

WEATHER FORECAST. For Nebraska—Showers. For Iowa—Probably showers. For weather report see page 3.

GRAND ARMY NOW COMMENCES WORK

Commander-in-Chief Opens Business Session by Expression of Gratitude to Fraternity. SOUTHERNERS INTREPID MEN. Erstwhile Poes Made Sacrifices for Ideas of Right. GILMAN HEADS LIST OF OFFICERS. Committee Reports Against Dollar a Day Proposition. MEMBERSHIP SLOWLY DECREASES. Losses by Death During the Year More Than Five Thousand—Joint Session of Blue and Gray Suggested.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Sept. 22—John E. Gilman of Boston was this afternoon elected commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic for the coming year. John McHenry of Washington, D. C., was the only other candidate and he withdrew his name before the balloting began. The pension committee of the Grand Army of the Republic today made a report to the opening session of the national encampment commencing the proposition that congress grant each union vet. an of the civil war a pension of at least \$1 a day for life. The committee maintained such a pension would be too expensive to the government. The report recommends that the widows of veterans be given an increased pension, and also advocates that the pensions of veterans above the age of 70 years be increased. The report was referred to the resolution committee. This committee will make a report later. The election of officers and the place of next meeting were made the special order for this afternoon. Address of Commander Van Sant. Commander-in-Chief Samuel H. Van Sant of Minnesota today formally opened the business session of the national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic on the steel pier in this city, with a throng of delegates from the confederacy. The commander spoke earnestly as he expressed his gratification at the increasing fraternization of the "blue" and the "gray."

When he said that no braver troops were ever marshaled for conflict than the southern soldiers and the union veterans, you realize that no man ever made greater sacrifices for what they believed to be right, than their former foes, the commander was applauded. While the roll of the Grand Army is steadily shortening, the commander-in-chief urged that every effort be made to keep the organization up to its fullest possible strength. He quoted the figures showing that the Grand Army of the Republic at the beginning of the present year had still 215,000 members in good standing, as against 210,000 at the beginning of 1909. The loss during the year was 5,781, of which 5,324 was by death. The commander urged that recruiting measures be taken among the large number of former union soldiers who are not enrolled as Grand Army members.

Observance of Memorial Day. The speaker noted a better general observance of Memorial day than formerly. "Let us insist and do all in our power," he said, "that Memorial day shall be devoted solely and only to the purpose for which it was created. Let it be the one day of the year devoted to honoring our 'dear dead' for in that way we will teach the rising generation love and respect for the nation and its heroes who have died for it." He also urged the general cooperation of Grand Army members in including a general observance of Flag day.

Commander-in-Chief Van Sant had commendation for the work of the Grand Army of the Republic auxiliaries, praising the excellent work being done by the Woman's Relief Corps, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, Sons of Veterans and the Order of the Sons of the American Revolution. "This can be made a still grander organization. It is constantly increasing in numbers and influence. The Sons of Veterans with proper encouragement should meet the same conditions of men in the world. That it may be my earnest wish. The Sons of Veterans should have all the encouragement possible from the Grand Army of the Republic. It is in attendance at the Rawlins republican state convention, and after returning home suffered nervous breakdown.

Infantile Paralysis at Pierre. PIERRE, S. D., Sept. 22.—Specialist What appears to be a case of infantile paralysis has appeared in this city in the home of Wallace Calhoun, his 4-year-old son suffering with symptoms which are believed by the physicians in charge to be the new disease.

Report on Pensions. Of the more liberal pension legislation recommended by the pension committee, and urged at Washington by its committee, Commander-in-Chief Van Sant said: "I regret that nothing was accomplished, but it was a commendable effort. Congress would not pass any general pension legislation. However, some 5,000 private pension bills were enacted. The committee canvassed the matter industriously with senators and representatives, but to no purpose. The government was facing a deficiency in its revenues and retrenchment was the watchword. This was the reason given for nonaction. In my judgment, in view of the changed conditions of our country's financial affairs, if this encampment should again recommend this measure, it would likely pass.

"The Grand Army of the Republic has ever stood for the recognition of the services of its members, regardless of length of service—the ninety days' men as well as the veteran who served throughout the war. If the former did not stand in line of battle, he stood in the line of duty, and should have just consideration. The commander-in-chief expressed himself as particularly gratified at the increasing fraternization of the "blue and the gray." He voiced his pleasure at the receipt of a letter from him during his recent official visit to the southern department, not only from the former union soldiers, but from ex-confederates. Blue and Gray Meeting. "In all cities, when possible," he said, "I urge joint meetings of the blue and the gray. We had many gatherings of this character, and no more loyal and patriotic sentiments were ever uttered than by the men who fought on the other side. Are you not pleased to learn that our comrades are living in peace and harmony?" (Continued on Eighth Page.)

R. A. Ballinger Stops for Few Minutes in City

Secretary of Interior Arrives with Commissioner Valentine of Indian Affairs and Goes On. Ballinger, secretary of the interior, arrived in Omaha on his way to Washington, stopping for a few minutes here. Although obviously pleased to see a reporter enter his office, he expressed himself as glad to get on his way. He was accompanied by Commissioner Valentine of Indian Affairs and Commissioner of the General Land Office. Mr. Ballinger was dressed in gray and wearing a cap. He showed signs of being somewhat worn, but no more than was natural after such a hard trip. He appeared greatly interested in Nebraska affairs, praising the appearance of this state and the whole west on their crops. He asked after politics here and appeared well posted on the governor's contest. The secretary talked freely on national politics, expressing the opinion that Roosevelt was the best example of a progressive republican. "Bryan seems to have rather lost his hold upon Nebraska, hasn't he?" he asked. "Dahlman seemed to be able to get along without his support according to The Bee this morning."

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Four Killed by Lightning

Storm Works Havoc to Life and Property in Vicinity of Eastonville, Colo. COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo., Sept. 22.—Lightning killed four persons during a storm in the vicinity of Eastonville and destroyed a large number of houses southeast of here, last evening. The dead: MRS. GUS KROTZE of Elbert, Colo. MRS. JULIUS TROTZY of Kiowa, Colo. JAMES BLAND of Plattsburg, Mo. WILLIAM LOLCAMA of Eastonville, Colo. THREE UNIDENTIFIED. Bland and Lolcama were killed at Eastonville in a barn which was struck. Mrs. Krotze met death near Elbert as she was opening the gate of a wire fence, and Mrs. Trotzy was killed as she was driving through a field southeast of Kiowa.

MILL STRUCK BY LIGHTNING

Bernard & Staley Plant and Light Works at Belle Fourche Are Burned. BELLE FOURCHE, S. D., Sept. 22.—Fire originating from a stroke of lightning last night destroyed the Bernard and Staley flouring mill and the electric light plant here, causing a loss of \$60,000, with light insurance. Only the good work of the firemen prevented the blaze from wiping out the town. The electrical storm was one of the worst in years.

FRANK W. MONDELL IS ILL

Wyoming's Representative in Congress Seriously Sick and Reported to Be Growing Weak. SHERIDAN, Wyo., Sept. 22.—Frank W. Mondell, Wyoming's sole representative in the national congress, lies seriously ill at his home in Newcastle and reports tonight that his condition is growing worse. He was in attendance at the Rawlins republican state convention, and after returning home suffered nervous breakdown.

Who is Hoarding All the Nickels and Dimes Here?

When a great, big bank hasn't got a nickel, what has come to mind? Bankers haven't they? Nearly all the banks in the city are facing a wolf at the door in that respect. They are short of nickels, and if they hope to get the elusive little coins they'll have to get out and hustle. It has been announced that a shortage of nickels and dimes is at hand. The government has arisen as a result, "Where do the nickels and dimes go?" Omaha banks are now paying express charges on nickels and dimes from Chicago. Many hundreds of dollars' worth are shipped in each week and the question is what is becoming of them all.

LANE QUESTIONS RAILROAD LOGIC

Managers Testify that Unit of Cost of Operation Increases with Volume of Traffic. RAISE OF RATES WILL NEVER END. Commissioner Says Problem Must Be Solved on Other Basis. MENACE TO WESTERN COUNTRY. Constant Raise in Rates Would Burden Newer Communities. ANSWER OF THE SHIPPERS. It is Contended that Actual Income is Concealed by Manipulation of Stocks and Capitalization of Earnings.

CHICAGO, Sept. 22.—Railroads must adjust their economical difficulties by some other means than by asking shippers to contribute to the funds therefor, in the opinion of Interstate Commerce Commissioner Franklin K. Lane, as expressed during the hearing here today. Railroad officers and attorneys sought to learn if the commissioner implied these must be readjusted the method of financing big carrier systems, but Mr. Lane ignored the efforts and continued to ask the witness, to whom he had directed his startling remarks, pointed questions on the amount and disposition of earnings of the railroad in question, the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul.

The witness whose testimony evoked this display of the commissioner's judgment of the merits of the railroad's present plea for higher rates was William E. Ellis, commerce counsel for the St. Paul. Ellis had testified that his company was suffering from too much business, that the increase had meant an increase in the unit of cost which grew faster than the unit of income, thereby threatening the yearly surplus of earnings above payment of dividends and cost of operation and maintenance.

Lane's Statement. "As the country develops there will be more and more freight delivered to you and as conditions are now the rates constantly must be increased, according to railroad officials, I regard it as a menace to the country if the rates constantly are to be increased. We must work out this problem on lines other than by the proposed methods of raising the tariffs. If not, there is no time when we can say the maximum has been reached. This unexpected development in the rate hearing came as a result of the inquiry into the St. Paul's profits, particularly from the public lands acquired in recent years. Mr. Ellis denied the commissioner's suggestion that the road's optimism when it built the transcontinental extension had turned to pessimism now.

"If it had not been for that road," he said, "we would have had nothing from operation to add to our surplus last year. That extension added about \$2,500,000 to the surplus, in addition to the \$2,500,000 from other sources. Our total surplus is about \$5,000,000." He then told the commissioners that expense cost was overtaking earnings, and would continue as long as more traffic was handled as he had expected. Percentage of Profit Less. In answers to questions put to him Mr. Ellis said that if the gross income next year went to \$70,000,000 from this year's figures of \$60,000,000, the percentage of profit would be less. "Do you mean to say the cost of doing the additional \$10,000,000 in business would be equal to that sum?" he asked. "I mean the percentage of profit would not be so great," said Mr. Ellis. Attorney H. C. Lust, representing the Illinois manufacturers, asked: "Mr. Ellis, you say your gross income last year from other sources was \$9,000,000; what are those sources?" "Chiefly the Puget Sound division," he answered.

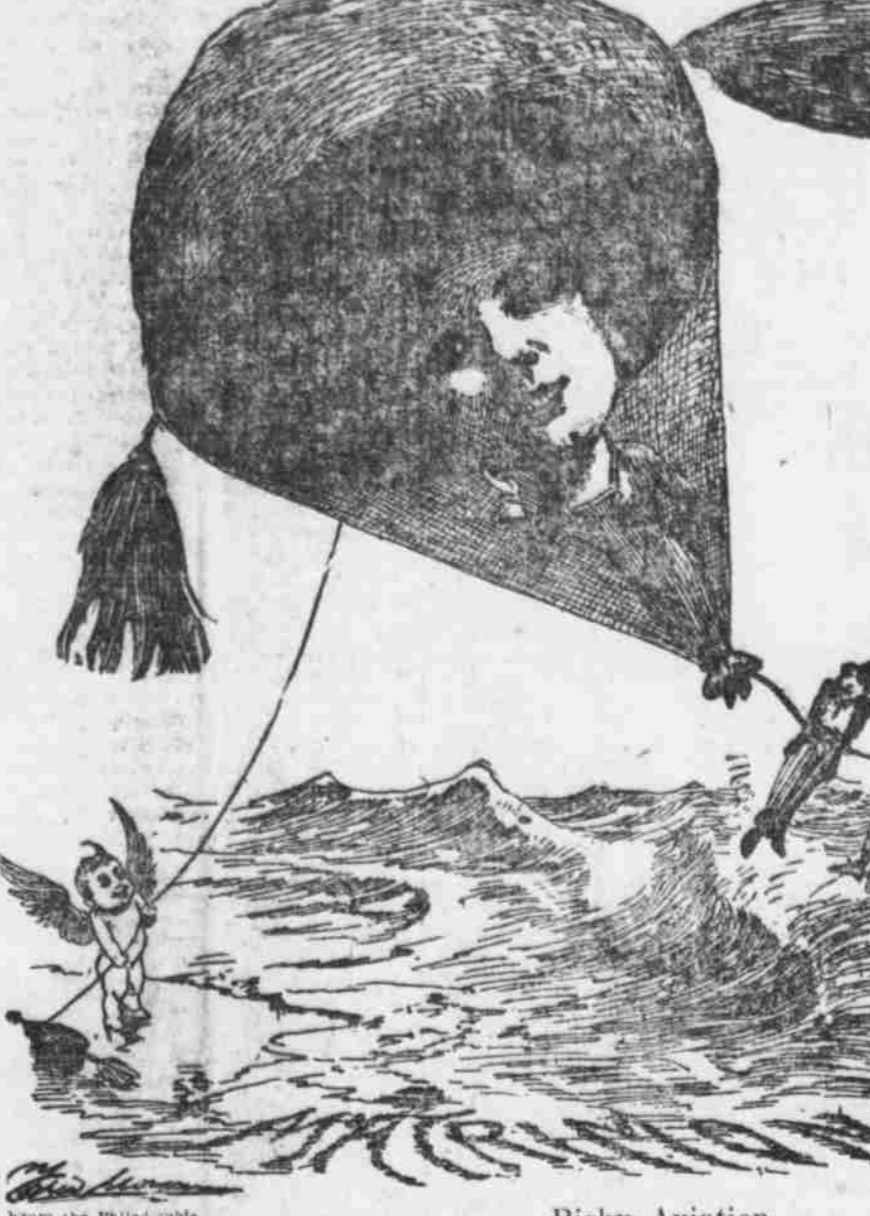
"The St. Paul owns all the stock, and in 1910 received \$6,000,000 in the bonds," interrupted Commissioner Lane again. "Do you mean to say the Puget Sound branch paid all its operating expenses for the ten years and in addition \$9,000,000 interest on its capitalization?" "Well, that was interest for a year and a half. However, it also earned a surplus of nearly \$2,000,000." "How was the Puget Sound division paid for?" asked Mr. Lane. "By a bond issue of \$100,000,000 sold to stockholders." "And in addition to the surplus a 7 per cent dividend was paid on that issue last year?" "Yes."

"About \$12,000,000 profit all told; that is, on each \$7,000,000 or so paid you received in this time \$1,000,000?" "That's not quite correct. You see the St. Paul owns the surplus of \$2,500,000 of the Puget Sound line in addition."

Lyon Asks Questions. Attorney Frank Lyon for the commission interrupted to ask: "If that surplus was added to the earnings of the St. Paul it would more than make up for the added cost of labor?" "It would."

"Then I would like to call the attention (Continued on Second Page.)"

Matrimonial Sea



Risky Aviation.

THIRTY-NINE DIE IN WRECK

Two Trolley Cars Collide on Curve Near Fort Wayne, Ind. CAUSE NOT YET EXPLAINED. Northbound Car Contained Sixty Persons, All of Whom Were Killed or Injured—Other Car Is Empty.

PORT WAYNE, Ind., Sept. 22.—Thirty-nine dead in the toll exacted by the Fort Wayne-Bluffton interurban disaster yesterday, so far as the check early today shows. The officials of the company refuse to give an opinion where the responsibility lies. The cause of the "special" train which was speeding south from Fort Wayne, knowing the "local" was ten or more minutes late, it is said, took chances of making a siding and failed. The injured in the hospitals in Fort Wayne are: Mrs. W. D. Buggan, Bluffton. Mrs. Margaret Tribbett, Bluffton. Mrs. M. A. Parkhurst, Bluffton. C. M. Brown, Warren, Ind. B. F. Corke, motorman "special" train. A. Ellenberger, Berne, Ind. List of Dead.

The dead: W. E. BOWMAN, Bluffton. A. E. HYDE, Berne, Ind. S. E. STUCKEY, Vera Cruz. RALPH WALKER, Bluffton. LLOYD BROWN, Bluffton. L. C. JUSTUS, Bluffton, general manager Bluffton, Geneva and Celina Traction line. E. H. ROBINSON. J. F. SWARTZ, Bluffton, Ind. EARNEST CARLISLE. CHARLES FISHER, Uniondale. W. B. BURGAN. OSCAR ZIMMER. W. S. E. THOMPSON, Ard Arbor, Mich. MRS. GARRETT MAXWELL, Garrett. MRS. MYRTLE HARKLEY, daughter of Mrs. Folk, Bluffton. DANIEL DEBACK, Petroleum, Ind. JOHN SMITH, Montpelier. MRS. JOHN SMITH, Montpelier. JOHN REED, Buttery E., Fifth artillery, New York. JOSEPH EDENS, Hartford City, W. Va. BEN CRAMER, Frankfort.

All Killed or Injured. Practically all of the dead were persons living near Bluffton. It was a holiday throng bound for Fort Wayne to attend the Allen county fair. The local was filled to the last seat and there were several persons in the aisles or on the platforms. The crash was without warning. Running at its highest speed, the empty "special" sped out from the woods on a curve and plunged into the "local," which also was running at high speed. All in the car, probably sixty passengers, scarcely one escaped injury or death. That an effort will be made to place the blame is made apparent by the action of the Indiana State Board of Railway Commissioners. Within a short time of the New York.

JESSE JAMES WANTS DIVORCE

Son of Famous Bandit Says His Wife Threatened Him with Revolver. KANSAS CITY, Sept. 22.—Jesse James, son of the famous bandit of that name, today filed a suit for divorce in the circuit court here in which he charges his wife, Stella M. James, with indignities. James alleges that his wife, while in his office recently, drew a revolver on him and that last Sunday night she searched his room in a local hotel. Mr. and Mrs. James married in January, 1909, and separated a year ago. They have four children. James, who is a lawyer, in his petition asks that he be allowed to pay his wife \$150 a month alimony.

Furnished rooms are always in demand. Bee readers always want them.

They look in The Bee for them. They depend upon the want ad columns of The Bee to get them. If you have a room to spare, call Tyler 1900 and describe it. That's all. Your ad will be written, and taken good care of. It is a matter of a few cents and a few hours. Everybody reads Bee want ads.

CARDINAL IS THE GUEST OF OMAHA

Noted Prelate Representing the Pope Comes to City for a Two Days' Stay. MANY ATTEND BIG BANQUET. His Eminence and Suite Guests at Evening Function. PUBLIC RECEPTION FOLLOWS. Hundreds of Omaha Citizens Received by Prelate. LUNCHEON WITH MRS. CUDAHY. Trip is Made in Automobile to View the Different Catholic Institutions of Omaha and South Omaha.

After a full day of entertainment and sightseeing, Vincenzo Cardinal Vannutelli figured as guest in a monster banquet and reception at the Paxton hotel last night. Hundreds of persons greeted him in the formal fashion of kissing the ring on his finger or accepting his blessing with reverential bow. The banquet had its start about 6:30 p. m. and was concluded about 9 o'clock. The reception continued to a late hour, with a steady stream of visitors filing through the hotel and past his eminence. Towering high above members of the general reception committee, carrying his red hat in his hand, and beaming with a most kindly smile on the hundred or more who stood uncovered to greet him, Cardinal Vannutelli, who is the Vatican practically what the vice president is to the United States, alighted from a Northwest train shortly after 7:30 yesterday morning and in French, said that he was pleased to be in Omaha and to see his greatness. Still carrying his hat in his hand and still wearing a broad smile, the cardinal walked briskly through Union station and everywhere he was greeted with a most respectful welcome. Employees at the depot and passengers waiting for trains, as well as those who had arrived on morning trains, stood with bared heads as the noted visitor passed by.

LORIMER ASKS FOR DELAY

Senator's Attorney Asks Committee to Postpone Inquiry. It is Urged that It Would Be Unfair to Force Indicted Legislators to Give Testimony Before Their Trials. CHICAGO, Sept. 22.—After hearing arguments for and against a postponement of the Lorimer investigation until after the November election, the senatorial committee adjourned its first formal session today until tomorrow morning without deciding any of the questions presented to it. The plea for postponement of the hearing was made by Attorney Elbridge Haney, counsel for Senator Lorimer. Attorney Clifford W. Barnes of the Legislative Voters' league, who filed a petition with the United States senate, embodying the charges of fraudulent methods in the election of Senator Lorimer, opposed the postponement, declaring that the senatorial committee had a solemn duty to perform to help "purge the state of its disgrace."

Wholesale Raids in New York

Plain Clothes Men Make Hundreds of Arrests in the Tenderloin District. NEW YORK, Sept. 22.—A police descent on the tenderloin in the early hours today was featured by several of the most spectacular raids in years on alleged illegal resorts. Plain clothes men swarmed through the district and arrests were made right and left. Two police stations were crowded with prisoners taken in the raid and as the result of a round up of women of the district found on the streets during the night. The activities of the official force caused intense excitement in the tenderloin, crowds following the raiders about and awaiting the results of their operations. Agents of Raymond Fosdick, commissioner of accounts, whose investigation of tenderloin conditions brought about acting Mayor Mitchell's recent complaint against Police Commissioner Baker were out in numbers following the course of the police and seeking evidence for the grand jury probing of gambling and vice conditions now in progress. It was expected that Commissioner Baker would be one of the witnesses called by the grand jury today.

Archbishop Ireland Comes

To the words of greeting and the smiles of welcome for him Archbishop Ireland said: "I am glad, happy to come to Omaha. I am at home in this city and have a great number of personal friends here. At no time I have been in Nebraska when it gave me more pleasure than the present trip is giving, when I am a humble member of the party escorting the distinguished representative of the Vatican to the city and a state."

Other Prominent Guests.

The city is full of the most prominent citizens of Nebraska and western Iowa, who have come to see and greet the representative of the pope while he is a guest of the Catholics of Omaha. Father Gleason was manager of the depot reception committee and did his work so well that Archbishop Ireland laughingly said: "Fall out, some of you fellows, and let's keep the trail hot, Gleason has everything primed!"

Objection to Continuance.

Attorney Barnes, in opposing the continuance, said: "The Legislative Voters' league is a disinterested party in this proceeding. We are anxious to help remove the stain on the state of Illinois. Your gentlemen have the power to aid and to help the state clear out a lot of rascals." The attorney for the Legislative Voters' league asked that Attorney Alfred S. Austrian, representing the Chicago Tribune, be allowed to speak on the motion. Attorney Austrian professed his argument with a request that the newspaper which he represented be allowed to appear in the hearing by counsel.

Other Notables Coming.

Archbishop John J. Glennon of St. Louis, Theophile Papin, chairman of the St. Louis reception committee, and D. McManis, general passenger agent of the Wabash railroad, will arrive at 9:25 this morning to accompany his eminence, Cardinal Vannutelli, and party, who leave via the Wabash at 6:30 this evening for St. Louis. CARDINAL FROM NOTED FAMILY. From Old Nobility Which Has Been Prominent for Centuries. Vincenzo Cardinal Vannutelli is said to be one of the most venerated members of the College of Cardinals. He is very gracious and is a good conversationalist in the languages with which he is familiar. He speaks Italian and French fluently, and understands and speaks English fairly well. He is six feet three in height and is one of the most imposing figures at any function in which he participates. Vincenzo Cardinal Vannutelli is the younger of two brothers of that name, both prominent in the College of Cardinals. The elder brother is Seraphino Vannutelli, sub dean of the Sacred college and prefect of

Odd Tale of Adventure and an Unusual Insurance Risk

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22.—An odd tale of adventure, including an unusual insurance risk, is to be laid before the supreme court of the United States next month, when that tribunal will be asked to decide whether an insurance company is liable on a policy taken upon a steamer against the perils of capture on a voyage from San Francisco to Vladivostok during the Russo-Japanese war. The vessel in question was the British ship M. S. Dollar. Late in 1904 it was chartered to send the steamer to Vladivostok with a cargo and in order to protect the owners from loss by capture they took out a policy against this peril with the Mar-

Time Insurance company, limited, a British corporation.

The vessel was seized off the coast of Japan about four days' sail from Vladivostok and subsequently was condemned. It is claimed by the insurance company that it is not liable because it not only carried papers showing Vladivostok as its real destination, but also another set of papers showing Moji, Japan, as the destination. The circuit court of appeals for the ninth circuit decided that the company was liable. On account of the conflict law on the subject the supreme court will be asked to direct the circuit court of appeals to send the case to it for review.