CURRENT HAPPENINGS

PAITHFUL CHRONICLE OF ALL IMPORTANT ITEMS.

BIG HARRIMAN PLAN

DEAL WITH GOULD MEANS IN-VASION OF PITTSBURG.

One of the First Results of Deal Will Be Appropriation of \$10,000,000 to Put Wabash Lines in Shape to Handle Promised Iron Tonnage.

That the Gould-Harriman deal of Thursday is the biggest affair of the kind in railroads for the past two decades has come out at Pittsburg. Pa. The Pennsylvania and Vanderbilt interests, which have practically enjoyed a monopoly of the Pittsburg Iron and steel tonnage, are not a little perturbed over the developments. It is found that one of the first things Mr. Harriman will do is to spend something like \$10,000,000 in fixing up the Wabash lines at this end, bringing them to that state of perfection which will be required in ofder to haul the steel products promised the Wabash by Andrew Carnegie before the Goulds would consent to break ground for the Pittsburg connection.

The Goulds never completed the roads as they should be. For this reason the United States Steel corporation, successor to Mr. Carnegie and which now stands ready to deliver the promised 25 per cent of its Pittsburg tonnage to the Wabash, never felt like going out of its way-for less than a half completed railread line.

It was Joseph Ramsey, then president of the Wabash road, who made the agreement with Andrew Carnegie which the Goulds never permitted him to fulfill, that of building to the doors of the different steel works in the Pittsburg district a line of road fully as good as the Pennsylvania or the Baltimore and Objo. This done, Carnegie agreed in writing to give to the Goulds each year 25 per cent of his iron and steel tonnage. On this condition the Gould's decided to come into Pittsburg, but the work was never so well done as to win the confidence of the steel makers.

CHURCH LEADER FACES PRISON.

Arkansas Doctor Accused of Being Counterfeiter.

The arrest of Dr. L. W. Blanchard a prominent physician and church worker of Harrison, Ark., for fifteen years, and his father and mother, Mr and Mrs. J. H. Blanchard, has revealed probably the largest and most complete counterfeiters' outfit ever found in the state. Dies, molds and hundreds of spurious coins of various denominations were found by the officers, the counterfeit money being buried in the field and concealed in the house. J. H. Blanchard and wife, it is stated, admitted they had made counterfeit money, but denied having attempted to pass it themselves. Mrs. Blanchard said her son had practiced medicing successfully in Nebraska. Wyoming and Colorado.

POISON FOUND IN STOMACHS.

Many Theories in Gunness Case Are Upset.

Coroner Mack announced Thursday that Dr. Walter Haines, of Chicago, who analyzed the stomach of Andrew Helgelien, the last victim of Mrs. Belle Gunness, finding strychnine and arsenic in fatal doses, has also found in the stomachs of Mrs. Gunness and her two children arsenic and strychnine in quantities sufficient to have caused the deaths. This discovery has upset many former theories in the case, and has opened up the possibility of Mrs. Gunness having killed the children in the same manner in which she took the lives of her victims and ended her own life with a fatal dose.

The restraining order issued by the federal court at Cincinnati preventing the government from enforcing that portion of the pure food law ordering distillers to label their product "alcohol" instead of "spirits," as was the practice, stands, according to a ruling by Judge Kohlsaat in the United States circuit court at Chicago Thursday.

Tailors May Strike.

Unless the employers restore the nine-hour day and the scale of wages prevailing prior to the beginning of the money stress of last October the 30,000 tailors comprising the National Brotherhood of Tailors in New York and Brooklyn will go on strike.

Destroyed by Landslide.

The village of Mehr-Les-Balns, Austria, has been destroyed by a landslide. Sixteen persons are reported to

Sioux City Live Stock Market. Thursday's quotations on the Sioux City live stock market follow: Top beeves, \$5.00. Top hogs, \$6.40.

Big Tube is Completed.

The first section of the Market street subway at Philadelphia, Pa., has been completed. The subway is -de-clared to be one of the finest in the world and cost approximately

Big Saloon Shrinkage. According to the state auditor's report, submitted Thursday, there are 458 fewer saloons in Ohio than there were Jan. 1 last

FIERCE BATTLE WITH MOB.

Florida Sheriff and Deputies Fail to Save Negro.

Three men and a score wounded some probably fatally, is the record of an attempt by a mob at Pensacola, Fla., to storm the county jail and take out the negro, Leander Shaw, who assaulted Mrs. Lillian Davis near there. The mob numbered probably 1,000 was no indication that the crowd, which completely surrounded the jall, contemplated making a rush until nearly two hours later. The first indication was when a railroad iron was brought into play by about a dozen men upon the iron gate of the jail yard. At the same moment the entire mob seemed to catch the spirit, and with yells and curses dashed for the iall entrance.

Some climbed over the tall from fence while others hammered upon the gate. The sheriff, with half a dozen deputies, stood in the windows upstairs with drawn revolvers and riot guns. The sheriff pleaded with the mob, at the same time telling it that he would defend the prisoner at the cost of every life present. His words had no effect, and the moment the first blow was struck on the gate a volley of shots flashed from the upper windows of the jail. This was answered by the crowd, which poured voiley after volley into the jail windows, wounding two deputies. The mob was momentarily driven back with many wounded and one dead as a result of the deadly aim of the sheriff and his

At midnight the mob, which in the meantime had been reinforced by many residents of the surrounding country, made another attack on the jail. The sheriff and officers were overpowered by men who had crept over the rear wall and covered them with rifles and revolvers. Others broke down the cell door and took Shaw out. The negro was carried to the center of the plaza and hanged to an electric light pole, after which fully 500 shots were fired into his dangling body.

In the last attack on the jail H. C. Kellum, a street car conductor, was killed , while two deputies and four or five of the mob were wounded.

HONZA CAUGHT IN SWAMP.

Slayer of Mrs. Kocur, a Wealthy Wid-

ow of Granite City, Ill., is Caught. Andrew Honza, charged with killing Mrs. Annie Kocur, a wealthy widow of the former "King of the Poles," of Granite City, Ill., was found by the police Wednesday half dead in a swamp two miles northeast of there. where he has been hiding since the without food for three days. In his despair and terror he had tried to end his own life by stabbing himself over the heart, but his hand lacked nerve and strength, and the wound only weakened him. Honza told his captors he shot Mrs. Kocur after a quarrel over the storing of some furniture. Mrs. Kocur's 14-year-old son, who wit nessed the shooting, said Honza made improper advances to his mother, which she repulsed, and that Honza became enraged.

KILLED IN AUTO WRECK.

Stepson of William K. Vanderbilt Loses Life.

G. Winthrop Sands, a stepson of William K. Vanderbilt, was killed in an auto accident near Poissy, France Wednesday morning. Vanderbilt was not injured

Sands was riding with the chauffeur when in some manner, the automobile left the road and struck a tree with terrific force. The car was overturned and Sands and the chauffeur were pinned under the wreck, which at once caught fire. Soon after help arrived and Sands and the chauffeur-were extricated, horribly maimed and burned, They were carried into the Vanderbilt chateau, twenty miles from Paris, where Sands died.

G. Winthrop Sands was a son of the present Mrs. W. K. Vanderbilt by her first husband, Samuel Sands.

Sultan Makes Appeal.

An imperial irade, made public Wednesday, convokes the first Turkish parliament under the new constitution for November 1. The document appeals to the people to cease their demonstrations, pointing out that the sultan has proved his good sentiments and intentions strictly to observe the constitution and labor for the prosperity of all his subjects.

Elevated Trains Collide.

Three persons were injured, one se riously and a number severely shaken up in a collision between two Ninth avenue trains on the elevated road in New York. An express train returning empty from Harlem ran into the rear car of a south ferry train which was well filled with passengers.

Held For Robbery

"Tony" Martin, said to have come from a prominent family at Quincy, Ill, is under arrest at Peoria, Ill, charged with robbing the residence of J. E. Murphy of diamonds and valuables amounting to \$1,000 on Mon-

Walsh is Secretary. The national committee of the inde pendence party Wednesday elected Wm, R. Hearst as chairman; C. F. S. Neal, of Indiana, and M. W. Howard, of Alabama, vice chairman, and Chas. A. Walsh, of Iowa, secretary.

Russian Robbers Get \$40,000. A band of unknown men attacked the offices of the cashier at the railroad station at Tiraspol, Russia, and got lenville, Ill., which closed its doors

away with \$40.000.

ALL CINCINNATI OUT.

Entire Town Takes Part in Celebrating Tait Day.

Officially notified Tuesday of his nomination for the presidency by the republican party William H. Taft, standing on the portico of hs brother's home in Cincinnati, O., the city of his nativity, formally accepted the honor, pledged anew his allegiance to persons and gathered early, but there | the policies of President Roosevelt and declared that the chief function of the republican administration will be to cinch what has been already accomplished by the present occupant of the White House. _

In doing this, however, Mr. Taft cointed out in what is regarded as a onservative expression in his address that there will be a serious and difficult work to do, principally "to devise ways and means in which the high level of business integrity and obedience to law which he [President Roosevelt] has established may be maintained and departures from it restrained without undue interference with legitimate business."

Mr. Taft spoke for one hour and eleven minutes. Because of the intense heat, which he appeared to feel more keenly beneath the canopy of the speakers' stand than did those on the open lawn, he cut his enunciation of principles in many places, passing over entire sheets of his manuscript at a time, explaining his course and the reason for it, in order that his hearers might rend the entire speech as it was given out for publication.

The occasion of the notification and the exercises was made a holiday by the residents of Cincinnati, all of whom without regard to party affiliation seemed to take part in the vary ing demonstrations. There were concerts in the downtown parks, parades, a flag raising at the Taft household, daylight fireworks, balloon ascensions for the visiting members of the notification committee, while the heavens were ablaze for hours with vari-colored lights of exploding rockets, soaring bombs and surprising effects of the modern fire worker's consummate art. From a brilliantly lighted river steamer, Mr. Taft, surrounded by visiting politicians and a host of his friends, witnessed the night display.

CASTRO OFFENDS BRITONS.

Closes All Ports to Trade of the West Indies.

Following the issuance of a decree by President Castro fast May prohibiting the dispatch of vessels from Venezuelan gulf ports to Trinidad, cocoa and other Venezuelan products have been forwarded from these ports to the island of Granada in the lesser Antilles, and thence to Trinidad. President Castro has now issued a decree prohibiting the dispatch of vessels with cargo for Granada or other islands in the Antilles, thereby closing the gulf ports entirely to the export and import trade with the West Indies. Great indignation is felt in the British Indies, and it is felt that the government's aid will be 'sought to secure protection against the methods of resident Castro.

WED THROUGH JAIL BARS.

Knot Tied as Couple Stands at Cell Window.

Miss Grace Hadsell, Ottumwa, In. laughter of an ex-United States marshal, was clandestinely married to Prof. Hans Albert, formely of Omaha Neb., a violin virtuso, at Cripple Creek Colo., through the bars of the jail window by a methodist minister.

Albert's arrest was caused Saturday by the girl's father to prevent the marriage, the charge being insanity. Monday night Miss Hadsell and a minister visited the jail and a box was placed outside of Albert's cell window. Miss Hadsell mounted it, and, clasping he lover's hand through the window, was made his wife.

NEGRO DIES AT STAKE.

Horrible Outrage Committed in Greenville, Tex.

A negro named Smith was burned to death in the public square at Green ville, Tex., Tuesday. He had, it is aleged, attempted criminal assault of white woman.

Smith was captured early Tuesday ind was indentified by the girl-as her assallant. The officers were on the way to jail with the negro when the mol overpowered them and took the prisoner to the public square. They plied fagots saturated with kerosene about him and in the precence of 1,000 peo ple applied a match. Smith was slow ly cremated.

Disastrous Fire at Portland.

A fire which started in the stable: of the Oregon Transfer company, of Portland, Ore., destroyed an area equivalent to four blocks and caused a loss estimated at one-quarter of a million dollars. The buildings destroyed were mostly frame stables and small shops.

Is Killed by His Son.

Andrew Haag, a prominent resident of Cullom, eighteen miles from Kankakee, Ill., was shot and killed by his 21-year-old son. Albert. Tuęsday night, following a family quarrel.

Warship to Isthmus.

The cruiser Milwaukee, has received argent orders from Washington to proceed to Ahamata, Honduras. movement of the cruiser is believe to be an incident to the unsettled state of affairs now existing in Central America

Warrant for Banker. A warrant was issued Tuesday for H. W. Riley, president of the Bank of Al-

mal recently. On state issues, he favored a guarantee deposit law.

INTERESTING HAPPENINGS From Day to Day Condensed FOR OUR BUSY READERS

BAD STORM AT LONG PINE.

and Continued Rainfall. One of the worst rain and electrical storms ever known visited Long Pine and vicinity Saturday night. During the stom several residents were stunned by bolts of lightning, but none of factory practice. The soldier boys are them are seriously injured. The rain immensely pleased with their summer resembled a cloudburst at some places. The storm began at 8 o'cleck in the evening and did not slacken up until after 3 o'clock the next morning. Several buildings were struck by lightning and the department store owned by Geo. A. Smith & Son took fire and the interior was soon a mass of flames. The fire department immediately responded and within fifteen minutes after the fire started two lines of hose were playing water on the flames. The whole store and contents were badly damaged and the proprietors have not yet given out an estimate of their loss. The contents were entirely covered by surance, but there was none on the building. Night Marshal Z. B. Cox, while on his way to ring the fire bell was badly stunned by a bolt of lightning and was later found in the street in a dazed condition. He was immediately taken to his home and is getting along nicely. The storm from the northwest, but by midnight a stiff wind was blowing from the south. Saturday had been a very ho day and in the evening the tempera ture dropped about 15 degrees, indi cating that a bad hall storm had taken place somewhere in the north. A number of ranchmen and farmers repor

BRYAN GOES THROUGH MILL.

other live stock.

large losses among their cattle and

Nebraska Presidential Candidate Ini tiated at Ak-Sar-Ben Den. Bryan night at the Den in Omahi marked another epoch in Ak-Sar-Hen' history. What was probably the larg est number of knights ever assembled at the headquarters of the king gath ered early and stayed late, and the ceremonial attendant on the welcoming of strangers and the initiation of aspirants for the high honor were never more impressive nor more successfully carried out. Head Artificer Renze had oiled and polished the machinery un til it fairly glistened and the faithful erew put in its time so thoroughly that the travelers were most wonder fully impressed. Admiral Paffenrath and Mufti Thomas were in rare form. and nothing could be said but praise for the spectacular phases of the work. was the more important should be, for among the guests were many from abroad, including a number of eastern historians who are daily embalming for the edification of dwellers among the Atlantic shores the events and happenings at Fairview and

vicinity. And they will have a new story to tell now, both from observation and experience. Owing to Mr. Bryan's tendency to ward seasickness he was excused from taking a trip on Admiral Pafferratn's flagship, the "Aquiris." Several new features were introduced in the ipitiatory stunts and on their conclusion series of moving pictures were shown. representing Mr. Bryan speaking at the Twenty-fourth and Leavenworth streets meeting of the early afternoon The pictures were excellent and show-

ESCAPE FROM CRAZED BULL. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wells, of Pilger, Bad-

ly Frightened. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wells, living six niles north of Pilger, had a narrow escape from being gored to death by a crazed bull. A bull belonging to John Rhudy, a neighbor, had got into his lot and was lying down quietly while Mr. and Mrs. Wells were milking but as they were leaving the lot he sudden ly arose and with head down, seeming ly crazed, he made for Mr. Wells, who succeeded in getting over the fenc just in time. He then turned on Mrs Wells, who was making for the fence and she also escaped by a narro margin. The bull got worse as the day progressed. He would chase birds o anything that would alight in the lot He would back off and with down, tall erect, dive for a weed an gore it in the ground. He kept this u until about the middle of the after noon, when he died. No one dare venture near him, as he had long sharp horns. It is a mystery what was the matter with him.

ROADS SAY VALUES ARE LOW. File Lists of Real Estate Transfer

Covering Nebraska Lands. Both the Union Pacific and the Burlington railroads filed lists of real extate transfers with the state boar of equalization recently to show the sales value in most instances is higher than the value placed on the same lands by the county assessors,

A. W. Scribner, for the Union Paoific, filed transfers in all but threcounties through which this road runs covering a four-year period from 1963 to 1907. These he compared with the assessment of 1968.

R. D. Pollard, for the Burlington filed a list of transfers in thirty-four counties, which showed that the value placed upon the land by the asses was 70 9-10 per cent of the sales valu The total consideration in these 1,877 transfers named in the deeds, \$13,376,442, and the total value as fixed by the assessors was \$9.480,444 on the same property.

Mrs. Gates Leaves Auburn.

Mrs. Anna Vio Gates, one of the best known newspaper women in the state and who had been connected with the Granger in Auburn for the last nine years, has severed her connection with that publication and has retired from

Berge Speaks at Peru. George W. Herge gave his opening address as candidate for governor to the students' Bryan club at Peru nor-

PLAN PERMANENA RIFLE CAMP.

Heavy Loss Results from Lightning Movement on Foot for Purchase of Tract near Ashland.

The first group of 300 members of the National Guard in camp at the state rifle range, near Ashland, have passed a week of hard work and satiscame down in torrents and for a while outling notwithstanding the hard work and strict discipline. Highly creditable scores have been made by a number of the men, and Adit. Gen. Schwartz and the other officers of the guard are greatly pleased with the results being obtained under this new group system of encampment. The location on the Platte river is ronounced ideal and far superior in many respects to any encampment of

former years. It is clean and sankary and convenient for hard rifle practice, while well removed from temptations of a larger city. So enthuslastic are the officers over the location that a well defined movement is under way for the purchase of this tract of land by the state for a permanent rifle camp, similar to such camps for the National Guard in Ohio, Illiols, Wisconsin and other states. The second group of the guard will

rrive in Ashland this week for ten lays' practice, the third group arrivng Aug; 10. The most expert team eveloped at the summer camp will be ent to the national meeting to be held t Camp Perry, in Ohio, the latter part August. The present camp is visitd daily by a large number of perone from Ashland and vicinity.

HALF MILLION FOR DRAINAGE.

Salt Creek Valley Farmers Plan to Build Big Dheh.

The movement for organizing Salt rock valley into a drainage district nd the ultimate straightening of the alt creek channel has met with the nthusiastic support of practically all the farmers between Lincoln and Ashand. During the last week meetings have been held at Ashland, Greenwood, Waverly and Lincoln and preiminary steps taken toward the organization of this drainage district. At all of these meetings Superintendent Bignell, Chief Engineer Darrah of the Burlington and E. C. Hurd of the Interurban railway, have been present, giving the advantage of expert knowledge of the situation. Mr. Darrah has resented maps showing accurately the drainage area of Sait creek, the sinuous course of the stream and estimates of probable expense. Owing to its serpentine course, the channel from 131 miles and the area drained amounts o several hundred thousand acres. It was shown that in several trainage ditches of two miles in length would cut out fourteen miles of meandering channel. It was estimated that the cost of properly draining the valley would be in the neighborhood of \$500,-00, but owing to the great damage sustained by the farmers in this area the last few years they are all favorable to the formation of the district the floating of the necessary bonds and the early commencement of the work.

QUARRIES AND SANDPITS BUSY. Railways and Farmers Are Crying

for Laborers. There is great activity at all the tone quarries and sandpits along the Platte river between Ashland and lattsmouth. Full forces of men are at work at all of the Louisville and outh Bend quarries and many caroads of crushed stone are being shiped dally, The Burlington redges have been at work constantly ince the high water receded along the latte. The Burlington also has a arge force of men at work unloading firt along their right of way wherever weakened by the recent high water. River drift is also being removed raplly from the Burlington's Platte river ridge at Ashland and the Rock Island bridge at South Bend. The rallways and farmers all through that secon are crying for laborers with little

TETEN WANTS TO BE HANGED. Remains in Jail and Says He is Ready to Pay Penalty.

Johnson Teten, who shot his wife hree times on Wednesday evening at heir home near Talmage, is still conined to the county jail, and despite the fact he has many wealthy relatives, none of them care to go on his bond and secure his release, fearing that he night do some overt act. He is very espendent over the shooting, and ally inquires as to the condition of als wife, and Friday demanded of the sheriff that he be hanged at once, as ie was prepared to pay the penalty for his crime. The wife, while still very ow, is doing as well as had been expected and the physicians still have hopes for her recovery.

Hotel Clerk is Arrested. Jack Hanley, the Cornland hotel light clerk, who on Thursday last escaped with the funds from the safe of the Cornland hotel, was captured in Cozad.

Oliver Starkey No Suicide. Oliver Starkey, who shot his diorced wife near Palmer and was reorted to have committed suicide near central City, has given himself up to Sheriff Alexander at St. Paul.

Telephone Merger Completed. The auditing of the books of the Ashland Telephone company and the anal merger with the Plattsmouth Telsphone company was completed last

Telephone Company Spreads Out. York County Telephone company has purchased the copper trunk independent toll lines between Columbus, Seward and Grund Island, and is going build to Baverra and other points



Superintendent McBrien has set inquiry of an eastern publication:

Your letter of the 16th mat, receive ed. So far as I know we do not have any school houses in Nebraska abandoned for lack of teachers. We have some school houses that have been abandoned for better ones. Nebraska is better off than it has been for years in having a sufficient number of well qualified teachers for its public schools. Few states have opportunities equal to ours for the professional training of teachers. The state university, two state normal schools, eight junior normal schools, twelve private and denominational schools and seventy normal training high schools constitute the machinery for the professional training of the teachers in Nebraska. Over 5,000 teachers are now attending summer schools, which gives you an idea of the professional spirit among Nebraska schoolma'ams. During last three years the aggregate increase in teachers' salaries in this state has been over \$1,000.000. This accounts, no doubt, in great measure for our now having a sufficient number of teachers. Under separate cover I am mailing you a copy of our bulletin on normal training in high schools. During the last year we have trained over 1,500 prospective teachers in these schools and during the next year we shall train over 2,000 prospective teachers, while our state, private and denominational normal schools, leges and universities are crowded to

The following shows in a nutshell what the assessors in \$2 countles have done in the matter of fixing the value of real estate this year: Increase in lands, actual value, \$250,051,495; increase in lots, actual value, \$26.154. 695; increase in lands, assessed valuation, \$50,010,299; increase in lots, assessed valuation, \$5,230,939. Eight countles have not yet made returns to the state board, and these will swell the total probably \$5,500,000 The countles out are Custer. Grant, Holt, Hooker, Nance, Schott's Bluff and Valley. The total assessed value of lands and lots for 1908 in the 82 countles has been returned a \$236,585,018, against \$181,-343,780 returned for the same countles last year. Five times these amounts represent the actual value of the lands and lots, or \$1,182,929,090 for 1908, and \$906,718,900 for 1907. This makes an increase in the actual value of lands and lots of \$27\$,206,190. It is impossible at this time to make a comparithe railroads has not yet been added to the rolls for this year, though this property is included in the rolls of last

There has just been completed by the state bureau of statistics a table showing figures on the various lines of manufacture in Nebraska during 1907. Labor Commissioner Ryder. in giving out the table for publication, Bays: "It must be understood that, so far as this table goes, the figures represent only goods actually manufac tured in this state. We do not claim that these figures represent all the manufactures of Nebraska. We know they do not, by a long shot, for we had exceeding difficulty in getting ; large percentage of the manufacturer to make any returns at all. The grand total value of product of these almost 500 manufacturing plants, \$151,000, 000 in round numbers, makes a good showing when we keep in mind that the total capital represented is but \$43,500,000 in round numbers. And the \$8,371,748 paid out in wages is scattered into homes extending almost from boundary to boundary of the state. In the total of packing house products the return of one of the large packing houses is missing."

R. Mead Shumway must pay the death penalty on Oct. 30 for the murder of Mrs. Sarah Martin near Ad ams, in Gage county. This is the decision of the supreme court, which affirms the findings of the lower court, which tried and convicted the man

Why She Sung the Hymn. well-known bishop relates that he was in a small country town where, owing to the scarcity of good servants. most of the ladies preferred to do their

own work, says a London paper. He was awakened quite early by the tones of a soprano voice singing "Nearer, My God, to Thee!", As the bishop lay in bed he meditated upon the piety which his hostess must possess which enabled her to go about her task early in the morning singing such a noble hymn.

At breakfast he spoke to her about it, and told her how pleased he was. "Oh, law," she replied, "that's the hymn I boll the eggs by-three verses for soft and five for hard."

His Idea of a Wife. "What is your idea of an ideal wife ?" "One who was cook the meals, do the

washing, look after the furnace, make

her own clothes, and-and-" "And what?" "Keep herself looking as young and as beautiful as an actress who pulls 'own \$400 a week in vaudeville."-Chi-

cago Record-Herald.

Humane. Mrs. Ellis-When you say third and

lastly, why do you continue your sermon half an hour? Dominie-To give the deacons time to wake up.

Logical Inference. Scapegrace Nephew-Uncle Henra ever since I've known Miss Hope I'v en a different man. Indulgent Uncle-Then you must have improved a little, my dear boy!

CHICAGO.

The Weekly Review of Chicago Trade, oublished by R. G. Dun & Co., says: An extending use of money in investnents and buoyant security markets refleets the better tone which now characterizes improving business conditions. Crop reports continue to be uniformly encouraging, and sustained profitable returns impart a more cheering outlook for the industries.

Further recovery is made clear by wider demands for finished products, ditions to active capacity and hands employed. There is also a further sign of strength in the volume of payments through the banks, the daily average being now 9 per cent above that during June. It is notable at this time that new de-

mands in the leading productive lines come forward more freely, and there is a disposition to increase furnace and steel outputs, while there is also favorable consideration given to plans for heavy construction. A large number of factories run closer

to their capacity, especially in rails, wire, farm implements, furniture and footwear. Much building work is now hurried, and there are more mercantile structures and extensions contemplated, thus strengthening the demand for future consumption of lumber, quarry products, plumbing materials and seructural iron. The markets for the principal raw ma-

terials maintain the recently noted re-cuperation, and the improved absorption of supplies imparts a healthier tone to mmitments. Weather conditions proved exceptionally helpful in leading retail lines, and at

merchandise been so satisfactorily reduc-Bank clearings, \$218,318,636, are 5.1 per cent under those of the corresponding

no time hitherto have stocks of summer

week in 1907. Failures reported in the Chicago district number 35, against 30 last week and 29 a year ago. Those with liabili-ties over \$5,000 number 8, against 10 last week and 3 in 1907.

NEW YORK.

Good crop reports, the advance of the season and growth in confidence as to the trade outlook are reflected in reports of moderate enlargement of future buying at a few large centers, notably in the West and Southwest. Industrial lines, too, have been benefited by evidences of re-vival in demand and the number of idle various counties, because the value of Still the process has been reduced as a whole. servative kind, curtailment of industry is still a marked feature and small or for immediate shipment largely make up the volume of business doing by jobbers. Retail trade is fair as a whole, being stimulated by price reduction sales. though complaint of stocks not moving rapidly come from some cities, and c lections show little if any improven Best reports come from the central West, Northwest and Southwest and the excellent outlook for the cotton crop makes

for a better tone of advices from the Business failures in the United States for the week ending July 23 number 263, against 258 last week, 155 in the like week of 1907, 171 in 1906, 197 in 1906, and 174 in 1904. Canadian failures for the same period number 24, against 27 last week and 24 in this week last year .-



Chicago-Cattle, common to prim \$4.00 to \$7.85; hogs; prime heavy, \$4.00 to \$6.65; sheep, fair to choice, \$3.00 to \$4.65; wheat, No. 2, 90c to 91c; corn, No. 2, 76c to 77c; oats, standard, 52c to 58c; rye, No. 2, 77c to 79c; hay, timothy, \$8.00 to \$13.00; prairie, \$8.00 to \$12.00; butter, choice creamery, 19a to 21c; eggs, fresh, 17c to 19c; potatoes, new, per bushel, 73c to 80c.

Indianapolis-Cattle, shipping, \$300 to \$7.25, hogs, good to choice heavy, \$3.50 to \$6.85; sheep, common to prime, \$2.50 to \$3.50; wheat, No. 2, 87e to 9c; corn, No. 2 white, 79c to 80c; oats, No. 2 white, 59c to 60c. St. Louis-Cattle, \$4.50 to \$7.25; hogs,

\$4.00 to \$6.72; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.25; wheat, No. 2, 89e to 91e; corn, No. 2, 77c to 78c; oats, No. 2, 52c to 54c; rye, No. 2, 75c to 77c. Cincinnati-Cattle, \$4.00 to \$6.25;

hogs, \$4.00 to \$6.95; sheep, \$3.00 to \$3.75; wheat, No. 2, 90c to 91c; corn. No. 2 mixed, 80c to 81c; oats, No. 2 mixed, 50c to 60c; rye, No. 2, 78c to 80c. Detroit-Cattle, \$4.00 to \$5.40; hogs, \$4.00 to \$6.70; sheep, \$2.50 to \$4.00 wheat, No. 2, 91c to 92c; corn, No. 3 yellow, 79c to 81c; oats, No. 3 white,

65c to 66c; rye, No. 2, 74c to 75c. Milwaukee-Wheat, No. 2 northern \$1.13 to \$1.15; corn, No. 3, 77e to 81e; oats, standard, 49c to 50c; rye, No. 1, 81c to 82c; barley, No. 2, 60c to 70c; pork, mess, \$15.25.

Buffalo—Cattle, choice shipping steers, \$4.00 to \$7.00; hogs, fair to choice, \$4.00 to \$7.00; sheep, common to good mixed, \$4.00 to \$5.30; lambs, fair to choice, \$5.00 to \$7.50.

New York-Cattle, \$4.00 to \$7.10; hogs, \$3.50 to \$7.00; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2 red, 98c to 90c; corp. No. 2, 82c to 83c; oats, natural white, 63c to 66c; butter, creamery, 20c to 23c; eggs, western, 18c to 21c. Toledo-Wheat, No. 2 mixed, 90c to

91c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 77c to 79c; oats, No. 2 mixed, 57c to 58c; rye, No. 2, 73c to 74c; clover seed, \$7.90.

Nome Clean-Up, \$3,500,000 The first report of the annual sp output of the Nome gold working pl the total at \$3,500,000.