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OMAHA PACKERS PAY HIGHER RATE ON KANSAS COAL

Railroads Charge Missouri River Plants More Than Those at Other Points for Fuel Hauls.

TESTIMONY GIVEN AT CHICAGO

Witnesses at Hearing Declare Proposed Advances Asked by Carriers Unwarranted.

SIOUX CITY MAN UPON STAND

CHICAGO, April 15 .- Packing house plants on the Missouri river in view of distance and service rendered. pay a higher freight rate on coal from the Kansas fields than do other points, according to testimony today before the Interstate Commerce commission's hearing of the petition of the forty-one western railroads for increased freight rates. Witnesses said the proposal advante of 5 cents a ton on coal was unwarranted. The testimony touched slack coal chiefly.

Increases Discussed. Increases in freight rates for the Kansas coal fields to Kansas City, St. Joseph and South Omaha plants of Swift & Co., from \$5 cents a ton in 1905, to 70 cents, at the president rate, were discussed by R. O'Hara, chief rate clerk of Swift & Co.

He declared that for similar distances Illinois coal was carried by the railroads to Chicago with average car mile earnings of 12.7 cents, while the car mile earnings from the Kansas field to Kansas City were 22.2 cents, to St. Joseph 18 cents, and South Omaha 16.7 cents. On crocs-examination the witness said that density of traffic had not figured KNIGHTS TEMPLAR in his compliation.

Manker's Testimony. W. W. Manker, assistant traffic manager of Armour & Co., tsetified along similar lines, his discussion including Sioux City, Ia., as well as the points covered by Mr. O'Hara. Mr. Manker

"The rates from Kansas and Missouri mines to Missouri river points are on a much higher basis than those from other LOCAL KNIGHTS AS THE HOSTS STUDENT MOTORMAN IS BLAMED coal fields and points similarly distant. The specific contention that present coal rates from Illinois coal mines to Sloux City, Ia., now yield a higher revenue per car than do other commoditles was advanced by C. E. Childe, commissioner of the traffic bureau of the Sloux City Commercial club.

Mr. Childe reviewed statistics presented by a railroad witness on the average load of the principal commodities handled in Sloux ity territory and said: "The average car mile revenue on the

commodities named by the witness for the railroad was less than 16 cents. Sioux

Seven Alleged Night Riders Are Indicted

CAPE GIRARDEAU, Mo., April 15 .with the recent activity of night riders Missouri by the federal grand jury which adjourned here yesterday. Judge D. P. Dyer of St. Louis, under whose instructions the jury carried on its investigation, announced that heavy sentences would be imposed on all men con-

POST PARCELS MAILED BY GERMANS ARE RETURNED

CHIASSO, April 15 .- (Via Paris.) -Several thousand parcel post packages mailed from Germany to the United States, after being delayed here for some time, have been returned to the senders by the postal authorities because the British and Frnch governments have given notification that parcels addressed to German citizens in the United States will be seized when they are found on ship-

The Weather

1915 1914 1915 1913 81 17 77 5 55 48 51 4 65 62 64 6 .00 .00 .00 .0

Lowest yesterday Mean temperature Precipitation Temperatures and precipitation departures from the normal:

Normal temperature

Excess for the day

Total deficiency since March 1. 105

Normal precipitation 10 inch

Deficiency for the day 15 inch

Reports from Stations at 7 P. M. Station and State of Weather. Cheyenne, cloudy Davenport, clear Denver, cloudy Des Moines, cloudy Omaha, clear Temp. High- Rain-7 p. m. est. fail.

Omaha, clear 76 81 90
Rapid City, cloudy 82 70 90
Sheridan, cloudy 40 96 5
Sioux City, clear 16 80 90
Valentine, pt. cloudy 72 78 90
T indicates trace of precipitation.
L. A. WELSH, Local Forecaster.

THE WAR IN EAST AFRICA - An officer's pony dyed in order to make it less noticeable in the field.



IN SESSION HERE

Forty-Third Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of State Comes for Two Days.

clave of the grand commandery of the inexperience of a student motorthe Knights Templar of Nebraska man is charged the death of fifteen over 300 local and visiting knights western end of this city. According carried by the association.

assembly.

Willetts in Charge.

grand commandery, is the only officer not attending the conclave. He has moved to ductor ran ahead and seeing a string of 1913 strike of Michigan copper miners the Louvre, the municipal library and Montana to live, Vice Eminent Sir George freight cars pushed by a switch engine grand commandery conclave in the for- The novice misunderstood the signal and mer's absence.

Omaha officers of the grand commandvicted in his court of participation in the ery are: Right Eminent Sir Francis E. too late the motorman shut off the curnight riders' work. Letters have been White, grand recorder; Eminent Sir rent and applied the brakes, but the car sent recently to the large land owners Penry C. Akin, grand treasurer, and Emi sid along until it stopped directly in the and merchants of this vicinity threaten- nent Sir Charles L. Shook, grand sword path of the oncoming train. ing the destruction of their lives and bearer. Eminent Sir George S. Ticknor property unless wages were raised, rents is commander of Mount Calvary Comlowered and negroes driven from the mandery No. 1 and Sir Luther B. Hoyt captain general, is general chairman of the arrangements.

Right Eminent Sir Hutson B. Colman of Kalamazoo, Mich., has arrived to represent the most eminent grand master during the conclave. He is stopping at the Fontenelle. This morning Mount Calvary commandery will assemble at 9 o'clock and form in line to escort him and the deputy grand commander from the hotel headquarters to the Masonic temple, where the business session of the conclave will be neld.

While that is in progres, the wives of the visiting sir knights will enjoy an auto of Davenport institutions. ride about the city, starting from the Fontenelle at 10 o'clock.

Merrow May Not Have Committed Suicide

A post mortem examination held by Dr. McClanighan, coroner's physician, re-tion of the Kansas City Star, the noon vealed the starting fact that two bul- edition, will be published tomorrow, out lets had pierced the body of G. W. Mer- of respect for the memory of William row, who was found dead at Eikhorn H. Nelson, editor and owner, whose fu-Tuesday night. One builet went through neral will be held in the afternoon. Busihis heart and the other through his next houses throughout the city have brain, and either or both could have been announced that they would suspend busifatal. A coroner's jury returned a verdict of suicide on the death, but the examination may lead to further investigation as it rather refutes that possi-

SUIT AGAINST SHERIDAN POST MUST BE TRIED

CHEYENNE, Wyo., April 16 .- (Special.) -That the district court of Sheridan county erred when it dismissed the peti-Deficiency for the day ... 10 inch
Total rainfall since March 1 ... 212 inches
Deficiency since March 1 ... 28 inch
Deficiency for cor. period, 1914 ... 1,01 inches
Excess for cor. period, 1913 ... 2.14 inches
Ilbel, is a decision which we have by the Wyoming supreme court today. The supreme court remanded the cause to the Sheridan county court for trial.

Kutcher, who, at the time, was mayor of Sheridan, sued the Post company and Typan on the ground that the Post had committed a libel when, on March 18, 54 1912, it published certain statements about the official acts of Kutcher.

Tynan now is mayor of Sheridan, having

FIFTEEN KILLED

Track in Front of Freight Train -Twenty-Eight Hurt.

and their ladies in attendance. to the police, the unexplained innoMount Calvary Commanders of the student's instructor also "evils" of the extra list. Mount Calvary Commandery of tivity of the student's instructor also af the Masonic temple at 4 o'clock four of them seriously. Early today | Commissioner Arishton took up the exmarked the beginning of the annual only seven of the dead had been iden-

Handled by Student. With a heavy load of passengers, home-Right Eminent Sir Will A. Needham of ward bound, the car, handled by Student been more than half a dozen complaints Eloomfield, grand commander of the Motorman J. C. Westover, halted as it in a month," said Powers. reached the railroad crossing. The con-Willetts, jr., of McCook, deputy grand approaching the intersection, signalled commander, will be in charge of the the motorman to wait until it had passed. put on power. The car started down the slight incline leading to the tracks. When

Davenport Man Leaves Million to

terms of the will of M. D. Petersen, a Davenport merchant, who left an estate valued at over \$1,000,000, will be eventually distributed among charitable institutions. The wife and children are given a life interest in the estate. At their death it is to be divided among the Masonic charity fund of Iowa and a number

Funeral of Colonel Nelson Will Be on Friday Afternoon

KANSAS CITY, April 15.-Only one ediness during the funeral hour.

PRESIDENT SMITH SENDS WORD HE IS IMPROVING

LAMONI, Ia., April 15,-(Special Telegram.)-The morning's lecture at the Saints' conference was on "History of Education" by Prof. F. M. McDowell, following which Bishop J. A. Brecker of Ohio preached. A telegram from President F. M. Smith

states that he is improving and expected to sit up in his chair today for the first time. Alvah H. Christenson, now missionary in the South Sea Islands, was chosen to the office of seventy. So also were the following men: J. A. Dowker of Independence, Mo.; Richard D. Weaver of Brown City, Mich.; Hinman W. Sav age, lately returned from the South Ser islands, and John R. Grice of Flint, Mich Columbus Scott of Lamoni resigned as senior president of the council of seven presidents of seventy, which office he has held for thirty years. The evening speaker was Elder E. Evans of Grand Rapids, Mich,

POSTAL CHIEF SAYS **CPERATOR WON'T BE** FIRED FOR TALKING

Powers Asserts Telegrapher's Testimony to Commission Not to Cost Him His Job, as Feared.

GIVES SIDE OF THE COMPANY

Regular Day Trick of Ticker is Nine Hours. While Others Shorter. He Avers.

EVILS OF THE "EXTRA LIST"

CHICAGO, April 15 .- The Postal Telegraph and Cable company, accused before the United States Commission of Industrial Relations yesterday of overworking its men for inadequate pay, made reply today through T. N. Powers, manager of the operating department of the Chleago office.

The regular day trick of telegraare shorter, he testified.

"Is it impossible at times for men to obtain lunch relief?" asked Frank P. Walsh, chairman of the commission. 'At times when business is very heavy, gs at the beginning of the war," Mr.

Powers replied, and added: Extra List Created. When business decreases an extra list is created by men who are auxious to pick up what money they can rather than

the company would cost him and his ompanions, who also testified, their jobs "Not at all so long as they observe the

IN DETROIT WRECK of Yarrington, one of the extra list men legislature. Heavily Laden Street Car Runs on who testified yesterday, as \$82 the first Lyman reservoir furnished water to month. Later, he said, Yarrington grew irrigate 30,000 acres. so irregular that his earnings decreased

to \$67 in one month. Wouldn't Hire Member. The witness stated that he would not hire a member of the Commercial Teleg-DETROIT, Mich., April 15 .- To raphers' union, but would not disturb a

the Knights Templar of Nebraska man is charged the death of fifteen . They are all right so long as they don't officers and members have gathered persons, ten of them women, who bring the union into the office," he said. Denies French Guns from all parts of the state for the were killed last night in a collision. Asked as to the association of emceremonies and entertainments which between a street car and a freight ployes Mr. Powers remarked that Yarrington, in the period of his alleged indicate until this afternoon, with Toledo & Ironton railroad in the sociation's restaurant, and the deficit was

"We can abolish it today if you want City now pays 19.8 cents per car mile on Omaha is host for the visiting contributed to the disaster. Twenty- to throw these men out of work. We its lump coal and over is cents on its knights, and its opening in full form eight other persons were injured, don't need it," replied Mr. Powers.

amination, and witness said that grievances were brought to him. "When a sub-chief can't use a man, the case comes to me, and frequently I rever see the sub-chief. There haven't

Germans Say Russ Attempt to Invade

BERLIN, April 18,-(By Wireless to Sayville.)-The German war office today gave out a report on the situation in the Carpathians, dated Monday, April 12, which reads:

"The Russian attempt with the army that was before Przemyel to force the Public Charities invasion of Hungary has resulted in tall ire. The endeavors to get through the Lupkow and East Dukia passes were not DAVENPORT, Ia., April II.-By the successful, and the Russian attacks at Scatropko and Felorzebeurz have definitely come to an end. The Russians consequently are attacking further to the Koziowa with heavy losses. The attacking strength of the Russians has visibly lessened."

Secretary M'Adoo Will Ask That His Case Be Postponed

WASHINGTON, April 15.-Postpone ent of the hearing to a later date will be asked by the defense tomorrow, when the injunction proceedings of the Riggs National Bank against Secretary McAdoc and Comptroller of the Currency Williams are taken up in the district supreme

Louis D. Brandels, retained as special counsel to aid the Department of Justice in defending the officials, made this anjouncement:

"It is physically impossible to prepare the case by tomorrow. The government herefore, will ask for a postponement to



The Missouri river which skirts Omaha is part of the greatest river system in the world. It is here hemmed in by high bluffs and spanned by three bridges. Despite its muddy water, it affords in summer time much beautiful landscape scenery.

Bandits With Auto Trucks Steal \$50,000 Worth of Silk

BUFFALO, N. Y., April 15.-A dozen distance down the tracks, the robbers obbers held up a New York Central fast lined up the enginemen and three other freight train at Sanborn, nine miles east members of the train erew against a box of North Tonawands, early today, car and left one of their number as guard stripped several cars of boiled silk valued | while the others looted the merchandise at \$50,000 and sped away in automobile cars.

LYMAN IS BROKEN

HOLBROOK, Ariz, April 15-Lyphers is nine hours and other tricks twelve miles south of St. Johns, marine near the North Hinder lightwest of St. Johns, is in the path of the flood, and if the dam there, which will be in danger.

> Damage Four Hundred Thousand. PHOENIX, Aris., April 15.-Dispatches received here today, telling of the breaking of the Lyman reservoir dam near St. Johns, estimate the total damage so far

Mounted on Louvre

WASHINGTON, April 16.-An official Court Refuses Jury WASHINGTON, April 16.-An official

Embassy officials said the foreign office saw in these reports the laying of s foundation for attacks by Zeppelins and aeroplanes upon these buildings.

Foreign Minister Delcasse, after referring to the publication of dispatches on April 12 to the effect that wireless telegraphic apparatus for military communiother public buildings and that they had also been armed with mitraleuses to attack German aircraft, said:

German Submarine Sinks Dutch Craft

LONDON, April 15.-The Netherlands steamer Katwhok from Baltimore for Rotterdam, was torpedoed yesterday evening while anchored seven miles to the west of the North Hunder light lightship in the North Sea. The crew of twentyeast, but here they were repuised near three men was saved and taken aboard the lightship.

The Katwyk was a freight steamer. Built in 1900, it was 1,287 net tons and 281

ernment, according to the agents of the dents of Lincoin township. vessel here.

Hunt Dam Carried Out by a Flood

HOLBROOK, Ariz. April 15.-The Hunt am, twenty miles from St. Johns, was carried out by the flood shortly before noon. The water swept down toward the Woodruff dam. Woodruff will be submerged unless the dam there also breaks. The flood will reach Woodruff tonight.

MATHISON ELECTED HEAD **KEARNEY MILITARY ACADEMY**

KEARNEY, Neb., April 15 .- (Special elegram.)-The trustees of the Kearney Military academy met in Kearney today and sprung a big surprise on the people of the Episcopal church and citizens-atlarge by electing E. T. Mathison of Chicago head of the school for the coming

Archdeacon Ware, who has been at the head of the school the last year has done a great work in building up the institution after a badly run-down session. and the reason for his not being reelected has not been explained. It was stated that the trustoes carried out the new cases of the disease have developed wishes of Bishop Beecher,

oing missionary work in Nebraska.

plunder. The robbers fired several shots waiting and were quickly loaded with at the crew. No one was injured. A booty. Engineer Goss of Syracuse es posses of detectives and mounted police caped the guard and, running a fusillade were at the scene shortly after the of shots, reached his engine in safety holdup.

He made a record run into Suspension After forcing the engine crew to un- Bridge eight miles away and gave the RUSSIAN ADVANCE IS CHECKED

RESERVOIR DAM AT BRITISH STEAMER PTARMIGAN SUNK DARDANELLES CAMPAIGN WAITS

LONDON, April 15,-The British

The Ptarmigan had a tonnage of

Murder of Young

NEW YORK, April 15.-Mystery sur-

counding the murder of a young weman,

whose body was found in the Bronx.

Saturday, deepened today when the iden-

tification of the body as that of Miss

Claudia Hansbury of Troy was con-

tradicted. A message from Troy said

Christiana Carr, an aunt of Miss Hans-

bury, last night identified the body as

Despite the news from Troy, Raffaele

Viullo, a contractor, charged with homi-

raigned before a police magistrate today.

Viulio was held without ball for further

To Pass on Sanity

Miss Hansbury was at home.

that of her niece.

Woman Deepens

Mystery Around

Wall of Water Sweeps Down Valley Small Freight Ship is Torpedoed by of Little Colorado River and a German Submarine in the Drowns Eight Persons. North Sea.

MAY TEAR OUT SECOND DAM ELEVEN SAILORS ARE DROWNED

man reservoir, which impounds steamship Ptarmigan has been torwaters of the Little Colorado river pedoed and sunk by a German sub-Apache county, broke shortly before ship, in the North sea. Eleven sailmidnight last night, drowning eight ors of the Ptarmigan's crew of persons. A reservoir at Hunt, north- twenty-two men were saved. is threatened, gives away Woodruff, 475 net and was built at Dundee in twelve miles southeast of Holbrook, 1891. The vessel was 218 feet long,

The eight persons drowned at Ly- was owned by the General Steam man had been living directly under Navigation company. Mr. Walsh explained that one of the the reservoir dam, which collapsed. Postal telegraphers who testified yester- as did a similar, but smaller, dam ten day feared that his adverse comment on years ugo. At St. Johns today the flood had reached a depth of three feet in some places, although no rules of the company," answered the wit- great damage has been done there. Three of the eight persons drowned at Mr. Powers read a list of employes, Lyman dam were the children of Mr. giving their earnings ranging from \$40 and Mrs. Ellis Palmer, and grandchildren or new and inexperienced men to \$110 of Mrs. Rachel Berry, one of the two the heat mes. He gave the earnings women members of the Arizona state

in the flooded area at \$400,000. St. Johns

And the Invalides pen found near the body had been blen-

eign Minister Delcasse,

"It is hardly necessary to say that these statements are absolutely untrue and the French government protests Hungary a Failure and the French government protests against such imputations on the authority of German officers, who are so far distant from Paris that they can have no knowledge of the facts they assert.

Farmer is Taken to

upon a jury to aid his conscience in de-

will be Justice Hendricks.

SOMERSET, Pa., April 15.-A party of men took George Berndt, a well-to-do farmer of Lincoln township from the residence of his father near here last night, led him into a dense forest and threshed him with thorn switches. The leader of the party, which numbered feet long. It sailed from Baltimore March about forty, told Berndt that the pun-26 for Rotterdam and passed Dover on ishment was admiristered because it was charged he did not provide for his wife BALTIMORE, Md., April 15.-The Kat- and five children. Berndt today sought wyk was loaded with 116,883 bushess of warrants for the arrest of the men, many corn consigned to The Netherlands gov- of whom were said to be leading resi-

John Bunny, Screen Comedian, Dying

NEW YORK, April 14.-John Bunny, median of the screen, was thought to be at death's door today of a complication of kidney and heart aliments. He has been ill for three weeks at his he Brooklyn. Today was one of his worst

Mr. Bunny, whose face and figure are known to millions of moving picture devotees, is 52 years old. He has been or the stage therty years, achieving his greatest success within recent years as a moving picture actor.

NEW CASES OF BERI BERI KRONPRINZ WILHELM

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., April 15 .-Provisions for four days were taken aboard today by the German commerce raider, Kron Prinz Wilhelm, the three days' supply allowed it when it came into port having been exhausted. morrow the cruiser will go into dry dock for survey by the naval board.

The ship's surgeons said today that members of the crew suffering from beri beri were much improved. Thirty-on since the raider arrived here, but with E. T. Mathison, formerly assistant plenty of fresh vegetables available the rector of the Shattuck academy, has been surgeons expect to suppress the epidemi

AIRSHIP ATTACK YARD FRUITLESS

Damage Done by Bombs Dropped by Zeppelin Near River Tyne is Negligible-Two Civilians Are Injured.

Main Offensive in Vicinity of Ussok Pass Halted by Reinforced Tentonic Armies.

The Day's War News

FOUR ATTACKS by the French are mentioned in the Berlin war office statement and are said to have resulted in failures. The Paris statement, however, asserts that in the Ally wood, a section of ground 400 yards long and 100 yards deep was won and that 'in Alance an advance of nearly one mile was

BRITISH STEAMER PTARMIGAN has been sunk by a German sub-marine in the North sea. Eleven men of its erew of twenty-two

BRITISH CASUALTIES from the heginning of the war to April 11 30 feet beam and 16 feet deep. It amount to 139,347 men.

FAILURE OF RUSSIAN attempt to invade Hungary was announced today by the German war office. Although official reports from Petrograd concede no anch reverse, they indicate the Russian advance has been brought virtually to a halt.

the intervention in the war of Roumania appears to be imminent. It is said the Roumanian army is well equipped and ready for instant action. OPERATIONS ALONG the western front once more are nearly at a standatill. The vigorous counter

offensive of the Germans in the

ROME ADVICES from Saloniki say

Mense-Mosele district apparently has checked the French Inttintive. LONDON, April 15 .- England experienced a second Zeppelin raid last night, when a German airship made cide, and Mrs. Bertha Wilson, who the police allege, said she introduced Miss an extensive flight over the North-Hanbury to the contractor, were areastern coast in abortive attempt to damage ship-building works slong examination, while Mrs. Wilson was held the river Tyne. With the exception in \$600 tail as a material witness. Viulle of negligible damage to property and was arrested last night after a fountain

slight injury to two civilians, the attack was fruitless The promptness with which the cities and towns in this part of England were plunged into darkness when the coming of the Zeppelin was Of Harry K. Thaw the infliction of greater damage. As announced undoubtedly prevented it was some narrow escapes were NEW YORK, April 15.—Supreme Court recorded, with bombs falling near a Justice Newburger declines today to consider the motions of lawyers for passenger train in one instance and

Harry K. Thaw that he be granted a close to a shipyard in another, jury trial to determine his sanity. He | According to special dispatches appearheld that the writ in the case was re- ing in London, both the Russians and turnable next Mouday and should be en- the Austrians still claim local successes tertained by the justice then sitting, who in the Carpathians. Nevertheless it would appear as though reinforced Aus-Justice Newburger interrupted prelimi- tro-German forces had checked the main nary argument by John B. Stanchfield Russian offensive in the region of Uzsok

of Thaw's counsel to announce his de- | Pass. cision. Mr. Stanchfield had at that time Chancellor of the Exchequer Lloyd reviewed the history of the Thaw case, George has presided at the first meeting which he argued constituted a 'peculiarly of the business committee, which is to fit case to warrant the court in calling organize to the full the resources of the nation in the production of war material. termining whether the defendant is The war office, the admiralty and the Board of Trade each is represented on the committee. Complete details as to Thaw and his mother were both in the needs of the military departments and the means at present available to supply them are being collected. When the information thus obtained shall have been examined the work of co-ordinating Woods and Thrashed the national energies will be started.

Responsibility for the delay in the operations of the allied floot against the Turkish positions on the Dardanetics again has been placed on unfavorable weather conditions.

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