*********** **NEWS OF A WEEK**

Epitome of the Most Important Events Gathered From All Points of the Globe.

Domestic. Atlantic City, N. J., was selected by the sons of veterans as the place for holding the next annual encampment

of the organization, and George W. Pollitt of Patterson, N. J., was elected commander-in-chief. The next encampment will be held at the same time as the national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic. President Theodore Kemp of Illionis

that Andrew Carnegie had given 30,-000 to the university for a new science building, Wesleyan having raised an endowment fund of 60,000. The cotton manufacturing plant of

Saco, Maine, was shut down indefinitely in consequence of a wage strike. Two thousand operatives were thrown out of work. The Chicago Record-Herald prints

a dispatch from Mexico City asserting that United States Ambassador David E. Thompson has bought for approximately \$10,000,000 in gold the Pan-American raffroad, the only line running from the north to the Central he has announced his intention of re- court is decided. signing his diplomatic post.

land as coming within the enlarged The ambassador's wife, who with her homestead act in the state of Mon- two sons, is near Paris is not well tana, making the total up to date and her condition has given Senor 26,080,530 acres so designated in the de La Barra much concern. He hopes state of Montana.

At the suggestion of the state de United States. partment instructions have been issued to consular agents by Acting Secretary McHarg of the department nington, when a large party of maof commerce and labor, to make col- rauders from Burgoyne's army was lections of commercial laws of all routed by the New Hampshire militia the Central and South American re- under Colonel Stark, was observed in English and distributed in this mont Monday. country for the purpose of encouraging trade in Central and South ultim. um in the matter of the boun-America.

jured will be given by the national that both governments are approachred cross to thousands of employes ing one another in this matter in a of large corporations, first among spirit of sympathy and good underwhich will be those of the United standing. States Steel corporation and the Pennsylvania Steel company. During the last two years the Red Cross has Several suspected cases of choicea ployes of the steel corporation will have been quarantined. be instructed.

President Taft, in an interview at to establish a postal savings bank

The general land office announced that LeBeau, S. D., would be one of the places of registration for the surplus lands of the Cheyenne river and Standing Rock Indian reservations to be opened to settlement.

A party of over twenty members of congress, the most of them accompanied by their wives and members of their families, sailed on the steamship Siberia for Honolulu. The trip is made in response to an invitation extended by the Hawaiian legislature. which made an appropriation to cover all expenses of the jaunt. Eighteen days will be spent in Hawaii, during which time the four largest islands of the group will be visited.

With a delegation of five thousand negro men and women from every state in the union, the supreme lodge of Negro Knights of Pythias opened at Kansas City for a four day session. Among the delgates are doctors, lawyers, bankers, merchants, clerks, and those from every profession, trade and business followed by negroes. The delegates are quartered in a tent city. The supreme court of Calanthe will of Greenville, Miss. In this meeting every phase of the negro question will be discussed.

The annual challenge gold cup races of the American Power Boat association began at Alexandria Bay, N. Y.

After a career of nearly fifty years of faithful and efficient service in the mavy, Rear. Admiral William T. Swinburne was placed on the retired list for age. Rear Admiral Swinburne is He has donated a large sum of money a native of Rhode Island and entered to the club, at the same time permit-1862.

Army officers having in charge the selection of a site for the erection of a 3,000-mile wireless telegraph sta- part of this month is in sight. The tion are now considering several proposed locations near Washington. Of opened negotiations with the employthe sites considered, one at Georgetown, a saburb of Washington, is most likely to be selected.

The Postal and the Western Union Telegraph companies announced that ders that it be supplied with estimates they had postponed until December 1 for the construction of an imperial the application of the new rule mak- assembly hall, to occupy the site of ing cipher messages payable at the the ancient hall of exterminations. rate of five letters to the word instead | The rules to govern the first national of the present system of ten letters assembly of China also are being

to the word. R. W. Thompson, of Washington, D. C., now heads an organization, termed | Count Leo Tolstoi, has been exiled to the national negro press association, the province of Perm for a period of which was formed at Louisville, Ky., two years after having been found during the teath annual convention of guilty of circulating Tolstoi's pamthe national negro business league, phlet entitled, "Thou Shalt Do No The league has re-elected Booker 7. Murder," which is a plea against the Washington as president.

By requiring letter carriers to "double up" their routes during the dull season of July and August, instead of employing substitutes, Postmaster General Hitchcock expects to same the government not less than

While bathing in the Menominee river. Milwaukee, Joseph Britz, 462 Clark street, and Harry Weidner, 498 Clark street, aged fifteen and thirteen years, respectively, were drowned. The bodies were recovered.

ions during the present fiscal year.

Sheepmen cannot range their herds along the limestone country on the South Dakota-Wyoming boundary line, a part of the Black Hills national forest reserve. This was the decision of Chief Forester Gifford Pinchott. The entrance of sheep, he declared, would endanger the young growth of the forest.

Calvin Johnson, Richard Pines and Eugene Dorsey, negroes, sentenced to be electrocuted at Richmond in September for the murder of Walter F. Schultz, a Chicago artist, have been respited by Governor Swanson until October 8, 15 and 22, respectively.

James J. Hill, president of the Great Northern, sent a \$10,000 check to Morningside college, a Methodist institution of Sicux City. This gift completes the \$150,000 endowment fund which was necessary to secure the \$50,000 offered by the American education board several years ago.

Superintendent James W. Watten announced that the Cheyenne river and Standing Rock Indian lands will Wesieyan university received notice be opened in October. This is the largest compact area of Indian lands left unopened, containing approximately 2,018,000 acres in South Daketa and 217,000 acres in North Dakota. Registration days have been the York Manufacturing company of fixed between October 4 and October 23 at Aberdeen, Pierre, Lemmon, Lebeau adn Mobridge, in South Dakota, and Bismarck, North Dakota.

Judge Burdette, in the circuit court, issued an injunction restraining the state and county officials of West Virginia from enforcing the 2-cent fare law against the Norfolk & Western railroad. The court holds the law is unconstitutional and is confiscatory. The court's order requires the road American border. The dispatch says to issue coupons for the excess over that Ambassador Thompson will re- 2 cents a mile collected until a test main in Mexico permanently, although case pending in the state supreme

Senor de La Barra, Mexican am-Acting Secretary of the Interior bassador, expects to leave soon for Pierce designated 50,450 acres more Europe, probably early in September. she may return with him to the

The one hundred and thirty-second anniversary of the battle of Benpublics. These laws will be printed as a legal holiday throughout Ver-

dary dispute between the two coun-Instruction in first aid to the in tries, and from all reports it appears

Foreign.

met with such success in this work have been reported in Rotterdam smong corporation employes that it since the liscovery of the disease, is proposed to pursue similar methods notably among the occupants of a on a much larger scale. Within the barge on board which a child had next month more than 20,000 em- died previously. All the suspects tims of the accident were residents

An explosion in the Weiss cartridge Beverly, says he will urge congress death of five men and the serious injury of ten others.

> The capture of El Roghi, the rebei lious subject of the sultan of Morocco. has been officially announced and fetes have been organized to celebrate the event.

> The text of the agreement between Japan and China relating to the South Manchurian railway, involving the loans for construction of the line from Kerin to Chang Chun and from Hsin Min Tun to Mukden, has been published. For construction of the stretch between Kirin and Chang Chun a loan of \$1,075,000 is author ized, the bonds to be offered at 93 and to be redeemed in twenty-five years. A loan for \$160,000 for a period of eighteen years is provided for that portion of the line between

Hsin Min Hun and Mukden. The French aviator, Paulhan, broke the world's record in a wonderful flight of two hours, fifty-three minutes and twenty-four seconds, at Rheims. A petition signed by women from all ceived in separate audience by the classes of society has been presented | prince regent in the forbidden city. to the king of Sweden begging him to intercede to bring about arbitration Fletcher, the American charge d'afof the dispute between the laborers be presided over by John W. Struther and their employers that resulted in the strike now almost a month old. The ministry of the interior has sent telegraphic instructions to all local governors to take drastic measures to protect the laborers who have re-

turned to work Emperor Nicholas has accepted the post of patron to the aero club of St. Petersburg, which consequently will hereafter be qualified as "imperial." my at Annapolis in ting four of the grand dukes to be

enrolled as honorary members. The end of the labor troubles which became acute in Shockholm the early leaders of the various unions have ers with the object of having the men resume work. Rioting occurred at Gothenburg,

The Chinese throne has given or drafted.

M. Guseff, private secretary to infliction of the death penalty.

REPORTED LOST.

REACH TWELVE HUNDRED

Fifteen Thousand Homeless, and Damage to Property Will Reach Fifteen Million Dollars.

Mexico City-The Associated Press correspondent at Monterey wires that 800 persons have been drowned as a result of the flood which still continues. Fifteen thousand people are homeless and the damage is not less than \$12,000,000. The city is in darkness. Among the losses are: The Monterey Steel company \$1,000,000: the Mexican Smelter and Lead company \$3,000,000. The city begs aid from the United States.

A special dispatch to the Herald says that 10,000 persons are homeless and that hundreds have been drowned. The correspondent estimates the property loss at \$15,000,000. The suburb of San Luisito and half of the city of Monterey are under water. Thousands are sleeping in the public squares tonight.

At noon Sunday it ceased raining for the first time since last Thursday and some idea of the horrors of the flood of Friday night and Saturday could be obtained. It was at first reported that 800 lives were lost in the disaster, but today shows that the number of dead will reach 1,200 and perhaps more. The river has fallen considerably and while still high, the danger is over. Seventeen and a half inches of rainfall is the official record during Friday, Saturday and today, This rain was a steady downpour and at no time approached the status of a cloudburst. The river was higher than it ever has been in the history of Monterey and at one time the Plaza Zaragosa, the highest part of the city, was flooded to a depth of about one foot. This was early Saturday morning and only lasted until the approach on the south side of the Santa Louisita bridge was washed out.

Fully 15,000 people are homeless and are being cared for by the city government in the best way possible. At noon 5,000 people were given bread, examined. coffee and soup at the municipal ofsouth side of the river still out of reach of aid on account of the still overflowed river. Conservative esti-

All through the day and up to late at night the bodies have been taken from the debris and ruins in the path of the flood and over 500 have been recovered. The greatest loss of life the large buildings on the south side of the river commenced to crumble Peru has not sent to Bolivia an and fall. Many of the houses had from 100 to 200 people on their roofs and all disappeared in the flood.

AUTO CRASH FATAL TO FIVE.

Machine Driven On to Track in Front of Passenger Train.

St. Louis.-Five persons, four of them closely related, were killed when an automobile in which they were riding was struck by a fast passenger train of the Rock Island railroad two and a half miles west or Vigus station on the Creve Coeur lake of St. Louis.

The two men were brothers and factory at Budapest resulted in the officials of the White Hardware company, one of the oldest mercantile establishments of the city. Mrs.

Klinge was their sister-in-law. JOHNSON DENIES BEING SICK.

Has Not Been Operated on and Does

Not Intend to Be. Chicago.-"I am not sick and have had no operation performed for appendicities nor any other disease, nor do I intend to have any," said Governor John A. Johnson of Minnesota, who arrived here. "Just how the report got out that I was seriously ill and that an operation would be necessary I cannot imagine. I was weak and worn out for several days, but I am nearly well again."

FAIRBANKS MEETS REGENT.

Received in Forbidden City by the Acting Ruler of China.

Peking.-Charles W. Fairbanks, former vice president of the United States, and Rear Admiral G. B. Harber. United States Navy, were re-They were presented by Henry P.

Idaho Town is Destroyed Putte, Mont.-Grand Forks, Idaho,

was destroyed by fire in an hour Sunday. The bystanders looted the three burning saloons. Three hundred people are reported homeless and without food supply.

Holds Statute is Void.

Montgomery, Ala.—Declaring that it tion the right to remove suits from state courts to federal courts is void.

Rice's First Clown Dead. Newton, N. J.-William Shafor, the first clown that traaveled with Dan Rice's circus, died here Sunday, aged 83 years. For years he had lived the life of a recluse.

Crows to Get More Money. Washington.-The Crow Indians will receive \$155,250 next year for grazing privileges on their lands in Montana, instead of \$40,500 obtained for same purpose this year. The Indian bureau conceived the idea of having grazing bids opened and contracts let in this city instead of on the Indian reservations and the Crow reservation was the first in which the innovation took effect. The last of the contracts are closed and the result has been to almost quadruple the amount to be paid to the Indians.

Items of Interest Taken From Here

The Midwest Life EIGHT HUNDRED PERSONS ARE Issues all the standard forms of insurance. Local agents wanted in every town in Nebraska. Good commissions are paid. Write the president, N. Z. Snell, Lincoln, for an agency. Madison county is planning for a big

fair, September 20 to 24. primary election was 822, and the costs of holding the election was something

over \$1,400. F. L. Dinsmore, county attorney of Johnson county, recently filed his resignation with the board of county commissioners, and at a meeting of the board the same was accepted.

Motor car service is to be installed on the St. Joseph & Grand Island line for local traffic as soon as the Union Pacific begins detouring its through year to an amount several times as trains over this route.

Halvor Swensen, an aged German re-

siding is Otoe county, had but little fatih in banks, and so kept over \$1,200 in money in his home. A few days ago he went to look for the money and it was gone. The pyro-aero sensation of the century. Pain's stupendous thrilling "Bat-

tle in the Clouds." At the State Fair. lour evenings, September 6, 7, 8 and 9. The most entertaining open air creation ever conceived. The Midwest Life of Lincoln offers a good commission contract to agents

to represent it locally. This is what Best's Insurance Reports, Life, 1909 edition, says about The Midwest Life: "Its policy contracts are liberal and fair. It writes both participating and non-participating policies. The cost of management is extremely moderate

for a new company, and the net cost of insurance is low. The investments are of good character and yield a good return." The executive committee of the Otoe County Live Stock association held a meeting and decided to have their annual parade on September 21, 22 and 23. This is an annual affair and is

part of the state. Joseph Richardson came to his death at the hands of Ernest Stout by being brutally beaten, according to a coroner's jury inquiring into the case at Grand Island. All the witnesses who were at the scene of the killing were of the drawing cards on Wednesday

the bigest stock show held in that

fices, but there are many more on the mont canal west of Bridgeport, II. A. Molte's force of men unearthed a human skeleton, and while nothing was found to identify the remains it is bemates of the property loss place the lieved to be all that is left of a cowfigures at \$20,000,000 throughout the boy, who died and was buried in that vicinity eighteen years ago.

A sensation in the shape of a series of roberies has just developed at Wymore, where a number of conductors, engineers and brakemen in the employ of the Burlington have been occurred Saturday morning between called on the carpet and discharged the hours of 9 and 11 o'clock when | for taking silks, clothing and shoes from cars in transit.

Frank Gregory of Reynolds lost a \$400 team of horses in a peculiar manner. They ran away with a load of sand, bringing up against a freight car. The momentum of the load literalily crushed the horses, there seemingly being but few whole bones in the

animals bodies. Will Prowett, jr., of Fullerton, aged twenty-one, has been in the Philippines since last November. He has been engaged in the treasury department \$1,200 per annum. Word was received recently that he has already been promoted to the government bank with an increase of \$800 per an-

num in salary. Under the terminal tax law the Union Pacific Railroad company will have to pay taxes on \$3,527,253 invested in terminal property in the cities and villages of the state. Last year this property was assessed at a total of \$3,371,238. This is an increase of \$156,115.

The music at the State Fair at Lincoln, September 6 to 10, will be all that the music lovers could desire. A splendid Auditorium and Liberati's superb band and company of Grand Opera Singers. The overture to William Tell, the master creation of Rossini, is always rendered by this band in a superb manner. Any one of these great concerts is worth all that it costs to go to the State Fair.

The primary election was an expensive thing for the taxpayers of Custer county. In Elm township there were but eight ballots cast in all, the taxpayers having to pay \$38.75 for the votes, besides the printing of the ballots, amounting in all to about \$5.00 per vote. It is also stated that there were two townships in the county which polled but two votes each, even the members of the election board refused to vote.

THE MIDWEST LIFE. Insurance in force......\$1,736,765

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J. H. Mockett, Jr.....Supt. of Agents Liberati and his famous band and grand opera singers makes music very popular at the State Fair. They will be heard at Lincoln in four concerts denies equal protection of the law every day, September 6 to 10. They and the state constitution, Judge never disappoint the crowd, simply Jones of the United States court held | hold them spell bound during the enthat the denying of a foreign corporal tire program. The cornet solos by the great leader or the solos by the other artists always well rendered. No matter whether the band renders "Andre Cheniey" a number so tremendous that it taxes the full musical power of this valley, which it has lately been the band or "Uncle Sam's March as disposing of, it being reported that the last note dies away the crowd al-

> ways cheer. At a wedding celebration nine miles south of Leigh, Gerry Tepley was dar gerously and perhaps fatally cut in the abdomen by Jack Hobo.

The National Corn Exposition is said to be overflowing its boundaries as regards floor space and the management will have to do some tall thinking between now and December figuring where everything is going to be placed. General Manager T. F. Sturgess, who has returned from an extensive trip in the west in the interest of the show, announces that the whole Auditorium has been sold and \$1,500 lators the right to file the petition. worth of space outside that building.

NEBRASKA NEWS AND NOTES. FOR FREE LIBRARIES

IN EVERY SCHOOL DISTRICT IN NEBRASKA.

The total vote of Otoe county at the Much Work Now Being Done in It stitutes in Furtherance of Legislative Plans.

> Free circulating libraries in every school district in the state of Nebraska will soon be in order, because of a recently enacted law which compels each district to set aside annually the sum of 10 cents per pupil of school age for the upbuilding of the library. This ranges from \$3 a large in the villages, and in the smaller cities of the state, up to the point where there are 5,000 or more pupils, when the compulsory feature fails to operate.

> In addition to the small libraries that may be thus built up in the rural districts and small towns, the state traveling library commission is working in co-operation with the school authorities and will send collections of books around the circuits of schools desiring them, to supplement the home libraries.

It is a matter of much concern with the state and county school authorities now to get a right start in the new libraries, both in the selection of desirable books and in such instructions to the pupils to encourage them to use the libraries and to read with profit to themselves. For that reason a large amount of work being done in the county institutes this season is devoted to instructions concerning the libraries.

Miss Charlotte Templeton, secretary of the state traveling library commission, has been informing the teachers of the extent of co-operation that may be received from the commission, and the best way to go about it to get that help.

State Fair Programs.

Programs for the state fair are now in the hands of the printers and will be issued within a few days. One of the fair will be a debate between While at work widening the Bel. Mayor Dahlman of Omaha and Senator W. R. Patrick of Sarpy county. These two will speak before the Women's Christian Temperance union meeting in the auditorium at noon.

The first day, Sunday, there will be given a sacred concert by Liberati's band at 3:30 o'clock. After 2:30 o'clock that day admission to the grounds will be 25 cents instead of the usual price, 50 cents. A new feature this year on the race track will be a vaudeville stunt between each race. At 10 o'clock each day Johannes Magendoz will give a piano recital in the auditorium preceding the Liberati concert. No admission will be charged this year to the auditorium. Speeches will be made at 3 o'clock each day, prominent agriculturists having been secured for

Preparing for the Fair. The Commercial club is preparing again for the state fair. The secretary is receiving all notices of rooms to let to visitors, is finding out locations, prices and other needed information so that when the first day of the fair arrives he can turn these lists over to the information bureau. Experience in the past has proved that the aid of the club is invaluable in that it furnishes lists of rooms that are reliable, back of which the club stands as sponsor. Complaints of high prices charged for service have been rare from rooms assigned by this means.

Governor Returns Home. Governor Shallenberger and the members of his staff returned to Lin- leans coin after a visit to the Seattle ex position and the northwest. "It was a delightful visit,' said the governor and we enjoyed every day of it. On Nebraska day at the exposition we had the biggest crowd of any state except New York on New York day, when Governor Hughes spoke."

Missouri Pacific Terminal Tax. The assessed value of the terminal eroperty of the Missouri Pacific railroad has been decreased this year compared with last year \$11.679. This decrease is due to a decrease in the average value per mile of the franchise property rather than to any decrease in the value of depot property. The total assessed value this year is \$411,892 and last year it was \$423,571.

Rehearing Asked in Indicial Case. A motion has been filed in the supreme court asking for a rehearing in the non-partisan judiciary case, in which the court held the law invalid. The motion was signed by Attorney General Thompson, Deputy Attorney General Grant Martin and Arthur Mullen.

Tri-State Land Company. H. G. Leavitt of Omaha promoted

the Tri-State Land company and was president of the company until last year, when E. A. Cudahy of Omaha become president. A short time ago the J. G. White Construction company of New York took control the company and made one of their officials its president. In addition to its canal the Tri-State company owned about 30,000 acres of land in 10,000 acres have been sold.

Challenges New Board of Health. On behalf of the old board of secretaries of the State Board of Health. Charles H. Sloan and Charles S. Roe the past week filed quo warranto proceedings in the supreme court to oust the board appointed by Governor Shallenberger under the law enacted last winter. The petition sets out that the old board is the legally constituted board of secretaries and that the new board members are usurpers and have no authority to act. The court in extra session granted the re-



Congress Pages Need Supervision



desks of members, keep the desks in ers of laws and rulers of the land. order and are at the beck and call of Without doubt it has been a great members whenever wanted. They are trial to most of the youngsters to be under the immediate supervision of a deprived of their vacations for such chief page on each side of the house. a long time. The call of the woods Some of them are assigned to duty as and fields is strangely insistent to telegraph pages and others as tele youth. Every normal, healthy, manphone pages, but most of them are on ly boy yearns to get out in the open duty on the floor.

The house pages are appointed on himself in the water. To be confined the recommendation of members by within even marble walls cannot comthe head doorkeeper, who has general pensate for the freedom of the fields. supervision of the boys. Generally, and so the page boys are happy at the member who has secured the last in the prospect of unlimited enboy's appointment will look after his joyment for a time and a rest from physical and moral welfare while he the cares which sit but ill at best on is here, and it has happened that a young shoulders.

member has sent home a boy- who fell into bad ways and could not be brought under discipline. There is not such a large proportion of the district boys in the house as in the senate. They come from many states. but some of the more distant states are not represented.

It is doubtless a fact that the boys TT/ASHINGTON.—Being much larger in both houses of congress are under Than the senate, with many more closer supervision than was the case members to look out for and more at one time. A few examples opened ground to cover, the house is allowed the eyes of the authorities to what 44 page boys, and in age they are the dangers might confront boys far from seniors of the senate pages, while home without the refining influences their pay is just the same. House that are inseparable from a mother's pages must be between the ages of love and care. While the restraint fourteen and 18 years. They go on is not irksome, it is designed to be at duty at nine o'clock each day and least wholesome and for the entire stay until the house adjourns. They good of the youths who may very place the copies of the Record on the likely grow up to be themselves mak-

-to swim, ride, shoot, sail or disport

Washington Women Are Auction Mad



THE loyal legion of congress wom- more or less authenticated. during the dog days, encouraging recently, at a rare bargain, in prime their husbands, found surcease for condition apparently, an oriental sug. sultry solitude in auctions. The Wash- warranted to have been highly prized ington female is auction mad. There's by a prominent diplomat, who parted a greater glamour here over the sale with it reluctantly upon his recall to always changing hands. Nobody beautifully for a month or two, then stays put in his high estate, and when fell all to pieces at one fell swoop, pers they sell out all their household The fabric, which was literally worn goods, as a rule. Hence the avid femilia holes, had been strengthened and auction rooms in Washington,

dodge is worked to a fine financial to show for her \$75 expenditure. Still finish by foxy auctioneers. There are the thrall of the auction room never usually more auctions to celebrate diminishes.

their retiring than there are ministers to retire. But who's going to keep tab? Diplomatic debris is always at a premium. Discards from legations whether genuine or apocryphal, are gobbled gluttonously. Most congressacred relics from auction houses,

en, who hung on in Washington | One of these ardent ladies picked up of other people's old rubbish than any his own country. The rug, which had where else in the country. Power is never known a foreign footfall, wore the dignitaries get their walking pa- like the "wonderful one-horse shay. inine scramble for foreign and his renewed by a preparation of glue on toric relics. The smartest society is the back, the threadbare spots filled always to be found in the fashionable up to a firm consistency by the use of red egg dve paint. The disen-"The retiring foreign minister" chanted lady had only a shoddy rug

National Capital Is a Clean City



IGH tribute to the cleanliness of was paid recently by Joseph A. Glea- tem of street cleaning in the national

He called at the district building to find out how it was done, and New Orleans looking to cleanliness. chatted with Commissioner West and Superintendent Gleason explained. Superintendent James M. Wood of the was along the line of making the street-cleaning department.

experiences in visiting many of the charters containing a compulsory leading cities of the eastern and cen-clause. The results are excellent, it tral states. "I want to find out how was reported, and the system is to you do it."

perintendent Wood of the street trict.

cleaning department, it was discovered that there is about ten times as much street area in the district to be cared for as in New Orleans; but the visiting official told the local heads that the streets of Washington are cleaner than those in New Or

leans. The New Orleans official went care-II the streets of the national capital fully into all the details of the sysson, general superintendent of the de- capital, and declared that he found partment of public works of New Or many new ideas which could be used in the southern city.

One of the nevanced steps taken in street railway companies sprinkle "Washington is the cleanest and their trucks. While the old lines of the best city I have been in," he told the city cannot be made to carry out Commissioner West, after relating that course, the new lines are given be extended in the future. Nothing During his conference with Su-like this has been tried in the dis-

Craze For Presidential "Relics"



PHE presidential people never cease to be objects of the most poignant interest. They never pall on the public curiosity, even here in Washington, where presidents are human na-

ture's daily food. Shortly before Mrs. Taft's departure for her summering she attended a of the day was a Mrs. Buda, and the concert at a fashionable theater. Her duchess sent her some costly material discarded program dropped to the floor as she got up to leave. Instantly those near by who were watching noticed that the amount of material every motion of the notable lady made used did not correspond with the a stampede for the worthless piece of quantity sent, and resolved to punish paper, each anxious to secure it as the fraud. Mrs. Buda was wearing a relic.

Taft had just released, who was busy tics remarks on the offense. folding up her stock. "Which piece! did Mrs. Taft buy?" asked the eager onlooker with avidity. She was declared. The Taftian touch and the named.

Taftian taste had given the airy fabris a fictitious value in the purchas-

er's eyes, truly ludicrous. A local paper recently remarked in all seriousness that Mrs. Taft was seen not long ago walking democratically down F street, "carrying her pocketbook in her hand." An eccen tric proceeding not to carry it in her

The famous Sarah, duchess of Mari-

borough, was the shrewdest of women,

teeth! Shrewd Act of Duchess

and hardly any one ever got the better of her. The fashionable dressmaker to be made up into a court dress. When the gown came home her grace a beautiful diamond ring which the On one of her latest shopping ex. duchess pretended to greatly admire. peditions, Mrs Taft, being a careful and she asked the flattered dressand economical buyer, deliberated maker to lend it her in order that for a considerable while over the might have a similar ring made. In choice of a piece of lace at the lace a few days Mrs. Buda received a letcounter. After she had finally made ter from the duchess saying that she her selection and departed, a fellow- held the ring as a pledge for the yards customer of the shop, much more of brocade that had been taken from showily and handsomely dressed than the piece sent for her gown. Needless the president's wife, who, from a lit- to say, the brocade was speedily retle distance had been watching the turned and the ring was placed en proceedings like a hawk, pounced Mrs. Buda's finger, the sarcastic duchdown upon the saleswoman that Mrs | ess improving the occasion with caus-

Illinois Leads in Rural Routes. Illinois has more rural routes than shown. "I'll take all the rest of that any other state in the union. Ohio. piece of lace," the woman feverishly lowa and Indiana follow is the order