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GIGANTIC COMBINE IS BEING

FORMED IN CHICAGO.

A THEATRICAL TRUST

Largest Organizations Now in Exist-

ence Will Become Parts of the New

Valued in Excess of \$50,000,000. The most gigantic theatrical combination in the world, of which the biggest syndicate now in existence will

formation in Chicago. The new combination is to include 350 of the most important theaters in the United States; will be represented in every city from New York to San Francisco, and from Portland to New Orleans; will dictate matters of bookings, tours of all big companies, and, in a word, do the theatrical business of the United States, if not the world. Although the combination is still in the process of formation, the following interests are stated as those to go into

it: Klaw & Erlanger, Daniel Frohman, Charles Frohman, Al Hayman, Nixon & Zimmerman, Rich & Harris and the Orpheum circuit.

It is estimated by some of the managers who expect to go into the new combination that the properties controlled by the corporation will value far in excess of \$50,000,000. Accord- Five Blazes in New York the Work of ing to present plans a new corporation will be formed, probably under the laws of Illinois. Its capital stock will be placed somewhere between \$50,-000,000 and \$100,000,000.

STABBED BY A WOMAN.

Young Pennsylvanian Dies as the Result of a Mysterious Attack.

Thomas Dougherty, a prominent young man of Dunmore, Pa., died in the hospital at Scranton Sunday as the result of being stabbed by an unknows. woman Saturday night. His death is most mysterious.

Dougherty died refusing to make any statements as to the name of the person who caused the fatal injury, but intimated that it was a woman and that he was to blame.

In the brief statement he made Dougherty declared that he was visiting a woman and that she stuck a needle or a hatpin in him, after which he was taken ill. The postmortem revealed that he had been stabbed with some fine instrument, such as a hatpin, and that it had entered the heart. The police were unable to get any trace of Dougherty's whereabouts up to the time the doctor was summoned.

Coroner Etein Sunday night ordered the arrest of Mary Burke, a young Dunmore woman, on whom Dougherty called on Saturday night. The woman has not yet been located. The coroner's jury declares that it was a hatpin which penetrated Dougherty's heart, and that it passed through the fifth rib, indicating that it had been jabbed with great force.

STRANGE DISEASE IS FATAL.

Texas Community in Panic Over Epidemic of Unknown Ailment.

A state of panic exists in the town of Marfa and the vicinity in Pecsidio county, Texas. Within the last few days twelve deaths have occurred in the town of a few hundred population from an unknown and malignant disease which recently made its appearance in the southern border of the county on the Mexican border and spread rapidly to Marfa. Local physicians have been unable to diagnose or cope with the disease and appealed to the state health department, which detailed an expert, Dr. P. J. Shaver, the health officer at El Paso, to investigate. Dr. Shaver is now at Marfa.

county, near Marfa, held mass meetings Sunday to take precautions to prevent the spread of the disease to that town.

Haakon Visits England.

The royal yacht Victoria and Arbert, with King Haakon of Norway on board, anchored off Spithead, England, at a late hour Sunday night.

Russian Cruiser Launched.

The cruiser Pallada, 7,900 tons, designed to have speed of 23 knots, was launched at the New Admiralty works at St. Petersburg Saturday.

Gen. Brugere to Make Tour of World. Gen. Brugere, formerly commander in chief of the French army, will leave Paris soon for a tour of the world,

Sioux City Live Stock Market. Saturday's quotations on the Sioux City live stock market follow: Beeves, \$5.50@6.50. Top hogs, \$6.10.

A. L. Thomas Drops Dead.

Ambrose L. Thomas, president of the firm of Lord & Thomas, known to newspapers all over the United States, dropped dead Saturday in a dry goods store in Chicago. Heart disease was the cause.

Anarchist is Arrested.

Giovanni Bruno, a Sicilian, believed to be one of the most dangerous and daring Italian anarchists, has been arrested at Keon, Colo., where he was employed as a section hand.

NEGRO SHOOTS PRIEST

Rev. John Phelan is Hurt, but not

Seriously. A crowd of negro laborers on a south-bound Milwaukee train near Wolsey, S. D., Friday morning quarreled over a game of cards. Rev. John Phelan, a Catholic priest of Sibley, Ia., who formerly lived in Sloux City, tried to quiet the trouble when one of the negroes drew a revolver and fired, one shot taking effect on the right side of the priest's head. He was taken to a hospital in Mitchell, S. D. The wound is not regarded as serious. \ Eight of the negroes were taken into custody at Wolsey and removed to Huron where they were lodged in the county jail.

The negroes had been engaged in a Syndicate, Which Control Property red hot poker game in the smoking car. As the train pulled into Wolsey one of the players snatched up the stakes and jammed the "roll" down in his pocket. That started things, The biggest "coon" in the bunch putled a gun, as did several of the others, be only a part, is in the process of and shooting began, The car was filled with men, who stepped lively in an effort to get out of danger.

In the day coach behind there were many women passengers, and they became much alarmed when the shooting continued. Father Phelan, who was in the day coach, stepped to the door of the smoker and admonished the negroes to be quiet and stop shooting. The train had been stopped by that time. As the priest stepped back a big negro struck him with his fist. The priest stepped off onto the ground. The negro followed and fired his revolver full in the priest's face. Father Phelan fell, struck in the side of the head. He rose again, then fell again, collapsing twice more before he was able to get into the car again.

FIRES CAUSE PANICS.

Incendiaries.

One woman is dead, one man is in a hospital suffering from severe burns, 2,000 perosns fled from their homes of a revolver compelled the liveryman in a panic and thousands more passed a sleepless night as a result of a series of incendiary fires in two blocks bounded by Sixtieth and Sixty-first streets and Columbus and West End avenues, New York, early Friday. Scores of persons whose lives were endangered by the conflagration were rescued by firemen.

In all there were five fires, every one of them of incendiary origin, between midnight and 3 o'clock Friday

SCORE BURIED IN RUINS.

New Bixby Hotel Collapses at Long Beach, Cal. Also is Dead.

The New Bixby hotel, being erected on the beach at Long Beach, Cal. caved in Friday morning, supposedly from weak construction, with possibly a score of men buried in the ruins. The structure, which was of rein-

forced concrete, caved in without warning from the basement to the fourth floor, leaving but one wing

Great confusion reigned, and it was impossible to obtain an accurate report of the number of workmen buried in the debris. It is estimated the number of dead ranges from ten to twenty-

EX-JUDGE HIS OWN PRISONER.

Unusual Complication Follows Killing of Dr. Aldrich.

An unusual legal situation has followed the killing of Dr. Aldrich by Congressman-elect George K. Favrot in Baton Rouge, La., and the result may be to keep Favrot in jail for sixty days without hope of bail.

He was judge there of the district court, before which his case should legally come up for consideration. His resignation from this office Thursday left the court without a judge, and it will be sixty days after a notice of a new special election is served before his successor can be chosen. The prisoner cannot secure bail before his case goes before the court.

New Office for Maj. Lacey.

There is a strong belief in Washington, D. C., that President Roosevelt The people of Alpine, in Brewster will appoint Representative John F. Lacey, of Iowa, commissioner of the general land office to succeed William A. Richards, who will relinquish his place at the same time that Secretary of the Interior Hitchcock leaves office. March 4.

Volcano in Colorado.

Mount Culebra, located forty miles west of Trinidad, Colo., was reported in a state of eruption Friday. Postmaster Adolph Storz, of Stonewall, who lives within twelve miles of the peak, sent word to Trinidad that smoke and vapor can be seen issuing from the mountain.

Lord Mayor Inaugurated.

Sir William Treloar's term of office as lord mayor of London was inaugurated Friday with the time honored pageant.

King Edward is 65.

King Edward Friday celebrated his 65th birthday quietly at Sandringham, surrounded by his family.

Income Tax Approved.

The council of ministers of Russia has approved the income tax bill of the minister of finance. M. Kokovsoff, which is estimated to produce revenue amounting to from \$12,500,000 to \$20,000,000.

To Present Big Bill.

Corporation Council Lewis in Chicago Friday announced that he would in a short time begin proceedings to which struck on the ledges at Priests collect city taxes on the surplus of | Pond, off Prince Edwards island, in \$25,000,000 of the Pullman company. | the gale on Tuesday night.

UPHOLDS DEALS IN OPTIONS.

Federal Court Sustains the Board of Trade Contracts.

The United States circuit court of appeals handed down a decision Thursday upholding the validity of contracts for the purchase or sale of grain for future delivery as it is practiced by the Chicago board of trade and the Merchants' exchange of St. Louis. The case is that of Thomas Cleage, Jr., appellee, against W. H. Laidley and others.

Cleage dealt in about 14,000,000 bushels of grain, and less than 2 per cent was delivered. He testified that he did not intend to deliver or receive any grain under his contracts unless forced to do so in order to keep his contracts from being closed out under teh rules of the board or the exchange.

The brokers to whom he became indebted filed a creditors' petition in bankruptcy, upon which Cleage wasadjudged to be a bankrupt. The bankruptcy was assailed on the ground that Cleage was not legaly indebted to any of the alleged creditors for the reason that their claims against him were grounded upon wager agreements and were therefore void. The court holds that the evidence did not disclose a purpose to settle the obligation of his contracts by paying to or receiving from the other parties thereto the difference between the contract prices and the market prices at the time of delivery and did not make "e transactions wagers and

BANK ROBBERS ESCAPE.

Disappear After Engaging in Series of Battles with Farmers.

The two robbers who secured \$7,000 from the Farmers and Miners bank at Ladd, Ill., made their escape Monday night after an exciting chase of over forty miles and after numerous battles with farmers who attempted to intercept them.

After holding up the Ladd bank the robbers drove to Peru and at the point to furnish another rig. They passed through La Salle and then the pursuit began. The robbers drove through four county townships with the police, armed with rifles, in close pursuit. Farmers were compelled to furnish the robbers with fresh horses. In Wallace township a lively exchange of shots was exchanged, but the robbers took to the corn fields, secured a new team and escaped to Sheridan, where they abandoned horses, buggy and overcoats and caught a train, presumably for Chicago.

KILLED NEGRO'S WIFE.

Black Who Helped Hicks to Escape

The wife of Hicks, the negro who killed John A. Akridge last Sunday, was found dead in her home at Pelham, Ga., Thursday, having been killed by unknown parties. Some time during the night she was shot with over twenty bullets.

On the same farm and not far away a negro who, it is claimed, helped Hicks to escape was found dead. He also had been shot several times. The coroner was notified. Hicks has not been captured.

Liabilities Are \$2,350,000.

At a meeting in London Thursday of the creditors of the firm of Mac-Fayden & Co., bankers, the London house of Arbuthnot & Co., bankers of Madras, which suspended payment the day its president committed suicide, the chairman announced the liabilities in London amounted to \$2,350,000, with assets of \$100,000. The Indian liabilities exceeded \$5,000,000.

Count Witte Sentenced.

A report is in circulation in Moscow that "the league to combat the revolution," to which the murder of Deputy Herzenstein in Finland last summer has been ascribed, had sentenced the former premier, Count Witte, to death in the event of his return to Russia.

Would-Be Assassin Insane. Jerman Kehl, who in 1903 tried to gain admission to the White House, declaring his intention of killing President Roosevelt, arrived in Panama Wednesday from Chili and was put under arrest. Physicians declared him

King Edward's Birthday Honors. A London dispatch says: King Edward's birthday honor list is without

any features of particular interest. Henry Norman, M. P., is raised to the knighthood. No peerages are extended. The regular list is to be left open for the new year.

Seven Workmen Slain by Socialists Seven nationalist workmen were shot at Lodz, Russian Poland, Thursday by socialists. The local situation is most serious.

German Minister Resigns. The Lokal Anzeiger of Berlin says that the minister of agriculture, Herr von Podbielsky, resigned Friday.

Consulate at Mukden. An American consulate general has been opened at Mukden, Manchuria.

Switchmen Not to Strike. The switchmen at Chicago Thursday accepted the offer of the managers of the western roads for an increase of 3 cents an hour in wages. A fur-

ther increase of 3 cents an hour will be determined by arbitration. Ten Seamen Perished. Ten men perished in the wreck of the full rigged Russian ship Sovento,

STATE OF NEBRASKA

NEWS OF THE WEEK IN A CON-DENSED FORM.

Fremont Girl Missing-Miss Emma the kitchen was broken in by Frank Brooks, Fourteen Years Old, Believed to Have Been Enticed Away .-Sheriff in Pursuit-Other News.

Emma Brooks, a 14-year-old girl. is missing from the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William F. Brocks, of Fremont, and it is believed she has been enticed away by a strange man, with whom she was seen chatting in the city park at 9:30 Saturday night. Rooming houses of Fremont were searched by the authorities, and Sher-

fort to find the girl. Brooks girl, accompanied by Goldie aged, and when Dilts broke into the Pollock and Mollie Schneider, left the home of Mr. and Mrs. Schneider to in it. Mrs. Ray had been in poor walk to the residence of H. P. Tracy, where Miss Pollock is employed as a ted suicide while laboring under a fit domestic, Miss Schneider returned in of temporary insanity. about half an hour, and some time later Miss Pollock reached the home of Mr. Tracy. Miss Brooks has not

been seen since. According to Miss Schneider the trio were accosted by a young man near the Congregational church, who forcibly detained her to talk to her, while the other girls walked on. She claims to have returned home alone a few minutes later. Miss Pollock says she and Miss Brooks were accosted by two strangers opposite the Methodist church, and that they were detained there a half hour or more. When she went on home, Miss Pollock says, Miss Brooks and one of the strangers were

covered Burt Wright and the Brooks girl sitting on a bench, and arrested them. The man said that they were jury out so late Sunday night that Emma was afraid to go home, so they stayed over night with "a friend." When first arrested he was anxious to fix things up by marrying the girl, fully realizing the predicament he was in. Wright was jailed.

OLD SOLDIER FOUND DEAD.

Veteran Who Lived a Hermit's Life Dies in His Shack.

David Eperle, an old' man, was found dead in a shanty on a small island southwest of Fremont, where he had lived alone for six years, allowing no one to enter his shakk or even remain on the island if he could prevent it.

He served during the war in a Pennsylvania regiment and had received special mention in orders for gallant conduct. Twice every three months he came to Fremont to execute his pension voucher and draw his check. He would then buy a few supplies and a generous amount of whisky and return to his shanty. He is thought to have relatives living in Pittsburg, Pa. His body was found by Carl Volstad, who lives on Hawthorne island, and is about the only man to whom Eperle was disposed to be friendly.

POLLARD REFUNDS SALARY.

Nebraska Congressman Sends Uncle | making the settlement. Sam \$1.861.84.

Congressman Ernest M. Pollard, of the First Nebraska district, Thursday night sent a draft for \$1,861.84 to Ser- Identity of Suicide in Omaha is Fingeant at Arms Casson, of the national house of representatives.

4 to January 18, 1905. As he was first escaped from a hospital in Council elected on the latter date at a special Bluffs a few days previously. election to fill the unexpired term of re-elected.

BRIDGE CONTRACTOR HELD. Will Have His Preliminary Examina-

tion at Beatrice. John Sparks, the bridge contractor from St. Joseph, charged with issuing under arrest. He was arraigned in late then to stop the train. the county court and pleaded not

His preliminary hearing was set for amount to about \$1,000.

New Enterprise.

Considerable interest was manifest by the business men and a number of members of the York Commercial package. club in the new manufacturing enterprise about to be located in York for the purpose of manufacturing spring automobile wheels that will take the says: E. F. Myers, the Harvard law place of the pneumatic rubber-tired student who charged John McCormick wheels now used on automobiles.

New Depot for Nebraska City. Nebraska City is to have a new Burlington passenger station. Plans Pow. this state, a third year student in and various sketches of the station as the law school and a graduate of the it will appear when completed have University of Nebraska in 1904. been sent by officials of the Burlington to officers of the Commercial club. The proposed passenger station involves a cost of \$40,000.

Newspaper Suspends. The Norfolk Daily Press, a paper line of the Burlington, are critically

started about a year ago, announced Ill. They were brought to the Frethat it will suspend publication after | mont hospital, where Mrs. Heine is in this week.

Pack Train for Cuba.

secure a special train.

Ball Player is Policeman. Ira Harmon, who pitched for Lin-

BURNS HERSELF TO DEATH.

House Found in Flames and Table Placed Against Door.

Monday afternoon about 4:30 o'clock an alarm of fire was tured in at Falls City and it was discovered that a residence occupied by a woman named Mrs. Ray and her five children, was on fire. Before the arrival of the fire company the east door of Dilts, who discovered that a table had been placed against the door so that it was almost impossible to open it from the outside. When Dilts finally got into the room, it was a mass of flames and as soon as he moved the table from the door so he could throw the door wide open he saw the body of Mrs. Ray lying on the floor near the place where the table stood. The fire was

It was at first thought that Mrs. Ray had met her death from an exiff Bauman went to Omaha in an ef- plosion of the coal oil can while lighting the kitchen fire to get supper, but At 8:30 o'clock Saturday night the the coal oil can was found not damroom the kitchen stove had a big fire health, and it is thought she commit- World.

JAP KILLED ON JAP HOLIDAY.

Railroad Employes on Handcar Arc

Run Down by Switch Engine. The national holiday of the Japanese, in celebration of the mikado's birthday anniversary, was marred by a death in the Japanese colony at Grand Island Saturday through the running down by a switch train of a handcar of section men. The handcar was making its way to Alda, where thirty-two Japs are at work in reconstructing on the Union Pacific. Six Japs had come down to Grand Island to get supplies, part of which were Philadelphia Inquirer. seated on one of the benches at the for the celebration. When a mile west of the city, on their return, they were stantly killed and his body mangled, Philadelphia Inquirer. the five others escaping without in-

Aside from those at Alda, forty-five tutored mind, but the football scorework in Grand Island and thirty-five right.-Philadelphia Press. in the local yards east of the city. There are also a number of beet workers. They had the Japanese flag hoisted from their construction cars, but the unfortunate accident caused a ilant .- Atlanta Constitution, gloom in the circles of the colony. On the car were over \$100 worth of goods, most of which were destroyed.

FATHER AND SON SETTLE SUIT.

Son Receives Fifty-Five Thousand

Dollars in Cash. On the payment by William Otto to his son, Waldron Otto, of the sum of year.-Philadelphia Inquirer, \$55,000 cash, settlement was made of what promised to be the most hotly contested case and one involving the largest amount of money of any suit

ever tried in York county, About two years ago Wm. Otto deeded and gave a bill of sale to all peranal and real estate owned by him in York county, with, he claims, the understanding that when he wanted the property back the grantees were to deed it back. All of the sons deeded back except Waldron. Otto brought suit for a division and an accounting. claiming that the transfer was made to him in good faith. William Otto Sun. is the largest land owner in York county and the richest man. Five doing his duty to his country unless he

WAS HOSPITAL PATIENT.

ally Established. A man who committed suicide in a The sum represents salary paid Mr. hotel at Omaha last Saturday night Pollard as a congressman from March | was later identified as a patient who

ary for the period when he was tech- was supposed to be Delaney, a Catho- Ledger. nically not a momber was questioned lic priest, and that he was for thirand was made an issue in the cam- teen years in charge of a church at paign just closed. Mr. Pollard was Green River, Wyo. He is said to have formerly lived at Scranton, Pa.

Train Men Exonerated. The Northwestern trainmen whose engine killed August Haase were exonerated by the coroner's jury at Norfolk. The engineer testified that he saw an object lying on the track, but false bills with intent to defraud Gage thought it a pumpkin until within a York World. county, arrived in Beatrice Wednes- few feet of the man, whose head lay day and voluntarily appeared at the on the track and feet under a cattle sheriff's office, where he was placed guard on the right-of-way. It was too

Thief Returns Checks but Keeps Cash and Courier. Tom Adams, proprietor of the November 10 and he gave bond in the Brunswick restaurant at Fremont, resum of \$4,000 for his appearance at ceived by mail \$600 worth of checks that time. The alleged false claims which were taken from his coat pocket a few days ago. The checks had been placed in an envelope and mail- phia North American. ed at Lincoln. About \$160 in currency, which was stolen with the checks, was not included in the return

A dispatch from Cambridge, Mass., in New York with fleeecing him out of \$1,200 in a pool game at the Fifth

Nebreska Student is Fleeced.

win Francis Myers, A. B., of Broken Concordia they couldn't find any Poison in the Pork.

a precarious condition.

Pentrice Ice Plant. Orders have been received at the The ice plant of the Beatrice Poulheadquarters of the department of the try and Cold Storage company is man-Missouri, in Omaha, to dispatch a ufacturing a fine quality of ice at he was not connected with any com-Fort Riley to Cuba via Newport News | consumers for 40 cents per hundred. at once. Efforts are being made to The plant has a daily capacity of twelve tons.

Fatality at a Grade Crossing. A Bohemian named Shalla, a son of coln in the Western league, and subse- Frank Shalla, living three miles northquently for Fremont's Nebraska cham- east of Odell, was struck by a Burling-



Taft really is secretary of peace .-

Pittsburg Gazette. Morality does a heap of parading in public.-New York Press.

Whether denatured alcohol means simplified juleps is another question.-New York Mail.

One person can lead a man up to reput out after the body of the woman form, but a thousand can't make him keep it .- New York Press.

Do your Christmas shopping now. Then you can pay for it with the money you get for presents .- New York Mail. The raising of salaries at Yale puts professors nearly on a par with football coaches in income.—New York

In a few years from now we will behearing of reunions of people who were once incubator babies .- Chicago Rec-

ord-Herald. Another serious defect has been discovered in the new football rules. The spectators can see the game.-New

York World. If there were no birthdays, Christmases and weddings a man would havea chance to get ahead a few dollars .-

New York Press. The consensus of feminine opinion seems to be that so long as bridge whist is fashionable it cannot be gambling .-

Most persons are not personally wor-Late Monday night an officer pass- run into by a switch engine and a ried much about the President's effortsing through the Fremont park dis- string of cars and T. Kahu was in- to curb the power of great wealth .-Lo, the poor Indian, may have an un-

> Japs are engaged in the same line of shows that his muscles are trained all A corn crop of 2,780,069,000 bushels suggests that the internal revenue offi-

> > cers will have to be exceptionally vig-

According to the Berlin dispatches, Kalser Wilhelm said hurrah for President Roosevelt three times out loud .-Philadelphia North American,

There were fifty-eight arrests for

drunkenness in one town of Probibition Maine last week. This is a great apple-There are a good many people in this world who think they are public-spirit-

ed not to kill a man after they haverobbed him.-New York Press. The latest motor collision is said tohave been due to a cigar. Some cigarsare bad enough to make the explana-

tion credible.-New York Tribune. If the United States would raise more wits and less magazine reformers, there would be less silly talk about our sad condition.-New York Evening

thousand dollars was paid lawyers for goes around before election yelling his views into everybody's ears.-New York Bertha Krupp's husband is a poor

A man never seems to think he is

man. She thus disproves the assertion that a poor young man has no chance of rising in this world.-Philadelphia Mr. Cortelyou wants \$15,000,000 more

than last year for the Postal Depart-It is said the man had been known ment. But, perhaps, the postcard craze Elmer J. Burkett his right to the sal- as J. Haggerty, but that his real name will be only temporary .- Philadelphia If George Bernard Shaw would cease from troubling and give two weary

> the man who stopped him .- Philadelphia Press. Five hundred English school teachers are coming to study our schools and wonder how the boys can smoke somany cigarettes and keep up.-New

lands a rest, all would be forgiven to

Besides the champion baseball players, Chicago now has the billiard champion. All kinds of champion things are packed in Chicago.—Charleston News Why should Princeton be allowed to

boast longer of having the only living

ex-President? Can't Yale capture the Hon. Tomas Estrada Palma?—Philadel-Somehow, the American girls who marry foreign noblemen without reference to the paternal check book do not

seem to have much trouble in keeping their husbands.-Philadelphia Inquirer. The joke seems to be on those genereus Kansas farmers who took their sur plus peaches into Concordia to givethem to the poor rather than feed them Avenue hotel the other night, is Ed- to the hogs, but when they arrived in

"poor."-Kansas City Star. The mob eruption in Atlanta was: nothing short of an outbreak of barbarism. It was of the same character-From esting diseased pork Mr. and of atrocity as the Jewish massacres in Mrs. Henry Heine and young son, Wil- Russia; it will at least be so regarded bur, residents of the new town of by the outside world, and the wretched feature of it all is that the entire-South, and to some extent the nation, must share the odium that it entails .--Nashville Banner.

> A New York man has been arrested for fraudulent collection of life insurance premiums. The circumstance that pany evidently counted against him .-Philadelphia Ledger.

In the practical West the prevailing sentiment among the best scholars appears to be that it would be a dam site better if the government would pay more attention to irrigation projpion team, has become a policeman tan train early Sunday morning and ects and less to spelling reform.—Butte Inter-Mountain.