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EVARTS ASKS DELAY

As a Result Burlington Case Again Postponed in Supreme Court.

NO MORE POSTPONEMENTS TO GO

Railroad Representatives Agree to Try it March 5.

BURKETT CONFERS WITH TAFT

Topics Each is to Speak on and Are Discussed.

EDUCATORS BEFORE SENATORS

Visiting School Superintendents the Guests of Nebraska Delegation at Dinner and Attend Nebraska Club.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—Once more the case of the State of Nebraska against the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railway company, under mandamus proceedings, and which is commonly known as the Nebraska railroad case, has been postponed, this time until the 16th day of March. Today a stipulation was entered into, signed by Senator Brown on behalf of the state, representing Attorney General Thompson, and Maxwell Evarts, representing the railroad, and incidentally the judges of the federal district court of Nebraska, who were called upon to show cause why this case should not be remanded to the supreme court of Nebraska, fixing the date above mentioned for argument. Mr. Evarts desired this postponement on account of professional duties elsewhere and suggested that the time be set in April for argument, but Senator Brown, representing the attorney general, would not agree to this latter date and a compromise was effected whereby March 16 was named, with a thorough understanding that no more postponements would be asked for.

Burkett Confers with Taft.

Senator Burkett, in view of his speech in Boston next week with Secretary Taft, had a conference today with the war secretary upon the scope of his speech, its salient features and generally what Mr. Taft desired the senator to cover. In view of the fact that these will be the principal speeches made on the occasion of the annual banquet of the State Republican club of Massachusetts, and that they will be looked upon as keynotes of the campaign for Taft delegates in the Old Bay state, it was necessary to have some concerted action. As a result of the conference, Secretary Taft and Senator Burkett will leave Washington Monday evening and probably will remain in Massachusetts several days after the reception.

Senators Hear Educators.

The agricultural committee of the senate today gave a hearing to the educators now in Washington on the Burkett bill, which provides for the teaching of agriculture in the normal schools of the country. Senator Burkett was present and addressed the committee on behalf of his measure. Among the teachers present were H. S. Beerley of Cedar Falls, Ia., and E. C. Bishop, deputy state superintendent of Nebraska. A dozen other members of the committee on agricultural education of the National Education association were also present and participated in the discussion. The superintendents expressed themselves as well pleased with the hearing and that they were more inclined to the Burkett bill than to the Davis bill now before a like committee of the house.

Money for Beatrice Building.

The senate committee on public buildings and grounds today favorably reported Senator Burkett's bill appropriating $56,000 for enlargement of the Beatrice postoffice building.

Pensions for Nebraskans.

Senator Burkett today introduced bills granting increases of pensions to $30 per month to the following Nebraskans: Thomas G. Winsteer, John W. Smith, Milton I. Woodward, Thornton S. Crosley.

Legislators Dine Educators.

The republican members of the Nebraska delegation will tomorrow night tender the visiting school superintendents from Nebraska now in convention here, a dinner at Congress hall. After dinner, which has been set for 6 o'clock, it is expected many of the superintendents, together with the Nebraska delegation, will attend the first of the winter and spring entertainments of the Nebraska State association, to be held at Washington club. There will be speeches from a number of the present and past residents of Nebraska and music by some of the leading artists of the city. At the conclusion of the speech making and musical features a buffet luncheon will be served.

Representatives Pollard and Boyd today took the visiting superintendents in charge and during the morning introduced them to William H. Taft, secretary of war; the secretary of the treasury, and Auditor Andrews, and later at the capitol arranged for a personal audience with Mr. Cannon, speaker of the house.

Minor Matters at Capital.

Senator Gamble today secured the passage through the senate of his bill providing an appropriation of $100,000 for a new public building at Huron, S. D.

Senator Dolliver today introduced a bill appropriating $150,000 for extending and improving the public building at Fort Dodge, Ia. Representative Conner introduced a duplicate of the above bill in the house.

John G. Evans of Marengo, Ia., has been appointed meat inspector in connection with the Bureau of Animal Industry.

Postmasters appointed: Nebraska—Rescue, Saunders county, Frank Wirka, vice M. Palensky, resigned. Iowa—Irving, Tama county, A. M. Ledvina, vice J. O. Roberts, resigned.

Rural carriers appointed: Nebraska—Scott's Bluff, route 1, Alvin Toetsort, carrier; Homer G. Fairchild, substitute. Iowa—West Branch, route 5, Niels P. Madson, carrier; Clarence Secrest, substitute. South Dakota—Cavour, route 1, Frank J. Breiner, carrier; Raymond Gellerman, substitute.

Hammond's Nomination Confirmed.

The senate in executive session today confirmed the nomination of Ross Hammond to be collector of internal revenue for the district of Nebraska.

GREAT NORTHERN TAXES HIGH

Million to Be Paid State, Representing Largest Year's Business of Company.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Feb. 26.—The Great Northern Railway company will pay the state nearly $1,000,000 in taxes this year. This is $80,000 in excess of 1906, and is representative of the biggest year's business in the history of the company.

SUMMARY OF THE BEE

Thursday, February 27, 1908.

FEBRUARY 1908

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THE WEATHER.

FOR OMAHA, COUNCIL BLUFFS AND VICINITY—Fair Thursday, with rising temperature.

FOR NEBRASKA—Fair and rising temperature Thursday.

FOR IOWA—Fair Thursday, with rising temperature in west portion.

Temperature at Omaha yesterday:

Hour	Deg.
5 a. m.	30
6 a. m.	28
7 a. m.	26
8 a. m.	24
9 a. m.	24
10 a. m.	24
11 a. m.	24
12 m.	26
1 p. m.	26
2 p. m.	26
3 p. m.	26
4 p. m.	26
5 p. m.	26
6 p. m.	24
7 p. m.	22
8 p. m.	22
9 p. m.	20

DOMESTIC.

At the request of Maxwell Evarts the Burlington railroad case in the supreme court is postponed until March 16. **Page 1**

President Roosevelt in special message to congress on "Inland Waterways" calls attention to pending bills that are intended to permit power consumers to secure monopoly in use of streams. **Page 1**

Missouri Pacific pay car finally starts on its belated round. **Page 1**

Standard Oil company raises price of Ohio oil. **Page 1**

Supreme court of Texas upholds as constitutional the fine of $1,600,000 against the Waters-Pierce company. **Page 1**

Defendants do not go on stand in the Harrisburg capitol's fraud trial. **Page 1**

Mrs. Theodore Thomas makes plea for teamsters to care for their horses. **Page 1**

Blizzard rages in northern Michigan. **Page 1**

Receiver has been named for the failed Marshalltown bank. Omaha man, who was president, remains in jail. **Page 1**

Representative Dalzell defends the republican policies in a speech in the house. **Page 2**

Senate passes the penal code bill. **Page 2**

Senator Culberson opposes the Aldrich bill. **Page 2**

Mayor Busse accompanies John A. Linn, confessed embezzler from Joliet, to Chicago. **Page 1**

Funeral of Father Leo of Denver is held with imposing ceremony. **Page 2**

Logs piled on the Alton line in Missouri wreck freight train instead of passenger, for which they were intended. **Page 2**

FOREIGN.

Kaiser Wilhelm plans to take long vacation at Corfu. **Page 1**

Portuguese government finds it impossible to pursue the regicides. **Page 1**

Queen Wilhelmina and Prince Consort are in wreck of carriage. **Page 1**

NEBRASKA.

W. J. Bryan speaks to the Nebraska Press association on the newspapers of the orient. **Page 3**

Judge Cornish at Lincoln, holds packers are not compelled to stamp the net weight on packages of meat. **Page 3**

POLITICAL.

Burkett and Taft confer on topics each is to discuss at banquet at Boston. **Page 1**

LOCAL.

Railroad managers in session in Omaha decide to abide fully by the nine-hour telegraphers' law. **Page 2**

Business men commend war on loan sharks and say they are anxious to see them put out of business. **Page 5**

Lincoln Commercial club will be compelled to ask aid of Omaha shippers to prevent ordering of rates it does not want. **Page 5**

William H. Halmes, Omaha attorney who is pleading insanity as defense in embezzlement case, spent $800 in three weeks of riotous living. **Page 2**

Omaha business men believe C. A. Ralston of Chicago intends to establish large car shops at Seymour park. **Page 1**

COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL.

Live Stock markets. **Page 7**

Grain markets. **Page 7**

Stocks and bonds. **Page 7**

MOVEMENTS OF OCEAN STEAMSHIPS.

Port.	Arrived.	Sailed.
NEW YORK	Venezia	Alice.
NEW YORK	K. Wilhelm II	San Giorgio.
NEW YORK	Zeeland	
LIVERPOOL	Tunisian	
MARSEILLES	Roma	
NAPLES	Montserrat	
HAMBURG	K. A. Victoria	
CHRISTIANIA		C. F. Tietgen.
BREMEN	K. P. Cecilie	

KAISER PLANS FOR A REST

Emperor of Germany Will Go to New Villa at Corfu for Time.

BERLIN, Feb. 26.—Emperor William, according to the present arrangements, will leave Berlin for his beautiful new villa on the island of Corfu on March 21. The emperor desires to take a more complete rest at Corfu than was possible for him in England. A semi-official communication issued today says the emperor goes to Corfu for rest alone, and therefore the report originating at Constantinople that the sultan of Turkey is sending an extraordinary embassy to Corfu to meet him, is incorrect. This communication is regarded as assurance that no serious complications in the far east is possible, inasmuch as the emperor is carrying out the plan for a holiday at Corfu decided upon several months ago.

The traveling party of his majesty will include Prince Fuerstenberg, who is now recognized at court as one of the emperor's most intimate friends and the man whose counsel the emperor is most likely to seek in important cases.

WATERS-PIERCE FINE UPHELD

Texas Supreme Court Decides Penalty of $1,600,000 to Be Legal.

AUSTIN, Tex., Feb. 26.—The supreme court of Texas today sustained the judgment of the lower trial courts wherein they rendered a judgment for $1,600,000 damages and ouster from the state against the Waters-Pierce Oil company for violating the Texas anti-trust laws.

The case will be appealed at once to the United States supreme court.

CONSPIRATORS WILL GO FREE

Portuguese Government Makes No Effort to Punish Regicides.

PLOT AGAINST ENTIRE DYNASTY

Eye Witness of Shooting Declares Crown Prince Luis Killed Father's Murderer Before Own Death.

LISBON, Feb. 26.—The mystery behind the murder of King Carlos and Prince Luiz is not likely ever to be completely lifted. The new Portuguese government prefers that the crime should be regarded, both at home and abroad, as the deed of individuals carried away by the political passions of the moment, and inasmuch as the republicans are also anxious to clear their skirts of responsibility for regicide, both sides are glad to see an investigation which would probe the affair to the bottom, smothered. Yet there is undoubtedly much that could be cleared up. It is a matter of common knowledge that there were intrigues in high places as well as low before the tragedy occurred and the rage of the leaders and lieutenants of the two "rotative" parties against which Premier Franco and King Carlos were warring exceeded all bounds.

Franco Obliged to Retire.

Premier Franco himself told a friend the day before he left Lisbon (virtually upon the order of the government) that it was impossible to reveal to the world what he had learned of the intrigues of the enemies of the king and himself, and it was, therefore, better for him to retire forever from the political arena. The connection between the republicans and the regicides is equally difficult to establish. The disclaimers of leaders like Bernardino Machado must be accepted so far as the "peaceful wing" is concerned, but this cannot be said of the advanced or radical wing, as there is plenty of evidence that they had planned a rising on the night of the crime.

Whether the plot aimed at the murder of the entire royal family is likely to remain in dispute, as the officials view attempts to make it appear that crown Prince Luiz was killed by mistake. This view, however, is not supported by the testimony of eye witnesses. One of these, the tutor of the princes, was standing in the arcade at the corner of Blackhorse square as the royal carriage approached. He stood with his shoulder against the shoulder of Boissa, the man who fired the shot that killed the king.

Crown Prince Kills Murderer.

As the carriage reached a point almost directly opposite him there was a report from the curb thirty or forty feet behind the carriage. The tutor saw the king straighten up, but he had no idea that a shot had been fired or that the king was hit. Thinking the explosion was that of a firecracker he turned to the man at his side and said: "Take off your hat, it is the king." The words were not out of his mouth before the man darted forward, revolver in hand and running up to within five feet of the carriage, fired pointblank. The king sank down, and his head fell forward. In the confusion which followed the tutor saw the man who had fired first kneeling in the street with a carbine at his shoulder, firing shots in rapid succession. The crown prince was on his feet as the king received the fatal bullet and the tutor is certain that it was he who killed the murderer of his father. Boissa was shot from the front through the heart. Whether it was the crown prince's bullet which killed him or not, it is certain that the prince fired twice for two chambers of his pistol were empty. Everything goes to prove that the plot was to kill the entire royal family, thus obliterates the Braganza dynasty, and precipitates a change in the regime.

ELITE OF LIMA AT NAVAL BALL

Six Hundred Guests Dance Till Three in the Morning with the Americans.

LIMA, Peru, Feb. 26.—The ball given last night by the National club in honor of the visiting American naval officers was a most brilliant success. The elite society of the capital was well represented and among those present were the president of the republic, several members of the cabinet, the American admirals, the American minister to Peru, Leslie Combs, and the staff of the American legation and the members of the diplomatic corps. The dancing was continued until 3 o'clock this morning. The streets surrounding the club were beautifully illuminated and the club building was tastefully decorated for the occasion. No less than 600 guests attended the function.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—The torpedo boat flotilla, under command of Lieutenant Commander Cone, accompanied by the supply ship Arthusa, now on its way to Magdalena bay, left Talcahuano yesterday for Callao, Peru, a run of eight days. The torpedo boats will reach Callao some days after the departure of the battleships.

QUEEN ESCAPES UNINJURED

Electric Car Smashes Carriage in Which Holland's Ruler is Riding.

THE HAGUE, Feb. 26.—Queen Wilhelmina and Prince Henry, her husband, had a narrow escape from serious injury in a carriage accident which occurred near the palace today. The prince was driving the carriage in which her majesty was seated. In a narrow part of the road an electric car coming at full speed, suddenly collided with the vehicle before the prince could turn out. The impact was very severe and the carriage was badly wrecked, the wheels being torn off. Fortunately, neither the queen nor the prince was hurt. Her majesty was somewhat unnerved but she was able to walk to the palace. Shortly afterward she left the palace and went to the residence of her mother in order to reassure her and prove that she had not been injured.

MAYOR CONDUCTS EMBEZZLER

John Linn Released from Joliet Because of Failing Health and Taken to Chicago.

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.—The mayor of the second greatest city of America personally escorted from a penitentiary cell at Joliet to Chicago last night a self-confessed embezzler of public funds. Fred A. Busse is the mayor and John A. Linn, former clerk of the circuit court, is the embezzler. Linn was convicted of unlawfully taking $22,000 in fees and confessed the theft. He was in the penitentiary twenty-two months. The reason given for the release is that his health had failed and that his mind was failing.

HARRIMAN'S SIXTIETH YEAR

Railroad Magnate Puts in Birthday at Office with His Usual Routine.

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—E. H. Harriman was 60 years old yesterday. He appeared at his office at the usual time and remained there until time to attend the ceremonies marking the opening of the new tunnel under the Hudson river.

E. H. Harriman at the age of 60 has decided that he is not ready to follow out his intended policy of retiring from active work and will continue personally at the helm of his numerous enterprises. He was 60 years old Tuesday. He says he will not even consider retiring until the complications on the industrial chessboard have been cleared sufficiently to permit him to look ahead at a clear path. He says that until that time he thinks he owes it to his 40,000 stockholders and 150,000 employes on his system to stay "on the job."

"I don't want to say how long I will stay in harness," Mr. Harriman said last Saturday in New York. "I looked for some of this falling off in business, but not for one half of what has come."

"A wrong idea prevails of this relationship of capital and labor. We who manage the roads are not the capitalists. The security holders from whom we borrow the money are the capitalists and they are in partnership with the wage earners in trying to make a fair profit in serving the public. It is our duty as managers to try to preserve the proper relations between the different factors so far as we can. But what becomes of our efforts when unwise government interference, resulting in such a condition of distrust as prevails at present, jumbles up all the factors into one conglomeration?

"I believe things will right themselves when people have a chance to understand the situation. I do not lay all blame on the public or even the politicians. The railroad men themselves are a great deal to blame for what has happened and they ought to recognize it at this time when they have their own worries with them. If the railroad men of this country had years ago learned to trust each other, a great deal of what has been suffered would have been avoided. There was a time when they had a right to make agreements covering traffic and rates, but what was the result? An agreement was hardly made before some party to it violated it. That was the root of destructive competition.

"There will be work to do when confidence is once restored. There are great possibilities ahead if we go at them rightly. In twenty years the population of this country will reach 200,000,000.

ROCK ISLAND SECURES STAY

President of System Asks Oklahoma to Wait Before Attacking Merger.

GUTHRIE, Okla., Feb. 26.—Asking that no action be taken without first giving his company an opportunity to discuss the situation before the governor and attorney general, B. L. Winchell, president of the Rock Island system, today telegraphed Governor C. H. Haskell here concerning the published report of the state's intention to file suit to dissolve the alleged merger of the Rock Island and St. Louis & San Francisco railways in Oklahoma. Governor Haskell, after a conference with Attorney General West, wired Mr. Winchell that they would meet him or his representatives here next Wednesday for a conference. Attorney General West was to have filed his proposed suit in Oklahoma City today. Instead he announced that the filing would be postponed temporarily.

JORDAN HAS CHURCH TRIAL

Discharged Member of Soldiers' Home Answering Charges About Statements He Made.

MARSHALLTOWN, Ia., Feb. 26.—(Special Telegram.)—W. F. Jordan of Storm Lake, president of the Union mission of this city and a discharged member of the Soldiers' home, was placed on trial at the Methodist church today on charges of slander, lying, perjury and misrepresentation.

Daniel B. Ferguson of Ida Grove, a member of the home and church, is the complainant. The charges are the result of statements Jordan is alleged to have made regarding J. B. Hilliar of Swaledale, another member of the home and the church who died last summer. For making these charges Jordan was tried and discharged from the home. Jordan was complainant in the sensational church trial of Chaplain Jesse Cole of the Soldiers' home at Hubbard a few months ago.

DEFENDANTS NOT TO TESTIFY

Pennsylvania Capitol Fraud Case Will Finish Without Their Evidence.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Feb. 26.—Taking the position that the commonwealth has not made out a case against Contractor J. H. Sanderson and the former state officers, Snyder, Mathues and Shumaker, on trial here charged with conspiracy to cheat the state in the furnishing of the new capitol, the lawyers for the defense have decided to call none of their clients as witnesses.

STANDARD ELEVATING PRICES

North Lima Oil Product Above Dollar Mark for First Time in Year.

LIMA, O., Feb. 26.—The Seep purchasing agency (Standard Oil company) advanced the price of Lima and Indiana crude oils 5 cents a barrel today, placing the North Lima product above the dollar mark for the first time in more than a year. The quotations are: North Lima, $1.04; South Lima, 99 cents; Indiana, 99 cents.

M. P. PAY CAR OUT ON ROAD

Start Finally Made to Pay Employes on the Gould Line in Missouri.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Feb. 26.—The Missouri Pacific paycar, that is ten days late, left St. Louis late last night to pay employes along the line. The car is at Sedalia today. The paycar of the St. Louis & Iron Mountain road, which is also late, is scheduled to leave here tonight.

COUNTY OPTION IN OHIO

House Passes Rose Bill 79 to 36 and It Now Goes to the Governor.

COLUMBUS, O., Feb. 26.—The Rose bill, providing for county local option throughout the state, passed the house this afternoon by a vote of 79 to 36. The bill has passed the senate.

MORE CAR SHOPS FOR OMAHA

C. A. Ralston, Chicago Car Builder, Looking for a Site.

SEYMOUR PARK IS FAVORED

Omaha Associates of Chicagoan Declare This Point is Almost Certain to Be Selected for New Suburb.

Car shops employing 400 men, to be the center of a new suburb to Omaha, to be located at Seymour park, is what several Omaha business men foresee in the visit of C. A. Ralston of Chicago to Omaha on Tuesday and Wednesday. Mr. Ralston announced he was looking for a site for railroad car shops for the repair of the rolling stock of eastern roads which have no repair facilities in this part of the country. He spent the greater part of the day Wednesday at Seymour park looking over the ground. Late Wednesday afternoon he left for St. Joseph.

He was shown over several sites for the proposed car shops in the vicinity of Omaha, including South Omaha, East Omaha and Seymour park, by Commissioner Guild of the Commercial club, W. A. DeBord and Messrs. Shimer and Chase. He was entertained at luncheon at the Real Estate exchange at noon Wednesday and did not finish the trip to Seymour park until about 2 o'clock, being accompanied there by Mr. DeBord and Mr. Shimer by automobile.

Mr. Ralston seemed favorably impressed with the Seymour park site, as being the most advantageous and available for his purposes. Messrs. Shimer and Chase have submitted a proposition to him for thirty-five acres of land approximately in the center of Seymour park through which both the Missouri Pacific and Burlington roads run and only about half a mile from the Union Pacific. The location of the proposed site is south and west of Deerfield station.

The proposition contemplates the investment of about $150,000 and will employ at least 400 men. The company is capitalized at $500,000. No bonus is asked from Omaha, the only favor solicited being the moral backing and support of the Commercial club and other industrial and business bodies of Omaha.

Omaha Central Location.

Mr. Ralston was very favorably impressed with Omaha as a site for the proposed plant because of its central location, shipping and freight facilities, and the further fact that it is the great gateway of the continent between the east and west.

The only other general plant of the kind in the west is at Streator, Ill. However, there are general repair plants at Plattsmouth and Omaha, but these are established for special roads, the Burlington and the Union Pacific, which control them as their own private enterprises. Much general car repairing is done at these two points, but practically all of the facilities of the shops are utilized for the work of the respective roads, and then they hardly meet the emergency.

Mr. DeBord said: "I was much impressed with the direct business methods of Mr. Ralston. He knew exactly what he wanted and it cannot be put too emphatically that he will accept the Seymour park proposition."

May Develop Seymour Park.

Mr. Shimer of Shimer & Chase, said: "I do not care to go into the details, but can give the assurance that the deal is practically settled and that Seymour park will be the location. It was not the question with Mr. Ralston as to the probable patronage that his shops might receive, but the question of trackage facilities, housing his employes, the central location and the nearness to the raw material. He not only intends to repair but to build cars. The enterprise is one of the biggest that has come to Omaha in recent years and one of the most important to the western country. The location is but two and a half miles from street car facilities and there is no question but that these will be extended at once; if not by the Omaha Street Railway company it will be by the interurban lines. An interurban line would almost pay out there now. The Cudahys employ about fifty people there during the summer time, which is increased to 250 in the winter. The park is a great natural resort and is being visited by increasing picnic parties every year. With the establishment of the car shops out there a thrifty community will spring up at once and another wide-awake suburb will be added to Omaha."

PLEA TO HELP THE HORSES

Mrs. Theodore Thomas Begs Chicago Teamsters to Be Less Cruel.

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.—Mrs. Theodore Thomas, wife of the world famous orchestra leader, pleaded with the teamsters of Chicago last night in behalf of their horses. While draft animals that had hauled heavy loads over the slippery streets rested in their stalls, Mrs. Thomas urged before the teamsters joint council, restrictions and regulations favorable to the teamster's horses.

The teamsters promised to do all in their power to assist Mrs. Thomas, but blamed the barn bosses and employers for the apparent cruelties.

Many said abuses would be corrected if the city council would limit the tonnage per horse that could be hauled through the streets.

MORE BLACK HAND THREATS

St. Louis Doctor Advised to Pay Over Five Hundred Dollars or Lose Head.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 26.—Since yesterday afternoon a police guard has been stationed at the home of Dr. Julius F. Menestrina, 3611 Washington avenue, a prominent Italian physician, who is the recipient of an unsigned communication, written in Italian, demanding $500 and threatening the physician with decapitation if he fails to comply. Patrolmen sent to the scene this morning arrested an Italian who was found loitering around. He is held pending further investigation.

BLIZZARD IN NORTH MICHIGAN

Most Severe Storm in Years Raging and All Traffic Completely Blocked.

MARQUETTE, Mich., Feb. 26.—The most terrific blizzard in years has raged since last night in upper Michigan. Huge snow drifts are demoralizing traffic.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Feb. 26.—The worst rainstorm in years swept this vicinity today. Creeks are overflowing and the Susquehanna river is rising rapidly. The entire lower end of this city is under water.

TAFT COLUMN ON INCREASE

Antelope, Furnas, Sarpy and Hitchcock Instruct Delegates for Him.

REPUBLICAN INSTRUCTIONS.

Total delegates in state convention....925
Total delegates already chosen....377

FOR TAFT:

Antelope	12
Butler	11
Cass	18
Cedar	12
Clay	14
Custer	18
Douglas	102
Dundy	3
Franklin	8
Furnas	10
Gage	28
Hayes	2
Hitchcock	4
Pawnee	12
Sarpy	7
Stanton	6
Thayer	11
Instructed for Taft	**280**
Uninstructed for Taft	**33**
Total for Taft	**313**

FOR ROOSEVELT:

Lancaster	54
Total for Roosevelt	**54**

UNINSTRUCTED:

Cheyenne	6
Dawson	11
Jefferson	14
Platte	12
Total uninstructed	**43**
Uninstructed for Taft	**33**
Uninstructed scattering	**10**

PAPILLION, Neb., Feb. 26.—(Special Telegram.)—The Sarpy county republican convention met today in the Knights of Pythias hall and was called to order by P. J. Langdon, chairman of the county central committee. The convention was organized by electing P. J. Langdon chairman and H. Z. Wedgewood secretary. The following resolutions were adopted:

We, republicans of Sarpy county, Nebraska, in delegate convention assembled, hereby reaffirm our allegiance to the policies of the republican party as promulgated by our worthy president, Theodore Roosevelt, and endorse his firm and patriotic administration. We regret his determination not to be a candidate a second time for the high office which he has filled with so much credit to himself and honor to his country.

Resolved, That we recognize in William H. Taft, a distinguished statesman and loyal champion of the peoples' rights, and a man who will carry out the progressive policies instituted under the administration of Theodore Roosevelt; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we hereby instruct our delegates to the state and congressional conventions to cast their votes for delegates to the national convention who will make every possible effort to secure the nomination of William H. Taft for president of the United States.

We are proud of the administration of Governor George L. Sheldon. He has been a faithful and efficient servant of the people of our state. We heartily recommend his nomination for the office of chief executive of the state.

Delegates to the conventions were selected as follows:

State—C. D. Brown, Papillion; J. J. Zucher, Bellevue; E. S. Nickerson, Forest City; G. M. Long, Richland; W. H. Davidson, Springfield; J. M. Fox, Forest City; H. A. Collins, Bellevue.

Congressional—J. R. Wilson, Papillion; A. W. Jones, Bellevue; H. J. Langdon, Forest City; Henry Gottschr, Richland; Adolph Neilsen, Springfield; William Boyer, Richland; D. S. Fase, Papillion.

The convention was largely attended.

NELIGH, Neb., Feb. 26.—(Special.)—The Antelope county republican convention here today instructed the delegates to the state convention for Taft.

BEAVER CITY, Neb., Feb. 26.—(Special Telegram.)—The Furnas county republican convention today was the largest in years. All precincts were represented. The preference for president had not been taken in many of the country precincts and in the towns there was a light vote. The result was: Taft, 136; Roosevelt, 85; La Follette, 10; Hughes, 4; Fairbanks, 3; Cannon, 2; Foraker, 1. The contest for the endorsement of national delegate, which had been spirited, was settled by E. B. Perry, state central committeeman, declining in favor of A. C. Rankin, who was unanimously endorsed and permitted to select the delegates to the congressional convention. Taft was unanimously endorsed, also Congressman Norris.

PIERCE, Neb., Feb. 26.—(Special Telegram.)—Incomplete returns show Pierce county republicans voting for Roosevelt. Pierce precinct gives La Follette 4, Taft 3, Roosevelt 7, Hughes 2.

TRENTON, Neb., Feb. 26.—(Special.)—The republican county convention met pursuant to call, with a good representation and elected the following delegates to the state convention at Omaha March 11: C. L. Allen, J. R. McCormick, C. B. Diehl and J. H. Youmans.

Delegates to congressional convention at Hastings: J. H. Brown, J. H. Carrick, A. H. Thomas and L. B. McClelland.

Secretary Taft was endorsed for president.

BASSETT, Neb., Feb. 26.—(Special.)—A republican caucus was held here Monday for the purpose of selecting ten delegates to the county convention, to be held at Bassett February 27.

The vote on preference for president was as follows: Taft, 9; Hughes, 1; Cannon, 1; Fairbanks, 1; Roosevelt, 6.

MAIL CLERK SERIOUSLY HURT

Boards Train When Vestibule is Closed and is Crushed Between the Cars.

W. W. Adams, a mail clerk on Burlington train No. 2, eastbound, was seriously injured between here and Ashland yesterday afternoon. At Ashland he got out of his car to transfer a registered letter to another train and his train started before he was able to get back to the car. Adams boarded the train between two Pullmans, but the vestibule was closed and he was unable to attract the attention of anyone. He held on for a time and then climbed on top of the train, but being clad only in his working garments was forced to climb down by the cold. In climbing down he was crushed in a serious manner between the cars.

On reaching Omaha, Adam's injuries were attended to and he was sent back to his home at Hastings.

RECEIVER NAMED FOR BANK

Dr. MacDiarmid of Marshalltown Institution Still in Jail There.

MARSHALLTOWN, Ia., Feb. 26.—(Special Telegram.)—A. A. Moore, a director of the Marshalltown state bank, was today appointed receiver for the Green Mountain Savings bank, which closed Monday. The receiver was appointed on application of the state auditor. According to the showing made in the application, the $10,000 capital of the bank has been exhausted and in addition there are liabilities of $17,769.89, with assets not to exceed $13,844.72. President Stuart R. MacDiarmid is still in jail here, no arrangements having yet been made for a preliminary examination. His bond has been fixed at $50,000. MacDiarmid's father, William MacDiarmid of Omaha, arrived in the city last night. He was in consultation with attorneys retained by his son this morning.

WATER AND POWER

President Sends Report of Inland Commission to Congress.

FAVORS WIDEST DEVELOPMENT

With Little Foresight Streams Can Be Used for All Purposes.

POWER MONOPOLY THREATENED

Attention is Called to Bills Pending in Congress.

ALL RIGHTS SHOULD BE GUARDED

Perpetual Power Rights Should Not Be Granted and All Benefits Should Be Paid For — Prompt Action Needed.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—President Roosevelt today transmitted to congress the preliminary report of the Inland Waterways commission, accompanying it with a special message, in which he said in part:

"I transmit herewith a preliminary report from the Inland Waterways commission, which was appointed by me last March in response to a widespread interest and demand from the people. The basis of this demand lay in the general and admitted inability of the railroads to handle promptly the traffic of the country, and especially the crops of the previous fall.

"The report rests throughout on the fundamental conception that every waterway should be made to serve the people as largely and in as many different ways as possible. It is poor business to develop a river for navigation in such a way as to prevent its use for power, when by a little foresight it could be made to serve both purposes. We cannot afford needlessly to sacrifice power to irrigation, or irrigation to domestic water supply, when by taking thought we may have all three.

"The commission recognizes that the cost of improving our inland waterways will be large, but far less than would be required to relieve the congestion of traffic by railway extension. The benefits of such improvement will be large also, and they will touch the daily life of our people at every point, uniting the interests of all the states and sections of our country. The cost and the benefits should be equitably distributed, by co-operation with the states and the communities, corporations and individuals, benefically affected. I heartily concur in the commission's recommendation to this end. Such co-operation should result in united effort in carrying out the great duty of improving our inland waterways. While we delay, our rivers remain unused, our traffic is periodically congested and the material wealth and natural resources of the country related to waterways are being steadily absorbed by great monopolies.

Power Monopoly Discussed.

"Among the monopolies, as the report of the commission points out, there is no other which threatens, or has ever threatened, such intolerable interference with the daily life of the people as the consolidation of companies controlling water power. I call your special attention to the attempt of the power corporations, through bills introduced at the present session, to escape from the possibility of government regulation in the interests of the people. These bills are intended to enable the corporations to take possession in perpetuity of national forest lands for the purpose of their business, where and when they please, wholly without compensation to the public. Yet the effect of granting such privileges, taken together with rights already acquired under state law, would be to give away properties of enormous value. Through lack of foresight we have formed the habit of granting without compensation extremely valuable rights amounting to monopolies on navigable streams and on the public domain. The repurchase at great expense of water rights thus carelessly given away without return has already begun in the east, and before long will be necessary in the west also. No rights involving water power should be granted to any corporation in perpetuity, but only for a length of time sufficient to allow them to conduct their business profitably. A reasonable charge should of course be made for valuable rights and privileges which they obtain from the national government. The values for which this charge is made will ultimately, through the natural growth and orderly development of our population and industries, reach enormous amounts. A fair share of the increase should be safeguarded for the benefit of the people, from whose labor it springs. The proceeds thus secured, after the cost of administration and improvement has been met, should naturally be devoted to the development of our inland waterways.

Should Be Self-Supporting.

"The improvement of our inland waterways can and should be made to pay for itself so far as practicable from the incidental proceeds from water-power and other uses. Navigation should of course be free. But the greatest return will come from the increased commerce, growth and prosperity of our people. For this we have already waited too long. Adequate funds should be provided, by bond issue if necessary, and the work should be delayed no longer. The development of our waterways and the conservation of our forests are the two most pressing physical needs of the country. They are interdependent, and they should be met vigorously, together, and at once. The questions of organization, powers, and appropriations are now before the congress. There is urgent need for prompt and decisive action."

DAVIDSON ON THE PROGRAM

Omaha Superintendent of Schools Discusses Paper at Washington Meeting.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—The program for the forenoon session of the convention of the department of superintendence of the National Education association today called for no extended deliberation. There was only one topic for general discussion, namely, "The Nurture of Protection of the Physical Well Being of Public School Pupils." Among those who discussed the subject were Luther Gullick, director of physical training in the public schools, New York City; G. E. Johnson, supervisor of play grounds and vacation schools, Pittsburg; W. M. Davidson, superintendent of public schools, Omaha; A. H. Yoder, superintendent of schools, Tacoma; Thomas F. Harrington, director of physical training and athletics, public schools, Boston, and E. C. Moore, superintendent of public schools, Los Angeles, Cal. This was followed by the annual business meeting.