NORTHWEST NOTES

A slight but distinct earthquake shock was felt at Medford, Ore., on Whe 23rd.

The safe of the Kettle Falls bank was opened by burglars and \$1,100 in ash taken. The outside combination was worked by touch or ear, and the inside vault was opened with a chisel. There is no clue to the robbers.

The Union Pacific railroad company has begun laying a six-inch water main along Second street of Laramie, Wyo., to the rolling mill, supplying that institution from the city water

The wool season opened at Lewis ton, Mont., last week, when a Boston house contracted for over 600,000 pounds of high grade wool at an advance of 2 cents per pound over the price paid the same growers last sea-

An athletic meet, open to amateurs from the state at large, is being arsanged to occur at the county fair grounds in Laramie, Wyo., on June 8, under the direction of the Athletic asociation of the University of Wyom-

Dora Jennings has been acquitted at Grant's Pass, Ore., of the murder of her father, Newton M. Jennings, who last September was shot and killed in the house while his children slept. Her brother Jasper is under conviction for the crime.

E. C. Kinney, locating engineer of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Pani railway, says the contract for building 160 miles in Montana from Forsythe to Harlowtown, the junction the dogs in leash and was urging them point with the Montana railroad, has been awarded to Reynolds Bros., the work to be completed in about a

An earthquake shock, accompanied by a rumbling noise, was felt at Grant's Pass, Ore., at 12 minutes past 1 o'clock on the 23rd. Nearly every per one in town was awakened. Furniture moved in houses and several windows cracked, but there was no serious damage. The shock lasted 15 or 20 seconds.

N. T. Palmer of Bath, Me., appeared before the state land board at Salem, action of the board in refusing to issue deeds to 20,000 acres of public lands to which he holds fraudulent certifi cates, known as the "Kelliher" claims. He was advised to lay his case before the courts or legislature.

By the decision of a jury in the United States court at Butte, damages to the amount of \$72,541.55 were awarded to the Butte & Boston Consolidated Mining company against the Geyman Mining company, Charles, John and Josie Geyman. The suit was brought to recover damages for alleged surface and underground tres-

At a meeting of the shingle manufacturers of Washington, at which 60 per cent of the output of the state was directly represented, it was decided to raise and maintain by assessment a permanent defense fund, to be used in aid of the Ballard manufacturers and any others whose plants might in future be tied up by labor

R. S. Van Tassel of Laramie county, Wyoming, one of the largest land owners and most prominent stockmen of that county, has purchased the Joshua W. Latta ranch of 1,480 acres at Sherman, Wyoming, paying \$8,300 for the land. Mr. Latta at the same time sold 384 head of cattle and twenty-seven head of horses for \$10,-726, making \$19,026 for the place.

George Ball, sheriff, and Percy M. Einy, treasurer of Washington county. Colorado, have been placed under arrest charged with frauds committed while the two men were officials of the United States land office at Akron. They gave bond in the sum of \$1,000.

A telegram from San Francisco announces that Clarence Wilson, 23 years old, former resident of Helena, son of E. T. Wilson, United States bank examiner for the state of Washington, succumbed to heart failure as a result of the earthquake excitement.

At Lewiston, Mont., a verdict of involuntary manslaughter was returned in the case of the state against Harry Kock. Kock is a prominent stockman and he was alleged to have murdered Joe Vanders, a well-known gambler. Vanders was killed while Kock was shooting promiscuously in a saloon.

While in the act of stealing ore a man, who refuses to give his name, shot and probably mortally wounded by the owners of the Joker claim at Manhattan, Nevada. This is Imination of efforts that have been in progress for a week to capture some of the high grade ore thieves.

Policeman Hanlon was shot and killed at Oregon City, Ore., by a burom he had just arrested. at which the thug dropped leads the etectives to believe he is Frank mith, who escaped from the Portind jail by climbing hand-over-hand one distance along a telephone wire.

OUTLAW DIED WITH BOOTS ON

Frank Smith, Murderer of Three Officers, is Hunted Down by Bloodhounds

is Trailed Down by Bloodhounds, and When He Refused to Surrender, Was Shot to Death by Spokane Man.

Oregon, City, Ore.-Frank Smith, the convict who has murdered three officers of the law in his endeavors to escape, was killed on Tuesday in the woods south of New Era, Clakamas county, by a bullet in his head from the revolver of Harry Draper of Spokane. The outlaw was trapped at 9 a. m., and at 11:10 he was writhing in the underbrush in his death struggle. Prior to his destruction, Smith had made a sensational escape into the timber and had been surrounded and penned in by at least 200 officers and volunteers. Dynamite had been used to dislodge him, and the woods had been fusilladed with bullets, all of which he escaped unharmed.

Smith was tracked to his lair through the sagacious intelligence of Draper's bloodhounds, which is the best that bloodhounds have ever accomplished in this state. The flushing of Smith was unexpected, although the men were certain he was in the timber. The officers stumbled upon him and were standing within three feet of him when he was espled. The dogs, which had been following the hot scent and uttering loud cries, stopped at the log and sniffed the air, holding their heads aloft. Draper had Suddenly Draper glanced down and there, concealed partly by the log, was the murderer and fugitive, Smith saw he was cornered and made no outcry. He was industriously pulling the razors, watches and jewelry from his coat pocket and hiding them under the log when Draper saw him. "Are you Smith?" demanded Dra-

"Yes," was the brief answer. As Smith made this reply he pulled his revolver from the inside of his coat and started to level it at Draper. In the twinkling of an eye Draper whipped out his own revolver and sent a bullet crashing through Smith's

Ore, last week to protest against the LAKE TRAFFIC AT STANDSTILL.

temple.

Workmen on a Strike and the Blg Freight Vessels Are Idle.

Chicago.-Lake freight traffic is at a standstill as a result of the strike of the longshoremen here, at Detroit, Cleveland, Duluth and all over the

Several of the boats which are not affected by the strike bore upon their sides early Tuesday large placards announcing that they were "union" boats. The center of the strike as far as this city is concerned is not in the city proper, but in South Chicago, where the mills of the Illinois Steel company, a branch of the United Steel corporation, are located.

The passenger boats running out of Chicago have not thus far been af-

fected by the strike. At Cleveland, lumber boats, package

freight boats and passenger boats are not affected by the strike at present, as their owners are not affiliated with the Lake Carriers' association. In the port of Cleveland 4,000 men are directly affected, 1,000 of whom are seamen

CHANNEL DEEPENED.

Remarkable Effect of the Earthquaks Upon Mokelumne River.

Stockten, Cal.-It has been discovered that in the vicinity of Woods bridge the Mokelumne river has fallen twelve feet, the bed of the river having dropped from the effects of the recent earthquake.

The stream had been carrying a lot of water when it was noticed that the river was steadily falling, contrary to all precedent. An investigation showed that the bed was almost twelve feet lower than before.

As the waterway has been steadily filling up each year with silt from the upper portion of the river, farmers along that stream are highly pleased with the change, since it can carry far more water than heretofore and not endanger their lands on either side of it.

Another incident of the earthquake is the drying up of Tracy lake, in the northwestern part of San Joaquin Ever since the earthquake county. the water has been decreasing at q rapid rate, and at present it is almost on a level with the Mokelumne river,

THREE POLICEMEN KILLED.

Prelude to May Day in the Distracted Town of Warsaw.

Warsaw.-Three policemen killed in the streets during Tuesday night, but the threatened May Day outbreaks have not materialized. Warsaw was like a city of the dead on Tuesday. The shops and restaurants were closed. No cabs and no street cars were running and no newspapers sold. The streets were patrolled by troops, but a heavy rain fell, which kept the population indoors.

ACCEPTED BY THE CZAR AWFUL RESIGNATION OF WITTE

Goremykin, a Reactionary of Little or No Ability is Chosen in the Place of the Greatest Man in Russian Public Life.

St. Petersburg.-The resignation of Count Witte as premier has been accepted. He will be succeeded by M. Goremykin, former minister of the in-

Privy Councillor Goremykin was minister of the interior from 1895 to 1899 and has taken a prominent part in Russian political life, especially during the revolutionary period of the last few years. His administration as minister of the interior was not marked by harshness and his name has never been mentioned as one of the likely victims of the terrorists, who assassinated two of his immediate predecessors.

M. Goremykin's selection to the pre miership created amazement. He is not only regarded as a reactionary. but the general opinion is that he is not equal to the task of facing the coming crisis.

Count Witte's retirement from pub lic life is complete.

M. Goremykin, the new premier was exposed by Witte in , 1899 and since that has been the retiring premier's unrelenting enemy.

Count Witte, unquestionably the biggest man in public life here, goes out unwept and unsung and amid the rejoicings of the reactionaries who hate the liberals, who distrust him. Yet even today it is predicted that when the next great crisis comes the emperor will be forced to summon Witte from his retirement.

BODIES BURIED UNDER RUINS.

Coroner of San Francisco Says Death List May Reach 1,500.

San Francisco.-Coroner Walsh is still of the opinion that the remains of hundreds of earthquake victims lie under the ruins in the burnt district.

"When the debris is cleared away," he said, "there will be at least a thousand additions to the death roll. would not be surprised if the number reached 1,500. Great numbers of persons perished in the cheap lodging houses that collapsed.

Down in the fish market district, where hundreds of men were at work at the time of the earthquake, several structures collapsed and the workers had no time to save them-

"Few victims are being found now because the debris in the places of death is as yet untouched. We cannot excavate the ruins, for that work would require a thousand deputies. We can only wait for what we know must be a terrible harvest."

American Women Lose Lives in Japanese Hotel.

Victoria, B. C.-News was received by the Shinano Maru of the burning of the Yaama hotel at Yyote, Japan, in which two American ladies, names not given, were burned to death. The hotel took fire from the lamp room on April 18, the day prior to the sailing of the steamer for Victoria. Seve enty-six tourists were in the hotel which was burned to the ground in twenty minutes. The foreigners took refuge at the Kyoto and Miyako hotels, and a near-by temple, and soon it was learned that two foreigners, Americans, were missing. Japanese hotel servants stated that they had been burned to death.

Supply Bills Passed.

Washington.-The house on Wed nesday completed the agricultural bill and passed the military academy bill. The agricultural appropriation bill as it passed the house carried \$7,481,440. The military academy bill carries \$1, 663,115. Upon the completion and passage of the agricultural budget, the military academy bill was taken up and completed, the concluding paragraph of the bill, appropriating \$1. 500,000 for additional improvements at the military academy, creating the only debate on the measure. This appropriation was stricken out of the bill on a point of order.

Earthquake Causes Man to Give Up Idea of Prosecuting Brother.

San Francisco.-George Drinkwater, who recently came from Chicago and caused the arrest of his wife and his brother Edward, charging them with having fled to this city with \$14,000 of his money, had all notions of prosecution shaken out of him by the earthquake and he notified the police that he would not press the case. couple were consequently released Wednesday. George hastened back to Chicago shortly after the earthquake.

Robbed by Relatives.

San Francisco.-Mrs. Leah Wisemann complained to the police Wednesday that she had been robbed of \$150 in gold and jewelry valued at G. Robino, of the crime. Mrs. Wise mann lived in the district suburbs and gave shelter to Robino and his wife that Wednesday morning Robino brutally assaulted her and tore from her

Engineer, Fireman and Nine Tramps Killed and Bodies Burned to Ashes.

Engine Jumped the Track, and the Entire Train, Excepting One Car and Caboose, Went Up in a Heap Forty Feet High.

Missoula, Mont.-A special eastbound freight train, consisting of forty-one cars of lumber and a caboose, was wrecked near Reid station, about ten miles west of here, at 6 o'clock Sunday morning. At least eleven lives were lost.

About a mile from the O'Keefe tres tle, on a steep mountain grade, as the train was running at a terrific speed along the side of a hill, the engine went off the track, and the entire train, excepting one car and the caboose, was piled up in a heap forty feet high. Shortly afterward fire broke out, and the entire train was soon

A wrecking train was sent out from here, but owing to the intense heat of the burning lumber it was impossible to get near the wreck. Engineer L. D. Sterne and Fireman Ed Juliette were incinerated Brakeman G. A. Murphy, who was dangerously injured, was brought to this city. His skull was badly crushed and several ribs were fractured. It is thought he also sustained internal injuries. According to Conductor Garber, there were at least twelve tramps on board the ill-fated train, only three of whom have been

TO BORROW \$200,000,000.

Plan to Raise Money to Rebuild San Francisco.

San Francisco.-A plan is now under discussion here by which it is hoped to secure \$200,000,000. Briefly, the purpose is to secure the guarantee of the United States upon bonds to that amount, which shall form a mortgage on the new construction. It was brought forward by former Mayor James D. Phelan at a meeting held Sunday, at which were present Congressman Julius Kahn of the Fourth California district, Charles S. Wheeler and Banker S. G. Murphy. Mr. Phelan later made the following statement:

"The purpose of this meeting was to discuss ways of providing capital for the rebuilding houses of San Francisco. It is estimated by the underwriters that we have suffered a loss of \$200,000,000. This is for the most part represented in the destruction of buildings by fire. It is imperative that without delay new structures should go up on the ruins of the old. Now, with the best will in the world, there is not sufficient money in San Francisco to do this, and we must look for it elsewhere. If we have to borrow it through the ordinary banking channels we will have to pay 4, 5 and per-Maps 6 per cent, which, added to the increased taxation we will indubitably have to bear, will be a burden tou great for us to carry. It is the idea, therefore, to frame legislation, which Congressman Kahn will be asked to present to congress, recommending that the United States guarantee our bonds. With this guarantee we will be able to go into the financial markets of the world and borrow at 2 or 21/4 per cent the \$200,000,000 we need. These bonds should run for not less than fifty years. The proceeds of their sale would be loaned on the security of the realty and the new construction; in other words, they would constitute a mortgage on the best portion of the new city."

Services Held in Burned City.

San Francisco.-Scattered congregations were reunited Sunday morning during the hours given over to religious services, which were, in many instances, held in the open air or in tents. Where church buildings were camaged but slightly the people assembled as usual, and where it was possible to secure halls or school buildings, roofs sheltered the worshipers. Pastors from various religious institutions, -however, visited the camps where hundreds of homeless families are quartered.

Curtailing Expenses.

Washington.-Only two regiments of troops, comprising in all about 1,350 men, will be sent to San Francisco to reinforce those now there, instead of 2,500 men as originally proposed by General Greely and sanctioned by the war department. The troops to go are the First cavalry, from Fort Clark and Fort Sam Houston, Texas, and the infantry regiment from Fort D. A. Russell, Wyoming. A telegram asking that only the reduced number be sent was received at the war department on Saturday.

Dowie Speaks at Tabernacle.

Chicago.-Standing unsteadily and with great effort before an audience of 2,500 persons in Zion City tabernacle Sunday afternoon, John Alexan-She accuses her brother-in-law. der Dowie charged his traducers, if any were present, to rise to their feet and make their accusations before the when they were burned out. She said | whole congregation. The followers of Voliva, the new leader in Zion City's affairs, however, were at that moment person the money and jewelry while attending a rival meeting, set for the his wife was a spectator of his actions.

STATE CONSTABULARY FIRES INTO THE CROWD

Serious Disturbance in Anthracite Coal Region, Caused by Foreigners Attacking State Police.

Mount Carmel, Pa.-The first serious collision in the anthracite coal regions since mining was suspended on April 1 occurred here Monday between a mob of idle mine workers and a platoon of the new state constabulary force and resulted in the injuring of probably twenty men, three of whom will likely die. The disturbance was caused by an attack on a detail of the state police by several hundred foreigners, who became incensed at the presence of the constables. They threw stones at the policemen and otherwise endangered their lives to such an extent that they were forced to fire on the crowd, which had swelled into thousands. The greatest excitement was caused in the many mining villages of the southern coal fields, where it became known that mine workers had been shot down. but the affected territory is comparatively quiet.

MANY HURT IN TORNADO.

Furnas County, Nebraska, in the Path of a Twister.

Oxford, Neb .- A tornado did much damage in Furnas county at 6 o'clock Monday evening. Telegraph and telephone wires are prostrated in the territory covered by the storm, and only meagre reports have been obtained, but it is known that several residences were wrecked and a number of persons injured, although no fatalities have been reported.

The storm came from the southwest and so far as known the first house struck was that of John Reynolds, about five miles west of Oxford. This was destroyed, but the inmates escaped serious injury. The houses of Fred Hartman and Fred Drew were next demolished. Here the people were not so fortunate, nearly all being more or less hurt, and one at least received injuries from which recovery is doubtful. The residences of Fred Toos and T. J. Cook were wrecked, as were the school houses in the Buffalo and Morning View districts, besides scores of barns and other farm buildings. The storm passed to the northeast.

Supply of Food is Small.

San Francisco.-With no immediate prospect that conditions will be so normalized that the community will be able to feed and take care of itself, the supply of food on hand or under way is becoming distressingly small. No man connected with the relief affairs is willing to hazard an opinion as to when relief work may be abandoned. Yet Mayor Schmitz informed the general committee Monday morning that from information in his possession, it appeared that 700 carloads of food and supplies of various descriptions had been distributed since the morning of the earthquake on April 18, and the Southern Pacific, Santa Fe and other transportation lines had information of only 108 cars on the way.

Twenty Passengers Injured. Denver.-Two coaches became detached from the rear of the Silver Plume Central City passenger train westbound on the Clear Creek branch of the Colorado & Southern railroad near Forks Creek, twenty-eight miles west of Denver, on Monday, and after running backward down grade about a mile left the track and rolled into a ditch alongside the road. Twenty passengers were injured, but none of them are fatally hurt.

Thieves Took Corner Stone.

Pasadena, Cal.-Thieves Monday night stole the corner-stone of the North Pasadena Methodist church. The stone weighed about 300 pounds and contained coins and other small valuables worth probably \$10. The church was just completed a few days ago and is a large and expensive edifice. The corner-stone was pried out of the building and removed entirely from the premises. It is not known by what means the thieves made away with it, but they must have used some sort of vehicle.

Missionary Startled His Auditors.

Kansas City.-A Brahman missionary, Marayan Krishna, filling the pulpit of All Souls' church, Episcopal, in this city, by invitation, said in the course of a talk: "We're overstocked with Christian missionaries. Ninety per cent of those we have are senseless. Furthermore, we do not want your religion and your Holy Book. We have more religion of our own than we know what to do with, a surplus that we would like to export."

Police After College Instructor.

Cambridge, Mass.-A telegram from Eugene Krembs of Chicago, in which the sender declares he has evidence to convict Erich Muenter, the Harvard college instructor, of administerina arsenic to Mrs. Muenter, who was Krembs' sister, has been received by the Cambridge police. Krembs further demanded in his message that Muenter, who is already being sought by the police on the charge of murder-ing his wife, be arrested on sight.

DESPERATE OREGON BANDIT SHOOTS DOWN OFFICERS

Escaped Prisoner Following in the Footsteps of Tracy and is Fighting Desperately to Escape Justice.

Woodburn, Ore .- The slayer of Policeman Hanlon of Oregon City laid low two of the posse which is pursuing him, one of his victims, Captain O. D. Henderson, having died since from the effects of his wound, and the other, Sheriff J. S. Shaver of Clackamas county, lies mortally injured at a Salem hospital, where both the men were taken on a special train immediately after the shooting.

This man, whom the Portland detectives declare to be identical with Frank Smith, who escaped from the Portland jail, where he was confined on a charge of having robbed the postoffice at Troutdale, eluded his pursuers Saturday morning before daylight and escaped from the nursery in which he took refuge after shooting Henderson and Shaver, taking refuge in the woods which skirt Woodburn. Here is where he is supposed to be at

These same woods are where the notorious penitentiary escapes, Tracy and Merrill, eluded their pursuers a year or two ago, and whence they disappeared, to reappear some days later on the Washington shore of the Columbia river. In more than this respect does this man, if he be Smith, resemble Tracy. Like the latter, he has met all opposition with immediate shooting, and has been even more deadly than Tracy, so far as precision goes, it being stated that he has felled a man with each shot which he has fired.

FLED FROM THEIR HOMES.

Avalanche of Mud, Sand, Ashes and Cinders Come Down from Vesuvius.

Naples.-Another disaster has occurred in the Vesuvius region. Torrents of rain fell, accompanied by a heavy gale of wind, causing large avalanches of mud, sand, ashes and cinders to fall over Somma and Santa Anastatia, destroying bridges, blocking the roads, flooding many habitations, interrupting communication by telegraph and carrying away portions of the railway. Troops and military wagons were hurriedly dispatched to

the assistance of the sufferers. The inhabitants of the stricken places mentioned were awakened by a roaring, rushing sound, which was absolutely new to them, and on running out of their houses they found their property threatened by the fall of avalanches of sand, ashes, etc. Their terror was extreme. The women and children fled, screaming with fright, into the open country, but in spite of the avalanches, floods and gales, no loss of life had been reported.

Follows Laws of United States.

Washington.-The Philippine com-

mission has just enacted a corporation law patterned after the corporation acts generally in force in the United States. Up to the present time the only law under which capital could incorporate in the Philippine islands was the old Spanish code of commerce. The provisions of this code, in so far as they relate to the organization of business corporations, according to the Philippine officials, are archaic and ill-adapted to the needs of modern commerce as conducted by English shipping people. They are repealed by the new law, and persons wishing to invest their capital in the Philippines can now do so under acts framed in accordance with common law principles.

Killed by a Leopard.

Paris .- A young tamer named Martha Lahire was killed in a menagerie at Lyons on Sunday. She had only just been married to Mr. Lahire, with whose menagerie she had for some time traveled as principal girl. The animal had not been under her control very long and was so savage that no one but Mme. Lahire could do anything with it. She had put it through its paces and was turning to leave the cage when the beast sprang at her, burying its claws in her breast.

Terrorists Again Begin Work.

Odessa.-The chief of police, who played such a prominent role in the October massacres here, and a policeman were assassinated by revolutionists here in broad daylight. The plot was far-reaching and contemplated also the assassination of Assistant Chief of Police Poltavtchenko and several other policemen. A young girl named Jerebtzova threw a bomb at Poltavtchenko, who was on the way to the hospital to visit one of the wounded policemen.

Standard Again on the Rack.

Toledo, Ohio.-Alleging that the

Standard Oll company and seventeen affiliated companies have a secret trade agreement by which they control production and transportation of oil and gas, Prosecutor L. W. Wachen. heimer of Lucas county has filed suit in the circuit court asking revocation of their charters and dissolution of the illegal agreement. In addition to the Standard, a number of other cor-porations are named as defendants.