COFFEE TRUST INQUIRY ASKED Congressman Norris Would Have Investigation Made. OFFERS TWO RESOLUTIONS.

Asks If President and Attorney General Have Investigated-J. P. Morgan & Co. Said to Have Arranged With Brazil for Coffee Control.

Washington, Feb. 24.-Congressman Goorge W. Norris of the Fifth Nebraska district introduced two sweeping resolutions in the house, calling upon the state department and the attorney general to inform congress what can be done to relieve the people of the country from the so called coffee trust, which, Norris alleges, is so powerful



CONGRESSMAN NORRIS.

that no ordinary means will reach it and that by reason of this "trust" the United States is the chief victim of its operations.

The resolutions assert the existence of monopolistic control of the coffee ceeded Lord Morley of Blackburn. Sir terest, and Americans and Europeans of India. interested with them, and call upon and the resolutions went automatical out any dispute of authority. ly to a committee.

Affect Coffee Market.



where 300,000,000 of the sulp. jects of King George, representing every conceivable race and creed, live and have their being. The reason for hoping for better times is found in the fact that the two men who will have most to say about the government of the swarming millions are close friends and are not likely to have clashes that will retard the progress of reforms and interfere with the administration of the government.

India is governed primarily from London by the secretary of state for India, though the viceroy of India, who is stationed in Calcutta, naturally has an important voice in Indian affairs, Lord Crewe is the new secretary of state for India, having recently suc-



LORD CREWE.

market by a Brazilian producing inter- Charles Hardinge is the new viceroy

These men were classmates at Harthe president and the attornoy general row and at Trinity college, Cambridge, of the United States to report wheth. Find have long been intimate friends. or any investigation of the matter has Each of them is renowned for tact, and been instituted by the government, there is hardly a chance that they The action was taken without remark | will not be able to do their work with-

Heretofore when the viceroy has been a man of strong character, like The resolutions attracted no atten- Lord Curzon, for instance, he has re the case of some of the roads inle surprise that the secretary of state. Being on the eastern case, the commission was em-

HELEN KELLER AS POET.

RATE INCREASE

proves Proposed Advances.

MUST BE CANCELLED MARCH 10

Will Suspend Raises by Formal Order

If Companies Disobey-Commission

Concedes Some Railroads Need

Washington, Feb. 24 .- The inter-

state commerce commission has decid-

ed against the railroads in both the

Proposed advances in class freight

rates in official classification territory,

aggregating among all the railways in

the territory approximately \$27,000,

600 a year, were disapproved by the

In the case involving the increases

by the railroads in western trunk line

territory, the commission also declined to approve the proposed advances in

The carriers in both cases are required to cancel on or before Murch.

10 their advanced tariffs and restore

their former rates, which are the rates

now in effect. If this requirement be not complied with the commission will

issue a formal order suspending the

proposed advances and putting into ef-

fect the existing rates for at least two

Southwestern Rates Changed.

Topeka and Santa Fe railway and other carriers known popularly as the

southwestern rate case, the commis-

sion declined to disturb the commod-

ity rates or the first class rates com-

plained of. The defendants are or-

dered to reduce the second class rates,

which were increased from \$1.21 to

This is the disposition made by the

to its attention. In a sense the de-

cisions were in the nature of a sur-

lieved the commission would grant

More Revenue Needed.

The commission concedes that in

if not to the eastern.

increased rates were published.

"eastern" and the "western" cases.

Larger Incomes.

commission.

years.

commodity rates.

Blind Girl Writes Poom That Is Favorably Received.

Miss Helen Keller, born blind, deaf and damb, has recently published a poem called "The Chant of the Stone Walk" which has received favorable notice from critics in England as well as in America. The poem is somewhat In the style of Walt Whitman, and the author was untrammeled by any requirements of meter. At times shi drops into a natoral rhythm, and there



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MISS HELEN KELLER.

are lines that are excellent blank verse This is true of the beginning of the poem, which is as follows: Come, walk with me, and I will tell What I have read in this scroll of stone. I will spell out this writing on hill and mendow.

It is a chronicle wrought by praying In the case of the railroad commisworkmen, The forefathers of our nationsion of Texas against the Atchison,

Leagues upon leagues of scaled history awaiting an interpreter-This is New England's tapentry of stone

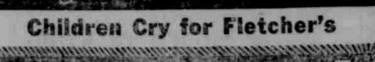
The scope of the peem is not well indicated by the title, which requires explanation. The wall or walls which have inspired Miss Keller are those built by the men of the Mayflower and \$1.29, to \$1.25. In the remaining the early settlers and are of familiar classes the defendants are required to stone fence type. The author takes restore the rates in effect before the these old walls us the text for her earnest and often strikingly beautiful reflections on the past and present of interstate commerce commission of the northern states. The nois of the most important cases ever brought | cheerful optimism and of personal joy in life and nature is one of the most remarkable features of the poem-

prise to railroad officials and other ex-I am bone of their bone, breath of the! breath. perts who had followed closely the Their courage is in my soul. proceedings, a majority of whom he-

The wall is an iliad of granite. It chants 10 100

Of plicrims of the perilons deep, Of fearless journeyings and old forgotter some increases to the western lines. things.

> Miss Keller is a graduate of Radcliffe college, the woman's & partment cently appointed a member of the Mas husetts Commission For the Blind





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and has been made under his personal supervision since its infancy. ha Milleher. Allow no one to deceive you in this. All Counterfeits, Imitations and "Just-as-good" are but Experiments that trifle with and endanger the health of Infants and Children-Experience against Experiment.

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MASTER ROSCOE HILL'S HAPPY BIRTHDAY PARTY

The pretty home of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Hill on West Pearl street rang with merriment and was the scene of much frolic yesterday afternoon, Science church were very pleasantly when their son, Master Roscoe, enter- entertained at the Marshall home yestained nine of his little playmates in | terday afternoon by Mrs. E. E. Eaton. a very enjoyable manner. The oc- The ladies of this church meet at the casion was in honor of his ninth home of one of the members every birthday anniversary and the little two weeks for the purpose of parguests, who had been invited to come ticipating in a social time and a to his home and assist him in com- kensington, there being no collec-

LADIES OF THE CHRISTAIN SGIENCE CHURCH ENTERTAINED

The ladies of the Christian memorating the event properly, cele- tions taken at these meetings. Conbrated it in a manner which will long sequently the greater part of the be remembered. Mrs. Hill was as- afternoon was devoted to the plying The resolutions attracted no atten-tion in the house, and Washington sented the authority and influence of creased revenue is needed. In the cently appointed a member of the Mas Misses Allison Johnston, Kittie Cum- reigned supreme. The pleasures of

heard with co coffee market.

mittee will report the resolutions at a vigorous kick that his resignation the same territory were barely able the rules, could seek to have them as a diagrace. taken up in the house if, after a reasonable time, the committees fail to act upon them.

Norris said he had been looking into the subject for some time and that he had the names of those who he said had entered into the arrangement with Brazil for the coffee control. J. P. Morgan & Co. and the City National and the First National bank of New York city, he said, constituted the American end of "the great scheme that has financed the deal."

Big Capital Involved. This interest, Norris said, involved \$75,000,000 of capital, of which \$25,-

000,000 each was subscribed in London and France, \$10,000,000 each in America and Germany and \$5,000,000 in Holland.

The scheme, as Norris outlined it, was that the state of Sao Paulo issue \$25,000,000 of 5 per cent bonds, of which this foreign syndicate took up. Brazil guaranteed these bonds and provided a surtax of 5 francs a bag. which the agreement provided was to be remitted to these interests in the bond syndicate, and provided for a committee of seven men, six of whom were to be selected by the financiers in the syndicate and one by the Bra- has been able to make the viceroy zilian government itself, the commit- merely a figurehead without the prestee to control the sale and disposition tige absolutely essential to his success of the coffee from Brazil.

CUMMINS CALLS FOR FACTS

Move of Iowa Senator Foreshadows Fight Over Reciprocity.

Washington, Feb. 24.-A resolution calling on the president to submit to the senate all the information he has bearing on the Canadian reciprocity agreement, together with the data and statistics gathered by the tariff board, and Lord Hardinge in Calcutta form was offered in the senate by Cummins a combination that will avoid friction, and adopted. An amendment making and there is little likelihood of the the request "if consistent with the usurpation of authority in either place. public welfare" was adopted.

That a determined effort will be made on the floor of the senate to amend the McCall bill and that the movement will receive the support of ing its foundation to the cloth trade. a considerable number of Republicans, During the eighteenth century the both regulars and insurgents, became had been submitted.

Educators Meet in Mobile.

Mobile, Feb. 24 .- The National Education association, department of superintendents, convened here with approximately 800 educators present from all parts of the United States. The convention will remain in session until tomorrow afternoon.

rumors of their introduction had in ground, he believed that he was better some degree affected the New York fitted to decide questions of governmental policy, and when he was not It is hardly likely that either com allowed to do so he usually made such

this late day in the session but Nor- was forced. This resignation was usuris, under the existing suspension of ally regarded by the natives of India them scarcely more,

> On the other hand, a secretary of state for India remaining in London



VICEBOY HABDINGE.

in a country where caste and prestige count for so much. Under these circumstances the viceroy, discovering that his efforts were futile, has been glad to retire. Repetitions of these circumstances have done much to prevent the successful administration of Indian affairs. For this reason it is safe to say that

India will see better times in the immediate future. Lord Crewe in London Being old cronies, they are expected to work in harmony.

Lord Crewe is a tremendously wealthy man, the family fortune ow-Milnes family practically controlled apparent after Cummins' resolution the cloth business at Wakefield, and the present Lord Crewe, then Robin

Milnes, was known some years ago as a clever business man and as a poet of considerable ability.

Lord Crewe has been married twice. his first wife leaving him three daughters. They are all married and are about the same age as their stepmother, who was Lady Peggy Primrose, the daughter of Lord Rosebery.

barrassed by the admitted fact that several of the lines in the territory were paying good dividends upon existing rates, while other carriers in to make both ends meet-a few of

In the western case the carriers entered a powerful plea for increased

revenue in order that they might have additional money to put into improvements and betterments, which would enable them to handle with greater facility the constantly increasing traffic of the country.

The same argument was advanced in support of the proposed advances in official classification territory, but Commissioner Prouty, who wrote the opinion in the eastern case, says;

"This argument does not appeal to us. We doubt the practical difficulty suggested (that of obtaining by loan sufficient money to finance the roads) and were it true, that it is not apparent that the general public should stand responsible for the mistakes which have been made in financing these railroad systems."

History of Cases.

Both the eastern and western cases were brought to public attention in the spring of 1910. Just prior to the enactment of the existing interstate commerce law, which, in part, became effective on June 18, 1910, the railways of official classification territory-forty one in all-and those of the Western Trunk Line association territory filed with the commission tariffs making increases in their freight rates.

The tariffs filed by the eastern lines increased the first class rate between New York and Chicago points 15 cents a hundred pounds, from 75 cents to 90 cents; and made proportional advances on the other five classes. Some advances also were made on commodity rates, but the great bulk of the commodity tonnage of freight was not disturbed.

The proposed advances affected ap proximately 15 per cent of the total freight tonnage. Approximately the same amount of tonnage was affected by the increases proposed by the western lines, but the class rates were not affected in any way. Commodifies alone were increased, the average advance on about 189 different articles being substantially 16 per cent, the increase varying from about 4 per cent in some cases to 50 per cent in others.

Wyoming to Permit Prize Fighting. Cheyenne, Wyo., Feb. 24 .- Wyoming now legalizes boxing matches where conducted by incorporated clubs, the recent legislature having passed a law, which is now awaiting Governor Carey's approval, providing for the licensing of clubs by cities and counties in which same are located, the city license being \$100 and the county license \$150.

MAYOR SPEER IS ACTIVE.

Chief Executive Has Made Denver "One Collar" Town.

Robert W. Speer, who will finish like second four year term as mayor of Denver in 1912, has made a record as a "mayor who does things." While he has been the chief executive of the Colorado metropells the city has mad tremendous strides in the direction of beauty and cleanliness. It is now



ROBERT W. SPEER.

known as a "one collar" town, which means that a man can wear one collar all day and it will still be tolerably clean at night.

Mayor Speer was mentioned at the beginning of the senatorial contest as a man who would properly represent Colorado at Washington, but he did not show any enthusiasm over the proposition. He had previously said that he was preparing to retire after having been in office continually for 1 quarter of a century. He began aspostmaster of Denver in 1885, was afterward president of the fire and police and the public works boardand was elected mayor in 1904.

Denver gives its mayor unusual powers. He appoints the members of the boards who direct the city affairs and can remove them at will. This naturally makes him a "boss" and enables him to construct a political ma chine that is effective. It also enables him to carry out civic improvement plans, as is shown by the extensive public works completed in Denver dur Ing Mayor Speer's terms.

mins and Maude Mason. The various the afternoon were further augugames, pranks and amusements which mented when the guests were invited the little folks so delight in were to partake of a deightfal luncheon, entered into with much interest and which was likewise thoroughly enenthusiasm and a very happy after- joyed. noon was spent. Then, too, a very

pleasing feature of the afternoon was HIGH SCHOOL DEBATERS the delicious birthday supper, which was served at a convenient hour and which the little guests thoroughly enjoyed.

which will assist him in remembering this happy event. For the occasion and in deference to the anniversary of the birthday of the Father of our Country, the parlors of the Hill resi- left for South Omaha today, where dence were appropriately as well as they meet in debate the South Omaha attractively decorated with little red team. The debaters are Elmer Halhatchets.

Those who enjoyed this occasion were: Carl Schneider, Dean Douglass, Newell and Helen Roberts, Ma- closing argument for the negative of son Wescott, Alice Pollock, Clara Mae the question: "Resolved, that it is Morgan, Margaret Sherwood and Le- preferable for the United States to roy Pitser.

In County Court.

In the matter of the estate of John should fail to convince the judges E. Leesley, deceased.

Notice to creditors of said estate is hereby given that all claims against said estate must be presented and filed within six months from the 4th day of March 1911, and that hearings will be had before me at Plattsmouth, Nebraska, March 4th, 1911, and September 6th, 1911, at 9 o'clock a. m., of each day.

Witness my hand and seal of said County Court, this 1st day of February, 1911. (Seal)

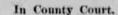
Allen J. Beeson, County Judge.

Saturday are bright.

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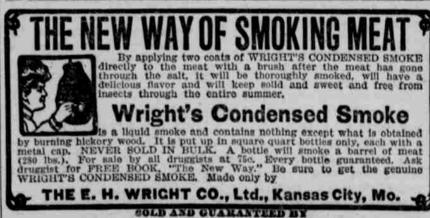
Roscoe received many pretty gifts, From Saturday's Dally.

The Plattsmouth team of High school debaters, in company with Principal Richey, Wayne Dickson, Sam Windham and Lester Dalton, strom, Matthew Herold and John Falter, and they will speak in the order named, John Falter having the maintain the navy in its present state of efficiency, than to make a substantial increase." Plattsmouth has a strong team and Principal Richey State of Nebraska, Cass County, ss. will be disapppointed if his team that we have the arguments with us.



In the county court today Judge Beeson listened to the final report and petition for final settlement and discharge of the guardian of Earl Elmer Dawson, who has attained his majority. Attorney Charles L. Graves of Union appeared for the guardian and affected the settlement with the ward.

Mrs. Ed Tutt and her sister, Mrs. Nims, departed for Lincoln on the The roads are getting in better morning train today to be present at condition, according to the travelers, the funeral of their cousin, Mrs. and the prospects for a good trade on Lempke, which occurs tomorrow from St. Thresa cathedral.



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