States, and it is probable that a greater of visitors than ever before will attend this year. Clatsop, Columbia, Lane and Clackamas counties have already sent notifications that they want large sections reserved for their exhibits.

# Plan Condenser at Brooks.

Salem-Negotiations are in progress or the establishment of a milk densing plant at Brooks, seven miles orth of this city. It is understood that Portland men are back of the en terprise and that they are ready to install the plant as soon as they are as sured that the condenser will get the milk from 1,000 cows. M. L. Jones a prominent dairyman at Lake Labish has indicated a willingness to supply milk from 300 cows.

# PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat - Club, 82@83c; bluesten 34@85c; valley, 82@83c; red, 80@81c Barley—Feed, \$26 per ton; rolled \$23@39 per ton. Oats-No. 1 white, \$27@28 per ton

Corn - Whole, \$33.50; cracked Hay-Valley timothy, No. 1, \$17 pe

ton; Eastern Oregon timothy, \$19@20; clover, \$14@15; cheat, \$15; grain hay, \$14@\$15; alfalfa, \$12@13. Fruits—Apples, \$1@3.50 per box, ac cording to quality; cranberries, \$8@11

Vegetables — Asparagus, 121/2c pe ound; beans, 20c per pound; cabbage 14@14c; cauliflower, \$2@2.25; celery, \$4.50 per crate; cucumbers, \$2.75 per dozen; parsley, 25c per dozen; pep pers, 20c per pound; radishes, 30c per nonth are estimated to have caused a dozen: rhubarth, Sc per pound; spinoss in engines, cars and tracks at \$3-,
300. There was one derailment du ing the mouth.

Sc per pound; spinach, 85c per crate; sprouts, 10c per pound; squash, 1@1½c per pound; turnips, 85c per sack; carrots, 85c per

Onions—Oregon, \$4 per hundred.
Potatces—40@65c per hundred, delivered Portland; sweet potatoes, \$4 per hundred. Butter-Fancy creamery, 25@30c pe

Poultry-Average old hens, 14@15c per pound; mixed chickens, 12@13c epring chickens, 18@20c; turkeys, live, 15@17c; dressed, choice, 16@20; geese, live, 8@10c; ducks, 16@17c; pigeons, 75c@\$1; squabs, \$1 50@2. Eggs - Fresh ranch, 15@16e per

Veal-75 to 125 pounds, 8@9e; 125 to 150 pounds, 7e; 150 to 200 pounds

HELD FOR MURDER.

Formal Charge Filed Against Slave

San Francisco, March 27.—In. Whan Chang and Ming Wun Chun, the Co- Heavy Earthquake Followed b rean patriots who elected to kill Dar-ham W. Stevens for what they believed to be treachery to the Hermit Kingdom were this morning charged with der. They must face trial for their deed in the courts of this city. Held in detention pending the struggle for life which the courageons diplo made, the two men were charged the police blotter as soon as news of the end was conveyed to police headquar

In Whan Chang, the Corean who fired the shots which proved fatal to Stevens, when informed last night at the jail of his victim's death, received the news without surprise and with manifest delight. Since the day of the shooting Chang has been ex-pressing the hope that Stevens' wounds might prove fatal. Last night, when asked if he was sorry for what he had done, Chang said: "No; I am glad. He was no friend of Corea, and he is

better dead." There is a movement on foot among the Japanese to erect a monument to Stevens. Japanese commenced going about among their fellow countrymen this morning broaching the idea and suggesting that subscriptions be forthcoming. The proposition is still in the tentative stage, but, judging from the feeling the Japanse e show toward the dead American, there will be no difficulty in bringing it to accomplish ment. Whether the monument shall be erected in this city, in Tokio or in Seoul, the theater of Stevens' services

#### to Japan, has not yet been decided. CITY ROBBED WHOLESALE.

nense Frauds Discovered in Chi

cago Water Department. Chicago, March 27 .- An amazin system of robbery and graft, involving city employes and big business firms, and extending back through several years, has been discovered in the water department. Two employes, including a division head, were removed, and 38 subordinate employes will be dis-charged. Some of them may be in-

Through tampering with meters and the connivance of city employes, seve ral large corporations have defrauded the city of hundreds of thousands of dollars in water taxes. City employes have sold meters to junk dealers and bartered materials for drinks in sa-Supplies never used by the city were

purchased ostensibly for the water department and then used by plumbers in private businesse.

The payrolls were padded with idlers and incompetents. The force, which originally numbered 200 men, was re-

duced by Superintendent W. J. Mc-Court, of the water bureau, to 50. TROOPS ORDERED OUT.

Striking Alaska Miners May Destro

Property. Seattle, Wash., March 27 .- Troops have been ordered from Fort Seward, at Haines, Alaska, to preserve order at the Treadwell mines, on Douglass island, where 800 miners have gone on a strike. The troops are due to arrive at Treadwell early tomorrow morning, and serious trouble is anticipated. United States Marshal Shoup, who has just returned from Washington, left for the scene of the trouble, on receipt of dispatches from his chief deputy.

The miners have threatened to no the works if troops are landed on the island. They stole 10 kegs of dynamite today from the mine stores. Colonel Green, in command of one company of the Tenth infantry, left Haines tonight with a gatling gun, and should reach the mines at an early hour an outbreak by the commission of 20 the Federal court seeks to stay, has this morning. The other companies men from the union who have been stationed at Fort Seward have been or called the peace committee. dered to be in readiness to reinforce the

first company if needed.

Just before his departure for Juneau at 9 o'clock last night, Marshal Shoup received a message from his chief depu ty that no serious disturbances have ocarred, but trouble of a serious nature is anticipated when the troops are landed on the island in the morning.

Bribery Is Charged. San Francisco, March 27 .- Tonight t was learned that the new grand jury which today heard the testimony rick Calhoun, Tirey L. Ford, George M. Abraham Ruef were indicted on many the United railroads trolley franchise, have voted to bring three joint indictnents for the same offenses against Calhonn, Ford and Ruef. Schmitz is left out of the new indictments.

San Francisco, March 27 .- Superior ng it to transact fire and marine insurferred suits filed against the company from the Superior court of this state to the Uni ed States Circuit court.

Boston to see if there is any record of pany of having agreed to bribe the superior court of this state to the Uni ed States Circuit court.

With the officials of the Parkside company pany of having agreed to bribe the superiors and ex-Mayor Schmitz to see

Does Not Want Hill. Berlin, March 27 .- The German gov ernment has informed President Roose welt that Dr. David J. Hill, at presen American minister at The Hague," is ot acceptable to it as ambassador at Serlin. Charlemagne Tower, the present ambassador, declined today to eith er confirm or derv this statement om other sources it was learned that e grounds are that Dr. Hill is not representative enough for the United State to send to Germany.

Washington, March 27 .- Two addiional war vessels were ordered to Hay i today following a conference of offiials of the State and Navy departments. The Dee Moines already had been sen to the scene of the recent outbreak.
The two vessels dispatched today are the gunboats Marietta and Paducah-toth of which have been at Guantans, mo, Cuba, preparing for target practice.

CITY IS DESTROYED

Fire in Mexico.

# NO LOSS OF LIFE IS REPORTED

Twenty-four Hours at Mexican National Observatory.

Thirty-four Shocks Recorded Withi

Mexico, City, March 28.—Chilapa, a town of 15,000 inhabitants in the state of Guerrero, has been shaken by an earthquake and burned.

The shocks, two in number, occurred

early last evening and were followed by fire, which originating in a dozen places among the tumbling buildings, joined in a conflagration that swept the Governor Damian Flores, chief exec-

utive of the state of Guerrero, who is at present in this city, had at 9 o'clock this evening just received the first offi-cial advices from Chilapa. The message ease that, although a number of the buildings of the town were leveled to the ground, no lives were lost. The police quarters and the mayor's office were destroyed and the jail badly damaged. Great fissures were made in the streets and open fields.

In the neighboring town of Ometepec the jail was destroyed and 30 prisoners made their escape. Troops are guarding the public buildings that are standing in Chilapa, but perfect order pre-

Later returns from Chilapa show however, that the dispatch received by Governor Flores was ultra conservative. The town was practically destroyed, though no lives were lost. Most of the buildings that were leveled were resi-

Thirty-four shocks have been record ed during the past 24 hours by the seismograph at the national observatory at Tabuyaca. Most of these shocks, however, were imperceptible except to the delicat needle of the instrument.

NORTH POLE IS SHIFTING.

Making America Warmer and Siberia Colder Victoria, B. C., March 28 .- That the

north pole is shifting and the climat is changing, making the Northern terri tories of this continent warmer and Norther Asia colder, is the theory support which Mose B. Cotworth, York, England, has been gathering evilence in Alaska, from where he has returned on his way to England.

A curious effect of this change, it is said, may be a number of boundary

United States, especially in the Eastern portion. This boundary is fixed by latitude, and if the north pole is really moving, the latitudes change also, ren-dering it advisable that the boundary e speedily marked everywhere by permanent monuments, where it has not yet been so marked already. The movement, Cotworth says,

difficulties between Canada and the

aused by the immense accumulations of ice along the Canadian shore of the Arctic ocean, and especially in Baffin's land and Greenland. MINERS HELD IN CHECK.

From Rioting. Juneau, Alaska, March 28.-Although there has been no violence as yet at the Treadwell mines, the 800 men on strike are only prevented from making

called the peace committee.

The tension is so high that the least word will bring about trouble. The union leaders have asked the men to refrain from drinking, but idleness is rksome and the men are chafing under the delay of a settlement, especially in duty of administering it is open to Fedview of the fact that the company has declared that never again will there be any of the present leaders employed by

the company. Find More Gold in Alaska.

Seattle, Wash., March 28 .- A special able to the Times from Valdez, Alas many of the witnesses who appeared ka, states that men just is from the before the Oliver grand jury, when Pat-Gulkana diggings, towards which the latest stampede is directed, report an-Abbott, ex-Mayor E. E. Schmitz and other big strike there. The claim own ers have been working a tunnel all ounts for bribery in the granting of winter, and they are now in ground said to be running \$20 to the pan. On the strength of this news, Peter Mona han, original locator of the New Golconda, and owner of its best claims, spent \$1,500 for wine, treating, when he heard the report.

Cannot Deport Bignami Judge Seawell today granted the Com-mercial Union Assurance company of Great Britain a peremptory writ of mandate against Insurance Commission-truction of the fleet, when examined er E. Myron Wolfe, who has withheld before Acting Commissioner of Immi from the company a certificate authorizing gration Crawford, stated hat he came to this country from Italy in 1904. If ing it to transact fire and marine insur-to this country from that it this is a fact it will place him outside bribery case. Mr. Hency has gained a the seed his refusal on the ground that the based his refusal on the ground that the the Federal deportation laws relating to great tactical advantage by this move. Commercial Union had illegally trans-

Latin quarter charged with vagrancy. cure a trolley franchise for the Parkside Tourist Rates to the Coast. St. Paul, Minn., March 28.—The seific and Soo roads will make special ummer tourist rates of \$60 for the reg alar trip from the Twin Cities to Seat tle, Tacoma, Portland and other North Pacific Coast points. This puts the northern lines on a par with the southern lines, which have granted special rates to California points. The regular trip from Chicago to North Coast cities via the Twin Cities will be \$72,50.

Kansas City, March 28.—Thirty five lousand members of the United Mine

workers of America, employed in dis-tricts Nos. 4, 21 and 25, comprising Mi-souri, Arkaneas, Kaneas, Oklahoms and Texas, will go on strike April 1, following a decision reached at meet ings of division vice presidents held here today. LAUDS AMERICAN NAVY.

French Naval Officers Surprised lat

Paris, March 25 .- Many French offieers frankly ay that the impressive demonstration given by the American battleship fleet in its journey to Magda-lena bay of its ability to keep at sea raises the American navy to an equality with that of Great Britain. If the return journey is as successful as the trip around South America has been, they declare, the American navy will have no superior in the world. The French minister of marine, M.

Thomson, is so impressed with the re-sult of this cruise that he is instructing Lieutenant Commander de Blanpre the French naval attache at Washington, to proceed to San Francisco and send a full report of the condition of the ships and the lessons of the cruisr.

The lack of boiler accidents during the voyage already has called out criti-cism of the contrast furnished by the French navy, where trouble in the en-gine room is constant, and M. Thom-son has been interpolated as to why the government does not use the American type of boiler, which is now being

manufactured in France.

A salient feature of the cruise which is attracting attention here is the success obtained from the American system of employing line officers in the engine rooms. This procedure up to the present time has been regarded with much skepticism in French naval circles. News of the decision to send the bat-tleship fleet back to the Atlantic coast by way of Australia and the Suez canal received here as a crowning revelation of the efficiency of the American navy. The statement that the cruise is to be extended in this manner has opened the eyes of the French public, which has been led to believe that the American navy was a good deal of a "bluff," and that the cruise around South America would demonstrate the incapacity of the vessels, and that if it was accomplished the ships would be ready for the scrap heap. Even in French naval circles the belief was general that this ong o age would develope structural weaknesses in the vessels themselves, or at least serious breakdowns in the engine rooms. In view of these opinions, the announcement that the fleet arrived at Magdalena bay ahead of its schedule, ready for target practice and in better condition than when it sailed from Hampton roads in December, has crested all the more astonishment.

#### NEW ERA FOR ROADS.

State Regulation Is Utterly Killed by Last Decisions.

Washington, March 25 .- It has required a second day's consideration for men in public life in Washington to fully grasp the sweeping character of the decisions handed down by the Supreme court in the Minnesota and North Carolina railroad rate law cases and to realize their important effects in restoring confidence in railway securities and bringing back the prosperity of the nation, temporarily checked by the money stringency of last fall. As a re-sult of these decisions, a brighter era for railroad property is dawning.

The immediate results brought about by these decisions are: 1. No state, through its officers or its courts, can enforce a rate law passed by its legislature pending the settle-ment of the law's constitutionality by the Federal courts, when direct appeal

2. The rate laws of two states have

is made to the latter.

been wiped out completely and every other state in the union that has enact-ed rate legislation is in doubt as to whether its law is valid. 3. The overwhelming power of a Federal injunction to restrain, not the action of state courts, but individuals from proceeding through mandamus in the state courts to enforce that which been established by the highest tribu-

other way of declaring that the power of a state court is nugatory, once the Federal authority interferes. 4. Any rate law which charges : state, through its officers, with the eral inquiry the moment the state attempts to force the law, and such interferene is not a contravention of the onstitutional provision giving a state

nal in the land. And this is only an-

immunity from prosecution

Fishermen and Packers Agree. San Francisco, March 25.—An agree-nent between the Alaska Fishermen's Protective union and the Alaska Packesr' association has been reached and there will be no strike. The scale will be fixed on last year's basis, which was what the fishermen were contending for. A modification will be made in the care of the fishermen at Fort Wrangle and Pyramid barbor. They will be paid by the case, instead of a percentage based on the number of fish aught. The fishing fleet will leave shortly for the north

New Trap for Ruef. San Francisco, March 25.—Francis J. Heney caught the organized forces of the graft defense by surprise today, when he announced in court that he would proceed to the trial of Abe Ruef

Transit company. Will Dismiss School.

Los Angeles, March 25.—Pupils in the public schools of this city will have an opportunity to see the battleship fleet of Admiral Evans without playing truant. The board of education today arranged to hold the spring vacation while the fleet is here, one week later than had been intended. Members of the board agreed that it would be im possible for the children in the sch to attend to their studies while the warships were maneuvering nearby.

Accept China's Invitation Washington, March 25.—The State partment today notified Wu Ting ang, the Chinese ambas-ador, that the invitation extended by his government to the battleship fleet to visit China would be accepted. The ambassador was asked to convey ance to his government at Pekin.