## **WILL TAKE UP ARMS**

PEACE CONFERENCE MAY END IN FAILURE.

#### **IMMIGRANT LITERACY TEST**

Bill Requires That Immigrants be Able to Read-Many Federal Prisoners at Leavenworth

Ask for Paroles.

London.-Diplomacy is still busy seeking a solution for the Balkan deadlock. Fears that the peace conference will end in failure and that the allies will take up arms again are stronger now than at any hour since the plenipotentiaries came to London. Unless Adrianople should fall within the next few days or "something should turn up," which none of the diplomats can foresee, it appears probable that the delegates will leave England before the end of another week.

Federal Prisoners Ask Paroles.

Leavenworth, Kas,-One hundred and fifty prisoners in the federal prison here, among them five bankers, applied for release at the quarterly meeting of the federal board of parole at the prison Monday. Since the federal parole law went into effect more than 200 prisoners have been released through its operation and only four returned for violation.

#### IMMIGRANT LITERACY TEST.

#### Important Step by Congress Toward Its Adoption.

Washington.--An important step toward the adoption of a literacy test for the admission of immigrants, which has been a subject of controversy in congress for 20 years, was taken when the conferees of the two houses of congress finally agreed upon a report which will retain the test in slightly modified form. As the measure will be reported to the house, the literacy provision will appear as it was passed by the house, which requires that immigrants shall be required only to be able to read, whereas the senate bill provides that they should both read and write. It is believed the effect of the prospective law will be to keep out many of the undesirable classes and that those who are admitted will be more stable and more inclined to become citizens.

Executed for Smuggling Oplum. Shanghai.—Death as a punishment for opium smuggling was meted out to a woman of this city who persisted in the use of the drug, despite the ernment on Christmas day prohibiting the people from indulging in the habit. By order of the governor of the province, the woman was taken to a public place and executed by shooting, in the presence of a large

Scarlet Fever at Chicago. Chicago, Ill .- An emergency appro-

priation of \$50,000 to combat an epidemic of scarlet fever and diphtheria that threatens Chicago has been asked from the city council. Health department records show that 2,000 persons are afflicted with scarlet fever and 500 with diphtheria and that the number is increasing fast.

Cremated Ashes by Parcels Post.

crowd of spectators.

St. Louis, Mo .- The body of Frederick Neumann of Edwardsville, Ill., after being cremated here, was mailed by parcels post to his home in Edwardsville. The ashes weighed four and one-half pounds and the cost of mailing was 14 cents. The undertaker paid 10 cents additional for insuring the ashes for \$50.

Quincy, Ill.-Ella Ewing, the Missouri giantess, said to be the tallest woman in the world, is dead at her home near Gorin, Mo., not far from this city, at the age of forty years. Miss Ewing was eight feet three inches in height, and for many years traveled with circuses as a freak attraction, and as such was known from end to end of the country.

New York .- The United States district court has granted a perpetual injunction asked by the government against the Eastern Retal Lumber Dealers' association and other defendants known as the eastern branch of the lumber trust. The suit was brought by the government in May, 1911.

#### Wilson Coming West.

Princeton. N. J. - President-elect Wilson is en route for Chicago, where he will address the commercial club at that place.

Parcels Post Big Business.

Washington. - Nearly two million parcels post packages were sent through the postoffices of the fifty leading cities of the country during the first week of the operation of the new service, according to telegraphic reports received by the postmaster general. Postal officials estimate that between three and four million parcels post packages were mailed from January 1st to the 5th. New York City led with a record of 448,000 packages Chicago had 438,000 packages.

CONGRESSIONAL MATTERS OF MORE OR LESS INTEREST.

Summary of the Daily Transactions of the National Law Makers at Washington.

#### Saturday.

The Senate.-Held executive session to consider nominations. Campaign funds investigating committee met and adjourned until Mon

Reached an agreement to vote at 1 p. m. Monday on impeachment charges against Judge Archbald.

Adopted conference report on Dis trict of Columbia "loan shark" bill. Passed a resolution extending time of classification on asphalt lands in Oklahoma.

Conferees reported an agreement with house conferees on literacy test immigration bill.

Adjourned at 5:25 p. m. until noon Monday. The House.-Considered postoffice

appropriation bill. Ways and means committee continued bearings on metal schedule of

Ship pool investigation was laid

before marine committee. Miss Mary Boyle O'Reilly pictured deplorable labor conditions in New York canning camps to rules commit-

tee at hearing on resolution for an investigation of the industry. National guard officers urged special rule for militia pay bill before

rules committee. Adjourned at 6 p. m. until 11 a. m. Monday.

#### Friday.

The Senate-Resumed consideration of omnibus claims bill.

Samuel Gompers argued for antiinjunction and contempt bill before judicial committee.

Court of impeachment heard closing arguments of counsel for defense in the trial of Judge Archbald.

Agreed today to vote on January 20 upon the Kenyon bill to prohibit shipment of intoxicating liquors into "dry" states, but a parliamentary wrangle developed, which carried final decision over until tomorrow.

Senator Owen proposed an amendment to Sherman anti-trust law giving states power to enforce it.

Republicans declined democratic proposition to appoint committee from both sides to consider nominations. Adjourned at 8:17 p. m. until noon Saturday.

The House-Began consideration of postoffice appropriation bill.

George F. Baker continued testimony before "money trust" investigation committee.

Schedule of tariff taken up by ways and means committee for a two days'

Merchant marine committee continued its investigation into alleged South American steamship pool.

Adopted resolution appropriating \$20,000 for rearrangement of seats and desks of house chamber. Considered private pension legisla-

Representative Borland introduced resolution calling for congressional investigation into conduct of United States Pistrict Judge Pollock of Kan-

sas and Van Valkenburgh of Missouri. Adjourned at 7:40 p. m. until noon Saturday.

#### Thursday.

The Senate-J. N. Heiskell of Little Rock, Ark., sworn in as successor of the late Senator Jeff Davis.

Closing argument of defense in trial of Judge Archbald begun before court of impeachment.

Adjourned to noon Friday.

The House-Banking and currency committee voted unanimously to cite before the speaker for contempt George G. Henry for refusing to answer questions put by committee investigating money trust.

Hearing of various interests on revision of schedule "B" of the tariff before ways and means committee. Secretary Stimson advocated restoration of army cauteen at hearing

before military affairs, committee. Notice of contest of re-election of Representative Kent, First California district, filed by I. C. Zumwalt, defeated democratic candidate.

#### Adjourned. Aid for Indian Schools.

Washington.-The appropriation for the Genoa Indian school was increased \$10,000 by the appropriation bill which passed the house, making the total appropriation \$66.500. This increase is to provide for the increased attendance at the Nebraska school, provision having been made by the committee for only 300 pupils whereas there are nearly 400 in attendance. The \$4,500 was for general repairs and improvements and the balance was for the general support of the school and the pay of the superintendent. The sum of \$4,040 is also appropriated for the Winnebago agency.

School House Destroyed by Fire. Fremont. Neb .- Fire from an overheated stove, when 18 below zero was registered by the thermometer, destroyed the school house at Glencoe. The teacher and twenty-five pupils were driven out into the cold. Sever of the children suffered frozen earand hands before they could be con veyed to nearby farm houses. Th building was completely destroyed Arrangements have been made to se cure new school equipment from th discarded supply at Dodge, and to re sume school at once.

## HIS FIRST SLED



COMMITTEE HEARS ARGUMENTS Conditions at Adrianople Are Declared FROM MANUFACTURERS.

Roumania Delivers Ultimatum to Bulgaria-Utah Will Cast Electoral Vote for

Hadley.

Washington.-Fear that foreign producers would invade and injure the American market was expressed in the testimony of the metal schedule of the tariff before the house ways and means committee. The committee heard arguments from representatives of manufacturing and producing interestsprinting presses, the zinc industry of the Rocky mountains and the Joplin fields, the wooden screw manufacturers, of which the American Screw combany controlled 40 or 45 per cent, and the \$40,000,000 output of machine tools and numerous other products-presenting a virtually solid front against revision of the present tariff rates.

Roumania Delivers Ultimatum. London.-Roumania has practically delivered an untimatum to Bulgaria by demanding the cessation of Silistria and the territory to the north of a line stretching from there to Kavarna on the Black sea. Roumania has decided to mobilize her army if she does not obtain immediate satisfaction from Bulgaria in regard to the rectification of her frontier, according to a dispatch from Bucharest.

Proposal Made to Change Name of Prohibition Party.

Indianapolis, Ind.-A proposal to change the name of the prohibition party is one of the important matters that will be considered and acted upon at the big national conference of the party leaders to be held in this city this week. Many of the leaders have expressed themselves in favor of a change in the party designation. The advocates of the proposal argue that the word "prohibition" does not convey the full meaning of the party's wards of ten thousand men are idle. purpose. It is pointed out that the present name conveys to the average mind only the liquor traffic, whereas the party has for years been standing for many of the most important progressive principles which only recent ly have been taken up by the other political parties.

Warden Presented with Silver Service Lancaster.-Warden S. M. Melick of the state penitentiary was the recipient Wednesday night of a handsome Both houses then adjourned. silver service--a gift of the convicts of the prison. The presentation of the service was made by Chaplain Harmon and followed the minstrel show staged by the convicts for the benefit of the state officers, the legislature and the press. The service was purchased through popular subscription and each piece was neatly engraved with the initials "S. M. M."

Utah to Vote for Hadley.

Salt Lake City. Utah.-Utah's four electoral votes for vice-president will be cast for Governor Hadley of Missouri. This was the agreement reached by the electors. Mrs. Margaret Jane Wichster, one of the republican electors, the daughter of a law partner of President Lincoln, probably will be chosen to carry the result of the vote to Washington.

Fire Drives Worshippers Into Street. Chicago, Ill.—Several hundred persons who had assembled to attend the celebration of mass were driven into 3t. Peter and St. Paul Greek Catholic of the church had been especially decorated for the orthodox Christmas and ornaments caught fire from lighted candles. Worshippers made a rush for the exits but priests' managed to son of Dr. Cowgill of Lincoln, has mulet their fears and they filed out of been appointed as cadet to West Point

### WILL MOBILIZE HER TROOPS TURKISH SOLDIERS STARVING

to Be Desperate-Ohio River Goes on Disastrous Rampage.

London.-Official news received by the Bulgarian delegation describes the situation at Adrianople as desperate. Several soldiers who deserted and succeeded in reaching the headquarters of the allies, say the town is in its last gasp. Provisions are so scarce that the military authorities have regulsitioned all the food possessed even by private individuals and are making only one distribution, comprising a half ration, dally. Conditions have been rendered graver by the great number of sick, who overflow the hospitals, where the attendance is inadequate. Thus the death list is very

#### NOT AS BAD AS SUPPOSED.

Brighter Outlook for Citrus Fruit of California.

Los Angeles.-Twenty-five million dollars was the amount fixed by consensus of opinion regarding the loss sustained by citrus fruit growers in the three days' freeze ending Thursday morning. This figure is not of-ficial. Earl G. Zezell, assistant general manager of the California Fruit Growers' exchange, said that accurate estimates of damage could not be made for several days, but \$25,000,000 is regarded as a conservative estimate. Other estimates run as high as \$40,000,000.

Ohio River on Rampage. Wheeling, W. Va.-The Ohio river has reached a stage slightly under forty-four feet, and this city is in the midst of a disastrous flood. Thursday the Baltimore & Ohio railroad brought in its last passenger train from the east. The train plowed through eighteen inches of water for a quarter of a mile before reaching the station. A majority of the iron and steel mills have been forced to suspend and up-

Legislature Canvassed the Vote.

Lincoln, Neb. The state legislature its two houses assembled in joint session, canvassed the vote of the November election on state officers, on congressmen and on constitutional amendments Wednesday afternoon. Senator J. H. Kemp, president pro tem of the senate, presided and Speaker Kelley announced the vote as tabulated by Secretary of State Wait.

Permitted to Increase Rates. Kansas City, Mo .- Permission has been granted the Kansas Natural Gas company, which supplies companies that distribute gas to forty-two cities and towns in Kansas and Kansas City, Mo., to increase its rates by Judge Pollock in the federal court. Kansas City. Kas. The price demanded ranges from 16 to 31 cents a thousand cubic feet. The court's order will serve, in many cities, to double the present price paid for gas.

New York .- At least three deaths and approximately \$500,000 in property damage resulted from Friday night's eighty-mile gale which swept New York and vicinity. Next day the wind had dropped to sixty miles an hour, but the mercury crawled down to 32 and pedestrians suffered keenly.

Transport Prairie Returns.

Philadelphia, Pa.-The transport Prairie, with twenty-eight officers and 528 marines on board, arrived at the the street when fire broke out in the Philadelphi navy yards Tuesday from Nicaragua. The marines were sent church in South Chicago. The interior to Nicaragua last August to protect American interests during the rebellion and active service

Washington .- W. W. Cowgill, the the building without anybody being by Representative Maguire. He will crowded condition there take his eraminations next April.

# LEGISLATURE BEGUN PREPARING FOR

THIRTY-THIRD SESSION OF NE-BRASKA'S SOLONS.

#### **BOTH HOUSES GET TO WORK**

Every Promise of a Busy Session-Brief Synopsis of the Work of Both Branches of the Legislature.

The formal affair, known as the canvass of the vote for state officers. congressional candidates, and constitutional amendments, was conducted

Wednesday afternoon in joint session

of the two houses. The members sat

back in bored silence, except for



William H. Smith, editor Seward Independent Democrat, Senator from Twelfth District, who was Secretary of the Senate at the 1911 Ses-

those to whom the necessary motions were entrusted, and the presiding officers whose duties were to make announcement of results and declare the successful candidates duly elected.

The messages formed a central feature of the inauguration. Governor Aldrich's consisted of a last word of advice in his official capacity, directed by law to the legislature, and of additional advice, by his own desire, to the incoming governor. He told his successor that responsibility for the removal of present republican officeholders in state institutions would rest heavy on his shoulders. He advised the senate to refuse to confirm any such appointments until the statute fixing the duties of the new board of control be determined upon.

Morehead Announces Policy.

Governor Morehead's address was an announcement of the policy with Western Canada, and the year 1913 which he will administer affairs of state. He declared his intention to prevent, to the extent of his power. private exploitation of the state's water power. He announced that he would require careful atention to business by the new board of control and by his other appointees, to the gain of real efficiency in the administration of public affairs.

Both governors favored the establishment of an intermediate reformatory for first offenders. Former Governor Aldrich proposed the conversion of the Grand Island soldiers' home into such an institution. Governor Morehead proposed the same solution of the problem by conversion of the Milford soldiers' home

Former Governor Aldrich favored removal of the state university to the state farm. Governor Morehead opposed it.

Governor Aldrich advised the abolition of the street rural life commission and of junior normals. He declared both to be useless and unnecessarily expensive institutions.

Beekeepers Want Protection.

The State Beekeepers' association will again ask the legislature to pass the bee inspection law which was favorably reported at the last session. The bee men say that the disease known as "foul brood" is causing a total loss of not less than a quarter million dollars in Nebraska every year. This disease, which is of bacterial nature, is rapidly transmitted

Senator Grace of Harlan offered two resolutions which were laid over under the rules. One resolution asks congressmen from Nebraska to introduce a bill for the government ownership of telephone and telegraph companies. The other asks that the water power sites in Nebraska, especially sites on the Loup river, be conserved for the benefit of the people of the state and not given to private owners for the amassing of fortunes, and that the legislature make a liberal appropriation for the building of power plants on the Loup river.

Historical Society Wants a Home. Secretary C. S. Paine of the state historical society has set the high mark for appropriations for the coming session of the legislature and believes that he can get the bill through providing \$600,000 for the erection of a new building for that institution. The structure, he says, should be capable of housing the society and the state library for years and years to come. The removal of the latter from the capitol building, according to Mr. Paine, would alleviate the

# THE WORK OF 1913

CITY BUILDING, RAILWAY BUILD-ING AND FARM OPERATIONS IN WESTERN CANADA, BIGGEST EVER.

The machinery, the money and the men for carrying on the big works in Western Canada in 1913 are already provided for. The splendid harvest which was successfully garnered, and by this time mostly marketed, responded to the big hopes that were had for it early in the season, and inspired capitalists and railroads to further investment and building. From lake ports to mountain base there will be carried on the biggest operations in city building and railway construction that has ever taken place in that country. The Canadian Pacific railway has everything in waiting to continue their great work of double tracking the system and by the time the Panama Canal is open to traffic there will be a double line of steel from Lake Superior to the Pacific coast. The cost will exceed thirty million dollars. The Grand Trunk Pacific plan of building a firstclass trunk line and then feeders at various points will be carried forward with all the force that great company can put into the work. The Canadian Northern is prepared to put into motion all the energy that young giant of finance and railroad building can put into various enterprises of providing and creating transportation facili-

Building operations in the several

cities, that have already marked

themselves a place in the list of successful and growing cities, will be carried on more largely than ever. Schools, public buildings, parliament buildings, colleges, business blocks, apartments, private residences, banks, street and other municipal improvements have their appropriation ready. and the record of 1913 will be something wonderful. Other places which are towns today will make the rapid strides that are expected and will become cities. There will be other Edmontons, Calgarys, Reginas and Saskatoons, other places that may in their activity help to convince the outer world of the solidity and permanency of the Canadian West. The country is large and wide and broad and the ends of its great width and length are but the limits of its agricultural area. Its people are progressive, they are strong, there is no enervation there. The country teems with this life, this ambition, this fondness to create and to use the forces that await the settler. If they come from the South, and hundreds of thousands of them have, they are now the dominant men of the North, and they have imbibed of the spirit of the North. Therefore it is fair to say that no portion of the continent will show such wonderful results as will be but the beginning of a wonderful and great future. And in this future the 200,000 Americans who made it their home, and those who preceded them, will be a considerable portion of the machinery that will be used in bringing about the results predicted.

The development of 1913 will not be confined to the prairie provinces. Railway building and city building in British Columbia will be supplemented by the farm, the ranch and the orchard building of that province. Vancouver will make great strides in building, and Victoria, the staid old lady of so many years, has already shown signs of modern ways, and if the progress made in 1912 may be accepted as anything like what it will be in 1913, there will be wonderful developments there. During last year the permits went over the ten million dollar mark and much more is promised for the year now entered upon.—Advertisement.

Public Would Gain.

"In looking over this paper I find that Mr. Proscklyeswicz Igualinezinski and Miss Maloonloozek Winskaddiakowski are engaged to be married."

"I am very glad to hear it." "Why? What interest have you in it? Do you know them?" "No, but I consider it a matter for

public rejoicing that these two names are to be made one."-Stray Stories. These Gridiron Days.

Miss Culchaw-Do you like the Passing of Arthur?" Mr. Chump-I'm not up on football players. What team is he on?

His Guess. "Wot's 'inflated currency,' Bill?" "Dunno! 'less it's money wot's been blown in."-Boston Transcript.

And a baby would rather go sleep than listen to a lullaby. Fully two-thrds of what the average

man says is of no consequence. **FOLEY'S** COMPOUND

Stops Coughs - Cures Colds