## **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 great Paris strike has ended in

Wheat is booming in Chicago and ha

gone above the \$1 mark. Employes of all the paper trust's

mills have gone on a strike A man has been killed in Nevada by a friend who mistook him for a deer.

Great preparations are being made for the reception of the battleship fleet at Auckland.

Governor Hughes, of New York, is preparing for a more vigorous fight against betting men. Eastern politicians say Hearst's In-

dependence party has less chance of winning than the Socialists. The United States and Great Britain

are to unite and bring pressure to bear on Belgium for reforms in Congo. George A. Pettibone, leader of the Western Federation of Labor, died in a Denver hospital as a result of an oper stion for cancer.

Detective Burns, employed on the San Francisco graft cases, ids securing a salary of \$625 a month and his 26 assistants \$150 each.

Harriman says there should be an in crease in freight rates in order to secure good service. He favors a read-justment rather than a general in-

The pope will create ten new car-dinals next fall.

The French government is relent-less in its fight against labor rioters. An immense power has been gained by Harriman through his alliance with Gould.

Roosevelt has reinstated a number of West Point hazers to be disciplined by the faculty!

The sultan has appeared on the streets unattended for the first time during his reign.

Castro has dismissed all Dutch consuls and vice-consuls in Venezuela and demands apology for insults.

F. D. Spaulding, a wealthy auto-mobile manufacturer of San Fran-cisco, perished in the Yuma desert. Suit has been commenced against the Cleveland Traction company for violating its charter granted by the

Samuel E. Moffat, an editorial writer on Collier's magazine, is dead. He was a nephew of Samuel Clemens (Mark Twain).

One miner was killed and two fatally injured in an explosion of gas in a coal mine near Scranton, Pa. A number of men were slightly hurt.

This ran down the mountain side and before a fire guard could be organized had entered the town. Bryan is busy on his speech of ac

Officials of the Philippine railroad

Reports are being received

Republican headquarters of babies named after Taft. Gould has got money from Harriman to pay his railroad debts, and lost control of the Wheeling road.

M. R. Preston will not accept the Socialist nomination for president, and August Gillhaus has been named.

Panama is afraid the United States annex the country and Roosevelt has sent a reassuring mes-

Eastern railroads have begun an at tack on a law passed by the last congress limiting the hours of continuous

The Northwestern road has been buying cars for the rush when the cruiser Gelderland arrived here toda crops begin to move and expects to from La Guira, Venezuela. Her com

There is some talk of Cortelyou running for governor of New York.

The international peace congress at London is supported by the king and cabinet.

Curaçoa has sent back sugar from Venezuela and will use none of Castro's merchandise.

Gould has raised needed money to pay off his railroad indebtedness without surrendering control.

The American car in the New York--Paris race has arrived at Paris, to-Paris race has arrived at where it received a great ovation.

The cashier of a Kenosha, Wis., bank stole about \$6.000 and gives as his excuse a desire to get married. Detective Burns has been sum-

moned to answer to a charge of con-tempt in connection with the Rues Turkish Liberals are not yet satisfied with the suitan's concessions. They want corrupt officials removed.

Strikers at Vigneux, France, are fighting with soldiers.

The steel trust reports an improving

The typhoon at Hongkong is known to have cost over 300 lives.

The cashier of a Seattle national ank had his salary raised because of fidelity to the institution. Later it was discovered that during the past seven or eight years he has stolen nearly \$50,000.

Indeed the institution of the past was forced to run a gauntlet of men with blacksnake whips. The man was needed and the man w

The Turkish people will call for a him, but the women prevented this. clean sweep of corrupt officials.

The work on the new Franco-Ameri can tariff treaty is proceeding rapidly. Gould admits he would welcome Har-

A young negro has been burned at the stake in Texas for an assault on a mules, killed by the heat in the tun-representative citizens donated liberalley, 15@15%c; mohair, choice, white girl.

MANY FAMILIES SEPARATED.

Property Loss at Fernie Not Less Than \$2,500,000.

Spokane, Wash., Aug. 4.—A special from Fernie, B. C., to the Spokesman-It is feared that the loss of life will each beyond 100, but there are so

made to ascertain the number of those who lost their lives. In the district swept by the flame there is estimated to have been some 7,000 people. Two thousand of these people have been sent west to Cran-brook and Elko, some 1,500 fled from the flames to the northward and reach ed Hosmer and other places along the

The Great Northern train took al the people it could carry up the line, fighting its way through sheets of flames before reaching a place of

safety. Scores of families were separated husbands not knowing where their vives and children were, and in some nstances it was ascertained this morn ng that members of the same family were in Cranbrook, Fernie and Hos

The lowest estimates of the amount of the loss is placed at \$2,500,000, and as nearly as can be ascertained the insurance carried will amount to some thing like \$1,500,000. Of the 7,000 people who had been housed yesterday, 3,000 have been taken away. It is es timated by the committee appointed that there will be 3,500 who will have to be furnished with temporary shelter and food.

DEATH LIST GROWS

Seventy-Four Said to Have Perished in Destruction of Fernie.

Winnipeg, Manitoba, Aug. 4.-As a tant, is in flames and the fate of Hosmer and Sparwood, intervening towns, system will be carr is in doubt, they being cut off from main canal next year.

Over 100 lives are known to hav been lost, 74 of them in Fernie.

A territory of 100 square miles is seething mass of flames. Through it are scattered hundreds of lumbermen and prospectors, so that the actual loss of life will not be known for days.

The properties of the Canadian Pa-cific and Great Northern railways are destroyed, the bridges and rolling stock burned so that it is impossible to enter or leave the burning area. There is no possibility of estimating

the loss of life and property which wil result. for the flames are driven by a half gale, making it impossible to put up a fight against their advance.

The conflagration is the greatest which has ever reached Canada and ranks only with the San Francisco dis

For the past month forest fires have been raging in the mountains of Ell river valley country, but they have not been considered serious. Saturday morning a heavy wind sprang up from the flames appeared over the crest of the mountains to the west of Fernie. This ran down the mountain side and

FLEET PASSES TUTUILIA.

Hot weather set fire to a great coal Natives Gaze on Great Battleships at Close Range.

Dismissals of consuls may cause a longitude 17:24 west, bein quarrel between the United States and from Auckland 1,500 miles. longitude 17:24 west, being distant o'clock in the morning the fleet changed its formation from line of squadro to single column, and at 7 o'clock passed the end of eastern end of Tutuilia island, Samoa, and steamed close in along the coast, giving the people of the island an excellent view of th

close to the fleet off Pago Pago. usual honors were rendered.

At 9 o'clock the fleet resumed its ourse for Auckland in line of squadron formation. It had reduced its speed at from 90,000 to 120,000 bales, and to nine knots. The weather is fine, indicate their belief that there will be

Dutch Mail is Barred Out. Willemstad, Aug. 4.—The Dutch cruiser Gelderland arrived here today mander declares that he sent a boa ashore at La Guira with an officer and was refused communication with the shore. The authorities there, he says, declined to accept the letter bags an an official communication to the Ger-man minister who is in charge of Dutch nterests in Caracas. He reports also that Venezuela is preparing her forces for a defense of the country. It is believed Holland will take some action.

Cars of Coal on Fire St. Paul, Minn., Aug. 4.- The Great Northern officials have received word from their division superintendent at coal and coke and three bridges belong ing to the company have been destroy ed by the forest fires at Fernie. The big bridge just west of the depot at Fernie and No. 3 and No. 4 bridges across the Elk river between Hosmer and Michel have been wiped out. The Canadian Pacific has lost two depots, a water tank and all of its cars at Fer- 1er 14, nie. A hurricane is blowing.

Forced to Run Gauntlet. Deadwood, S. D., Aug. 4.-Accused of wife beating on the public streets, camp near here, almost lost his life to-

Virginia City, Nev., Aug. 4.-Half mile beneath the surface of the earth licity fund and will exploit the rich and 8,000 feet from the mouth of the sources of the Coquille river valley Sutro tunnel, C. Pucillini was discover-country—coal, timber, agricultural,

## OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

this year.

ist,

CAN'T SELL WORMY APPLES.

Are Strictly Enforced.

strong states that the state law pro-

scaly apples, pears and other fruits,

The yield is abundant and there is

Mr. Armstrong states that the

W. K. Newell, of Portland, and

SALEM FINDS NEW CHERRY.

Cross Between Bing and Lambert

Attracts Attention.

Salem.-Salem cherrygrowers are

all agog over the discovery of a new

variety that promises to be more val-

Inventory Normal Property.

Professor Briggs will go from the

Superintendents Take Office.

Salem .- The new county superintend-

ents throughout the state took office on

August 3. The change is not made in

this office on July 1, as in other county

offices, for the reason that the retiring

officer is required to make a report dur-

ing the month of July covering the last

year of his incumbency. Of the 33

county superintendents, 20 were re

elected, new officials going in in the

Will Drain Union Lands.

May Rebuilt Woolen Mill.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat-Club, 86c; red Russian, 84c;

Barley-Feed, \$23.50 per ton; roll-

Oats-No. 1 white, \$26.50 per ton

Hay-Timothy, Willamette valley

Fruits-Cherries, 2@10c per lb.

\$1@1.25 per crate; Bartlett pears

crate; Loganberries, 85c@\$1 per crate

Melons-Cantaloupes, \$2.50@3 per

Potatoes-New Oregon, \$1.25@1.50

Vegetables - Turnips \$1.50 pe

sack; carrots, \$1.75 per sack; pars-

ozen; artichokes, 75c per dozen.

cy. 24c; choice, 20c; store, 16c.

dinary, 7@7 %c; heavy, 5c

Mutton-Fancy, 716@9c

Hops-1907, prime and choice,

dinary, 6c; large, 5c.

18%c per pound.

Butter-Extra, 25c per pound; fan

watermelons, 11/2@13/c per

\$1.75 per box; plums, 90c per box.

Berries - Raspberries,

hundred pounds.

luestem, 88c; valley, 86c.

d, \$26@27;, brewing, \$26.

in the new county of Hood River.

on scientific plans.

prise.

grav. \$26.

the district commissioners

rom the market.

erest here today.

Drain school

Salem-County Fruit Inspector Arm-

GOOD ROADS MEET.

many living people without homes or shelter or food to be looked after that Every County in State Will be Repre- Fruit Inspector Will See That Laws sented This Year. up to the present no effort has been

Portland—Nearly every county in Oregon will be represented at the good roads conference to be held in Port-land, August 11. Among the most distant will be Lake county, which will send delegates to counsel with the men from Eastern and Western Oregon on the best remedies for existing road

County Judge B. Daly, of Lakeview, as written to the Portland Commercial club, assuring the management that his county will be represented. He said:

we have been up and doing until we now have 300 miles of as good roads in Lake county as can be found in any county in Oregon. Lake county, with its 5,000 acres of land to every voter, has already a per capita income of over \$250 per man from the livestock industry alone. When we get railroad facilities to ship to the markets the splendid products of our orchards, farms, mines and forests, then watch Lake county grow.'

Open Bids at Klamath.

Klamath Falls-Bids were opened recently for extension of the South Branch canal of the Klamath project. This work comprises seven miles of main canal, which will connect the present canal with the Adams ditch in the vicinity of Merrill. Two bids were received for the entire contract, and other bids were received on schedule overing portions of the work. The board of engineers will decide upon result of bush fires the town of Fernie, awarding the contract in a few days. B. C., is wiped off the map as a child All of the bidders are prepared to rush cleans a slate. Michel, 14 miles dis- work as soon as the contract is let, and in all probability water for the Adams system will be carried through the

Homesteaders Ruled Off.

Klamath Falls. - Decisions have been handed down by the United States land office at Lakeview, in reference to several contest cases being timber and stone filings. In each case the homesteaders have lost. In case the homesteaders have lost. In the case of O. B. Newton vs. Nell Boyd-Yaden, homestead entry was refused, on account of the land being heavily timbered and residence not maintained. In this case filing had been made five years ago, and the land had been lived upon by claimant and commutation made, but the patent had never been issued.

Railroad Accidents in June. Salem.—Acording to reports re-ceived at the office of the railroad commission at Salem, four persons were killed by the railroads during the month of June in this state. No ssengers or employes were in the imber. Thirteen passengers were inured, one trainman, one yardman, two other employes, and one other peron. One passenger train was derailed, wo freight trains were derailed There was one collision between pas-senger train and one collision between a passenger train and a freight train. The summary of accidents for June is comparatively low.

Gobbling Up New Wheat. Pendleton-Smut has caused the destruction of two threshing machines in ficials of the Philippine railroad Suvia, Fiji Islands, Aug. 4.—The Umatilla county during the past week, and the experiment farm, near Union, and another was burned, but the origin the first attempt at draining wet lands Saturday was in latitude 15:43 south, of the fire in the third instance is uncertain. Those who lost machines are: At 6:30 Isaac Christopher, Frank Brotherton and J. Hudeman. The Christopher and Hudeman machines were blown up by the explosion of smut dust, a fire following in each instance. The other

machine burned while being moved from one field to another. Hop Crop Worth Picking.

Salem-Salem hopmen do not agree with Joseph Harris that the hop crop will be larger than the demand and that the crop will not all be picked. Dealers interviewed estimate the crop indicate their belief that there will be though hot. The collier Ajax arrived few, if any, growers who will not pick at Suvia today.

few, if any, growers who will not pick their hops. The dealers agree that the crop will be good if the weather continues favorable. No one will venture an estimate as to price.

Cherries for Tourists.

Cherries for Tourists. \$14@15 per ton; Willamette valley, La Grande.—Cherries, the best in the ordinary, \$12; Eastern Oregon, \$17.50 and, the being given away at the de mixed, \$15; alfalfa, \$12; alfalfa, pot in this city by the boosters, headed meal, \$20. y "Steam Up" Pat Lavey, manager of the Boost Club. Huge limbs loaded with cherries, alternated with large oxes of the very best fruit grown in he valley, are at the disposal of travelers, and the rush that follows the gratis is a pleasing sight. Every train black caps, \$2.25. from the East is met and treated in Melons—Cantalo Boost literature is promiseu ously distributed along with the fruit.

Teachers' Institute Dates.

Salem .- The following dates for anunl teachers' institutes have been set: loos county, Myrtle Point, August 18, 19, 20 and 21; Wallawo county, Enter. nips, \$1.75 per sack; beets, \$1.5 ounty, The Dalles, October 6, 7 and 8; Columbia county, Rainier, October 6, 7 cucumbers, \$1,00 per box; lettuce, Columbia county, Rainier, October 6. 7 and 8; Washington county, October 12. 13 and 14; Polk county, Dallas, October 14, 15 and 16; Klamath county, 16r 14, 15 and 16; Klamath county, 17 Klamath Falls, October 21, 22, 23 and dozen; rhubarb, 1@2c per pound; spin-

Bandon Booklets Out Soon. Bandon-The booklets and other lit-George Corey, of Terry, a small mining erature ordered by the Bandon Commercial club will be ready for delivery day at the hands of a mob. Corey had been arrested and placed in jail. A manager of the Warren Publicity commob quickly formed and broke into the pany, of Portland, was asked to help gauntlet of men with blacksnake whips.

raising more than was needed and the Veal—Extra, 8@8. the order to 10,000 booklets.

Bandon-This city has raised a publy to the booster fund.

INVESTIGATE HARRIMAN.

Government at Work Merger Suit.

Chicago, July 31.—Special agents of the government are in Chicago trying to collect evidence to substantiate proceedings for the disruption of the Harriman system of railroads upon the ground that the combination is in violation of the Sherman anti-trust

For more than a week Ralph M McKenzie, who did a great deal of preliminary work in the investigation hibiting the marketing of wormy and which the interstate commerce cor mission made into the affairs of the Harriman railroads has been industri ously working among big shippers with a view to ascertaining how the Harriman combination has been used if used at all, to stifle competition and restrain trade. On Mr. McKenzie's which was not enforced last year on some sections, will be rigidly enforced new calling list are all of the traffi-men of the big industries in the city no reason, declares the inspector, for any grower to bring bad fruit to mart is not known with what success he meeting, but his investigation is aken as meaning that the "big stick has again begun to swing over the

movement will be state-wide, under the direction of the state horticultur-Harriman lines.
It is understood that evidence i desired for use in connection with a suit to be begun by the government which will be similar to the Northern Securities case, which resulted in the disruption of the Hill merger, so far is a holding company is concerned.

IMMIGRATION BUREAU FRAUD

Scandal Said to Have Been Unearthe

uable than any of the other stable by Commissioners. kinds. The new cherry is known as the Kalich Giant. It is a cross between the Lambert and Bing and was origithe Lambert and Bing and was origi-nated by a man named Kalich at Woodlawn, Portland. It is larger, than either the Bing or Lambert and in color is between the two. It is expected to prove very valuable on account of ripening after the other leading varieties have disappeared from the market.

by Commissioners.

San Francisco, July 31.—The big stick, in the hands of Theodore Roosevelt, is about to swing amid the ranks of the Pacific coast immigration bureau of the government, and when it swings, if seemingly reputable reports can be relied upon, heads big and little are apt to fall into the bast ket of political oblivion.

An investigation, which has been going on for over a year under the direction of a special commission named by the president, it is said has revealed evidence of alleged connivance on the part of the immigration agents in the smuggling of Chinese and Japanese coolies into the United States, both along the Mexican border and in the Pacific ports of entry. A display of the new cherries in a store window created widespread in-Salem—At a meeting of the execu-tive committee of the normal school

board of regents, Secretary C. L. Starr was authorized to go to Drain and take ntry. The commissioners who have been The commissioners who have been conducting this investigation now have their data almost completed and in a short time will make their for mal report to Washington. When the material is in the hands of the president he will be ready to take immediate of the control of the con an inventory of the property there belonging to the state. This step was taken in order that the board of regents and legislature may know what is there belonging to the state and the exact situation. President A. L. Briggs has also given notice of his resignation. It is not known where

Agents of the government are now in San Francisco working upon the finishing details of the case. They are making use of a staff of Chinese detectives and it is declared a complete underground system has been uncoverned. inderground system has been uncovered and a band of Chinese leader evealed.

Much evidence has been obtained o this practice in southern California where it is charged orientals have been regularly passed across the Mexican border under the very noses of a force of immigration inspectors.

APPEAL TO LAW.

Illinois Manufacturers to Test Decis ion on Export Rates.

other 13. E. C. Coad was appointed Chicago, July 31.-The Illinois Man ufacturers' association took up the Asiatic export problem yesterday and asked Levy Mayer for an opinion as to the best method of procedure Members of the association throughout the state are alarmed over the propagate and ourross to use every La Grande,-The board of regents of the Oregon Agricultural college held a meeting at Union last week, and steps prospect and purpose to use every effort, both legal and otherwise, to were taken to introduce scientific drain hange the situation. The Canadian Pacific yesterday de are now worthless, due to excess of rainfall. Estimates will be invited on

clared that it was not a party to the new tariffs which the American transcontinental lines have put out training and tiling 100 acres located at the experiment farm, near Union, standing is different. matter, however, so far as the effect of the new tariffs is concerned, for no railroad originating traffic here would maintain a traffic agreement with the Canadian Pacific except Albany-Jacobs Bros., owners of the Oregon City woolen mills, are conupon the same terms as traffic is maintained with American lines. The fact developed yesterday that the railroads are aggrieved even sidering a plan of rebuilding the old woolen mill plant in Albany. They were here recently inspecting the site of the old mill, which was destroyed nore by the commission's ruling that by fire in 1904, and announced that they would rebuild the plant and estaba big mill here if local capital would take an interest in the enter-

for all, regardless of whether ocean carriage may be designated by the shipper or passenger." This would shipper or passenger." This would compel the railroads to deal with tramp ocean steamers, which they positively refuse to do. It is the conpositively refuse to do. It is the con-sensus of opinion that there is no power which can compel the railroads to engage in this business if they do not see fit to do so.

California Gains in Value. San Francisco, July 31.—The Calsan Francisco, July 31.—The California promotion committee's Bulletin of Progress, dated July 31, will say: "Evidence of the development of the state is given in the reports for the Sscal year of the county assessors to the state controller. Impressive gains are recorded in most counties over the former of a very against and the former of a very against a second of the state controller. over the figures of a year ago, and the sum total will show a gain of many millions in the taxable property apricots, \$1 per crate; Oregon Alexander peaches, 50@75c per box; prunes, of the state. Bond elections have been held in a number of cities and towns and in every case the voters have declared for civic improve-\$1.10 per

General Strike in Paris.

Paris, July 31.-The general strike of 24 hours declared by the General Federation of Labor as a demonstra-tion and portest against the killing of per 100 pounds; old Oregon, 50c per workmen by troops at Vigneux wen into effect vesterday morning. The reports indicate that 50,000 men o he building and allied trades, includ-ng electricians, stopped work. No rouble is feared in Paris, but an extra egiment of cavalry has been ordered o Vigneux, where a gigantic demon-stration is planned. The authorities have decided to prevent labor organizations from leaving Paris by train

Three States Fight Trust.

ach, 2c per pound; tomatoes, Oregon, \$1@1.10 per crate; celery, \$1.25 per Topeka, Kan., July 31.—Attorney General Jackson vesterday filed in the district court of Shawnee county ous-ter quo warranto and injunction ter quo warranto and injunction suits against the Yellow Pine associ Eggs—Oregon, candled, 24@24%c. Poultry—Mixed chickens, 12%c per ation of St. Louis. The attorneys general of Missouri, Texas and Okla pound; fancy hens, 13@13 1/2c; roosters, 9@10c; springs, 19@20c; ducks. ma, it is stated, filed similar suit old, 12c; spring, 14c; geese, old, 8c; in their respective states in a concerted effort to break up what is alleged to be an illegal combine to raise the price of lumber to a figure said to be unreasonable and fictitious. goslings, 10@11c; turkeys, old, 18@ Veal-Extra, 8@8 1/c per pound; or-

Indians Steal Railroad.

Pork-Fancy, 7@7%c per pound; or Phoenix, Ariz., July 31.—Fourteen olds, 2@236c; contracts 9@10c. Wool-Eastern Oregon average best,

LEAVE IT TO JAPAN

to Nippon Line.

NEED OF WISE LEGISLATION FELT

Hill Says Laws That Help Alone Will Make American Ocean Carrying Trade Possible.

St. Paul, Minn, Aug. 1.—The an-nouncement that the Hill lines have abandoned the marine portion of their share in the trade with Japan and share in the trade with Japan and China, while retaining affiliation with Japanese steamship lines, came as a shock to many people of the Northwest. According to the chairman of the board, James J. Hill of the Great Northern, it was to be expected. "Why," exclaimed Mr. Hill, "our Pacific trade has been gone for a year. As long as 15 months ago I told them what was coming."

what was coming."
Asked if the action of the American rans-continental roads in withdraw-ng from the Pacific carrying trade was due to resentment at the action

was due to resentment at the action of the interstate commerce commission, Mr. Hill replied:

"Resentment, no. The commission cannot be blamed for enforcing the law. The Pacific trade was given up because it did not pay. America tolay has no flag on the high seas, or night as well not have, for we cannot connect with any other country and hat asks for it. The only way for is to continue in the Pacific trade would be for the railroads to own heir own steamers and run them at a heavy loss.

"We are not a seafaring nation. We are not a seafaring nation when the same and leave the same and leave the same and leave the same and leave into the block north of the Union Meat company's place.

Checked here, it concentrated its fury, as if with an intelligence of its own, and leaved into the block north of

ave no sailors, though under the w Americans must constitute two-What we must have to make an ocean-carrying trade posible is not ubsidies, but intelligent legislation egislation that helps instead of hin-

LABOR WAR SERIOUS.

France Making Supreme Effort to Cope With Situation.

came extremely serious this afternoon when the government announced its letermination to arrest the leaders of the General Federation of Labor, and this announcement was followed: oy a call from the federation for a general strike of the masons and typesetters. The masons are divided, about half having quit work.

The typesetters have been drawn not the trouble by an effort of the gaders to the typesetters are several to the typesetters.

to the trouble by an effort of the caders to tie up press utterances which have ben unfavorable to them. The strike leaders believe they can get along better without the papers. The government in its decision to trest the leaders of the federation tolds the organization responsible for the outbreak Thursday at Vigneys.

nd other labor riots,
Labor leaders say they are prepared o fight and a great industrial upeaval is threatened. Government officials explained that the typesetters are working under an greement and cannot strike without breaking it.

SULTAN GRANTS LIBERTY.

New Constitution to be Put Into Effect

Without Delay. Constantinople, Aug. 1.—An offiial communication issued yesterday council to put the constitution in force mmediately. The council is com-posed of Kiamel Pasha and the min sters of foreign affairs and interior the president of the state council other "citizen" of Turkey.

Ind the legal adviser to the porte.

The sultan has decided shortly to ary aspect is the second decree of the

The leaders of Young Turkey vorking methodically to insure the success of the new regime. The place to getting the finances of the country in order and to the regular payment of officials.

Find Cache of Bombs. El Paso, Texas, Aug. 1.-Sixty all Turkey. ombs snupposed to be the ones reerred to in the correspondence in oduced as evidence in the trial of alleged revolutionists here, were iscovered in a cache vesterday about vere made of tomato cans, carefully packed with scrap iron and three sticks of dynamite, properly primed with fuse and percussion caps

Victoria, B. C., Aug. 1.-It was learned here today that the Yukon territorial legislature, which has just opened, has decided to abolish the saloon in the territory, including Dawson City, and do away with the dance halls. A bill to that effect has a result of the dieffiulties between The Yukon is the only place in Canada where women can legally sell liquor. Justice Dugas has recently sentenced Jack McCrimmon to 30 days at hard labor for conducting a dance hall.

Find Wook for Women

New York, Aug. 1.-Thirteen wo men, as a committee of the Women's League of the State of New York, began a crusade Thursday, which they ope will give employment to 75,000 nemployed women by August 15. The leaguers, through an appeal sent to business men throughout the state, ask that as many of the army of the unemployed as possible be taken back by "Prosperity day," August 15. More than a dozen firms have agreed to give employment to women.

Take Up Oil Case.

Chicago, Aug. 1.—United States District Attorney Sims announced vesterday that the petition for the rehearing of the Standard Oil case before the United States circuit court would be filed within the next ten days. The petition will ask for a rehearing of the argument in the case in the hope that the circuit court can be induced to change its rewards of ty jail yesterday at Florence to serve days. The petition will ask for a reaction a term for the theft of railroad prophearing of the argument in the case erty from the Southern Pacific common the leading men of the village on the Pima the \$29,00,000 fine imposed by Judge river built largely out of railroad ties. Landis on the Standard.

FOUR BLOCKS SWEPT.

Portland Fire Causes Loss Estimated

Hill Lines Abandon Ocean Trade Portland, July 29.—Fire blotted out practically one full block off the map of the North Portland business district, burned most of the property off three other blocks, and threatened the entire district, late yesterday afternoon. Property worth approximately \$225,-000 was destroyed, property represent-ing nearly \$1,000,000 was actually scorched, and property worth well into the millions was within the danger

one.

The fact that a line of brick buildings blocked the course of the flames until the fire department had an opportunity to concentrate its forces at the weak points, accounts for the limiting of the flames to five blocks.

Cause of the fire is not yet clear.
There are several theories—incendiarism, spontaneous combustion in a loft of new hay, dropping of a match or cigarette, flying sparks from a chim-ney. The origin was traced to the middle section of the Oregon Transfer company's place at Fifth and Glisan streets.

The fire popped up with the suddenness that attends the lighting of a gas jet. Some smoke was seen on the roof of the Oregon Transfer company's place about 4:45 o'clock. Fifteen minutes later the roof had given place to a great column of flames.

Fanned by a strong wind from the northwest, the column of flames passed quickly from building to building. Gaining impetus from the big frame building and tons of hay and other combustible matter, the fire quickly leaped across the street to the Northcompete with any other country, and nust hand the load over to anybody hat asks for it. The only way for is to continue in the Pacific trade

own, and leaped into the block north of Glisan street, and then jumped Fifth and worked both east and west.

When, at 6:30 o'clock it had run its course and given way before a small river that had been poured on from a score of nozzles, a sad picture of disaster lay all about. The whole block bounded by Fifth, Sixth, Glisan and Hoyt streets, with the exception of the southern corner, was a heap of smoking debris. Nearly all the west half of the block bounded by Fourth, being represented by tottering black-ened walls, which fell in later, fortunately without hurting anyone

SULTAN STARTLES TURKEY.

Will Throw Off Conventionalities and

be One of the People. Constantinople, July 29.-As a climax of the most remarkable series of kaleidoescopic revolutionary changes ceeded each other in rapid succession during the past two weeks, Sultan Abdul Hamid II issued an ipmerial irade today that changes the entire social existence of the imperial family in conformity with the reforms recently granted to his subjects.

Henceforth Abdul Hamid, no longer

but constitutional monarch by his own declaration, will live the life of a democratic monarch who depends on the good will of the people for his The irade issued today declares offi-

despotic ruler of an absolute despotism

cially that Abdul, who has been a self imposed prisoner in the imperial palace for the past 21 years, will henceforth appear on the streets like any

irade, which announces that henceforth princesses of the imperial family must observe monogamy. They will not be compelled or allowed to be simply the chief of a harem, but must be queen in their household.

The sultan has long been known to fret under the bondage imposed on him by the customs of his country and is said today to be the happiest man in

Hisgen for President.

Chicago, July 29.-President-Thos. L. Hisgen, of Massachusetts. Vice president-John Temple Graves, fiscovered in a cache yesterday about four miles beyond the Rio Grande iver from the city limits of El Paso. The cache was located near the point where the corners of New Mexico, Texas and Mexico touch. The bombs made on the third ballot, his chief competitors being Milford W. Howard, of Alabama; John Temple Graves, of Georgia, and Reuben Lyon, of New York. William, R. Hearst had 49 friends who voted for him on the first two ballots

No War on Castro.

The Hague, July 29.—The talk of a bombardment by Holland of any Veneen introduced and it is likely that will pass without much opposition. President Castro, was today characterized in official circles as premature. The rupture between the Netherlands was, it was explained, up to the present time diplomatic only. The Netherlands cruiser Gelderland was ordered to Puerto Cabello to watch over Dutch

New Steamship Trust.

Hamburg, July 29.—Representatives of the great steamship companies in-terested in South American passenger traffic that have been in session for several days past are looking to the formation of a community of interest management similar to that which contemplated to make short contracts as an experiment. The 24 delegates represent German, English, French,

Dutch and Spanish steamer lines. Good Stroke of Business.

London, July 29.—It is estimated that over 3,000 men were given em-ployment today when a large number of factories were opened in conformity with the new British patent law, which is effective today. The total output of capital is variously estimated at from \$125,000,000 to \$300,000,000.