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TO REORGANIZE NAVY

HALE'S PERSONNEL BILL INTRO-DUCED IN THE SENATE.

Senator Hale Intimates in Response to Questions that the Brownson Matter and Other Recent Naval Controversies Will Be Considered.

The Introduction Thursday by Senator Hale of the naval personnel bill proved the occasion for a general discussion of the navy and recent occurrences in connection with that branch of the public service.

The Maine senator entered upon a full explanation of the provisions of the bill.

Senator Tillman, a member of the naval committee, interrupted to ask whether the consideration of the bill would probably bring out the facts relating to the controversy in the navy department. Senator Tillman added that he had considered the advisability of offering a resolution for such an investigation.

Senator Hale replied: "I have been asked a great many times in view of the recent transactions in the navy department whether I did not propose introducing a resolution of investigation. The subject is doubtless worthy of the consideration of congress, but after looking the matter over carefully, as I have been able to do, I Atlanta, Ga., remain at three, have selected this method of action. which involves the consideration by department to an investigation."

Senator Hale, proceeding, said the former times of great emergency and reaus and officers of departments.

"Every accomplishment of the late years that boards have been or- cars, ganized. Many of them are composed of officers whom we can respect, but I have thought that these boards have created dissention in the bureaus Governor of Kentucky Vigorously Dewhere the real work is done.

"I have provided in this bill that sinuations and aspersions of bureau a large portion of the document is dement itself."

TRY TO ROB POLICEMAN.

St. Louis Robbers' Error Leads Their Arrest.

Two masked and armed men who

answer the description of the highwaymen who terrorized St. Louis county Tuesday night, killing Gus Boss, a bar tender, robbing two saloons, and hold ing up a street car, attempted to hold up Special Officers Archy and Kennedy in an alley at St. Louis late Wednesday night, but were overpowered and ar rested. They admitted that they were lying in wait and intended robbing the first person that passed the alley. The Land, aged 16, and Lee Cornell, aged 17, and admitted being out Tuesday night in search of a suitable spot to hold up passersby, but denied implication in other holdups.

The officers were searching for a entered the alley in which the youthful footpads had stationed the uselves, and had the highway men covered were re-elected. and under arrest before they could use their guns.

May Call Out Militia

The importation of men to take the places of the striking employes of the Standard silk mill at Phillipsburg, N. J., caused a lively disturbance Wedaesday night, and if a similar outbreak occurs the governor of New Jersey will be asked for military pro-

Jumps from Hall Dome.

Urban Angeny, of Lawrence, Kan., aged 24, captain of last year's football team of Kansas university, committed suicide Thursday by jumping from the dome of Frazer hall at the university grounds. He is believed to have been despondent.

Historic Building Burns.

N. C., which was part of Gov. Tyron's palace before the revolutionary war, \$250,000, from Dublin castle. was destroyed by fire Thursday.

Sioux City Live Stock Market. Thursday's quotations on the Sioux beeves, \$4.95. Top hogs, \$4.35.

Jewish Playwright Dead.

Abraham P. Goldfaden, of Nev York, aged 57, poet and playwright, hogs that were marketed in Kansas who was sometimes referred to as the City Tuesday, and all previous records

Aged Couple Burned to Death. Albert M. Moulton and his wife, of Auburn N. H., each aged more than

ENTIRE CITY SUDDENLY ILL.

Strange Malady Seizes People of Lansing. Mich.

Whether from the flight of bacilli over the city, from deleterious matter In the city water or from some other appointed for the purpose and is meetunknown cause, Lansing, Mich., was seized by a strange malady some time | mayors of many cities in this territory; during Tuesday night, thousands being suddenly stricken with extreme nausea, accompanied by acute intestinal trouble

From midnight until morning and all during Wednesday forenoon calls for physicians were incessant. Many dragged themselves to doctors' offices for treatment. Whole families were stricken.

Two boys were found lying in the street too ill to make further prog-The disease, which most physicians

attribute to atmospherical conditions, vielded readily to treatment. Fifteen city teachers and hundreds

Secretary Schumway, of the state board of health, suspecting that something was wrong with the water supply, took steps to have an analysis city of Chicago. made, but it was not completed. It was learned later that outside of the water works zone the disease was quite as prevalent, so the water sup-

of pupils were absent from school.

All stores were short of help.

ply is not under suspicion. Among several old and feeble or very young persons serious conditions have developed, but no fatalitties have so far resulted in consequence of the strange epidemic.

ARE SCORES OF INJURED.

Many Victims of Georgia Wreck in

Atlanta Hotels, The deaths resulting from the wreck of the Colver special on the Southern railroad Tuesday night when four Pullmans fell through a trestle near

Most of the 200 passengers are scattered throughout Atlanta hotels, and your presence, assuring you that every the senate, instead of submitting the with the exception of Mrs. Emma Ho- courtesy and privilege will be exver, of Cleveland; Miss Florence A. Studabaker, of Cleveland, and R. W. first proposition of the bill was to see Griswold, of Ashtabula, O., are being that the business of the department treated for bruises and contusions. A shall be conducted as it has been in number of them are sufficiently recovered to continue their journey. The great peril to the country by the bu- three named are in a critical condition and may die.

That there was not more fatalities navy," he said, "has been by the dc- and severer injuries is perhaps due to tion of these bureaus. It is only in the heavy construction of the Pullman

FLAYS NIGHT RIDERS.

nounces Rioters.

message of Gov. A. unless boards are to carry out spe- ton, of Kentucky, to the general ascific law they shall not be continued sembly was read Wednesday in both or appointed in the future. That I houses. In addition to recommendabelieve is a wise thing to do in order tions covering the reforms to which he that jealousies and at times unjust in- pledged himself during the campaign, officers of the navy should at least voted to a stirring recital of the lawhave no rallfing point in the depart lessness which has developed in the tobacco war, accompanied by a vigorous denunciation of the malefactors, and two specific recommendations having for their object the breaking up of the trouble.

The message recommends the passage of a uniform local option law, and important changes in the laws governing registrations and elections.

FRISCO IN NEW HANDS.

All that Was Left of Schmitz Adminis tration Swept Out.

The biennial change in the administration of San Francisco took place Wednesday and with it was swept out of office what is left of the union labor prisoners gave their names as Harry administration which dominated the politics of the city for three terms. At noon the various officials elected last November assumed their duties. Many of the municipal officers will have an entire new staff of clerks and appointees. Of the old administration negro wanted for stabbing when they District Attorney William H. Langdon 1 County Clerk Harry L. Mulcrevy

were the only municipal officers who

Are Taken to Prison.

Benjamin Greene and John F. Gavnor, of Macon, Ga., were taken to Atlanta Wednesday to be placed in the federal penitentiary to begin fouryear sentences for embezzling government funds in connection with the government work in Savannah har-

Tom Johnson Must Pay.

Mayor Tom Johnson, of Cleveland, O., must pay a \$2,000 coal bill to the Charles D. Norton company, coal dealers, of Philadelphia, according to a decision by the United States circuit court of appeals handed down Tues-

To Investigate Irish Mystery.

The Irish government has appointed a commission to sift the mystery of The historic building at Newborn, the disappearance last July of a portion of the state regalia, valued at

The republican of the house and senate held a joint caucus and nomi-City live stock market follow: Top nated William Bradley for United States senator for Kentucky.

Bradley for Senator.

37,000 Hogs Sold. More than \$300,000 was paid for

"Father of Jewish Drama," died in the number of hogs sold were brok. Topeka, Kan., Tuesday. He boarded en. The number sold was 37,000.

Charles W. Whitney, a member of the stock exchange firm of Arenot, 75 years, were burned to death in a Whitney & Sons, of New York, comfire that destroyed their home Thurs- mitted suicide Wednesday at his home airing of the Admiral Brownson inciday.

NAVIGATION CONGRESS.

Supporters of Navigation Plan to Meer at Sloux City, In.

The following has been sent out from Sloux City, Ia., by a committee ing with hearty response from the Never before in the history of this country has the improvement of water ways assumed the important po-

sition it occupies today. While strong and vigorous work has been done to improve waterways, harbors, and navigation throughout the United States, by organizations formed in the different sections, for some unaccountable reason the people in the wonderfully rich and prosperous Missouri valley have been indifferent to the tremendous possibilities that must follow the work of opening for navigation the Missouri river from its

source to the sea. Experienced engineers advise that this great natural highway can be made permanently navigale its entire length at no greater cost than the selling value per mile of a single track railroad from the Missouri river to the

That the movement looking to the navigation of this river is now attracting widespread attention, is primarly due to the concentrated effort of those more directly interested in the lower Missouri river territory. We believe this to be the opportune time to push to successful completion, the navigation of the Missouri river its entire length. If this is to be accomplished, it means organized effort.

Realizing that the people of your section have an equally vital interest in this great subject, we appeal to you to give us your valued assistance in this work, and to that end we have arranged to hold the first annual convention of the Missouri River Navigation Congress in Sloux City, Ia., on Jan. 22 and 23, 1908, and extend to you a special invitation to honor us with tended.

It is the intention to organize a permanent association embracing the states contiguous to the Missouri river, each state to be represented by one vice president and one director, the directors to organize and elect its officers, such board to have authority to call the association together at such time and place as they think will further the interestes of the association.

HEINZE IS INDICTED.

Arrest of Magnate Follows Crash in

Copper. Indicted by the federal grand jury for the overcertification of fifteen checks representing in the aggregate over \$400,000, and drawn by the firm of Otto Heinze & Co. on the Mercantile National bank, F. Augustus Heinze, the copper magnate and former president of the Mercantile National bank, surrendered himself to United States Commissioner Shields Tuesday and

later was released on \$50,000 ball. Edward Lauterbach, counsel for Heinze, stated Tuesday night that his chent did not willfully overcertify the checks, as he had drawn a check to the credit of Otto Heinze & Co. to the amount of \$500,000, which the bookkeeper of the bank possibly failed to enter on the books until a day after the certification of the checks in ques-

The indictment of Heinze by the federal grand jury which has been investigating the Mercantile and other banks identified with the Heinze and Charles W. Morse institutions is the aftermath of the collapse of the Heinze pool in United Copper and which brought about the suspension of Gross & Kleberg, stock brokers, and subsequently resulted in the resignation of F. Augustus Heinze from the presidency and the retirement of the directors of the Mercantile National bank after an examination into the institution had been made by the clearing house committee.

MUST NOT CARRY LIQUOR.

Intoxicants to Be Barred from United States Mail Wagons,

Postmaster General Meyer has is sued an order which has a direct bearing upon the prohibition movement.

The order is as follows: "It is hereby ordered that it shall be a condition of any contract hereafter entered into for carrying the mails upon star, screen wagon, messenger or special service route that the contractor carrier shall not transport intoxicating liquors from one point to another upon such route while in the performance of mail service.

J. F. Selby, mayor of Hillsboro, N.

D., dropped dead in the Midway cafe at Moorhead Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Selby was a prominent attorney and Mason and was a member of the constitutional convention.

Brain to Scientists.

Miss Louise Randolph, of New York young woman who is credited with possessing an unusual memory, has decided to will her brain to the anthropometric society, that it may be

Kidnaps Children from School. J. R. Smith, who had been separat-

ed from his wife, kidnaped their two children from the Carfield school at a westbound passenger train.

May Air Brownson Case,

Representative Gill, of Maryland Tuesday offered a resolution designed to open the way for a congressional • •+•+•+•••••••••••••••••••••

UNIDENTIFIED MAN KILLED.

Skull of Workman Practured by Fall Cmaha

from Lathier. While fitting some storm sash in the residence of Dr. C. W. Downs in Omaha, an unidentified man fell from the top of a afteen-foot ladder to the ground, alighting on his head and receiving a fracture of the skull, from Omaha general hospital without regining consciousness

The man applied to the residence of About 5 o'clock the residents heard a crash outside the house, and

moned and the man was hurried to the Omaha general hospital, where he died a few hours later. The only things found upon his per- | great value.

son or in his clothes were a few socialistic papers, and the initials "D. H." tattooed in red ink on his right forearm. A number of prominent local believed they had been successful unsocialists viewed the body while at til a point below the water line was the hospital, but could throw no light reached in the demolition of th strucupon his identity. The dead man was ture. While the entire foundation between 45 and 48 years of age, six has not been removed, it appears that feet in height, and about 170 pounds it has gone far enough to preclude in weight, light complexioned and had any hope of finding the historic stone a heavy light brown mustache, wore which marked the beginning of conoveralls and a pepper and salt coat struction on the building. and a dark cap

Coroner Brailey took charge of the body and will hold an inquest after an effort is made to locate relatives Decision of Judge Redick and Solomor

LID FIGHT AT HASTINGS.

Saloonkeepers Arrested and

Stocks of Goods Seized, Acting on a warrant issued at the instance of the Civic federation. Sheriff McCleery, of Hastings, carted to the court house all of the beer, whisky saloons of George Brandt and Froscheuser & Muchow.

Not only were the stocks of the satloons seized, but the proprietors were taken into custody on the charge of selling liquor without a license. President U. S. Rohrer, of the Civic federation, declares that if the present proceeding is not successful in keeping the two saloons closed some other way will be tried. It is declared also that ship. the present uprising may lead to a movement to make Hastings dry after existing lice ses expire.

George Brandt and Froscheuser & Muchow were operating their saloons council because they had been convicted of selling liquor some minutes after the legal closing time. time the saloons were closed, but under the protection of the court injunc- that law should fall with the other. tion they were opened Thursday after-

INTEREST IN BURNS AFFAIR.

fered to High School Pupils. Interest in the forthcoming Burn annivesary celebration to be held Fri-Creighton institute at Omaha, is being greatly stimulated by the prize essay contest confined to high school stu The jury of award to which the final determination of the prize Union Pacific has been a factor essay will be given has been appointed the committee of arrangements and the program of the entire proceedings has been definitely fixed upon Miss Mae Weaver, Miss Martha Grym. Mr. W. H. Wilber and Mr. D. F. Sonier are the singers, while Miss A. P. tish poem "Cuddle Doon." The pipers | the world, the construction of two new and dancers will be on hand and the ice houses and a large ice lake on the biggest Burns celebration under the edge of the Platte river. auspices of Clan Gordon is promised.

TELEPHONES ON OMAHA ROAD.

Expected to Largely Take the Place of

Telegraph Operators. It is reported that the Omaha system is to install telephones in all its stations to partly take the place of the telegraph instruments. This will help night trains to get in touch with the dispatchers without calling an operator and will also help the company on the new nine-hour law, effective March 4. With a telephone a conduc tor will be able to get his own train orders without an operator.

Saloon Men Fail.

The saloon of the Feehan Brothers at West Point, has made an assignment to the sheriff for the benefit of its creditors. The liabilities are scheduled at \$1,759, assets \$1,300. They have been in the saloon business since May 1 and say they have been losing money steadily since the beginning. meeting of creditors is set for Jan. 16

The Torpin elevator at Lindsay ha been sold to the Farmers Elevator

company, a newly organized corporation consisting of local business mer and farmers, for \$7,750, Farmers to Build Elevator. A new elevator is to be erected in Murray this spring by the Murray

vicinity.

Crushed to Death. John Erbach, a laborer at the Burlington freight house at Lincoln, was crushed to death by a freight car Tues day. Comrades made desperate of forts to rescue him, but failed.

STEAL A CORNERSTONE

Vandals Remove Tons of Earth to Get It. Removing eight or ten tons of dirt nd other debris, vandals have evidently succeeded in carrying away the orner stone of the historic St. Philozen's cathedral at Omaha, which has the effects of which he died at the progress of modern construction. The stiredral was located at Ninth and Harney streets, which was the center of activity when the building was Dr. Downs about noon Saturday, ask- reared. Recently the lot on which the ing for employment and was immedi- cathedral stood was sold to a large ately set to work putting in the storm mercantile establishment, which at once begun its destruction in order to make way for a large jobbing house. upon going outside found the new The contractors were requested by the workman unconscious upon the bishop to notify a priest when the corground, having fallen from the top of perstone was reached, in order that the ladder with one of the storm sash. It might be removed to the bishop's | \$14; Dr. J. S. Alexander and Police Sur- residence. Church records indicated geon Fitzgibbon were hastily sum that beside a considerable sum of money, there had been deposited in a niche in the cornerstone documents which would now be considered of twin births, 143; colored twins, 1;

> Although the contractors knew an effort had been made by thieves to reach the precious stone, it was not

COMPTROLLER LAWS INVALID.

Will Appeal Case. Judge Redick in the district court in Omaha Saturday morning decided the laws enacted by the last legislature creating the office of county comptroller and providing for the merger of the city and county comptrollerships were invalid, and he announced he would issue an injunction to prevent the county board from expending and other bottled goods found in the any money to establish the new office and from approving the bond of Comptroller Solomon

After the decision was announced Mr. Solomon declared he would appeal to the supreme court in the hope of reversing the decision, but he could not say what action he would take in regard to resigning as county commissioner in order that he might make an offer to qualify for the comptroller-

Judge Redick held with Mr. Solomon's attorneys on three of the four questions raised in the case, but on the fourth, which was pivotal, he held the law bad. He held the law providing for the consolidation of the city compissued by Judge Adams, of the district troller's office with the county compcourt, which restrained the city offi- troller was unconstitutional because it cials from interfering with the sale amended certain sections of the city of intoxicants in their places. Their charter without specifically naming licenses had been revoked by the them as provided in the constitution. He also held the consolidation feature was one of the principal inducement to the passage of the law creating the office of county comptroller, and hence

NORTH PLATTE IMPROVEMENTS

Year's Record Shows Much Accou plished by Citizens. From a summary just made the

year 1907 proved to be the most progressive in the history of North Platte The improvements made during the day evening, Jan. 24, in the Edward year cost \$338,000. More than seventy new residences were built, seven and one-half miles of cement and stone walks were laid and two miles of sewinterals were constructed. The making extensive improvements, both within the city and at its outskirts. The railroad expended \$105,000 in terminal facilities. Included in this was the construction of five miles of new yard tracks at the western limit of the city, the erection of one of the Hadley will recite the famous Scot- most modern stock yard systems in

> During the year three splendid busiess blocks were constructed; the Masonic temple, the Odd Fellows' hall, and, the third, the Foley block. Besides these, quite a number of the business blocks of the city have made improvements by reconstruction and remodeling, including the putting in of new fronts to a number of stores.

Italian Slain Near Omaha.

The dead body of an Italian, whose name is believed to be Guiseppo Florenzo, was found Sunday in a field in East Omaha. He had been killed by a charge of shot, which struck him in the face, apparently from a distance of not more than ten or fifteen feet.

Missing Boy is Found Elmer Nelson, 15-year-old son of

M. P. Nelson, of Valley, who ran away from home Tuesday and had not been neard from since, was found at Elkhorn by Marshal Neil, of Waterloo, and turned over to a brother, who drove down after him.

Ever-Yielding Sweet Corn. Albert P. Daniels is the Burbank of larks. Mr. Daniels has developed an ver-bearing sweet corn. The new variety is the result of several years' lose attention, cross-breeding and se

Matthews is Missing.

The sudden disappearance of Earl Matthews, of Omaha, chief deputy Farmers' Elevator company, which United States marshal, Friday evening, will commence business with a capita when he left ostensibly to visit relaof \$5,000. The company is composed tives in Sioux City for two days, of about 100 farmers residing in that causing his family extreme anxiety Not a word has been heard from him

On Same Farm 25 Years. After living on the same farm and n the same house for 25 years, Mrs. H. C. Hansen, with her children, has

moved to Winside to live.

teries of the state board of health has

filed with the governor by Secretary Sward. It shows the births and deaths by countles, for the year, the diseases which caused deaths, a financial statement and recommendations for a tuberculosis hespital and a larger ap propriation for use in gathering vital statistics and for a central disease germ testing station. The net income ust been razed to make way for the of the board of secretaries for the year amounted to \$2,559.50, which was divided among the members at the rate of \$639.87, each, except Dr. Balley, who received \$444.37, and Dr Ashby, who succeeded Dr. Bailey, \$195.50. The report on the examination of applicants for a license to practice resulted as follows: examined, 84; passed, 69; failed, 15. Following is the report of births: Number of births reported for the year, 19,770; number of males, 10, number of females, 9,456 white, 19,712; colored, 58; white males, 10,283; white females, 8,329 colored males, 31; colored females, 27; twin births (pair), 144; white white males in twin births, 140; white females, 146; colored males, 0; colored females, 2; triplets (all white), males in triplet births, 6; females, 6 two sets of the triplets, male, 2; female 1; two sets of the triplets, male, 1. females, 2. Since October Secretary Sward has been keeping the birth record by counties as well as months and his next report will show not only the number and color, but also the nationality of the parents. The death record is also being kept in the same way and the report shows by counties just what diseases have caused deaths. This part of the report has already been made public. The office of the secretary was formerly located at Beatrice, but since the legislature met it has been moved to Lincoln The report is the work of Dr. Brash, former secretary, and Dr. Sward, the

resent secretary. The report of Superintendent Thom ar, of the Kearney normal school, for the six months ending Dec. 1, filed with Gov. Sheldon, shows that though one-third of the biennium is ended the school still has on hand more than two-thirds of the appropriations made for the blennium. For salaries and wages there was appropriated \$75,000, of which \$53,062.10 is on hand; for general repairs there was appropriated \$5,000, of which \$3,487.49 is unexpended; for principal's traveling expenses \$400 was appropriated and \$291.26 remains in the fund; for main. tenance \$19,300 was appropriated and \$16,445.88 is unexpended. On June there was a baluce in the library fund of \$1,300.39. Received into the fund from matriculation \$3,475,39; remain. ing unexpended in the fund \$2,233.18 In the cash fund there is a balance on hand of \$405.18; dormitory fund \$95.62; received from the sale of cinders and alfalfa, \$39.50.

Col. John J. Ryder, deputy labor commissioner, is prepared schedules to be sent out for the purpose of gathering statistics relating to the dairy industry of the state. Some years ago the state farm got up a map showing the number of milch cows in the state and the number of hand separators in use, but since that time no statistic have been gathered by the state. The beard of regents does not now permet statistics, so Mr. Ryder will include such in his next report. It is probable he will make a visit to Kansas and investigate the department of that state before completing his schedule in order to get some ideas.

Under the provisions of the law th various state institutions and depart ments have made their semi-annual reports to the governor with the exception of the following: John John son, deputy food commissioner; board of horticulture, dairymen, and geologic cal survey.

Thomas McGuigan, of Omaha, who stabbed to death a railroad workman and was sentenced to the penitentiary for ten years in April, 1903, is anx ous to be released. He has applied to the governor for a pardon and the hearing has been set for Jan. 30.

Gov. Sheldon has issued a proclama tion offering a reward of \$200 for the apprehension and conviction of the murderer of Mrs, Lucinda Smith, who was killed in her home near Milford recently.

After all sorts of negotiations had en made by the Nebraska Mercantile Mutual Fire Insurance company of Lincoln, Auditor Searle filed a petition in the district court asking for a receiver. His petition alleges that the company is insolvent.

The railway commission gave th Purlington road permission to put in force emergency rates on corn in the Republican valley for the benefit of regions where the corn crop was almost a failure. The reduction is from 12 to 14 per cent.

A new depot at the town of Pool nas been completed and the citizens "he asked the railway commission to help them get this needed facility have written to thank the commis-

The calendar of the supreme court for the year 1908 has been received from the printer and copies are being mailed out to the various attorneys of the state. The calendar contains the cases pending Dec. 18, 1907, a toini of 582. Of this number 107 have been submitted. Last year the calendar contained 508 cases. The present commissioners will serve until April when the commissions will be rearranged, should the judges conclude to make any changes. The recently appointed commissioners were appointed to serve one year onb

PAY ARMY MORE, SAYS **WAR SECRETARY TAFT**

Rapid Decrease in Regular Force in Recent Years Is Shown by Report.

COAST DEFENSE A BIG ITEM.

Recommends Arection of Statue to Memory of Edwin M. Stanton in City of Washington.

Secretary Taft is a strong advocate of increased pay for the army, as his annual report, sent to Congress, shows. The report begins with a formidable presentment of figures showing the rapid decrease in the strength of the regular army in recent years (the loss last year being no fewer than 4,428 men) and the pressing need for officers b replace those now detailed on recruiting duty or as military instructors in educational institutions. The Secretary asserts that, while many reasons have been advanced to explain the difficulty, a sufficient one is to be found in the

inadequacy of army pay. "I think it quite probable," be says, "that an increase in the pay of the enlisted men, including considerable additional inducement for men to reenlist and such reasonable increase in the pay of non-communissioned officers as would stimulate men to remain in the service and to qualify themselves for these higher positions, would have a markedly beneficial effect upon the recruitment of the army."

So the Secretary earnestly favors the adoption for the army of the naval system, under which the President is authorized to fix the rates of pay within defined limits. He also recor the creation of a general-service corp to relieve the soldiers of the van now called on to perform

The regular army last year lost 13 officers and 26,310 enlisted men, and, although it was a year of peace, fourteen of the officers and 358 of the men were killed in action or died of wounds and disease.

'The Secretary has decided to create one of the new regimental posts as Baguio, in the Philippines, and asks for an appropriation for the purpose, He also urges an enlargement of Fort McKinley reservation, near Manila, by 6,000 acres, at a cost of \$185,000, and the construction of an electric retiron from Camp Overton, on the north shore of Mindanno, to Camp Keithley, of Lake Lamao, in the center of the More

The Secretary urges the creation of a sufficiently large body of competent surgeons, with military knowledge and training, to care for the health and comfort of the volunteer forces in time

Among the estimates submitted is an item of \$6,488,000 for the construction of batteries at Manila and Subig bay. This estimate appears in connection with others for the insular possessions and the only comment made upon it in the report is this:

"The places recommended for forting

cation have all been visited by one on

more members of the national coast de-

fense board and the suitability for for-

tification sites has been carefully studied by the board, and expenditures are being made accordingly." Accompanying the report are the es timates for the support of the military establishment during the next fiscal year, which is \$11,582,931 greater than last year's appropriations. By far the greater part of the increase (more than 90 per cent) is for coast defense works

for the United States and \$14,800,000 for the insular possessions. In concluding the report Secretary Taft recommends that Congress make adequate provisions for the erection of a statue to Secretary Edwin M. Stan-

of which about \$21,700,000 is required

ton in Washington.

PETTIBONE NOT GUILTY. Western Federation Mine Official

Tried for Murder Is Acquitted. George A. Pettibone, an official of the Western Federation of Miners, was ac quitted at Boise, Idaho, of the murder of Governor Steunenberg.

Pettibone's acquittal follows that of Secretary Haywood, wno was tried on the same charge. Pettibone, as Haywood, was tried on confessions of Harry Orchard and Steve Adams implicating them in numerous bloody plots in which scores of human beings were

killed. Members of the Western Federation all over the country have expressed themselves pleased at the verdict. John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers of America, stated that the verdict was highly satisfactory to him

Power Lifeboats & Success. The United States life saving service, after a careful test, has demonstrated the efficiency of the power lifeboat in rescu-ing persons from wrecked vessels, and bas arranged for the addition of several of these boats to the equipment of the lifesaving service along the New England

Cetton Mills Pay Dividends, The cotton mills of New Bedford, Mass, have paid dividends amounting 18 per cent, the largest in the city's him