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## **CURRENT HAPPENINGS**

FAITHFUL CHRONICLE OF ALL IMPORTANT ITEMS.

RIDERS ARE GUILTY

JURY BRINGS IN A VERDICT OF MURDER THURSDAY NIGHT.

Although Jurors Pleaded, Mitigating Circumstances in Case of Six Found Guilty in First Degree, the Court Will Sentence Them All to Hang.

With a verdict of guilty the jury in the night riders' trial at Union City, Tenn., reported at 8:45 p. m. Thursday night. The twelve men found Garrett Johnson, Tid Burton, Boy Ranson, Fred Pinion, Arthur Cloar and Sam Applewhite guilty of murder in the first degree, and fixed their punishment at twenty years in the penitentiary.

The punishment of the six first named defendants was left to the court, and maybe death or life imprisonment. The court has indicated an intention to pronounce the death pen-

The defense made a motion for a new trial, which was set for hearing Saturday, and which will be overruled. Sentences will then be imposed

The jury was out since 2 p. m., but because of the illness of Juror Rosson had not been able to consult until 6 p. m. There was a difference of opinion among the jurors as to the degree of guilt of the defendants, but an agreement was reached quickly,

The court was convened at 8 p. m. and the jury sent word that it would be able to report shortly. At 8:45 p. m. the bailiff called for the county physician. Juror Rosson was in a state of collapse and needed attention.

It was half an hour before Rosson was revived, the jury filed in and six that earthquakes occurred there Tuesdeputies were summoned to carry in the bed upon which the sick juror re-

The foreman announced the verdiet. The defense called for a poll, which was made, and the judge dismissed

Rosson's condition is such that it was deemed not advisable to move him. The defense demanded until Monday to move for a new trial, but the state opposed it and the court fixed Saturday as the day, intimating that the motion was a mere form anyway, which would be overruled.

The defendants received the verdict calmly, as they had been expecting it since the closing of the arguments. Attorney Pierce turned to them when it was announced and said: "We will tear this case to pieces in the

supreme court." The state expected a verdict of first degree murder in all eight cases and

was disappointed. "Bob" Huffman, one of the men to escape with twenty years, is the one who, according to the confession of Frank Fehringer, fired the shot which killed Capt. Ranken as he was being

## FOUR BOYS ARE CREMATED.

drawn up by the rope.

Perish in Fire Which Destroys Home -Rest of Family Have Close Call. Four boys, aged 8 to 16 years, sons of Christ Lee, near Rice Lake, Wis., were burned to death in a fire early Thursday which destroyed their home. Mr. and Mrs. Lee and three small house in their night clothing. With the thermometer registering 32 degrees below zero. Lee and the members of his family who escaped started for the nearest neighbor's house. a mile distance. Mrs. Lee and two children collapsed when within a quarter of mile of the neighbor's house and the husband was compelled to carry the three. The third child had

Vanderbilt Must Pay \$100. The civil court of the Seine, in Paris, ordered Harold S. Vanderbilt to pay \$100 to a peasant named Gulgard, who was struck recently by Mr. Vanderbilt's automobile near Nice. Mr. Vanderbilt had already give the man \$300

both feet frozen.

voluntarily.

One Killed and Three Hurt. One man was killed and three in-Jured in a wreck on the Missouri Pa- ies of lectures for a vandeville syndicific railroad, cleven miles east of Kansas City, Mo., when a local passenger train collided with the caboose of

A bomb thrown by an unknown person partially wrecked a saloon of John Morris, in Twenty-second street, Chi-

Sloux City Live Stock Market. Thursday's quotations on the Sioux City live stock market follow: Top beeves, \$6.00. Top hogs, \$5.95

Big Fire at Texarkana, Ark. Shortly after midnight fire in the Hayden Dry Goods company and the establishment and Cassidy's saloon at

ed at \$200,000.

Movements of Warships.

GRISCOM GIVES SHIP.

Italy's King Presented with Steamer

The report from Messina that tyshold fever has broken out there has filled the authorities with alarm and apprehension. It is realized in Rome that unless proper sanitary precautions are taken at once the disease may spread far outside the ruined districts. Even though the present cases may prove to be dysentery, it is well known that this disease under such conditions as prevail at Messina and Reggio would be likely to prove just as fatal as typhoid liseif.

According to well known medical authorities it is the latter disease that has been reaponsible for the decimation of almost whole armies in time of war, and the exciting cause is unwholesome drinking water and the indigestion of articles until for food.

Physicians are inclined to think that dysentery is more to be feared than any other disease in devastated region.

King Victor Emmanuel Tuesday received Ambassador Griscom, who presented him with the steamer Payern in the name of the American relief committee, representing the American people. The Bayern is leaded with provisions and medical supplies and is ready to proceed to the first of Messina. The king was greatly pleased and said that the Americans were always first.

His majesty advised the ambassado as to where the steamer should proceed as to the best means of distribut ing its supplies to the unfortunates.

Thirteen thousand refugees have ar rived at Naples up to date, of which some 6,000 are wounded. They are receiving the best of care, but many have died of their injuries and others have gone mad.

out of the ruins after three days did not have strength enough left to survive their terrible experiences. The United States gunboat Scorptor left Naples Tuesday carrying supplies.

principally of sterilized milk, for dis-

More than 50 per cent of those taken

tribution at Mossina under the direction of the American consulate. The latest news from Reggio show day, the shocks being about twenty minutes apart. One of the heavy chocks caused the collapse of a number

of broken walls and added to the terror of the survivors who remain there

HAS MARRIED 2.811 COUPLES. Rev. Alfred H. Burroughs Built Hotel

to Accommodate Couples. The Rev. Alfred Harrison Burroughs, of Bristol, Tenn., known as the 'wizard parson," because of the remarkable record he has made at marrying people, closed the year 1908 with a record of 2,811 ceremonies in eighteen years. This represents the number who have eloped from Virginia and West Virginia to be married in Tennessee, where the laws are more favorable for the marriage of minors.

Mr. Burroughs had a hotel erected for the purpose of entertaining bridal couples. This building contains twentwo rooms, including a bridal chamber. He is now past 75 years of age but is still active, being enthusiastic about his unique business. He meets all trains from Virginia and carries on his arm from three to four umbrellas as a means of accommodating his patrons with shelter in the event of a

## Did He Exceed Authority?

Whether the secretary of agricuiture exceeded his authority in creating the board of pure food referees and whether he acted in conformity with the spirit of the law in setting aside children escaped from the burning \$100,000 for the work of the board is the subject of an investigation that the house committee on agriculture is now carrying on. When Secretary Wilson comes before the committee he will be questioned on the subject.

Experimenting with Oil Burners. The United States monitor Chey nne, recently the Wyoming, steamed out of San Francisco harbor Tuesday bound for southern California ports, whre she will probably remain three months. The vessel recently was fitted with oil burning furnaces and the present trip is in the nature of an experiment to determine the effect of of

fuel on the boilers.

Carrie Nation to go on Stage. Carrie Nation is to be seen on the stage of a London music hall. She has accepted an engagement to give a sercate, which pointed out the excellent opportunity she would have in advancing her campaign, and guaranteed, as a freight train which was being side. far as lay in its power, courteous and attentive treatment.

Big Loss by Fire.

The plant of the Puffet Sound Mills and Timber company, of Bellington. Wash., the biggest shingle mill in the world, burned Monday night. Loss \$415,000; insurance, \$150,000. W. L. Cleveland, a saw filer, was burned to death and several other persons had a narrow escape. The fire started from a hot box.

To Keep up Fight.

After March 4 next the activities of E. L. Chatfield Hardware company's Senator Foreaker will be transferred from the United States senate to the Texarkana, Ark., caused a loss estimat- courts. While no definite understanding has been reached concerning his course, it is believed he will become attorney for some of the Brownville The battleships Georgia, New Jer- soldiers in an effort to test the canstisey and Nebraska have arrived at tutionality of the president's action in

The car Craft and by

IN PLAIN LANGUAGE.

President Rebukes Senate's "Presumptiveness."

President Rocsevelt Wednesday informed the senate in plain terms that he had approved the absorption of the Tennessee Coal and Iron company by the United States Steel corporation and had instructed Attorney General Bonaparte not to respond to the senate inquiry as to the reason for his failure to prosecute the steel company. The president declares he does not conceive it to be "within the authority of the senate to give directions of this character to the head of an executive department."

The message is in response to a resolution introduced by Senator Culberson calling on the attorney general to state whether he had brought an action against the steel company because of its acquisition of the Tennessee concern.

While the resolution was not directto President Roosevelt, his attention was called to it by Attorney General Bonaparte.

Commenting on the attorney general's letter, the president says:

"As to the transaction in question. I was personally cognizant of and responsible for its every detail. For the information of the senate I transmit a copy of a letter sent by me to the attorney general on November 4, 1907.

"I have thus given to the senate all the information in the possession of the executive departments which anpears to me to be material or relevant on the subject of the resolution. I feel bound, however, to add that I have instructed the attorney general not to respond to that portion of the resolution which calls for a statement of his reasons for non-action. I have done so because I do not conceive it to be within the authority of the senate to give directions of this character to the head of an executive department or to demand from him reasons for his

"Heads of the executive departments are subject to the constitution and to the laws passed by congress in oursuance of the constitution and to the directions of the president of the United States, but no other direction what-

POWERS MAY WARN CHINA.

Situation Brought About by Dismissa! of Yuan Shi Kai.

The American, British and Japanese ministers are acting upon the principle that the situation brought about by the dismissal of Grand Councillor Yuan Shi Kat at Pekin, China, requires a strong attitude on the part of the powers and a warning to the prince regent against any administrative act that might endanger peace. The German, Russian and French ministers appear to be without instructions from their governments and are awaiting developments.

The officials of the Chinese government have intimated inquiries concerning the treatment of Yuan Chi Khi on the part of the legations would be unwelcome, and that, moreover, the thinese government is not prepared to receive representations from foreign governments on the subject.

## LGSS IS QUARTER MILLION.

Fire Does Much Damage in the Busi-

ness District of Springfield, Mo. A fire early Wednesday at Springfield, Mo., destroyed the Baldwin the ater building ad a number of other structures in the business district and badly damaged the \$400,000 Colonial hotel. The total loss is a quarter of a million dollars. Fire Chief Kanada was painfully hurt. The fire was caused by an explosion in the basement of the theater, which was a fivestory structure. It was occupied by offices as well as the theater. From the hotel over 200 guests fled to the street. All escaped in safety.

ENDS MOVING PICTURE WAR.

said \$15,000,000 Merger Will Crowd Many Places Out of Business.

A \$15,000,000 merger, according to announcement made, will end a moving picture war that has been in force for many months. The merger will result, it is stated, in crowding out of business nearly 50 per cent of the moving picture places. It is planned it is stated, to do away with the sale outright of films, which hereafter can only be rented from the Film Service association.

Gates is for Free Trade.

John W. Gates has joined the ranks of those who are asking for free trade in iron, coal and lumber. In a letter to Speaker Cannon, which was referred to the committee on ways and means, Gates declares these articles should be put on the free list and that cut of 50 per cent in the steel schedule would not affect the manufacturers of fron and steel in this country.

Operates Line by Telephone, The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe allroad Tuesday at Chicago stated that it would operate its entire main line from Chicago to the Pacific coast by telephone instead of telegraph. The

cost will be about \$2,000,000, but the

mpany believes it will thaure more

Dogs Attack Refugees. Dogs now constitute one of the dangers to earthquake refugees at Messina. These animals, starving and often rabid through lack of water, graw corpses like byenns and frequently at-

tack the refugees themselves.

Leads in the Graft Inquiry. George W. Guthrie, mayor of Pittsourg, is now in the public eye on ac-

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ELOPING COUPLE ARRESTED. W. A. Erovn. of Lincoln, and Grand

Island Woman Found at St. Louis. A pathetic scene was enacted in the Central District police station at St. \$3,500, incurance, \$300; Motemor, \$2. Louis Sunday ofternoon when Willie | 056, insurance \$1,506; Olson, \$506, in-Frown, aged 2, entered the cell of his surance \$300; Larson, \$600, insurance father, W. A. Brewn, traveling salest \$450; Deckner, \$200, no insurance, rdan, of Lincoln, Neb., age 1 28, who Pulz, \$1,000, insurance, \$500, and sevgrabbed the child and klased him repeatedly. Drown's wife, who followed owned by E. F. Pence, valued at \$600, the bey, gazed a minute at the scene, was tern down and destroyed to stop husband. Brown had been arrested in company with Miss Mildred Crarner, of Ein of the fire is unknown, Grand Island, at 2505 Washington avenue, where they had fived three weeks as Mr. and Mrs. W. R. K'llan Both women are 20 years old, pretty and look enough ailke to be twin sis

After Prowp and wife bad conferred. Brown said: "I will return home with my wife. I do not know what possessed me to leave her. We had been happy continuously. I met Mim Cra-mer at Grand Island, where she lived the Misseutt river at a high rate of with her parents. The knew I was She would have returned home last night if we had not been struck a port and all were thrown out arrested through a letter she wrote

Miss Cramer told Chief Defortive Smith that when she unbraided Brown for deceiving her by telling her he was unmarried he promised to marry her as soon as he could get a divorce. She said she did not expect to return to her it would have broken the guard rall father and mother now. She said her mother first informed her she was living with a married man (Prown) in a feet below Mrs. Brown announced she would

not prosecute.

POOL IS CHOSEN SPEAKER. After Close Contest He Wins Out a

Lincoln. In a long and bitterly contested caucus held Monday in the Lincoln hotel. after sixteen ballots had been taken in which the result was in doubt to the very last, the 68 democratic member of the Nebraska lower house electe Charles W. Pool, of Johnson county speaker of the house of representatives over his chief opponent, H. R. Henry, of Holt county. Pool's election is a victory for the enti-local option ists, Henry, his strongest opponent, having made his campaign for the speakership on this issue.

Henry, led on the first bullet by

votes, Pool having 17, and W. Stoecker, of Douglas county, anothe strong anti-local optionist, 12 On the third ballet many of Stoeck er's supporters switched, and combining their strength the anti-local option

men kept Pool in the lead until the Mr. Pool is an editor and published at Tecumseh, 52 years old. He is a devoted follower of W. J. Bryan, and regarded in sympathy with Mr. Bryan's position on the guaranty of bank

deposits and other measures declared for in the democratic state platform. The twenty democratic senators I caucus elected W. H. Smith, of Sev. ard, secretary: H. M. Davis, of Ord and E. A. Walrath, of Osceola, againt

For clerk of the house the contest was most bitter three ballots being cast before Tremore Cone, of Saunders county, defeated Henry Richmon formerly editor of the Fremont Her ald, by a vote of 35 to 33.

TWO CITIZENS LEAVE.

Arrived on Same Train Almost Figh

Years Ago. By a singular coincidence State Aud ltor Barton and Cashier E. D. Hamil ton both terminate on the same day a residence in Grand Island that wa begun on the same day. Mr. Hamilton has resigned his position as eashler the Commercial State bank and wi take a position with a bank at Jules burg. Mr. Barton has resigned h position as grand recorder for the Aucient Oorder of United Workmen and leaves for his new duties at Lincoln Both came in the same train on July

Some Bad Dollars. Several pieces of counterfelt mons have come to light in the last fer supposedly silver dollars are now the hands of local police. The mone is a coarse imitation, apparently be ing made of lead and habbit. thought that the wark is being don in the immediate vicinity.

Good Price for Land.

George Townsend, of Tecumon, ho farm, two miles west of that city. The price was \$20,000, of \$100 per acre. ] sclaimed this is the first tract Johnson county land of over 160 acre to bring \$100 per acre.

Farmers' Institute at Hembolds. The two days' secular of the Huroldt farmers' institute, just closed : Humbeldt, is pronounced by many here in attendance the very best are most profitable gathering of farmer and their wives over held in that proof the state.

. Itob a Fantware Store. Burglars broke into Nielsen & Mack grang's hardwere store at Oxford New razors and revolvers. Farmers' Institute at West Point.

The annual convention of the Com-its county farmers' institute for the West Point district will be held in th ouri house at West Point on Thurs lay and Friday, January 14 and 11 essions being held in the afternooand evening.

Hotel Almost Complete. The third story of the new National hotel at Falls City is new enclosed and has been turned over to the plasterers

FIRE LOSS AT ARAPAROES.

Most Disastrous Dinne Takes Large Amount of Property.
The most classrous fre in the his

tory of Arapance occurred Caturday night about 12 c'clock, burning th Hartman, Puls. Saller and Clark two story brick buildings and entire con tents. Owing to the storage of a lar tank of gasoline near the source fire but little if may properly was caved The lors on buildings was: Martmar \$5,600, insurance \$3,000; Puls, \$2,500 incurance, \$1,800; Fallor, \$2,600, in-purance, \$1,500; Clark, \$2,000, Insurance, \$1,200; heaviest lose, Sheeburn eral marce armous losses. A building the cores t of the flames and the stock was mored at creat damage. The ori-

MOTORISTS HAVE CLOSE CALL.

Automobile Wreeked on Missouri

Hiver Bridge. Five men from Rockport, Mo., were at Nobest'a City Peturdey in a large "femolife one of them sheriff and the other a physician. They started home late in the evening and speed, and whom near the cast side failed to notice the short turn and and the machine turned over on them. One of the men had his collar bone roken, another Jest part of his ear and ill of the party were more or less ininred. The bridge men righted the machine and they were taken home. Had the machine gone a little farther and plunged the men and machine off of the bridge to the ground, some fifty

EXCITEMENT CAUSE OF DEATH.

Young Man Drops Dead Account of Worry Gyer Aceldent to Father. Ray Painter, aged 19, fell dead in he street in Cibbon at 2:30 Friday af-Excitement over his father's accident in Grand Island Tuesday morning in which Mr. Painter had Burlington train, together with heart licease, from which he has suffered for overal y and, in given as the cause of

H. P. Smith had been to Grand Island to see his father and was coming n on No. 12 and Ray was on his way meet him when he dropped dead." Everything possible was done to revive him, but nothing could be done.

SHEELFI'S HOLD CONVENTION.

Gmaha Selected as Place for the Next Gethering.

The sherive of the state closed their emi-anough convention at Grand Isl- on lump the rate is \$3 and on other and Friday. The principal topic of ain meeting was in reference to salaeles paid sheriffs in the smaller counles and a committee was appointed to a them a stated valary. Omaha was lected as the whom for the next con-

ention in July. James Dunkel, Grand Island; vice president, J. M. Habb, Nance county; scretury, H. S. Poge, of Fillmore.

MANY BUSINESS CHANGES.

wo Important Business Changes at David City. Two important business changes

ook place at David City Saturday. J. I. Frater, who was formerly in the frug business, bought out Dwight J. Reed and will continue in the drug usiness at Reed's store. Curtis Young ensed the Perkins hatel from L. E. Doty for a period of ten years. Hardy treeter, the present lessee sold all the otel furniture to Mr. Young and will ive possession in a few days. oung is an old resident of that

Court in Twelfth District.

The terms of district court in the wel'th district will be held by Judge O. Hertetler as follows: Jury erm-Buffalo, May 3 and December Custer, February 8 and October 4; namen. March 8 and November 8; cen. Sentember 14. Equity Term Huffalo, March 1; Custer May 24; awson, June 7; Sherman, April 6 and November 26.

file Cettle Steal at Utien. Twenty-"ve head of cattle were stol-Wednesday night from M. Lovell, dives non- Utlen, in Seward coun-

Mr. Lovell was away from home the time. The work was done so very Fast to trace of the cattle as yet been found by the officers. artis Selling Liquor. the state of the proprietor of the ... q .... at "Vamore, has been ar-

-- to - "thin forty-eight hours e my by her fine. Characterisin Jury Disagrees. - feet he t'en care of C. M. Chamam of wrecking the farme arme and was disto the turday night by Judge Pem-

ther' a been She was fined \$75

en the starge of selling liquor

commended to Lincoln. after to C. Shallenberger reach-Lincoln Paturday afternoon to regood bis ingusuration, Jaruary He will stry with his secretary, W. Purse, with that time,

Hotel Changes Hands.

Merchants hotel at Blair has an add by Joseph Gutschow to A. R. Vatters of Bleemfield, Neb. Includa to this safe is a fine set of sample nome and a brick livery stable, the resideration being near the \$20,000

Pale Charged with Robbery, On complaint of Frank Thieler, a esident of Arsley, 70 years of age, H. Martin and Harold Nyboe, pool hall ----- at Grand Isl-

Secretary W. R. Mellor, of the state

board of agriculture has mailed our to members-cleet of the legislature a statement of the needs of the state board and also what has been accomplished during the last few years at buildings which the state fair management cannot hope to erect on the help. They are a live stock pavillion reinforced concrete grandstand to sent It is possible for the management to permanently erect, out of its profits from time to time, an agricultural hall, horticulturni ball, ladice' art, textile and domestic products building, dairy, poultry, bee and honey buildings, barns and such smaller structures which can be erected with less than \$20,000 to \$40,000 ench, but it is en tire'y out of the question for the man agement to ever hope to secure a surplus necessary to creet any one of the first three mentioned structures. appropriation to the state board of agculture is but \$2,000 per annum and 4,000 of which are distributed at our farmons' institutes, sent out by money has also furnished practically all the money for promotion and premiums at our various state corn shows, and contributed the first \$500 to the Nebraski corn commission, which was the funds used for all the early Nebraska promotion of the National Corn exposition at Omaha. This board has for years been an advertising agency for the promotion of the agricultural interests of Nebraska and in such capacity gives information to thousands outside as well as inside the state. It has initiated, festered and proposed nearly every meritorious agricultural ooth legs cut off below the knees by a law on our statute books and its influence as a factor for Nebraska's public upbuilding has been without a peer.

The Commercial club of Alliance has appealed to the Interstate Commerce commission to compel the Burlington milroad to cease discriminating against that city in the matter of showing the Commercial club sets up larger forces than at any time during that the rate from Sheridan to Alliance, 323 miles, on lump coal is \$3 a ton and other coal \$2.50; from Sheridan to Deadwood, 330 miles, the rate is \$2,25 on lump and \$2 on other coal; from Sheridan to Omaha, 749 miles, coal \$2.50. The Commercial club asks for 50 cents reduction on each ton in order to give it a rate like that of other cities of a like distance from Shericure such a class me in the law as will dan. A copy of the letter of the Commercial club gent to the interstate commerce cammiction was mailed to the Nebrasha state railway commission. The hearing on Form 45 of the western classification of freight rates is set for February 2, instead of January, as announced. The hearing will be before the state rallway commission and persons interested are requested to be present.

Gov. George L. Sheldon will carry away from the state house a beautifu mahogany office choir to which he has become very much attached, togethe with the "love and respect" of his of fice force. The chair was presented to him by his office force, and a silver plate tacked thereon says: this: "Gov. George L. Sheldon, executive chair, longing to the set, was not delivered, per bushel, 60c to 70c. but another was sent in its place. governor liked the old chair and used it while waiting for the one bought by to \$7.00; hogs, good to choice heavy, the state. When the office chair was \$3.50 to \$5.60; sheep, good to choice, delivered the governor's office force \$2.50 to \$4.00; wheat, No. 2, \$1.03 to bought the one the executive has been \$1.04; corn, No. 2 white, 59c to 60c; using, it having been merely loaned to oats, No. 2 white, 49c to 51c. the state, and made the governor a present of it.

The Douglas county commissioners Tuesday afternoon awarded the entire issue of court house bonds in the sum of \$1,000,000 to the state of Nebraska on its bid of par, the county to and collect mency on them as needed. Four other bids were presented for the entire issue, all by Chicago firms, These bidders offered premiums, but the terms of the contracts offered issue bonds on demand of the company buying. Should the bonds be when the county did not need the money, money would be lost through interest payments. The commissioners therefore figured that the bid of the state was the best. The commissioners also hope to get a still lower pork, mess, \$14.60.

New licenses will be issued to every automobile owner in the state during \$4.00 to \$4.75; lambs, fair to choice, 1909, and those who fall to come across and send their little 100 cents to the secretary of state are subject to a fine of \$25 to \$50 or imprisonment in a county jail for thirty days.

Henry Lehr, deputy state treasurer for the last two years, has tendered his resignation to State Treasurer Brian and it has been accepted, to \$1.05; corn, No. 2 mixed, 50c to 60c; take effect January 7.

Zeferino Dominguez, of Mexico, one of the foremost agriculturists of that republic, was the guest of Gov. and Mrs. Sheldon Wednesday and Thursday. Senor Domingues has been at-tending the National Corn show in Omaha and for the last few days has been visiting various parts of the state.

January 15 is the date set for the hearing of protests against the putting into effect of the western classification of freight rates. No. 45, by the state



CHICAGO

Commerce settled into the usual quiet attending the close of the year. but not without further evidence of the state fair grounds in the way of substantial recovery and encouragepermanent improvements, together ment for the future. While prossure with the appropriations made by the upon weak correctes redded materially state legislatures. Among other things to the trading defaults reported, the the statement says: There are three elimination makes a healthier credit situation, and it is significant that no state fair grounds without legislative especially serious crash occurred to disturb confidence. Payments through such as other states enjoy; a steel and the banks make a gratifying exhibit, those for the month being the greatest 10,000 peep'e, and a machinery hall since October, 1907, and nearly 40 per cent greater than for December, 1907. The weekly gains recently noted are well sustained, and the loss for the entire year is seen to be barely 2 per cent, a result which is remarkably good in view of the adverse factors. Unusually extended holidaya la part necount for reduced movements of commodities and crop marketings at this time, but retail trade was well maletained in seasonable merchandise and stocks have become low. Faltures reported in the Chlengo district number 43, against 22 last week, 28 a year ago. and 29 in 1906. Those with Habilities. curnished by the state board of agri- of more than \$5,000 number 11, against culture. This board, out of its funds. G last week, I a year ago, and 9 in 1906.-Dun's Review.

NEW YORK.

Seasonable quiet is reported in wholesale and jobbing trade, traveling salesmen preparing to start out next week. Confidence in good spring business is general, results of inventories thus far available indicating that reports of depleted stocks were not exaggerated. Conservative buying during the past year made the statistical position very strong among dealers. Open weather retards sales of heavy-weight wearing apparel. The same influence operates, on the other hand, to facilitate outdoor work, and estimatingrooms are busy on plans for future construction. After some overhauling and repairs the leading industrial coal rates from Sheridan, Wyo. In its plants will resume next week with

> A quiet closing of the year was expected in the markets for iron and steel, but an improved demand is anticipated early in January.

Few buyers are in the primary markets for textile fabrics, stock-taking and the bolidays combining to make the past week the dullest of the year. Hides are quiet, but prices are maintained, packers and dealers anticipat-

ing that tanners will soon enter the

market and operate on a liberal scale,

Lenther has continued dull.

Chicago-Cattle, common to prime \$4.00 to \$7.65; hogs, prime heavy, \$4.00 to \$6.15; sheep, fair to choice, \$3.00 to \$5.25; wheat, No. 2, \$1.04 to \$1.05; 1907-8; with love and respect from corn, No. 2, 56c to 58c; oats, standard, your office force." The chair has a 48c to 40c; rye, No. 2, 74c to 75c; hay, little history. When the new furniture timothy, \$8.00 to \$13.00; prairie, \$8.00 was placed in the executive office the to \$12.00; butter, choice creamery, 29c chair for the use of the governor, be- to 32c; eggs, fresh, 20c to 34c; potatoes,

> St. Louis-Cattle, \$4.50 to \$7.90; hogs, \$4.00 to \$5.75; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2, \$1.08 to \$1.00; corn, No. 2,

Indianapolis-Cattle, shipping, \$3.00

50e to 60e; oats, No. 2, 49e to 50e; rye, No. 2, 76c to 77c. Cincinnati-Cattle, \$4.00 to \$6.50; hogs, \$4.00 to \$6.25; sheep, \$3.00 to have the privilege to issue the bonds \$4.25; wheat, No. 2, \$1.06 to \$1.07; corn, No. 2 mixed, 58c to 50c; oats, No. 2

Detroit-Cattle, \$4.00 to \$5.50; hogs, \$4.00 to \$5.50; sheep, \$2.50 to \$3.50; made it mandatory on the county to wheat, No. 2, \$1.02 to \$1.04; corn, No. 3 yellow, 60e to 61e; onts, No. 3 white, issued 51c to 52c; rye, No. 2, 75c to 77c.

Milwaukee-Wheat, No. 2 northern,

mixed, 50c to 51c; rye, No. 2, 78c to 80c.

\$1.05 to \$1.08; corn, No. 2, 59e to 61e; outs, standard, 49c to 51c; rye, No. 1, 73c to 74c; barley, No. 1, 64c to 65c; Buffalo-Cattle, choice shipping steers, \$4.00 to \$6.75; hogs, fair to choice, \$4.00 to \$6.10; sheep, common to good mixed,

\$5.00 to \$7.85. New York-Cattle, \$4.00 to \$5.90; ogs, \$3.50 to \$6.00; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.00; wheat, No. 2 red. \$1.07 to \$1.09; corn. No. 2, 63e to 65e; cats, natural white, 55c to 57c; butter, creamery, 29c

to 32e; eggs, western, 28c to 31c. Toledo-Wheat, No. 2 mixed, \$1.03 to mis, No. 2 mixed, 51c to 52c; rye, No. 2. 77e to 78c; clover seed, \$5,37.

TRADE AND INDUSTRY. Otter Tail (Minn.) county farmers are claiming a revenue of \$100 per acre from

potatoes this year. St. Paul is to have a scaler of weights and measures to see that dealers give customers full measure.

The annual rabbit hunt in Pleasant Mound township, Blue Earth county, Minnesota, resulted in the slaughter of 204 rabbits. The game was shipped to St. Paul, and brought \$25, which will be used to pay for a big oyster supper in the near future.