the Night and Thoroughly

Drench the City.

Forecast for Nebraska-Partly Cloudy Tuesday, Probably Thunder Showers in Eastern Portion, Wednesday, Fair, Ex-cept Probably Thunder Showers in South-east Portion, Variable Winds.

Omaha's long period of heat and dry

Thunder clouds gathered all around the

closed in. At 1:30 the edges of the clouds

city shortly after midnight and gradually

hung over the city and a few soft rain-

drops rewarded watchers by window sids,

its predecessors, too hot for sleep. The

Directly overhead the stars still shone brightly, but from the gatheling clouds the

Largely a Local Shower.

Much sharp lightning and heavy thunder

accompanied the storm. It was largely a

tending from Omaha to Emerson, covering

a stretch of about 100 miles. The Missouri

Pacific offices reported a pretty good

shower at Weeping Water, some rain at

Omaha. The lightning put the arc light-

Rev. Merton Smith has asked that all

clergymen of the city unite in a prayer

service to be held this evening at his tent.

Twenty-fourth and Locust streets, for the

Senson of Special Supplication

Providence to Avert Disaster

of Nebraska and castern Wyoming.

The crop of early potatoes will be light.

RAVENNA, Neb., July 15 .- (Special.)-

There has been no rain here since the

Fourth and hot weather has made every-

GENEVA, Neb., July 15 .- (Special.) -- Yes-

terday was one of the hottest days, 163

in the shade. The weather cooled off con-

siderably before morning. Oats are almost

dry weather. Some wheat went as high

a failure, failing to fill on account of the

as twenty-five and more bushels an acre.

It has been too dry for potatoes and other

(Special.)-Harvesting is nearly finished in

midst of threshing. Wheat yields from

thirty-two to thirty-five bushels an acre

WOOD RIVER, Neb., July 15 .- (Special.)

-In this locality winter wheat and rye are

the finest crop in years. Oats and potatoes

are about half a crop. Corn is looking and

IOWA DRINKS IN COOL DROPS

Grains Withstand the Heat, but Are

Grateful for the Thunder

Showers.

PACIFIC JUNCTION, Ia., July 15 .- (Spe-

cial.)-The section of country north of

yielding well and the quality is Al, es-

DES MOINES, July 15 .- There was an ap-

for at 10 o'clock the official record was 82.

loing well, but must have rain.

this vicinity and the farmers are in the

M'COOL JUNCTION, Neb., July

thing dry as a tinder box. Crops are suf-

fering.

vegetables.

need rain.

Thermometer at noon today stood at 101.

to the Crops.

ing circuit of the city out of business.

and Aurora.

winds was broken at 1:30 o'clock this morn-

ing, when rain began to fall.

tiour. Deg.

3 p. m. 95

4 p. m 96

5 p. m..... 96 6 p. m.... 95

7 p. m..... 94

p. m. 91

9 p. m..... 88

Hour, Deg. 5 s. m. 19

6 n. m..... 79 7 n. m..... 81

S a. m..... \$2

9 a. m..... 85

10 n. m.,,,, 86

generous downpour.

NEARLY ALL ARE OUT

Steel Workers Generally Obey Prosiden. John Doy 11 to Materianse.

COMMENCE WITH GOOD ORGANIZATION

Officers Have Affairs Well in Hand for Long Fight.

First Order Results in Considerable Raking of Lires.

HOPE OF SETTLEMENT IS BORN AN W

Warner Arms Will Talk to Manufacturers Today and They May Decide to Assume a Dif-

ferent Attitude.

PITTSBURG, July 15 .- Reports received from all sources connected with the great strike of the steel workers today indicate that the members of the Amaigamated association have matters well in hand and

that the strike order was generally obeyed. Telegrams from various points where the mills of the American Tinplate company, the American Steel Hoop company Twenty-seventh street which will furnish and the American Sheet Steel company are located tell of the shutting down of these plants in large numbers. In many cases the plants had been shut down by Sheet Steel and the Steel Hoop companies The wires for the lighting are laid in ca-The last order brought out all the union plants of the American Tinplate company with the single exception of the new mill at Monessen, which is still run- SAY IOWA MAN DROWNED HIM

At the Amsigamated association headquarters it is stated that the figures given out Saturday night regarding the number of men who would be actually idle in the mills of the three companies have been proved correct. This number was placed at 74,000. Where the Idle Men Are.

Of the 74,000 men idie, 2,500 are in Pittsburg, 800 in Allegheny and 1,500 in Mc-Keesport. President Shaffer has it in his power to close many more Pittsburg mills. but it is not thought that he will do anything of a radical nature until he is com-

The American Steel Hoop company's closed this morning in all its branches. Watkins came from Sheldon, Ia. The ticup at this mill was said to have been a surprise to the mill owners and officials in charge of it. The plant known as the Lindsay & McCutchen mill in Allegheny was shut down completely in the puddling and bar mills. All the skilled workmen refused to enter the mill this morning and the company did not operate furnaces. The finishing department of the mill was working during the it is daimed by the workers that the em-

work in the morning. has been nonunion since it was built two years ago, and the company says the men there will remain loyal. The Amalgamated people will not discuss the situation in that mill at present.

Expecting Some Settlement.

While all the mills of the United States Steel corporation are included in the general conflict the three companies are the first attacked. What the next move will be the workers do not say. It is said tonight that the circular expected to be sent out today calling on the mills of the Federal Steel company and the National Tube company to come out will not be issued at The most interesting report to the Amal-

gamated association today was this dis- telyou. He expects to return to Cleveland. patch from New York, which said that a It is said there is no significance in his visit conference of the manufacturers was to be held in New York tomorrow, at which War- long time and that he came here to pay Arms, president of the American his respects and talk over some personal Tinplate company, was to present a matters.

detailed account of the experiences of the sociation in this city last week. It was stated that the question of again extending the olive branch to the strikers or of taking up the fight and crushing the association would be determined.

Generally speaking the workers, from President Shaffer down, seem to be looking for some sort of a settlement. The general offices of the American Steel Hoop company are in this city, but it was stated there today that President W. E. Corey, who is also executive head of the National Steel company, had nothing to say.

The policy of the manufacturers, it was said, is to remain quiet for the time and await developments. The officials of the American Tinplate company are all in

New York. In Secret Meeting.

At the district offices of the American Sheet Steel company a meeting of managers was held today. It was a closely guarded meeting. It was said, however that men in the Old Meadow mill in Scottdale would not go out on a strike. The Scottdale Iron and Steel mill is also working and no signs of a strike are visible there. The alleged attempt on the part of the association to attack the forces in the big Vandergrift mills in Vandergrift, Pa., was not regarded seriously, though the company is watching closely all such move-

When President Shaffer was informed of the granting of the advance to the Mc-Keesport tube workers he said: "I anticipated such action on the part of the manufacturers and have warned our men to guard against being blinded by such McKeesport are unorganized and this advance coming with the beginning of the strike of the employes of the three companies with which we are at issue is an indication that the Steel corporation appreciates the strength of the Amalgamated association and is trying to thwart its aims and growth by such action as reported from McKeesport. I hear that similar advances will be given in other mills of the United States Steel corporation that have not been affected by the strike order, in the hope that the workers may refuse to come out, should we decide to extend the strike to all the plants of the corporation."

From Other Places.

Following are extracts of reports from nearby towns up to 9 p. m.: New Philadelphia, O .- Three hundred and fifty employes of the New Philadelphia

rolling mill are idle. Carnegie, Pa .- No attempt was made to start work at the Chartiers Steel works in Carnegie today, as the mill is well organ

(Continued on Second Page.)

Kansas City's Protest Against Mem-

met here today to hear protests a shippers and people of Kansas Cr., gainst the pro-posed consolidation of the Kansas City, fort Scott & Memphis and St. Louis & San Seems to Be Because of Report that Francisco systems. The most remarkable feature of the meeting was that no one appeared to protest and the railroad board penly said that the sentiment in Kans s MANY PLANTS ARE SHUTTING DOWN City was apparently different from what it has been led to understand. At the request of W. 3. Flournoy, attorney, the board agreed to meet here again next and Memphis railroads had or intended to consolidate. Subpoenas will be served to bring the officials of both railroads before the board to tell what they know about the consolidation. A state law against the consolidation of competing railroads is the cause of the investigation.

ILLINOIS CENTRAL LIGHTS UP Its Electric Plant in Chicago Will Turn Night Into Day for Thirty Miles.

CHICAGO, July 15 .- Soon the entire right of way of the Hilnois Central ratiroad in Chicago and as far south as Matteson, Ill., will be as light during the nights as during the days. The company has just power for illuminating all the tracks, s.ations and yards for a distance of nearly thirty miles.

The new plant is said to be one of the bles in stoneware conduits underground.

Wathins of Sheldon Accused by Stillwater People of Causing Death of Will Johnson.

STILLWATER, Minn., July 15 .- Will Johnson, aged 16, an employe of a trained animal show, was drowned in Lake St. Croix today. It is alleged that one of the circus employes named Watkins picked Johnson up and threw him into a deep part of the lake, where the men were swimming. The boy could not swim and was drowned.

Watkins was pursued by one of the circus employes, armed with a revolver, but supposedly nonunion mill known as the he succeeded in cluding pursuit. John- think any first-class firm will find it im-Painter mill in West Carson street was son's home was in Bloomington, Ind., while

GIVES TO VETERAN TEACHERS Lewis Elkin of Philadelphia Leaves Most of Two Million Dollars to Them.

day, as the men are not in the union, but was well known in financial and railroad consols, depends entirely upon the United circles, admitted to probate today the States, If you send over good prices we ployes in that department will not go to bulk of his \$2,000,000 fortune is left in will keep them up, but if you are as pertrust to create a fund for the benefit of The American Steel Hoop company's disabled female teachers who have taught expect London to go on buying. The finanmili at Monessen was not closed to lay. It in the public schools of Philadelphia twenty-five years and have no means of support. The testator was a member of the Board of Education. The beneficiaries \$400 a year.

VISITS PRESIDENT HANNA Republican Leader Calls at the White House to Pay His

CANTON, O., July 15 .- Senator Hanna spent the afternoon with President McKiney. He arrived at Cleveland at 1:35 p. m. and was met at the station by Secretary Cor--that he had not seen the president for a

Respects.

committee that met the Amalgamated as- CROWDS WAITING FOR GOMEZ

Steamer is Delayed So that None but His Family Meet Him.

HAVANA, July 15 .- All day crowds lined he wharves awaiting the arrival of General Maximo Gomez, intending to give him a grand reception when he landed but owing to the delay of his steamer only his family was present when he disembarked. General Gomez expressed himself as well pleased with the result of his trip to the United States.

MUST TEAR DOWN TAKU FORTS

Provisional Government of Tien Tst: Receives Orders and Asks Guard for Workmen.

TIEN TSIN, July 15 .- The military comnanders have directed the provisional government of Tien Tsin to undertake the destruction of the Taku forts and the government has promised to comply on receipt of a military guard to protect the workmen engaged in the task

Match Corporation.

LONDON, July 15 .- At a special meeting of the shareholders of Bryant & May, held this afternoon, the agreement to acquire the business of the Diamond Match company of Liverpool for £480,000 to be provided by a new issue of Bryant & May shares was adopted. Chairman Bryant of dust throwing methods. The tube men in Bryant & May supported the resolution on the ground that the corporation was not in a position to fight the Diamond Match company. Some of the shareholders indignantly protested against the proposed amalgamation, saying that as the Diamon Match company never paid any dividends he saw now reason to buy off the Liverpool company for fear of future competi-

President Barber of the American Match empany spoke in favor of the amalgama-

Capture Boer Langer.

GRAAF REINET, Cape Colony, July 15 .-Colonel Schobel's column surprised and recaptured Scheeper's laager at Camdeboo July 14 taking thirty-one prisoners and capturing a quantity of ammunition and stores. Scheeper, with the bulk of his commando, escaped. There were no British casualties Most of the prisoners are rebels.

General Wood Much Better. Wood continues to improve steadily.

Have Bad Day in London Before the Sett ement.

Brokers There Decline to Loan on Yankee

Securities.

heavy declines in prices and large move- filling his pockets with cartridges. are chary all around where long periods in the grip of two detectives. of time are asked for Consols have falien another %, breaking the low record of demanded of Sergeant Hanley, who made recent years. Prices of Americans opened the arrest. with a general fractional recovery, but "Are you with him?" asked the serlater declined, United States Steel common geant. learns that the bankers have not taken No reply had been received up to a late any such organized action. In a few cases hour.

on this security. In this connection J. P. Morgan, jr., said: We have had no notification that the a wife and family. banks were making difficulty. The only reason which can explain the decline in Steel is that there are more sellers than buyers. I do not believe the strike to be serious; only a few mills are concerned and the effect cannot possibly be judged for a few days. When these matters have developed, if the banks should decline to lend money on Steel we would be glad to do so for we have money available for such pur-

poses. London Broker's Explanation.

London, questioned on this subject, said: a new departure on the part of the ex-"It has always been rather difficult to carry over United States Steel corporation stock ment of awards. and today it is more than ever, but I don't

Lord Rothschild said to a representative of the Associated Press: "There is no discrimination against United States Steel corporation or other American stocks: it is simply a business matter here that bankers do not advance large amounts on one class of stock alone. If a man came to me and asked for £50,000 on one lot of stocks I would not give it to him. I should PHILADELPHIA, July 15 .- Under the require several different lots of securities. provisions of the will of Lewis Elkin, who The financial situation here, not excluding sistent as you have been teday you cannot cial situation in Germany is all right. Everything, as I have said, depends upon the United States. J. P. Morgan placed \$15,000,000 of Steel stocks here. They have of the fund are to receive an annuity of gone down considerably and it cannot be called surprising if the London market is despondent. But there is no real anxiety nor any likelihood of any panics or things of that sort. I expect the situation in the United States-through drouth, bad crops and the results of the strike-to be aggravated. Settle your strike and arrange your railroad difficulties and you will find

> London as willing as ever to support Amer-The New York prices cabled over today were lower than the London prices and London promptly slumped in sympathy. but quickly picked up again. Steel touched

3714 per cent, but rose to 89. Steel preferred touched 87% and rose to 90%.

New York Receives Confirmation NEW YORK, July 15 .- The Evening Post says cables received by foreign banking houses in this city confirmed the abov cable as to the difficulty of obtaining loans in London on United States Steel corporation shares. One of the best known for

eign bankers in the city said: "London bankers have never done quite the same thing before. Their attitude is wholly new, I think, so far as American stocks are concerned. Some time ago they declined to loan on mining shares, but under the circumstances that refusal did not amount to much. It must be remembered, however, that London has not the facility of New York's call loan system and that whatever funds are tied up at this settlement day must hold over the fortnight. For this reason they are naturally disturbed at the strike news and the apparent uncertainty of the situation.

"But the discrimination, whatever it is. may not last long. After the flurry is over and the heavy drop in the price of Steel shares (part of which has been already made good) is over affairs will be adjusted. Again, Lendon has had its hands full all along without providing a market for these foreign securities, so that the hitch is not unnatural. Then too, London bankers never require a margin on loans, letting the brokers have full value of the collateral offered, so that when a drop occurs around settlement day consequences are always apt to be embarrassing.

Bourse Feels Effect.

BERLIN, July 15 .- The decline on the London Stock exchange today in American railway shares and the shares of the United States Steel corporation was responded to here with heavy offerings of Canadians, which fell four points and then

CHICAGO BREWERIES TIED UP Stationary Firemen's Strike Results

in Threatened Drouth-Companies Object to Recognizing Union.

CHICAGO, July 15 .- The stationary firemen employed in Chicago's thirty-two large breweries struck today on order of the international president, Joseph W. Morton of the Brotherhood of Stationary Firemen.

The walkout resulted in a complete tieup of the beer-making industry throughout the city. Six of the breweries affected signed the union agreement tonight, but as the men at the other twenty-six threatened unless a speedy settlement is

CONSOLIDATION NOT OPPOSED AMERICAN STOCKS DECLINE IOWA GIRL'S PREDICAMENT HIVE KILLED ON THE KATY OMAHA GETS GOOD SOAKING Man She Elopes with Arrested for

Shoplifting-Said to Be from South Omaha.

CHICAGO, July 15 .- (Special Telegram) Two months ago Miss Maude Whitney, REAL REASON IS HARD TO DISCOVER daughter of a well-to-do jeweler in Vancleve, la., fell in love with Charles Armstrong while on a visit to Burlington. Tonight Miss Whitney, who is very pretty. looked through the bars at the Harrison street annex while Armstrong was implisoned in a cell below. She thought he was an upright young man and eloped with him when he promised to marry her. Today she was astonished to learn that he was a LONDON, July 15 .- The Stock exchange notorious shoplifter known all over the today was engaged with the preliminaries west. He was arrested by detectives in Thursday to hear testimony that the 'Frisco of the settlement. There were marked and Butler Bros.' store, where they caught him

auxiety prevailed, especially in the market ney to walk with him and when they dead: for Americans. The rumor that bankers reached Butlet Bros' place he told her to would not lend on American securities is wait outside until he returned. After a gross exaggeration. Lenders, however, waiting a short time she saw him come out "What are you doing with him?" she

falling 414 and Steel preferred 5. Since the When answered in the affirmative the about head and leg broken. last settlement many Americans have fallen sergeant told her to come with them. At from six to eight points and one or two central station the officers heard Miss crushed and head cut. sixteen to eighteen points. The depres- Whitney's story and then told her that the

advances were refused on Steel, but this Detective Sergeant Hanley said tonight in into the river. The two trains caught fire the dry roofs and the thirsty pavements Illinois and possibly Indiana. was owing more to the fear of the solvency regard to Armstrong: "I have known him after the engines went into the river and and everything that was out doors got a of the applicants than to the value of the for some time as a shoplifter. He has burned up the bridge as well as the cars. thorough drenching. Some things indoors these showers Wednesday in the Ohio and the first strike order, which affected the largest and most complete in the country, experienced in getting the usual advances ham. Ala., Indianapolis and has served time in Kansas City. Armstrong's home is said to be in South Omaha, where he has at Wymark to let the other freight pass, shutters open and many a householder

BUFFALO WILL BE PROMPT Promises to Make Exposition Awards in September-Governor Wells and Bride Arrive.

BUFFALO, July 15 .- Awards for exhibits at the Pan-American exposition will be announced in September. The statement given out by Dr. Pritchett, superintendent of awards, was hailed with delight by the One of the largest American brokers in exhibitors for the reason that it marks position man gement in the early announce-

> Heber M. Wells, governor of Utab, and his bride arrived here today, unheralded and unattended. Governor and Mrs. Wells spent the day at the exposition.

> Two hundred and fifty members of the Missouri State Press association, which has just held its annual session in St. Their purple badges bear the inscription: "United we stand for Missouri and the world's fair."

MINING CONGRESS NOW OPEN Onto Valley express, Wheeling. First Day's Session of Transmississippi Delegates Finda Many Handreds on Hand.

CRIPPLE CREEK, Colo., July 15 .- The welfth annual meeting of the Transmississippi Mining congress will open here tomorrow and about 1,000 delegates from every western state and territory, as well as Hawaii and Alaska, will be in attendance. Six hundred delegates are already in

the city. The congress will close on Friday and on Saturday the delegates will be taken on excursions over the state. Among those attending will be the governors of Kansas. Nebraska, Minnesota, Idaho, Arizona and Oklahoma. The list of delegates includes many others of national reputation. Many matters of importance to the west will

The Interstate Mississippi River association will also meet here during the week. FIFTY THOUSAND FOR 'FRISCO Epworth League Convention Brings Golden Gate City Legions of

Strangers.

convention arrived here today. It is calculated that 10,000 delegates have already arrived and that 40,000 more are enroute. On forty special trains, which left Salt Lake City last night and this morning, are nearly 20,000 delegates. At least 6,000 are traveling by way of Los Angeles and per-Santa Fe route there are said to be 1,000 copic journeying toward this city. From these figures, which the railroad officials and the local Epworth Leaguers say are authentic, it is certain San Francisco will be called upon to entertain 50,000 strangers the next week or ten days.

EDISON PROTECTS HIS NAME Gets Chemical Company Enjoined from Using It for Business · Purposes.

WILMINGTON, Del., July 15 .- At the greatest soldiers of any age-Lee of Virnstance of Thomas A. Edison Judge Brad- ginia. ford handed down a decree in the United Chemical company from using the name Thomas A. Edison or the term "Wizard" in connection with its business, unless setting forth that Thomas A. Edison is not connected with the company or its business. The company is chartered in Dela ware and has offices in New York.

SHOOTS A PAIR OF FISHERMEN Deputy Game Warden at Grand Mesa Lake Kills One and Fatally

Wounds Another.

DELTA, Colo., July 15 .- Deputy Game dian, shot and killed W. A. Womack and van. fatally wounded A. L. Hinshman, who, it is claimed, resisted arrest for illegal fishing in Grand Mesa lakes. The fishermen claim the lakes are public waters, but the officers say they are the private property of William Radeliffe, a wealthy land owner of the vicinity.

Vie Smith Captured for Robbery.

BLAIR, Neb., July 15 .- (Special Telegram)- Late last night Sheriff Mencke and two deputies arrested Vic Smith on the charge of stealing a valuable saddle from breweries are still out a beer famine is Harry Seltz of DeSoto. Smith has a bad record, having served a prison term in Iowa, and he was sentenced from this county in Recognition of the union, an eight-hour 1895 for the burglary of Sas Bros.' store day and \$2 a day wages are the demands in Blair. He gave the officers a lively made by the firemen. It is the first of chase and was captured at the point of a HAVANA. July 15 .- Governor General these demands which brewing companies revolver. The property was found in a weed patch near Smith's home.

Trainmen and Tramps Fatally Crushed in Head-End Collision.

ENGINES FALL INTO ARKANSAS RIVER

Bridge Near Wymark, L. T., Where Crash Ocenrs, Gives Way-Trains Burn Up-Three Are Badly Injured.

PARSONS, Kas., July 15 .- A head-end 11 a. m. S7 collision between two local freight trains 12 m...... 88 on the Missouri, Kansas & Texas rallroad near Wymark, L. T., killed five men. Three ments in the money market. A feeling of This morning Armstrong took Miss Whit- others were probably fatally injured. The

> JOE MORRIS, Parsons. TWO UNKNOWN TRAMPS. JAMES LEVELLE, head brakeman, Par-

FRANK FITZGERALD, nead brakeman. The injuced-Joe Massey, crushed and injured inter- who had found the night, like so many of nally; death expected any moment.

- Bean, fireman, Parsons, badly cut gentle patter was soon succeeded by a - Killarney, fireman, Parsons, chest

The collision occurred on a bridge over wind brought the rain in gusts, and the heat-stricken corn belt temorrow is presion in United States Steel is chiefly dus prize she believed was hers was a shop- the Arkansas river. There is a sharp curve few belated people on the streets were dicted by the weather bureau tonight. to the report that the London bankers re- lifter who at one time served a term in near the bridge and when the engineer saw drenched before they could take refuge in No general rains, apparently, are yet fused to loan money on stock of that cor- prison in Kansas City. Word was sent to the danger the engines were too close to doorways. The storm increased rapidly poration. The Associated Press, however, her father of his daughter's predicament, gether to be stopped. The two engines and for an hour and a half a soaking rain in sight, but thunder showers, with concame together in the middle of the bridge, fell. The wind blew with sufficient velo- sequent lower temperature, are probable the bridge collapsed and both engines fell city to sweep the rain in sheets along over in Nebraska, Kansas, Missouri, Iowa and The two engines are reported to be bur- were scaked as well, for during the dry Mississippi valleys and in the upper lake ied in the quicksand in the river. The local freight was to have sidetracked of going to bed with all windows and time being.

but the conductor made a mistake in read- awoke to find cold spatters of water play- throughout the corn beit and over the ing his orders.

and material left here today and it is the holes in the houses. Everybody was the early evening over the latter district thought tht the road will be cleared and glad enough to get wet for the sake of under the influence of local thunderthe bridge repaired so as to be ready for having a break in the torrid monotony. use by Thursday. Trains are now running over other roads by way of Fort Smith, Ark., and from there to the "Katy" at South McAlester.

ANOTHER HEAD-END MEETING Loose Engine Collides with the Ohio Valley Express and Two

Deaths Result.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., July 15 .- Two persons were killed outright, one was fatally injured and several others were less seriously injured in a head-end collision on the Ohio River railroad at Paden's Valley this evening. The Ohio Valley express on Louis, arrived at the exposition today, the way from Cincinnati to Pittsburg was run into at full speed by a loose engine southbound and both engines were almost totally demolished. The dead are: ENGINEER A. L. COURTRITE of the

> WILLIAM BOOTHBY, fireman, Parkers purpose of petitioning for rain. William Day of Parkersburg, engineer of the loose engine, was fatally injured and will probably die before morning. Fireman Carter of the loose engine was seriously injured. Several of the passengers were more or less severely bruised, but none was seriously hurt.

BLOOD ON ROCK ISLAND TIES Fifteen Negroes Said to Be Killed in Battle with Mexicans in

New Mexico.

HEREFORD, Tex., July 15. - Word reached this place today of a pitched battle and wholesale killing between Mexicans and negroes who are working on the new Rock Island extension in New Mexico, 100

miles west of here. The trouble originated in the killing of Mexican by a negro some weeks since. The authorties undertook to arrest the acsailant, but his friends interfered and they were obliged to withdraw. Last week thirty-five or fifty Mexicans armed themselves with Winchesters and went after the negro. A battle took place, in which fifteen negroes were killed outright and several wounded. The casualties among the SAN FRANCISCO, July 15 .- Several Mexicans cannot be learned. The trouble thousand delegates to the Epworth League occurred at Spencer's railroad camp, near Liberty, N. M., in a sparsely-settled portion of the territory where peace officers are few and the law is not rigidly en-

ROBERTS' COMPLIMENT TO LEE haps 4,000 by way of Portland. On the English Campaigner Writes of Desire to Show Respect to One of

World's Greatest Soldiers

RICHMOND, Va., July 15 .- In a letter just received by Miss Mary Curtis Lee. Lord Roberts, commander-in-chief of the British army, says:

"It may be that I shall never be able to carry out my wish of visiting your great country, but I hope that some day I shall do so and that I may see the monument in the college chapel at Lexington. I shall consider it a privilege to be able to show my respect and admiration for one of the and is of good quality. Corn and pastures

"With kindest regards from Lady Rob-States court today enjoining the Edison erts and myself, believe me, dear Miss Lee, Yours sincerely, LORD ROBERTS."

WINNIPEG IS STORM SWEPT Manitoba Reports Hundred Thousand Dollars Damage by Wind and Rain.

WINNIPEG. Man., July 15 .- A terrific storm struck the Pleasant Point district on Carberry plains Saturday night, doing \$100,000 damage to crops and farm buildings. At Rat Portage and Norman a tornado scattered lumber in all directions is much cooler. The crops have not been generous quantities. and damaged the big mills. Austin Me- burt by the drouth, but the bot weather greatly helped and distress has been re-Warden F. A. McHaney, a half-breed In- Innis was killed by lightning near Boisse-

Indiana Still Swelters.

LAFAYETTE, Ind., July 15 .- The intense heat of the last two weeks still continues. | pecially fall wheat. The temperature at noon today was from 99 to 191, according to locality. Pastures parent break in the hot spell here today. are burning up and corn is badly shriveled. The loss at present in this county on the Light clouds floated with a light breeze. corn crop is fully 20 per cent.

Movements of Ocean Vessels July 15.

At New York-Arrived-Furnessia, from Glasgow; Sictia, from Nap es; Maasdam, from Rotterdam; Georgian from Lav r-pool; Manitou, from London; Georgic cooler than yesterday. ATLANTIC, Ia., July 15 .- (Special.)-Gibraltar-Arrived-Aller, from New and died last evening without regaining rence. Antwerp-Arrived-Kensington, from the Iowa house here for the last two years At Cherbourg-Barbarossa, from New York. At Bremen-Arrived-Barbarossa, from New York, via Cherbourg. Cherbourg-Barbarossa, from New

Local Thunder Showers Assemble in

Crops Drink in Brief Showers and Gratefully Look Up for More.

MUCH BENEFIT ALREADY BESTOWED

Thousands Upon Thousands of Dellars 2 p. m..... 12 faved to the larmers.

MISSOURI AND KANSAS SPRINKLED

nehold What Great Good a Little Water Loots at Times.

WLLKS OF DROUTH AT LAST BROKEN

People Bure Their Heads to the Clouds and Hold Jublice in the Streets-Prostrations Continue in Some Sections.

WASHINGTON, July 15,-Relief for the

There is a prospect of a continuance of spell the people had got into the habit regions, bringing cooler weather for the

Today the hot weather continued ing a tattoo on his fevered skin. There lower lake region and upper Ohio valley, Three relief trains with repairing crews was little scramble, however, to cork up but temperatures tell considerably during

> storms. Thunderstorms also occurred in South Dakota, northern Illinois, portions of Ohio, Missouri and Arkansas and afforded some relief from the heat.

local shower, gotten up especially for Omaha's benefit. The Union Pacific offices MORE HOPE FOR THE CROPS at 3 o'clock this morning reported no rain along their lines, though prospects of it. Showers that Have Fallen Are a The Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul and Omaha offices reported local showers ex-Promise of Henvier Rains to

Come. KANSAS CITY, July 15 .- A portion of the drouth-stricken southwest has been re-Plattsmouth, but north of these points no lieved by rain during the past twenty-four rain. At both of these places the rain began hours. Great good has already resulted to after 2 o'clock. Lincoln reported no rain crops and as there are prospects tonight of there, but had heard of showers at Utica a further downfall, it is believed thousands upon thousands of dollars will be saved At 3 o'clock the storm slackened at farmers on stock and crops. Nevertheless much greater quantities of rain must come before a lasting benefit is done. In the portions of central and western Missouri, western Kansas and the territories still untouched by rain conditions remain un-

changed, the temperature ranging from 98 to 106, the latter at Hutchinson, Kan. The rains, which come at the end of a NEBRASKANS PRAY FOR RAIN frouth of from four to eight weeks' duration, covered southwestern Missouri and portions of one-third of Kansas, taking in the southeast corner of the Sunflower state from Riley and Dickinson counties down to the Oklahoma line. The first break came last night when fairly good rains fell in Barton and Green counties, LINCOLN, July 15 .- This was the hottest Missouri, and on the Oklahoma border in day of the year in Lincoln and south-Kansas, in Cowley and Chautauqua counties, eastern Nebraska, the maximum temperaand along the Union Pacific rathroad in ture being 104.4. No rain fell except the Riley county. These rains while good were elight showers early this morning, amountnot sufficient to place the burned crops ing to slightly over one-tenth of an inch out of danger. This morning a heavy rain Reports on crop conditions received today fell in the vicinity of Joplin, Mo., and confirm the previous predictions that in traveling west, covered portions of Montthat section of the state east of a line gomery. Butler and Sedgwick counties, drawn 100 miles from the Missouri river Kansas. Around Joplin there was a heavy the damage to the corn has been slight, fall for ten minutes. At 1:30 a seaking while west of that the stalks lack a triffe rain fell in Cherokee county across the line in sap and substance sufficient to give the in Kansas, preceded by hail, benefiting ear proper growth. Heavy rains are repastures and small grains immensely and ported in the extreme northwestern part bringing relief to the crushing plants in the zine mining district. During the after-WEST POINT, Neb., July 15 .- (Special.) noon a heavy rain fell in the vicinity of -A season of special prayer for rain was Coffeyville, Eldorado and Wichita, Kan. inaugurated in St. Mary's church yester-At Coffeyville the people held a jubilee on day and will be continued daily. The inthe streets during the rain. Two counties tense heat continues and vegetation is sufwest from Kansas City, in Jefferson county, fering. Corn is standing the hot weather Kansas, a full inch of rain fell this afterbetter than any other plant, no injury to noon, while in Kansas City a temperature the crop being apparent. Early potatoes of 101 prevailed and hardly a cloud was are suffering, the tops being dried up.

visible. In Kansas City today Mrs. Martha C. Mu iett, wife of a prominent business man, died of heat prostration, and Edward B Shillito, contracting agent for the Traders' Dispatch fast freight line, was overcome and taken to his home in a ritical condition. Near Leavenworth, Kan., on his farm last night Oliver S Hiatt, a well known Kansas politician, died

REPORT SHOWERS IN KANSAS Light Rain Near Topeka and a Heavy One Along the Santa Fe Route.

from the effects of the heat.

TOPEKA, Kan., July 15 .- The government veather observer reports a slight rain east of Topeka this morning, with threatened ocal showers. Sunday was intensely hot, the mercury registering 105 at 5 o'clock and ss at midnight. Sunrise of Mouday showed registration of 77 degrees, which gradually crept up to 95 at noon, with slight breeze and clouds. The Santa Fe offices in this city report an hour's rain this norning along their Ottawa branch at Neosho Rapids, Clare and Gardiner, but the reports show no indication as to how

heavy the precipitation was. TOPEKA, Kan., July 15,-The outlook in drouth-stricken Kansas is much more favorable tonight. Rain has fallen in the state today and a much cooler and more hopeful air pervades. The air shows the intensely dry condition is gone. A forethis place was favored with a heavy cast sent out covering the entire state shower early this morning and the weather says that rain may now be expected in Crops was beginning to tell. This section is good lieved. Southern and eastern Kannas refor a week yet without any rain, though a ceived the most benefit from the rain tosoaking rain would do thousands of dol- day. In no case was it a hard rain, but

lars' worth of good. The small grain is much good resulted. Coffeyville, Eldorado, Independence, Valley Falls, Wellington, Wichita, Wamego, Oskaloosa, Manhattan and Abilene report good rains. In Wellington the rain was accompanied by a high wind, wrecking buildings and injuring some people. There which in a measure tempered the rays of the rain was too late to rescue the corn the sun. The local Weather bureau pre- but will be of great help to pastures, al-

dicts that the day will be considerably falfa and Kaffir corn. In Valley Falls half an inch of rain fell accompanied by some hall. A heavy rain John Landgan, 67 years old, was prostrated this morning extended from Emporia to by heat Sunday afternoon on the street Ottawa. A rain is also reported from Law-

consciousness. He has been boarding at | The showers that occurred in the vicinity of Arkansas City and between Newton and

and was fairly well fixed financially. He Hutchison are described as being too small has no relatives except a sister. Mrs. John to greatly help the crops.

McMann, living two miles south of Wiota. Today has been the coolest in most of