FELL INTO DEATH PIT.

Collapse of a Roof Crowded with Football Spectators.

KILLED AND INJURED NUMBER SIXTY

Nine Persons Slowly Roasted to Death in the Hot Furnaces Upon Which They Fell--Game Between Stanford and University of California Elevens Disturbed by a Terrible Disaster Just Outside the Grounds.

San Francisco (Special).—During the progress of the California-Stanford University football game between 300 and 500 persons, most of whom were young men and boys, were witnessing the struggle between the universities from the roofs of one of the buildings of the San Francisco and Pacific Glass Works at Fifteenth and Bryant streets, when it collapsed. A large number were precipitated into the gigantic furnace, fully 70 feet below, and 13 were killed or burned to death and at least 50 were injured, many of whom will die.

One of the victims, whose identity has not yet been discovered, fell into a tank containing burning oil and was cooked until the flesh fell from his bones.

It is safe to say that some of the victims were roasted to death, while others were killed by falling timbers.

While the furnace attendants were trying to give what assistance they could to the injured and dying the heartrending cries for help were in strong contrast with the cheers of the football enthusiasts which loudly rent the air. These, however, were quickly stilled when it became known that the disaster had occurred.

The crash of the falling roof was heard a great distance away, and thousands of people hurried to the scene. Messsages were sent to the City Receiving Hospital and the morgue, and all available ambulances were hurried to the spot when the extent of the accident was known.

Most of the fatalities were caused by burning. In the glass works the furnaces were at white heat, and the most of the unfortunates who fell upon them were quickly burned to death. The smell of burning flesh and clothing added to the horror of the occurrence.

J. F. J. Frechtier, who was on the roof of the glass works, but who escaped serious injury, said:

"We were watching the game and there were several hundred of us there, and no women. Most of us were young men and boys. The game had not been going long when the roof, which was of sheetiron, fell through. Several fell into an oven of molten glass. All I can remember is a big crash. When I came to I smelled burning flesh and when I looked around I saw two dead men. Then afterward I was told seven had been killed."

Thomas Simmons, employed in the works, saved the lives of 30 persons by hauling them off the furnace, and James Gunper, who also was on the roof at the time of the disaster, said he counted 64 that fell. Gunper says a father and two sons were taken to one of the hospitals.

Thirty-six boys are in the Railroad Hospital wounded and burned.

A LITTLE LAD'S CRIME.

He Chloroforms an Old Woman and Tries to Set Her on Fire.

Philadelphia (Special). — Philip Goodman, a lad in knickerbockers, not yet fifteen years old, visited the home of Mrs. Wilhelmina Muller, chloroformed the old woman, and then, believing he had killed her, poured kerosene over the woman's clothes, preparatory to burning the body and destroying evidence of his crime. After he had spent some time in the rear of the house, ostensibly to wash his hands, but really to lock the doors, he approached Mrs. Muller in the parlor, seized her by the throat and clapped a chloroform-saturated cloth over her nose. He tried to smother and strangle her at the same time, and when she had dropped to the floor, overcome, he evidently concluded that he had killed her.

After he had soaked the woman's clothes and hair with kerosene she half recovered consciousness and cried out, which attracted a neighbor. The boy confessed that he chloroformed the woman to rob her.

HIS SKULL A WATCH CHARM.

Surgeons Removed Shattered Bone and Patient Made Use of It.

Bowling Green, Ky. (Special).—Geo. Clark of Pemberville has a watch chain made out of pieces of his own skull. The chain is made of portions of bone fastened together by links of gold. A piece as large as a dollar, on which is the date of the accident in which this chain cuts an important figure, hangs as a pendant. Clark while in an oil derrick was struck on the head by a crown pulley and his skull was crushed. He was taken to his home, where he lay unconscious for two weeks. The surgeons said he could not live. As a last resort they removed the entire upper portion of his skull. To their amazement he recovered, and is now living with an artificial top to his head.

Double Tragedy in Oregon.

Jacksonville, Ore. (Special).—G. W. Traynor shot and killed J. Hardonbrook and then killed himself. Hardenbrook was engaged to be married to Miss Sarah L. Beeson, a sister of Mrs. Traynor, but Traynor objected to the match, and it is said threatened Hardenbrook's life. About 11 o'clock Miss Beeson, Hardenbrook nad Mrs. Traynor were sitting around the fire when Traynor walked out on the porch and a few minutes later a bullet came crashing through the window. It struck Hardenbrook in the head and he died in an hour.

Gen. Lee Receives Orders.

Washington (Special).—Gen. Fitzhugh Lee, who recently was relieved from duty as Commander of the Division of Havana and Santa Clara and ordered to take command of the Department of Missouri, relieving General Merriam, was at the War Department receiving final instructions. He will proceed to the headquarters of the department of Missouri at Omaha within a few days to assume his new duties. General Merriam will retain his position as Commander of the Department of Colorado, with headquarters at Denver.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

An injunction was sued out in Pensacola, Fla., to restrain the sale by State Comptroller Reynolds, of the Florida Central and Peninsular Railroad.

Colonel A. L. Booz indignantly denies the story that Oscar L. Booz, a former cadet at West Point, is critically ill as a result of hazing.

F. N. Pike have given up the management of the Hygeia Hotel at Old Point, Va., and former Chief Clerk Hollyday will have charge.

The charter revision committee in New York suggested a number of changes in the charter of Greater New York.

Blanche Witz, of Waynesboro, Pa., burned herself severely while cleaning gloves with gasoline.

The striking cigarmakers in Tampa are trying to stop the transportation of cigars from that section.

Colonel H. C. Symonds, a classmate of General Sheridan, died at his home in Los Gatos, Cal.

Joseph Henry Lee, an obdurate colored prisoner, was lashed in Newport News, Va.

Governor Joseph E. Johnson retired from the executive office in Alabama.

A meeting of the different railway orders of the Baltimore and Ohio was held in Newark for the purpose of forming a federation. This was not accomplished, but will probably be done in the near future.

It is reported that Theodore B. Noyes, of Washington, will be offered the position of minister to Austria, soon to be vacated by the resignation of W. C. Harris.

Cornelius Flame, a boy of 14 years, employed on Thomas Cronan's farm, in Connecticut, admitted poisoning a large number of fowl and cattle for spite.

General Wood will unite the rural guards in Cuba under one head, so as to utilize them wherever needed for the preservation of peace on the island.

Mrs. Hattie Norton Welch, of Indianapolis, was robbed and deserted by her husband within three hours after their marriage. He was arrested.

Miss Georgia Cayvan, the popular New York actress, is a patient at the Sanford Hall Sanitarium, in Long Island, a mental and physical wreck.

Timber Ridge Church, near Lexington, Va., was rededicated with interesting exercises in the presence of a large congregation.

Governor Lind, of Minnesota, offered the vacancy caused by the death of Senator Davis to Judge Loren W. Collins.

The steamer Olbers arrived at New York with the crew of the abandoned shipwrecked bark Bolivia.

In a wreck on the Mexican Central Railroad near Tamanocha 20 men were killed and 60 injured.

In a fight between Mormons and marauding Indians one Indian and two squaws were killed.

Arthu Weir, night editor of an Ottawa paper, committed suicide.

L. Trumball Kelly, left tackle of the Capital Culture Football Club, of Johnstown, Pa., died from an injury received in a game on Thanksgiving.

Mrs. Emma van Liew was sentenced to 10 years in the penitentiary for causing Miss Alice Hummell's death by throwing vitriol in her face.

Clarence Moharter, while gunning near Wilkesbarre, Pa., accidentally shot and killed his cousin, Clarence Cope.

Lawyer Patrick's counsel filed an alleged will of millionaire Rice, in which Patrick is made residuary legatee.

Edmund J. Bell was arrested in New York for robbing the mails. He confessed.

Jacob Schroll, of Manchester township, Pa., committed suicide.

Thomas Bonner, of York, Pa., died from a mule's kick.

President Hustin, of the Panama Canal Company, called on President McKinley with reference to the company's tender of the property to the government.

Fire that was discovered in the filesroom, on the third floor of the Treasury Department, Washington, was extinguished before serious damage was done.

Admiray Remey reports great destitution at Guam, caused by the typhoon. The government has ordered supplies sent.

Miss Eugenie Washington, a great-grandniece of George Washington, died in Washington.

A convict burglar in Ohio Penitentiary was lent to crack the safe of a business man who died without revealing the combination.

A party of Japanese officials arrived at San Francisco, and will negotiate for the construction of gunboats or cruisers.

A New York barber shot his fiancee because she would not consent to accompany him to Germany. She will recover.

The Vermont legislature has passed a bill prohibiting the sale of cigarettes in the State.

Since 1890 the population of Oklahoma Territory has increased from 182,719 to 319,146.

Mrs. Anna Weed died at Merrimac, Mass., aged nearly 103 years.

Nathaniel Wells died in Washington, aged 107 years.

It has been discovered that the accounts of George Griffith, deceased, late clerk of the Board of Education of Cincinnati, are short $100,000.

Deputy Marshals Charles Gee and John Chapman were shot by moonshiners while raiding an illicit still in Mecklenburg county, Va.

It is supposed that Margaret Kelly, a school girl of sixteen years, was abducted in Wilkesbarre, Pa., by two strange men.

The oath of office was administered to Colonel W. J. Sanford as governor of Alabama on his sick bed in Opelika, Ala.

George L. Wolfe, a musician of Hammelein's Ideal Company, committed suicide in Wilkesbarre, Pa.

The three-master Robert McQuillin became disabled off Hog Island, Va., and was towed to Norfolk.

Some unknown person blew up the barroom of W. K. Morris in Warsaw, Va., with dynamite.

Hoboken, N. J., police are following an alleged clue to a plot to kill President McKinley.

CLAIMS ON TWO SULTANS

American Battleship Kentucky to Be Sent to Morocco.

FOR MURDER OF AMERICAN CITIZENS

The Moorish Government Failed to Punish the Murderers--The Consul Will Proceed to the Moorish Court, and the Battleship Will Back Up His Demands--Relations with Turkey Still Friendly.

Washington (Special).—The State Department has sent instructions to United States Consul Gummere, at Tangiers, Morocco, to proceed to the capital of that country, so far as possible, on a United States man-of-war to present afresh the claim of the United States for indemnity on account of the murder of Marcus Ezaguin, a naturalized American citizen, who was killed in June, 1900. The warship, which probably will be the Kentucky, recalled from Smyrna for that purpose, will convey the Consul from Tangiers to Mazagan, which is the nearest port to Fez, the capital of Morocco.

The indemnity demanded in behalf of the widow of Ezaguin amounts to $5000, and was based on the failure of the Moorish government to punish the murderers. The Moorish government declined the first demand, on the ground that Ezaguin, by long residence in Morocco, had become a Moorish citizen under the terms of the Madrid Convention. The State Department, however, holds now that the returned naturalized citizen has a right to elect whether he shall become a Moor or leave the country, and Ezaguin was prevented from exercising that choice by his murder.

In view of this fact, and the further fact that the last discussion on this subject between United States Consul Gummere and the Moorish authorities was without result, the State Department has thought the present to be a fitting occasion to let Gummere pay a visit to the Sultan's court, where no representative of the United States has been for years, with full powers to close the case of the murdered man and the other claims that have been pending against the government of Morocco.

The disposition of the United States government is entirely friendly, but it feels that it has not been given proper consideration, and the Navy Department has been asked to supply a man-of-war to convey the Consul to Mazagan, the port nearest the Moorish capital, and to await his future movements.

POSTMASTERS NAMED DURING YEAR.

Report of Fourth Assistant Postmaster-General Bristow--Recommendations.

Washington (Special).—Fourth Assistant Postmaster General John L. Bristow, in his annual report, recommends an amendment to the interstate commerce law prohibiting telegraph and express companies, or their employes, from aiding or abetting in the green goods or lottery swindles, or any other schemes carried on partly by mail and partly by common carrier and in violation of the postal laws.

There were 15,142 appointments of postmasters made during the past fiscal year, 14,435 being of the fourth class and 707 being presidential. There were 3000 postoffices established during the year, and 1912 offices were discontinued, mostly due to rural free delivery extension and public highway improvements.

A vigorous effort has been made to suppress postoffices conducted throughout the country for the sole benefit of some corporation, nursery company, patent medicine firm or other private institution.

There were 47 resignations and 45 deaths of presidential postmasters, and 919 deaths and 8013 resignations of fourth-class postmasters. On June 30 last the number of postoffices was 76,688, as follows: First class, 194; second, 852; third, 3187; fourth, 72,455.

The total number of arrests during the year for offenses against the postal laws was 1526, including 119 postmasters, 29 assistant postmasters and 144 postoffice clerks, carriers and other postal employes. Of the total number arrested 526 were convicted.

Baby Has $7,000,000.

Newport, R. I. (Special) —John Nicholas Brown, 9 months old, is believed to be the richest baby in the world. His fortune is estimated at $7,000,000, and is likely to be augmented before he becomes old enough to know of his wealth. When the wills of John Nicholas Brown, Sr., and Howard Brown, father and uncle of the infant millionaire, were made public last June it was thought that the baby would hold the record. Confirmation is given in a partial inventory of the estate of the father, which has just been filed here by Mrs. Natalia Bayard Brown, mother and guardian of John Nicholas the younger.

A Brave Chicago Girl.

Chicago (Special).—Walking a narrow stone ledge thirty feet from the ground, connecting the balcony of her father's residence with that of a neighbor, Miss Jennie Younglove gave the alarm that a burglar was at work in her home. A squad of policemen responded to a telephone call, but the intruder, after frightening Miss Younglove's mother into hysterics, had escaped. Mr. Younglove was absent from the city and the two women and a servant were alone in the house. Having given the alarm, Miss Younglove retraced her steps to protect her mother.

Filipinos to Be Hanged.

Manila (By cable).—Four natives were hanged at Dagupan, Luzon. They were convicted of arson and murder, the victims of the latter crime including two American prisoners. The military courts are now returning numerous death sentences upon natives.

Must Put it in Writing.

Washington (Special). — General Hughes, in command of the Department of the Visayas, Philippine group, has issued a circular directing, in connection with the "notice of amnesty" recently issued, that "persons coming in and announcing that they had discovered their error and wished to quit carrying arms and return to their peaceful pursuits must hereafter make a formal declaration in writing acknowledging and accepting the sovereignty and authority of the United States in the archipelago."

U. S. SENATOR C. K. DAVIS DEAD.

Chairman of the Senate Committee on Foreign Affairs Passes Away--Brave Struggle.

St. Paul, Minn. (Special).—United States Senator Cushman Kellogg Davis, chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate, died at his home, in this city, after an illness of two months. He had suffered greatly during his sickness, and gradually sank away, being unconscious for several hours before death, and, so far as known, suffered no pain.

For more than a week it has been known that the death of Senator Davis was certain to occur within a short time. However, the announcement of death came as a profound shock to the friends and fellow townsmen of the distinguished statesman. The Senator's devoted wife, who had been in constant attendance upon his sick bed, had never lost hope.

The Senator, in his moments of lucidity, expressed a strong determination to recover, and within the past week told United States District Attorney Evans, who had been admitted to see him, that he was positive he would soon be well. Indeed, it is the general belief that the Senator's iron will is all that has kept him alive for the past week.

On Sunday, November 18, a serious change for the worse was noted. Previous to that time the Senator had been reported as having occasional periods of delirium. On that day these delirious spells became more marked, and since then the lucid intervals have become less and less frequent, until the Senator was almost constantly out of his mind.

Afer his return from the Maine campaign in September Senator Davis was troubled by twinges of pain in one of his feet, to which he paid little attention, thinking it due to some neuralgic condition, which would soon pass. He began an active campaign in this State, and his sufferings increased. An operation failed to give him relief. After another operation he began to mend, and was apparently on the way to complete recovery, when, on November 11, kidney trouble became apparent, both nephritis and diabetes complicating the case.

STORMS SWEEP COUNTRY.

Vessels Wrecked and Many Towns Flooded--Lives Reported Lost.

Violent wind and rain storms and floods in West Virginia, Ohio, Kentucky and Western New York have caused considerable damage to property, and, it is feared, a number of lives have been lost.

Considerable anxiety was caused in Cincinnati and Wheeling by reports of a terrible disaster on the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad near Hinton, W. Va. It was rumored that a passenger train had plunged into the river. The Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad officials denied that there was any truth in the report.

In Guyandotte Valley, W. Va., thousands of logs sweeping down the river carried away the base works of two new railroad bridges in course of erection south of Barboursville.

The battered hulk of the schooner Advance went ashore on Wallis Sands, N. H. Nothing is known of the fate of the crew of five men who were on board.

The steamer West Branch went down near her dock at Hammondsport, N. Y. The steamer M. Sicklen and the schooners Spademan and Malvina went ashore on Marblehead Beach, Lake Erie.

The wind blew 60 miles an hour over Lake Erie. The heavy sleet that was driven by the gale did great damage to wires throughout Northern Ohio. At Cambridge, O., several buildings were blown down, and at Batavia a young woman was drowned.

A tornado swept through a part of Georgia. Considerable damage was done in the village of Siloam.

Snowstorms in Maine, Vermont and New Hampshire delayed railroad travel.

OSCAR WILDE DEAD.

Once the Idol of Aesthetic Cult, He Expires in Obscurity.

London (By cable).—Oscar Wilde died here at a small hotel in the Latin Quarter of Paris.

For the last three days he had been unconscious in delirium from an abscess in the ear, which the doctors could not locate exactly. Inflammation from this gradually mounted to the brain. He died attended by a few faithful friends, who declined to accept the general verdict of the world against him.

The Paris Journal says it is rumored that Wilde committed suicide.

It is interesting to note that "Mr. and Mrs. Daventry," a play with the authorship of which Wilde was credited, is now a rage here. The majority consider it shocking, and many rush to see whether it is as bad as reported. Wilde, it is declared, was receiving one-fourth of the profits of the piece, in which Mrs. Patrick Campbell appears as the star.

Physician Accidentally Shot.

Moorefield, W. Va. (Special).—Dr. J. S. Goochnauer, of this place, was shot, it is feared fatally, by Richard Chipley while hunting deer. Dr. Goochnauer was at a crossing watching for a deer the dogs had started. The game came in sight of Mr. Chipley, watching at another crossing, and he fired several shots, one of which accidentally struck Dr. Goochnauer. He is a very prominent physician.

Stabbed to Death.

Minneapolis (Special).—Frank H. Hamilton, a Minneapolis newspaper man, is a prisoner at the Central Police Station with the charge of murder against him as the result of the stabbing of Leonard Day, a young millionaire of this city, at the West Hotel.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

It was reported that General French was pursued by the Boers all the way from Middleburg to Standerton.

The German Clerical party demands of the imperial government the creation of an imperial supreme court.

The London Times continues to bitterly attack every move made by the United States government in the China matter.

Charles Williams, an English war critic, claims that General Kitchener contemplates a ruthless extermination of the Boers.

BRITISH LOSE HEAVILY.

Six Officers and Fifty or More Men Wounded.

GEN. PAGET IN SHARP ENCOUNTER.

General Kitchener's First Report as the New Commander-in-Chief Contains List of Losses--The Boers Attack Bochop, But Are Promptly Repulsed--Another Big Battle Reported.

London (By Cable).—During the past week there has been more fighting and heavier losses on the British side than occurred during the preceding five or six weeks. Over a score of British soldiers have been killed, more than a hundred wounded, including a number of officers, and 400 taken prisoners.

It is reported that a great battle was fought between the British General Knox and the Boers under General de Wet near Rouxville, in the southeastern extremity of the Orange River colony.

The first dispatch from General Kitchener in his capacity of commander-in-chief of the British forces in South Africa is dated Bloemfontein, November 30, and confirms the reports of fighting between General Pilcher and General de Wet, and adds the latest reports—that General Knox is in touch with General de Wet's force near Tafelberg, 12 miles north of Bethulie (Orange River colony); that the Boers attacked Boshof November 28, renewed the attack November 29 and were repulsed without British loss.

General Kitchner also reports that November 28-29 General Paget was fighting with the Viljoen and Erasmus commands, and that he drove the Boers to a position in the vicinity of Rietfontein.

The British casualties were heavy. Colonel Lloyd and five other officers were wounded, five men were killed and 50 were wounded.

1,200 BOLOMEN SURRENDER.

Food Supplies Run Short, and They Gave Up Fighting Under General Tino.

Manila (By Cable).—Lieutenant Colonel Goodrell, commanding the Sixth Marine Battalion, with 100 marines, has gone to Subig to relieve the troops there. The rebels in that vicinity have been active of late.

A detachment of the Twenty-fifth Infantry, in the mountains near Iba, found the camp of the guerrilla leader, Joaquin, forsaken. Suspended from the trees near the camp were the bodies of three amigoes, and it was found the rebels had tortured other captives.

Twelve hundred bolomen entered Vigan, Island of Luzon, and surrendered to Captain Green, of the Thirty-third Infantry. This is the largest number of men who have yet surrendered in Luzon at one time. General Tinio has been keeping a swarm of bolomen along the mountains, and they have impoverished the food supply.

Sheriff Freeman Replies.

Denver, Col. (Special).—The Rocky Mountain News prints the reply of Sheriff Freeman of Lincoln county to the letter of District Attorney McAllister of Colorado Springs concerning the prosecution of the persons who lynched Preston Porter at Limon, Col., recently. After alleging that he was influenced into taking Porter from Denver to Limon by the assurance of leading citizens of Lincoln county that he would be allowed to pass through Limon unmolested to Hugo, where he would be permitted to place Porter in the county jail. Sheriff Freeman declares that it would be impossible to get a jury in Lincoln or any adjoining county that would convict any one charged with participation in the burning of Porter.

Reported Seaboard Defalcation.

New York (Special).—Word was received at police headquarters here to the effect that a clerk of the Seaboard Air Line has been arrrested at Fernandina, Fla., for the peculation of a very large sum of money from that line. The clerk's name was not given. It is said that the money taken by the clerk was lost through speculation with the firm of Chester B. Lawrence, Jr., & Co., which failed last week. The amount taken was reported to be $50,000. At the city office of the Seaboard Air Line here it was said that no one there had heard of this arrest. They were certain that no one in the New York City department had run away or been caught.

Exploded in His Hands.

Hagerstown (Special).—Wade Anderson, a boy aged 16 years, was probably fatally injured by a gun exploding in his hands while shooting at a mark near Clear Spring. The barrel of the gun, an old musket, which was heavily charged, burst and several fragments pierced Anderson's skull. They were removed, leaving him in a precarious condition.

Trying to Save Mrs. Maybrick.

Norfolk, Va. (Special).—The Norfolk friends of Mrs. Florence Maybrick are again moving in the matter of securing the release of the unfortunate American woman from Woking Prison, England. President McKinley will be asked to interfere in her behalf. There is no doubt in the minds of any of the Norfolk people who knew the Maybricks during their residence here but that the husband, who was a confirmed arsenic eater, killed himself by an overdose of the drug.

Christmas Box for Soldiers.

New York (Special).—Miss Helen M. Gould bought $300 worth of tooth brushes, combs and other toilet articles which she will ship to the soldiers in the Philippines for Christmas.

Eaten by a Panther.

Fort Worth, Tex. (Special).—Jesus Luterc, foreman of the ranch of Vijo, near Cotulla, lost two small children through the ravages of a panther.

Four men on the ranch began a hunt for the children and beast. The dogs caught the panther, but before the man came up four of the hounds were killed by the animal. It was shot at once. The crazed mother was taken to San Antonio for medical treatment.

Henry Neall picked up a live wire near Wilmington, Del., and was killed by the shock.

TRADE NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Dun & Co. and Bradstreet's Report that the Markets Maintain a Satisfactory Condition.

New York (Special).—R. G. Dun & Company's weekly review of trade says:

"Commercial failures in November were 850 in number and $12,300,316 in amount of liabilities, against 782 in October for $9,072,791 and 886 in November last year, when liabilities were only, $8,046,848. Manufacturing defaults were but 193 in number and $3,883,165 in amount, the bulk of the mortality occurring in trading concerns, of which 617 failed for $7,506,358. There were forty other commercial failures with liabilities of $910,793. Four banking and financial companies defaulted for $823,000.

"At first glance the November statement appears very unsatisfactory, but it must be remembered that a few heavy failures in wool and other textile industries account for a large share of the reported liabilities. Aside from this one branch of trade, which has naturally suffered heavily from the tardy approach of Winter, the figures show business to be on a good foundation."

Bradstreet's says:—

"Unsettled weather and holidays are a drawback to retail and jobbing distribution in many markets, but the general situation is still a most satisfactory one, and the iron and steel, coal, boot and shoe, hardware and lumber trades are conspicuously well situated. The industrial situation is also deserving of note because of the striking absence of complaint as to idleness or as to pending or future troubles.

"The feature in the grain market this week was the carrying to a successful conclusion of the November corn corner in Chicago. Wheat has been irregular but with the undertone bearish, because of large supplies and discouraged speculative liquidation.

"Wheat, including flour, shipments for the week aggregate 2,497,880 bushels against 3,827,296 last week and 3,699,400 in the corresponding week of 1899. Corn exports for the week aggregate 4,301,030 against 5,235,568 bushels last week, and 4,441,514 in this week a year ago.

"Failures for the week number 184 as against 215 last week; 177 in this week a year ago; 212 in 1898; 250 in 1897, and 315 in 1896."

FLOODS CAUSE RUIN.

Hundreds of Thousands Worth of Property Damaged and Three Lives Lost in Pennsylvania.

Pittsburg, Pa. (Special).—After three days of incessant rain a flood unprecedented for this season of the year and quite unexpected in its fury swept down the Monongahela and Allegheny Rivers. In their mad rush the waters ruined hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of property, caused the loss of at least three lives, temporarily threw out of employment thousands of workmen by the forced suspension of the many industrial establishments lining the banks of both streams and rendered hundreds of families homeless.

A November flood is quite common, but it rarely reaches the danger-line, and for this season the steady rains of the past few days caused no alarm. The precipitation had been heavier than usual in the mountains at the headwaters of both rivers, however. The result was the fast rising waters caught many wholly unprepared and much valuable property that was tied up for only a moderate stage was carried away.

The lowlands in Pittsburg, Allegheny, South Pittsburg, Sharpsburg and McKeesport are inundated and nearly every plant fronting the two rivers has been forced to shut down. Hundreds of families in these districts have either been driven from their homes or are living in the upper floors and using skiffs. There were many narrow escapes from drowning during the night and several men are reported to the police as missing, but the only known fatalities directly traceable to the flood were those of Koppman, Flocker and Davis.

Davis and Flocker, with three companions, attempted to row across the Allegheny in a skiff, which became unmanageable and collided with a coalboat. The men were thrown into the river and Davis and Flocker drowned. The others clung to the upturned boat and were rescued after being carried two miles down the river.

At Neville Island, the four-span railroad bridge in course of construction was swept away during the night. It was being erected for the American Steel and Wire Company, and was also to be used for passenger traffic by the Pittsburg and Lake Erie Railroad Company.

Killed in a Peculiar Way.

Carlisle, Pa. (Special).—Jacob Fry, a prominent citizen of Plainfield, a village three miles west of here, was found dead with his neck caught between two palings of the fence and with one hand holding firmly to the top of another paling. It is supposed he strangled to death. It is not known if he fell against the fence and was stricken with heart disease or whether he had committed suicide. Coroner Diven did not consider it necessary to hold an inquest. Fry leaves a wife and several children.

FIELD OF LABOR.

F. of L. has 640 organizers.

China has 156 Chinese papers.

St. Louis has, it is said, 70,000 unionists.

New York State has 1653 labor unions.

New York brickmakers are erecting a co-operative hall.

Chinese coal miners work twelve hours for 6 to 10 cents.

An universal label is to be submitted to the F. of L. convention.

St. Louis grocery clerks want early closing and no Sunday work.

Gov. Dockery, of Missouri, will urge the law to tax franchises.

Out in New Mexico a woman is a trainmaster on the Southern Pacific.

Shetland has had the largest herring catch on record, valued at over $1,500,000.

The Puyallup, Wash., hop market is firm, and prices range from 12 to 14 1-4 cents.

The Allied Printing Trades Council now represents 2500 men in St. Louis. Typographical Union No. 8 has 850 members.