WARSHIP WRECKED

Hardly a Member of Crew Escapes Death or Irjury.

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

San Diego, Cal., July 22 .- Twentyeight dead bodies are lying at morgues, vessel of the United States navy, scores of men are lying grievously or painfully injured in sanitariums and hospitals, have found death in the waters of the harbor as the result of an explosion of a boiler on board the United States refractory fellow members. gunboat Bennington at 10:10 o'clock yesterday morning.

accident was lying in the stream, just orders from Washington to sail for subornation of perjury.

Port Harford, where she was to meet District Attorney Hen the monitor Wyoming and convey the readiness for sailing, when suddenly and without any warning whatever the starboard forward boiler exploded with Judge Bennett made a plea for more a deafening roar. The explosion was

the spars of the vessel. On board the Bennington the unharmed members of the crew are working under great difficulties to reach the boiler room and coal bankers, where, it is believed, a dozen bodies are lying United States of public lands, had been wedged in the wreckage or submerged in the water which fills that part of the vssel. The cause of the explosion has not yet been determined. There is day, and his remarks touching the inmuch talk among the crew, especially dictment in the Jones case virtually the irresponsible members, of weakened and leaking boilers, but until a thorough inspection of the wrecked boilers which the prosecution is based. He can be made no definite official statement is obtainable.

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

JURY IS CHOSEN.

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

Portland, July 22 .- Twelve men were selected yesterday morning out of 38 answering to the call of the clerk of the Federal court, to whom will be given steamers going south crowded to the Williamson, Gesner and Biggs, in their second hearing, which commenced yesterday. When the last man of the 12 Franciscuo, and R. P. Schwerin, gen-

minutes before 1 o'clock, Judge De be the only steamers on the run. Haven having determined to fill the Having bought their tickets for the panel before allowing a recess, and voyage several weeks ago, would be therefore holding court from 10 until 1 passengers naturally expect a chance o'clock. Court was then adjourned to go to California without much delay. until this morning at 10 o'clock, when The independent boats are finding a half day's session will be held and plenty of passengers, but the majority the technical points disposed of prior of those who go present themselves at

morning Judge Bennett asked in behalf | Slipping quietly into the city, Mauof Mr. Williamson that a separate trial ager Schwerin yesterday stated posibe granted his client, but the court tively that no more steamers would be overruled the motion and ordered that put on the San Francisco & Portland the three men be tried at the same run, despite the tremendous tourist time, as in the previous hearing.

At the conclusion of the morning session District Attorney Heney dismissed Scattle that the steamer Valencia, of the case against Willard N. Jones, Thaddeus Potter, et al., owing to a defect in the indictment. This case, that every steamer on the Pacific coast which is one of conspiracy, will be tak- is busily making money elsewhere now. en up once more, in all probability, by The tourists who come through Portn new grand jury yet to be called, and land, must wait their turn, therefore. a new indictment will probably be re-

Bread Riots Trouble Spain.

Madrid, July 22.—Serious disorders have occurred at Seville, arising from assayers of this district have been arthe general distress. Four hadred farm rested and placed under heavy bonds. laborers invaded Seville, looted the upon a charge of receiving high-grade bakeries and shops and committed ore, knowing it to have been stolen. other depredations, until they were dis- From a set of books examined in one persed by a strong force of police and assaying office-it is known that about gendarmes. A mob stormed the city \$3,000 profit was made by the assayers hall at Salonica, broke into the build- in the last six months. Other books ing and eacked it. A member of the lead the officers to believe that upward municipal council fleeing from the rioters, jumped from a window and was stolen in the district every year and killed. The Republicans are summon- disposed of to assay offices, who knew ing mass meetings in Madrid.

Municipal Bakeries Proposed.

New York, July 22. - An appeal to the Bakers' unions in America, calling the American Shipbuilding company upon them to assist in the establish- today declared a dividend of 4 per cent ment of municipal bakeshops in all cities of the United States, Canada and Mexico, has been prepared by the Journeymen Bakers' and Confectioners' The first dividend will fall due Septem-International union. It calls attention ber 1. At a meeting some time since a to the possible good that may result majority of the stockholders voted to from state or municipal control of various public utilities, and especially by the minority stockholders, who the food product.

Rushing Wheat to Mexico. Tacoma, July 22. - The German steamer Theben returned to Tacoma today with rush orders to load 1,000 tons of wheat in order to sail for Mexican | who were imprisoned in the Philippines

JURY DISAGREES.

Ten for Conviction and Two for Acquittal in Land Cases.

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

This in substance was the astounding proposal made by Jurors O. H. Flook, BODIES FLUNG HIGH IN THE AIR of Otalia, Douglas county, and G. O. Walker, of Walker, Lane county, to Biggs-Gesner trial.

For 46 hours these two jurors stood jury by Judge De Haven yesterday at 1 p. m. Both Flook and Walker are on piers and on the deck of a ruined are said to be his warm personal friends. W. O. Cook, the juror who was supposed to be for acquittal, was in fact firm for conviction. He was one of the leaders of the jury and his questions in and 15 sailors are missing and probably open court, which seemed to indicate doubt in his own mind, were asked by him as spokesman for the jury in order the secure ammunition to use on their

In all, 42 ballots were taken, and in the end it was as in the beginning, the The Bennington at the time of the jury standing 10 for conviction of all the defendants and two for the acquitoff the Commercial wharf at the foot of tal of the three men who have been on grain. Three or four weeks later work away from the O. R. & N., which it is H street. The warship had received trial for a week or more charged with

District Attorney Heney immediately asked that a new trial of the case be set vessel to Mare Island navy yard. for the earliest possible day, and in Steam was up and everything was in spite of the protest of Counsel Bennett, for the defense, Judge De Haven set the retrial of the case for today.

terrific. People standing on the shore make additional preparation, but withsaw a huge cloud of white steam rise out success. Judge De Haven directed above the Bennington. Columns of that the drawing of the new jury be water were hurled into the air and for commended this morning, believing a distance of nearly twice the height of that by the time the 12 men were secured the witnesses could all be on

The trials of W. N. Jones, Thaddeus S. Potter, Daniel Clark and Ira Wade, charged with conspiracy to defraud the previously set for this morning and the action of Judge De Haven in fixing the new Williamson trial for 10 o'clock tosustained the demurrer filed by the defendants attacking the indictment on said that the Jones case would probably not be tried as he was satisfied It was explained by those on board that the indictment was insufficient,

NO RELIEF IN SIGHT.

Additional Steamers Cannot Be Obtained for Coast Run.

Portland, July 21 .- With first-class passengers going in the steerage, a long waiting list for every berth, and both what has proved to be the difficult task utmost limit of safety, the Harriman of deciding the guilt or innocence of offices in the east continue to sell tickwas accepted by the government, there eral manager of the San Francisco & remained but one name in the jury box. Portland Steamship company, says the The jury was finally selected at a few Columbia and St. Paul will continue to

to the real commencement of the trial. the Harriman office to arragne for Upon the opening of court yesterday berths have already paid their money.

traffic which has been expected for months. He denies the report from the Pacific Coast company, will come here temporarily. Mr. Schwerin says Tonight the steamer St. Paul will

sail for San Francisco loaded as usual. Assayers Receive Stolen Ore.

Cripple Creek, Colo., July 21 .- Six they were receiving stolen ore.

Stockholders Fight for Dividend.

Cleveland, July 21 .- The directors of on the common stock, payable quarterly out of the net earnings of the last fiscal year, which ended June 30 last. pass the dividend. This was opposed brought suit to force a dividend.

Will Take Spaniards Home.

Madrid, July 21 .- The Spanish government, it is announced, is arranging for the repatriation of the Spaniards ports before the new tariff adopted by by the Americans during the war of Mexico goes into effect. by the Americans during the war of Mexico goes into effect. will take steps immediately to perfect title.

OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

BIG CROPS IN LINN COUNTY.

Hay, Wheat, Oats and Hops Giving Great Promise.

Albany-The hay crop of Linn county is greater this year than ever before, tra acreage is the yield. It is unusually good. Hay is selliing for \$4 and \$5 firmly entrenched against the majority, loose, and \$6 and \$7 baled-low prices the mouth of the Wallowa river. finally securing the discharge of the even for the opening market. Haying this week will see the crop cut and in capital. the cock. Most of it will also be in constituents of Binger Hermann and the barn or stack ere the end of the

Never did wheat in Linn county look better. Binders will begin moving the yellow grain this week, much of it be- Wallowa bridge this year and will ng now fully ripe and ready for cutting. The aphis mentioned early in the summer during the rains have all The output of the county will not be acreage is not much larger than usual, but the yield is the greatest in years.

Threshing will begin the last of July is looking fine where sowed early enough, but that sown late will ripen very close to the ground, making binding difficult.

Oats are looking fine, and will be a fairly heavy crop. The acreage is not surveys already made, it will lose its as large as in some years, but the yield rights, and this the O. R. & N. Co. is is excellent.

One of the bumper crops of the county will be hops. There is every indication of a full crop-better than last year. No damage has been done by the ice, the hot weather coming in time to put an end to the ravaegs of the little pest. The few yards that were infested with lice have been sprayed, and the crop is not affected in the least. If we have warm weather until picking season is over, the crop will be a full one. A prominent Albany hopgrower esti-mates the output of Linn county at about 150,000 bales.

Indians Go Into Law.

Chemawa - Among the 32 young practice law before the Supreme court of the Chemawa Indian school. who graduated in 1898, and George to do their trading. Bernier, of Oregon, of the class of 1900. Word has also reached here that Richard Graham, another California Indian, who was a student of Chemawa in 1897, has been admitted to practice law in the courts of Washington City. Mr. Graham has been a government department clerk for a number of years, and has attended and graduated from the Columbia law school.

Frozen Wheat Short.

The Dalles-Through the High Ridge and Fifteen-Mile country, the section seriously damaged by the freeze of Feb- will make a thorough examination. necessary, crops are looking fairly well Some of the spring sown wheat is short and rather thin, but is of good color, and with favorable weather will make a comparatively good crop. Farmers in that section estimate that their spring grain will average 15 bushels to the acre. In that section the fall grain that was not frozen out will yield from 35 to 40 bushels to the acre. where throughout the county fall grain is ripening rapidly, and heading has already begun.

Bohemia Men Want Smelter.

Bohemia-At an important meeting of the Bohemia Mineowners' association this week steps were taken to interest some smeltermen in Bohemia camp. One mining man stated that in case interested parties put up a smelter, he woould sign a contract to deliver 50 tons of ore per day. With this amount of ore from one man, it is considered an assured fact that a smelter would clover, \$8669. pay if once put in operation. Men who are now doing nothing with their properties would proceed to active develop-

Clerk Robinson Suspended.

Pendleton - Charles M. Robinson. clerk of the Umatilla Indian reservation, has been suspended from office by affairs of the reservation, by R. G. Val-Commissioner Leupp.

Albany Summer Normal.

Albany-A summer normal school for the benefit of public school teachers is being conducted in Athany this summer by County School Superintendent W. L. Jackson, City School Superintendent Hayes and I. E. Richardson. tending this summer school, where in-, 10@14c per pound. struction in practical pedagogy is given.

State Land in Klamath. Salem-State Land Agent Oswald 19@21c; lower grades down to 15c, ac-West has returned from a trip to Swan cording to shrinkage; valley, 25@27c latter part of 1904. Lake, Klamath county, where he inspected a large tract of land believed to pound. be swamp in character, and therefore the property of the state. He found pound; cows, 81/4 @41/4c. 5,000 acres to which he believes the state is entitled to a patent, and he

RAILROAD FOR WALLOWA.

Independent Capitalists Will Build Branch to Joseph.

La Grande-A corps of engineers are at work establishing a line for a new their fellow jurors in the Williamson- and thousands of tons of hay will be railroad down Grand Ronde river to shipped away. In addition to the exup the Wallowa to Wallowa valley. The right of way has been secured to new road will be independent of all has been in progress for some time, and other lines and is backed by New York

> A construction company is ready to begin grading as soon as part of the line is established, and will be at work within the next 30 days, and it is stated the road will be completed to the extended to Joseph next year.

the O. R. & N. to go to Elgin this week disappeared, leaving no mark behind, and busy themselves securing rights of way on all deeded land through which much larger than in the past, for the their final survey was established about five years ago. The probable purpose of the new

This activity has caused agents

promoters is to get the right of way in or the first of Aguust, on the fall sown the Grand Ronde and Wallows canyons will begin on the spring grain, which supposed has already expired or soon will expire by limitation.

The outcome will likely be the force ing of the O. R. & N. Co. to build on its proposed line. If it does not in some way renew its pre-emption of the not expected to do. In any case, Wallows county has a better prospect for a railroad than ever before.

Ready to Start Cut-Off.

Eugene-C. S. Freeland, construction ngineer of the Southern Pacific company, is in Eugene with a force of men reparatory to the construction of the Springfield for the Henderson-Springfield cutoff branch line, which will be built immediately. The people of Eugene herald the news of the beginning of the work on this line with great satsfaction. They have looked for it long and earnestly. It means the making of Eugene a terminus for all trains on en who were recently admitted to the Woodburn-Natron and Springfield-Wendling branches, increasing the popof Oregon were two Indians, graduates ulation of the city considerably by the Both addition of the trainmen and their famyoung men were successful, and give ilies, and affording the people residing great promise of a creditable career, along the aforesaid branches a quicker They were Oscar Norton, of California, and better means of reaching this city

Platinum on Santiam.

Lebanon-George B. Whitcomb, who lives about 30 miles above Lebanon on the South Santiam river, reports having discovered platinum in paying quantities. A quantity of black river sand was sent to the government assay ond; a battle against a strong wind office at Washington, D. C., and partly which has proved the evil genius of concentrated sand went \$50 to the ton, while reconcentrated sand went as high as \$175 to the ton. Mr. Whitcomb has sent other samples to the government the contending elements. It is note-assayer at the Lewis and Clark fair, worthy, however, that the Angelus of Wasco county where grain was most He expects an expert in a few days who bucked the capricious air currents yes-

Mr. Krebs at Dallas,

said to have signed up, and the scheme the wind at once. He has no doubt ities in this county indicating that conditions. He intends to make it sail Polk county will be quite generally in under any conditions. the pool. Evidently the project is giving speculators considerable concern. flight in Northwest history and the It is reported that Salem speculators first of the exposition competition. It were here the day of the meeting.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat - Club, new, 71 % @72c per bushel; bluestem, new, 75@76c; valley, new, 75c.

rolled, \$23@24. Oats-No I white, feed, \$29@30 per

ton; gray, \$29.

Fruits - Apples, new, \$1.50@1.85 per box; aprisots, 60e@\$1 per crate; peaches, 500090c per crate; plums, 25c to be made this week. @10c per crate; Loganberries, \$1.25 per crate; blackberries, 4@5c pound; cherries, 7@1256c per pound; currants, Sc per pound; prunes, 85c@\$1; rasp-

berries, \$1.25 per crate. Vegetables-Beans, 1@4c per pound; Major J. J. McKoin, United States cabbage, 1@1%c per pound; cauli-agent in charge of the reservation, flower, 75@90c per dozen; celery, \$1 pending an investigation of the affairs | per dozen; corn, 17% @25c per dozen; of Robinson's office. This action on cucumbers, 65@75c per dozen; lettuce, the part of the agent is understood to head, 10c per dozen; parsley, 25c per be a result of the investigation of the dozen; peas, 2@5c per pound; tomatoes, 90c@\$1 per crate; turnips, \$1.25 entine, private secretary to Indian @1.40 per sack; carrots, \$1.25@1.50 per sack; beets, \$1@1.25 per sack.

Potatoes-Oregon, new, 75c@#1 per Butter-Fancy creamery, 20@21 14c

per pound. Eggs-Oregon ranch, 2116@22c doz. Poultry - Average old hens, 13@

14c; mixed chickens, 12@1236c; old roosters, 9@10c; young roosters, 11@ of \$1,797,797 for the preceding year, is removed comptroller T. D. Jordan and A large number of the teachers in the 12c; turkeys, live, 18@19; geese, live, public schools of Linn county are at 6@7e; ducks, old, 13e; ducks, young, Hops-Choice 1904, 17@19c per

Wool-Eastern Oregon average heat, per pound; mohair, choice, 31c per

Beef - Dressed bulls, 1@2c per Matton - Dressed, fancy, 5c per

Pork-Dressed 6@7%c per pound.

DEFENSE WAIVES ARGUMENT

Submits Timber Land Case to Jury Without Debate.

Portland, July 19 .- After 12 days of prominent men of Oregon was given into the keeping of 12 jurymen yesterday afternoon. When the last testi-mony for the defendants, Representative J. N. Williamson, Dr. Van Gesner and Marion R. Biggs, had been heard, as well as District Attorney Hency's Judge Bennett sprang a surprise. He refused to discuss, on behalf of the defendants, the case that had been made The against them, or the reasons why the verdict should be one of acquittal. The whole contention was left to the judgment of the jury, without argument Judge Bennett, in making this request to the court, said:

"May it please the court, I do not feel that the opening statement of the district attorney was very full or very fair in this case, and in view of the fact that the jury has been here now for 12 days, trying this case, and has listened to all the testimony offered by the gov ernment, and the evidence and explanations on behalf of the defendants, and must thoroughly understand our position in the case from the arguments that have arisen during the course of the trial, we feel that we would not be justified in keeping them here for two or three days more to listen to an argument in the case. Therefore we have made up our minds to submit the case to the intelligence of this jury on the evidence in the case and the instructions which your honor shall give."

Yesterday morning when the Federal court convened, those present heard, after a few remaining questions had been asked of the last witness called in the case, a short statement of what the government had attempted to prove, as told by Mr. Heney. It was milder than those who had followed the trial had expected. The defendants were not called to account in any great measure for what the evidence of the government seemed to show them to have done. Invective and attack were oridge across the Willamette river at wanting. It was, as styled by Mr. Heney, a birdseye view of the case and the evidence.

AIRSHIP FLIES OVER PORTLAND.

Wind Too Strong for It to Return to Exposition Grounds.

Portland, July 19 .- Man tried again to the strain of further suffering. yesterday to conquer air. It was the same old story of partial defeat. He must try yet again before he can slip the metaphorical harness upon the atmosphere and make it serve him as the giants steam and electricity have been brought to serve.

For nearly two hours yesterday afternoon the airship Angelus hovered over Portland and vicinity. To the casual observer it looked like a great bird moving slowly across the sky with case and perfect control of itself. In fact there was a battle going on every sec ond; a battle against a strong wind airship inventors since the first. Every inch the brave vessel moved to the southward was an inch to the credit of worthy, however, that the Angelus terday with a greater degree of success T. S. Baldwin, of California, the in-Dallas-Growers report the Krebs ventor, is satisfied with yesterday's op pool meeting in Dallas a success in showing. He will make some delicate very respect. All those present are alterations and pit his vessel against in this vicinity seems to be progressing. that his boat could navigate in any while news comes from other hop local- direction under favorable atmospheric

The Angelus made the first airship was witnessed by many thousands. It started from the exposition grounds and drove southeast bucking a strong wind from the north. Lincoln Beechey, of Los Angeles, went up with the machine, and displayed remarkable skill and courage in his work. After being Barley, -Feed, \$21.50@22 per ton; drifted along an irregular southward course for about six miles he tacked east and made a safe landing on a dock at a Willamette river pleasure resort. Hay - Timothy, \$14@16 per ton; The vessel was not damaged to any great extent and arrangements were made for its conveyance back to the exposition whence other test flights are

Lay Siege to Vladivostok.

London, July 19 .- A Japanese army has been landed north of Vladivostok and the complete envelopment of the fortress is imminent. The Tokio correspondent of the Daily Telegraph to occupy it at the moment. The inpeace.17

Shipping Trust's Deficit.

Battleship Ohio Accepted. Washington, July 19 .- The Nav department has finally accepted the Bat-Yeal—Dressed, 834 @7 %c per pound. The Ohio was built by the Union Iron works, of San Francisco.

HEAT GETS INTENSE

trial, the reputation of three of the Many Deaths and Prostrations in Eastern States.

STORM AFFORDS SOME RELIEF,

Crowded Tenement Districts of New York Are the Worst-Deaths Reach 75 in One Day.

New York, July 20 .- While the record of deaths and prostrations greatly exceeded that of yesterday, there was a distinct diminution today in the temperature prevailing throughout the eastern section of the country. Although the midday heat was everywhere terrifle, it was broken by scattering thunderstorms, many of which were of a violent character, and toward evening the temperature fell rapidly. With this welcome relief came the an nonncement from the weather bureau tonight that the abatement in the heated term had been general and that moderate temperatures would probably prevail for several days in the Middle Atlantic and New England states.

In New York the highest temperature recorded was 95, one degree lower than that of yesterday, when the highest record of the season was reached. Philadelphia reported a slightly higher maximum range, and in many other cities the highest point of yesterday was not touched, while everywhere a sharp fall was noticed, beginning early in the afternoon.

As usual the maximum official temperatures everywhere were exceeded by those prevailing in the crowded districts, where the actual temperatures frequently exceeded 100 degrees.

The cumulative effect of the continned torridity of these districts was painfully evident in the enormous increase of the number of deaths in New York. "While the death roll of yesterday was only 26, that of today reached the appalling total of 75, being nearly half of those prostrated. This was almost entirely due to the collapse of women and children and aged persons whose exhausted vitality was unequal

VERDICT IS BLOCKED.

One Juror in Land Fraud Cases Is. Stubborn for Acquittal.

Portland, July 20 .- Neither 31 hours and more of argument, the opinion of those learned in the law, nor his own convictions, have served to convince 3-O. Cook, of Eugene, a former clerk for the Booth Kelly Lumber company, that the defendants Williamson, Gesner and Biggs are guilty of having conspired to suborn men to commit perjury. Judge De Haven, after waiting until after 8 o'clock last night, retired to his home, leaving word with the marshal that he would not return again unless the jury should return a verdict, and then only providing the action should be taken prior to 10:30.

J. O. Cook, the man from Eugene, is than any previous air vessel. Captain from his position, so the rumors that anging the jury and cannot float around the Federal building whisper. From the first he has opposed the wishes of the other II men, and all their massed persuasiveness cannot turn him from his opinion.

> Mr. Cook has been a fractious juror from the first, so it is understood, and has not been easy under the yoke of therules laid down. Even at the beginning of the trial he was disinclined to heed the admonition of the court that he should neither read the comments concerning the case as published in the papers nor discuss the case as hepleased. It is understood that he did not care to follow the instructions, and contended that he would read what he pleased and discuss the case when hewished.

> It is the supposition that the jury will be discharged today if it is not able to reach a verdiet by evening. In the event of final disagreement, it is the announced intention of District Attorney Heney to call the second trial as soon as he has finished with the Jones case, now set for hearing on Fri-

Czar's Sincerity is Doubted.

Tokic, July 20. - It is believed that Emperor Nicholas recently sent an encouraging meksage to General Linievitch, promising him men, provisions and other necessities for attaining a wires: "Thus Japan carries the war victory. It is also reported that the into undisputed Russian territory on Russian emperor recently ordered the the main land. Undonbtedly, too, a mobilization of four army corps. This strong Japanese fleet is ontside Vladifact, taken in connection with the revostok. Japan's navy has nothing else ported limitation of M. Witte's power as chief peace plenipotentiary, is vestment of Vladivostok is regarded deemed to be a sign that Russia is not here as a strong argument in favor of sincere in her expressed desire for the conclusion of peace.

Morton Uses the Ax.

New York, July 19,-A deficit of New York, July 20. - Chairmen \$1,142,098 for the year ended Decem- Paul Morton, of the Equitable Life ber 31 last, as compared with a surplus Assurance society, today summarily shown in a statement given out by the appointed in his stead William A. Day, International Mercantile Marine com- assistant attorney general of the United pany at its annual meeting at Hoboken, States. Mr. Morton gave out a state-N. J., today. President Bruce Ismay ment in which he said: "The reason ascribes the poor showing largely to for Mr. Jordan's removal was his rethe continued depression in freight fusal to furnish me information regardrates on the North Atlantic during the ing important transactions of the society which I am investigating."

Military Plot Discovered.

London, July 20.—The Moscow cor-respondent of the Times says that one tleship Ohio, fiagship of Rear Admiral of the topics of conversation during Train, commander of the Asiatic fleet. the proceedings of the Zemstvo con-The Ohio was built by the Union Iron gress was the alleged discovery of a military plot against Emperor Nicholas.