# **DENIES WAR REPORT**

# Government Will Not Materially Strengthen Pacific Fleet.

### NO BATTLESHIPS ARE COMING

Rumor of SucheMovement Came From Naval Expert-Only Two Ships Ordered to Pacific.

Washington, July 4 .- The govern ment is not going to throw fuel on the anti-American flames now burning in Japan by ordering 16 battleships from the Atlantic to the Pacific, as has been reported in some dispatches. Assistant Secretary Newberry of the Navy department said today that no large movement of warships from the Atlantic to the Pacific was contemplated. The Washington and Tennessee, now in Bordeaux, are under orders to join the Pacific squadron later on, but aside from that no general movement is con-templated. His statement is substantiated by an official announcement made today at Oyster Bay.

It is pointed out in diplomatic circles that the Japanese government does not countenance the anti-American agitation that is in progress in that country, and this government, as such, entertains the most friendly feeling for Japan. It therefore being mutually understood that the relations of the two governments are most amicable, there could be no reason for now moving 16 Injured Japanese Claim Damages from battleships to the Pacific.

Some naval experts who can scent war every time they, smell firecrackers are responsible for sensational reports that have been in circulation, but these experts are not speaking by authority. There is to be no general change in the stations of our warships. Ultimately the Pacific fleet will be strengthened, as it needs to be, but there is no intention of unnecessarily exposing the Atlantic coast with its many great cities at a time when it is believed there is no danger of war on the Pacific.

### GARFIELD TOURS MONTANA

### Secretary Speaks on Saving Land for Public Good.

Helena, Mont., July 4 .- Secretary of the Interior Garfield, accompanied by Senators Carter and Dixon, Gifford reau, and a host of administration officials, arrived yesterday. The visitors completed an inspection of the Huntley and Buford projects, and after delivering a Fourth of July oration at Missoula will visit St. Marys and other Montana projects. Mr. Garfield delivered an address here last night.

Mr. Garfield spoke at the auditorium, urging the people of the state to co-operate with the government in its efforts to save the natural resources of the state for the public and from falling into hands of private interests, which, he said, was done with the resources of the East.

Mr. Garfield and party left this morning for Missoula. A review at Fort Harrison in his honor and in that of Brigadier General McCaskey, com-manding the department of Dakota, was given.

# Telegrams Not Delayed.

New York, July 4,-Colonel R. C. Clowry, president and general manager of the Western Union Telegraph company, today sent the following to the company's general superintendents at New York, Chicago, Atlanta and San Francisco: "The notice to accept busi-ness for San Francisco and Oakland subject to delay is hereby withdrawn. General Superintendent Jaynes reports that the businesss at San Francisco and Oakland is moving without delay; that 10 out of 13 branch offices have been reopened."

# Big Lumber Yards Burn.

Denver, July 4 .- Fire which was discovered in the Hardwood Lumber company's yards in this city at 1:45 this morning did nearly \$50,000 damage before brought under control. The yards are a thickly populated portion of the city and it was only by hard work that the flames were kept from spreading As it was, nearly all the windows in the residences for a radius of 100 yards were broken by the extreme heat.

# Offers Drago Doctrine.

The Hague, July 4,-Joseph H. Choate, United States delegate, yesterday presented a definite draft of his proposition regarding the collection of debts, embodying the principles also made public. M. Bourgeois, French, president of the arbitration committee, received Mr. Choate's proposition and ordered it to be printed and distributed to all the delegates before being read to the subcommittee on arbitration.

# Earthquake in the Aips.

Rome, July 4.—Slight earthquake shocks were felt today at Tolmezzo, Sandaniele and Amaro, near Udeni, capital of the province of that name. Tolmezzo is in the Alpe.

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### CARNAGE PALLS FOURTH.

Complete Market in

### Celebration Victims Up To Former Records for Number.

Chicago, July 5 .- The annual slaughter has been done in the name, or rather under the guise, of "patriot-ism." With 58 known victims, and hundreds of others groaning out their lives in hospitals, it is certain that the list of victims to the "Glorious Fourth" will exceed 158, the total last year. In 1906, with all the precautions that could be taken by authorities, the total injured reached nearly 6,000 and the total this year when all the returns are in, will be quite as large, more likely larger, for the foolkiller has been sadly remiss in his duty. Inventors have brought forth new engines of destruc-

The toy pistol and cannon cracker and deadly dyanmite cane have claimed their usual quota. One peculiar feature of the casualties this year is the number of deaths from fright. Of the five instant deaths in this city, four were from fright. This is a splendid tribute to the manufacturers of explosives and the blithering idiots who use them to cause suffering.

In New York three persons were killed by explosives, and a girl was trampled to death under the hoofs of a panic stricken horse scared by celebra-

Cincinnati, Philadelphia, Milwaukee and several other large cities report no deaths, but hundreds of accidents.

The total fire loss attributable to fireworks was \$304,000. This was greatly reduced by heavy rains, which were general over the Middle West the night before the Fourth.

### SUE SAN FRANCISCO.

# Bay City.

San Francisco, July 5 .- Suit against the city and county of San Francisco was filed this afternoon in the Superior court for the recovery of \$2,575 for damages alleged to have been sustained by the proprietors of the Horseshoe restaurant and a Japanese bath house at Eighth and Folsom streets on May 23, when a row, caused by an attack by labor union men on two nonunion men, who were eating in the restaurant, resulted in the fronts of the two places being smashed by stones and clubs.

The suit was brought in the name of J. Timoto, proprietor of the bath house, but includes the damage to both establishments, the proprietor of the restaurant having assigned his claim to the plaintiff. The papers were filed by Carl E. Lindsay, attorney for Timoto. Asso-ciated with him are United States Dis-Pinchot, cheif of the reclamation bu- trict Attorney Robert Devlin, who appears at the request of United States Attorney General Charles J. Bonaparte, and Earl H. Webb, of counsel for the proscution.

Japanese Acting Counsel Matsubaio is also taking an active interest in the case, which is the first legal action resulting from the declaration of the United States government that, by due legal process, reparation should be made for whatever damage the Japanese may have sustained.

# BIG LEVEE LETS FLGOD GO.

### One Million Dollars Damage to Farm Lands in California.

Bakersfield, Cal., July 5 .- The Buens 30,000 acres of land belonging to Miller & Lux and the Tevis Land company, and causing \$1,000,000 damage. The commission and the oil fields are cut off from communication with this city.

The levee held back the waters of Buena Vista lake, covering 19 square miles, and protected a body of reclaimed land extending for a distance of 15 miles, including the old bed of Kern lake, the property of the Kern County Land company and Miller & Lux. This land was covered with crops of growing grain ready for the harvests and with alfalfa.

Of the flooded land, about 22,000 scres belonging to the Kern County Land company and 8,000 to Miller & four big ranches, and the work of re-clamation has been in progress for nearly 20 years.

The levee was built in 1886-7 jointly by the two corporations at a cost of \$250,000.

# Throws Sop to Peasants.

St. Petersburg, July 5 .- The govern ment is showing feverish activity in pushing the distribution of the 25,000,-000 acres of crown, state and peasant land, which it has decided to distribute in average lots of 25 acres to individual peasant soldiers on easy payment terms, in order to make a showing before the convocation of the new parliament. Four of the participants in a pawnshop robbery here June 12 have been tried to be equally divided between the widby court martial and condemned to be been sentenced to death.

# Straus Probes Immigration.

Montreal, July 5 .- Oscar S. Straus sceretary of commerce and lator, left the Blue Mountain eawmill, has gone here tonight for Honolulu, via Toronto to Portland to purchase machinery for and Winnipeg. Mr. Straus is studying the equipment of a box factory to be conditions at the ports where immigrature in connection with his mill. The tion into the United States is the heav-

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# OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

### DEER SEASON OPENS JULY 16

# Change in Game Laws Not Generally

Known by Hunters. Albany-That not more than 5 per ent of the sportsmen of Oregon know deer hunting as soon as the season opens are making no plans to go into the mountains until next month.

November 1. It was formerly from August 15 to November 1. The season for female deer remains the same under the new law as it was under the old from September 1 to November 1. recorded on page 341 of the 1907 sea sion laws.

Another change in the deer law i that it is now a misdemensor to kill dogs chasing deer. It was formerly illegal to hunt deer with dogs and that provision is also contained in the new law. Under the old law many dogs nable dogs, which would break loose and chase deer without the knowledge of their owners.

### Seek Location for Library.

Albany-Albany's public library will be started as soon as a suitable build-ing can be found. Arrangements are library will be opened. Nine directors July 13 and 14. have been elected and their election has been confirmed, in accordance with the state laws governing public libraries, under which this institution was formed by the city council. These directors are Frank J. Miller, Mrs. J. K. Weatherford, H. H. Hewitt, Fred P. Nutting, Mrs. H. F. Merrill, Mrs. S. E. Young, M. H. Ellis and Miss Lucy Gard.

### Water for Irrigation Next Year.

Ontario-Messes. Allbright and Eggleston, of Portland, Christian Cooperative representatives, have re-turned from Upper Willow creek They state work is progressing rapidly on the irrigation project, and that work of survey for the laterals is still going The huge reservoir in Cow valley will be in readiness to deliver water next year, and while the project of the federation is a vast undertaking and say it will surely be completed to irri-

# New Clerk in Land Office.

Burns-There is rejoicing among the patrons of the United States land office here over the assurance just received from the department at Washington that a clerk is to be added to the working force with the opening of the office. The work of the effice has been badly congested and this will relieve the strain and permit the completion of Vists lake levee has broken, flooding important transactions which have been awaiting action for some time.

# Buy Land for Weston Brick.

Weston - The proprietors of the Westn brickyard have purchased of James D. Gish his addition to Weston, consisting of nearly 10 acres in the lower part of the city. Before making the purchase the brickyard people quietly lemonstrated that the soil was well adapted to the making of a superior quality of brick. The price paid was \$2,000

Ontario Wants New Land District. Ontario-A petition is being circulated in Ontario and numerously signed asking the government to create a new land district for this section and the Lux. The territory is divided into appointment of a register and receiver, the office to be located at Ontario or At present parties having land office business to transact have to go to Burns, a distance of 150 miles.

# Clackamas Land Booming.

Oregon City-The large increased fees of the recorder's office in Clackamas county is a good indication of the healthy growth in the real estate business. The fees of County Recorder Ramsby for June were \$421.01, against \$269.35 for the same month during the previous year.

# Murphy Estate Valued at \$70,000

Salem-The will of the late Judge J Murphy, has been probated here. leaves an estate estimated at \$70,000 ow, Elizabeth C. Murphy, and the son, hanged. Eight bandits at Riga have Chester G. Murphy, the latter being named as executor without bonds

# Fruit Box Factory for Weston.

Weston-C. W. Avery, manager of run in connection with his mill. The demand at present is far in excess of the supply with present facilities.

### IFOREST FUND FOR EACH STATE

### Pinchot Says Department Proposes Improved Service.

Pendleton-White in the city for a few hours, Gifford Pinchot, chief forthat the open season for deer begins ester of the United States, announced this year July 15, is the opinion of a that if his present plans were materiallocal hunter. The fact that the last ized that the next appropriation for for-legislature changed the deer season has not become known at all in this part of the state and men who always begin the states. His object in this change of policy is to secure better appropriations for the individual states, making According to the new law, the open those who are placed in charge of the casen for book deer is from July 15 to forest reserves and thereby secure more

competent men. The question of having the forest reerve district beadquarters moved from Portland to this city was taken up with Mr. Pinchot, and he promised to give the matter his attention. He lis-These changes in the deer season are give the matter his attention. He lisembodied in house bill 151, which is tened earefully to the arguments made for the proposed change and admitted that there seemed to be some good rea-sons why the change should be made.

The forester says his particular pur pose in coming to the West at this time is to study local needs, hear complaints, explain the purposes of the forest reserve, adjust differences, and in short caught chasing deer were shot and to adapt the administration of the rekilled and the new provision was in-serted in order to protect owners of val-He says he is finding that complaints concerning the reserve is not due to the theory or policy of the administration; but to mistakes that have been made in the conduct of the reserve affairs, and these he is endeavoring to adjust as rapidly as possible.

He went from here to Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, and from thence goes to Helena complete for instituting it and as soon to meet Secretary of the Interior Garas temporary quarters are rented the field. He expects to be in Portland

### Salmon Reach the Calapooia.

Albany-Salmon are recorted to have been seen in the mouth of the Calapoois river, where it enters the Willamette at this city. If salmon are successfully passing the falls at Oregon City and ascending the Willamette a long deferred hope of residents of the upper valley is being realized. In spite of all the contrivances which have been placed in the river at Oregon City to enable salmon ton scend, very few of the fish have ever been seen as far south as this city.

# Harney's Prospects Excellent.

Burns - There are excellent crop prospects in all parts of Harney county. Grain has a fine stand and fruit of all varieties is looking well. Alfaifa has made an unusually good growth this will take a long time to construct, they year, and there are some rich patches of it on dry land with no artificial irrigate thousands of acres of high land in gation. Having will begin early in Malheur county.

July and the crop is very heavy.

# PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Club, 86c; bluestem, 88@ 89c; valley, 86c; red, 84c. Oute—No. 1 white, \$27.50@28; gray, ominal.

Barley-Feed, \$21.50@22 per ton rewing, nominal; rolled, \$23.50@

Corn-Whole, \$28; cracked, \$29 per

Hay-Valley timothy, No. 1, \$176 18 per ton; Eastern Oregon timothy, \$21@23; clover, \$9; cheat, \$9@10; grain hay, \$9@10; alfalfa, \$13@14.

Fruits-Cherries, 8@10c per pound apples, 75c@\$1 per box; storage Spitzenbergs, \$3.50 per box; gooseherries, 7c per pound; cantaloupes, \$3.50668.75 per crate; apricots, 75ct@\$2 per crate; peaches, \$1.25@1.50 per box; plums, \$1.65 per box; blackberries, \$1.25@ 1.50 per crate; loganberries, \$1.25 per crate; raspberries, \$1@1.50 per crate; prunes, \$1.50@1.75 per crate

Vegetables-Turnips, \$2 per sack carrots, \$2.50 per mack; beets, \$2.50 per sack; asparagus, 10c per pound; beans 7@10c per pound; cabbage, 21/4c per pound; corn, 85@50c per doz en; cucumbers, \$1 per tox; lettuce. head, 25c per dozen; onions, 15@20c per dozen; peas, 4@5c per pound; rad-ishes, 20c per dozen; rhubarb, 3½c per pound; tomatoes, \$1.50 per crate. Potatoes-Old Oregon Burbanks, \$3 @3.25 per eack; new, 3c per pound.

Butter-Fancy creamery, 2236@25c per pound.

Poultry-Average old hens, 11@12c per pound, mixed chickens, 10e; spring chickens 13@14c; old roosters 9c; dressed chickens, 16@17c; turkeys, live, 11@12c; turkeys dressed, choice, nominal; geese, live, 7@10c; young ducks, 13@14c; old ducks, 10c.

Eggs—Candled, 24@25c per dozen. Veal—Dressed, 5%@7% o per pound. Beef — Dressed bulls, 3%@4c per pound; cows, 6@6%c; country steers,

Mutton-Dressed, fancy, 8c per 1b; ordinary, 6@7c; spring lambs, 9@9%c

Pork-Dressed, 6@8%c per pound. Hops-6@8e per pound, according to

quality. Wool-Eastern Oregon average best 16@22c per pound, according to shrink-age; valley, 20@22c according to fine-

### HOLDS OFF DAMAGE SUITS.

### Japanese Consul is Also Investigating Refusal of Licenses.

San Francisco, July 3 .- In response to an inquiry, the Japanese consul to-day informed the Associated Press that no decision has yet been reached as to whether suit shail be brought in the courts to recover in behalf of Japanese residents of San Francisco who suffered loss in the wrecking May 23 of a Jap-anese restaurant and bathhouse on Folsom street by a mob. The matter was described as being at the present time in statu quo.

It was said by a representative of the sonsul general that the consulate is not awaiting instructions from Tokio.

It was further said that the consulate was investigating the complaint of local Japanese that their race is being discriminated against by the board of police commissioners in refusing to grant them liquor licenses, intelligence office licenses and licenses for similar municipal privileges. The reply of the board is that it is acting under an ordinance which forbids the Issuance of liquor licenses to any save citizens of this country and persons who have declared their intention of becoming citizens, and in accordance with the rules of the board that the other licenses named shall not be granted to foreigners until American residents have more fully recovered from the business shock of last year's earthquake.

The consulate looks with suspicion on this defense, but wishes to be understood as desirous of investigating further before making any definite recommendation to the Tokio govern-

### EACH SHOUTS OF VICTORY.

### Conflicting Claims in Strike of Telegraph Operators.

San Francisco, July 3 .- "The strike is over," said Superintendent Storror, of the Postal Telegraph company. "The strike is over," said Mr. O'Brien, of the Western Union office,

in the ferry building. "The strike has just begun," said President Small, of the Commercial

Telegraphers' union. These three Inconic statements adequately describe the attitude of the opposing parties and give a hint as to their future action. Although the officials of both companies here in San Francisco are but subordinates and could not of their own volition take any steps towards a settlement, it is not thought likely that any such steps will be taken while the local officials report that they are handling the busi-

ness without unreasonable delay. The operators on the other hand, state that they will carry on the fight, even though the companies find a man for every key, and they declare they are prepared to stay out six months if neccesary. Their lenders, however, say that they expect to win in much less time, and Mr. Small yesterday prophesied that the "lightning would strike soon in an unexpected place," but did not explain his remark.

# ROCKEFELLER TO TESTIFY.

### Oil King Surrenders to Orders of Federal Court.

Cleveland, O., July 3.—John D. Rockefeller has decided to give himself formation that the oil ging may rement the law on this point was made an understanding with the government by Assistant District Attorney Robert officers through his counsel and that he Harrison, and the tentative conclusion. ed States marchals.

According to the present program, Mr. Rockefeller will arrive in Cleveland on the Fourth to spend the summer at his summer home, Forest Hill. No open and sustained by the Supreme government officers will meet him to serve summons for his appearance in the Chicago court. Instead, service will be obtained upon the on a bounded, who have promised to have counsel, who have promised to have the Fiji group, resulting in the community of the Figure 1 and 1 an or whenever his testimony is desired.

It further was learned that the gov ernment has sent subpense for Mr. Rockefeller to United States marshals might be or might visit.

# Both Must Share Loss.

San Francisco, July 3.—Another one of the important legal points developed by the late earthquake was settled day, when Judge Seawell decided that contractors and property owners were put upon a level by the act of God and neither could recover from the other in company, fcreing that company to quaking earth crust. The court held been illegally secured from the govern-that both parties must stand equally ment, three of the big coal mines situwhatever less results to buildings under construction—the property owner that portion already erected and the con-tractor the cost of material used.

# Trust in Umbrella Frames.

Philadelphia, July 3.—An indict-ment was returned by the United States grand jury here today against the so-called umbrella frame trust. The indictment contains three counts and charges the National Umbrella Frame Mohair—Choice, 20@30c per pound. combination in restraint of trade

# OPEN DOOR IN CHINA

# Japan Has Blocked It aud Broke Many Promises.

# BATTLESHIPS COMING TO PACIFIC

### Navy Department Officials Still Try to Minimize the Importance of the Demonstration.

Washington, July 6 .- Interest in world politics and the possibility of Sonflict with Japan was renewed here today when the definite news that great fleet of United States warships would be sent to the Pacific const became generally known. Also a new phase was put on the matter when it became known that the move, calculated as it is to impress Japan that she is not dealing with a power like Russia. hinges on something deeper than the resentment of Japan at the treatment. her citizens have received that San-Francisco. The real issue, it is pointed out here, is the open door in the Far

Ostensibly it was for the open door that Japan went to war with Russia, But after her victory the door of trade in Manchuria and Corea was pretiwell blocked up with obstacles placed by Japan, much to the discomfiture of American and British merchants,

America was given assurances that the door would remain open and, though the president is at Oyster Bay and other officials of the government are out of the city, it is reported here that the United States Intends, if it should become necessary, to be prepar-ed to insist that the Japanese government put no restrictions in the way of trade with the continent, of Asia.

While it has been constantly declared by the Navy department that no memore to Japan is intended by the dispatch of the fleet, and Ambassador Aoki, of that country, has asserted that Japan will not construe the presence of the fleet in the Pacific as such, it is understood here that the arrival of the battleship squadron in the Pacific marks the initial step towards the maintenance of a permanent fighting fleet in the Pacific bereafter.

Whether te entire fleet of 18 vessels which is now destined for the Pacific remains there or not, it is asserted on the authority of well informed officials that the American navy in the Pacific will never again be inadequate to cope with any emergency on that side of the continent unless there is a vast change in the aspect of international politics.

# BELIEVE SCHMITZ BARRED.

### Prosecutors Say Name Cannot Legally Go on Ballot.

San Francisco, July 6.—Announce-ment by Eugene E. Schmitz that be would be a candidate for re-election to the mayoralty this fall to a fourth term Rockefeller has decided to give himself up and testify before Judge Landis in the Federal court in Chicago. It was learned tonight upon trustworthy information that the meantime decided by the Appellate and Supreme courts, has raised the question whether he can legally go formation that the oil king had reached the law on this point was made today was that the mayor is berred.

Schmitz maintains that he is not convicted until his conviction by the jury in Judge Dunne's court is finally passed

# Fiji Islands Devastated.

of life, was brought by the steamer Moans, Captain Davidson, which ar-rived from the scene of the hurricane. The island, which towered high with in districts where they thought he beautiful vegetation, now is a great burnt-up brown lump of earth. The island is a scene of desolation, strewn completely with debris, and that no lives were lost is considered remarks ble.

# Coal Will Be Scarcer.

Rock Springs, Wyo., July 6.—As a result of the suits filed by the government against the Union Pacific Coal cases of misfortunes resulting from the abandon coal property alleged to have ated on the disputed property have been closed down. The mines belong to the Superior Coal company, which is owned by the Union Pacific. The effect will be a further shortage of coal in the West.

# No idea of Boycotting.

London, July 6. — "The leading chambers of commerce assure me," cabled the Tokio correspondent of the charges the National Umbrella Frame company of this city, the Newark Rivet Works and the Newark Tube & Metal Works with a conspiracy to form a combination in restraint of trade