

FIRE AT THE CUDAHY PLANT

Flames Consume the Building Occupied by Pharmaceutical Department.
LOSS OF FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS
Firemen Do Good Work, Despite the Failure of City and Private Water Plants to Give Good Pressure.

Fire at the Cudahy packing plant in South Omaha yesterday caused a loss of not less than \$50,000, but the insurance carried on the building and stock amounts to \$60,000.

MELLEN WILL NOT RESIGN

President of Northern Pacific Makes Emphatic Denial of Contemplated Resignation.

ST. PAUL, Dec. 26.—Charles S. Mellen, president of the Northern Pacific, tonight authorized a plain statement that he had not resigned and does not contemplate resigning. The statement by inference sets at rest the reports of antagonism in the report of James J. Hill and outlines in plain form what may be expected in Northern Pacific affairs following the organization of the Northern Securities company.

WAR OF UNIONS IMMINENT

Organizer for Western Labor Union Appeals in Local Field.

The Western Labor Union has decided to carry the war into the enemy's country, and with the beginning of the new year will be at work organizing unions in the different trades at Missouri river points. Word was received from Denver yesterday that J. B. Armstrong, a special organizer of the Western Labor union, had started from Denver and would be in Council Bluffs Friday to institute unions which will affiliate with the western organization.

GYPSUM DEALERS SAY NOT YET

Aver that Reported Western Combination Can Not Be Perfectly Before Next Month.

The report of the organization of the gypsum interests of the west into a combining which will have one of its distributing offices in Omaha is looked upon as premature by the representatives of those interests in this city. At this time there are two houses dealing in this product in Omaha, the Blue Valley Plaster company, which handles the Kansas product almost exclusively, and the J. C. Baker Plaster company, which handles the product of mills in Kansas and Iowa.

AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

Councilmen Object to Appraisal on Land Taken by Illinois Central.
ASK ATTORNEY LAMBERT FOR A REPORT

Members of the city council object to the appraisal made by a set of men appointed by County Judge Vinsonhaier in the Illinois Central case and a letter has been sent to City Attorney Lambert bearing on this subject. Mr. Lambert is requested to report at the next meeting whether he has appealed or objected to the appraisal made on the ground secured by the Illinois Central.

YOU DO NOT KNOW
what is the matter with you—feel all out of sorts. Are constantly troubled with sick headaches—you're not up to things and are cross and irritable. Bileous too, perhaps, and constipated. Your breath is offensive; you have a bad taste in your mouth and don't enjoy your food.
You have bad attacks of "the blues"—nothing seems worth while and you are altogether miserable in mind and body. Probability is you are taking headache powders for your headaches—they allay them for the time, but only for the time. Then you are taking pills and strong cathartics for your constipation and breath sweeteners for your bad breath.
None of these things get at the seat of the trouble and as the days go on you get worse instead of better and you will continue to get worse on this treatment. You are trying to cure effects instead of causes—the trouble is all in one place

HOLD MEETING IF POSSIBLE

Governors Are Anxious to Carry Out Plans for Anti-Merger Conference.

RUTHE, Mont., Dec. 26.—A special from Helena says: Governor Toole has received a telegram from Governor Van Sant of Minnesota to the effect that the conference of governors and other officials to be held in this city December 30, which steps will be taken to prevent, if possible, the consolidation of the Northern Pacific and Great Northern lines, as contemplated by the Northern Securities company, is assured.

NEGROES KILL WHITES IN DUEL

Two Negroes Wounded and One May Die as Result of Row.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 26.—In a general fight between white men and negroes at Childersburg yesterday afternoon, a white man and his son were killed, while a white boy and one negro were wounded. With great difficulty a general outbreak was prevented. The negroes are now in jail at Talladega. The dead: J. BIRD, middle-aged white man. REUBEN BIRD, his son, aged 15.

IT'S YOUR STOMACH
Fact is when you sift the whole thing down, disorders of the stomach are responsible for nine-tenths of the ills that human flesh is heir to and if you will keep your stomach right you can be pretty sure of good health.
Cure your stomach and you will cure the rest. Get it in good condition and keep it so and you will be able to stop all the dosing and constant physicking that seem necessary to you now.
There is only one thing for this purpose—a gentle, corrective laxative that assists nature (does not force it), puts the stomach in its normal condition, aids digestion and tones the whole system up. It is a carefully prepared compound of efficacious remedies made according to the formula of a prominent and successful physician, and used by him for many years in his regular practice and is known as

ARMOURS SUSTAIN BIG LOSS

Sixty Thousand Pounds of Meat Destroyed in Indian Territory Plant.

GUTHRIE, Okl., Dec. 26.—A fire that started in Chickasaw, I. T., on Christmas day is still burning, but under control. The estimated loss is \$75,000. The Armour Packing company lost 60,000 pounds of meat and the two tanks were damaged greatly.

RAILROAD MEN MOVE FORWARD

Darius Miller's New Position Causes Several Promotions on Great Northern.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 26.—J. W. Blanton, general western traffic manager of the Great Northern, is to become vice president January 1, succeeding Darius Miller, who was made president of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy. John C. Eden, traffic manager of the Eastern Railway of Minnesota, becomes general traffic manager of the Great Northern, and W. W. Broughton, assistant general freight agent of the Northern Pacific, goes to the Eastern Minnesota in Mr. Eden's place.

BUILDING ON THE INCREASE

Construction of Railroads During Closing Year Largest for Eleven Years.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Figures prepared by the Railway Age show that railroad building in the United States during 1901 has been greater than it has been for eleven years previous, the total approximating 5,017 miles of line. In 1890 the total was 5,570 and in 1900 was 4,437 miles.

MOTHER AND DAUGHTER WIN

Obtain Judgment Giving Them Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars.

PUEBLO, Dec. 26.—Judge Coulton, in the county court today, decided that Mrs. Stella J. Hobson, widow of the late George H. Hobson, and Mr. Hobson's posthumous daughter Georgia, were entitled to the \$250,000. In announcing his decision Judge Coulton said he was very glad to see any justification for the attack made on his pleadings under the legitimacy of the child born at Los Angeles since the death of Mr. Hobson.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Mary Malloy has secured a divorce from Patrick Joseph Malloy. David McCourt has been granted a divorce from Bridget McCourt. Winifred S. Warwick has applied for a divorce from Arthur L. Warwick. The December party of the Winter club will occur on Friday night, December 28, at the Metropolitan ballroom. The Eagles of Omaha and South Omaha were entertained last night by their brothers of the Council Bluffs section. C. R. Davis has sold the Woodman grain elevator, located at Seventeenth and Nicholas streets, to J. Gardner Haines and Nathan Merriam.

DR. CALDWELL'S SYRUP PEPSIN
HERB LAXATIVE COMPOUND
All druggists sell it. Ask yours. If he hasn't send postal for free sample bottle and interesting book.
PEPSIN SYRUP COMPANY, Monticello, Ills.

PRICKLY ASH BITTERS
CURES CONSTIPATION.

"The Century Girl"
Art Calendar
Readers of The Bee
have always appreciated its efforts to provide them with beautiful pictures at a nominal cost. We have secured a large quantity of the most beautiful calendars, which we will give to our readers only at a nominal cost.
Each page of the calendar is reproduced from a water color painting by one of the best known water color artists, Miss Maude Stamm. The coloring is so beautiful and the execution so dainty that everyone will fall in love with the first one which we offer. The Century Girl Calendar.
Each page represents a girl of a different period, gowned in the fashion of her time. Not the least attractive is the girl of the twentieth century.
As the number secured of this calendar is limited, it will be hard to send for it at once. They will make dainty but inexpensive Christmas presents.
These calendars are 10x13 inches and are sold at the art store for one dollar. By securing an immense quantity of them we are able to offer them for 15c.
CUT OUT THIS COUPON
Present at Bee Office or mail this coupon with 15c and get this beautiful Art Calendar. When ordering by mail add 4c for postage.
ART DEPARTMENT, THE BEE PUBLISHING CO., OMAHA.

Ayer's Hair Vigor
Is a hair-food. It feeds, nourishes, ingorates the hair, goes right down to the hair-bulbs, supplies needed elements, gives tone and strength.
Ayer's Hair Vigor will not do impossible things; yet sometimes, it follows its use. And it always restores color to gray hair, all the dark, rita color of youth.
"I have used your Hair Vigor for 30 years. I am now over 60 years of age, have a good head of hair, and not a gray hair on my head. I can recommend the Vigor to any one."
Mrs. L. WILBUR, Wayland, N. Y.
J. C. AYER & CO., Lowell, Mass.

Oil Refinery at Pittsburg

PITTSBURG, Dec. 26.—Fire broke out in Deltiger Bros. oil refinery on Smallman street about 1:30 this afternoon and an account of the inflammable material the flames spread rapidly. The building was filled with barrels and tanks of oil and the heat caused many of them to explode. The burning oil ran down to the tracks of the Allegheny Valley railroad and also to Jolley's foundry and four three-story brick dwellings.

NEW BRANCH IS COMPLETED

Rock Island's Extension from Liberal West Ready for Use.

LIBERAL, Kan., Dec. 26.—The Rock Island extension from here to Santa Rosa, N. M., was completed today. The El Paso and Eastern, which is building from White Oaks to Santa Rosa, will not be finished before January 15, when through connections will be made and the California turned to this line. The line from here to El Paso will all be under Rock Island management.

WAR SURVIVORS REMEMBERED BY THE GENERAL GOVERNMENT.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—(Special.)—The following seven pensions have been granted:
Issue of December 7:
Nebraska: Jerome, restoration, reissue, etc.—James C. Moody, Arcadia, 88; John B. Flint, Lincoln, 84; J. M. Moore, Arcadia, 88; J. M. Moore, Arcadia, 88; J. M. Moore, Arcadia, 88; J. M. Moore, Arcadia, 88; J. M. Moore, Arcadia, 88.

BROOKLYN IS CALLED HOME

Remy's Flagship Will Be Replaced by Rainbow in East.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—It is said at the Navy Department that orders will go forward in a few days directing the cruiser Brooklyn, the flagship of Rear Admiral Remy, commanding the Asiatic station, which is now at Nagasaki, Japan, to proceed home to the United States.

ANOTHER LINE TO THE SOUTH

Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Completes Arrangements for Sale of Through Tickets.
BALTIMORE, Dec. 26.—It is announced that the Baltimore & Ohio railroad has completed arrangements effective at once for the sale of through tickets between the north and south via Washington in connection with the Southern railway and have practically opened another gateway to the south.

MAYOR REMOVES TREASURER

Buffalo Official Charged with Misappropriating Funds of the City.
BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 26.—Mayor Diehl formally removed City Treasurer Philip Gerst today, after concluding the investigation into the charges against him of misappropriation of funds of the city.

WHITE HOUSE REMAINS CLOSED

President Proposes to Have One Week to Himself and Denies All Visitors.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—The White House will remain closed until New Year day. Only visitors having urgent and important business will be seen by the president during the coming week. Mrs. Roosevelt and the children, with Dr. Rice, will sit down the Potomac this afternoon on the government yacht Dolphin. They will be gone several days. A portion of the time will be spent at a club house on an island near Quantico, Va., about twenty miles from Washington, and Dr. Rice and young Theodore, Jr., expect to have some duck shooting from the club's blinds. The president will remain here while the family is away. He will entertain some of his friends at luncheon and dinner each day.

DEATHS—WILLIAM LAUER, 924 Douglas, aged 75; Alexander Rylander, Douglas county, aged 73; Elizabeth Jane Downs, 1812 North Thirtieth, aged 78.

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KILL TWENTY-TWO FILIPINOS

Desperate Hand to Hand Encounter in Gorge South of Batangas.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—The War Department today is advised by General Chaffee at Manila that Company F, Twenty-first infantry, had a desperate hand-to-hand encounter in a gorge six miles south of Batangas, December 25. Twenty-two of the enemy were killed. Patrick O'Connell received an ugly blow wound in the left cheek. Private Carney received six blow cuts in the neck and shoulders.

Mortality Statistics.

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