WILL PAY OFF PRIOR LIENS

Covernment Decides on Its Course at Kansas Pacific Sale.

DATE OF THE SALE IS TO BE POSTPONED

Announcement of the Decision of the Government is Given Out Late in the Afternoon

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5 .- The government has decided to pay off the first Henholder of the Kansas Pacific Railroad company and to ask for a postponement of the sale. No date has been fixed to which it will ask the sale to be postponed, that matter being in-

definite as yet. Governor Hoadley was in consultation with the attorney general today upon the subject of foreclosure against the Kansas Pacific railroad. It has been decided by the Department of Justice that the government will exercise the power conferred redeem the claims of the first mortgage bondholders upon the eastern and middle will make the government the owner of both the first and second liens upon these divisions of the road.

An application will be made to Judge Sanborn at St. Louis next Saturday for leave to redeem, for a postponement of the sale of the road which is now advertised to take place on February 16, 17 and 18, and for the appointment of a receiver in the government soit to operate the railroad for benefit of its lines. The present receivers are operating the road under the suit of the third mortgage bondholders, called the consolidated mortgage. By this means it is expected that the immediate sale of the property will be deferred

and that the government will have more opportunity to negotiate for a better price than has been offered by the reorganiza-tion committee, which now controls the first mortgage, and in the meantime the benefits of the profitable operation of the road, if it continues to be profitably managed, will, under the receiver appointed in the government suit, be to the advantage of the government by way of reduction of its claim. Notices of the application to be made next Saturday have been served by telegram upon the reorganization committee, and upon the counsel of the respective underlying mortgages. Ample authority for th's action on the part of the government is conferred by gages. Ample authority for this action on the part of the government is conferred by the act of March 3, 1887, which provides that whenever in the opinion of the president it shall be deemed necessary to the protection of the government's interest in any of the bond-aided roads the secretary of the treasury is required to redeem or otherwise clear off the paramount lien or mortgage by paying the sums lawfully due out of the treas-

amount which will be necessary to pay the first flen holders in this case is something over \$8,000,000, the same amount which the government would have been compelled to pay them had it acquired title under the pending sale. The situation of the government 's regarded by Attorney Gen-eral Griggs, who advised the present course, other leading officials, as greatly improved thereby, and it is now expected that Judge Sanborn, under the circumstances will willingly consent to a postponement of the sale for an indefinite period, or at least to a date sufficiently remote to allow the government ample time in which to dispose of its interests to the best advantage.

FATHER AND SON ON RETIRED LIST. Each Serves in the Navy the Full

Limit of Time. WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—Admiral Selfridge, who has just relinquished the command of the European station, went on the by law. The event is entirely peculiar in both on the retired list on account of age, after having reached the highest grade In the navy.

The father, Thomas O. Selfridge, is now ing in Washington, having retired in 1866 ter thirty-six and a half years' service if his name now heads the naval retired The son, likewise named Thomas C ridge, had forty-five years' service to credit when he reticed today. He sailed the United States from France today, y this retirement Commodore Francis M commandant of the New York navy become a rear admiral, and Cap-Sheley becomes a commodore. Captain in command of the League I mavy yard, goes up to the grade of todore as the result of today's retire-and that of Admiral Beardslee a few

SOME GOVERNMENT MONEY IS GONE Ex-Trensurer Morgan Will Make Good

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5 .- A recount of the treasury cash, which was completed late this evening, disclosed a shortage of \$859. The recount, made necessary by the appointment in .June last of Ellis H. Roberts as United States treasurer in place of D. N. Morgan, was begun on July 1, and sinbe that time about \$797,000,000 in cash has been ounted. No errors or shortages of impotance were discovered until the treasury ommittee had begun work in silver vault No. 1, in which there were 103,653,000 stand-

colored man named Martin, employed a a laborer, was one day discovered in the circumstances, and a search resulted in the

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disappear.
This little book treats entirely on the cause and removal of indigestion and its accompanying accovances. describes the symptoms of Acid Dys.

persia, Nervous Dyspepsia, slow Dyspepsia amylaceous dyspepsia, Catarrh of Stomach and all affections of the digestive organs language easily understood and couse removed

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should know.

No price is asked, but simply send your name and address plainly written on postal card to the F. A. Stuart Co., Marshall, Mich., requesting a little book on Stomach Discases and it will be sent promptly by re-

finding of a number of silver dollars, which presumably he had extracted from some of the bags. Martin was arrested and admitted he had token \$28, for which he had substituted lead. The court imposed a fine of \$50 and Martin was released.

This admission cast suspicion upon the en-tire contents of the vault, and a count by handling each individual piece was ordered. On September 10 twenty-eight expert counters and a force of laborers and verifiers, under the direction of G. C. Bance, assistant cashier, began the work of counting the conents of this vault. The time employed therefore, was nearly five months, the count

ers working eight hours each day. The shortage of \$859 will be made good by Mr. Morgan, the retiring treasurer. It is probable however, as hos been done in similar cases, that congress will make an appropriation in Mr. Morgan's favor covering

AND HIS AMENDMENT.

BIII as Contemplated.
WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—(Special Telegram.)—There is now no certainty that of the society who assembled to the number Senator Allen's amendment to the Indian bill appropriating \$45,000 for an Indian congress will be attached to that appropriation athletic numbers and an address by Claus bill, some difficulty being experienced in Senator Allison's committee to harmonize interests antagonistic to the measure. As upon the president by the act of 1887 and a result of a talk had today with Senator Allison, Servitor Allen stated tonight that he had positive assurances that the amendment would be attached to the sundry civil bill. While this is a concession of considerable divisions, respectively, and become subro-gated under the law to their rights. This importance, it is thought here that the failure to place the amendment on the Indian bill will greatly jeopardize its chances of getting through the house, as Chairman Cannon of the house committee on appropriations will be one of the conferrees on the sundry civil bill, and he is known to be hostile to any increase of appropriations at this session. On the other hand if the amendment goes on the Indian bill two or the three house conferces, Sherman of New York and Curtis of Kansas, it is believed.

> the floor of the senate, where it is believed enough votes on be secured to attach the amendment to the Indian bill Brigadier General J. M. Wilson of the En-gineer department of the army presented to congress today the report of the civilian engineers engaged on government work throughout the country. Engaged on the work of the upper Missouri river were: F. M. Towar, parl \$175 for labor at Sloux City and South Sloux City; E. D. Vincent, \$150. Pierre, S. D.; Bathwest Smith, \$125, Slows

> to complete the East Omaha bridge, is enthustastic over the prospects for the Omaha exposition. He says it is going to far exceed the anticipations of the original promoters and will be of incalculable benefit to the west, J. L. Lockhart, commissioner of schools and public lands, left for his home in South Dakota today.

Postmasters appointed today: Nebraska-Elmer E. Wonder, at Holmesville, Gage county, vice R. E. Shelley, resigned; Harvey N. Morgan, at Belvidere, Thayer county, vice A. B. Hazard, removed, and Edward B. Richardson, at Ulysses, Butler county, vice E. B. Zimmerman, removed. Iowa—E. N.

Reeves, at Fredric, Monroe county.

Among the promotions made in the Treas ury department today was that of W. B. Sturgess of Iowa. \$1,000 to \$1,200, and liam F. Husted, Iowa, \$1,000 to \$1,200. William Gray, architect, Lincoln, is at the National. Judge Maxwell has left for

ADMIT GOODS FREE AT ANY PORT. Spain Extends Its Concessions to Re-

lief Supplies. WASHINGTON, Feb. 5 .- A telegram has been received at the State department from Consul General Lee at Havana stating that the government there consents to the admission of supplies for the destitute into retired list of the pavy with the close of any port free of duty. This privilege was the day, having reached the age prescribed formerly limited to goods entered at Havana. John K. Elwell, who has had much exour navy history, in that there will then perience as a shipping clerk, and is famil-be presented the spectacle of a father and are with the Spanish language, has been appointed by the Central Cuban relief committee to accompany the president of the Red Cross society to Cuba, and assist in receiving and distributing supplies for the sufferers. Miss Barton and Mr. Elwell left n tonight for Cuba via Port

Tampa, Fla.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5 .- (Special Telegram.)-A board of officers, with Colonel Thomas M. Anderson, Fourteenth infantry as president, has been detailed to meet at such officers as may be ordered before it for promotion. Theodore E. True, assistant quartermaster, has been ordered before the board for examination.

The following changes in stations of officere of the Medical department are ordered: Captain William Kneedler, assistant surgeon, from San Diego Barracks, Cal., t West Point, N. Y.; Captain Charles F Mason, assistant surgeon, from West Point to Fort Logan, Colo.; Second Lieutenant William P. Jackson, Twenty-fourth infantry, has been ordered before the board at For Douglas, Utah, for examination for promo-

The following changes are made in the Thirteenth infantry: Captain Harry C. Cavenaugh, from company I to company E; Captain John S. Bishop, from company E o company I.

The following changes in details of offiers as professors of military science and tactics at institutions of learning are made: Lieutenant Percy E. Tripp, Eleventh cavalry, from Agricultural Institution of South Dakota, at Brookings, to Ouachita Baptiet college, Arkadelphia, Ark., to relieve First Lieutenant William P, Stone, Fourth artillery; Lieutenant Stone is detailed at Arkansas Industrial university Fayette, Ark., to relieve First Lieutenant Elsas Chandler, Sixteenth infantry, who will

join his company.

A board of officers, with Colonel John L Rodgers, Fifth artiflery, as president, has been detailed to meet at Fort Monroe, Va., for the aelection of sites for permanent barracks, quarters and other necessary Leaves of abscace; Major Louis S. Tes-son, surgeon, six months; Lorenzo P. Davi-Eleventh infantry, extended two hs; Captain William P. Goodwin, Fourteenth infantry, extended two mouths; First Lieutenant J. Y. Mason Blunt, Third cavalry, months; Captain William Paulding, Tenth infantry, twenty days; Second Lieutenant Henry C. Smith, First cavalry, ten

Passes the Fortifications Bill. WASHINGTON, Feb. 5 .- The house today

days.

during its entire session, had under consideration the bill making appropriations for fortifications and coast defenses. Little, interest seemed to be manifested in the pro-ceedings, less than one-half of the members being present during the session. was passed by the house, carrying \$4,144,912, against \$9,517,141 last year.

Populist Committee is Organized. WASHINGTON, Feb. 5 .- The populists in congress have completed an organization with Representative Bell of Colorado as chairman of the joint caucus. Representative Shuford of North Carolina as secretary and Senator Harris of Kansas as chairman of the congressional committee

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5 .- Frederic Emory,

chief of the bureau of foreign commerce, Department of State, has been temporarily designated as director of the bureau of American republics, and took charge of the bureau this morning.

Armerdine Minister Goes Home WASHINGTON, Feb. 5 .- Senor Martin Garcla Meron, the Argentine minister, wilt deave Washington early next week for Buenos Ayres. He will go via England.

Daily Treasury Statement. WASHINGTON, Feb. 5. -Today's statement of the treasury shows: Available cash balance, \$223,768,533; gold reserve, \$164,557,-

AFTER THIRTY-ONE YEARS

Germans Celebrate the Anniversary of the Turaversin.

Plans Outlined for Taking an Active Part in and Presenting Features at the Exposition Next Summer.

last night in a manner befitting one of the May Not Be Attached to the Indian oldest and most prominent Turner societies in the west. The capacity of the hall was of 500 to do honor to the Turnverein. The first part of the program was devoted to Conrad, the president of the Turnverein. The evening was pleasantly concluded with danc-

After the overture by the orchestra, grand grouping of the different gymnasium classes was given, showing the young athletes off to advantage in a number of grace ful and difficult figures. This was followed by exercises on two storming boards by the boys of the junior class and calisthenics by girls of the same age. Following numbers were a wand drill by the active members and some attractive club swinging by a class of women and girls. The juniors reappeared in a flag drill and exercises on two horses. The fencing section then gave an exhibition of single stick work and the gymnasts exhibited with some high jumping and exer will vote with the senate conferees to keep the amendment on the bill. Senator Thurscises on parallel bars. An attractive feature was next introduced by twelve young women robed in Grecian costumes, all of whom ton will labor with the appropriations committee to place the amendment on the In-dian bill and may have to carry the fight to went through maneuvers with orange and black hoops. The special event on the athletic program was then given by the first division of athletes on the horizontal bar. The work displayed not only the general physical activity which is the ambition o the German athlete but also a surprising mastery of difficult feats, as for instance when two young men went around the pole two at a time, in the giant swing with apparent case.

WORK FOR EXPOSITION. The address of the president of the society was directed more especially toward the present and future of the turnverein, rather than with the history of the past Mr. Conrad, speaking in German, appealed to the Germans of Omaha to lend their uc to the Germans of Omana to lend their ac-tive assistance to the Transmississippi turn-fest to be held in Omana the week ending July 4. He described the proposed program of the session which will hold its meetings in Hascall's park. The attention of Ger mans was also directed to the tourney day at the exposition, when teams are expected from all over the west to contest in athletic events. Mr. Conrad spoke of the great improvement of the work done in the gym nasium classes since the arrival of the new instructor, W. G. Retzer. The membership has increased to about 150 in all divisions not including 100 young women from the Omaha High school who have availed them selves of the offer of the use of the gym-nasium. He also commended the progress which has been made in the German and drawing classes. Mention was mide of the work which has been accomplished by the Turner Ladies' society, which has been the main assistance of the society in planning for the reception of visiting Turners and in other lines of work. Mr. Conrad then spoke of the grand tournament which has been planned for March 24 to show the public the rogress which has been made in gymnastics, calisthenics, etc.

HISTORY OF THE SOCIETY. The history of the Omaha Turnverein shows an interesting development during the last thirty-one years and involves the names of nearly every well known German citizen who has made this city his home. Philip Andres, who came here from New York as the first physical director of the society and who is now the oldest turner in the west, described the organization of the body to a party of younger members last night. He said that it was founded in 1867 by about twenty-two men, of whom the following are the only survivors: Fred Metz, sr., Fred Krug, Charles Karbach, Charles Beindorf, sr., John Baumer and Aaron Cahn. There had been a similar society previous to the war which had been broken up at the commencement of hostilities, the brother of John Baumer leading a company of German citizens in answer to the president's call. The first hall owned by the society was lo-cated at Tenth and Howard streets and was for fourteen years the center of the German society of the city. The present quarters have been occupied for about the same per iod of time. The society now numbers abou 300 members and has come to be more liberal in its qualifications for admission. It is no longer necessary for an applicant to be of German birth and over three-fourthe of the of the rules of the society, however, is that all members shall be citizens of the United States and their German partisanship is allowed in no way to interfere with their du ties as American citizens.

SOUTH OMAHA NEWS.

The state supreme court has handed down a decision in the Omaha Gas company injunction case dissolving the injunction brought by J. C. Sharp and others. This is a decided victory for the gas company and it is expected now that the trenches on N street which have become an eye-sore will be filled.

Two gas companies are now in the field for South Omaha patronage and a lively time may be looked forward to in connec tion with the lighting problem. While the its franchise to charge \$1.50 for gas, the South Omaha company can charge only \$1 per 1,000 feet. No doubt competition will be brisk between the lighting companies as the electric light company does not intend to be left behind. New machinery is being placed in position at the electric light plant which will greatly increase the efficiency of the service and other improvements be sides those now being made are contemplated.

It is claimed that the passage of the ordinance granting a franchise to the Omaha Gas company was irregular and steps may be taken by interested parties to bring this matter to the attention of the courts in order to keep out a foreign corporation. Ever since this franchise was granted last summer there has been more or less talk about the irregularity of the proceedings and some city officials assert that in their opinion the ordinance will not hold in court. W. D. Wyman, one of the members of the local gas company, said yesterday that th decision of the supreme court would make no difference with the plans of the com-pany he was interested in. "We propose," said Mr. Wyman, "to go right ahead and put in our plant and sell gas for heating and

lighting purposes for \$1 per 1,000 cubic feet. Schultz Not a Candidate.

Councilman John Schultz of the Third ward has announced that he will not be a candidate for re-election. At first Mr Schultz thought he would make the race. business matters have come up within the last few days which will in he it im-possible for him to be a candidate. Mr. Schultz expects to be awarded the contract for erecting a number of buildings in Wash-ington and other counties and will most likely be absent from the city for severa months. He could not, he says, attend to business without neglecting and for that reason has abandoned the idea of entering the contest.

Kline and Dragoon Discharged. Yesterday Judge Christmann discharged Rev. Roscoe Kline and Anton Dragoon from custody. In his remarks the judge regreted that the case of the state had been under the laws of this state no pecialty was attached to an attempt to steal a child. The judge scored Kline for his ac-

tions while in the city, calling especial attention to the fact that the preacher had frequented saloons and had gone about in an intoxicated condition. Dragoon returned to his home in the Second ward, while Kline left the city as soon as possible after his release. There was considerable talk last night about calling Dragoon to account for his part in the affair and some of the knowing ones asserted that Dragoon would be requested to leave the ward at once. Dra-HISTORY OF THE SOCIETY IS REVIEWED goon is the person who, a year or two ago, received a load of buckshot in his body while attempting to steal chickens from a Brown Park butcher.

Iown Man Arrested.

Harry Robinson of Malvern, In., was arrested yesterday by Officer Gary upon a description furnished by Marshal Talbot of The thirty-first applyersary of the Omaha that place. It is claimed that Robinson is Furnverein was celebrated in Turner hall wanted for stealing hogs from farmers livifternoon Marshal Talbot arrived in the city n search of Timothy Walters, a pal of Rob-nson. He says that within the last few overtaxed with the friends and well-wishers days a dozen or more bogs have been stolen farmers right around Malvern and the theft has been traced to Robinson and Wal-

> Magie City Gossip. Charles Cumminga has recovered from his ecent severe illness.

Mrs. Denna Allbery, Twenty-fifth and J streets, is visiting in Lincoln. Workman lodge, No. 227, will give a mask ball on the evening of February 14. Dr. Wheeler will preach this morning at the First Presbyterian church on "I Know." Councilman Caldwell has sold his meat

arket on Twenty-sixth street to J. C. Pol-The Epworth league will conduct a series of lectures at the Methodist church next

Some thief who has no fear of police court justice stole Judge Christmann's overcoat vesterday. Charles E. Scarr is being talked of for councilman from the First ward by the

lemocrats. The Sons of Veterans are preparing to elebrate Lincoln's birthday in an approriate manner. Mics Louise Gibson, Twenty-eighth and G

treets is confined to her home on account of illness. The condition of Miss Grace White, who is langerously III, has not improved any within he last few days.

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Ryan, Twenty-seventh and G streets, are being congratulated upon the birth of a daughter. The Ideal club gave a dancing party at Masonic hall last night, which was greatly

enjoyed by the members. William Kahnk of Washington county spent yesterday in the city, the guest of Councilman John Schultz. Zack Ellis of Arlington, formerly a mem-

ber of the Omaha detective force, was a visitor in the city yesterday. Colonel and Mrs. A. L. Lott entertained the High Five club at their home, Twentyecond and H streets, last night.

F. A. Crossey returned from Oakland, Ia., yesterday, where he had been called by the erious illnees of his brother, Will. Isaac Young, formerly in charge of the fammond retail market, has been promoted o the position of traveling salesman. The King's Daughters of the Presbyterian

church will give a Mirtha Washington tea and sale at the church on February 22. A meeting of the South Omiha Choral so lety will be held at Collins' music store on wenty-fourth street Monday evening. Secretary Willis of the Omata Young Men's Christian association will deliver an address at the association parlors here this fternoon

Every evening this week union services will be held at the United Presbyterian and Christian churches, local elergymen being in charge. E. W. Speed, formerly dashier of the Hill City (S. D:) bank, is now connected with

he South Omaha National bank in an official capacity. Next Saturday the Aid society of the dethodist church will conduct an exchange at Willard & Terry's grocery store, Twentyfourth and M streets.

Heavy draft horses were eagerly sought stock yards and a few of the choicest brought fancy prices.

This evening Rev. Dr. Wheeler will preach at the Walnut Hill Methodist church, and Rev. Tremple of Omaha will occupy the pulpit at the First Presbyterian church. Union services at the First Presbyterian church closed last night with a sermon by Rev. George Van Winkle, followed by an after meeting conducted by Rev. H. P. Espy. Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Watkins entertained the Drive Whist club at their home, Twensixth and E streets, Friday evening. Mrs. H. Watts and Hiram Hall carried off the

The Silver Leaf club will meet next Tuesay evening with Miss Mabel Bernhart, Twenty-sixth and Boulevard streets. It is rgently requested that all members be

The women of the Home Missionary iety of the First Methodist church will give tea at the home of Mrs. Jeff Ogg, North Twenty-third street, next Thursday afternoon. There will be a program and refreshments will be served.

No business of importance was transacted at the meeting of the East Side Improve-ment club Friday night. The council will e requested to repair the washouts on L from Twenty-fourth street east, that is the principal thoroughfare used by the eastsiders. Rev. Irving Johnson preaches at St. Mar-

in's Episcopal church this morning on First Lecture on the Book of Job. Next Tuesday evening Rev. Mr. Johnson leliver the second lecture in the course at St. Martin's church on the subject, Mission of Jesus Christ." The public The public is invited to attend these lectures.

Notes from District Court. Chris Reed has brought divorce proceed ngs against his wife, Mandy Reed. He al-

eges desertion. Gus Payne sues Mary Coder in an action o recover \$200. He says that she was his partner in business and did not divide the

rocceds according to agreement. Receiver Thomas has filed a report on the condition of the Midland State bank. His report shows receipts from November 2, 1897, to February 2, 1898, aggr \$6,641.36 and disbursements \$5,963.07

John B. Smith has sued Francis C. Grable in an action to recover \$1,100 due on a promissory note. Attachment proceedings were brought and the sheriff last night levied mon Grable's residence in the vicinity of I wenty-sixth and Half Howard streets.

Old Firemen Say!!

that the first fifteen minutes of a fire often decides the fate of a building. It is the same with Grip and Colds, if you have "Seventy-seven handy to take at the first sneez; or shiver, the disease is out short. Whereas

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LITTLE BLUFF IS CALLED TOO QUICKLY

Fast Train Lines Meet the Proposed Reduction with a Cheerfulness

that Ends the Difficulty at Once.

The western passenger rate war, which threatened to be the worst that has crossed the Missouri river in many years, died before it was born. In its embryonic condition it caused as much excitement as anycircles in recent years. The first signs of it were discerned about a week ago. On Friday they were so boidly in sight that a blind man could not help but see them. On Saturday afternoon they had all disappeared, and the threatened era of cheap rides was a matter

only to be remembered by the thorough man-

ner in which it had perturbed passenger circles. The Rock Island and the Santa Fe railroads old the Burlington and the Northwestern-Union Pacific railroads that if they persisted n outting on their fast trains today the Rock Island and the Santa Fe would make cheaper pates on western business. The Burlington and the Northwestern-Union Pacific railroads just called the bluff, and said they would make the same rates. As a result there was a hasty conference of the officials of all four lines in Chicago yesterday, and ofter the heap rates that were to go into effect today that "the stuff's off." And this is why the rates of \$14 between Omaha and Denver, of \$24.50 between Chicago and Donver and o \$20.50 between St. Louis and Denver tha were to have been offered to the dear public on and after today have been field up, a least for the present. The cheap rates wil not go into effect because the Rock Island and the Santa Fe have agreed to refrain from putting in differential cates. has been declared, and until the executive officers of the four belligerent lines can asemble to talk the matter over the regular rates will prevail. The executive session will probably be held in Chicago this week.

JUDGE UPHOLDS THE BLACKLIST Says the Company Has a Right to

Thus Protect Itself. CHICAGO, Feb. 5 .- Judge Brown of the circuit court today sustained a demurrer to the declaration in the case of William F. Mc Donald, a switchman, who sued the Illicois Central Railroad company and the Chicago & Northwestern Railway company for alleged blacklisting. The case is one of thirty-four which were begun against the railroad companies in June, 1896, and is similar in it details to the Ketcham case, in which a ver-dict of \$20,000 was set aside a few weeks ago ludge Brown held that the declaration did ot show any illegal act and took the positio that the railroad company could make rules men had the right to band together. The case

Spaulding Wants a Railroad. The people of Spaulding in Greeley county Neb., are very much in earnest in their efforts to secure a railroad and are be sieging the Omaha headquarters of the different roads. At the present time the B. & M. is built to Ericson west and the Union Pacific and Northwestern to a point east of Spaulding, while the Union Pacific also has a line reaching as far up as Ceda Rapids, a few miles south of Spaulding While surrounded with railroads, it happens that Spaulding is twenty miles away from a road. Rev. J. E. DeVos, who is taking the lead in the movement designed to se cure railroad transportation for the town says that Spaulding has 1,000 car loads o produce to ship annually, which would be secured by the road building to that point Spaulding is one of the most thriving little oughly awake. A large creamery has just started up and other enterprises are on foot. The town is located on the line of delay may mean Pneumonia, the Cedar Valley canal, so that farmers have the advantage of irrigation.

Cut Rates from St. Louis. ST. LOUIS, Feb. 5 .- At a conference held n the office of General Passenger Agent L. W. Wakely of the Burlington today the of the western times out of St. Louis agreed to take a hand to the impending rate war Grand Island.

CUT RATES ARE HELD OVER threatened on business destined to Colorado points. It was definitely decided that the Burlington, Missouri Pacific and the Wabash should reduce their passenger rate from St. Threatened War on Transmissouri Traffic

Comes to an End.

Louis to Colorado common points to \$20.50, to take effect Sunday. The present rate is \$24.50. Other western lines ruceling into Colorado, it is reported, will undoubtedly meet the cut in the near future.

> Enstbound Freight Shipments. CHICAGO, Feb. 5.-Eastbound freight shipments for the week ending February 3 amounted to 78,464 tons, against 69,786 for the week previous and 80.645 lost year, di-vided among the different roads as follows. Lake Shore, 12,684 tons; Michigan Central, 5,945; Wabash, 4,252; Fort Wayne, 9,648; Panhandle, 9,752; Baltimore & Ohio, 3,786; Grand Trunk 11 479 1.654; "Big Four." 2,155.

Enrnings Increase a Million. CHICAGO, Feb. 5 .- Net earnings of the Chicago & Northwestern for the year ended thing that has happened along in railway December 31 show an increase of \$1,185,790 over the net earnings of the preceding year. The net earnings in 1897 were \$12,136,018.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

E. J. Madden of Chicago is at the Millard. R. G. Mencke of St. Louis is at the Millard. F. Seley of New York is registered at the Millard.

E. M. Searle, jr., a banker of Ogalalla, is n the city. D. C. Adama of Salt Lake is registered at the Millard. Lieutenant W. M. Swain, U. S. A., is regstered at the Millard.

I. S. Fiske of Beatrice, Neb., is spending Sunday at the Barker. R. H. Lord and wife of Genoa, Neb., are stopping at the Barker. John F. Green, an old resident of Hastings,

G. A. Blackstone of Craig is In Omahi on pleasure and business trip. J. W. Edgerton of Lincoln is in the city on a short visit with friends E. C. House, an insurance man of Broken Chauncy Jones, a hotel man of Aurora Neb., is in the city on business, O. O. Setchell and wife of Little Sloux, la., are stopping at the Barker. J. B. Dinsmore of the State Board of Agri-

ulture is stopping at the Millard. A. A. Hines, a business man of Deadwood, s in the city while on his way east. J. N. Lyman, a prominent citizen of Hastings, is stopping at the Millard. George C. Cooper, western representative of the Chicago Record, is in Omaha on busi-

George A. Jeffries, a well known attorney Akron, Ia., is stopping at one of the hotels. Richard Adams, a well known salt ner of Salt Lake City, is stopping at the Millard. W. G. Washburn, an old resident of Beatrice, is visiting friends in the city for

few days.

T. L. Joy, traveling passenger agent for the Elkhorn, with headquarters at Fremont, is at the Millard. Signor F. Blanculli, manager of orchestras nd theatrical attractions, of Philadelphia s at the Barker. Mrs. W. R. Goldie, Mrs. H. Maher and Mrs. J. E. Bouquet of Nebraska City are registered at the Millard.

blicago is in the city looking over the South Imaha plant of the company. The Elinore sisters of Brooklyn, N. Y. specialty people, who are at the Creighton next week, are at the Mercer. H. A. Thompson of Thompson & Beider will start for New York this evening to be gone several weeks on business.

E. J. Madden of the Armour company

H. L. Kreider, assistant general manager of the Cudahy Packing company, returned Friday from a southern tour of inspection. Rev. C. J. Allen of Helena, Mont., who preaches at the Beth-Eden Baptlet chur his morning, is registered at a local hotel At the Mercer: W. J. Dec, Elk City Neb.; O. H. Snyder, Plattamouth, Neb.; F W. Elling, Chicago; W. G. Rice and w Deadwood; D. W. Wilson, Kansas Ci William Carrie and wife, Quincy; C. Maniore, Lincoln.

Nebraskans at the hotels: J. W. Edgerton, Lincoln; J. B. Dinsmore, Sutton; J. N. Lyman, Hastings; John F. Greco, Hastings Jacob Bender and F. Bender, Sutton; G. W. Jacob Bender and F. Bender, Sutton; G. W. Stubbs, Superior; G. A. Blackstone, Crais; Chauncy Jones, Aurora; E. C. House, Broken Bow; J. Cox Hampton, W. G. Washburn, Beatrice; E. W. Searle, jr., Ogalalla; J. C. Mulfinger, Seward; Roy A. Divis, Gibbon; M. L. Livingston, Elikhorn; J. J. Elliott, Schuyler; Joseph Cary, Ogalalla; E. S. Cloyer, Schuyler; D. Newman, Gothenburg; Max Witteges, Grand Island; M. A. Price, Grand Island; B. A. MARCHERS WERE NOT ARMED.

tin at Wilkesbarre. WILKESBARRE, Pa., Feb. 5.-The first week of the trial of Sheriff Martin and his deputies ended today with the case well under way and the jury having a lot of evidence to think about over Sunday. There was the usual crowd at today's session.

The first witness, Michael Nicholson, de-scribed the condition of some of the wounded on the road near Lattimer. One man died as he watched him; five others whom he saw were badly wounded. The witness came upon a dying striker and was joined by a man named Costello. While they were trying to aid the man, a deputy named Alfred Hess came up, and Costello with great indignation said it was a scandalous piece of work the deputies had done, whereupon Hesa replied, "You shut up or I will treat you the same way." The defense objected to this reference to Hess and the evidence was

stricken out. The next witness, one of the most important of those to be heard on behalf of the commonwealth, was John Egler, secre-tary of the Harwood union of the United Mine Workers. He told how, on the night before the shooting, a meeting Ead been held at Harwood and the men gathered there de to show themselves to the men at that place at the request of these men. Wilness got an American flag and roiled it on a long pole he had cut. They agreed, he said, to march unarmed and to behave peaceably. Speaking of the meeting with the sheriff

and deputies at West Hazleton, witness said; They rushed at us and pointed their guns in our faces and told us to stop. I ex-plained to the sheriff that we were just going to show ourselves to the Lattimer men and were going to do no harm to anybody.

The sheriff said: 'If you get to Lattimer
you must kill me.' Burgess Jones of West
Hazeleton said we could march through the streets, and so the sheriff and deputies went away and we marched on to Lattimer."

The witness said that at Lattimer he again

told the sheriff they were not armed and would behave themselves. The sheriff pulled a couple of men out of the ranks and drew his revolver and witness saw him trying to shoot one of the strikers. The revolver did not explode, however, and then a crowd formed around the sheriff. At this time there was a shot and then three or four shots, and at last a volley. Witness fell down between two men, but did not think the deputies were shooting ball cartridges until he saw one of the men bleeding. Then he get up and ran with the rest and bullets kept whizzing about his ears. saw lots of wounded men, but did not go near the deputies, as he was afraid On cross-examination Egier admitted that when the sheriff told them to disperse he said: "We a'ci't going to; we are going to

Lattimer." After the cross-examination of Egler the court adjourned until Monday. District Attorney Martin, addressing the court, asked that the defendants be required to furnish ball or be committed to Jall. "Their ball." he said. "has been forfelted since the last term of court in November when their appearance here absolved their bondsmen. By a mistake their ball was not then renewed and we have discovered that they have not been under ball since that time. They are charged with the highest crime on the calendar and the court should not discriminate between them and the ordi nary criminals. They should either furnish ball at once or be sent to tall.

Judge Woodward said that the defendants should furnish ball on Monday. High Mark for Standard Oil. NEW YORK, Feb. 5. Standard oil cer-tificates reached their highest mark today, 403 being the price. In the outside mar-ket half a point higher was bid.

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