Brief Telegrams

A fire of unknown origin did \$50,000 damage to the cigar factory of the Michigan state prison.

Secretary Hay made his first appearance at the state department Tuesday after his illness of the past fer weeks.

Fire gutted three business blocks on Merrimac street at Lowell, Mass., entailing a loss estimated at \$200,000. Five firemen were injured.

Figures are being compiled at the offices of the Union Pacific in Omaha for the remodeling of the office building and making it more fireproof.

Senator Quay has introduced a bill authorizing the president to appoint Major General John P. Brooke, a lieutenant general, on the retired list. After a suspension of several weeks

for repairs it is announced that the Edgar Thompson steel works at Pittsburg, Pa., will resume operations in

The big smelter of the North American Copper company which closed down at Grand Encampment, Wyo., to executive session, as it is the purfor extensive repairs last month, will resume operations in April.

The glove contest between Young Corbett and Jimmy Britt will be fought under the auspices of the Colma Athletic club of San Francisco if present arrangements are carried out.

Senator McCreary of Kentucky was not reported correctly concerning his vote on the motion which confirmed the nomination of Buchanan as minister to Panama. He did not vote.

Holbrook Eppill, a self-confessed wanted in various parts of the United States on about one hundred different charges, was arrested in San Fran-

Indian Commission Jones has made a report, in most part favorable to settlement.

Thomas H. Wickes, vice president of the Pullman company, is defendant in a divorce suit filed in the superior court at Chicago by Mrs. Edna P. veek. Wickers, in which she charges her husband with cruelty.

The city council of Cleveland, O. passed an ordinance fixing the street | Friday for the passage of private pencar fare within the city limits at 3 sion bills. It is not unlikely that the cents. Outside of the limits, the fare will be 5 cents. The 3-cent fare will

not include a transfer. J. C. Willcox, former storekeeper ham, Ala., was arrested on an indictment charging larceny of brass and subject to be called up when opporother material belonging to the South- tunity arises include the following:

ern to the value of \$38,000.

James Little Plume, who pleaded guilty to the charge of murdering seven members of the Indian tribe of Blackfoot, one of whom was his wife, United States; to construct a revenue was sentenced at Helena, Mont., to forty years in the penitentiary.

The organization of teamsters of the civil war will send a petition to congress asking for the passage of a law allowing all teamsters on the payroll during the war to receive a pension of not less than \$10 monthly.

The board of health at Lockport, N. Y., has ordered all local theaters. amusement halls and other public meeting places closed and the public library to cease issuing books, in order to guard against and epidemic of smallpox.

After charges and counter charges have been made against the consulates of Shanghai, Canton and Amoy, for a year, the president has ordered the state department to make a thorough investigation of them. The investigation will probably form the basis for a complete change of the consulates in the orient,

The national geographical association has requested the navy department to have a warship meet the steamer Princess Irene on her arrival at New York. The Princess Irene brings the remains of James Smithson, founder of the Smithsonian Institution, from Genoa, to be finally interred at Washington.

The Oklahoma supreme court has affirmed the decision in the case of Asa C. Sharp, former Indian agent of the Ponca Indian reservation, convicted of accepting bribes in regard to the leasing of certain lands in the Ponca reservation and who was sentenced to a term of four years in the at or near Fort Sam Houston, Tex.; federal penitentiary at Fort Leaven Camp Douglas, Wis.; Conewago Valworth, Kan.

Lost Bird, the Indian baby girl, who was picked upon the battlefield of Wounded Knee and adopted by General Colby, entered All Saints' school at Sloux Falls, S. D. Lost Bird is now 13 years old and is exceedingly bright.

The machinists, blacksmiths and pattern makers in the three plants of the American Bridge company in Chicago refused to accept a 15 per cent reduction in wages and went out on a strike. It is expected that the structural iron workers will take sim-Har action.

THE ALLIANCE HERALD TAKE UP CANAL

SENATE THIS WEEK WILL CON-SIDER PANAMA TREATY.

AS TO THE POSTOFFICE MATTER

The Annual Supply Bills to Be Considered in the Senate-Bills of Which the Lower Branch Will Give Atten-

WASHINGTON.-It is the intention of the senate to begin the week again taking up the resolutions having in view an inquiry into the conduct of the postoffice department and it is general understanding that they will be referred to the committee on postoffices after comparatively brief debate. Senator Hale, who has charge of the resolutions, will make a brief statement concerning them and probably will be followed by Senator Gorman. It is expected that Senator Spooner will add to his previous remarks on the subject, but his statement may be postponed until later in the session.

It is the hope of the republican senators that the postoffice matter may be temporarily disposed of before the close of Monday's session and in this event discussion of the Panama canal subject will be continued Tuesday and probably during the remainder of the week. It is likely, however, that before the close of the week the debate will be transferred from open senate pose of the republican majority to insist on taking up the canal treaty as soon as it shall be reported from the committee on foreign relations, which has had it under consideration for the past two weeks. The republican members of the committee hope to report the treaty early in the present week. Discussion of the treaty is ex pected to last a month or two.

The committee on appropriations will take up some of the annual supply bills during the present week. As soon as these measures are on the forger and bank swindler, who is calendar their consideration will be pressed. The present indications are that the urgent deficiency bill will be the first to receive attention and after that has been dosposed of the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill will be taken up.

An appropriation bill a week will the bill of Representative Burke of be the record attempted by the house South Dakota, opening the 600,000 until the supply measures are out of acres of the Rosebud reservation to the way. The urgent deficiency measure will come from the committee about the middle of the week and will be disposed of without delay. The army bill also will be ready for action by the house before the end of the

The house has set apart Monday for the consideration of matters relating to the District of Columbia, and congress, was reported from the committee on Saturday last and may be Wednesday. Bills on the calendar and to South Dakota for school purposes.

To provide a delegate to congress from Porto Rico; to provide transportation from Porto Rico for the public school teachers of that island to attend the summer school of the cutter for use in Albemarle and Pamlico sounds; to reimburse a cable company for damages sustained during the war with Spain; to create a public park of the petrified forests of Arizona and a bill to codify the criminal laws of the United States.

Dowie Will Establish Colony.

DALLAS, Tex .- A special from El Paso says Alexander Dowle arrived from the east and spent several hours here Tuesday. He visited Juarez, Mex., and drove over the city. He says he will establish a colony in Texas. Dr. Dowle left for San Fran-

Colonel Millsop Murdered.

ST. LOUIS, Mo .- A special to the Republic from Dallas, Tex., says: Word has been received from Roby, Tex., that Colonel Millsop, one of the most prominent cattlemen of western Texas, was assassinated by some unknown man. The assassin escaped.

Free Traders Win.

LONDON-The bye election in Norwich for a successor to the late Sir Harry Ballard resulted in the free traders gaining the seat. The vote follows: Tillett, liberal, 8,506; Wild, unionist, 6,756; Roberts, labor, 2,440.

Permanent Camps of Instruction.

WASHINGTON .- A bill introduced by Representative Esch (Wis.) provides for the establishment of permanent camps of instruction and maneuvering of United States troops ley, Pa., and Niciemto Ranch, Colo.

Legation Guard Increased.

WASHINGTON-The navy department on Sunday received advices confirmatory to the dispatches of the Assobiated Press, telling of the reinforcement of the American guard at the United States legation at Seoul, Two officers and sixty-four men were sent there from the United States steamer Vicksburg, which is now at Chemulpo. They carried a machine gun with them. There are now one hundred or more men from the steamer Vicksburg at Seoul guarding the legation.

GERVICE PENSION BILL.

The Measure That Has Been Introduced in Both Houses.

WASHINGTON-A committee appointed at the last national encampment of the G. A. R. to bring to the attention of congress some needed changes in the present pension laws is in session here to draft the proposed legislation.

As a body the committee called on the president to pay its respects and to enlist the interest and influence in securing the enactment of the legislation desired. The president assured the committee of his entire sympathy in their undertaking.

There will be introduced in congress, in the senate by Mr. Dolliver of Iowa and in the house by Mr. Calderhead of Kansas, a service pension bill, backed by the Grand Army of the Republic, which, if enacted into law, will give a pension of \$12 a month to every old soldier who served ninety days in the union army during the civil war who was honorably discharged therefrom and who has attained the age of sixty-two years. A like pension will be given the widows of such soldiers in all cases where the marriage took place prior to June 27.

The introduction of the bill is the result of the meeting in Washington of the committee of pensions of the Grand Army. The committee had an extended conference with the president and the latter assured them of his entire sympathy in their undertaking. They also talked with Pension Commissioner Ware about the

The bill, it is explained, is not designed to interfere with existing pension legislation and it provides in terms that no soldier or widow receiving a pension under its provisions shall be entitled to a pension under any other law.

THE ROSEBUD RESERVATION.

The Bill of Congressman Burke Relative Thereto.

WASHINGTON-The bill which Congressman Burke of South Dakota introduced and which has been reported favorably from the Indian affairs committee of the house provides that the lands in the Rosebud reservation shall be sold for \$2.50 per acre, 50 cents per acre to be paid when entry is made, 59 cents within two years after entry, 50 cents within three years after entry, 50 cents within four years after entry, and 50 cents within six months after the expiration of five years after entry. The settler may commute his entry by paying the full price and receive patent as provided for all homestead entries. These lands are to be disposed of under the general provisions of the homestead and townsite laws of the United States and shall be opened to settle-Hepburn pure food bill will be called ment by proclamation of the presiup Tuesday. This measure, which was dent. Union soldiers and sailors of passed by the house during the last the civil and Spanish wars are to have the same preference as prescribed in the general homestead laws. Sections of the Southern railway at Birming | the subject of discussion Tuesday and | 16 and 36 of each township are ceded |

RECONCILED TO WAR.

Russia's Rejoinder Not Expected for a Week, but Japan is Prepared.

TOKIO-Japan does not anticipate Russia's rejoinder for at least one week. In the meantime the nation is prepared and grimly reconciled to war. Political and other distinctions have disappeared and the country is patriotically united. The government is receiving many offers of contributions in the event of war, amounting to many millions of yen. The Japanese people would welcome an honorable peace, but are resolved to fight before receding from their position in orintal affairs.

They fear the aggression of Russia and believe if it is not stopped now it will never be stopped. They are confident that their demands are fair and moderate and their diplomacy, which has been patient, has gone to a reasonable limit. They expect the world's sympathy in the struggle and have a splendid confidence in their army and navy. In the event of reverses or a national disaster it is thought that England and the United States would intervent to preserve a balance of power in eastern Asia.

CONSUL WILL NOT INTERFERE.

Americans Will Carry the Piercy Matter to President.

HAVANA-United States Consul Steinhart, having declined to interfere with grievances which the Amer ican residents of the Isle of Pines have against Mayor Sanchez of Nueva Cereons in connection with the arrest of Morgan Piercy, the son of an American a petition to President Roosevelt is being prepared for the signatures of the Americans. This petition will allege that the conduct of Mayor Sanchez is oppressive and intolerable and will pray for the appointment of an agent other than United States Minister Scuires to investigate the case, with a view of asking the government of Cuba to remove the mayor.

Congress of Mothers in May.

WASHINGTON, D. C .- At a meeting of the executive committee of the National Congress of Mothers arrangements were made for the annual meeting of the Mothers' congress at Chicago May 11 to 14, and for Mothers' Congress day at the World's fair, St. Louis, May 26. A Mothers' congress meeting is also to be held at Boston February 18.

Mrs. C. L. Grout was elected as the representative of Nebraska on the WANT THE CANAL

THE PRESIDENT IS THANKED FOR WORK HE HAS DONE.

IT IS A GREAT ACHIEVEMENT

Such is Terms Used to Describe Completion of Isthmian Waterway-Leg islation in Interest of Live Stock Industry Discussed.

PORTLAND, Ore.-The first action of the national live stock convention Wednesday was to unanimously adopt resolution endorsing President Roosevelt's policy relative to the construction of the Panama canal.

The resolution, a copy of which was ordered sent to President Roosevelt,

"Resolved, That the sincere thanks of the entire membership of the National Live Stock association in convention assembled, is hereby enthusi astically tendered President Theodore Roosevelt for his untiring and successful efforts to bring about the building of the great Panama canal, the contemplation of which will, in the judgment of this organization, be the crowning achievement of the twentleth century."

Legislation in the interest of the live stock industry was the general topic of discussion during the session. The legislation desired is principally in connection with the handling of live stock by railroads, the passage of the bill providing for a classified census of live stock and measures in relation to the use of government reserves for grazing range. Many suggestions as to how desired legislation may be secured were made.

Resolutions favoring the passage of the pure food bill and demanding the transfer of the control of government reserves from the department of the interior to that of agriculture were passed.

A. C. Halliwell, editor of the Chicago Daily Live Stock World, delivered a brief address on the subject, The Tariff as it Affects the Stock

Growers." He said in part: "The proposition to throw down the tariff bars that now serve to limit, if even in a small degree, the number of South American and other foreign hides that reach this country, is a serious thrust at the business of the live stock grower.

The one certain thing in a reduction of the duty on hides would be that ranchmen and stock farmers

would have to foot the bills. "The hide dealers and tanners are not slow to make their demands for free hides. In their efforts to follow pernicious practices of the financiers who try to make \$1 of capital pay fat dividends on nine of water, they have taken advantage of the consumer and now put additional screws to the producer. Boots and shoes cost much less than they used to, but they do not cost the wearer any less.

"The live stock producers of the United States have a right to demand that what they produce shall enjoy as much trade protection as is given to those who engage in the final processes of manufacture."

BANK STAYS OPEN AT NIGHT.

Busy Paying Off Depositors Who Make a Run on It.

SUPERIOR, Wis .- A run was started on the savings department of the First National bank Tuesday morning. and in the afternoon the depositors extended out in the street.

A notice was issued by the bank's officers stating that the bank would remain open Tuesday night until the last person in line had been paid. The bank was still open at a late

hour Tuesday night and a long line of customers were being paid their deposits as they were demanded.

President Banks said he could keep open all night if necessary and pay every one in gold.

The bank is the oldest in the city, and has a capital of \$200,000, with deposits of about a million and a half. The bank paid out a vast sum, but business men made heavy deposits. The couse of the run is not known.

FIND CRIMINAL NEGLIGENCE.

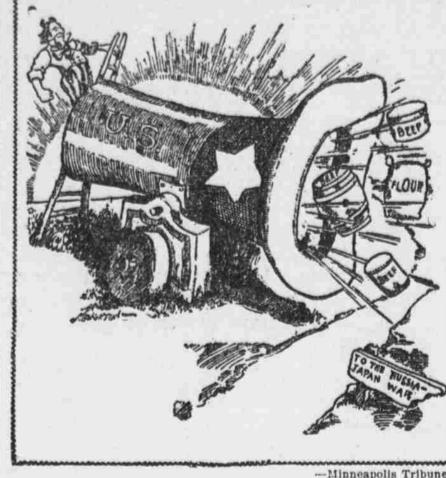
Arrests to Be Made in Connection With Clallam Wreck. VICTORIA, B. C .- Application was

made at the coroner's inquiry into the Clallam disaster for warrants for the arrest of Captain Roberts and others who are held responsible for the wreck, on a charge of manslaughter. Counsel representing the Dominion government said that sufficient evidence had been secured to show criminal negligence, and he would apply to the provincial government, on behalf of the Dominton government, seeking the arrest of the captain and other's held to be responsible.

Cuban Congress Deadlock.

HAVANA-There was no quorum in either branch of congress Friday and the deadlock on the revenue pay ment act and the land sale bills continues. If the two houses cannot agree as to a time for adjournment, President Palma will exercise his constitutional prerogative and declare the session of congress at an end. President Palma and the treasury and customs officials are studying the quessional increases of duties asked.

THE FIRST GUN



-Minneapolis Tribune.

PANAMA WILL MEET PROPOSED COLOMBIAN INVASION.

TROOPS ARE BEING PREPARED Conscription Has Been Completed and

12,000 Fighting Men Can Be Placed in the Field-Fever Among U. S.

NEW YORK .- Authentic information from the frontier is anxiously awaited here, as the belief is widespread, cables the Herald's Panama correspondent, that the Colombians have already started to march upon the isthmus.

The Panamalan troops are ready to leave on a moment's notice. The conscription has been completed, and 12,-000, fighting men can be placed in the

There is great bustle in the armory in prepaartion for the shipment of rifles and ammunition to the Indians of the interior, who have agreed to join against the Colombian forces Colonel Parette of the Panamaian army said:

"We, who were Columbians until yesterday, cannot be deceived by any tactics the Colombians may employ. We are deeply grateful for the aid the Americans have given us, especially as we are now prepared to fight our own battles on land with the utmost confidence of victory.

"Four to five hundred men, stationed in the only three passes available, can defeat an army. We have all the men we actually need, for the fighting will be done in the mountains.

"We expect to repel the invasion without calling out all the available troops. The Indians will certainly fight on our side The San Blas Innot fight at all."

Many light cases of fever are reported to already exist in the camps of period as may be needed for fulfilling the United States marines, especially among those who have been scouting along the trails. There is some yellow fever in Panama now, but none has appeared in the army.

WASHINGTON .- The navy department has received the following cablegram from Rear Admiral Glass, dated Panama:

"Collier Nero at Panama has been injured by the Concord going alongside. Damage is not serious and temporary repairs will be made at Panama. Grounding the Nero at high water so as to be able to work below the water line."

Roumanian Has Eight Years in Which to Make Trip.

Roumanian, who is making a tour of Panama men, but took to the mounative of athletic societies of Buchar- organized marauders. There were orbeen on the road four years, visiting Coolet river, committing depredain that time all of Europe and Asia. tions." He will visit all of the countries of North and South America and then will go to the Transvaal and Australia. He is obliged to complete his cal error in the figures furnished the trip in an aggregate time of eight Associated Prees on January 3, the years. President Roosevelt chatted amount representing the gold producwith him briefly and inscribed his tion of South Dakota for the calendar name in the autograph book of Dr. year 1963 was given as \$2.889.137, in-Radvaner.

Tell Cause of the Advance.

CHICAGO, Ill.—Representatives of TOKIO.—The final conference betion as to where to place the provi- heavy advance in the price of railroad Minister Komura and Marquis Ito material.

GOVERNOR HUNT'S MESSAGE.

Says American Occupation Lifts Up Patriotism.

SAN JUAN.-Governor Hunt's message, which will be read to the legislature Tuesday, opens with words of encouragement. The message will urge that the future be looked forward to with courage and will point out that Porto Rico leads in demonstrating to the peoples of the West Indies that American occupation lift; up the patriotism of people. The governor will advise strict economy and that only the liquor and tobacco taxes be increased.

The message recommends the adoption of the American code of civil procedure, a special appropriation for the eradication of tropical anaemia, the creation of election inspectors, a trial of the contract system for the building of roads, the immediate creation of a s-ecial tribural for the prompt settlement of all questions between the Catholic church and the government, leases and not sales of government lands, the repeal of measares by which roads are built by convicts and an increased appropriation for Porto Rican representation at the St. Louis World's exposition.

The message urges surveys of lands and the advancement of education by industrial schools.

SPENCER'S CURIOUS WILL.

Wants Loose Lid on His Coffin and No Religious Ceremony.

LONDON.-Herbert Spencer's will is a curious document. It directs that his body shall be placed in a coffin with a loose lid and cremated and the ashes buried, all without any species of religious ceremony. All the rights in his book and investments are given to the trustees, Hon. Auburn Herbert, Dr. Henry Charlton Bastian dians, who are Colombian allies, will and David Duncan, with instructions to employ the yearly revenue in "resuming and continuing during such my express wishes, but not exceeding the life time of all descendants of Queen Victoria, who shall be living at my decease and of the survivors of them and for twenty-one years after the death of such survivor the publication of the existing parts of my 'Descriptive Sociology' and the compilation and publication of the fresh parts thereof followed in the parts already published."

WORD COMES FROM COGHLAN.

Reported Colombians a Band of Unorganized Marauders.

WASHINGTON-Admiral Coghlan TOURING THE WORLD ON FOOT, cabled the navy department from Colon as follows:

"Report of the appearance of a Colombian force between Colon and WASHINGTON-Baron Sternberg, Chiriqui lagoon was due to men now the German ambassador, presented to in that vicinity who belonged to to the president Dr. Oskar Radvaner, a Colombian forces, who would not join the world on foot. He is a represent- tains behind David and are now unest, having been selected to make the iginally about 200 men. Some unarmtrip from 200 candidztes. He has ed have been seen about Santa Fe and

> South Dakota Gold Production. WASHINGTON .- Owing to a cleri-

stead of \$6,889,137, the actual estimate.

Japan Considers Response.

large companies, testifying before the fore the throne to decide upon the interstate commerce commission Tues- response to Russia began at 2 o'clock day in regard to an advance in freight Tuesday afternoon. It was attended rates on grain from Missouri river by all the members of the cabinet, points to Chicago by western rail- five of the elder statesmen. Admirals roads, contradicted statements made Ito and Ijuin, and General Kodama. before the commission by railway Previous to the conference Admiral traffic managers. The railroad men Yamamoto, representing Premier Katdecided that the reason for the ad- sura, who is indisposed, had a private vance in rates was on account of the audience with the emperor. Foreign also conferred privately.