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PYTHIAS

Drawn for The Bee by Powell.

Hotel Clerk to Supply Postage.

CLERK RECOGNIZES THE NAME

George B. Hitchman Arrested at St.

Paul as Man Who Has De-

frauded Large Number of

Persons Out of Money.

Because his sweetheart had no post-

age stamp to place on a letter addressed

Night Clerk Teten of the Schlitz hotel

here was immediately responsible for

Hitchman's capture, but all local hotel

clerks co-operated to bring it about.

The wheels of the American Hotel Pro-

tective association's detective depart-

ment were put in motion when a young

woman left an unstamped letter, ad-

desk of the Schlitz hotel, with the re-

quest that the accompanying 2 cents be

used to buy a stamp and post the letter.

Teten remembered that his fellow hotel !

clerks had reported Hitchman as a

bogus check artist who had successfully

several other Omaha hostelijes. Tele-

grams notified St. Paul operatives and

when Hitchman called to get his letter

with the fateful stamp upon it he was

To Be Held for Omaha Police.

police with the Minneapolis authorities.

so that when Hitchman is turned loose

tives say that he admits having cashed

bad checks here. He is also said to be

\$3,000 in the latter state by forgery.

E. F. Walters and George Le Page

have make a fake report of having been

held up in Omaha a few weeks ago and

then to have secured the advance of

money from a local business man on the

Works Dental Concern.

Another of his local accomplishments

company from \$20 worth of dental gold.

It is reported that he went to the office

of a dentist who was away, ordered the

be worthless. While operating here he

penitentiary, according to a letter re-

ceived by Charles Miller from hotel de-

the Hudson River

strength of his holdup yarn.

discover the fake.

A detainer has been lodged by Omaha

arrested

fressed to St. Paul for Hitchman at the

SINGLE COPY TWO CENTS.

# **BRISTOW SAYS TOLL** REPEAL IN INTEREST OF OVERLAND ROADS POLICE, PEOPLE, SINGERS MIX

Wilson's Plans Action Characterized as Aid to Transcontinental Carriers.

KANSAN ROASTS THE PRESIDENT

Rail Greed and British Claims More Potent Than Women's Plea.

SEES EXECUTIVE INCONSISTENT

Wonders How He Will Interpret Single Term Plank.

OWEN TAKES FLOOR IN DEFENSE

Oklahoman States that the Conscience of No Democrat is Bound by Party Platform.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18 .- President Wilson's plan to repeal the tolls exemption came in for its first senate debate today, during which it was characterized by Senator Bristow, republican, as an aid to transcontinental railroads. Senstor Lodge, republican, and Senator Owen defended the president's position, while Senator Chamberlain, democrat, declined to agree with it. Mr. Bristow denied having impugned the president's motives.

Senator Bristow declared Mr. Wilson's attitude on the Panama canal plank of the Baltimore convention and on suffragist question had "given us a line on some of the peculiar and interesting characteristics of our chief executive which may be useful to the country in the future." He quoted the single presidential term plank and asked:

"At the proper time will the president interpret this plank in harmony with his position as to suffrage or as to canal

Senator Bristow charged President Wilson with being inconsistent when he declined to favor woman's suffrage because it was not treated in the democratic platform, while he was asking congress to repeal the Panama tolls exemption which the platform favored.

The greed of railroads and the aumore potent with our chief executive than appeals of women," said he. Senator Sutherland declared the most convicing argument for woman suffrage was the lack of any persuasive argument

into a party platform some plank not loss. and therefore not to be

regarded as conclusive on the party. That question had not been decided "I say that the conscience of no demoit does not represent the sober judgment of the party, but merely represents what party believed had been determined on. organization.

"I am opposed to no tolls. They would

Lodge Defends President. Declaring that President Wilson did not like to see "the United States in the attitude of an outlaw among the nations," Senator Lodge, republican, vigorously defended the president.

"It is certain the president is guided ful way of the United States to obtain regard of international obligations or re-(Continued on Page Two.)

### The Weather

Forecast till 7 p. m. Wednesday: For Omaha, Council Bluffs and Vicinity -- Unsettled, probably snow Temperature at Omaha Yesterday.



Omaha, clear.

Omaha, clear.

Pueblo, partly cloudy.
Rapid City, snow.
Sait Lake City, cloudy.
Sania Fe, cloudy.
Shridan, snow.
Sloux City, cloudy.
Valentine, cloudy.

indicates trace of precipitation. L. A. WELSH, Local Forecaster.

Canadian Company Smashes in Grand Climax at Denver.

Comes to End in Fuss Over Receipts, and Omaha

The National Grand Opera company of Canada is now a memory.

Its songbirds will not be heard in Omaha tonight, nor tomorrow night, nor any night for some time to come, if over Completes for and Twelve

The end came at Denver, and it is said to have been a really stormy end, too. Police and public, singers and others, were mixed up in one grand muddle. Leo Slezak is said to have shown his fitness for the role of Samson as well as his qualifications for white hope nonors in a hand-to-hand combat with police for possession of his luggage; also, he is reported to have purchased a ticket to Vienna by the most direct line, expressing his opinion of America in such terms as could never be used in a libretto.

Gerville-Reache Refuses. Gerville-Reache declined to sing on Monday night; for this the local manager of the Denver engagement undertook to hold out \$750 from the company's share of the receipts. Then, with this pending, the songbirds refused as one

bird to sing on Tuesday night, unkes the entire gate receipts were turned over to the company. And then it began. Word of the trouble came through to Omaha yesterday, the manager of the company wiring to Lucius A. Pryor, who handled the business end of the Omaha engagement, that the company would surely reach Omaha to play tonight and tomorrow night. Last night Mr. Pryor had another message from the manager, saying nothing short of a miracle could get the company into Omaha in time to keep its engagement. Having no faith in miracles, Mr. Pryor concluded it was up to him to declare all bets off and to ask ticket buyers to return their tickets and get their money

Pryor Local Loser.

Although merely acting as agent for Omaha engagement, and so stands to at McAlester. lose a considerable sum of money, owing to considerable expense attached to the preliminaries.

The National Grand Opera company of daclous claims of Great Britain seem far Canada has had a short and glorious career. It was a remarkable collection of artists, equipped for splendid productions of great works, and it proved a costly undertaking. It concluded a season of eight weeks at Montreal with a deficit of \$60,000, or more than \$1,000 a day. Max Rabinoff, the director, with-When Senator Owen took the floor to drew for the organization at that time, defend President Wilson the debate and Mesars Collins and Bauer arranged turned from suffrage to Panama tolls, for a tour of Canada and the United He declared there was likely to creep states, hoping to retrieve some of the

At Toronto another backset was encountered, at Detroit and Cleveland mat- dite Castillo to the constitutionalists on by the national democracy," said he ters were a little better; in Kansasa City might be construed as a recognition of went bad. Then, the usual diffic some persons, who found themselves in rot entirely a surprise to those who to escape from his crimes in Mexico, for

The advance sale in Omaha was such be unjust to the taxpayers of the United as promised a profitable engagement. The Stats, I don't believe one dollar of the attraction had been well advertised in across the border, deporting him as an exemption to coastwise vessels would all the territory around, and many peoever find its way to the ultimate con- ple from a distance had planed to attend to hear great voices in great roles.

## Anti-Suffrage Move to Start Next Week

in this matter entirely by what he thinks The support of many Omahans has is to the honor and the credit of the been pledged to the anti-suffrage move-United States in its foreign relations. He ment which will be formally inauguhas no other object in view. I think he rated in Omaha Monday of next week. has the feeling that in one way or an- Mrs. J. W. Crumpacker has the names other-and I am attaching no blame to of Mrs. Charles Wilhelm, Mrs. Edward Colonel George W. Goethals, chief enanyone-the United States has incurred Porter Peck, Mrs. Gerrit Fort, Mrs. Arthe dislike of other nations and the dis- thur C. Smith, Miss Jessie Millard, Miss trust of some of them, where trust had Janet Monroe Wallace, Mrs. Howard flag on the first ship making the offiprevailed before. He realizes the right. Baldrige and Mrs. T. J. Mackay for the organization which will be effected. Exconfidence is not to be obtained by dis- Senator Joseph H. Millard, William Wallace, Arthur C. Smith, Bishop Richard the Panama-Pacific exposition saying: Scannell, Bishop A. L. Williams, Dean pressed their opposition to the suffrage

> The Monday afternoon meeting will be The Tuesday evening meeting will be at 7:39 at the American theater. However, effected at either of these meetings, but through the canal." at a private meeting to be arranged for on Mrs. Dodge's arrival.

Mrs. Dodge and Miss Bronson, the na- Thornton Called tional officers, will arrive Monday morning and will be at the Rome hotel, instead of at the home of Mrs. Arthur C 4 Smith, as previously announced.

24.56 inches has cleared himself of suspicion in the ager of the Great Eastern? Isn't he an Tugs Break Ice in

# NO GRAND OPERA FOR OMAHA GORE WINS IN COURT; TAKES THE JURY TEN MINUTES TO DECIDE

Mrs. Minnie Bond Loses Fifts sand Dollar Damaged Against Senat

RUTHERFORD CL

Retire at Thirty. RODGERS NAMES M'MURRAY

Gore's Attorney Says Washington Lawyer Planned Conspiracy.

RESENTMENT IS BACK OF IT Says Senator Opposed McMurray's Claim for Fee of Three Million Dollars in the Indian

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okl., Feb. 18 .- A verdict in favor of United States Senstor Thomas P. Gore was returned here today in the suit of Mrs. Minnie T. Bond against him to recover \$50,000 damages for an alleged attack made on her in a Washington hotel last March. The jury was out only ten minutes.

Land Case.

Attorney S. M. Rutherford completed the argument for the defense and the jury retired at 5:35 p. m. to deliberate. The charge that J. F. McMurray, an Oklahoma lawyer living in Washington, planned the alleged conspiracy against Senator Gore was made.

Robert L. Rogers, an attorney for the defense, in addressing the jury, said that several years ago McMurray sought to prosecute claims for nearly \$3,000,000 fees from Indians of Oklahoma in connection with the transfer of their lands. He asserted that Senator Gore opposed McMurray's claims and in retaliation the conspiracy had been planned.

"Oklahoma has a home for such conthe promoters of the tour, Mr. Pryor spirators," he shouted. "It is over at Mcassumed moral responsibility for the Alester." The state penitentiary is located

#### Castillo May Be Set Across Border as Undesirable Alien

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18 .- Castillo, the Mexican bandit who wrecked the Cumbre Americans, has furnished the latest knot in the Mexican tangle with his capture by United States troopers in New Mexico. Officials of three departments of the government were searching archives they shall do with them.

Diplomatists pointed on that to extra-

the business was good, but in Denver it their beiligerency. There was no indication with great singers was encountered, and for the bandit. To keep him a prisoner the climax that came at Denver was in the United States would permit him a position to voice the principles of the have been watching the career of the he cannot be tried in this country for offenses committed across the Rio Grande. One way out seemed to be for the immigration authorities to put the bandit undesirable alien. In that event Castillo probably would fall into the hands of Villa, the constitutionalst, who has promised him a public execution in Juarez.

## First Ship Through Canal Will Carry the Flag of Peace

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.-Dr. William MacDowell, president of the League of Peace, received a letter today from gineer of the Panama canal, in which after serving his sentence there, he may the colonel promises to fly the peace be secured for trial in Omaha. Deteccial and direct passage through the canal. After receiving the letter Dr. MacDowell sent another to President Moore of Texas, it being alleged that he secured

"The League of Peace will furnish for Tencock and Rev. T. J. Mackay have ex- the aeroplane race around the world two peace flags for each entry, one flag to and hotel clerks, Hitchman's aliases inbe that of nation from which the entry clude G. T. Herbert, George B. Young, omes, the other a rainbow flag. The held at 2 o'clock at Turpin's academy- flags of the winner are to be deposited Under the latter name he is said to in the National museum, Washington, with the peace flag which Perry took to the new local organization will not be the north pole and the flag carried

# Undesirable Alien by Labor Leader

# Body of Mrs, Young of Douglas Exhumed NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—Two powerful hog cholers campaign agreed to and the bill prepared for President Wilson's signature. Senator Bristow introduced a bill to

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., Peb 18.—(Spethe Hudson river between New York and
the new federal reserve system.

The House. EMERSON, Neb., Feb. 18.—(Special.)—
Young of Douglas died in a private hosWhile cleaning up his cattle for action
pital here under suspicious circumstances the government revenue service had rement.

Mrs. Christine Fredericks of Philadelment.

Order to provide the control of the contr cial Telegram.)-A week ago Mrs. Fred Yonkers. The tugs were sent out by the saie Monday, Ben Olson was hooked in and this morning Coroner Karstens or ported that its cetters were unable to saie Monday. Ben Olson was hooked in and this morning Coroner Karstens orhis left eye by a fractious cow, the horn dered an inquest and the officers went
penetrating into the eye socket over an to Syracuse, where the body was exinch. Mr. Olson is in a precarious con- humed and examined and testimony is

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#### FORGER TRACED BY STAMP Steamships Celtic and Madonna Collide Girl Writes Him Letter and Asks in the Bay of Naples

Fifty Years Young

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.-The White Star liner Celtic and the Fabre line steamship Medonna were in collision today in the Hay of Naples, according to a message from Lloyd Fosted today at the Maritime exchange here.

NAPLES, Feb. 18.-The White Star liner Celtic collided with the Fabre liner Madonna here today and both vessels

The Celtie was seriously damaged, but is believed to have been only slightly injured below water line. It also was bound

It was said at the White Star office here that because of slackness of westbound travel at this season the Celtic probably had few first-class passengers aboard. No passenger list was available

The Madonna is a comparatively small ship and carried immigrants. The agents here said it had 1,400 aboard on this trip.

#### Suffrage Bill in worked Hotel Loyal, the Carlton and South Africa Loses by a Single Vote

CAPETOWN, S. A., Feb. 18 .- A bill for the enfranchisement of women in the Union of South Africa, which was introduced into the house of assembly today was defeated on the first reading

#### wanted in Kansas City, Denver and Denver Refuses to Buy Water Plant According to information given Charles Miller of the Loyal by local detectives

omplete returns from yesterday's spetal election showed the following results: municipal purchase of the Denver Union Water company, on which only tax payers voted, was defeated 12,346 to 6,834. Issue of \$3,000,000 bonds to cover the unnel through the continental divide for \$300 leaves them \$131 from which to live is said to have been the separation of the Billings-Marshall Dental Supply the use of the Denver & Salt Lake railroad, carried by a vote of nearly 2 to 1for 12,640; against, 6,963

#### Miss Wilson Not to gold sent there and then by means of a forged note supposed to have been left for the messenger by the dentist, induced Marry Boyd Fisher the former to leave the gold in the office, and then took it way before the absent dentist had time to return and

The charge on which Hitchman was indicted by the grand jury was preferred by a Douglas street pawnbroker, requested today by the white house. who let him have jewelry and money in exchange for a check which proved to

#### The National Capital was under parole from the Colorado Wednesday, February 18, 1914.

The Senate. Foreign relations committee delayed se-lecting a chairman in succession to the late Senator Bacon until the return of Senator Stone, the ranking democrat. Constitutional amendment to en-franchise women was discussed without

Resumed debate on Alaska railroad bill wealth.

With plans for passage before adjourn- A test case will be filed in the district

food fish by fertilizer manufacturers.

## BOARD MUST TURN ON WATER

Judge Sears Rules Landlord Need Not Guarantee Payment of Bill. HOWELL'S DEMAND ARBITRARY

Court Holds Water Boss' Action is

Unreasonable, Wrongful and Without Any Legal Excuse.

Decision that Water Commissioner age stamp to place on a letter addressed to him. George B. Hitchman, who has a larger police record, and is under indictment by the Douglas county grand jury, has been apprehended at St. Paul and is already under sentence in the Minnesota reformatory for bogua cheek work there.

Madonna here today and both vessels to damaged. The Madonna's audit suffered in the test case started by the Real Estate exchange is "wrongful, arbitrary and without legal excuse," was rendered by District Judge Scars. The case was rapidly filled by those who had waited to be payment of their tenants' water bills is unreasonable and that his refusal to grant water service to George P. Jones in the test case started by the Real Estate exchange is "wrongful, arbitrary and without legal excuse," was rendered by District Judge Scars. The case was rapidly filled by those who had waited Howell's demand that landlords guarandecided on a demurrer filed by the Water board.

An order of mandamus compelling Howell to grant water service to Jones regardless of whether his landlord signed an application with him was issued by the court. It is understood that the Water board will take an appeal,

A demurrer filed by the Water board and overruled by the judge contended that grounds for a request for an order of mandamus dld not exist.

## This Man's Tax is Over Half His Income

HURON, S. D., Feb. 18.-(Special.)-A H. J. Heidam of Beresford, S. D., dated February 14, complaining of the injustice wrought by the present system of taxation. Mr. Heldam and his wife are now about 75 years old and the old couple retired from a small farm a few years ago and bought a little cottage in Beresford, where they were to spend their remaining days, hoping, by rigid economy. to live from the income of the sale of their farm after paying for the cottage. Their entire savings of a lifetime of work and the sale of their land consists of a small cottage in Beresford and \$6. DENVER, Feb. 18.-Figures compiled (60), which is loaned out at 5 per cent today by the elections commission on interest and brings them in \$300 a year as an income from which to live.

The tax commission ordered the local The water contract, providing for the assessor to enforce the assessment on credits. In compliance with this, the oldcouple put in their \$6,000 mortgage in addition to their cottage, which at the local levy at Beresford takes \$169 to pay ity's share of driving the James Peak the taxes. This amount deducted from

## Trans-Atlantic Rate War at an End

LONDON, Feb. 18 .- The final details of WASHINGTON, Feb 18.—Publication of war between the German shipping com the settlement of the transatiantic rate an official denial of a report that Miss panies are to be arranged here this week. Margaret Wilson, the president's eldest Phillip Heineken, managing director of daughter, was engaged to be married to the North German Lloyd, arrived here Boyd Fisher of Kansas City, Mo., was today to attend a meeting of the Contipental North Atlantic Steamship lines and Albert Ballin of the Hamburg-American lines is on the way from Germany. The agreement between the two lines will, it is thought, be completed prior to a conference to be held later in the week between the American, British and Continental Steamship lines, with the object of reconstituting the Atlantic pool.

#### PRISONERS WILL RESIST THE STERILIZATION LAW

FORT MADISON, la., Feb. 18 .- Inmates of the state prison here today prepared to resist through the courts the enforcement of the Iowa law providing for the sterilization of insune, diseased and criminal wards of the common

court with R. A. Ruyn, a convict, as the and that a fund sufficient to defray legal expenses had been raised. The prisoner gave his entire earnings-6 cents.

# SUIT WILL BE FILED AGAINST WESTERN FUEL CORPORATION

THE WEATHER.

Snow

Government Will Seek to Recover Money Paid for Drawbacks on Imports on Coal

WANTS SWINDLERS TO SETTLE Allowance Made Because Weights

Were Falsified.

OFFICIALS ARE FOUND GUILTY Three Men Face Heavy Fines and Long Sentences.

ALL WILL ASK FOR NEW TRIALS

Maximum Penalty is Fine of Twenty Thousand Dollars and Imprisonment for Term of Two Years.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 18.-Suit to recover \$21,633 in customs dues from the Western Fuel company of this city is to be filed by the government, according to announcement today by W. H. Tidewell, chief agent of the Treasury department, as a sequel to conviction last night of the vice president and two employes of the company accused of conspiracy.

The amount Tidewell says represents an excess the government had allowed in customs drawbacks on imported coal over the duty collected on the same shipments. James B. Smith, vice president and general manager; F. C. Mills, superintendent, and E. H. Mayer, a weigher, convicted in the United States district court, are to appear Saturday for sentence. Pennities Are Heavy.

Imprisonment for two years, a fine of \$10,000, or both, is the maximum penalty that can be imposed on the three defendants in the Western Fuel company conspiracy case, who were found guilty at midnight last night, after a trial of more than two months. The men were not locked up after the

return of the verdict, the court ordering that they be permitted to remain at liberty for the time being on the bail previously furnished. Their lawyers were prepared today to make an immediate motion for a new trial. Saturday morning has been set for sentence.

Six ballots were taken. The first was ten to two for conviction. The two that favored acquittal held out until the sixth ballot when they voted with the majority. Before the voting began it was agreed to acquit Edward J. Smith, San Francisco's

Those found guilty were F. C. Mills, superintendent; James B. Smith, vice

rapidly filled by those who had waited since 4 o'clock in the afternoon when the jury retired.

Both Mills and E. H. Mayer were visibly affected when the foreman of the jury announced the verdict. James B. Smith appeared entirely unconcerned. History of Case.

The first indictments were brought by the United States grand jury February 10, 1913, and were directed against John L. Howard, president of the Western Fuel company; J. H. Schmitt, Sidney Smith and Robert Bruce, directors: James B. Smith, vice president and general manager; Edward F. Smith, his brother, and a checker employed by the company; Frederick C. Mills, superintendent, and Frederick E. Maher, a weigher. They charged that the defendants entered into letter was received here yesterday from an unlawful agreement to defraud the federal government in three ways:

federal government in three ways:

Eirst-By causing false weights and measures and fraudulent returns of weights on the incoming cargoes of their coal for the purpose of lessening the amount of duty collected.

Second-By causing the returns of weight on all cutgoing cargoes delivered into American bottoms to be grossly excessive in weight, making the customs drawback much greater than the dues that had been collected on the same coal.

Third-By grossly overweighing the coal delivered to the United States army transports. transports. A second set of indictments, repeating

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