

READY FOR POW WOW

Democrats Plead Harmony in Candidates in Field.

BERGE BOOM FOR GOVERNOR

Senator Brady Says Ranks Are with Bosses.

POPS IN SEPARATE QUARTERS

Open Convention Offices in Her Grand Hotel Rooms.

LEADERS TO MAP PROGRAM

Thanks for Chairman and Hall for National Committeemen Already Decided on, with Secretary Yet to Be Named.

The democratic convention in Omaha Thursday will be a reflection of the harmony in the ranks of the uncertified in Nebraska this fall, to prove which is the following:

Candidates for Governor—James C. Dahlgren, Omaha. Charles O. Lobeck, Omaha. A. G. Shallenberger, Alma. George Washington Berge, Lincoln.

"Bryant and Berge will carry Nebraska this fall. I fully believe." said former state Senator "Jim" Brady of Boone county, one of the old populist guards of Nebraska. "In my judgment, George Berge will get the democratic nomination this fall and will be elected against Sheldon. Boone county has instructed its populists and democrats to vote for Berge. This is a promise of feeling against the methods of the Shallenberger campaign and I believe it is not possible for him to get the nomination. I do not hear of any considerable Dahlgren talk out in the state."

Asked if the recent action of the "dollar democrat" crowd in forwarding Shallenberger as the gubernatorial candidate was not regarded as a dictation to the rank and file by the bosses, Senator Brady said:

"Well, it was regarded in a way that does not anger well for Shallenberger. The party in the gubernatorial candidacy election divide to L. It is on the acendency. By proper methods it can win this time and the rank and file will tolerate no improper methods."

Berge Strong in Country. "The Berge sentiment out in the state is tremendously strong. I do not think Shallenberger has many friends in this section, but he must reckon with us out in the state. I believe Shallenberger could not beat Sheldon, but I believe Berge could. That is, with the aid of Bryan. Sheldon has made a good governor, but I believe with Bryan and Berge at the head of the ticket the democratic could win by making the record of the railroad commission the issue. I tell you, we are tired of walking or driving where we should ride on trains out our way. This thing of a train stopping when it gets ready and letting the passengers wait or drive has reached the limit."

Senator Brady is a delegate to the state democratic convention, whose headquarters are at the Paxton hotel.

"I am out of officeholding," said the senator. "Mr. Lobeck has not as yet decided whether he will become a positive candidate for the office of chief executive of the state, but says he would like to run for the office he believes that affairs could be amicably arranged with Mayor Jim and that the two men would still remain friends."

The only thing deterring me from making official announcement of my candidacy for governor is that I have not as yet decided in my own mind where and how I can be of the most service to the people of Omaha and Nebraska," says Mr. Lobeck. "I am a firm believer in the Galveston plan of city government and it would assuredly be much better than the present system and more economical than under the city charter with its various boards of public works, fire and police, library and parks boards and its city council. It is a question in my mind whether as com promoter of the city I could have more influence with the state legislature in getting it to amend our charter so that we could vote on the Galveston plan or whether if elected as chief executive my influence would be greater."

True to Bryan. "If I should decide definitely to run for governor my platform will be: Equal rights to all, special privileges to none, combined with all true democratic principles. I am a true follower of Bryan."

Mayor Jim, Omaha's other gubernatorial candidate, says he has been defeated for office but, once while Comptroller Lobeck goes him one better by calling attention to the fact that he has invariably run ahead of his tickets, being elected to the city council several times as a democrat, while the republicans gobbled a majority of the offices. Dahlgren counts on strength in the western part of the state gained through long acquaintance there, while Lobeck looks for support in various quarters from the farmers, having been a successful hardware salesman for many years in Nebraska.

"I am on friendly terms with Shallenberger, Berge and Dahlgren—the mayor and I are the best of friends," says this receptive candidate. "But I firmly believe that if I should decide to run for governor I would poll more votes than any of them. Of course should Mayor Dahlgren secure the nomination I will turn in and work for him with all my might, and I know he would do the same by me should I be the nominee. But it is yet early and I propose to follow the mayor's professed decision to have nothing to say publicly about my candidacy at the democratic state convention—though I, too, may do a little work on the side."

Lobeck is not as talkative about his plans for the gubernatorial office as Dahlgren and quotes the old proverb that "the old dog holdfast is more sure of winning than old brag," though both of the local celebrities who covet Governor Sheldon's shoes seem to forget that other proverb "out" (Continued on Second Page.)

SUMMARY OF THE BEE

Thursday, March 5, 1908.

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THE WEATHER.

For Omaha, Council Bluffs and vicinity. Rain or snow Thursday. Low—Increasing cloudiness, with rain or snow, Thursday. Temperature at Omaha: Hour, Day, Night. 5 a.m. 25. 6 a.m. 25. 7 a.m. 25. 8 a.m. 25. 9 a.m. 26. 10 a.m. 26. 11 a.m. 27. 12 m. 28. 1 p.m. 28. 2 p.m. 28. 3 p.m. 28.

DOMESTIC.

Attorney for Lincoln in Washington to argue protest on rates granted to Omaha.

Police of Chicago arrest more anarchists. New York authorities take steps to prevent anarchist meetings. Over hundred and fifty little children perish in a fire in a school at Collinwood, a suburb of Cleveland. The building was provided with few exits and the pupils in a panic clogged them, being roasted alive.

Advances of Richard Mansfield bring good prices in New York. Secretary Metcalf will greet the fleet at San Francisco as the personal representative of the president.

Closing of the mines of Iowa and Illinois is impending because of a lack of agreement with the operators. Charges against Natha Vidaver of New York that he received money a su bribe are denied emphatically by him.

New \$10,000,000 belt line has been incorporated for territory surrounding Chicago.

Chicago Carnegie makes gift of \$25,000 to a relative of former benefactor. Conventions and instruct delegates for Taft.

Nebraska. George P. Marvin, editor of the Beatrice Sun and Democrat, dies suddenly of pneumonia.

Mrs. J. S. Arnup of Tecumseh ends her life by drinking carbolic acid. Nebraska railroads claim their action in cutting freight service on branch lines was well founded.

Olaf Olsen, author of Lina Olsen, the little blonde girl who disappeared some time ago, has been arrested at Bloomfield, Neb., to which place he had moved.

Ohio Republicans select full state ticket and adopt platform for Secretary Taft.

Senator Burkett and former State Senator J. H. Arndts were elected by First district republicans as delegates to the national convention.

Commerce and Finance. Live stock markets. Grain markets. Stocks and bonds.

Movements of Ocean Steamships. Part. Arrived. Sailed. NEW YORK: Knickerbocker, K. Wilhelm II. NEW YORK: Knickerbocker, K. Wilhelm II. BOSTON: Knickerbocker, K. Wilhelm II. VIRGINIA: Knickerbocker, K. Wilhelm II. NAPLES: Knickerbocker, K. Wilhelm II.

TORPEDO BOATS AT PRACTICE

Evolution Near Lima Will Be Witnessed by Pupils of Navy School.

LIMA, Peru, March 4.—The American torpedo boat flotilla will go through a series of maneuvers tomorrow on the island of San Lorenzo. The evolutions will be witnessed by the pupils of the navy school. The director of the school, Commodore Lester, will give a dinner tomorrow night on board the Peruvian transport Iquitos, in honor of the officers of the flotilla. The American collier Aethusa, with coal for the flotilla, arrived here today.

Various dinners and entertainments have been arranged for the American visitors during their short stay here. Yesterday sailors from the flotilla took part in the Mardi Gras festivities on shore.

LEOPOLD IS AT LAST IN FEAR

Sweeping Concessions Will Be Made in New Treaty that Has Been Negotiated.

BRUSSELS, March 4.—The sweeping concessions made by King-Leopold in the new treaty, which provides for the annexation of the Congo Independent state to Belgium, are attributed to his dread of Dutch intervention, backed by the United States.

An official forecast of the new treaty indicated that King-Leopold not only surrenders the crown domain in the Congo, the revenues from which he has enjoyed personally, but he yields also control of both the administration and the budget of the Congo to the Belgian parliament. The Cape Ferrat properties, in the south of France, which the king also throws in, were bought out of his Congo profits.

Police Tear Down Plaques. BARCELONA, March 4.—Placards pasted throughout Barcelona announcing that an attempt would be made upon the life of King Alfonso on his approaching visit to this city March 12 were torn down today by the police.

COURT ENDS HARTJE'S TRIAL

Judge McFarlane Instructs Jury to Return Verdict for Defendant.

PITTSBURGH, March 4.—The Hartje conspiracy was brought to an abrupt end today when Judge McFarlane instructed the jury to acquit Hartje, Weis and Hoop.

LINCOLN CASE COMING UP

Attorneys for that City Now at Washington to Argue Protest on Rates.

BURKETT BACK FROM BANQUET

Says Taft Was Given a Remarkable Ovation at Boston—North Platte's Plea to Retain Jurisdiction of Land is Rejected.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, March 4.—(Special Telegram.) Judge Allen W. Field and Hon. A. C. Ricketts of Lincoln arrived in Washington this morning and are guests at the Lexington hotel. Mr. Field and Ricketts are here to argue the case of the Commercial club of Lincoln against certain railroads charged with discriminating rates against Lincoln, notably in favor of Omaha and Council Bluffs.

The case is scheduled for hearing Friday. Today the Lincoln attorney called upon Senator Burkett and by him were presented for admission to practice before the United States supreme court.

Senator Burkett returned to Washington this afternoon from Boston, where he had been in a speech of the Massachusetts Republican association, which was held in Symphony hall. Senator Burkett said he greatly enjoyed himself and that the banquet was the largest he ever attended. There were only four speakers, Lieutenant Governor E. S. Draper, followed by Governor Gould of that state, then Senator Burkett, closing with Secretary Taft, who occupied nearly an hour with his speech and who, Senator Burkett said, received a tremendous ovation. When the name of Secretary Taft was announced the banqueters arose as one man, each with a silken flag which was waved as he cheered, the tumult lasting several minutes before the war secretary was permitted to speak.

Taft Strong in New England. "If the greeting of Secretary Taft last night in Boston by the representative republicans of Massachusetts is any criterion," said Senator Burkett, "my judgment is that Mr. Taft is popular in New England, especially in the Old Bay state. I do not know how the delegation to the convention may line up as to candidates, but certainly there will be a large number of Taft men in the list. The probabilities are that Massachusetts will send an unopposed delegate to Chicago, and which event Taft should capture a majority of them. Taking it altogether," concluded Senator Burkett, "it was the greatest banquet that I ever attended and the banqueters and their friends gave Secretary Taft an ovation which is the globe trotting and distinguished man who will certainly remember as long as he lives."

North Platte Petition Rejected. Senator Burkett today received a letter from the commissioner of the general land office in which he declines to rescind a recent order whereby some forty townships were taken from the North Platte land office and placed under control of the Northern Alliance. The reason for this transfer of control is that the lands in question are within the zone of the irrigation reserve work and it is deemed desirable by the general land office to have the affairs relating to such lands administered from one land office. When the order was originally announced North Platte republicans were naturally up in arms and largely signed a petition, which was sent to Senator Burkett, who at once presented it before the commissioner of the general land office. After due consideration in the land office and by the secretary of the interior, it was decided that it would not be a wise move to change the original order, and it so stands.

New Land District in Dakota. The house committee on public lands today made a favorable report on the bill of Representative Parker of Deadwood, S. D., providing for the creation of a new land district in the Northwestern part of the state, to be known as the Lemmon land district, with headquarters at Lemmon. Representative Philo Hall of Brookings, member of the committee, was designated by the chairman to draw up a report on the bill. Representative Hall in explaining the reasons why such a bill was introduced, voicing the views of his author, said: "The nearest land office to this district is Rapid City, which is 225 miles from the northern boundary of the state, and settlers were required to travel long distances overland in order to reach the land office. The establishment of a land office at Lemmon will obviate all these long journeys and prove a great convenience to settlers."

MINOR MATTERS AT CAPITAL

Congressman Hinshaw has been obliged to decline the invitation of the Grand Army of the Republic post at Exeter, to deliver the Decoration day address at that place, because he had previously accepted an invitation to deliver the address at Stormsburg on that day, provided congress should have adjourned.

Nebraska postmasters appointed: Hoag, Gage county, William J. Penner, vice J. W. Conoley, resigned; Hough, Dawes county, Franklin J. Coll, vice D. B. Hill, resigned. Fred M. Bishop has been appointed rector, and Elvin Kindred, substitute, rural carrier on Route 2, at Panora, Ia.

LAW SUFFICIENT FOR NEEDS

Secretary Strauss Says it is Ample Against Anarchists.

WASHINGTON, March 4.—Secretary Strauss of the Department of Commerce and Labor explained today that in the issuance of his order to immigration officials respecting anarchists, it was his desire to insure a definite co-operation of those officials with the local authorities in the various cities.

"The law, as it stands today, is quite ample to meet any emergency," said the secretary.

NEW YORK, March 4.—That the activity of the police department toward the suppression of anarchy is being continued to an unusual degree became evident today on arraignment of nine Italians, arrested in a secret raid last night on a house in Houston street, where a meeting of alleged anarchists was believed to be in progress. In court today the Italians were charged with disorderly conduct, but Magistrate Corrigan directed their release, as the detectives could not present any definite evidence against them.

Italian Car Comes Next

ROONE, Ia., March 4.—(Special Telegram.) The Italian car arrived at 8 o'clock this morning, took on thirty-five gallons of gasoline, repaired the mud chain and was out again at 8:37 for Omaha. It was piloted by Will Johnson of Boone. The car was brought to Boone by Bebe of Marshalltown. The men spoke in the highest praise of the treatment in Iowa, but roasted Indiana people. They also scorn "Monty" Roberts and allege unспортант-like conduct.

INCORPORATE NEW BELT LINE

H. W. Seaman Announces Plans for Consolidation of Lines in Western States.

CHICAGO, March 4.—Plans were announced here today by H. W. Seaman, president of the Illinois, Iowa & Minnesota railway company for the consolidation of that company with the Rockford Belt railway and other subsidiary concerns. The combined organization, which was completed by the filing of incorporation papers at Springfield yesterday will be known as the Chicago, Milwaukee & Gary company. It has a capital of \$100,000 and it is the intention of the promoters to increase this later to twice that amount.

"The new company," said Mr. Seaman, will include all the subsidiary companies of the Illinois, Iowa & Minnesota. "It covers the route from Rockford, Ill., to Gary, Ind. The present operated lines extend from Rockford to Moneone, passing through DeKalb, Aurora and Joliet. The line from Chicago to Gary will make one of the most complete belt lines in the country."

VIDAVER TOOK MARKED BILLS

Special Deputy State Attorney General of New York Accused of Offense.

NEW YORK, March 4.—Nathan Vidaver, a special deputy state attorney general, was arrested today by detectives from District Attorney Jerome's office, charged with accepting \$500 in marked bills from William Monahan, former president of the Hamilton bank.

Vidaver had a prominent part in the recent banking investigation in this city and the Hamilton bank was one of the institutions which was given attention at that time. He recently was appointed a delegate to the city and county board.

Vidaver was arraigned and held in \$500 bail. The charge in substance is that he accepted \$500 from Montgomery to use his influence with the newspapers to keep from the public the news that indictments pending against Montgomery are to be dismissed and that Montgomery is about to open another bank. Vidaver denounced his arrest as an outrage. He said he accepted the \$500 from Montgomery as a retainer.

DESPERADO DEFIES OFFICERS

Negro, After Shooting Three Persons, Takes Refuge in Barn in West Virginia.

CLARKSBURG, W. Va., March 4.—Frank Johnson, a negro desperado, who took refuge in a barn on the Yates farm, nine miles from here, early today shot and wounded three persons at daylight.

The injured are: William Matheny, a school teacher. Harry Cook, a negro. John Ramsey. It is not believed any are fatally injured. The barn in which the negro is defying arrest is surrounded by over 500 persons. Sheriff Flanigan has appealed to Company A, West Virginia National Guard, for aid in capturing the negro. The soldiers are on the way to the scene of the trouble.

CLOSING OF MINES IMPENDS

Iowa Men Have No Agreement with Coal Operators—New Contract Not Easily Made.

DES MOINES, March 4.—A complete shutdown of the coal mines in Iowa, worked by 15,000 miners is threatened. The agreement made between the mine operators and the miners expires March 31 and because of the failure of miners and operators in eastern states to reach an agreement last week it is probable the Iowa miners will strike on that date.

The probability of the shut down of the Iowa mines was discussed last night by John P. Reese, secretary and commissioner of the Iowa Coal Operators' association. Mr. Reese expressed the belief that the mines would undoubtedly be shut down April 1. He declared that he could see nothing which would prevent it in the face of the failure of the eastern miners and operators to agree.

MUST WIN HEART OF CHILD

Los Angeles Judge Decides Father Must Prove Love for His Offspring.

LOS ANGELES, March 4.—By one of the strangest decisions ever made here, Jacob Schib, of Minneapolis was yesterday granted the custody of his daughter, Mildred, 10 years old, whom he had sought for seven years from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and recently found at the home of her mother, his former wife, who is now married to another. Singular conditions attached to the award. Judge Munroe stipulating that Schib must make his home in Los Angeles, place the old kidnaped child in the custody of another woman, and win the affection of little Mildred before he may actually have her in his keeping. He must also permit the mother to visit the child. Schib who also married again after the divorce from his first wife, declares he is glad to comply with conditions.

BONDS IN BANK CASES REDUCED

Johnson and MacDiarmid Waive Their Preliminary Hearings.

MARSHALSTOWN, Ia., March 4.—(Special Telegram.) The preliminary examination of Cashier Donald B. Johnson of the Green Mountain Savings bank came to an unexpected end late this afternoon when his attorneys waived further examination and consented to have their client's case go direct to the grand jury. President Stuart H. MacDiarmid's attorneys also waived and his case goes to the grand jury. MacDiarmid's bond was reduced to \$500 and Johnson's fixed at \$500. The principal reason why the reduction of MacDiarmid's bond was consented to by the state's attorney was because eighteen of the twenty-one missing certificates of deposit which E. L. Collins had in the east have been returned. The attorney for MacDiarmid and Johnson goes to Omaha tomorrow to secure bail.

OHIO DECIDES ON SLOGAN

Business Integrity and Commercial Growth Key to Platform.

TAFT'S NAME BEFORE THE NATION

Republicans in Convention at Columbus Decide Upon Principles for Which Their Candidate Shall Fight.

OHIO STATE TICKET. Governor—Andrew L. Harris. Lieutenant Governor—Francis W. Trethewey, Cleveland, on third ballot. Secretary of State—Carmi A. Thompson, Eaton, on acclamation. Auditor—James A. Schawck, Dayton. Treasurer—Charles C. Green, Columbus, third ballot. Attorney General—G. G. Denman, Toledo, second ballot. Judges of Supreme Court—James L. Ford, Lima; John A. Schawck, Dayton. Board of Public Works—B. W. Baldwin, Coshocton; William Kirtley, Jr., Defiance. Dairy and Food Commissioner—Bennett W. Dunlap, Pickaway county.

COLUMBUS, O., March 4.—The republican state convention was called to order at 10 o'clock by Temporary Chairman Gardfield. After a prayer by Rev. L. C. Douglas, the speaker of the convention, the report reported that Attorney General Wade H. Ellis has been chosen for permanent chairman.

The committee on rules declared against the adoption of the unit rule and their report was adopted without debate.

The first plank to be greeted with applause was that relating to labor and capital, and from that time until the reading was completed the enthusiasm evoked by the platform stood on a high plane.

The report concluded with the plank endorsing the candidacy of William H. Taft and as soon as the delegates caught the drift of the endorsement they broke in on the reader with a yell that caused him to pause for several minutes.

The republicans of Ohio proclaim this platform of principles of the campaign of 1908: Ohio Republican Platform.

In the nation we stand for those ideals of government which mean justice, equality and fair dealing among men. A brave and impartial enforcement of the law. Commercial and industrial liberty. Individualism as against socialism. Competition in the free market. Government regulation as against government ownership. The best interests of labor and capital and the unflinching protection of both.

Provision for injured employees of the government. The re-enactment in constitutional form of the employer's liability act. A limitation in the exercise of the power of injunction, in order to prevent its abuse. Greater municipal autonomy and an adequate navy. A generous provision for the old soldiers. Liberal appropriations for the improvement of waterways and harbors, in accordance with general plans which shall be comprehensive and just to all portions of the country.

The organization of all existing national public health agencies into a single national health department, under a single chief of health.

A revision of the tariff by a special session of the next congress, insuring the maintenance of the principle of protection by imposing such custom duties as will equal the difference between the cost of production at home and abroad, together with a reasonable profit, to the end that, without excessive duties, American manufactures and farmers can compete with foreign goods and secure adequate protection.

A sound financial system in harmony with the advanced principles of the republican party and such modifications of the currency laws as will provide for the demands of commerce, insuring the independence of the country and have at all times the quality of undoubted security.

MANY PUPILS DIE IN FIRE

School House in Collinwood, Suburb of Cleveland, Ohio, Burned.

HUNDRED AND SIXTY DEAD

Bodies of Little Ones Choke Exits and They Roast to Death.

BUILDING IS OVERCROWDED

Younger Children Were in Temporary Rooms in Attic.

ONE TEACHER BURNED TO DEATH

Body is Found Under Heap of Those of Her Pupils.

FIRE DEPARTMENT INEFFICIENT

Engines Unable to Stay Progress of Flames and Structure is Soon Gutted—Fire Escapes Inadequate.

CLEVELAND, O., March 4.—Death is one of its most terrible forms claimed between 100 and 170 school children in Collinwood school in the village of Collinwood, an eastern suburb, today, when the school building, catching fire from a defective furnace in the basement, was gutted in the space of half an hour.

The building, being inadequately protected by fire escapes, the children were unable to make their way to the lower floors in time to escape the flames as they shot up from the basement and cut off egress. Starting about 9:30 o'clock in the basement fire of uncontrolled and four-striken children gained tremendous headway before its presence was noted. The fire drill was inaugurated at once and those in the rooms of the lower floors quickly moved out of the building. But when the panic-stricken little ones in the upper rooms attempted to make their way to the stairway the jam of uncontrolled and four-striken children grew until but few were able to extricate themselves and they perished almost within reach of safety.

CHILDREN ROAST TO DEATH.

Various and unconfirmed statements are made as to the cause of the fire, and also that the doors of the building had been locked at the front entrance, while but one door of the rear entrance was unfastened. The janitor, Fred Herter, himself rescued of three children, says that the doors were open according to custom. At any rate, the congestion of fleeing children in the hallway below eventually barred the way, and the little ones went to their death totally unable to evade the flames.

Within three hours after the start of the fire it had burned itself out, and the work of recovering the bodies proceeded. The village fire departments had only two engines, and neither, upon arrival after the alarm was given, was at all effective in stemming the flames.

The school, a two-story and attic brick building, constructed about six years ago. It was overcrowded with pupils and for those of the ages between 6 and 8 years. Nearly all the children were killed in the mass at the first floor door, which finally was opened by men from the Lake Shore railway shops, who hurried to the scene, and most of the children already were dead by the time the doors were swung open.

FLAMES SPREAD RAPIDLY.

Janitor Herter could remember little of what happened after the fire started. "I was sleeping in the basement," he said, "when I looked up and saw a wisp of smoke curling out from beneath the front stairway. I ran to the fire alarm and pulled the gong that sounded throughout the building. Then I ran first to the front and then to the rear doors. I cannot remember what happened next, except that I saw the flames shooting all about and the children coming down through them screaming. Some fell at the rear entrance and others stumbled over them. I saw my little Helen among them, I tried to pull her out, but the flames drove me back. I was to leave a little child to die."

SAFETY BLOWERS MAKE HAUL

Three Thousand Dollars in Currency and Securities Taken from Mount Orab Bank.

CINCINNATI, March 4.—Safe blowers early today robbed the Mount Orab bank in Mount Orab, O., forty miles east of Cincinnati, on the Norfolk & Western railroad, of \$3,000 in currency and securities and escaped in a buggy.

The robbers, four or five in number, forced an entrance into the bank by forcing a rear window and applying nitroglycerine to the vault.

The explosion shattered the vault, partially wrecked the building and shokked the entire village.

METCALF WILL RECEIVE FLEET

Secretary of Navy Acts as Personal Representative of President at Arrival.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 4.—Mayor Taylor received a letter from President Roosevelt yesterday saying that neither he or Secretary Root will be able to make the trip to the Pacific coast to be present on the arrival of the fleet under Admiral Evans. The president stated that Secretary of the Navy Metcalf, who is the proper official to receive the fleet on such an occasion will be present, and will act as his personal representative.

WORK OF RECOVERING BODIES

Burning through the cross supports of the first floor, the flames passed upward until all three floors crashed into a smoldering pile in the basement. After the fire had practically burned itself out, the work of recovering the bodies was begun by firemen and railroad employes from the Lake Shore shops. The railroad company turned over one of its buildings nearby to be used as a temporary morgue and thither the charred and broken little bodies were removed as fast as they could be dug from the ruins. Within five hours practically all had been recovered. They were placed in rows in the Lake Shore shop. Identifications were made only by means of clothing or trinkets. The fire had swept away nearly all resemblance to human features in the majority of instances. Distracted parents were frenzied to gather and the work of identification of the blackened and mangled corpses began.

SECTION FOREMAN KILLED

DEADWOOD, S. D., March 4.—(Special Telegram.)—Patrick Tehon, section foreman in the Burlington yards at Deadwood was struck by a runaway engine from a freight train and killed on a side track Tehon was crossing. He was dragged about one hundred feet, his neck broken and his chest crushed in. He leaves a wife and two children.

TAFT LEAVES FOR NEW YORK

Secretary of War on Way Back from Three Days Spent in Massachusetts.

BOSTON, March 4.—After a three days' visit to Massachusetts, Secretary Taft left Boston today for New York.

CONGRESSMAN FORGETS HIS SPEECH

Congressman Nicholas Longworth of Cincinnati presented to the convention the platform for which he had prepared his speech.

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FOUSE OFFERED TO PLEAD

Witness in Murder Case Testifies Regarding Alleged Confession of Defendant.

AN indirect confession alleged to have been made by the defendant was introduced against William Fouse in the murder trial here, Judge Sears yesterday afternoon.

Detective Donald testified he was taking Fouse back from the inquest over the body of Joseph T. Bowles, the murdered soldier, when Fouse asked him if he thought he could get a life sentence if he would plead guilty. Donald replied he did not know. Another important witness was Office Devereux, who arrested Fouse. He testified to finding the watch and knife on Fouse, later identified as belonging to the dead