In a Condensed Form for Our Busy Readers.

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

Republican members of congress fa-

ergency currency. Little progress is being made in the Parkside trolley trial of Abe Ruef.

Central Kansas has been visited by The corner stone of the bureau of American republics has been laid at

Washington. Chinese rebels are becoming more ac tive. Large forces of troops are being sent out to check them.

A tornado in Mercer and Henry coun-ties, Illinois, did considerable property damage and killed one woman.

The National Industrial Traffic League has appealed to the interstate commerce commission to prevent an increase in freight rates.

The British house of lords is discuss ing a plan to tax American hops that are being imported to the detriment of the English crop.

While officers from the battleship fleet were being given auto rides, two us results.

The United States is enlisting other nations in the war against opium trade.

The Methodist general conference has asked that presidential candidates be

Chicago street railway men are vote on a general strike There is an increase of tippling

among English society women. Indications point to Taft men con-trolling the Oregon republican conven-

New York's unemployed have formed an association and will hold a national

The Union Pacific reports an increase in earnings, and is putting shopmen back at work.

The Interstate Commerce Commission to investigate the proposed increase of freight rates.

A French mob tried to lynch a woman who had murdered many children, but was prevented by the police.

If the weather permits the battleship fleet will stop off Coos Bay on its way from San Francisco to Scattle. number of senators are preparing to denounce Roosevelt as a usurper be-

Methedists have called on Speaker Cannon to aid prohibition.

Heinze has been sued for the losses of the Aetna Bank, of Butte. There have been several serious out-

breaks in Ohio against the tobacco

Prince Philip zu Eulenberg, once fa-verite of the kaiser, has been arrested

for perjury. Japan has issued a peremptory de-mand that China stop the boycott of

Japanese goods. Reconveit denies the power of con-

army and navy. Kentucky continues to have trouble ith night riders, who are burning to-

The Ruef bribery trial is the scene of many threats and almost open fights among the lawyers.

California people have drawn up a memorial to congress asking for the promotion of Rear-Admiral Evans to the ade of admiral. Senator Heyburn, of Idaho, wants

the government to survey all unsurveyd lands in Idaho, Washington, Monana, Oregon and California. Great Britain is considering an old-

Japan denies the report that the Co-Japan has filed another protest with China against the boycott of Japanese

archy, will give a series of addresses in Portland, commencing May 23.

The eachier of the Allegheny National Bank, of Pittsburg, has been arrested for embezzling \$429,000 of the

Great Britain's financial budget, just sued, shows conditions to be in such good shape that the duty on sugar is The senate has confirmed the nomina on of William R. Wheeler, of Cali-

fernia, to be assistant secretary of com President Gompers, of the American Federation of Labor, has written a lot-

ter to congress urging the passage of many bills of interest to labor. While at San Francisco, Rear-Admira

Thomas, second in command of the At-lantic fleet, will preach at least one sermon in one of the leading churches. Oklahema enjoyed a holiday Thursday by proclamation of the governor, who asked the people to adopt resolutions calling upon congress to pass legislation providing for the selection of United States senators by direct vota

trial on indictments charging

Another uprising is reported in Peru. The last disturbance has been but just

The paper trust is accused of making

publishers pay for speculations in Can-idian timber. Parkside real estate men are endeav-oring to shield Ruef in his trial for ac-cepting bribes.

Utah sheepmen will store their w rather than accept the price offered by the wool combine.

Over 100,000 people from outside San Francisco will watch the arrival of the battleship floet.

NONE SAY GOOD-BYE.

Venezuelans Show No Courtesy to Minister Russell.

Willemstadt, May 12.-W. W. Russell the American Minister to Venezuela, sailed from here today on the steamship caraous for the United States, where he will spend his vacation of two months. The American Minister arrived here from Puerto Cabello, sailing from that port yesterday afternoon after a visit to the United States gunboat Paduach. His departure from Puerto Cabello was ignalized by a salute of 15 guns. That

to bid Mr. Russell good-bye.

Thomas P. Moffatt, the American Consul at La Guaira, is still in that city without means of communication because of the plague, and it is feared without necessities of life. It is thought that the United States may send a gunboat there for the pur-

terests requiring his presence.

President Castro's decree shutting off
La Guaira may be prolonged indefinitely
or until a full week passes without new cases of plague appearing. There is great distress among the unemployed, of which the number is large. Merchants in La Guaira are doing little business, and are no longer able to support the poor. An appeal has been made to the chamber of commerce in Caracas for help. A second relief train was sent to the isloated city yesterday with provisions. The death list is growing, and the whole town seems to be infected.

QUIET IN THE ISLANDS.

Basilan Moros Lay Down 'Arms With

out Serious Trouble. Manila, May 12 .- The disarming o the Basilan Moros is progressing with-out serious trouble. The Lanao disout serious trouble. The trouble against tricts are quiet. The trouble against which the troops were recently operatng was sporadic and neither general or serious.

Major-General Weston, who has re turned to Manila from an inspection of the entire district, reports that confitions are quieter than usual. He proounces the recent operations to have seen police rather than military.

The government is being urged to secure a loan for the purpose of installing an extended system of irrigation. The islands must purchase 10,000,000 pesos of foreign rice this year, making total purchase, during the past ten rears, of 100,000,000 pesos worth. It is believed that irrigation will restore

FLEET VISITORS VICTIMS.

Petty Swindlers Sell Bogus Tickets

for Trips to Warships. San Francisco, May 12.—The thou-ands who wished to visit the warships oday furnished a rich harvest field for a number of petty swindlers. Bogus tickets were sold without interference from the police by venders who repre-sented no launch company whatever None but invited guests were taken on the flagship, although thousands bought tickets which they thought would en-able them to board the Connecticut, and cany of the excursion steamers did not land passengers on any warship, but merely cruised among them.

Because his indignant passengers de manded the return of their money when he failed to land them on the battle ship Vermont today, Captain Henry Frisch, of the excursion steamer St Helen, drew a revolver and threatened The man who blew up the Burlington of the protesting excursionists. Police train at Butte has proven to be only half-witted.

Josquin Miller is Comirg Portland, May 12 .- One of the uresque attractions of the Portland festival during the week June 1-6, will be the appearance here of Joaquin Miller, the "Poet of the Sierras." Miller is a native of Ore-

gon, and when the request and invi-tation was sent to him by the festival management to take part in the spectacular street pageant "The Spirit of the Golden West," he readlly accepted, agreeing to appear in some feature of the cavalcade that would be typical of the life, habits and customs of the early days of the Oregon pioneers, in the times in which he was a conspicuous figure. This parade will symbolize the advancement of civilization in the Northwest from the earliest days

Children in Factories Richmond, Va., May 12.—Dealing with the world-wide topic of children, helr education, training and the evil of driving them under steam pressure at the wheel when their frail limbs and odies are too weak to stand the terrible punishment and strain, the session of the National Conference of Charities of the National Conference of Charities and Corrections at St. Paul's Church tonight aroused the public to the im-portance of adequate laws to protect them from the evils of the factory work. Professor W. H. Hand, of the University of South Carolina, pointed out the imperative demand for compul-

Train Stopped in Time. Wenatchee, Wash., May 12 .- With a oar that could be heard for miles round, the waters of Lily Lake came olling down the Stemilt Creek Canyon, bout five miles from Wenatchee, this norning at 4 o'clock, in a flow that wept everything that came in its way Just before it found is way into the Columbia River, it washed out about 90 feet of the Great Northern adbed, just a few minutes before the Freat Northern overland came speeding dong, eastward bound, and was stopped ust in time to prevent a wreck.

purse of \$2,000 is the task chosen by Charles Mover, an Indian of the Sioux tribe. Moyer is in Kansas City on his return trip to San Francisco. He left there October 29, 1907, and arrived in New York on January 23, 1908. He has until June 29 to complete his trip back to San Francisco. He expects to reach San Francisco two or three weeks ahead

Dying by the Hundred. Kiev, Russia, May 12.—A frightful epidemic of exanthematous typhoid is raging in the city prison. More than 200 deaths so far have occurred, and practically all of the inmates are infect-ed. The authorities are withholding de-

OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

WILL UNVEIL MONUMENT.

COLONY IS ASSURED.

To Mark Site of First Public School Settlers Arriving to Found New Cen in Polk County. ter of Fruit Culture. Wolf Creek .- Wolf Creek colony Dallas .- The first school pienic in

Polk County for the year will be held at Rickreall, Saturday, May 16. J. H. there is tension in the diplomatic relations between the United States and struction, and George H. Himes, of Portions Venezuela was shown in the fact that land, will be the principal speakers. The afternoon will be given over to sports and games. The committee on arrangements is under the direct supervision of Superintendent H. C. Seymour, started awaited their owners on arrival of Dallas, county school superintendent.

The principal attraction of the day will

For a week a surveying party has be the unveiling of a suitable monu-ment to mark the site of the first school opened in Polk County. This historic spot is on the road between Dallas and Rickreall, and about half a mile west acter. Several tracts have been staked of the latter place. The first school was off in subdivision No. 1, and tracts Nos. opened in the spring of 1845, with J. E. 2 and 3, comprising 78 acres, were pur-Lyle, a former Polk County pioneer, chased last evening by a young man now deceased, as teacher. Mrs. Jose-from Chicago, who has been on the now deceased, as teacher. Mrs. Josephine Boyle, one of the first students,
will unveil the monument. George H.
Himes will deliver an address at the
unveiling, dealing with early Oregon
history. Rickreall, known in early
years as "Dixie," was the home of
Colonel J. W. Nesmith, former Indian
fields and realistics. fighter and politician. The house in which he died still stands about half a nile east of this old and historic town

PREPARE FOR CHERRY FAIR.

Salem Exposition to Surpass That of

Last Year. Salem .- Extensive preparations are eing made for the annual cherry fair o be held in Salem about the first of July, and from information received it is apparent that the fair this year will surpass that of 1907. Cherry-growers at The Dalles are planning to erable acreage of ome to the Salem fair and capture the best of the prizes in competition with Willamette Valley growers. Last year 30 silver cups and as many diplomas were offered as premiums. This year the number will be considerably in-creased, an effort being made to offer a premium for every class of fruit ripe at that season of the year. Special attention will be given to cherries in com-mercial pack. The Salem Board of Trade has taken charge of the preliminary arrangements, and has committees at work.

New School for Cornelius. Forest Grove-The school board \$9000 brick schoolhouse in the near future. According to the plans which have been decided upon the edifice will be a two-story structure with basement and will have four recitation rooms. It will be fitted with a modern heating plant and the rooms will be supplied with automatic ven-tilation. The board has obtained a piece of property near the encamp-ment grounds for the new schoolwhich, when completed, will be the best in the county in the mat-

Improvements at Pelican Bay Klamath Falls.-Work has already Commenced on the improvements at Pelican Bay, owned by E. H. Harriman, on Upper Klamath Lake. A pumping plant has been installed, and hot and cold water will be available in every cottage. A cold storage plant will also be erected. J. S. Holabird, brother of Colonel W. H. Holabird, of Los Angeles, who entertained the Harriman party last summer, is in charge of the improvements. Colonel Holabird, who is now in Mexico, is expected to arrive attended them in the past.

Pendleton.—A carload of crude pe-troleum has been ordered by Indian Agent McFatridge, to be used in dip-ping the ponies on the Umatilla reseration, in an effort to eradicate mange Lumber for the great dipping vats now on the ground, and the work of rounding up the few thousand mangy eavuses will soon be started. Many djoining ranches have afflicted horses but the government men cannot compet these owners to dip. The state officials could, however, if they would.

Ask for Freight Depot. Salem.—Citizens of Lyons, on the orvallis & Eastern Railroad, have pre-Northwest from the earliest Many mal complaint, alleging that the down to the present time. Many mal complaint, alleging that the cities of Oregon will be represented vallis & Eastern, through lack of enterprise, has neglected to build a freight that station and will not mainsented to the railroad commission a for-mal complaint, alleging that the Cortain an agent there. Freight is left exposed to the weather, and all articles must be shipped prepaid, which is an-noying sometimes. The complaint is noying sometimes. The complaint is signed by several persons. Formal an-swer must be filed by the railroad company within 10 days.

Market Day Is Success. La Grande.-Saturday, May 9, prom ses to be a most successful and enter aining market day. In addition to the attraction of the automobile parade and races there will be a public auction of everything that any one wants to sell. The auctioneer, Martin Larsen, is making a thorough canvass of the valley, and is listing all articles that will be brought to La Grande Saturday and offered for sale. No charge is to be made for the services of the auctioneer. The list of all articles to be offered for published in the local papers before Saturday.

Frost Nips Prunes. Portland. - Advices being received laily by Secretary Williams, of the alfalfa meal. \$20. State Horticultural Board, show that the recent frost was productive of considerable damage to the prune crop of the Northwest. This state, it is now estimated, will have only about twothirds the quantity of prunes produced last year. This, however, will make the Kansas City, May 12.—Across the because last year's production was continent and back in eight months for more than ordinarily large.

Many Sales at Pendleton

Bright Prospects in John Day.

Prairie City.—The weather in this calley, the John Day Valley, could not dozen, \$4.50@5; dressed poultry, per be more favorable. It is warm and pleasant, with sufficient rains to make

TACOMA PLANS BIG TIME.

Where Fleet Has Stopped.

Tacoma, Wash., May 11 .- The loca now a settled fact. Development work goes steadily on. The freighthouse has shown a congested condition for some sands of people all over the Northwest, time, several Eastern families bringing who have made known their intention considerable of their belongings with of attending the Tacoma celebration them, and on their great satisfaction This will consider May 20 with a wellhousehold goods shipped from Pennsylvania less than two weeks before they started awaited their owners on arrival sands of marines and sailors from the ships, members of the Grand Army of the Republic from every post in the been at work on the outside lines, runstate, with the uniform rank of the fra-For a week a surveying party has been at work on the outside lines, run-ning through to government section cor-

There will be no lack of entertain ners, then making corrections so that the work may be of a satisfactory charment for visitors, who will have a fin-opportunity to view the fleet from the high bluffs on which the city is built. Massed bands of the fleet, with numeroff in subdivision No. 1, and tracts Nos. 12 and 3, comprising 78 acres, were purchased last evening by a young man from Chicago, who has been on the ground for three weeks, awaiting the survey. Inquiries are being received from all parts of the country, and the 'no-saloon'' feature is commented on and commended more than any other single feature.

Wolf Creek is the first valley south of the Umpound divide, introducing the between the crews of the various battle. of the Umpqua divide, introducing the traveler southward on the scenic South-

ern Pacific to the famous Rogue River Valley. In formation, soil and climate this southernly sloping valley is much like the first valley north of the Sis-ADJOURN IN TWO WEEKS. kiyou divide, in which is situated, on rich red soil which so abounds here also, the A. D. Helms Newtown apple or-chard, which, without a single failure, has yielded its owner net annual aver-Through Business. age profits of \$791 per acre for the

showers have wonderfully Recent showers have wonderfully stimulated growing crops, and a consid erable acreage of corn is now being planted

Timber Claims in Bly Country. Klamath Falls, Or., May 4 .- Several are said to be obtainable, on account of the house, without much discussion. mesteaders on timber land. In many instances the homesteaders have eithe relinquished and placed timber stone filings or have sold their relin-quishments for the mere locating fee. ravelers returning from Bly state that claims having several settlers on last fall at the time of the rush, appear to

Trout for Eight Mile Creek. The Dalles .- A shipment of 10,000 trout fry has been received by Victor Marden from the United Fish Commissioner at Oregon City, and is being placed in Lower Eight Mile Creek. Many of the trout that have been placed in local streams previously have got into irrigating ditches, and when the water was turned off they died. However, the farmers are being generally notified to put in screens in their ditches to keep the young trout out.

Strawberry Day at Milton. Milton.—Milton will have another trawberry day this year. The Progres-

Plenty of Traffic for New Road. Klamath Falls .- The Long Lake Lum ber Company, of this city, will com mence shipment of boxes via the Cali rnia Northwestern Railway, May 15. has orders from San Francisco, Los Angeles and San Diego firms that will nsume 2,000,000 feet of lumber. filling of these orders will constitute the first carload shipments from this city via the California Northwestern

Will Clear Stump Land. Astoria .- Dr. L. F. Hawley, the expert of the forest service of the United States, has arrived here with a plan whereby the stump land of this section may be profitably cleared for agricultural purposes. He will be in this viposes the calling of a convention of owners of all stump lands throughout he Northwest, which the members of legislatures shall be invited to attend.

The Dalles.—The first market day at The Dalles, held Saturday, was quite a success. There were about 1,000 outide people in town, and the merchants had good sales. It is intended to hold these market days the first Saturday in every month. A commmittee of busi-ness men has been appointed to make arrangements for taking care of the crowds.

PORTLAND MARKETS

Wheat—Club. 87c per bush; red Rus-dian, 84c; bluestem, 89c; valley. 86c. Barley—Feed. \$24 per ton; rolled, \$27 @28; brewing, \$26. Oats_No. 1 white, \$27@27.50 per m; gray. \$26.50@27. Millstuffs_Bran, \$26 per ton;

dlings, \$30.50; shorts, country, \$28.50; city, \$27; wheat and barley chop, \$27.50 Hay-Timothy, Willamette Valley, \$17 per ton; Willamette Valley, ordi-Eastern Oregon, \$17.50; elover, \$14; alfalfa, \$12;

Potatoes_70e per hundred; Wills ette Valley. 45c per hundred; East Mult-nomah, 55c; Clackamas, 55c per hun-Apples Select, \$2.50 per box; fancy, \$2; choice, \$1.50; ordinary, \$1.50.
Onions Texas Bermudas, \$2.75 per

erate.

carrots, \$1.50@1.75; beets, \$1.25; par-snips, \$1.25; cabbage, \$2 per cwt.; head lettuce. 35c per dozen; celery, 85c@\$1 er dozen; artichokes, 50e per Pendleton.—Pendleton is becoming paragus, 7@8c pound; beans, 20c per the headquarters for a number of promoters of big irrigation concerns in Eastern Oregon, most of the lands being situated in the west end of Umatilla ishes, 15c per dozen; pound; radiuated in the west end of Umatilla ishes, 15c per dozen; rhubarb, 1@2c per by parties selling the land, and it adds greatly to the business life of Pendleton.

Heads—174c per dozen.

Eggs 1716c per dozen. Poultry-Mixed chickens, 13e bound, le hicher.
Dressed Meats-Hogs, fancy, Se Wants to Outdo All the Other Cities

eet committee has made arrangements for the review of the 15 battleships in Tacoma harbor, May 27, and the conse quent festivities that will make their stay of four days in this port the most memorable in the history of the fleet's cruise thus far. Preparations are being made for the entertainment of thou sands of people all over the Northwest This will conclude May 30 with a me

ships, a grand illumination parade of the harbor craft, nightly illumination of the warships and Japanese fireworks.

Congress Leaders Prepare to Rusi

Washington, May 11 .- Strong efforts will be made to have congress adjourn not later than two weeks from today. Representative Tawney announces that the committee on appropriations, of which he is chairman, began work on the general deficiency bill today, and he will try to report it by next Tues good timber claims have been secured day. This is the last of the big supply recently in the Bly country, and others bills, and it will probably go through

the recent ruling in land cases against | The public buildings bill will be re ported by the committee on buildings and grounds as soon as Chairman Bar tholdt is sure of a right of way for it It is conceded that this measure will be rushed through the house.

A leader in the senate, who is an im-portant member of the finance committee, is quoted as saying yesterday that he believed congress would be able to adjourn on May 23. The only legisla-tion which he thought probable, outside of the appropriation bills, are a child labor bill for the District and possibly a campaign publicity bill, and an emer gency currency bill.

GATHER AT WHITE HOUSE.

Governors Confer With President or

Conservation of Resources. Washington, May 11.-History will be made at this week's White House escaped. conference on natural resources. For history-making conditions are remarkably favorable. Never before has a strawberry day this year. The Frogres
sive Club of the city has the matter in
charge, and committees have been appointed and preparations will soon be
states. Never before has the White
under way for the event, which, it is to
House, with its long record of social President of the United States conbe hoped, will excel all past festivities of the kind. This event will take place and state functions sheltered a large fore has the whole broad question of the conservation of this country's natural resources been brought before a

ject of its consideration. The reception accorded to this project indicates that the people of the country expect definite results of a far-reaching character. After hearing from experts the conditions the country is facing, the members of the conference will themselves decide whether anything ought to be done, and what. Some have sugrested the advisability of forming great national organization to carry forward the plans originated in the conference. The probability as that, at the least, some basis will be laid for future co-operation between the federal and state governments in a vigor ous policy of conservation, for one of the things which will be shown most forcibly at the conference is that neither the states nor the federal gov ernment can make satisfactory headway

Crowd Bids Evans Farewell. Oakland, May 11. - Rear - Admiral Evans was given an enthusiastic greet ing by a crowd which gathered at the Southern Pacific ferry depot just before he entered his private car attached to the overland train. On the trip over on the ferry boat the admiral stood on the deck watching the fleet so long as it was in sight. When asked for a statement, he said: "There is nothing to be said excepting that out there," and he pointed to the fleet, "lies my first and last flagship, the Yorktown and Connecticut."

Brussels, May 11 .- Dr. Bertand, of Antwerp, claims to have discovered a serum which will cure pneumonia, and has delivered a lecture on the subject to the Medical Society of Antwerp. "I hrst satisfied myself of the efficacy of my serum," he says, "by experimenting on animals. Then trials were made this winter in the St. Elizabeth and Stuyvenburg Hospitals, in Antwerp. Several of the patients had pneumonia in an advanced stage, and were also habitual drunkards."

Washington, May 11 .- Representative siness men from various sections of ongress next week of the National Draining Association. The object of this congress is to improve and indorse federal help to drainage as a national colicy, but not to recommend nor atbe passed by congress. William Jen-nings Bryan and Senator Newland (Nerada) will make addresses.

Grover Cleveland Improving Lakewood, N. J., May 11.—That for-mer President Grover Cleveland is improving, and that his condition today is more encouraging than it has been vegetation grow, and pre peets for bum-per crops of bay and grain could not be excelled. Stock is doing well.

pound; ordinary, 7@74/e; large, 6e; for the last few days, is the gist of a real, extra, 8e; ordinary, 7e; heavy, 6e; statement issued by Mrs. Cleveland mutten, fancy, 10e.

from the hotel at Lakewood.

Evans Gives Up His Command of Atlantic Battleship Fleet.

BIG OVATION BY SAN FRANCISCO

Loved Admiral Says Farewell at Ban quet Given in His Honor at St. Francis Hotel.

San Francisco, May 9 .- Rear-Admira Evans bade a personal farewell to the fficers of his command at the banque given last night in honor of the visit f the Atlantic fleet by the City of San Francisco. The banquet was given in the white and gold dining room of the St. Francis Hotel, where Admiral Evans and his family have been making their headquarters since the arrival of the fleet on Wednesday. It had been hoped that the commander-in-chief of the fleet, who hauls down his flag today from the truck of the Connecticut, might appear for a few moments, but it was no known until well along in the progress of the dinner that he was actually well-enough to do so. The admiral was wheeled into the crowded dining half amid spontaneous cheers, in which the San Francisco, joined with equal en thusiasm. He was in civilian attire, as was also his son, Lieutenant Frank Tay lor Evans, who wheeled the invalid

Rear-Admirals Thomas, Sperry, En ory, Dayton, Sebree and Swinburne, the captains of all the ships, Governor Gil lett, Secretary of the Navy Metcalf Mayor Taylor, General Funston, of the army, and other notable guests crowder about the chair and shook hands with Admiral Evans, who had a cordial re sponse to each in turn.

LOSES \$1,259,000 BY FIRE

Two Blocks in Atlanta, Georgia Re duced to Cinders.

Atlanta, May 9 .- One million and puarter dollars is the loss conservatively estimated tonight of a fire which early coday destroyed two blocks of Atlanta ousiness property. Tonight the fire is under control with ruined buildings in the district bounded by Forsythe, Nelson, Madison and Hunter streets. Late oday the police and fire departments lynamited what was left of the ragged valls. How the fire started is a my tery. There was no loss of life and no injuries. The insurance on the property destroyed was placed at \$750,000. One of the heaviest losers is S. M. In man, of Atlanta, who owned the entire block bounded by Forsythe, Mitchell and Nelson streets and Madison ave

The Terminal Hotel, one of the larg est in the city, is a mass of bricks. had on its register 200 guests when the fire started a block away. Every one

UNITE FOR DEFENSE.

Shippers Preparing for Titanic Battle With Railroads. Chicago, May 9.—Commercial and manufacturing interests of cities from the Mississippi River to Maine, aggre gating over \$1,000,000,000 in capital. early in June, and is looked forward to with keen anticipation by all who have attended them in the past.

Geological Survey that the loss represents the consideration are preparing for a titanic struggle with the Eastern railroads. The question of a great public issue. And never be with the Eastern railroads. The question of a great public issue and that this sents 200,000,000 tons, and that this sents 200,000,000 tons, and that this sents 200,000,000 tons and that this sents 200,000,000 tons and that this sents 200,000,000 tons and the consideration are preparing for a titanic struggle with the Eastern railroads. tion of a general advance in freight rates is the issue. The gauntlet was The gauntlet was thrown down by the railroads in the \$1 a ton. on July 1 and August 1 a general advance of freight rates approximating 10 per cent will be made east of the Mississippi River. The great shippers

n accepting the gauge of combat.

The first movement in arraying the commercial and manufacturing inter-ests of the affected territory in a solid phalanx against the Eastern railroad systems was made yesterday by the Ilinois Manufacturers' Association. It quickly was followed by the Chicago Association of America. The former is ed a call for a great conference to b held in Chicago next Friday of all the of the eastern section of the country The meeting will map out a generaline of battle.

Firemen Confess Arson Norfolk, Va., May 9 .- Four members f the Jamestown Exposition fire de partment, and two of the Powhattan ury on the charge of arson. Two of the men filed written confessions that they started the fire on the ground which destroyed the Philippine village and other villages, ten days ago. They said it was understood that Fire Chief Miller had recommended a cut in both forces and salaries, and they thought a fire would demonstrate the value of both the firemen and guards of the

Angers Stanford Faculty

Stanford University, Cal., May 9. On account of "joshes" on Professo Clark and President Jordan contained in the 1909 "Quad," the Stanford book store today refused to sell the book, after making an agreement to do so with the manager of the book, D. W. Burbank. The manager of the book store refused to give any reason for his change of mind, but as the corporation is controlled by faculty members, it is understood that some of the stockhold-ers prevented the sales as a means of retaliation for the joshes on the faculty.

Repair Dredge Chinook. Washington, May 9 .- Senator Fulton today proposed an amendment to the sundry civil bill appropriating \$100,000 for repairing the dredge Chinook. The Senator had a conference with the chief Chinook be again placed in commission and set to work on the Columbia River the crop. The navel season will end bar. It is doubted if \$100.000 is needed within 10 days—a month ahead of last in a short time, and if a smaller amount s required the amount will be reduced.

Will Make Lobbyists Register Guthrie, Okla., May 9 .- Both branches of the Oklahoma legislature today agreed to the anti-lobbying bill, which provides that criminal action may be of Acre, declares that if Acre is in-had on any lobbyist who does not first corporated with the state of Amazonas

MARCH OF MEN OF FLEET.

Largest Armed Force Ever Landed Is Reviewed at San Francisco.

San Francisco, May 8 .- Eight thou-

and bluejackets and marines—the largst armed force the American Navy has ever put ashore in time of peace or war were landed yesterday from the comined Atlantic and Pacific fleets, now yin 'in the harbor, and marched brough the streets of San Francisco in he most notable parade the city has ver known. For four miles and a half. long streets lined and canopied with olors and in review of a never-ending rowd, the fighting men of the fleets nade their way to the martial tunes of their shipmate bands and to cheers that their shipmate bands and to cheers that began with the first command to march and ended only when the sailormen had again embarked in the small boats that returned them to their ships. Twenty-five hundred soldiers of the regular army, in full-dress array, graciously acted as an escort to the visiting men of the sea, and were liberally applauded. The cheers, however, were not all reserved for the sailors and marines. Rear-Admiral Evans, commanding the fleet, and the six other Rear-Admirals in command of squadrons and divisions, rode in carriages. Admiral Evans was quickly recognized by the thousands in the mmense reviewing stands, and bowed a constant recognition of the cheering which was caught up by the throngs which was caught up by the throngs is his carriage slowly moved at the front of the marching columns. Secre-ary of the Navy Metcalf, Governor Jillett, of California, and Mayor Tay-lor, of San Francisco, rode in the parade and afterward reviewed it as it counter-marched down Van Ness avenue.

ADMITS OTHER CRIMES.

Man Who Blew Up Burlington Train Also in Holdup.

Butte, Mont., May 8 .- Lewis Ferriss, who last night confessed to planting 25 sticks of dynamite under Burlington rain No. 6, which was wrecked hero Friday night, killing three persons, was his morning taken to Hills by detectives to dig up the rest of the powder which was cached after the wreck. Ferriss also admits being concerned in the nold-up of the North Coast Limited two

weeks ago.

The engineer was flagged on a steep rade. The train was stopped, and when the engineer saw the hold-up men e ran a blockade of bullets and pulled

his train safely into town.

Ferriss made his confession in the hospital, where he was taken after being slightly wounded by the officer who arrested him.

Ferriss was arrested while trying to pawn a rifle of a peculiar old-fashioned caliber, cartridges to fit which were found on the ground after the attempt to rob the North Coast train. Sus cicion was directed to him when he was ound loafing about the place where the Burlington wreck occurred. Railroad men here are much aroused

Ferriss. He is being kept under a heavy COAL IS WASTED.

Officers of Federal Survey 'Discover Valuable Fuel Is Left.

Washington, May 8 .- Coal valued at 200,000,000 is being wasted every year through improper mining methods. It is estimated by officers of the Federal amount would supply the country six months. The coal is worth at least

J. A. Holmes, one of the officers of the survey, who are trying to solve the fuel problem, says today that nearly half of the total coal supply is left underground, either as pillars to support the roof of the mine, or because it is

of an inferior quality.

The investigators find that the waste is also due to the fact that the working out of the lower beds of coal first in some cases breaks and renders impracticable the subsequent mining of the adjacent higher coal beds.

"We are skimming the cream of the natural resources," said Mr. Holmes, 'and we are using the best and cheap est of our supplies. Each of the ceeding generations will obtain its needed general supply, but each will pay higher prices, as mining will con-tinually grow more expensive and more

Fights to Escape Fine.

Chicago, May 8 .- The Standard Oil ompany of Indiana today commenced a new fight to escape payment of the fine of \$29,240.000, levied against it by Judge Landis. in the Federal District Court, when its attorneys appeared to argue an appeal from the lower court. John S. Miller argued that a reversal should be granted, because, he said, the oil company did not know that it was using illegal rates, and that each train-load of the company's product should have been taken as the basis of a shipment instead of each car, as charged in

Asylum for Quake Sufferers. Santiago, Chile, May 8 .- When Valparaiso and other Chilean cities suffered the terrible earthquake of August 6, 1906, the republics of Brazil and Argentina sent their sister nation considerable sums of money, of which there remains a surplus in the hands of the Chilean government. It has been deter-mined to use this in founding an asylum for the widows and orphans of those who lost their lives in that disaster. The sum will be made up to \$300,000 for the work, and the institution will be known as the Asilo Brazil-Argentina.

Orange Crop Short in South Los Angeles, May 8 .- With but a few navels left and a brisk demand for all of them, the season for this variety of oranges is approaching a whirlwind close, prices advancing sharply and buyers scrambling for the remainder of year. Only 500 cars of navels are left in the state. The ship nents to date have been about 2,000 ahead of those at this time a year ago.

Rio de Janeiro, May 8.—Colonel Pla-cido Castro, who headed the revolution file his name and a statement of his instead of being proclaimed a separate business with the legislature. The bill state, the inhabitants will proclaim an-

is similar to a measure proposed by other revolution and fight to make Governor Folk, of Missouri. Governor themselves this time an independent no-Haskell has said he will sign the bill.