

ended the most successful Commercial club

excursion ever sent out. Not a badge, but-

ton, banner or cigar was left on the train.

finish, no accidents, and the train was

The trip was a success from start to

John Hamilton, who spent last summer with his brother, James W. Hamilton, has just graduated at the University of Texas at Austin, and is now taking a post-grad-uate course at the Chicago university. Mrs. D. L. Johnson and children left on Saturday for her old home in New York state, where she will spend the summer. Mr. Johnson accompanied his family as far as Michigan, having business at that point.

property on the right-of-way and depot grounds. They have also made to the state auditor statements under oath of the revenues of the companies, gross and net, their capitalization and the interest paid on their bonded indebtedness

The valuations reported in the property schedules have been recently criticised, but the variations in such valuations are easily explained by the fact that some companies report what they believe to be the proper assessable value of the various items, in conformity with the assessment of other property of the state, while other companies approximate the actual value of the nding upon the board to fix the scale formity. The board has never relied upon the valuations reported in the railroad schedules as a guide in fixing its ssessments, but has always diligently sought the most accurate sources of information within its reach. It has in some cases had before it the data showing actual cost construction of the properties and in others the carefully prepared estimates of expert engineers. For several years past the respective boards have had access to and have considered the testimony in the maximum rate cases where the roads were not likely to show diminutive valuations.

This rate per mile, as entered on the tax lists, repre-This rate per mile, as entered on the tax lists, repre-sents merely the distributive share accruing to the county or municipality of the entire valuation of the whole road, which distributive share is explicitly designated by the laws of the state as a ratable mileage proportion of the valuation of the entire line. In this way the terminals in Omaha (except headquarters, shops and vacant terminal lands, which are assessed locally) are distributed and taxed in every city, village and school distributed and taxed in every city, village and school distributed and taxed in every city, village and school distributed and taxed in every city, village and school distributed and taxed in every city, village and school distributed and taxed in every city. Village and school distributed and taxed in every city will be the su-preme court in a recent decision relating to the Rulo bridge. In the following language: "What was the purpose of the legislature in requiring the right-of-way, roadbed and superstructure of a rall-way to be assessed as a unit? The common sense view of the subject would seem to be that such purpose was to enable the proper authorities to distribute the svalls of taxation equitably among all the municipal subdi-visions through which a road may pass in the ratio which the number of miles of road within the state, treating each mile as equal in value to every other mile and regardless of whence came the power under which any particular portion of the road is con-structed. A railroad might have vast terminals at one point, worth as much as the remainder of the line, though it extended through a dozen counties. The sub-division in whith these terminals are located is not, under this law permitted to reap an advantage over other localities by reason of the more accident of location, but must share its advantages with these others pro rata. That, evidently, is the reason behind and under this legislation. It has been alleged that the outside counties have been "bunceed" by this method of distribution. sents merely the distributive share accruing to the county

ticket, he assured his followers it would

mean injury to the democratic ticket. Howell's remarks were conclusive evidence Grand Island are: that the democrats realized the futility of a Harry Bull, Oscar Pickard, campaign without the aid of the populists and also of their determination to secure

what aid if possible.

# Leaders Without Followers.

William Olmetead, J. C. Brennan, J. Lieben, Joseph Pesderw, Michael Murphy, James Gheon, Charles Kaufmann, Al Powell, George Krank, Otto Bauman, John Flynn, F. J. Freitag, A. N. Freguson, The anti-Howell-Herdman faction, led by Harry Miller, Louis Platti and Charles Fanning, before the convention, needed no leader during the meeting, for there was r. d. Freitag, A. N. Fergunon, P. A. Hroadwell, Peter Hofeldt, George W. Dane, Robert F. Smith, Robert F. Smith, C. E. Wilkin, A. W. Riley, I. W. West, Arthur Mara no following to be done, unless it was behind the Jacksonians-but still there seemed to be no band wagon in the parade. Once during the afternoon the vanquished host rallied for a few minutes and it looked as if they were really going to assume a new grip. But it proved to be only a spurt, and rthur Mets. hrflur Metz, P. C. Heafsy, William Hodgin, John A. Creight Sophus Neble, John Power, John Zeilerz, J. P. Conley, J. C. Drexel, David Rowden, Adam Slouo. that a vain one. This was when Ed Howell arose to announce that he wanted the chairman of the county central committee named by the convention. Despite the fact that this was not provided for in the call and against the protests of many prominent delegates-of the county democracy Adam Sloup, Lee Herdman, M. C. Shinkel, Antona Zimmerm W. H. Herdman, faction-the boss carried his point and J. C. Dahlman was elected chairman.

One South Omaha man broke ranks and became an insurgent for a few minutes, Elickjer Patrick Ford, William Atkina, protesting that it never had been the rule or the convention to say who should be William Silk, H. P. Deusl, James B. Kelksnay, James Payne, Thomas Flynn, E. L. Weaver, chairman of the county central committee; that was not within the province of the convention, but was clearly the duty and L. Weaver F. Brucker privilege of the committee. But like all n Mulcahey, 8. Poppleton d Mangenduht other such protests his words went to the winds. The convention was called to order at

Fred Mangenaont, F. H. Coagrove, G. H. Weeth, T. H. Dalley, W. 6. Shoemaker, John Liddell, Patrick Mostyn, Rd P. Smith, C. 8. Faine, W. H. Chadwick, J. B. Hunter, J. B. Hunter, J. B. Hunter, J. B. Junter, 2:15 in Washington hall by Ed Howell, the retiring chairman of the county central committee. Mr. Howell made brief remarks thanking the democrats of the county and his associates upon the committee for past favors, exhorting his fellow-democrats in the interests of the party. pleading the urgent necessity for harmony both in conventions and during the election period and predicting a sweeping victory

for the county, state and district tickets this full.

# Wright for Chairman.

Carl C. Wright was then chosen temporary chairman and Robert F. Smith temporary secretary. Charles H. Brown was first named for the latter place, but was not to be found in the hall. The organization was made permanent by a unanimous vote and the fear or possibility of a fight for the chairmanship was over.

In briefly addressing the convention Chairman Wright declared that the ticket to be named would not be dominated by perperation influences and that the party would fight its battles this fall indeendent of any sinister powers and would, prophesied, win a victory at the polls. The convention voted to allow delegates

o use proxies of absentees residing in their own precincts and for each delegation to cast the full vote of its respective pre-16, Oct. 7 and 21. ngt or ward. A flood of proxies was then gurned in.

The delegates apparently had gone to the convention without much preparation as to their lists of delegates for the coming convention. It was necessary, there-fore, to consume much time in making up River \$9.00. these lists. The chairman named one comof seven to select delegates for the nam street. Grand Island state convention and another to select delegates for the Fourth judicial

and the Second congressional conventions. oughly understands steam and electrical While these committees were preparing machin

Go to Grand Island.

The delegates to the state convention at

E. B. Streator, J. W. Woodrough, Andrew Murphy, R. B. Horton, A. A. Altachuler, J. D. Ware, E. P. Berryman, J. C. Dahlman, I. J. Duno, George Filspatrick, J. A. Rine, F. H. Comete, Daniel Buller, W. J. Creedon, C. Wright, R. L. Metcalfe, F. P. Eaton, G. C. Wright, R. L. Metcalfe, F. P. Eaton, G. L. Elsasser, James P. Bingliah, Walter Moise, Charles H. Brown, Churchill Parker, George McArelle, E. A. Calelly, Charles J. Bergin, Joneph McCleningen, J. C. Reeves, F. E. Munn, J. C. Reeves, F. E. Munn, J. C. Reeves, F. E. Munn, Charles Danleis, John Willisme, Dennis Lossergsin, Hane Sieh, C. Wilbrick, E. S. Hall, J. H. Bulls, C. M. Hunt, A. M. Gallagher, B. Brein, J.

splendidly handled by the railroad managements and everybody arrived home tired but happy.

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TO INVESTIGATE IRRIGATION

## Chief of Hydrographic Department to Visit Nebraska and

Colorado, F. H. Nervel, chief of the hydrographic department at Washington, will be in Omaha next week on his way to western Nebraska and northern Colorado, to look after irrigation interests. His most important work will be the investigation of the gigantic reservoir on the Pawnee site in the South Platte valley.

This mammoth pool will store twelve billion cubic feet of water and has capacity for irrigating 250,000 acres of government land. This land, much of which lies along the route of the Union Pacific, can be reached by this system of irrigation without any expensive flumes or pipe lines.

ANOTHER IMPROVEMENT.

#### Boston and Now York Chicago, Travel.

Sunday School Special to Denver. On and after June 15th, the Eric Railroad will still further improve their Bos-The Burlington will run a special train ton and New York service by offering to to Denver for the International Sunday School Convention, leaving Omaha 6:15 p. the public a handsome limited train to leave Chicago from Dearborn Station every Reservations and tickets, 1502 Farnam St. day at 10:30 a. m., arriving in New York next afternoon at 3:30 and Boston at 9

o'clock. There is no doubt that this service will be highly patronized, as this new train will land the traveler in New York City in ample time to permit him to proceed

leisurely to his hotel or home, rest, dress, dine and spend the evening in whatever manner may appeal to him most. This every-day morning train will consist of standard Pullman drawing-room and sleeping cars. All meals enroute served by the famous Erie dining cars. No extra fare charged on this train.

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application to City Ticket office, 1334 Far-Wanted-First-class engineer who thor-

On Thursday evening Mr. and Mrs. Car-michael entertained a number of Omaha and Dundee people at a musical, during which a number of exhibitions on the Cecilian were given, and a quartet of young nen sang.

men sang. Within four months of his 90th birthday the father of Dr. H. C. VanGieson, who spent two summers in Dundee, died on Saturday at his home in Paterson. N. J. Mr. VanGleson had been identified with the growth and inferests of that city for more than seventy years and was in full possession of his physical and mental pow-ers to within a few weeks of his death.

### Florence.

Mrs. Abbott of Omaha visited her father Thursday evening. Mrs. D. C. Hass of Omaha visited friends here Monday afternoon.

Sam Miller of Pecos, Tex., visited rela-tives here the last week. Miss Prudence Tracy was a business visitor in Omaha Monday.

Miss Estelle of Omaha spent the last week the guest of Mrs. F. S. Tucker.

Miss Emma King of Omaha spent Satur-day and Sunday at home here with her parents. Miss Bertle Wilson spent last week with relatives at Persia, Ia., returning home

Saturday. Miss Lilly Bondesson of Omaha spent Tuesday night the guest of her sister, Mrs. C. A. Victors. Rev. F. D. Finch of Fremont, Neb., was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Holtzman Fri-day and Saturday.

Mrs. William Wilson, who has been visit-ing relatives at Franklin, Neb., for the last three weeks, returned home Tuesday. Dr. Palmer, in charge of the Episcopal missions at Tekamah, Decatur, Neb., and Bancroft, Ia., was a business visitor here Thursday afternoon. Andrew P. Anderson, a resident here for the hast several years died Thursday

the last several years, died Thursday. The funeral will be in Omaha, in charge of the Danish Brotherhood, of which he was a member.

Miss Gertie Weber of Wayne, Neb., ar-rived here Monday and spent Monday night with Mrs. Jacob Weber, jr. She attended the graduation exercises at Council Bluffs of St. Francis' academy, Wednesday, where her sister Hattle is attending.

# Benson.

James Walsh went to Lincoln last Tues day as a delegate to the republican convention.

vention. A. J. Williams left last Monday for a visit with relatives in the vicinities of Ran-dolph and Wayne, Neb. Services will be held this morning at the Methodist Episcopal church at the usual hour by the pastor, Rev. Luce.

The young people of Benson organized isst week a tennis club, with enough char-ter members to supply four courts. The teachers of the public schools treated their scolars to a picnic at Elmwood park at the close of the school year Saturday week

Mrs. James Walsh left last Tuesday for an extended visit with relatives in the state of Washington. Mrs. Walsh was accom-panied by her father of Elkhorn.

A number of the young church people of this place went to Irvington hast Friday evening in a hayrack to unite with the Irvington young people in an lee cream so-cial at the home of Ernest Brewster.

cial at the home of Ernest Brewster. J. Kelly McCoombs of Irvington and Mrs. Lena Sprague of Hay Springs were mar-ried at Irvington last Thursday. Mr. Mc-Coombs is well known in this place and has many friends here. He will live on his farm near Irvington. A drama of four acts, "The Heart of a Here," will be given at the Benson town hall Friday and Saturday evenings, June 21 and 25, for the benefit of the improve-ment of the village fire department. A dance will be given after the entertain-ment on Saturday night. The Modern Woodmen camps of Benson

ment on Saturday night. The Modern Woodmen camps of Benson and Irvington united in observing me-morial day last Sunday evening by attend-ing special services at the Methodist Epis-copial church at 7:30. The members, headed by the degree team, marched from the hall to the church. Rev. Luce, a member, con-ducted the services. The music was given by the church choir. The entertainment given at the town hall

combination graphophone, which plays both large and small records: list price, \$90. This is especially designed for concert pur-poses, having a thirty-six inch horn and stand. It also includes twenty large Edi-son records and carrying case of twenty-four records. The machine is entirely new and has never been used. Will sell at a bargain. Address X 36, in cars of The Bee. Shampooing and hairdreesing, 25c, at the Bathery, 216-220 Bee Building. Tel. 1714.

In the case of the Union Pacific the record shows that the present assessed valuation of its main line represents more than 25 per cent of the cost of reproduction as given in the testimony in the Nebraska "rate case," and as 10 per cent has been shown in recent controversies to be amply sufficient for the equalized valuation of the tangible property, the additional 15 per cent or thereabouts is either excess assessment or it

MUTES TO CELEBRATE FOURTH They Will Have Picnic at Elmwood Park with Attractive

Program.

The Silentium association has completed its program for a picnic to be held at Elmwood park on the afternoon of July 4. The deaf mutes of Omaha, Council Bluffs and South Omaha will be present and a glorious time is promised all others who attend. Waldo H. Roberts of Council Bluffs will be the orator. The program consists of races, candy pulling, ball throwing, songs, orange catching and will conclude with a tug-ofwar between Iowa and Nebraska, prizes to be given to the winners. Refreshments will be sold on the grounds, the proceeds to become a portion of a fund to be used in the erection of a new church. The exercises begin at 2 o'clock and all are invited to attend. The arrangement committee is composed of W. L. Parish, Frances Dulaney, John Zadina, Charles Hartman and Christian Jensen.

#### Delightful Eastern Trips.

The Lake Shore & Michigan Southern Railway has just issued a new summer book, "Lake Shore Tours," showing a selected list of eastern resorts, with routes and rates. A copy will be sent on application to M. S. Giles, T. P. A., Chicago, or C. F. Daly, C. A. G. P. A., Chicago.

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All information at Wabash new city office, 1601 Farnam, or write Harry E. Moores, G. A. P. D., Omaha, Neb.

Publish your legal notices in The Weekly Bee. Telephone 238.

## Big Crowd at Log Rolling.

Big Crowd at Log Relling. The excursion of the Woodmen of the World returned to the dity at midnight from their Nebraska and Iowa picnic and log-rolling heid at Logan, Ia. Five hun-dred Woodmen attended the picnic and all enjoyed themselves. In the drill contests Alpha camp of Omaha, which is the largest in the state, won the first prize, which was of \$100; Bey-meur of Omaha carrying off the second, \$50. Alpha camp also was victorious in the log-rolling contest and its members won many of the individual prizes in the running and other events. Young Yates, son of the sovereign clerk, received a gold médal, valued at \$100.

of the individual prizes in the running and other events. Young Yates, son of the sovereign clerk, received a gold medal, valued at \$100. J. C. Root, sovereign commander of the Woodmen for the United States, and Sov-ereign Clerk J. T. Yates were present and delivered addresses. Speeches were also made by a member of the Ladies' auxi-liary and by several Iowans. Alpha Camp band of thirty-seven pieces furnished the music for the Woodman.



