# THIS IN NEBRASKA

EVENTS OF INTEREST OF MORE OR LESS IMPORTANCE.

Contract to Outfit New Wing of Norfolk Asylum-Death of a Former State Treasurer.

Furniture for Asylum.

Rudge & Guenzel, which firm has sold the state about \$50,000 worth of supplies, such as furniture and dry goods, during the last two years captured the contract to outfit the new wing at the Norfolk asylum. With the exception of Norris Brown, all the members of the Board of Purchase and Supplies and Superintendent Young visited the various Lincoln furniture stores and secured prices. The above firm offered the goods at the lowest figures, the total bill amounting to some \$1,900. No bids were advertised for, as it is said by the board members to be almost impossible to get bids on furniture through advertising. Whether any of the Norfolk firms were called upon to make prices, and thus save freight from Lincoln, is not on record and neither is it of record that any except Lincoln stores were visited, Governor Mickey and Treasurer Mor- father in North Bend. tensen are of the opinion that the state got a good bargain and that the goods were bought at extremely low

J. C. McBride Dies in Savannah LINCOLN-Word was received in the fire was the work of incendiaries. Lincoln announcing the death of General J. C. McBride of Savannah, Ga., formerly a citizen of Lincoln and exa privatae in the civil war at the age of 17 years, serving in the Forty-eighth Indiana infantry, afterward being pro-He served for three years and then for two more years, during which time he was stationed at Fort North and Fort Concho in lower Mexico. After Death was caused by pneumonia. the war was over, leaving his wife at the fort, he started on a three years' of that part of the country, where they had been doing a great deal of damage. tablished the Schuyler Register.

Cream Tests Inaccurate.

changed. At this time the cream is of Fremont for some special premiums. sample tests before making his recom- wards. mendations.

Violation of Game Law. At Lincoln C. N. Crandall was fined a suit case without accompanying the collar bone. package. The charge of not labeling

to the charge.

Making Much Vinegar. the vinegar factory had purchased 42,-000 bushels of apples, a very large fled. portion of which would have gone to waste had the factory not been here. is the intention to build still others tous for stock than some time ago.

Man Found Dead in Jail. MILLARD-A man named Thomas came to the town marshal and asked was granted and the door was left open so he could leave when he found dead, having hung himself during the night.

Shortage of Corn Huskers.

Applications have been pouring into he left. the labor bureau for farm hands to help get in the corn crop, but so far the labor bureau has not been able to even begin to supply the demand. At this time there is not a single application on file in this department for a place, while the applications for farm helpers are almost countless.

Wagon Load of Clover Seed. BRADSHAW - Henry Berger, a load of clover seed, consisting of

a check for \$540

Shut Out of Nebraska. LINCOLN-The International Improvement company will not be allowed to do business in Nebraska under its present articles of incorporation. State Treasurer Mortensen, who is a member of the State Banking the officials of the company they could laws. This company agrees to build

its rules and regulations.

HEBRON-James Dickson, a young farmer from near Glead and whose home is at Decatur, Ill., committed suicide in the county jail at this place. Dickson had been convicted of forgery and was sentenced to two years in the tion of the Japs to raise a big acreage penitentiary. He killed himself by of sugar beets. hanging and used an ordinary towel, then to the bars of the side of his and his dread of serving the time demed to have prompted him to com- Dobuque, where he frequently spent mit the deed.

NEBRASKA BRIEFS.

Fremont has a record-breaking your for building.

Robert Mattern, employed at the stone crusher at Wymore, was struck by a train and instantly killed.

At Fairmont, while working in the yards. Brakeman Lantz, of No. 72, slipped waile switching and caught his foot under the wheel of the engine, cutting the foot off.

O. H. Singley of the Union Pacific has been looking over the tax records and finds his company must pay \$18,-150.23 to Platte county this year-\$1,000 more than in 1905.

A memorable event in Wayne's history was the laying of the corner stone of the new main building of the Nebraska normal college by the grand lodge A. F. & A. M. of Nebraska. Union Pacific men say that the motor

service between Lincoln and Beatrice is rapidly finding favor with the traveling public and that it has increased the Lincoln-Beatrice business consid-The dead body of Mike Shannahan

was found on a bar in the Platte near North Bend. Shannahan was about 22 years old, and had been missing for several days. He resided with his

The separator of the threshing outfit of Edward Sorenson near Bancroft, was totally destroyed by fire. The machine is a total loss. As the fires in the engine were out it is thought

The federal grand jury at Lincoln made its report and was discharged. Twenty-seven indictments were restate treasurer. He was born in Ur- turned, but the court refused to make bana, Champaign county, O., May 2, public any of the indictments except 1844. He moved with his parents to those returned for illegal sale of li-Indiana in 1859, where he enlisted as quor. The most important are held back until arrests are made.

Christian & Lang, breeders and importers of thoroughbred Aberdeen-Anmoted to captain for prayery in action. gus cattle York county, met with quite a loss in the death of an imported Troreturned home on a furlough, enlisting jan Erica cow, bred in King Edward of England's herd, a show animal that cost them several hundred dollars.

The directors of several of the school districts in Dodge county have ordered campaign in driving the Indians out vacations of three weeks during the cornhusking season. While the crop in Dodge county was damaged to some After leaving the service, he came to extent by heavy rains in the fall, there Nebraska, settling at Schuyler and es. will be a large crop. Already there is evidence of a scarcity of pickers.

The Dodge county poultry association held a meeting for the purpose of Fod Commissioner Redfern is of the preparing a premium list for the anopinion the farmers are being done in | nual show which is to be held in Dethe way cream is tested and because cember. Messrs. J. M. Archerd and of this he will make recommendation J. M. Maher were appointed a committo the legislature that the test be tee to solicit among the business men

tested in a machine which Redfern! Jasper Waidron, a well known said was made to test milk, and as farmer i.ving south of York, brought cream is much lighter the test is not in samples of the finest quality ear a god one. He will recommend that corn that was pronounced better than cream be tested by weight and the the average seed corn. He said that amount of butter fat be measured and south York county had another bumper then the per cent be applied to the crop and that corn on his place goes bulk. Redfern will make a number of seventy bushels to the acre and up-

coming down the steep grade south of \$50 and costs by Justice Stevens on a the cemetery and when turning the complaint sworn to by Chief Game corner at the foot of the hill the Warden George L. Carter, charging wagon upset throwing Albert against that Mr. Crandall had shipped game in a post with such force as to break his

Secretary Royse of the state bankthe package as required by law was ing board, announced that Receiver not pressed. The fine was agreed to O F. Biglin of the Elkhorn Valley in the sale of ice. by Mr. Crandall and he pleaded guilty bank of O'Neill, had declared another dividend of 15 per cent, making a total of 35 per cent paid to depositors. Some property still remains to be di-FALLS CITY-Up to last Saturday vided between the claimants. The bank was wrecked by its officers, who

Sheriff Dunkel of Hall county, has received a letter from a woman in New The factory now has ten tanks, each Mexico expressing her belief that there of a capacity of 16,000 gallons, and it lived there the man who was guilty of the murder of one Venken, in Grand as the supply of appl is abundant. Island, eighteen years ago. It was re-Very few of the good apples will go to called immediately that such a man waste, as the packers seem more anx- was found dead in a patch of weeds near the round house about that time and that no clue to his murderer was ever found.

A life isurance agent from Kansas Coffey, recently employed by Contract- City has been working around Rulo in or Fitzgerald on the railroad grade, a most novel manner. He has secured a number of policy-holders of Effingham county. permission to sleep in the jail. This through representing to them that he would give them a large percentage of his profit. Securing a note from them was ready. In the morning he was in payment of premius which he promised to return under certain con-

The department of the game warden has just come out victor in a contest waged in North Platte. When had no power of exemption. Deputy Hortsman went to North Platte some time ago to get Ryan and Finney, two men charged with violating the game laws, he was pounced upon by a number of men, and a freefor-all fight followed, after which Horstman caused the arrest of Ryan and Finney. A fine of \$5 and costs farmer living a mile and one-half west was assessed for common assault. Finof this place brought to town a wagon ney appealed to the vistrict court, where he was again found guilty and ninety bushels, for which he received was fined \$100 and costs, the whole finally amounting to \$208.

The machinery to be used in boring for oil has been placed in position on the Farlow farm, two miles southeast of Beatrice, and J. N. Maupin, the prospector, says active operations will begin at once.

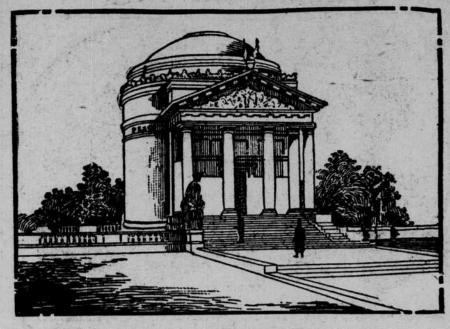
Apples are so plentiful around asano at New York. board, which passes on these matters, Rulo that farmers are wishing them requested Secretary Royce to notify disposed of. Many trees hang loaded to their full capacity. The market is do no busness under the Nebraska full and packers are overworked. It is houses and homes for people who want and some packers have stopped pack-them and are willing to conform to ing because they cannot find a mar reached Atlanta Thursday. About 75 has developed hydrophobia. He be-came unmanageable Thursday and ket for them.

Ed Murphy of Brady has leased his ranch near Brady to several Japanese for a period of five years at an annual rental of \$1,000. There are 800 or more acres, part of which is hay land and part farm land, and it is the inten-

The tramp who was run over by a which was tied around his neck and Burlington train in the yards at Tecumseh died. He gave his name as cell. His sentence to the penitentiary M. C. Smith; said he had no living relatives, and that he had friends in the St. Paul Gas Light company's the day shift of miners went to work

some time.

MEMORIAL TEMPLE TO ILLINOIS SOLDIERS AT VICKSBURG, MISS. DEDICATED FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26.



### SEVEN DEAD IN EXPLOSION

IGNITION OF GAS SUPPOSED TO HAVE FIRED BLAST.

Accident in the Rolling Mill Mine of the Cambria Steel Company at Johnstown, Pa.

Johnstown, Pa.—By an explosion in the mine of the Cambria Steel company here Wednesday seven men are reported to be dead and two painfully but not fatally burned.

setting off of a blast. Most of the victims are foreigners. The explosion occurred in a heading three miles from the houth of the mine shaft. the manager of the Cambria Steel

company, savs:

The explosion is thought to have

"By an explosion in the Rolling Mill a glorous October sun. mine of the Cambria Steel company Wednesday evening seven men are dead and two are painfully but not fatally injured. Up to the present only one of the dead has been identified. He is an American born miner named Sampson Luther. It is believas are the two injured. The wounds of the latter consist of burns on the face, back and arms, lacerated wounds of the scalp and other parts of the body.

"The explosion took place in heading No. 29, a considerable distance from the ill-fated Klondike section, where 114 men lost their lives over four years ago. The exact cause is not known, but it is supposed that the gas was fired by the putting off | Total Number of Dead in Kansas City of a blast. All the men when found had their safety lamps in proper trim, showing that the accident could not have been caused by neglect in that direction. No damage whatever was done to the workings, and the mine will run as usual."

While Albert and George Weaver OHIO ICE MEN FACING PRISON least eight persons lost their lives in essence of which is equality.

Valentine Anti-Trust Law Held Valid by the Circuit Court.

Toledo, O.-Circuit court Friday upheld the decision of Judge Kinkade, of common pleas court, in the sentences he gave Reuben Lemon, Rolland Beard and Joseph Miller, convicted of conspiracy in restraint of trade

These are the famous ice cases which were tried in common pleas court last summer. The sentences given the men were \$2,500 fine each and six months in the workhouse, and if the supreme courts affirms the lower courts, the ice men must serve their sentences.

The circuit court also held the Valentine anti-trust law constitutional.

FRATERNALS MUST PAY TAXES Illinois Supreme Court Holds Legislature Has No Power of Exemption.

Springfield, Ill. - The supreme ion in the case of the supreme lodge of the Modern American Fraternal order against the board of review

The supreme lodge scheduled office furniture and supplies for taxation amounting to \$6,000. The board of review added \$30,000, the amount of mortuary expense fund on hand. The ditions, he sold the paper at the first lodge appealed from the action of the bank and when he had sufficient funds | board, asserting such fund was ex-

Maniac Jumps Into Sea. Norfolk, Va.-Counting the minutes, which seeemed to them to be but few intervening between them and death, bruised, bleeding, hungering and athirst, five men adrift on a bit of wreckage, off the Florida coast, saw one of their companions, whose suffering had driven him mad, throw long afterward a ship which was coming saved their lives.

Spanish Diplomat Transferred. Madrid.—Senor Arturo Baldasano y Topete, the Spanish consul general at New York, has been transferred to fired at her, Frank Dorsey, a clerk Manila. Senor Diaz Mirando of the foreign office will succeed Senor Bald-

Import Strike Breakers. Atlanta, Ga.—The first importation of strike breakers to take the place of difficult to find a market for the apples the Southern railway machinists who men were in the lot.

Mother and Children Drown.

Santa Fe, N. M .- Mrs. Guadaloupe Vigily Bares, wife of a rancher at Round Mountain, and her two children were drowned in the Rio Grande near Santa Fe during Monday's blizzard. They were fording the river.

Gas Explosion Kills Two. St. Paul. Minn.-George C. Harding. white, and Frank Aldrich, colored, were killed in a tunnel leading from plant, at Fourth and John streets, in the James Mullen mine No. 1 near Wednesday, by an explosion of gas. Wednesday, by an explosion of gas.

ILLINOIS HONORS ITS DEAD.

Memorial Dedicated at Vicksburg, Miss., to Soldiers Whe Fought There.

Vicksburg, Miss. - The Illinois Memorial temple, the tribute of that state to its soldiers who fought of transportation paid for in cash." in the siege of Vicksburg, was dedicated at the Vicksburg National Miliespecially imposing. The parade, composed of the National Guard of been caused by the ignition of gas in Deneen of Illinois, and Gov. Vardaman | cash: of Mississippi, left the city shortly after ten o'clock for the march of three miles to the park. The entire soldiers as they marched along under

The Illinois Memorial temple is a marble dome 62 feet high and 54 feet in diameter, with flights of marble stairs leading to it. It cost \$200,000. On the interior are inscribed in bronze the names of every one of the 36,000 ed the other dead are all foreigners, Illinois soldiers who were engaged in the operations which the Vicksburg they desire or secure. It is the aim National park is intended to commemorate.

The state of Illinois appropriated 260,000 for monuments and memorial markers in the park. Illinois had 70 commands in the Vicksburg opera- no way interferes with or abridges tions during the civil war.

TAKE FIVE BODIES FROM RUINS.

Fire Has Reached Eight.

Kansas City, Mo. - Five bodies were recovered Friday from the ruins of the Chamber of Commerce building in Kansas City, Kan., which was destroyed by fire Thurs-

The body of Charles A. Lynch, a laborer, was recovered late Friday

The bodies of Edward Winslow and his wife and two daughters were recovered earlier in the day. Eight persons are still missing.

The building was owned by Alderman Walter A. Bunker, of Kansas City, Kan., who estimates his loss at \$60,000. The cause of the fire is unknown.

WISCONSIN TAXES " REMITTED State Treasury, Full to Overflowing, Does Not Need Cash.

Madison, Wis. - All the state taxes, with the exception of the school tax, which was reduced to half of one mill, were remitted Monday by the state board of assessors. There already is so much money in the state treasury that none of the officials knew what to do with it. With the prospect of more than \$2,500,000 coming in from this year's taxes. State court Wednesday rendered an opin- Treasurer Kempf threw up his hands in despair and said there was no way to spend it. Accordingly, Gov. Davidson, Secretary of State Houser and Mr. Kempf met and decided to remit the taxes.

> W. C. T. U. in Session. Hartford, Conn.-Mrs. Lillian M. Stevens, of Portland, Me., as presi-

dent, opened the thirty-third annual convention of the National Woman's empt under the provisions of the act | Christian Temperance union at Parsons' theater Friday. More than 450 The court holds that the legislature | delegates from all parts of the United States were present. Delegates from Austrian, Japan, England, Greece and other countries were on hand.

Robbers Dynamite Bank Safe. Kerkhoven, Minn.-The vault in the bank of Kerkhoven was badly damaged by burglars, who used dynamite in an attempt to get at the money chest early Thursday. While they were at work they were discovered by citihimself into the sea to death, and not zens who had been aroused by the explosion. Running from the bank, they made their escape on horseback.

> Attempts Murder; Kills Self. New York.—Believing he had killed his sweetheart with four bullets he store, where both were employed.

Veteran Dies of Hydrophobia. Marietta, O.-John Fogus, a wellknown war veteran, was bitten by a small family dog three weeks ago and has developed hydrophobia. He bewas taken to jail. He died Friday.

Canal Zone Governor.

Washington.—The statement was made by a cabinet officer that appointment of a governor of the Panama canal zone in all probability would not be made until after President Roosevelt's return from the isthmus.

Three Miners Found Dead. New Philadelphia, O.-The bodies of three miners who had died by inhaling gas, were found Thursday, as

# MUST PAY CASH FARES URGES UNION OF FARMERS EIGHTY ARE DEAD

PUBLISHERS CANNOT EXCHANGE

AN IMPORTANT RULING.

ADVERTISING FOR TICKETS.

Interstate Commerce Commission Holds Payment in Commodities Would Allow Discrimination by the Carriers.

Washington.-Under a ruling of the interstate commerce commission, transportation over railroad lines ne longer may be given to newspaper publishers or editors in exchange for advertising space in their newspa-

A protest against this ruling has been received by the commission from the Massachusetts Press association. through William J. Hefferman, the secretary of the association. In Mr. Hefferman's communication, he says that the association unanimously voted to "Enter its protest against the reported ruling in holding that the payment for railroad transportation at full rates in advertising shall be treated on any other basis than that Chairman Quotes the Law.

In a letter to Secretary Hefferman tary park Friday with elaborate cere- in response to the protest, Chairman monies, the military spectacle being Knapp, of the commission, says in by a plan of marketing products to part, after quoting the section of the law which prohibits the issuance of prices." Illinois regiment and the militia of free transportation or transportation Mississippi, headed by Gov. Charles S. paid for in any other way than in "You are, of course, aware that ail

tariffs filed in compliance with the regulating statute name rates in dolroute was decorated and thousands of lars and cents, and do not in any case An official statement given out by visitors who came to Vicksburg to be provide that transportation can be present at the ceremonies cheered the paid for with property. It seems plain to the commission that the law above quoted, coupled with the fact stated, permits payment for services magnificent structure consisting of a of interstate carriers only in money.

"A contrary rule would sanction unequal compensation by different persons and involve ordinarily some degree of discrimination in favor of those permitted to exchange their commodities for the transportation of the law to prevent every sort of favoritism and secure absolute equality of treatment in all cases.

Right of Private Contract. "This ruling of the commission in the rights of private contracts. Newspapers and their advertising space may be freely exchanged for any species of property upon such terms as may be acceptable to the parties to the transaction, but the facilities of the public carrier are not private property, nor are they the subject of bargain and sale like merchandise. The right to travel or have property carried by rail, like the right to the common highway is not a contract day, and it is now known that at right but a political right, the very

Ruling Follows the Law "Conceding that the advertising arrangements in question are ordinarily made and carried out in good faith, it seems plain to me that these arrangements must, as a practical matter, involve some measures of discrimination, and it is not easy for me to see how an honest newspaper can seriously object to a ruling of the commission which appears to be in obvious accord with the provisions and the purposes of the regulating

EIGHT-HOUR DAY IS UPHELD Government Wins First Case Against Contractors on Federal Work

Cincinnati.—The first test of the federal eight-hour day law ended in a victory for the government here Friday. After being out only 15 minutes the jury in the United States court found the Sheridan-Kirk Contracting company guilty of violating the law in the construction of the big Ohio river dam at Fernbank, nine miles below this city. The determination of the penalty will come later. The law provides for a fine not exceeding \$1,000.

Wickes Will Is Upheld. Chicago. - The sensational contest of the will of Thomas H. Wickes, late Pullman car magnate, ended in Judge Honore's court Tuesday when the will was sustained by verdict of a jury which declared Wickes sane when he cut off his own children and a grandchild and left the bulk of his estate to a nephew, Hugh P. Walden. A sealed verdict, which was reached after six hours' deliberation, was read before a crowd that jammed the courtroom. The jury took only four ballots in reaching its ver-

Bank Robbers Secure \$5,000. Odin, Ill.-Holding fully 100 terrified citizens at bay, a band of robbers liberately dynamited the Odin bank, took \$5,000 from the wrecked safe.

Fire Stops Cannon Banquet. Paris, Ill.—Fire at the Paris hotel caused a hurried adjournment of a banquet at which Speaker Cannon whose home was in Brooklyn, shot was being entertained by local Repubhimself dead in a Fourth avenue bird lican politicians. Mr. Cannon later robbers, who blew open the safe and spoke at the courthouse.

> Spain Holds Cruisers Ready. Madrid, Spain.-In view of the alarming reports from Morocco the Spanish government has decided to hold several cruisers ready for dis-Spanish subjects.

> Railway Reduces Its Fares. Indianopolis, Ind.—The Cincinnati. Hamilton & Dayton Railroad company Thursday announced that beginning November 1 a straight fare of two and one-half cents would be charged in

National Sunday School Union. Topeka, Kan.-The National Sun day School union of the Methodis church commenced its 79th annual present from nearly every state in the Wednesday of heart failure. He was Hills after an illness of two days.

ORGANIZATION PUT FORWARD AS PROPER PLAN.

When Prices of Products Go Up They Tend to Make Agriculturists

Stick Together.

East St. Louis, Ill. - The feature of the day's session of the first annual convention of the American Society of Equity, which is composed of farmers, was the address of M. F. Sharp, of Narrows, Ky. He an organization.

"The trusts and combines, which are the agencies of the infernal regions, call us jays, hayseeds, rubes and mossbacks, and say that even if we do organize we won't stick," he Thoroughfare," which separates Atlan-

"I tell you that when organization raises the price of products it is the best sticking plaster in the world. I know the farmers will stick. Equity means a fair deal. All manufacturing industries fix the price of their products and know what price they are going to get for them. The farmer, the backbone of the nation and the world's greatest producer, has been going on the theory that he will take whatever he can get for his products. Equity intends that the farmer shall take his place with the world's producers and fix a profitable price for his products. That can only be done control and regulate the market

East St. Louis, Ill. - The following minimum price scale was adopted at Thursday's session of the American Society of Equity:

Wheat, \$1; corn, 45 cents, until January 1; 50 cents from January 1 te April 1; 55 cents April 1 until the next meeting of the society; oats, 40 cents; cotton, 12 cents based at New York; hogs, \$6.50; cattle, \$6; hay, \$14. With the exception of cotton all prices are based on delivery at Chi-

ACCUSED OF STARVING BABES Man and Woman Under Arrest for Death of Six Infants.

Pagosa Springs, Col.-G. C. Rose and Mrs. Minnie Wheeler, leaders of the Brotherhood of Light, who conduct a home for poor children on a farm near Arbeles, Col., were arraigned before County Judge E. K. Caldwell here, Thursday, on charges of manslaughter in connection with the deaths of six babies on the place. They waived examination and were remanded to jail until they can furnish bail.

The charges were made by an agent of the state Humane society, who alleges that the children were fed almost exclusively on a vegetable diet, and were practically starved to death.

CABINET CHANGES PUBLISHED Metcalf and Straus to Be Added to President's Advisors.

Washington.-The following statement regarding prospective changes in President Roosevelt's cabinet was made public at the White House Tuesday night: On the retirement of Secretary Shaw and Attorney General Moody from the cabinet the following changes will be made:

Secretary of the treasury-Hon. George B. Cortelyou. Postmaster general-Hon. George

Von L. Meyer. Attorney general-Hon. Charles J. Bonaparte.

Secretary of the navy-Hon. Victor H. Metcalf. Secretary of commerce and labor-Hon. Oscar S. Straus.

Cranberry Trust; Prices Up. Appleton, Wis.-Appleton grocers believe they have discovered a new combine. Price lists were received from three different cranberry jobbers, all quoting precisely the same figure and all demanding from 8 to 10 cents more per quart than was asked a year ago. Cranberries, it is said, will reach as high as 18 cents.

Utes Seek Allies. Sheridan, Wyo.-Word reaches here that the Utes are now moving, and ready has taken the action required. are headed northwest toward the northern Cheyennes, whose reservation lies about 50 miles east of Fort Custer, Mont. It is said that their purpsoe is to induce the northern Cheyennes to join them in some kind of a raid.

Bank Robbers Are Caught. Minot, N. D. - After a chase lasting 36 hours, the sheriff's posse succeeded Tuesday evening in capturing the five bandits who robbed the Sawyer, N. D., bank early Monday morning when a battle ensued "shot up the town" early Friday, de- with citizens during which 300 shots with \$4,600.

Rob Missouri Bank of \$2,700. Jefferson City, Mo.-Information was received Friday that the Bank of Jamestown, in Moniteau county, 65 miles from here, had been entered by secured \$2,700.

Wisconsin Pioneer Dies. Oshkosh, Wis.—Samuel McClellan Hay, for 58 years identified with the business interests of Oshkosh, and a pioneer merchant and banker of wide patch to the west coast to protect reputation, died Friday, aged 81 ing than all the reform philologists had

> Canadian Engineer Dead. Lansing, Mich.-William T. Jennings, aged 61, consulting engineer of the city of Toronto, died at the residence of Manager J. R. Elliott, of the Michigan United Railways, in Lan-

sing. Wednesday.

lowa Mayor Dies. Cedar Rapids, Ia .- Amos H. Connor. mayor of Cedar Rapids, and one of the most prominent contractors in meeting here Thursday with delegates the middle west, died suddenly 63 years old.

CROWDED ELECTRIC CARS GO INTO THE WATER.

## CAUSE OF ACCIDENT UNKNOWN

Disaster the Worst That Has Happened Since the Horrible Meadow Wreck in 1896-About Forty Bodies Thus Far Recovered.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.-By the wrecking of a three-coach electric train on the West Jersey & Seashore strongly urged the farmers to perfect | railroad Sunday afternoon, at least fifty passengers perished, and the list may reach the total of seventy-five when all is known.

While crossing over a drawbridge spanning the waterway known as "The tic City from the mainland, the train left the track and plunged into the water. The passengers in the first two ccaches, with one or two exceptions, were drowned. Up to midnight twentyfive and possibly fifty bodies are still in the submerged coaches.

The disaster, the worst that has happened since the horrible Meadow wreck of July 30, 1896, occurred at 2:30 o'clock in the aftenoon. The train, made up of three heavy vestibule electric coaches, which left Camden at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, carried at least eighty-eight passengers, as that number of tickets are held by the conductor. That official is uncertain, however, just how many passengers were on the train, and until all the bodies have been taken out of the submerged coaches it will not be possible to give the true figures of the dead-

The cause of the wreck has not yet been established. It was probably due either to a defective rail or the breaking of some part of the superstructure of the first coach. It has also been suggested that the drawbridge, which had just been closed after the passage of a yacht, may not have properly locked the rails. All theories as to the cause of the accident, however, are purely speculative.

While running at a speed said to have been moderate, the first coach left the rails and dragged those following it over the ties for a distance of fifty feet. Suddenly swerving the first two coaches plunged over the side of the bridge into the water fifteen feet below. The third coach struck an abutment, broke its couplings and for a brief time hung suspended over the water. Brief as was this period, however, it gave more than a score of passengers an opportunity to escape by the rear door. Then the car slid off and followed the other two into the water. It is believed every one in the third coach escaped alive, although all were injured.

LATER-Nineteen bodies have just been brought into the improvised morgue and a diver, who has made a thorough inspection of the submerged Seven children now at the home cars stated that least thirty bodies were made wards of the county court | were still in the coaches. At this hour until the court shall award them to it is impossible to identify any of the the state home for dependent children | newly recovered bodies. The total dead

COMMITS SUICIDE IN CHURCH.

Miss Nettie Brown of Lincoln Takes Poison Durng Service.

KANSAS CITY-Miss Nettie Brown, aged 25 years, said to be the daughter of D. C. Brown of Lincoln, Neb., committed suicide here Sunday in the Catholic cathedral by taking carbolic acid.

Miss Brown came to Kansas City about three weeks ago and registered at one of the leading hotels. She remained several days. Later she changed her hotel, going to another one, also first class. At the latter place, without funds, she asked the hotel people to telegraph to her "guardian" in Omaha. The answer from Omaha satisfied the hotel authorities that he had no connection with her. and she was requested to leave

WASHINGTON - The annual report of the commissioner of the general land office, which was made public Sunday shows that the total receipts for the year ended June 30 were \$7,585,524, an increase over the preceding year of \$567,713. The total area of the land disposed of was 19 .-431,187 acres, an increase of 2,374,565 acres. All of the recommendations made by Commissioner Richards in his report of a year ago are renewed except in instances where congress al-

Rural Telephone Saves Girl's Life. SIDNEY, Ia .- The little daughter of Oscar Crandal, who lives six miles northeast of Sidney, drank a quantity of coal oil, and for a while her life was despaired of. Treatment was prescribed by rural telephone until the arrival of the physician, and it is now thought the child will recover.

Pulajanes Killed Three Scouts. MANILA, P. I.-The Pulajanes in Samar attacked boats carrying supplies on the Surigaio river, killed three scouts and wounded one. Five Pulawere fired, the robbers getting away janes were killed. The supplies were saved.

> Spelling Reform Congress. NEW YORK-Andrew Carnegie, accompanied by his wife and daughter, returned from Europe Sunday on the Celtic and had something to say regarding reformed speling. Efforts were being pu forth, he said, to have all the English branches of the Reform Spelling association meet in convention. It was said Canada and Australia would send delegates. He declared that President Roosevelt had done more to accomplish reform spelldone in twenty years.

Disastrous Gas Explosion. COFFEYVILLE, KAS.-Three persons were killed, one is missing, four were seriously injured and twenty more were more or less injured in a terrific explosion of natural gas, which completely demolished five two-story

brick business blocks here Sunday. William O. Robson Dead. BOSTON-William O. Robson, for the past twenty-nine years supreme secretary of the Royal Arcanum, died of pneumonia at his home in Wellesley