O'NEILL.

NEBRASKA

California has made a law requiring headlights to be permanently dimmed on state or public highways, and pre-scribes that the center rays must not strike the ground farther than 75 feet in front of the automobile. A corres-pondent of that state tells how he has arranged his lights, as follows: The lower part of the headlight is covered with "lamp frosting" up to the level of the center of the electric globe, and this cuts out the rays that shine upward. cuts out the rays that shine upward, and only permits the free passage of the downward directed rays from the upper half of the reflector. The lamp must be properly focussed, and the lamp itself is tilted slightly downward if necessary. This arrangement gives the full power of the light on the road, but downward the temperature of the light on the road, but downward the content of the light on the road, but downward the content of the light on the road, but downward the content of the light on the road, but downward the content of the light on the road, but downward the content of the light of th but does not dazzzle approaching drivers. This method of dimming is directly contrary to the usual practice, in which the upper half of the lamp glass is frosted, but it obviates excessive tilting of the lamp, and the results are stated to be superior.

Basing his estimate on the death rates of the union army in the civil war, the German army in the Franco-Prussian war, the British army in the Anglo-Boer war, and the Japanese army in the Russo-Japanese war, Ed-ward Bunnell Phelps, editor of the American Underwriter, says that the loss by death in the present war will be 540,000 if the average number of be 540,000 if the average number of men engaged during the year amounts to 6,000,000, which is something more than the total annual death rate for the entire adult male population of the United States. But this does not prove that the life of a soldier is much more certain than that of a civilian under certain conditions. Thus Mr. Phelps certain than that of a civilian under certain conditions. Thus Mr. Phelps finds from the American experience table of mortality that a soldier's chances of living through a year of the war are greater than those of a civilian for living from the age of 25 to the age of 36, from 30 to 41, from 35 to 45, from 40 to 49, from 49 to 52, from 50 to 56, from 55 to 60, or from 60 to 63 years.

Some years ago the United States bureau of plant industry began an investigation of the problem of utilizing the waste and surplus products of American farms as a source for the manufacture of denatured alcohol. Dr. Edward Kremers, of the University of Wisconsin, was sent abroad as a special agent to study the development of this product, especially in Germany, and his report has just been published as Bulletin 182 of the United States department of agriculture. German agriculturists have devoted a great deal of attention to finding new industrial outlets for alcohol and to improving and popularizing existing outlets. Potatoes are the great source of alco-hol. About 6,000 agricultural potato distilleries were in operation in Ger-many at the time of Dr. Kremer's in-

As soon as the Germans had established a foothold in Belgium a full staff from their observatories was on hand to take up their work in observatories at Liege, Brussels and other places, where they have performed most efficient services for their forces by predictions solving to their forces by predictions relating to the weather, particularly in regard to fogs; and this particularly in regard to fogs; and this information has been shown to have been of decided value both in the operations of the air fleet and to the submarines as well. This has been demonstrated by the results of the raids by the Germans on Scharborough and Hartlepool, and the operations of the submarines in the channel, all of which have depended largely on fog condihave depended largely on fog condi-tions for their success.

Half a part to the million of iron in water is detectable by taste and more than four or five parts makes water unpalatable. In some mineral springs from is the constituent which imparts a medicinal value to the water, but or-dinarily it is undesirable. More than alnarily it is undesirable. More than 2.5 parts a million in water used for laundering makes a stain on the clothes. Iron must be removed from water from which ice is made, or a cloudy, discolored product will result. An iron content of more than two or three parts a million in water used in the manufacture of representations. three parts a million in water used in the manufacture of paper will stain the

"Flag whipping" is he term used to describe the practice of Scandinavian shippers who start vessels for Russian and English ports after reaching an agreement with Germany that the cargo shall be captured and arranging even the smallest details, though usually without knowledge of the ship's master. The practice is really a breach of neutrality, but the penalties are small compared to the profits and up to now the Swedish and Danish government. ernments have met no success in their attempts to put an end to it.

The size of a seed as a factor in The size of a seed as a factor in plant production is the subject of a report by M. B. Cummings, of the Vermont agricultural experiment station, in which the author describes experiments in planting sweet peas and a number of garden vegetables. There is, on the whole, a decided advantage in using large and heavy seed. Thus sweet peas from such seed were earlier in blooming, here more and finer blossoms, and were generally more thrifty.

A representative of the division of simal industry of the Philippine bureau of agriculture, has gone to visit Indian and China to obtain breeding rattle for the government stock farm provided for by the legislature during its recent session. An appropriation of \$12,000 was provided for this year.

Those who laugh at the Swedes for pronouncing John as "Yon" may well look to their own English fatherland, where the name still survives with that pronunciation, and spelled "Ian." Ivan, the Russian name which is pronounced like the French Yvonne, is merely an-other way of saying the same thing.

Faculty members of Chicago university and their wives have adopted more than 80 war babies by a system under which, although the foster parents possess the "papers" and pay the bills, the "child" is kept in Paris.

"I bet, sah, dat I've unj'inted muh old cob pipe fou' hund'ed times since I done got dat mule!" related Brother. Bombershay. "Every time he kicks I jump back so quick I jerks de stem right out'n de bowl."

Hibbing, a small Minnesota town has been living on the fat of the land by taxing wealthy iron mining companies \$750,000 a year. The concerns have now refused to pay, and the town is left with a \$300,000 a month "plant" and \$7,000 annual income. The solution promises to be interesting.

Sugar cane has never been found in its wild state, but its cultivation dates back to Alexander, who found "a reed growing in India which produces honey without bees." Arabs spread it through northern Africa, Spain and Sicily about

DEMOS MAY DEADLOCK ON HONOR POSITIONS

Bryan and Anti-Bryan Men Even on Delegation-Each Seeks Resolution Berth.

Lincoln, Neb., May 29.-Another effort at laundering the spotted linen of the Nebraska democracy will be made next Saturday, when the delegation to the national convention meets prior to arranging for train accommodations to St. Louis. The 16 delegates are supposed to be evenly divided between the Bryan and anti-Bryan factions, and this means that when it comes to handthis means that when it comes to handing honors around there will either be a deadlock or some manipulation. The eight Bryan delegates are Thompson and Thomas, at large, Morrow and Green from the Third district; Skiles from the Fourth, Swanson from the Fifth and Brown and Taylor from the Sixth. The antis are Price and Oldham, at large, Gooch and Moran from the First, Ransom and Kennedy from the Second, Blacek from the Fourth and Cleary from the Fifth.

The principal honor attached to being a delegate is the job on the reso-

ing a delegate is the job on the resolutions committee, each state getting place. Thompson announced his candidacy for that position as soon as he knew he was elected, and as state he knew he was elected, and as state chairman and lead man in the poll he thinks he is entitled to it. He will insist upon it. The other crowd are trying to pacify him by letting him nominate Morehead for vice president, but Morehead passed up Thompson when the governor had the naming of a chief justice of the supreme court, which became vacant through death, and it will came vacant through death, and it will be difficult for Thompson to think up enough nice things to say about Morehead to put him across. W. B. Price has been selected by the reactionaries to second the nomination of Wilson and to second the nomination of Wilson and H. E. Gooch to serve in the committee to notify the president. The progressives don't object to Gooch spending his money that way, but they think that J. J. Thomas is the proper man for the job, as the president needs to win back the democrats made luke-parm by President for description. warm by Bryan's defeat for delegates and the best way to do it is to have a Bryan delegate second his nomination Here is where the blood will be shed

···· WHY FARMERS DO NOT LEAVE HOME

**************** West Point, Neb., May 29.—Soran Jensen's pet Holstein cow, "Clara," is a record breaker in the matter of progeny. She is 9 years old and has given birth to 10 calves. The remarkable part about it is that eight of these calves were born in three months less than four years. Here is the record: First four years. Here is the record: First calf, in spring of 1910; second calf, in spring of 1911; third and fourth, August, 1912; fifth, in the fall of 1913; sixth and seventh, summer of 1914; eighth, in the fall of 1915: ninth and 10th, May 7, 1916. The cow also is a famous milker, having a fine record for both quality, and quantity. both quality and quantity.

BURKETT HAS HOPES OF

LANDING VICE PRESIDENCY Lincoln, Neb., May 29.—H. H. Bald-rige, of Omaha, who will probably be chairman of the Nebraska delegation to the republican national convention has been selected to place former Senator E. J. Burkett, of Lincoln, in nom-ination for vice president. Mr. Burk-ett has over 300 pledged and instructed delegates and is hopeful that the vice presidential lightning will hit him. He regards Charles Nagel, of St. Louis who was Taft's secretary of commerce and labor, as his chief opponent.

MRS. REYNOLDS AWARDED \$3,000 AS HEART BALN

Lincoln, Neb., May 29.-Three thousand dollars was the sum a jury awarded Mrs. Marie Reynolds as heart balm from Fred Williams, a wealthy insurance broker, who, she swore agreed to marry her and then wen and wedded another. Both partie were fairly prominent and the week trial in court proved a town sensation She sued for \$50,000 and it was gos-siped about the court room that an ofof \$5,000 had been made and re fused before the case was begun.

LINCOLN STRIKE SITUATION GROWING MORE ACUTE

Lincoln, Neb., May 29.—The strike situation in Lincoln is growing more acute. Begun as a walkout by com-mon laborers and mortar mixers be-cause their request for 30 cents an hour was refused, some skilled workers have joined in and others are expected to strike within a day or two. Work is at a standstill at several of the biggest jobs in the city. The contractors show little disposition to treat with the men, and it is expected that the next week will bring about the importation of strikebreakers. Severa cases of violence have been reported but fists have been the only weapons used so far.

ERNEST C. HUNT, OMAHA, NEWSPAPER MAN, IS DEAD.

Omaha, Neb., May 29.—Ernest C. Hunt, a well known newspaper man of Omaha, died from a complication of diseases, aged 52 years. He had been ill for a number of years, but worked up to a month ago.

BUILDINGS WRECKED; STORM

IN NORTHEASTERN NEBRASKA Randolph, Neb., May 29.—A very high wind struck the country six to seven miles northeast of Randolph at about 11 o'clock Thursday night. On the S. B. Cunningham farm his barn, 56x40 feet, was wrecked completely. Ten head of horses escaped death, but everal were cut and bruised badly fr. Cunningham's corn crib was moved about a foot and the windmill

At the Fred Munter place a part of the barn was wrecked, and at Frank Hanika's farm a large new barn was blown to pieces. Mr. Hanika's house was in line with the wind and it was moved five feet off its foundation. Wreckage from the barn bombarded the house until it is about ready to fall. No one was injured and the twiser covered but a few miles of terri-

Hartington, Neb., May 29.—This section was visited Thursday night by a violent wind, rain and hail storm. The worst sufferer was Peter Goebel, four miles south of the Catholic cemetery, whose barn, other outbuildings and farm machinery were nicked up by whose barn, other outbuildings and-farm machinery were picked up by the gale and carried about three-quar-ters of a mile. One horse was killed and great cottonwood trees were torn

India rubber trees, which are tapped every other day, continue to yield sap for more than 20 years, and the oldest and most frequently tapped trees pro-

DR. C. S. SHEPARD, OF OMAHA, KILLED IN CANADA

Omaha, Neb., May 27.-Word has reached Omaha that Wednesday afternoon near Red Willow, a small town 100 miles north of Calgary, Alberta, Dr. C. S. Shepard, of this city, was killed in an automobile accident. Dr. Shepard owned an improved farm of something like 1,000 acres seven miles from Red Willow.

A resident of Omaha for 25 years, r. Shepard was well known here. He retired from a large practice some 10 or 12 years ago, and since then has spent his time in travel and looking after his properties. He was a 33d degree Mason and amember of Tangler temple, Mystic Shrine.

KOHL SATISFIED TO GET

FRIEND ON NORMAL BOARD Lincoln, Neb., May 27.—Senator Phil Kohl, of Wayne, called on Governor Morehead and told him that he was no longer an applicant for the vacancy on the normal board that is shortly to be filled. He said that the people of Wayne would be satisfied with the selection of either L. P. Tonner or Frank Pilger, of Pierce, who are applicants. Kohl was moved to withdraw by the belief that the governor would turn him down for personal reasons, and he did not wish to endanger the success of some other applicant around Wayne. The old clique on the board was also against Kohl, because they feared he would be a powerful influence towards building up the normal at Wayne. All of the older schools have representatives on the board, and these look with jealous eye on the newer schools, because they are potential rivals. With as good a faculty and equipment at Wayne as there is at Peru or Kearney, Wayne would secure a portion of the pupils now going to their school, and they want to keep the new schools small.

SOME ACTS OF VIOLENCE IN STRIKE AT LINCOLN Lincoln, Neb., May 27.—The strike in the building trades of Lincoln took a more serious turn yesterday afternoon and evening, when strikers and sympathizers attempted, by forcible means, to compel men at work to join their ranks. There were a number of colliranks. There were a number of collisions and several men received injuries, in one case serious. Contractors complained of inefficient police protection and Chief Antles, in a talk with strike leaders, warned them that further acts of violence on their part would lead to drastic action by the authorities. Contractors who have been paying the scale demanded said their men had been abused and in some cases

assaulted for remaining at work.

Four o'clock last evening was the time set by the strikers' committee for an answer to their ultimatum prior to the calling out of every union builder and laborer in the city, but, when the hour arrived, there was further delay and another meeting, looking to arbi tration, was arranged.

STATE AUDITOR SECURES

PHARMACY BOARD REPORT Lincoln, Neb., May 27.-After weeks of effort, State Auditor Smith has succeeded in securing an itemized account of what has become of the fees re-ceived by the state board of pharmacy The report first showed receipts of \$4, 116 and disbursements of \$4,106. The principal items reported cover samme of \$3,180 for the three members, the remainder going for traveling expenses printing, postage and office supplies.

REPUBLICANS AND MOOSERS TO TRAVEL ON SAME TRAIN

Lincoln, Neb., May 27.—Two cars attached to the Chicago train, leaving Lincoln next Monday, will contain the delegates to the republican and progressive national conventions, one delegation in each car. All of the progressives are former republicans, and all but two of the republicans belong to the progressive wing. There will, therefore, be no barriers erected between the cars. Most of the alternates to the re-publican convention will also go. An effort will be made to have Sheriff Hyers, of Lincoln, named as sergeant at arms, thereby insuring the admission to the convention of all Nebraskans who can give the high sign.

PONY DEFENDS INJURED

BOY ATTACKED BY BULL Fairfield, Neb., May 27.—A pet pony ridden by Aubry Craft, son of Albert Craft, living north of this place, is believed to have saved the boy's life while he lay, unconscious, after an at-

tack by a vicious bull.

When the boy failed to return after having gone for the cattle, a search was started. He was found lying in the pasture, his face badly torn. He was unconscious. Nearby was his was unconscious. Nearby was his pony. The tracks in the dirt showed the little animal had raced round and round the unconscious boy, keeping away the bull that had attacked him. Later, when driven near the bull, the pony attempted to attack the animal.

STANTON STUDENT ELECTED COLONEL UNIVERSITY CADETS

Lincoln, Neb., May 27 .- A Stanton student, A. L. Burnham, will be colonel of the cadet battalion at the state university, his election being announced at the annual competitive drill held yes-terday afterioon. A. J. Covert, of Linterday afterioon. A. J. Covert, of Lincoln, was made lieutenant colonel; J. L. McMaster of Lincoln, K. V. Craig of Omaha, and C. S. Holcombe, Maxwell, majors; D. L. Lane, major of the band.

U. S. TRADE GROWING: MAY REACH \$5,000,000,000

Washington, May 27 .- Export trade of the United States promises to reach nearly \$5,000,000,000 by the end of the fiscal year, June 30. Statistics anfiscal year, June 30. Statistics announced today by the department of commerce place exports for the 10 months ending with April at \$3,401,000,000. That is \$1,175,000,000 more than sent abroad in the same period last year. last year.

last year.

The trade balance in favor of the United States may reach \$2,000,000,000 by the end of the year, the balance for the 10 months, \$1,679,000,000 or almost double what it was last year.

Imports for the 10 months amounted to \$1,722,000,000, an increase of \$348,000,000 over last year. More raw materials and fewer manufactured arts.

terials and fewer manufactured arti-cles in the import trade increased the percentage of goods which entered the country free of duty from 63.6 per cent to 67.9 per cent.

POLICEMAN KILLED

San Francisco, Cal., May 26.—Armed with sawed off shotguns, a squad of police surrounded a house in the mission district, today, where a man.
sought as a counterfeiter, barricaded
himself, after he had shot and killed
Police Serg. John J. Moriarity.

CREW-LANDS.

Bonafairo, Corsica, May 26, (via Paris).—Twenty-four survivors of the crew of the Spanish steamer Aurrera. which was sunk by a submarine, have arrived at this port in two of the ship's

STATE BOARD BOOSTS RAILROAD VALUATIONS

Increase Applies Only to Improvements. But Will Reach About \$1,500,000.

Lincoln, Neb., May 27.-Nebraska railroads will pay taxes this year on an increased valuation of \$1,500,000. This is the decision arrived at by the state board of assessment after having held one secret and three open meetings This is not really an increase in pre-vious valuations, but represents the value of the improvements which have been placed upon main lines in the state during the past year. The figures were made up by the secretary of the board from the records of the state rall-

way commission.

The board has also decided that when The board has also decided that when it comes to equalizing real estate values in June it will not raise the values in counties that are now low to the point reported by the highest counties, but may reduce the counties that are highest. The effect of this will be to nullify a previous order of the board to county assessors to fix for taxation 75 per cent of the actual value of the 75 per cent of the actual value of the lands. Low counties will not try to raise their assessments, while the high ones will be likely to cut down their returns from the old figures.

HARMAN MAKING EFFORT TO FIX SELF FOR LONG TERM

Lincoln, Neb., May 27 .- The effort of Food Commissioner Harman to secure a referendum on a proposition to make his office a six-year term, and to place it under the civil service, is made the subject of vigorous attacks from several sources. A constitutional amendment is necessary to effect this end, and Mr. Harman has sent out the and Mr. Harman has sent out the blanks for the necessary signatures for a referendum. Under the constitution, the governor is required, 10 days after the canvassing board declared an amendment has carried, to issue a proclamation to that effect, whereupon it becomes a part of the constitution. If the proposed amendment carries next November, it would be Governor Morehead's duty to issue the proclamation and, immediately after that was done, it would be in his power to appoint Mr. Harman for a six-year term. As Harman has been his political manpoint Mr. Harman for a six-year term. As Harman has been his political manager and close personal friend, it is figured that this is what will happen and that this is what Mr. Harman figures will happen. Wherefore, folks who don't like Mr. Harman say that it is really a scheme to get him a six-year extension of term of office.

FARMERS' UNION OBJECTS TO POLITICAL ADVERTISING

Lincoln, Neb., May 27.—The legislative committee of the Farmers' union, now in session here, proposes to recommend to the legislature the passage of a law prohibiting candidates from advertising. The committee says that the candidates pay no attention whatever to the limitation in the present law but spend as much as they please, and that the result is that the offices go to the best advertisers and not to the best men for the offices. The fact that John L. Kennedy, republican nominee for United States senator, spent in the neighborhood of \$15,000 at the last pri-mary is cited as one instance where success depends upon advertising. The union now has 29,000 members.

ALABAMA REQUISITION HONORED BY GOVERNOR

Lincoln, Neb., May 27.—Governor Morehead has given his official cansent to the transfer from Omaha to Alabama of Sharper Campbell, alias Jim James, who is wanted for a murder committed back in 1908 in Sumter county, Alabama. The victim was one Sam Mason. Campbell was indicted immediately after the murder, but he had apparently disappeared for all time. He was finally run down by accitime. He was finally run down by accidet while at work in Omaha.

WAYNE-In the commencement field sports at the Wayne normal Wednesday the results were as follows: The baseball game was won by the senior-freshman team, 14: junior-sophomore team, 11. seniors won the field meet with 53 points sophoomores, 23½; juniors, 12; freshmen, 2½. Preparatory students—Fred Dale, individual star, won 29 points for the seniors. Record discs, 119 feet 9 inches. Hammer 155 feet, 10 inches. Shot, 45 feet 4 inches The discs record surpasses that made this year at the University of Nebraska Dobey won 15½ points for the sophomores

HARTINGTON-An investment company of Omaha has entered into a con tract with the Hartington Commercial club to construct a modern 40-room hotel here, the business men to donate a part of the price of the site. The hotel is to cost \$30,000 and will be located on the old site of the Grand, which was destroyed by fire last winter. Work will commence at

HARTINGTON-The commencement ex ercises of the Hartington high school will take place in the Knights of Columbus hall Friday evening, May 26. The follow ing young people will graduate: Edward Lynde, Mildred Neston, Grace Charles Esther Matson, Marjorie Scoville, Irene Ernst, Ermma Olsin and Cecil Churhill.

RAYMOND ROBINS NAMED PROGRESSIVE CHAIRMAN

New York, May 25 .- Raymond Robins, of Chicago, was selected as tem-porary chairman of the national convention of the progressive party at Chi-cago at a meeting here yesterday of the executive committee of the progressive national committee. Other of-ficers selected were O. K. Davis, of New York, secretary, and F. P. Corrick, of Nebraska, sergeant at arms.

Mr. Robins, the choice for temporary chairman, was the progressive candi-date for United States senator in Illinois in 1914. He was a coal miner when the Klondike rush began. He was one of the first to go to the gold fields and was successful in his quest there. Prior to 1912, when he joined the proessive ranks, he was a democrat.

Aside from naming temporary officers and discussion of organization, the greater part of the session of the com-mittee, which lasted most of the day was given over to making plans for seating delegates, alternates and guests at the convention.

TEXAN STAR AVIATOR. Paris, May 25 .- Accounts of the re-

cent aviation exploits of Sergt. Albert Hall, of Galveston, Tex., a member of the Franco-American flying corps, show that on Monday, May 22, he was engaged with several German machines engaged with several German machines on the Verdun front and narrowly escaped being put out of action by damage to his propeller before he brought down a German machine near Malancourt. The aeroplane forced to earth was one of the fastest of the German machines. Hall accounted for it in a few shots.

INDICATIONS OF SPREAD IN OMAHA LABOR TROUBLES

Omaha, Neb., May 26.-The labor situation in the building trades in Omaha began to show a serious aspect today. For more than a week a strike of common laborers has been in effect on several large buildings, but so far none of the unions of skilled laborers have taken action in their support. Today small disturbances occurred in the vicinity of various jobs and when the police responded the union work-ers left the buildings, declaring it was against the rules of their organizations to work under police protection. It is claimed between 1,000 and 7 100 common laborers employed it. construction

mon laborers employed it construction work are now out and that practically every large job is either tied up or badly hampered. The laborers demand increased pay and an eight-hour day. Efforts of the city council to bring about a conference between the contractors' organization and the strikers have failed, the contractors refusing to take part in the proposed meetings. to take part in the proposed meetings. The council last night adopted resolutions expressing sympathy for the la-

STATE BOARD WILL NOT CHANGE REALTY ASSESSMENTS

Lincoln, Neb., May 25.—The state board of assessment has made up its mind not to interfere with real estate values in the state. Neither will it give the railroads any relief from the conditions of which they complain, of being assessed at a higher percentage of the actual value of their property than are the farmers of the state. The roads have submitted a mass of figures showing that the average valua-tion of farm lands in the state is about tion of farm lands in the state is about half the actual value, while they pay almost full value. The state board was impressed by the showing, and at one time had about made up its mind to boost farm values to 75 per cent of their actual worth. The board, however, feared that if it did this the farmers would insist on the valuation of the rallroads being boosted, and it the railroads being boosted, and it would be difficult to defend the latter if the railroads went into court about it. Inasmuch as an election is coming on soon, the pedal extremities of the board members experienced a con-gealment, and the chances are noth-ing will be done.

JUDGE WRAY DISTURBED

BY "ATTACK" ON HENRY FORD Lincoln, Neb., May 26.—Judge Arthur G. Wray, of York, one of the progressive party leaders in the state, has sent his resignation to the secretary of state as a delegate to the progressive national convention. Wray was one of the two representatives from the Fourth district. Judge Wray gives as Fourth district. Judge Wray gives as his reason what he terms the undignified and causeless attack of Colonel Roosevelt, in his Detroit speech, on Henry Ford. The progressive delegates are instructed for Roosevelt for president, and Judge Wray says that he cannot conscientiously support the colonel because of that attack. He colonel because of that attack. He says he finds himself unable to follow the colonel in his big army and navy ideas, and says that in this stand he represents the overhelming sentiment of the middle west. The judge has been a staunch Roosevelt man for years, and left the republican party because of the steam rolling of the colonel at Chicago four years ago.

LAWYERS FIGHT OVER FEES IN BIG BANK CASE

Lincoln, Neb., May 26.—The 23-year-old law suit involving the personal liability of directors of the Capital National bank, which failed in 1893, is to receive a new lease of life in the courts. Judgments that are entirely good and which amount to \$100,000 were finally obtained, and the lawyers for the various plaintiffs had contracts by which they were to get a third of the amount recovered. Now the lawyers cannot agree on the Now the lawyers cannot agree on the division of the fee, and having filed division of the fee, and having filed liens for the amounts each thinks he is entitled to have, another hearing will be necessary to find out what each is entitled to receive. One of the attorneys, J. J. Thomas, was just starting the practice of law when he began his suit, and for 23 years he has been with the case. He thinks he ought to have \$22,000 of the amount. ought to have \$23,000 of the amount, being the principal attorney and keeping at it after others had wearied of the litigation, which went back and forth

between the state and federal courts. ALLEN-Leonard Goodwin, son of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Goodwin, residing a half mile north of here, fell from a 22-foot bridge on the Burlington railroad track, breaking his right leg above the knee. The night was dark and rainy and the boy caught his foot in a tie and stumbled, landing on his head and shoulders in the middle of the wagon track in the road, 22 feet below. He was taken to Sioux City and is being cared for at one of the hos

VENUS-A movement has been started to organize the church work of Venus. Walnut and Enterprise onto a common ground whereby all may have a chance attend to these points. This movement was made by the people of the three places and a meeting will be held in the near future to perfect plans of consolida-

PONCA-The graduating exercises will be held in the opera house May 25. There are 15 graduates, as follows: Emery Austin, Royal Coats, Edmund Doyle, Alfred Frank, George Groth, Neal Maskell, Obert White, Anna Austin, Hazel Kendall, Marie Lewis, Orpha LeGro, Helen Mc-Carthy, Lucy Manion, Marion Mattison, Cassie Mille. Paul Dietrick, of Lincoln. will deliver the address.

COLERIDGE-Carl Korff had a narrow escape when a .22 caliber rifle accidentally discharged when he set it down, after shooting some rats near the elevator. The bullet struck him in the right cheek bone and came out about two inches above the

RANDOLPH - John Friedenbach, farmer living here, and Miss Gertrude Peterson, of this place, were married at the St. Frances Catholic church by Rev. Father Lordeman. They will live on a farm five miles east of town.

PENDER-The Masonic lodge has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: W. F. Wenke, W. M.; W. S. Taylor, S. W.; J. W. Chambers, J. W. Fred Wenke, treasurer; Robert Racely, secre-

FORDYCE-The marriage of Mike Goe den and Miss Anna Wubben, will take place at the Catholic church here on May 30. They will make their home on the groom's farm near town.

BANCROFT-Commencement exercises will be held at the Draw theater on May 25-26. A. L. Sutton, republican candidate for governor, will deliver the address the There are six graduates: Fred Singpiel, Maud Anderson, Mervin Kiel, Clar-ence Ward, Edward Farley, Clara Wil-

SAFETY OF CITIZENS.

Washington, May 24.—The Senate committee on foreign relations recom-mended today a favorable report on Senator Kern's resolution directing the sovereign to inquire regarding the safety of American citizens in Ireland in districts where martial law has been declared.

SAYS POSTAL BILL IS FOR RAILROAD; **COMMITTEE RAGES**

Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Blakslee Brings Down Senatorial Wrath By His Nerve.

"A SURRENDER TO ROADS"

Says Amendments Give Railroads What They Want and Disorganizes 800 Rural Delivery Routes.

Washington, May 29 .- Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Blakslee told the Senate postoffice committee to its face today that he considered its amendments to the postal bill a surrender to the railroads and although he drew the wrath of senators at the hearing upon him, he defended his action in organizing a campaign against the amendments.

The committee met to investigate charges that Blakslee organized a lobby. Blakslee frankly told the committee he considered their amendments bad, took up the bill in detail to provehis charges that they were a surrender to railroads and defiantly told the senters of his work for their defeat.

ators of his work for their defeat.

The amendments to which Blakslee referred concern the railroad mail pay, which is a long standing controversy, and the rural delivery. He told the senators they had by their amendments given the railroads what they wanted and would disorganize 800 rural delivery routes and inconvenience 300,000 citizens. He told the commit-tee he had acted without the knowl-edge of Postmaster General Burleson. Mr. Blakslee took full responsibility

for actions which he described in a statement to the effect that he had on his own experience with postal affairs of three years and the advice of ex-perts in the departments he had reached the conclusion that the amend-ments were bad. With that in mind he wrote to every one he could to defeat them, including postmasters, whom he asked to communicate with their pa-trons and representatives in congress. His letters declared the Senate com-

mitted had made a "complete surren-der to the railreads."

Senator Martine asked on what he based that assertion.

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"On the bill itself." replied Mr. Blakslee. "Take the bill. The railroads did not want pay based on space. They got what they wanted. They wanted annual weighing. They got it. There was a provision in the House bill penalizing railroads \$5,000 for not carrying the mails. The railroads did not want it. It was stricken out of the bill. it. It was stricken out of the bill. There was a provision for side service. The railroads did not like it. That was

The railroads did not like it. That was the only case out of the five in which the department won out."

"Our use of the word 'surrender' implies an absolute subserviency on the part of this committee to the railroads and as one I must say your action was most unfit and very unwarranted." protested Senator Martine.

"That is your opinion," responded Mr. Blakslee.

"Do you think you had the right to organize a lobby of postmasters to

organize a lobby of postmasters to fight a proposal that had been adopted by the unanimous vote of our subcommittee—the unanimous vote of sena-tors of both parties?" demanded Senator Hardwick.

"I beg your pardon, sir, responded Mr. Blakslee, "I organized no lobby. I had a right to exert my influence as a citizen and as an official to prevent in jury to the postal service that would take years and years to correct." Senator Vardaman, who had not been

inclined to agree with other members of the committee in regard to railway pay, said, "While I think there is some merit in your contention as to the facts in this case I do not think that my collobby. You have acted with the grossest impropriety. You have not the right to say what you did about your greatest enemy unless you know it to be true."

NAME OFFICERS FOR TRIAL OF MILITIA

Majority Will Be Members of Guard-Colonel Miller, President.

Washington, May 29 .- The formal order directing trial by courtmartial on June 1 at Fort Sam Houston, Tex., of 116 members of the Texas National guard who refused to present themselves to be mustered into the federal service was forwarded today to General Funston. Col. Edward A. Miller, Third field artillery, is designed as president of the court and Maj. Blanton Winship, U. S. A. judge advocate.

The law requires that a majority of the members of the court be national guardsmen and the following officers of the Texas guard now in federal service were designated:

Lieut, Col. J. E. Muchert, Mai. Lapowski; Maj. Holman Taylor, Maj. A. R. Sholars, Maj J. E. Sill, Capt. W. H. Murphy, Capt. H. W. Kinnard and Capt. W. E. Lake.
In addition the following regular of-

ficers will sit:
Col. Jacob G. Gailbrith, Maj. Harry
H. Bandholtz, Capt. W. L. Reed and
Capt. George C. Shaw.
Specifications of the charges, pre-

pared by Judge Advocate G Crowder accompanied the order.

FRENCH HERO, GALLIENI. DIES; CROWD MOURNS

Paris, May 29 .- General Joseph S. Gallieni, former minister of war, died at Versailles today.

The death of General Gallieni, whilenot unexpected, created profound sorrow, as he was idolized by the French, particularly the poor, who regarded him as the savior of Paris during the oritical days of August, 1914. His fu-neral will be the occasion of a notable-military and civil demonstration.