

After breaklast hered over the newspapers, taking seen interest in the various reports one appointment of a commission to unine into the question of his sanit He appeared puzzled at the diffict conflicting stories told as to the thod of proced-ure and asked Mr. abody, of his consel, to explain tprocedure pre-methed by low. City, Utah, known the country over as the "Fraternal Evangelist," was one of the men who led the fight Senator Reed Smoot made to retain his seat in the nation's Capitol. Mr. Meakin, who has been spending a few days in cribed by law. the city, says he considers Smoot one of the most maligned and misunder-

scribed by law. Mr. Peabody remail for an hour with Thaw. No othersitors called. As Thaw appeared the courtroom, his wife, mother and ers entered the building together. To went to the

"I regard Smoot as a man of stainless character, one who is faithful to his trust both in public and private life," said Mr. Meakin to a representa-tive of the Enquirer this afternoon. "I believe every man has a right to his own views, and I appreciate the fact that there are no two men allke in the world, nor are there any two things alike. It is the acme of absurd fool-ishness, therefore, for people to quarrel because they see things differently. As for myself, if I saw a poor barbarlan praying to a stuffed snake I would rather kneel down beside him than howi or kick at him. I am not a member of the Mormon Church, or any church as for that, I am a fraternalist, however, and as such I believe most emphatical-by in mental liberty. But other men's less character, one who is faithful to by in mental liberty. But other men's religion is mine to defend, and I never ask for a right but I accord to my fel-"As I see the Smoot affair it was practically a difference between states-means much. for you know that the latter work for the people. The fight in Utah was really commenced by a few disgruntied men because they were not able to gain certain material advan-tages they desired. Appreciating the fact that there was a smouldering fame of prejudice against the Mormon people, they acutely made that a greater part of their stock in trade. "This they did their best to fan into a bigger flame until, at last, it was barely safe for one to speak truthfully and knowingly on the subject in many sections of the east and retain the good opinion of the masses. The cars of the people seem to be stunned waen once a clamor is aroused and then it is almost impossible for them to listen to truth. lows. "As I see the Smoot affair it was. truth. "Recently I read a statement made by Senator Knox of Pennsylvania to this effect, in referring to the Dreyfus case. I believe with him, that had it not been for the friendship and sense of justice of Mad. Plequart and Emile Zola, backed by the purity and love of a good woman, Mr. Dreyfus would to-day be on Devil's Island or dead. And had it not been for certain levelheaded men, statesmen and others, and the love of a devoted wife, Reed Smoot would have lost. "A dead fish can swim down strea

FRENCH CRUISERS AT TANGIER. Tangier, March 27.—The French ar-mored cruiser Jeanne d'Arc and the cruiser La Lande have arrived here from Toulon. The commander of the former will hand a list of the French claims to Hohammed El Torres, the representative of the sultan, this after-noon. The situation at Morocco is be-coming serious, according to the re-ports received here. Hostile bands are parading the streets, and Europeans do not dare to co out of their houses with-

stood men in the United States.

posed of familles. From this it will be seen that the charge is not only silly and malicious, but absolutely false.

found. It is supposed the tools were obtained by breaking open a company chest. A yardman who passed the point where the train was wrecked a few minutes before the accident occurred, reported that he saw two men waiking along the track. He gave the detectives a de-scription of the men and every effort is being made to find them. It is recarded as almost miraculous

Talse. NOW A "SON." This afternoon another dispatch reached Salt Lake concerning the same party. This one came from Bos-ton and said that a son of Senator Smoot was heading the expedition. Sincot was heading the expedition. Sincot was heading the expedition.

# NEW RATE LAW.

Chicago Federal Grand Jury Begins Investigation of Its Workings.

Chicago, March 27 .-- The federal grand jury today began an investigation into the working of the new rate law and its relations to the issuing of railroad passes and express company

The disturbed sections of the coun-try, as specifily as possible. The new cabinet, ministers propose to make a tour of the country and per-sonally superintend the measures tak-en in order to end the agitation.

Forty peasants were killed March 25 azi district. The insurgents in that secion cut to pieces and burned some of their victims. A stubborn encounter occurred yes-terday at a point about 60 miles from Bucharest, where 4,000 insurgents met a strong detachment of troops. The troops attacked with cavalry and in-fantry, but the military commander ul-timately was obliged to use actilized timately was obliged to use artiller before he was able to force the peasants to retreat.

uilding together. 1 went to the ante room

ante room. Justice Fitzgerald, companied by former Justice Morgal, O'Brien, the head of the lunacy consiston, arrived a few minutes later. Leopold Put-zel, the medical men of the com-mission, was already the courtroom. Peter B. Olney, the thecommissioner, was not in the build but was ex-cepted momentarily. pected momentarily.

### JURY REFTS.

The jury reported the criminal courts building at 10-ut were kept waiting for more than hour by Jus-tice Fitzgerald, who vengaged at a conference in his chors with the

commission in lunacy. Justice Fitzgerald, its said, went pver all the details of case with the commissioners and alugcussed with them the scope of thegiry they are undertake

to undertake. Following the constion with Justice Fitzgerald, alree commis-sioners filed into the throom. The jury entered a little , and Harry K. Thaw was called the bar. The prisoner looked bettensically than for some time past. The members of his family were inter

of his family were hart. When Justice Fitzld took his place upon the bench irned at once to the jury and annod that they would be excused un0:30 o'clock next Monday morning, e jury with-drew and Thaw was med to the Tombs.

JUDGE SUMMONSWYERS,

JUDGE SUMMONSWYERS, Justice Fitzgerald themmoned the lawyers to his desk anoulted with them for several minutater which he ordered the adjount of court until Menday morningreby indi-cating that he expects neutry into Thaw's present mentate to be brief. The conference actice Fitz-gerald's desk, it was shad to do with fixing upon somember of Thaw's counsel upon will official notices in the future size served. Clerk Penny was orderence upon the records of the court all such notices in the future size served upon Mr. Hartridge. Mr. Delmas was not urt today.

Mr. Delmas was not art today. His law partner, howeve, McPike, was at the counsel tab While the conference is judge's desk was in progress, is mother

and wife entered into ay conver-

CAPT. MERIWETHLEWIS. Tennessee Legislature Fs to Let

His Rem 'ns be Sent gon.

Nashville, Tenn., Marcl'The leg-biature today adopted a rtion re-fusing the request of Orto allow the ashes of Capi. Merir Lewis, the famous explorer, to be to that state for interment. Cowls is buried in Lewis county, where the state has erected a ment to state for interment. Cowls is buried in Lewis county, where the state has erected a ment to his memory.

## MINERAL LAND FRA INVESTIONS.

Omaha, Neb., March 26.-d Assi. Atty. Gen. S. R. Rush, wh Asst. Atty. Gen. Burch will harge of the mineral land fraud intions and prosecutions in Colord Wy-bining, are busily engineers win-in their plans of work. "While we cabnot now not men who will be caught in the there will be big fish," said and con-sected with this work. I fell pour the recent prosecution pras-

but it takes a live one to swim up the stream stream. "I have known Reed Smoot from boy-hood and I know him to be one of the kindlest and best of men. I know that he has put one wife and six beautiful children and that his home life is an

ideal one.

alideren and that his home life is an heat one. "It would be impossible to describe in words the sufferings and heartaches hat fight against him made the man an his family. During the fight I was a guest of the family one night and, as is his custom. Mr. Smoot conducted family prayses before reitring. It was the prayer of a Christian man. The next morning Mrs. Smoot led the little service, and before she had finished praying I found myself in tears. She prayed most fervenity, petitioning God to bless not only the members of he. family but all of His children. She supplicated the Throne, asking particu-lary that Reed might be given strength by the American people. And when she had finished my eyes had been she had finished

not dare to go out of their houses without an escort.

GIVEN FOUR MONTHS. Peter Nisson Sentenced to 125 Days

In Weber County Jail. (Special to the "News.")

Ogden, Mar. 27.-Peter Nisson was given a hearing this morning before

given a hearing this morning before Judge Murphy, on a charge of obtain-ing money by fraud, namely, passing a worthless check, on January I. Since that date Nisson has been in the county jail on a charge of obtaining money by false pretense, but today the complaint was changed, and the man was given 125 days in the county jail. A Japanese named Tamasheta was arraigned before Judge Murphy on a complaint charging assault with a dead-ly weapon. Monday night the fellow, with two fellow courtymen, were creat-ing a disturbance on the street, when Sergeant Tout told them to disist. In response Yamasheta drew his pistol on the officer, who promptly took it away from him. He will have a preliminary hearing next Monday. On Friday also, will occur the hear.

from him. He will have a preliminary hearing next Monday. On Friday, also, will occur the hear-ing of Lelia Brown, who is black in color, for using a deadly weapon on a man of the same hue. Lodge 2719 B. P. O. E. elected officers last evening, as follows: exalted ruler, A. T. Hestmark; esteemed leading knight, Thomas H. Davis; esteemed royal knight, E. C. Olsen; secretary, J. H. Knauss; treasurer, R. E. Hoag; tyler, E. B. Clayton; trustee, Thomas W. Jones. Representative to grand lodge. Philadeiphia, June 15, W. D. Brown; alternate, J. A. Howell.

THE TELEPHONE TROUBLE.

### Manager Murray Returns From Montana With Good News.

General Manager D. S. Murray of the Rocky Mountain Bell Telephone company returned from Montana this morning,

Rocky Mountain Bell Telephone company returned from Montana this morning. When asked relied to the telegraphic reports appearing in the papers about the utifuide of the labor unions up there to-wards the telephone company. Mr. Mur-ray replied that stories thus sent out were misleading: for intance, a Great Falls reporter would quote some labor agita-tor as making a declaration that a de-mand would be made upon the telephone company that its help should be unionized on pain of a strike. This report would be sent into Helena and handed ever to the Associated Press as an authentic, of-netal declaration, and then wired over the country. Of course, the impression at once given was that an ultimat 'm hart been issued to the telephone company by the Montana Federation of Labor, when really authing of the kird has been done Mr. Murray said he left the situation in Montana 'mproved, and with the exper-tence to the telephone company by the uniting by the labor people in Mon-tana. What the tril effects of this would tama. What the tril effects of this would tama. What the tril effects of the situation and the respect to promeetive unionizing by the labor people in Mon-tana. What the tril effects of the would tama. What the tril effects of the situation in might precipitate a symma helic strike anywhere in the state resulting in a fle-up."

Mr. Murray was clad to say that so for the stifude of the company had been upbeld by clizens, and attempts on the part of unless to wreute control of the company's affairs had not been success-ful. He added; "We do not make it a point to antigonize the unions, but we employ see ple without saking whether they belong to a suff a or not. Fitness and competency generally are not what we are ar ist. This has been cur custom in the past and will continue to be so in the future."

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Like the first telegram it gave no names, and of course, is simply a variation of the same canard, which may be expected to appear simultane-Like the first telegram it gave no

may be expected to appear simultaneously in many papers of the country, and under glaring headlines to the effect that the Mormon Church, aided and abetted by Senator Smoot and his relatives, is engaged in bringing countmen into an overwhelming majority

young and buxom girls "crated and shipped to Utah" under the hypnotic powers of the hierarch. It will be interesting to see if they don't do it.

# MASKED ROBBER BEATS WOMAN INTO INSENSIBILITY.

Portland, Ore. March 27.-A masked robber entered the bome of Newton W. Rountree, a member of one of the most prominent real estate firms in Portland, about 8 o'clocyk last night, beat Mrs. Roundtree over the head with the but of a revolver, and after dragg-ing her from her bed, choked her to insensibility and tore a valuable pair of ear-ringe from her ears. The vandal then ransacked the house, for other val-uables, but Mr. Rountree says that non-of the rest of his wife's jewelry was found by the burglar and that so far as has been ascertained the ear rings, which are valued at about \$200, were the only valuables taken. Mr. Round-tree was absent from home until about is o'clock and when he returned, found his wife still insensible from the preatment she had experienced. Mrs. Roundtree was able to give but meager description of the man. The police believe from the manner in which the crime was committed that it was the act of a foreigner.

Mr. Roundtree early Wednesday morning offered a reward of \$500 for the capture of the tobber.

TWO KILLED IN WRECK ON NORTHERN PACIFIC.

St. Paul, March 27 .- The Northern St. Paul, March 27.—The Northern Pacific passenger train for Duluth, which left St. Paul at 11 o'clock last night, was wrecked at Carlton, Minn., early today. The engine, mail and combination cars were derailed and the engineer and fireman were killed. The wreck knocked down the tele-graph poles of the North American Felegraph company and communica-tion with Duluth over that line is in-terrupted.

terrupted. THE DEAD.

Thomas M. Quinlan, engineer, St. Paul, William Mezkomer, St. Paul, fire-

William Measured, or Fain, me-man. Two or three passengers whose names have not been learned are re-ported slightly injured. The cause of the wreck is said to have been the stoppage of a drain pipe and the overflow of water which undermined the track. causing a spreading of the ralls.

### A \$20,000,000 ESTATE.

Bortin, March 37.—An estate worth over \$20,000,000 was left by the late Herr Von Korn, owner of the Schless-ische Zeitung.

The scone of the wreck is at a sharp curve near Turtle Creek and the outside rall held against the grinding of the heavy train and provented the whole train from plunging over a 42foot embankment into the river. The relatives, is engaged in bringing count-less women to Utah for polygamous practises. Here is a chance for the Cannon-Dubois-Burrows-Iliff anti-Mormon lecture bureau to get busy and swell this small minority of wo-men into an overwhelming majority: 22 menting on track No. 4 westbound 22, running on track No. 4, westbound, been late. Fortunately, it was delayed and reached Wilmetding some time after the Keystone express had been derailed

In trying to locate the missing fish-plates, the reilroad officials discovered that one of these had been fixed tightly netween the two rails that had been disjointed.

disjointed. The purpose of this was to prevent the interruption of the electric current caused by the breaking of the binding wires, which would have set the sig-nals to danger before the engineer could have reached the wrecking point. The westbound rails had been sim-ilarly fixed. The alleged wreckers had adopted an easy method of circumvent-ing the block signal, and the discovery caused the officials much concern. as it meant that the wreckers are men ex-perienced in signal matters. REWARD OF \$2,500.

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Philadelphia, March 27.-The Penn-Sylvania rallroad announces that it will pay a reward of \$2,500 for the ar-rest and conviction of the persons guilty of attempting to wreak its trains on the Pittsburg division.

# EVANSTON NATIONAL BANK.

Authorized to Begin Business With Fifty Thousand Dollars Capital,

(Special to the "News.") Washington, D. C., March 27.-The Evanston National bank of Evanston, Wyo, has been authorized to begin business with 350,000 capital. W. F. Harrison, president; J. L. Atkinson and W. W. Riter, vice president; J. W. Carse cablio? Carse, cashier,

DYNAMITE EXPLOSION.

Eight Cases Explode to Freight Car,

### Killing Two Men.

Atlanta, Ga., March 27.--As a result of the explosion of eight cases of dyna-mite in a freight car standing near the Southern railway freight depot on Pet-ers altreet today, two negroes were killed, one was fatally injured and sev-eral others were severely injured. Three freight cars were wrecked. The dynamite is reported to have been whipped from the Dupont company's branch store in Savannah to Atlanta, and was declared to have been exploded by percussion cape. by percussion caps.

GREAT GAS WELL AND POOLS OF OIL ON FIRE.

# Saputpa, I. T., March 27.—The gas well two miles east of here that caught fire Saturday is still burning fiercely. After 14 days of work the well was conned. But the great volume of ras found another way out through the crevices and for half a mile it spread

franks.

Several of the superintendents and other general officers of the various ex-press comparies have been summoned to appear before the grand jury on Friday and have been requested to bring with them all records showing the names of persons to whom franks have been issued since the passage of the rate law.

### STANDARD OIL TRIAL.

Chicago, March 27 .- The evidence offered in the Standard Oil trial today consisted of tariff sheets and testimony regarding the place in which they were posted in the various freight houses of the Chicago and Alton reliroad. It was shown by one witness that the Chicago & Alton paid a part of the cost of main-taining a station at Chappell, Ills.

CARNEGIE INDORSES PRESIDENT

Washington, March 27 .- Andrew Carnegie, who is in Washington for a few days, today expressed the following

opinion on the railroad situation:

opinion on the railroad situation: "I absolutely endorse the president's stitude towards the railroads. He is the best friend they have and they ought to realize it. The railroads had better stand with him. If they do not accost his moderate measures, they may be confronted by a man in the White House who will approach the question of the railroads from an en-tirely different standpoint. I regard the president's influence as to the rail-roads as wholescome and conservative." Mr. Carnegie lunched with the presi-dent this afternoon. Others present were Vice President Fairbanks, Secy. Cortelyou, Asst. Secy. of State Bacon and Robert S. McCornalck, former am-bassador to France.

### SOMEBODY'S BAD BOY

Cripple Creek, Colo., March 27 .---Roy Bourquin, aged 17, is under arrest charged with attempting to blow up the county hospital. The boy placed several sticks of dynamite in the furnace of the hospital and had it exploded heavy loss of life would have resulted. Bourquin has a mania for blowing up things, and about a year ago lost an eye and his right hand as the result of an explosion.

# MACHINISTS WALK OUT.

Nashville, Tenn., March 27.-Because of differences over the employment of non-union labor in the shops of the Cincinnati Southern railroad at Oak. dale and Somerset, Ky., the machinists have walked out. It is reported that other shopmen through the system will join the strikers.

# NEW SMOKE CONSUMER.

### Patent for One Granted Executrix of

### Late William Pinney.

(Special to the "News.") Washington, D. C., March 27 .- Patents Issued-Utah: William Pinney, de-

ceased. J. W. Pinney, Sait Lake City, executify, smoke consumer. Idaho: M. E. Brown, Nampa, Mat-tress: Frederick Garrecht, Idaho City.

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Harrisburg, March 26.—The senate today passed the house two-cent rail-road fare bill, which new goes to the house for concurrence in the senate amendments one of which provides a fine of \$1,000 for each offense commit-ted by a railroad company against the provisions of the Act. can opener. Wyoming: Frank A Beckwith, Exampton, automatic temperature regulator.

### REVOLTING CRUELTIES.

London, March 27.—A special dispatch from Sofia, Bulgaria, says that accord-ing to some of the Roumania refugees who have arrived upon the Bulgarian side of the Danube, the insurgent peas-antry have been guilty of the same ruthless cruelties which usually mark the feuds in the Balkans. Many of the landlord class have been burned to death after their bodies and limbs had been enrolied in thick twists of hay and straw.

The children, the refugees report, nve been hacked to death by the revolted peasantry.

# VISCOUNT HAYASHI ON JAPAN'S COMMERCIAL POLICY

San Francisco, March 37,-Mail ad-vices from Toklo state that Viscouni Hayashi, foreign minister of Japan, in a speech before the Japanese diet, in answer to questions of members regard-ing the government's attitude concern-ing the refusal of the San Francisco authorities to admit Japanese children to the public schools, said: "The American government which throughout had shown profeund sym-pathy with the Japanese nation, sent us a telegraphic expression of its regret at the occurrence before our protest had reached Washington.We considered that our proper course was to stand on

at the occurrence before our protest had reached Washington.We considered that our proper course was to stand on one side and patiently await the de-velopment of affairs. "In regard to the foreign suspicions of aggressive intentions on the part of Japan, these ideas can only be attribut-ed to great ignorance of the conditions in this country. The military and naval proposals in the budget are of a kind merely to restore and reorganize the national forces, just as every other nation is doing. On behalf not only of the government, but also of the nation. I beg to declare that Japan has no ag-gressive intentions whatever. As far as commerce is concerned, our policy may or may not be considered aggres, sive. We intend to push out interests to the front. We have the right pos-sessed by all countries to pracefully compete with other nations, but we in-tend to firmly adhers to the principles of equal opportunity and the open door in which we have the fullest belief."

# MONTANA REFORM SCHOOL. Helena, Mont. March 27-At a meeting of the board of trustees of the state reform school, the Rev. D. B. Price, paster of the Mothodist Episco-pal church, south of Helena, was elected as superintendent of the in-stitution, and his wife chosen as matron. They have accepted the ap-nointments.

TWO CENT FARE IN PENN.

pointments.