

Kansas City, Nov. 20,-Before the Transmississippi commercial congress here tonight Elihu Root, secretary of state, delivered his second speech in this city within two days. His speech was the feature of the first day's session of the congress, which convened this morning. As on Monday night, Root tonight again dwelt Mr. upon our relations with the South American republics, telling of his recent trip through those countries. He said, the time had come for the expansion of trade between the countries of the north and south that would result in the peaceful prosperity of a mighty commerce. He declared that the means of communication between these coun-tries must be improved and increased, and said the "wooful deficiency in the and said the "woard deficiency in the mean, to carry on and enlarge our South American trade is but a part of the general decline and feebleness of the American merchant marine."

Communication.

The representative of Bolivia, Peru, Colombia, Brazil and Chile also spoke, following Mr. Ebot's theme closely, telling of the possibilities of invest-ment of American capital in their enment of American capital in their en-terprises, and dealing also with the po-litical aspect of the situation. Secy. Root's subject was, "Commer-cial Union With South American Re-

#### ROOT'S ADDRESS.

In his opening remarks Secy. Root devoted himself to a review of the conditions which had exerted the most of the conditions which had exerted the most powerful influence in strengthening the economic relations of the people of the United States to the rest of mankind. He assigned, as the chief factors in our continued industrial progress, the ap-plication of surplus wealth to repro-duction in our land and devotion of human energy to internal development. Strength gathered from every rich and Strength gathered from every rich and powerful nation had been expended up-on home undertakings with the result, on home undertakings with the result, the secretary said, that our progress as a nation has been accelerated and every branch of internal industrial ac-tivity has developed to a degree mar-velous and unprecedented in the history of the world. Having at last accumu-lated a surplus of capital beyond the requirements of internal development, we have naid our dehts in Eurone, said we have paid our debts to Europe, said the secretary, and have taken our place with the investing nations of the world, Continuing, Secy. Root said:

"Our surplus energy is beginning to look beyond our own borders, through-out the world, to find opportunity for profitable use of our surplus caply Coincident with this change in the United States, the progress of political development has been carrying the neighboring continent of South America out of the stage of militarism and into the state of industrialism. Nearly sverywhere the people are eager for foreign capital to develop their natural resources and for foreign immigration to occupy their vacant land. And, just as we are ready for it, great opportuni-

till 4 o'clock, was the demand of a Colorado delegate that he be allowed to answer the speech of E. H. Harri-man, which was delivered soon after this session convened. Mr. Harrinan's speech was an elaboration of his re-marks at the Commercial club banquet last night. He criticised the present laws regulating rafiroads, saying that such power as is now given the interstate commerce commission is danger-ous not only to the welfare of the railcus not only to the welfare of the rall-ways themselves, but to the industrial interests of the country with which the rallroads have mutual interests. At the conclusion of his speech George J. Kindel of Denver arose and asked per-mission to answer Mr. Harriman's speech. Chairman Francis refused to give Mr. Kindel the privilege of the give Mr. Kindel the privilege of the floor, on the ground that a proper in-terpretation of the rules of the congress and a due regard to courtest did not allow a delegate to answer the speech of an invited guest. Mr. Har-riman, however, insisted that Mr. Kin-del be allowed to speak, and the chairman called him to the platform. Mr. Kindel's speech was not a direct an-swer to the arguments of Mr. Harriman, but an arraignment of the rail-roads for alleged unfair rate discrimination.

Mr. Harriman, who had intended to leave Topeka immediately after de-livering his own speech, waited palivering his own speech, waited pa-tiently until Mr. Kindel had concluded, when the two men shook hands, and Mr. Harriman left the hall to go to his train.

### HARRIMAN'S SPEECH.

Hr. Harriman's speech was in part

as follows: "The impression prevails that I control more miles of railroad than any other one man. That statement is made frequently. I deny it; it is not true. I do not control one mile of rail-road. I do not believe in one man or any one company controlling vast inter-ests of this kind. There are fourteen or fifteen thousand persons who co-operate in the control of the railroads and other corporations in which I am inother corporations in which I am in-terested. One man could not do the work and do it right. We have our stockholders and our boards of direct-ors, and they all share in the responsi-bility of conducting our affairs. I ap-pear as a dictator in the published statements, but I am not. Every im-portant step in our business is consid-ered by many minds before any deered by many minds before any de-cision is reached.

"Last year this congress passed resolution antagonistic to the general clamor that increased power be given to the interstate commerce commission in the regulation of railroads and other corporations. Your contention was that Sherman anti-trust law and the the Elkins amendment gave the commis-sion sufficient power to correct existing evils. But since your congress passed that resolution the Congress of the United States passed a measure, of the United States passed a measure, which is now a law, that gives to the interstate commerce commission almost unlimited power. The commission is given the power to control all of the rallroads in this country. railroads in this country. "I do not want to criticise the com "I do not want to criticise the com-mission. I believe it acted in good faith when it said it needed more power; but, as I said last night, the president in his Harrisburg speech indicated that still greater power should be con-ferred upon the commission. Now, be-fore any further action is taken, I should like to see how the power which exists under the present law will be used. Perhaps it may not be necessary for the commission to act under the new law. If the commission makes a mistake in the use of its power, con-ditions may ensue from which the ditions may ensue from which the business interests of this country will not recover in 10 years. "The transportation business is the most vital of all in the development of the country. No community could prosper without transportation facill-ties. Your success and the success of the interests you represent depend largely upon the transportation lines of the country. I think the railway or the country. I think the failway traffic men have learned by this time that they do not make rates, but equal-ize them. The rates are made by the communities served by the railroads. The money centers must be treated allke. You could not disturb rates at which disturburing center without affect. allke. You could not disturb rates at this distributing center without affect-ing all other distributing centers. The rates are controlled by commercial nec-essities. But under the new law the rates may be controlled by political

Chicago Raided by United States' Marshals. THEIR VICTIMS NUMEROUS.

# Said to Have Obtained Nearly a Million Dollars by Fraudulent **Operations**.

Chicago, Noc. 20 .- Several underwriting companies, which are alleged to be the largest fraudulent concerns of the kind ever operated in Chicago, were raided here today by United States marshals, assisted by postal inspectors, and seven men, accused of promoting the fraudulent enterprises, were arrested. According to the federal authorities, the men accused of operating the swindles had many victims and obtained nearly \$1,000,000 by the scheme. The nearly \$1,000,000 by the scheme. The names of the men arrested and the companies which the authorities say they are connected, follow: W. J. Root, president; W. H. Welch, vice president; and W. D. Huribut, secretary, of the Central States Under-writing & Guaranty company; Charles Endicott Brown, president of the Pru-dential Securities Comporation Brokers; Frank S. Winslow, president American Corporation & Security company; Ezra Corporation & Security company; Ezra C. Karnum, president National Stock & Guarantee company, and the Bank-ers' Credit & Mercantile company; David O, Owings, National Stock & Guaranty company

Guaranty company. Huribut, Root and Welch were taken to the United States district court and to the United States district court and gave bonds for \$5,000 each for their ap-pearance for trial. According to the postal authorities, the other men who were arrested were locked up in jail be-cause they were unable to ...cure bonds. The alleged fraudulent operation of the men, as explained by the postal au-thorities is that the underwriting comthorities, is that the underwriting com-panies were in league with certain of the brokers with whom they divided the fee taken for the supposed under-writing which was never done by the alleged underwriters. The plan by which the swindles were carried on, it is alleged by the federal

authorities, involved representations in the United States mails that the underwriting and guaranty companies had given trust companies certain assets and collateral security to indemnify bonds given the investors until the time bonds given the investors until the time the bonds matured. The corporations were given bonds at maturing periods all the way from 20 to 40 years. In using the marks to circulate their methods of doing business the alleged fraudulent companies informed corpo-rate enterprises desiring money that they could secure funds by calling at the Chicago offices. On arrival in Chi-cago the corporation's officials would cago the corporation's officials would be introduced to alleged capitalists, who represented that they had available capital to finance business propositions and would buy the underwritten stocks provided the corporation officers would have them underwritten by responsi-ble guaranty companies. It is asserted that these alleged capitalists would then advise that the work be done by the Central States Underwriting & Guaranty company, the American Corporation & Securities company or the National



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three of the bodies are buried under hundreds of tons of earth. All of the victims were Italian laborers and were known only by number, not names.

## ANARCHISTS ARE PLOTTING.

Rome, Nov. 20 .- Anarchists held a Rome, Nov. 20.—Anarchists held a meeting here today and discussed the advisability of making a demonstration against the police during the approach-ing sojourn in Rome of King George of Greece. The most energetic measures have been taken by the police to pre-vent disorders. All persons not inhab-itants of the city and without occupa-tion will be seen taway from Rome betion will be sent away from Rome be-fore King George arrives.

THE DIX DEATH LIST **REACHES FORTY-SIX.** 

Seattle, Nov. 20 .- The death list of the wrecked steamship Dix is gradual-by creeping up and four new names have been added today, making a tohave been added today, making a bi-tal of 46 known dead as a result of the great disaster. The body of Al-bert McDonald, one of the victims, floated ashore at Alki Point yesterday and was taken to Port Blakely, Parties are still searching along the shores of the sound in the vicinity of where the Dix went down, ' The local United States marine in-



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America are, in some important re-spects, complementary to our own-in many respects the people comple-mentary to each other." Secy, Root declared the relations be-tween the Uinted States and South America have been chiefly political rather than commercial or personal, as the political services to South Amer-ican independence could not, in the naas the political services to South Amer-ican Independence could not, in the na-ture of things, create other than a po-litical sympathy. Twenty-five years ago, Mr. Blaine, as secretary of state, inaugurated a policy by which the po-litical sympathy and personal acquaint-ance of the United States and South America was supplemented by the in-tercourse of expanding trade and by mutual helpfulness. A close relation is assured for the future, said Mr. Root. The secretary enumerated many is assured for the future, said Mr. Root. The secretary enumerated many practical things which must be done, both by the government and by indi-viduals, before the peaceful prosperity of the new commerce can be secured. Underlying all other considerations, however, said the secretary, was the need for improvement of the means of communication between the two coun-tries. This, he said, affects the mail, the passenger and freight service allke. iries. This, he said, affects the mail, the passenger and freight service alike. The one and only remedy for the woe-ful deficiency existing in present trade conditions is the establishment of American lines of steamships between the United States and the great ports of South America adequate to render fully as good service as now afforded by the European lines between the ports of Europe. Secy. Root deplored the retirement of Americans from the foreign transport service, which has, he said, resulted in the decline of our merchant marine. He declared that it has been reliably ascertained that steamship lines work for their own countries and that it is

for their own countries and that it is absurd for the United States to depend upon foreign ships to distribute its products. A remedy for this should be sought.

PLEA FOR CALIFORNIA.

At the afternoon session, H. D. Love-land of San Francisco, vice president of the congress, delivered an address on behalf of the Golden Gate city and the state of California, to him having been delegated authority to make a sort of public pronounament to the people of the country as an expression of gratitude for the spiendid manner in which it responded to the appeal for help following the great earth-

quake. An inceresting incident of the after-noon session, which did not begin un-

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opportunity. "The railroads have reached almost In the limit of economy in transportation. If rates are to be lowered the railroads must be able to carry traffic at less cost than now. The great industrial development in this country since 1899 has been due to the fact that the owners of raliroads have had confidence in the communities and the people served the communities and the people served. In order to develop all sections of the country the railroads have improved their lines and spent hundreds of mil-lions for perfection. The railroads must continue to improve. The expenditure of money for railroad imprevement gives other business interests a chance to expand. If the railroads are too soon subjected to a reduction of insoon subjected to a reduction of in-come, where is the money coming from to develop the railroads further and to

develop the rationals further and to develop your interests?" Mr. Kindel in his speech said that Denver was the victim of rate dis-crimination by the railroads. He said that it cost much more in proportion to ship goods from Chicago to Denver than from Chicago to Omaha. He quot ed rates on various articles to prove his assertions. He said that he was not contending that the rates be lowered, but that they be equalized. He also said that he had shipped foreign-made goods from Liverpool via Galveston cheaper by \$75 a car than he was able to ship American-made goods from Buffalo to Denver via Galveston.

All of this can be avoided,

less they actually sold the stock end they would be content with a commis-sion of from one-half to one per cent on

such stocks as they sold. The victim was assured there could be no doubt that the stocks underbe no doubt that the stocks under-written would realize, as the capitalists to whom the victim had been intro-duced would be certain to buy them. The brokers would then take the men seeking the underwriting to the offices of the guaranty company and arrange for guaranteeing the bonds on payment of a fee of 1 per cent of the amount of underwriting. The federal authori-ties assert that in each case the un-derwriting company was given a fee. derwriting company was given a fee, and that in many cases the officers rep-resenting the company seeking the un-

derwriting had scarcely left the un-derwriting office by the front door be-fore the broker who introduced the capitalist would enter through another en-trance and get half the underwriting then be closed by the underwriting then be closed by the underwriters and the brokers, no attempt being made to sell the stock. The government officials say the men arrested never entered into a proposition in which less than \$100.00 was involved, and that they in many cases obtained as much as \$5,000,000 worth of stocks to underwrite

# FRENCH AUTHORITIES BAR AMERICAN PORK.

Paris, Nov. 20 .- The elimination of the microscopic examination of the from the new American meat inspection reg-ulations has resulted in a preliminary decision on the part of the French cus-toms authorities barring American ham bacon caused next size

After long diplomatic negotiations several years ago France agreed to admit American pork upon a govern-ment certificate that it had been micriscopically examined and found sound When, therefore, the new regulations instituted after the packing disclosures and under which the first shipments are now on their way to French ports were submitted to the authorities here they ruled that they did not comply with the old agreement, and prompt measures were instituted to secure their reversal and if possible avoid pro-longed unpleasant diplomatic negotiations.

Ambassador McCornick, under instructions from Washington, made en-ergetic representations to the foreign office, pointing out that while the mi-

office, pointing out that while the mi-croscopic examination had been elim-inated, the new meat inspection was more rigorous and more efficient. Foreign Minister Pichon promised to give the matter immediate attention A slight delay will not cause great ma-terial loss as the pork importations to France are comparatively small, the trade never having recovered from the blow it received when American pork was originally excluded from France.

## INDICTED FOR EMBEZZLEMENT.

St. Louis, Nov. 20.—An indictment charging embezzlement was returned today by the grand jury against Charles H. Everly, former teller of the St. Louis Union Trust company. Ever-ly has been missing for several months. He was last heard from in Denver. Detectives have been sent west to search for him. The indictment contains but one count and names the amount as \$5,000.

SEVEN TRACKMEN

KILLED BY LAND SLIDE.

Bluefield, W. Va., Nov. 20.-Seven track men of a gang of 19 engaged in removing a silde on the Dry Fork branch of the Norfolk & Western rail-road were killed today as the result of a big slip of land. The men were swept down the mountain side and into the river. Twelve escaped. The bodies of four of the victims were recovered, and

spectors will commence an investigation of the wreck tomorrow. Capt Mason of the Jeanie, which collided with the Dix, will be the first witness. To the list of missing as published yesterday are added these names: Joseph Bucher, ship caulker, Seattle, George Burns, longshorman, Port

Blakeley Frank Gordon, millhand Port Blakely.

Rogers, blacksmith, Port Blakely,



## Negress Hannah Elias Will Not Have To Give up Money.

Albany, N. Y., Nov. 20,--The circuit of appeals today affirmed the judg-ment of the appellate division, which dismissed the appeal of John R. Platt from a decision denying his demand for the restitution of about \$584,000 by Hannah Elias. The grounds for restitution were those of alleged un-due influence over Platt by Mrs. Elias,

DENOUNCE SUBSIDIZED SHIPPING

Minneapolis, Nov. 20 .- Subsidized Minneapons, Not, shipping, which involves the enlist-ment of the scamen employed there-on as members of the naval reserve, was roundly denounced at today's was roundly denounced at today's assion of the American Federation of Labor.

HAS FAITH IN SCHMITZ.

Dr. Devine Does Not Believe Mayor is Guilty of Any Grafting.

New York, Nov. 20 .- Dr. Edward T New fork, Nov. 20.-DF, Edward T. Devine, who, as special representa-tive of the Red Cross, had super-vision of the relief work of the so-ciety at San Francisco following the garthquake disaster, declared be-fore the New York state branch of the Red Cross today that while microsci Red Cross today that while mistakes might have been made in the distri-bution of the relief funds, there was no "graft" there. Dr. Devine took occasion to refer to the indictments recently returned by a grand jury against Mayor Schmitz of San Fran-iclsco, growing out of an investigation

of municipal affairs, caying: "There is one person at least who has had every opportunity to know the truth, who does not believe the mayor of San Francisco has stolen a single penny of the relief fund." It was at the annual meeting of the

New York Red Cross that Dr. Devine reviewed the work done by the na-tional organization in behalf of the sufferers from the earthquake and

fire, fire, The relief fund, he said, reached a total of \$13,000,000, of which \$9,-000,000 was distributed in cash to the general relief rund, \$2,500,000 by the federal government and the rest by independent organizations and indiindependent organizations and indi-viduals who expended the money in-dependently.

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