EXPRESSION OF COMMISSION

An Exhaustive Summary of Evidence Adduced by Commissions' Rigid Inquiry.

' Washington-A report was made puo... , the Interstate Commerce commission of its inquiry into railroad operations of the so-called Harriman lines of railways which has been in progress for several months. The report, which was written by Commissioner Franklin K. Lane, is the unanimous expression of the commission on the subject. Copies of the report have been transmitted to President Roosevelt and the Department the Roosevelt automobile. of Justice. It is expected by the commission that it will be determined by the president and Attorney General Bonaparte from the statement set out in the report whether the government | boarded the special car, remarked that will institute any sort of proceedings against Mr. Harriman or the corporations involved in the inquiry. No recommendations are made by the commission that either criminal or civil prosecutions be instituted as a result of its inquiry.

The report is an exhaustive summary of the evidence adduced at the enters fully into a discussion of the ment follows: policy pursued by Mr. Harriman in obtaining and maintaining control of the various lines of railway in the Hargives the places where hearings were held. The report then says:

"Within three years after the reorgarization of the Union Pacific Railroad company in 1897 Mr. Edward H. Union Pacific Prepares for Possible Harriman became the dominating spirit in that corporation. As chair man of the executive committee he exercises powers that are well-nigh absolute. The directors have delegated their power to manage and direct all only part of the Wyoming division is the business and affairs of the company to an executive committee of five members, who shall act 'in such It is estimated that no less than 500,000 manner as such committee shall deem | tons will be stored along the Union best for the company's interest in all Pacific before fall, so that when the cases in which specific directions shall crisis comes this winter, as railroad not have been given by the board,' and | men assert it is sure to come, the comin turn the chairman of the executive committee is authorized to represent trains moving without making extrathat body when it is not in session. Accordingly we find that in 1902 Mr. Harriman was 'authorized to borrow such sums of money as may be required for the use of this company, and to execute in the name and on behalf of this company a note or notes for the amounts so borrowed.

GARFIELD BUSY IN THE WEST.

Investigating Numerous Questions of Interest to This Section.

Portland, Ore.-Accompanied by a large corps of assistants and heads of departments, Secretary of the Interior James R. Garfield arrived in Portland and immediately began gathering data which the secretary desires. The subjects under investigation are: The fuel supply, the transportation problem, the conservation of forests and water supply, the increase of reclamation projects, the correction existing evils and abuses in public land offices, the subject of creation of future forest reserves and the development of latent energy of water coures for utilization in indus-

DENIAL COMES FROM JAPAN.

No Military Spies in United States

Now or at Any Other Time. Tokio-General Terauchi, the minister of war, in an interview contradicting the reported arrest of a Japanese spy at San Diego, Cal., said: "There are no Japanese military officers in America except military attaches. The war office," he emphatically declared, "has never instructed any officer or amateur spy to examine 'American forts."

Cleveland Resting at Home

Princeton, N. J.-Former President Grover Cleveland is resting at his home in this city, recuperating from his recent illness. Mr. Cleveland has not yet decided when he will leave Princeton to join his family in Tamworth, N. H., for the summer vacation.

Attempted Assassination. Paris-The national fete day was marred by a dastardly attempt on the life of President Fallieres by Leon Maille, a naval reservist of Havre, who, it is believed, is suffering from the mania of persecution. Maille fired two shots at the president, but did not

Anarchy is on Decline. Milan-The well known Italian an erchist leader, Saverio Merlino, who was once imprisoned and went to live abroad, was interviewed on the anarchist convention at Luxembourg. He garding a number of important matsaid that he believes that anarchism is nearing its end. It has lost all of which represents Utopia was recognized as such and consequently forsaken. The anarchist federations still existing, he declares, live merely because of tradition.

Evading Immigration Laws. The steamer Kumeric with 1,200 Japanese passengers, is ready to sail for Vancouver, B. C. The charterer, M. Ariyama, has deposited \$25 for each passenger with the ship's agents to comply with the Canadian immigration law.

Denies All Orchard's Charges. se, Idaho-William D. Haywood took oath, a witness in his own de-tense, denied guilt of the murder of Frank Steunenberg and the manifold charges against him by Harry Orchard.

CALLS ON THE PRESIDENT.

panese Admiral Lunches With Chief Executive.

Oyster Bay, L. I.—The highest official courtesy that could be extended Admiral Baron Yamatomo during his visit to the United States took place Friday, when President Roosevelt entertained the Japanese admiral as his guest of honor at a luncheon served at 1 o'clock at Sagamore hill. Viscount Aoki, the Japanese ambassador, and personal representative of the emperor, shared in the cordiality extended to the Japanese nation as did Captain Mote Kondo, inspector of naval construction of the Japanese navy, and a member of Admiral Yamamoto's suite. Assisting the president and Mrs. Roosevelt in the entertaining of the distinguished visitors were Assistant Secretary of State Bason, Representative Herbert Parsons of New York, and Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Morgan, also of New York.

The guests arrived at Oyster Bay shortly after noon and were conveyed at once to the Sagamore hill home in

Members of the Japanese party whom the president entertained at luncheon returned to New York at 3 o'clock. Ambassador Aoki, as he neither he nor the admiral had time to make any statement regarding their visit to the president,

An official announcement of a "thoroughly good understanding and fundafriendliess" between the United States and Japan was issued by President Roosevelt through Secretary Loeb after the departure of Adseveral hearings held by the commis miral Yamamoto and Ambassador sion in the course of its inquiry. It Aoki from Sagamore Hill. The state-

"The president had a long interview with Admiral Baron Yamamoto and it was satisfactory in every way. It conriman system, and presents a fairly firms what has already been made complete history of the operations of clear by Ambassador Aoki, the the various lines. It opens by stating thoroughly good understanding hethat the investigation was made by the tween the two governments and the commission on its own initiative and fundamental friendliness between the two nations."

COAL PILES MOUNTAIN HIGH.

Fuel Famine. Omaha-"The Union Pacific now has \$212,000 tons of coal stored, most of which came from the mines of Illinois Missouri, Kansas and Colorado, and supplied by our mines," said! General Manager Mohler of the Union Pacific. pany will be in a position to keep its ordinary demands on the lines.

Dealers Look for Big Crop. Nebraska City--At a meeting of the Nebraska Grain Dealers' association. composed of those who own elevators on the Missouri Pacific railroad in this vicinity, held in this city, it developed that the yield of wheat promises to be much larger than anticipated. The men discussed plans to secure cars, so there would not be the usual congestion and shortage. They also said that the corn prospects were exceptionally bright and the indications were that there would be a large

CHICAGO PACKERS GIVE UP.

yield.

Agree to "Sealed Package" Plan of Assuming Risk.

Chicago-The "sealed package" system of buying cattle at the Chicago stock yards was adopted as a compromise at a meeting between representa tives of the Chicago Live Stock exchange and the packers. Negotiations have been pending for several weeks between the commission men and the packers and no agreement could be reached on any other basis.

Japanese Caught Spying.

San Diego Cal.-It is learned from trustworthy source, that in addition to the Japanese detected in making sketches at Fort Kosecrans, a few days ago, another was arrested in the fort, for having a blue-print of the works in his possession. This latter Japanese was employed as a servant at the fort. He is a man of superior attainments. In his room was found a standard work on engineering. The blue-print was well drawn and showed much mechanical skill, but was not completed.

One Escapes Gallows. Lincoln, Neb .- The death sentence

of Jay O'Hearn has been reduced to life imprisonment; the death sentence of Harrison Clarke, charged with the murder of Joseph Fleury, has been affirmed by the supreme court and his execution set for Friday, August 30. The cases are all from Douglas county.

Six Drown at Jamestown. Jamestown, N. Y.-Six people were drowned eleven miles south of here. Nine people had taken a gasoline launch on the Conewango river, which was very high owing to rains. The boat was swept over a dam and six people drowned.

Filipino Differences End. Washington-An agreement has been reached between the secretary of war and the representatives of the Catholic church in the Philippines reters of controversy which will obviate the recessity of prolonged threatensocialism, while the part of it the landed properties, the agreement provides that the Roman Catholic church, through the archbishop of Manila, shall possess in absolute title the land and property pertaining to the San Jose and other hospitals.

Bryan on War Talk. Carthage, Mo .- "Japan does not want to make war on the United States," said William J. Bryan in an interview. "Of course," he continued, "there is a lot of jingoism in this Japan war talk and the hurrying of a fleet of warships to the Pacific coast. To my mind the object is not to repel an expected attack of the Japanese, but that the talk is being done by some alleged statesmen at Washington to influence congress to make a big naval extension appropria-

SENTENCE PRONOUNCED ON SAN FRANCISCO'S MAYOR.

IT IS GREETED WITH CHEERS

One of the Most Dramatic Scene Ever Witnessed in the Courts of San Francisco.

San Francisco-The sentencing of Mayor Schmitz to five years in San Quentin prison for extorting and the commencement and partial completion of the selection of a jury to try Vice President Louis Glass of the Pacific States Telephone and Telegraph company on the first of ten charges of bribing supervisors were the features of Monday in the bribery and graft proceedings.

The sentencing of Schmitz was one of the most dramatic scenes ever witnessed in a court. Hats were thrown in the air, arms were waved and there was such an unrestrained clatter of applause that the bailiff pounding for order could not be heard.

In Judge Lawter's court six of the twelve jurors to try Vice President Glass were finally selected and sworn, after the prosecution had used two peremptory challenges and the defense four. To the former three arbitrary challenges remain, and to the latter six. There was a complete absence of the spirit of bikering that distinguished the Ruef and Schmitz trials.

In all eighteen veniremen were examined during the day. Twelve of these qualified as to causes.

Judge Dunne inquired of Mr. Langdon whether it was his present intention to proceed with the trial of the other four extortion cases against Schmitz. The district attorney replied that there were many other graft cases on the calendar and that he was unable to say at this time whether the four extortion cases would be pressed or not, "but," he concluded, "the counsel has no objection to the passing of sentence at this time."

"Under ordinary circumstances," said Judge Dunne, "where a defendant has been indicted on a number of accusations and only one of them has been tried, the others remaining open for trial. I think it would be very poor practice to pronounce judgment upon the first conviction. But if the distri t attorney has, as he says, no objection to the imposition of judgment at this time I shall, of course, pass sentence. Eugene E. Schmitz stand up."

The judge then proceeded to pass sentence of five years in the peniten-

NO DEAL MADE WITH MEXICO.

Stories About Purchase of Lower California Not True.

Washington-The Mexican ambassa-

"There is not one word of truth in the statement published by the press about negotiations between Mexico and the United States for the sale of Magdeliena bay and lower California. The subject has never been mentioned by the state department to the Mexican ambassador and besides there is not one inch of Mexican territory that could be purchased at any price under any consideration.

RATE FOR HARVEST HANDS.

Union Pacific Burlington and Mis souri Pacific Will Heln.

Topeka, Kas.-Governor Hoch re ceived replies from the Missouri Pacific, Rock Island, Burlington and Union Pacific railroads concerning the establishment of a 1-cent rate for parties of five or more on one ticket from Chicago and intermediate points to the Kansas wheat fields, and all but the Rock Island's reply were favorable. The Rock Island contends that the farmers east of the Missouri river need men as badly as do the Kansas farmers.

Dr. Blumer Will Not Act. Providence, R. I.-Dr. G. Alder Blumer of the staff of the Butler Insane hospital, and said to be one of the best known experts in mental diseases in Rhode Island, has declined to act as one of the comasters in the examination to determine the competency of Mrs. Mary Baker G. Eddy, the Christian Science leader, whose property and condition are at present the subject of a lawsuit brought by her "next friends" against several prominent members of the Christian Science denomination.

Baldwin Goes to Alaska. Seattle, Wash .- H. F. Baldwin, formerly chief engineer for the Chicago & Alton, has been appointed chief engineer of the Oregon & Washington to succeed E. C. Hawkins, who sails for Katalla, Alaska, July 14 to take charge of construction work on the Morgan and Guggenheim road building into the Copper river and Yukon country.

Shakeup in New York, New York-Mayor McClellan on Monday shook up the city administration, removing one official, ascepting the resignation of a second and demanding the resignation of a third. Corporation Counsel William B. Ellison was summarily dismissed. the mayor giving as his reason for his action the fact that complete confidence had not existed between them for some time. McDonough Craven. commissioner of street cleaning, of-

fered his resignation to the mayor

and it was accepted. Copples Murderer Pleads Guilty. Pender, Neb.—Noris P. Higgins, the Copple murderer, was brought here from Omaha on Monday morning s train by Sheriff Young. He was driven immediately to Justice Downs' office where he admitted the crime of murder in the first degree charged in the complaint, which had been alled by County Attorney Hiram Chase. Higgins waived examination in this court and was bound over to appear in dis trict court which will convene in October. The prisoner was returned to

MORE IMPORTANT THAN TRUST PROSECUTION.



## LOWER COURT VERDICT UPHELD AN AGREEMENT ON SHE STUF

SERVE JAIL TIME.

Federal Court of Appeals Affirms De- All Differences Between South Omaha cision of the Federal Court of Nebraska.

St. Paul Minn.—The federal circuit Omaha—All differences disappeared court of appeals has affirmed the de- between the South Omaha commission cision of the federal court of Nebras- men and the packers Wednesday. The ka, which convicted George G. Ware market for cows opened under the new of fraudulent land entries.

the U. B. I. Land and Cattle company, change and the managers of the local Lambert and Harry Welsh in Novem- the afternoon, and the terms of the mean temperature averaged about 4 ber, 1905, by the federal grand jury at agreement, which were outlined in the United States out of the use, posses- Monday, were reached. The only point southeastern counties, and 74 to 76 sion and title to large tracts of land insisted on by the packers was that braska, by means of false, fraudulent gard to "she stuff," especially, in the and western. The maximum temperaand fictitious entries, and for subornation of perjury. Lambert and Welsh pleaded guilty to

the indictment and Welsh was sentenced to six months' imprisonment in culty is as follows: the Douglas county jail, and to pay a fine of \$500. Lambert was never sentenced, but was placed under heavy March, 1906, and was denied by Judge W. H. Munger, before whom the case was tried, with Special Assistant United States District Attorney S. R. Rush as the principal attorney for the government, assisted by Assistant District Attorney A. W. Lane. Immediately upon the denial of the motion for a new trial Judge Munger passed sentence upon Rev. George G. Ware, the judgment being that he should pay a fine of \$1,000 and be confined in the Douglas county jail for the period of one year.

One of the most dramatic scenes ever happening in the federal court took place at this moment, when Rev. Dean George A. Beecher of Omaha asked permission to address the court, and with his voice trembling with emotion asked the court that he might be permitted to serve the sentence of imprisonment for Mr. Ware, as he believed, notwithstanding the formal verdict of the jury, that Mr. Ware was guiltless of any intentional wrongdoing. The court, of course, could not grant the Pythian request of Dean Beecher. However, notice was at once given of an appeal to the circuit court of appeals and this appeal has been pending since.

NO ISSUE WITH JAPANESE.

Two Oriental Statesmen Decry Magnifying Minor Incidents.

New York—Two distinguished Jap-

anese took occasion to declare in no uncertain terms that there were no unfriendly issues between the United States and Japan and to decry the undue importance attributed by some to trivial incidents. The champions of peace and friendship between the two countries were Admiral Baron Yamamoto, a guest of the city, and Viscount Aoki, the Japanese ambassador, who came here to attend the reception and luncheon given by the Japanese So-

Armour Ice Plant Burns. Las Vegas, Nev.-The Armour Pack ing company's \$125,000 ic eplant, with 1,500 tons of ice, was totally destroyed by fire Thursday.

Pennsylvania Fights Act. Philadelphia-President McCrea of the Pennsylvania railroad was the principal witness in the equity proceeding instituted by that company against the city and county of Philalelphia to restrain enforcement of the 2-cent railroad fare law passed by the last legislature. The law goes into effect October 1 and provides a penalty of \$1,000 for each violation. Other rallroads have begun similar actions and proceedings are regarded as a test case. Railroads say 2-cent rate is unreasonable.

France Far From Pleased. Paris—The government has made its examination of the tariff agree ment between France and the United brought to Paris and the impression created is decidedly unfavorable. The proposals are being considered, but it is too early to indicate the nature of the counter propositions that France France will conclude that the tariff ssions asked for by the United States are entirely out of proportion

REV. WARE MUST PAY FINE AND CHICAGO PROPOSITION AGREED TO AFTER MODIFICATION.

Commission Men and Packers Disappear.

conditions in the morning. A confer-Rev. George G. Ware, president of ence between the directors of the exexecutive committee's agreement of basis of the settlement of the diffi- was between 99 and 104 degrees.

> The Live Stock exchange and packers agree on a more rigid ante-mor-"suspects," the inspector above mentioned is to decide. The exchange agrees, at its own expense, to employ one or more competent inspectors, to be mutually agreed upon, to have charge of tagging of any cattle rejected as suspects at the time of purchase. All dairy cows, whether shoped or driven in, and common native cows. known as canners, if sold to the packers, are to be subject to post-mortem examination—the buyer and seller to determine animals of this class at time of sale. In case they cannot agree, it is to be left to the inspector. This agreement does not in any way affect range cows, the same to be bought as heretofore. Purchasers agree to allow full market price for hides and carcasses of condenmned animals and to furnish satisfactory evidence of post-

mortem condemnation. All parties interested will make an appeal to the governors of their respective states and other proper parties, to cause such inspection laws to be passed or enforced, if not already passed, as will stamp out tuberculosis, which is generally found in dairy cows, as it is the decided opinion that from a beef standpoint, as well as a milk standpoint, the disease has increased, and no past inspection has been sufficiently rigid on either article of food, beef or milk.

Commission men also agree to use all means in their power to assist in stamping out tuberculosis.

Ratification of Treaty.

Washington-Ratifications of the Dominican treaty were exchanged at the department of state by Acting Secretary Bacon and Mr. Joubert, the Dominican minister, and after the treaty has been proclaimed it will be in order for the Dominican officials to ciety of America in honor of Admiral comply with its provisions, for the floating of a loan of \$20,000,000 to defray the government's indeptedness.

> Madison, Wis .-- By a vote of 15 to 11 the senate passed the 2-cent fare on all lines having a gross earning of \$3,500 per mile.

Doubts Commission's Right. Lincoln, Neb.-The Missouri Pacific allway has challenged the authority of the Nebraska Railway commission to adjust, determine or fix oil rates. The Marshall Oll company several weeks ago complained that the Nebraska freight rate schedules discrimnated against the independent com pany, allowing the latter to distribute

Bridge Man Is Drowned. Chamberlain, S. D.-S. Jensen. ember of the Milwaukee railroad oridge gang, was drowned in the Missouri river here. Foreman Fitzgerald was thrown into the water at the same time, but was saved.

sole jurisdiction.

Workman Electrocuted.

Council Bluffs, Ia.—Richard Gainor, an electrician employed by the Citizens' Gas and Electric comwhile working at the top of a pole.

THE TALK OF WAR IS WILD.

Secretary Metcal Very Much Deprecates the Same.

Oakland, Cal.—Secretary of War Metcalf deprecates the warlike aspect that has been given the order for the cruise of the great battleship squadron from the Atlantic to the Pacific coast. The secretary said Tuesday night that the proposed movement was that of a practice cruise and that the fleet would not be kept in the Pacific permanently. He declared that the length of time that the fleet would remain on the western side of the continent had not been decided.

With considerable emphasis the secretary voiced his opinion that the warlike interpretation that had been made in connection with the fleet's movement was not justified by the facts. In fact, the widely published reports suggesting hostile preparations seem to be a source of irritation for the head of the navy. He said:

"The fleet which was moved from the Atlantic to the Pacific this winter is coming to this side merely on a practice cruise. The fleet will consist of sixteen or more vessels, not more than twenty and its stay on this side will not be permanent. Of course, the fleet will not come here, turn around and go right back again. How long it will remain in the Pacific will be determined at the proper time.

"There is no sound reason for excuse, for all this talk by the public and through the press of an attempt to overawe the Japanese by a warlike naval display. I do not believe that the newspapers are justified or right in so construing and coloring the cruise of the warships to the Pacific.

"Every year the Atlantic fleet has been sent on a cruise. Last year it was sent to Guantanamo. This year it will go to the Pacific. The long cruise will give the men and the vessels a thorough test and improve the efficiency of both.

RAINS GÉNERAL OVER STATE.

Precipitation for Week Was Below Normal in Southern Counties.

Lincoln-The Nebraska weather bulletin says: The weather the past week was very warm, with southerly wind was jointly indicted with Frank W. packing plants occupied nearly all of and abundant sunshine. The daily degrees above the normal. The weekly Omaha for conspiracy to defraud the propositions of the live stock meh average was 78 to 80 degrees in the degrees in the southeastern counties, in Hooker and Thomas counties, Ne- the rigid inspection asked for with re- and 74 to 76 degrees in the northern tures generally were above 90 degrees Chicago last Saturday, be applied and on four or five days; and on Friday the extended to all live stock. The exact maximum temperature at many places The rainfall was below normal gen-

erally in the southern counties, and was normal or more in the central and tem inspection of all live stock, and northern. Showers occurred in nearly bonds and appeared as the principal that at the time of sale the buyer shall all parts of the state. The rainfall witness at the trial of Ware in Febru- have the privilege of finding and re- was heavy, exceeding an inch, in most ary, 1906. The trial lasted fourteen jecting any animals that appear to be of the northern counties, while it was days, resulting in a verdict against in any way unhealthy or "suspects." light, less than half an inch, in the Ware. His attorneys were T. J. Ma. Any animals thus rejected by the buy- southern. The rainfall from April 1st honey of Omaha and A. J. Frawley of ers are to be tagged and numbered by to date in most of the state is between Deadwood, S. D. They at once filed the inspector employed and taken by one-half and two-thirds of the normal dor, through Mr. Landa, secretary in charge of the office at Washington, ment on the motion was heard in tors. If the buyer and seller cannot vailed during the week, but a few agree as to what rightly constitutes clouds appeared the last part of the week.

> 1 Iowa Crop Report. Des Moines, la.-The first week in

July was the most favorable of the season. The average daily tempera ture was slightly above normal, and there was more than the usual amount of sunshine. The rainfall was ample in all sections, and somewhat excessive in portions of the central, north cent ral and southwest districts. In limited areas there was some damage caused by hail and wind. Generally the conditions are about all that could be desired for the rapid advancement of the corn crop, which is now receiving its third or final cultivation.

Rocked Boat, Three Dead.

New York-Three members of the crew of the steamer yacht Yacona, belonging to Henry Clay Pierce of St. Louis, were drowned in the Hudson river Wednesday, when a small yawl, carrying six of the Yacona's crew and a dockman, was capsized by a sailor who rocked the boat.

Schmitz Still in Jail

San Francisco-Judge Dunne re fused to admit Mayor Schmitz to bail and denied him the privilege of visiting his attorneys. Schmitz appeared in court to ask for bail and to answer the indictments charging him with accepting bribes from the gas company and the United Railroads.

Embrace American Views. The Hague-The American, British,

Russian, Dutch and Spanish delegates to the peace conference conferred regarding the bombardment of unfortified towns. They all withdrew their proposals and entrusted Count Tornielli (Italy) to draft a proposition embracing the American views.

Senator Bacon Re-Elected. Atlanta, Ga.-United States Senato O. A. Bacon was re-elected Tuesday for the full term beginning March 4,

DEPRECATES ALL WAR TALK.

Secretary Metcalf Says Projected Cruise is for Practice.

Oakland, Cal.-Secretary of War Metcalf deprecates the warlike aspect that has been given the order for the cruise of the great battleship squadron from the Atlantic to the Pacific coast. 'Fhe secretary said last night from county seat points. In answer that the proposed mevement was that the Missouri Pacific asserts that the of a practice cruise and that the fleet Interstate Commerce commission has would not be kept in the Pacific permanently.

Higgins in Jail Again. Omaha—Loris R. Higgins, the Cop ple murderer, is breathing somewhat easier again in his cell at the county jail since his return from Thurston county, where he went for the prelim inary examination. "I can't say I was not afraid," said Higgins, "but I was not bothered much. I knew I was in good hands and I had made up my nind if a mob grabbed me not to show the white feather. I knew if they got pany, was electrocuted by coming in hold of me there would be no use to ntact with an electric light wire resist, and I would have died without

## STATE NEWS AND NOTES IN CON:

DENSED FORM.

## THE PRESS, PULPIT AND PUBLIC

What is Going on Here and There That is of Interest to the Readers Throughout Nebraska.

The harvest in Pawnee county shows the wheat better than for

United States Senator La Follette

many years.

of Wisconsin, last week spoke at the Tecumseh chautauqua. Protestant churches of Nebraska City have joined together and are holding outdoor meetings.

Prof. H. H. Hewitt has tendered his resignation as head of the department of music at the Peru normal college. Methodists of Aropahoe have received plans for thire new church to

be erected this year at a cost of \$7,000. H. A. Day, a directory man who was recently appointed by the city; council to take a census of Beatrice,

has almost completed the task. He finds that Beatrice has a population of about 12,200 people. During a recent storm George Cowles' barn, on his farm three miles northeast of Valley, was struck by lighting. Four horses were burned.

One escaped, but so backy burned it

was necessary to shoot it. Deputy Oil Inspector D. W. Hoyt reported to Inspector Allen that he had rejected seven barrels of oil at Weeping Water and had ordered the stuff destroyed or shipped back. There

were eight barrels in the shipment. Three railroads have filed answers with the interstate commerce commission to the complaint recently made by the Lincoln Commercial club which alleged discriminations on freight rates from the south in favor of Omaha.

R. H. Shurman, a prominent resi-

dent of Scribner, one of the early settlers of the place, dropped dead from heart failure. He was chopping down a tree when he became faint. He sat down and in five minutes he had expired. County Superintendent Matzen says

there will be no shortage of teachers in Dodge and surrounding counties this year. There are many new applicants and the country school boards will have little trouble in finding teachers who will serve. Prapartions are being made for the third annual encampment of the

Platte Valley District Reunion asso-

ciation, which will be held in Central City August 19-23. August 20 will be Children's Day and school children from all over the county will partici-A- young man giving his name as E. W. Cristie was discovered by the mail in the Park hotel, Alliance, He

was taken to the jail and searched and seven of the letters were found in his pocket, one of which had been torn open. He was fined and given a severe reprimand and allowed to Senator Norris Brown has announced the following nominations for West Point: George Doane Keller, Omaha; alternates, L. E. Oliver.

Falls City, and Clarence G. Grim of Wilber. He also announces nominations for Annapolis as follows: Robert A. Hall of Hampton: alternates, William D. Eakin, University and George Gibson of Kearney. Bellwood has an octogenarian, "Granddad" Freeman, who is climbing hishis 87th year, says the Gazette of

that place. He can swing a trowel or lay a brick just as of yore and is as noisy and as full of fun as many of the young bloods. He goes to bed with the chickens and gets up with them, and we believe can knock spots off anything in either David City or 'Ulysses of the same age. Rev. Peter Van Fleet of Table Rock, who purchased what is known

as the "Blacklaw farm," a few months since, has just sold to the Burlington people twelve acres, lying a short distance from the Nemaha river, for \$200 per acre. As the company is getting ready to again burn ballast at this point, and did not have the necessary room, and this was the only piece available, it became necessary to pay this price.

The champion fish catch has been made by W. B. Havelock of Atkinson, While fishing for trout on the Curtis ranch, seven miles from that city he caught two trout one of them being two feet in length, weighing six pounds when dressed and the other fish measuring nineteen and a half inches. So strong was the fight with one of the trout that both line and fish pole were broken and the fisherman jumped into the creek and secured his trophy. The fish have been sent to his Nebraska home in proof of his story.

A most destructive storm of wind and hail visited Scotia and surrounding country. Crops of all kinds are badly damaged and fruit and gardens,

Macadam road-building in Dodge county got a serious setback at the hands of the county board of supervisors. After listening to arguments by a government expert and leading citizens of Fremont who want to see the inheritance tax fund devoted to the road-building purpose, the supervisors refused to act, but postponea the whole subject until next January.

A fire supposed to be of incendiary origin destroyed four frame business buildings and most of their contents in the village of Crab Orchard. The fire orginated in A. F. Roxburg's twostory building.

The body found in the Missouri river at Plattsmouth and taken to Glenwood, Ia., is believed to be Charles Klofat, an Omaha man, who lost his life by drowning under the Douglas street briege only 4. He wore a black satin shirt, gray vest, black trousers under blue overalls and his hair was plack.