# KANSAS (ITY RIOT

Four White Men and Two Negroes Wounded.

IS FATALLY INJURED

Tropble Started in Low Oparters of the City-Officers Who Appeared to Quell the Disturbance Greeted With a

Volley From Negro Guns.

A Kansas City, Mo., dispatch says: Four white men were shot, one perhaps fatally, a negro was shot and another badly cut, as the result of a drunken fight started by a crowd of negroes in Rosedale, Kansas, a suburb of Kansas City.

Wm. Blanchard received the contents of a shot gun in the face and breast and was taken to a hospital, where his wounds are said to be fatal.

Deputy Marshal Davis was wounded in the hand and two white men, names unknown were also slightly wounded. Ben Cable, colored, was seriously cut and Tom Smith, colored, was shot and slightly wounded.

The negroes were quarreling in front of a "joint" when Rid Rawles, a negro. precipated the trouble by cutting Cable. The latter secured a shot gun and fired into the crowd, the shot missing the crowd and striking Blanchard.

During the excitement half a dozen of the negroes secured rovolvers and shot guns and began firing promiscuously.

Deputy Marshal Davis came upon the scene and was greeted by a volley from the negroes, receiving a wound in the band. Davis, with the aid of two other officers, finally succeeded in quelling the disturbance and arresting the leaders, but not before two innocent white men had been injured by stray shots. These two men, whose wounds are believed to have been slight, dissapeared before their identity became known.

## CHALLENGER IS LAUNCHED

Shamrock II Takes Her Initial Dip Into

Water at Dumbarton. Shamrock II. was satisfactorily launched at Denny's yards at Dumbarton, in the presence of a good crowd of invited guests, newspaper men and employes. Lady Dufferin christened the new challenger, which looked spick and span in coat of white paint rimmed with green while the manganese bottom of the new boat shone like

Mord and Lady Dufferin, Sir. Thomas Lipton and others who came from Glasgow on a special train, stood upon a raised platform decorated with union jacks, the stars and stripes and the Irish flag and with venetian masts in green and white, which were the prevailing colors.

Unconfirmed Reports of Fatalities Alaska

The Skaguay News of Ayril 13. contained dispatches from Dawson, the most important of which savs: Two men, names unknown, who ar-

rived from Nome bring sensational reports of wholesale deaths by freezing along the coast. They report that two hundred persons have died from exposure of freezing before the middle of January at various points. Their stories are not credited here, as they lack confirmation.

## Knot Tied a Second Time.

Miss Maude Fagg and A. L. Miller, residing in Arlington, Washington county, Neb., were married at Fremont. A license was issued to the couple by County Judge Wintersteen of Dodge county, about a week ago, and they went home and were married. They were told by a friend that a marriage license issued by the Dodge county judge was not good in Washington county. For this reason they went to Fremont in a rush and had the knot tied.

President Grants Pardon.

The president has pardoned Benj. J. Hamm, who was convicted in Elinois in 1899 of using the mails to defraud. Hamm is now in the insane asylum at Washington, and the evidence at hand seems to show that his using the mails as he did was directly due to his mental condition. He is said to be rapidly improving, and although he gets a full pardon he will be kept in the asylum until he has fully recovered.

## Bath House Burned.

The bath houses at Steamboat Springs. Nev., which in the palmy days of the Comstock, was a watering place where more money was squandered in a night than at most any other resort on the coast, have been destroyed by fire. The loss is heavy as it understood no insurance was carried.

WANTED:-Energetic young men and women of neat appearance. No experience required. Local work. 301 Richards Block, Lincoln, Neb.

Fire at the Heinze smelter in Butte, Mont., caused a loss of \$100,000, fully insured. As soon as the fire was under control the smelter employes held a meeting and agreed to give their services free for one week for rebuilding the plant.

An attempt of three convicts at the New Mexico penitentiary at Santa Fe to effect an escape resulted in the killing of a convict named Stevenson by Superintendent Burson, the mortal wounding of the other two convicts, and of two penitentiary guards

# SHORTAGE OF MANILA HEMP THINK

War With Spain Has Had Effect of Cutting Down Supply.

Before the industrial commission at Washington Joseph C. Taylor, secretary of the Standard Rope and Twine company testified that before the war with Spain, 40 per cent of the material going into the manufacture of binder twine was Manila hemp, but after the war started not more than 5 per cent of it was of that material. He declared that there is not a rope or twine manufacturer in the United States who has made a cent in such manufacture in the past twelve months. James H. Anderson of the Pittsburg chamber of commerce argued that the railroads are the greatest factors in the world's progress, but said water transportation should be encouraged.

### UPHOLD THE GAGE RULING

Countervalling Duty on Russian Sugar

Declared Legal. The board of classification of the United States general appraisers in session at New York, announced a decision in the Russian sugar case. The board, by a majority vote, holds that the United States government was justifled in imposing a countervailing duty on Russian sugar. The opinion was written by Judge Somerville and General Appraiser Fischer concurs with him. Colonel Tichener writes a dissenting opinion.

## BOYS BURIED IN SAND BANK

Only One of Five Escapes with His Life.

While playing in a sand bank near Dur ant, I. T., five boys boys were buried by a cave-in. Four of them, James and Presley Rhodes, Claud Etheridge and John Bain, are dead. Claude Bain worked his way out barehanded. The other four dug in the wrong direction.

Service Men Organize.

Representatives of local camps of Service Men of the Spanish war met at the Masonic temple in Chicago and arranged the state camp or department of Illinois. The meeting was held by order of Brigadier General John A. Wiley of Pennsylvania, the commander-in-chief of the society. Colonel E. C. Young, Chicago, was elected commander. The Service Men of the Spanish war was organized at camp Hamilton, Lexington, Ky., on November 5, 1898, Among the charter members are Rear Admiral Schley, Major General S. M. B. Young, Major General Joe Wheeler and Vice-President Roosevelt.

#### To Compete With the Trust.

The consummation of the project to consolidate all the independent cereal plants of the country is now assured, says an Akron, O., dispatch. The various properties, ten in number, will be turned over to the Great Western Cereal company at Chicago. The new company will-compete with the American Cereal company, better known as the "oatmeal trust."

## Big Best in Coal Land.

made in Somerset county has just been concluded at Berlin, Pa., and embraces over 15,000 acres adjoining Berlin. The territory was sold to the W. K. Niver company of New York, which operates mines near Elk Lick, Somerset county. Developements of the new territory are to begin immediately, requiring an expenditure of \$1,000,000.

Boys Enlist in Navy.

Forty-three boys from 14 to 16 years old. who were enlisted in Chicago and vicinity, have left for the east to join the United States navy. After a course of preliminary instruction at the naval training station at Newport, R. I., they will be assigned to service on battleships of the North Atlantic squadron.

Lleyd Griscom Home Again.

Among the arrivals on the steamer St. Louis at New York was Lloyd C. Griscom, secretray of the United States legation at Constantinople. He refused to talk of affairs in Turkey, except to say that the feeling toward the United States was one of great cordiality.

Victims Lynch A Usurer

According to the Vienna correspondent of the London Morning Leader, a Jew usurer named Urban was recently lynched with horrible brutality at Sobodel. Hungary, by five of his ruined victims. The dispatch adds that many arrests have been made in connection with the lynching.

Omaha Maa Mills Himself.

Chris Peterson, for fourteen years a driver for the Omaha bottling works, committed suicide at his home 951 North Twenty-Seventh street. His wife discovered the body suspended from a rafter in the barn. Peterson had been in failing health for several months.

Factories Closed Bows.

There is forty feet of water in the river at Bellaire, O., and still rising. The lower part of the city as well as Benwoodi across the river, is under water. The people have taken refuge in the upper stories. All the manufacturing plants are closed and city water is shut off.

## THE NEWS IN BRIEF

The Standard Oil company will declare a dividend of 20 per cent on its capital of \$100,000,000 May 1.

The Utah Coal and Lake company, a New Jersey corporation, has taken steps to increase its capital from \$10,-000 to \$10,000,000.

Final arrangements have been made at Detroit for the building of a steel plant at Sault Ste Marie which will be 5,400, or 436 more than given by employ 10,000 men and be capitalized the census taken in 1900. \$50,000,000.

Exodus of Troops From China Soon to Begin.

### FRENCH TROOPS TO TAKE THE LEAD

Numerous Appointments of Chinese With Propounced Anti-Foreign Tendencies Causing Comment.

General Voiron, the commander of the French troops in China, has informed General Chaffee that 10,000 French soldiers will leave China next May. Li Hung Chang believes that the Chinese troops under General Liu will be withdrawn over the boundary outside the territory designated by Von Waldersee as the sphere of the allies, as the governor of Shan Si province received telegraphic instructions nearly a week ago ordering their withdrawal.

The majority of the French and German newspaper correspondents accompanying the expedition directed against General Liu, and which has been mobilizing at Pao Ting Fu, returned to Pekin believing that the

expedition would be called off. Hsi Liang, formally governor of the province of Snan Si has been appointed governor of the province of Hupel. The foreign consuls of Hankow, capital of province of Huipei, have protested against this appointment. The numerous appointments of Chinese with pronounced anti-foreign tendencies is causing comment at Pekin even. The foreign ministers admit that so many appointments of this character are ill-advised, while the

missionaries are alarmed for the future. It is the opinion of Mr. Rockhill, the American special commissioner, that the foreign troops may now commence leaving China, with perfect safety. On the other hand the announcement that 10,000 French troops are to leave in May causes fear among the French residents, and this fear is shared by the French native converts to Christianity, who inform the pricats that they are daily threatened with what will happen to them when the foreigners leave.

#### RIPLEY GOES FREE.

Jory Declares He Was Not in Conspiracy Is First to Be Acquitted.

The jury in the case of Captain Ripley of Frankfort, Ky., charged with complicity in the Goebel murder returned a verdict of not guilty. Although the jury was out two hours,

most of the time was taken up in discussing the case in the jury room. Only two ballots were taken. On the first ballot ten jurors voted "not guilty," and two voted guilty. The two who voted guilty said they believed the evidenced showed him con-MANY DEATHS BY FREEZING | One of the largest coal deals ever meeted with the conspiracy, but when they learned that either the life imprisonment sentenced or the death sentence must be imposed and that a shorter sentence would not be permissible, they voted with the majority for acquittal.

The verdict in the Ripley case is generally approved, though it was a surprise, as it was generally predicted there would be a hung jury. Captain Ripley is the first one of the alleged Goebel suspects to be acquitted.

The matter of a requisition for the return of Governor W. S. Taylor for trial is again a theme of popular speculation, but Commonwealth's Attorney Franklin refuses to discuss it.

## TRUCKS LEAVE THE RAILS.

Wreck on the Milwaukee Near Mitcell,

A wreck occurred on the Chicago. Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad five miles south of Mitchell, S. D., in which seven cars were derailed and the track and ties were badly torn up. The accident was caused by the front trucks under a refrigerator car leaving the rails and turning half way around and plowing up the ties. The train passed over a bridge 250 feet long before it stopped. No damage was done other than the refrigerator car and the road bed. The train was going at a rapid speed. There were six cars of stock on the train, but these escaped in jury and none of the train crew were

## DEATH IN CASCADE TUNNEL

Section Man Sufficented and Four Others

Overcome. J. M. McDonald was suffocatd to death and four others overcome by smoke and gas in the Great Northern Cascade tunnel, says a Weilington. Wash., dispatch, The men belonged to a section gang working in the tunnel, and were found about midway by a track walker an hour after a freight train had passed through. McDonald was lying in a pool of water. The other men recovered after being taken out on a special engine sent to rescue them. This is the third fatal accident

#### in the tunnel. Braley Found Not Gullty.

The jury after being out all night in the case of Fred Braley, who was charged with an assault with intent to commit rape upon a young woman by the name of Mac Alligor, of Butte, Neb., returned into court with a ver-

## diet of not guilty.

New Census of Plattsmouth. The work of taking a new census of Plattsmouth has been completed. The returns show the city's population to

## ENJOIN ATTORNEY GENERAL

Rock Island Road Goes Into Federal Court.

Failing in the state court the Rock Island Railroad company has applied to the federal court for an extension of the injunction in the old maximum rate case to apply to the present attorney general. The application for an extension was made two or three weeks ago at Omaha, but the matter was not given publicity. The same point was recently raised in the Nebraska Supreme court and was decided against the railroad company, it being held that an injunctian against the attorney general would not bind the state, in short, that the state cannot be en joined.

This new phase of the maximum rate case involves \$310,000 so far as the Rock Island company is concerned. that being the amount which the former attorney general sought to recover in the form of penalties for alleged violations of the maximum rate law. Similar suits were instituted by him against other railroads in Nebraska, the total amounting to over \$3,000,000 All the roads are supposed to be interested in the outcome of the application in the federal court.

#### CREST OF FLOOD

Cincinnati Now the Center of High Water.

The stage of the river at Cincinnati was fifty-one feet and rising at the rate of two inches per hour. This means 53 feet at 6 o'clock in the morning, when the trains will be shut out of the Grand Central depot. The Big Four, Baltimore & Ohio, Southwestern Illinois Central, Chesapeake & Ohio. Queen & Crescent and other lines using that station have already arranged to use the forty-eighth street station until the high water subsides. There is every indication that they cannot run into the Grand Central again for a number of days. None of the other systems will be shut out. All the railroads have also made arrangements for receiving and delivering freight at higher stations, so there will be no interuption here either to passenger or freight traffic. Owing to the inhability of the steamers to get under the bridges, navigation on the river is suspended, but it can also be resumed in a few days so far as the present rise is concerned. Owing to the washout the Cincinnati, Portsmouth & Virginia road cannot run trains.

## FARMER FEARFULLY INJURED

Three Ribs Crushed in and His Life

Desputred of. D. G. Whitney, living five miles south of Chester, was hurt, probably fatally. He was out cutting stalks with a stalk cutter, when for some reason the team he was driving started to run. In endeavoring to stop them the tongue broke and he was thrown onto the lever in such a manner as to break three ribs loose from his breast bone. The team ran home and the folks thinking something wrong started to investigate. They found the injured man trying to get home He was taken to his father's house and his wounds dressed. When the examination was made the lungs had protruded through the ribs to the size of a baseball, and hemorrhage had set

## BRIEFLY TOLD.

A heavy snow storm and big freeze has practically killed the Kentucky peach crop.

The hamlet of Biscayne, Fla., was struck by a tornado, and several houses demolished. Deadwood, S. D., will endeavor to

get the president to attend the quartocentennial on his trip through the The opening day ceremonies of the

Buffalo pan-American exposition was

postponed to May 20 on account of the weather. The immense cyanide plant of 1200ton capacity that the Homestake com-

pany erected in Lead, S. D., has been started up. Peter Golden of New York won the six-day go-as-you-please walking match at Columbus, G. He made 335 miles

and eight laps. William Sturgis, the founder of Cedar Falls, Ia., died the other day at his winter home in Smyrna, Fla., at

the advanced age of 83 years. George Peets, who has been on trial at Codar Rapids, Ia., the past fortnight for the murder of William Higginson,

was convicted of manslaughter. It is said the Egyptian government has granted a concession to an American company to ply passenger boats between Khartoum and South Soudan.

J. S. Gillen, a Chicago lawyer killed his wife and fatally shot himself. The couple were married but a short time ago, but were separated. Her refusal to return led to the tragedy.

The home of John Andigo, an Amish farmer, living near Kendallville, O., was entered by three burglars who secured \$6,000 after burning the old man's ears, nose and feet with lighted matches.

Many Ohio and Pennsylvania cities are nervous over impending disaster from floods. Recent heavy rains have swollen the streams and rivers. Pittsburg, Pa., is the storm center, and thousands of dollars worth of damage has been done.

The First National bank of Vancouver, Wash., has closed its doors. President Charles Brown and Cashier T. L. Canby, to whom was traced a shortage of \$81,000 have committed suicide. They had speculated in stocks.

# **VOTERS PUT**

Partisan Excitement High at Santiago De Cuba.

## THE NATIVES ARE ROUSED TO ANGER

Claim Unfair Tactics by the Republicans -Both Sides Dissatisfied Take

> Their Grievances to General Whiteside Assured of Impartiality.

A Santiago De Cuba dispatch says intense partisan excitement was caused by an alleged attempt of the republican party to exclude members of the national party from the registration places. It is asserted that hundreds of voters were refused registration certificates on various pretexts and that the registration boards gave preference to republicans over nationalists who were ahead of them in the line. The cause of protest rises from the qualification requiring a voter to be able to read and write, the tests being made without regard to age. Many fairly educated applicants were refused cer tificates because they misspelled cer-

tain words. General Whiteside has given orders to the commander of the rural guards to visit the registration office and to investigate these charges. The city authorities object to this, declaring that it amounts to military interfereace and they protest vigorously.

The republican press bitterly attacks the action of the military governor, asserting that it is an interference and that the military are in all'ance with the nationalists.

The Cubana Libre, the principal organ of the nationalists, alleges flagrant unfairness on the part of the general government in favor of the republicans. Later the leaders on both sides conferred with General Whiteside and he assured them of his absolute impartiality, insisting that they should display equal fairness.

The June election is regarded as very important because of its probable influence upon the future election of delegates to the constitutional convention.

## CREDITORS ARE ANXIOUS

Consort to Queen Wilhelmins Has Aute Nuptial Debts. Dispatches received from Paris report trouble at the castle of Petloo over the bachelor debts of Prince Hen-

ry, the husband of Queen Wilhelmina. It is said that shortly prior to his marriage he promised his creditors in Berhn and Frankfort to pay one-third of of his debts within a month of the wedding, but the money has not been forthcoming and the money lenders applied to Queen Wilhelmins. The latter declared her husband must pay his own debts out of the allowance made him by the state. It is now said the creditors have formed a syndicate and propose to negotiate the prince consort's paper on the Amsterdam bourse. Queen Wilhelmina is reported to be very angry.

## ROBBERS GET BOOTY

Holdap on Choctaw, Oklahoma & Gulf Road.

The fast express train of the Choctaw, Oklahoma & Gulf, which left Memphis, Tenn., was held up by three masked bandits at Bridge Junction, Ark. It is not known what the booty was, but a dispatch received at police beadquarters stated that the express messenger and the porter of the train were injured after resisting the bandits. The Wells-Fargo Express company usually make their heaviest shipments to the west on the train. The train left Memphis with a heavy passenger list. The scene of the holdup is a lone railroad crossing about four miles from the river. It is said the negro porter was shot by one of the bandits and is in a serious condition.

## LYNCH A NEGRO MURDERER Teneessee Mob Find Him Hidden in Court

House. A mob of 100 men forcibly entered the court house at Springfield, Tenn., took Wyatt Mallory, a negro, from the officers guarding him, and hanged him from the court house veranda. As the rope grew taut with the negro's weight each member of the mob fired a shot into the swinging body.

Mallory fatally wounded J. H. Farmer, a white man living at Adams. The sheriff heard that a mob was forming and secretly moved the negro from the jail to the court house for safety.

Demand Shorter Hours.

The employes of the skewes factory of Wolf, Sayer & Heller of Murphysboro, Ill., the only factory of the kind in southern Illinois, have gone on a strike. They demand shorter hours and recognition of the amalgamated woodworkers' union of America. The firm refuses to grant the demands and as a result the plant has closed temporarily.

## Weds an American Girl.

A London dispatch says: Malcomb Monereiffe, a brother of Sir Robert Monereiffe and of the duchess of Athol and the countess of Dudley, and Miss Amy Moorehead Walker of Chicago, daughter of the late S. J. Walker of Frankfort, Ky., were married at St. Paul's church, Knightsbridge. A reception was afterward held at Carter's hotel in Albemarle street. Both functions were largely

Never judge the milk by the color of the milkman's pump.

attended.

### CROP CONDITIONS.

Work Generally Backward, But Molature Abundant-Outlook Pavorable,

University of Nebraska Weather Bureau, Lincoln, Neb., crop report:

The past week has been cold, with about the normal rainfall. Killing frosts occurred, with temperature below 30 degrees. Vegetation is so backward, however, no damage was done.

Rain was general on two or three days. The amount exceeded one-half an inch at most places, and at a few places exceeded an inch. Although wet weather has retarded farm work in parts of the state, generally considerable progress has been made during the past week. Spring wheat seeding is well advanced, and some spring wheat is up-coming evenly and nicely. Oat seeding has been general the past week, and is nearly completed in southern counties. Early sown oats are coming up nicely. Present indications are for small acreage of oats, caused by the late spring and wet weather at seeding time.

Very little plowing has been done, but the ground at the end of the week was in excellent condition for plowing and seeding.

Winter wheat, rye, and grass have grown well, but somewhat slowly, because of the low temperature.

#### KAISER IS NERVOUS

The Plot of Anarchists Disturbs Ble Majesty.

With reference to the statement cabled from the United States of a plot said to have been concocted against Emperor William and other European rulers by anarchists in Argentina and New Jersey, extreme reticence is observed in official circles in Berlin. After careful investigation, however, a representative of the associated press sscertained in a reliable quarter that the police presidency issued an order April 6 for the arrest, whenever or wherever caught, of the alleged anarchist, Rodolofo Romaganoli alias Romanlisso, ailias Lagwick Mueeler. The order simultaneously requests all international authorities to assist in apprehending Romaganoli. Photographs of the alleged anarchist, with minute description after the Bertillon method, were furnished for identification.

It is a fact that for some months the Berlin police have kept a very close watch upon known anarchists in the city, and an unusally careful surveillance of the arrivals known or auspected to be of anarchist affiliation.

## BRICKS PUT UP AT AUCTION

Omaha Makes a Very Good Start in Her

Auditorium Fund. The first sale of bricks for Omaha's \$250,000 auditorium was conducted at Elks annual benefit entertainment. Brick No. 1 was the first put on the block, and a lively competition ensued. C. N. Dietz, a local lumber dealer, offered \$1,000 and after a struggle secured the prize for \$2,000. The number next in popularity was 13, which down at \$175. No. 777, the postoffice box number at Ak-Sar-Ben's chancellor was next offered, and other numerals to which some peculiar sentiment attached also brought good round figures. The nine bricks first knocked down under the hammer produced \$2,-500, and a host of less conspicuous bricks brings the total now pledged to the auditorium to about \$150,000.

## FIRED UPON BY TRAMPS.

Policeman Killed and One Fatally Wounded at Joplin, Mo.

Policeman Charles G. Sweeney was shot and killed and Officer Bert Bronnon was fatally wounded while attempting to arrest a gang of five tramps at Joplin, Mo.

The officers were taking the men to the station when one of the tramps shot both policeman from behind. Four of the men escaped. The fifth.

James Toby of St. Louis, gave himself up at the police station. Robey says he fell in with the men while on his way to Fort Smith, Ark. He says they were on their way to Fayetteville.

## DOREMUS WAS RELEASED Nothing to Connect Him With the Chicago

Explosion. Albram F. Doremus, proprietor of the laundry in which a number of employes were killed and a score injured by a boiler explosion in Chicago, Ill., was released on order of Judge Hanecy. Doremus was held to the grand jury on a charge of manslaughter. In reviewing the case the court declared that there was no evidence to establish the contention that a crime had been committed or to connect Doremus with

## Havana Postmaster Resigns.

the explosion.

Postmaster Harrison has resigned at Havana, Cuba. Carlos Hernandez, a Cuban, has been appointed as his successor. Senor Hernandez will assume charge next month. Mr. Harrison will re-enter the service of the Untied States

## Report on Porto Rico

the first annual report on the affairs of Porto Rico, of which he is the executive, was presented to Secretary Hay by Governor Allen. It contains many interesting chapters, and covers a wide range of subjects. A large portion of the report deals with the formation and operation of the civil government of Porto Rico, and shows the status to which it has developed. Generally speking, it shows the island

to be in a prosperous condition. Fame is to notoriety what the real urtle is to mock.