Miners Appear Before Commission wit Stories of Poverty.

EARN LESS THAN FOUR DOLLARS WEEKLY

Slavenians Are Brought in to Take Work on Breakers.

COXE TRIES TO BREAK UP MEN'S UNION

Offers Local President Better Job to Leave Organisation.

MAN WORKS TWENTY-FOUR HOURS ON END

Should He Sleep on Duty Fans Would Stop, Gas Collect and Men and Mine Be Blown to Pieces.

SCRANTON, Pa., Dec. 4,-At today's ses-Hazieton coal fields. The miners tried to house. show that the Coxe and other companies Herr Singer, however, defied him and as violated the agreement, that the strikers old places where they had not already been filled.

The commission decided to invite the mine inspectors to appear before it, because the miners claim that workmen fear to mention dangerous or unhealthy places mittee. in the mines because the inspectors are usually accompanied by some representative GERMANY IS NOT SATISFIED of the company.

Rumors of possible negotiations looking to a settlement continue. Whatever is done will first be decided upon in New York, where those in authority are located. The opinion still prevails here and rather strongly, too, that the operators and the miners will agree on most points before the commission concludes its hearings.

Promises Not Kept. Andrew Mattey, a Slavonian, who was employed at Coxe Bros.' company, was the first witness today. He was the president of his local union and was told by the company, he said, that if he quit the union he would be given a boss job. He refused and later was given such bad work that he of bringing fourteen Slavonians to this a few days. country at the instance of a breaker boss at the Coxe mines. They were promised

\$1.10 a day, but received only 65 or 80 cents. When the witness was asked by Mr. Darrow how many times he had seen the mine inspector in the mines, Commissioner Watkins asked the purpose of the question. Mr Darrow said as a rule the mine inspector was accompanied by a company official and, therefore, a miner was afraid to make a complaint in the presence of his boss. He maintained inspectors should be unacfrom bad places in the mines.

In consequence of this allegation all mine ing the point raised. John G. Strenix, an Englishman, followed

year and had worked in the mines for thirty John Farari, an Austrian, formerly employed by the Coxe company, said he was

able to save only \$60 in seven years. W. H. Dettrey was recalled in the after-He presented correspondence between him and the Coxe Co., with regard

back their places. Some of these men were subsequently taken back. him a letter, a copy of which he fruitlessly tried to obtain, stating that the other men would not be taken back until after the

against the men, none of the United Mine see the coffin carried out for interment Workers will be taken back." On cross-examination he said he did not know how many of the men mentioned were held for violating the law, but knew of sixteen having been dragged fifteen miles past justices of the peace, to Hazleton,

where they had to appear before a justice whose sympathies were with the company. Works Twenty-Four-Hour Day. Jackson Ansbach was the first foreman he received \$1.57 for a day of twelve hours

and his assistant \$1.26. On every other Sunday, when he and his assistant shifted from day to night work, they were compelled to work twenty-four hours straight without relief. This statement caused a buzz through

ened up and became more interested. weeks, thus working six days one week and efforts saved the challenger, now well ad- cally at a standstill, telegraph wires are eight the next. Supposing you should fall asleep when

Darrow.

be killed; that is all." Gabriel's Roman Catholic church of Hazle- control. ton, and dean by appointment of the bishop

of Lower Luzerne, said he had lived in the are safe, although the construction of the coal regions practically all his life. "The conditions in this region," he added, barely able to exist. I say this without any coloring, knowing that I am under oath. I realize that what I say is going to the American people and I want to talk cautiously. I have been in their homes. They are not homes, but merely habita

tions, resting places. They are frugal, conservative, reasonable and God-fearing people. We have eight Catholic churches in Hasleton and they are crowded every Sunday with worshipers, and this is no doubt true of the churches whose faith is opposed to ours. "Families cannot be kept together," he went on. "The boys are sent into the mines almost as soon as they are able to

toddle about, and the girls to the mills in tant plot. The officials believe that Pulgar the small towns or drift to large cities." He related instances of poverty and said it took one man six years to pay off a funeral debt of \$200.

In reply to further questioning Father Hussie said that he had examined fifty or sixty mine workers and found only three who were able to save money. One was a Scotchman, one an Austrian and the third inherited his. He examined the tax lists of Harleton, and only eighty mine employes out of 1,723 assessed owned their own homes. He could not say whether they were clear of debt.

The commission adjourned. SHAMOKIN, Pa., Dec. 4.-The Ninth district executive board of United Mine Workera tonight officially announced that the district would not receive any more aid

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Trouble is Caused by Failure to Recognize Member Who Has

Right to Floor. BERLIN Dec. 4.-The Reichstag was in a state of wild tumuit today for a few min- y utes over a slight misunderstanding as

to who had the right to the floor, Herr Singer, secialist, had arranged with President von Ballestram for recognition at a certain juncture.

Meanwhile the president left the chair. after explaining to Vice President von Stollberg-Werngerode, who had the next right to the floor, but the vice president recognized Herr Spahn, of the center party, the condition of ex-Speaker Thomas B. Herr Singer started to mount the steps to the tribune and the vice president told him

the steps and Herr Spahn took the tribune and began his speech, with Herr Sibger loudly protesting, for which the vice prestdent called him to order, saying his turn

dent called him to order, saying his turn for recognition would come later.

The members of the Reichstag wers by that time in such a state of passion and tension that they all sprang to their feet, the socialists shouting in support of Herr Singer and the members of the center and Singer and the members of the center and sions of the strike commission practical right parties supporting the vice presiminers told their story of conditions in the dent, who ordered Herr Singer to leave the

the rules do not provide for the arrest or should return to work and be given their removal of recalcitrant members, the vice president was powerless, except to suspend the session for half an hour. At the expiration of that time business

was quietly resumed, with the reading of the reports of members of the tariff com-

Reply of Venezuela is Regarded as Only a Subterfuge to Gain More Time.

BERLIN, Dec. 4 .- The note of President Castro of Venezuela, presented to the Gernot satisfactory to the German government. It is deemed inadequate and as being especially designed to gain further time. Its partial acceptance of the German demands was coupled with conditions that are unacceptable.

The exchange of views with the British Foreign office has resulted in a decision to proceed with the joint action. An ulti- Chicago Great Western matters announced gave up his job. He said he was the means | matum will almost certainly be presented in | today that within sixty days there have

spective governments, whose action will not the spring and the road will be a more await the arrival in the West Indies of the important factor than ever in northwestern Germany already has an ample force there. able that it will not be many months be-The departure of these cruisers has been fore it passes into the control of one of indefinitely postponed.

has been abandoned of a reaceful settlecompanied and their attention not diverted | ment," and that Venezuela has treated Germany in a manner almost insulting because Venezuela published official communiinspectors will be invited to testify regard- cations without Germany's consent, coupled with improper comments.

Mattey. He said he averaged about \$300 a GREAT PREACHER IS MOURNED Memorial and Funeral Services for Dr. Parker Are Held in

London Temple.

LONDON, Dec. 4 .- A memorial service for the late Dr. Parker was held in the to 639 men who struck and were not given | City Temple this morning. It was an impressive demonstration. The temple was filled with flowers and crowded with per-He testified that the mine foreman read sonal friends of the deceased and representatives of a score of religious organizations.

The streets outside the building were strike commission made/its award. "If filled with crowds who were unable to the award," he said the letter stated, "is enter and who waited in the biting wind to at Hampstead. The music included Dr. Parker's favorite hymn and Tennyson's "Crossing the Bar." Dr. Clifford and Dr. Robertson Nicoll officiated. Dr. Nicoll, who preached the funeral

sermon, said: The Christian church has mourned one of its greatest preachers, and free churchmen must feel how rich they had been and how poor they have now become.

to appear before the commission. He said SHAMROCK NEARLY BURNED the season this morning, when the mercury Arrangements are therefore being made to Firemen Fight Fierce Flames for an Hour and Just Succeed in

Saving Challenger.

LONDON, Dec. 4.-Shamrock III had a

vanced in its construction. Redhot cinders were blown on the roof impeded. you work in the long shift of twenty-four and sides of the shed in which Shamrock MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 4.—Sleet and rain hours, what would happen?" asked Mr. III is being built. The fire was flercest in fell all morning in the territory adjacent Well, if I slept long enough the fans direction of Shamrock's shed, which is only is crippled south and west of Memphis. would stop, the mines fill with gas, and thirty yards distant, for an hour. A spethe challenger. Eventually the fitter's

> All the material parts of Shamrock III yacht will be delayed for some time.

"are deplorable. The mine workers are ANARCHIST IS CLOSELY HELD Man Who Intended to Kill King Alfonso Believed to Be Feigning Insanity.

MADRID, Dec. 4 .- Perez Pulgar, the anarchist, arrested recently at Orenz, and ten points in New York yesterday, an acwho said he intended to kill King Alfonso, is held in close confinement. It is learned that in spite of his claim to be a citizen of Argentine he is a Spaniard prised if the western company were to

22 years old. The police are searching for his accomplices and it is thought the investiga- less than the rates in New York, which is tion will result in unearthing an impor- unusual. is feigning insanity.

Great Britain Does Not Think Sugar Question Proper One for The Hague Tribunal.

LONDON, Dec. 4.-Replying to a question today in the House of Commons on the sub- this fall 190,000 tons of coal, mostly an ject of Russia's offer to submit the ques- thracite, the freight rate being \$1 a ton. tion of Russian sugar and all other goods to the arbitration of The Hague tribunal, at 30 cents a ton, but the western shortage Lord Cranborne, under foreign secretary, said the government had informed Russia to this price. it did not consider the question a proper one for arbitration, but that Great Britain bring up this coal will remain here for was still ready to renounce the commercial the winter, and all the coal will be detreaty of 1859 if Russia so desired.

Condition of Former Speaker is New Reported Critical.

"S HOLD LENGTHY CONSULTATION 4 ang Bulletin, but State Issue Verbaly, While Statement Joes Not in Tr Te All:

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4 .- At 11:30 tonight Reed was reported critical.

A few minutes before that Dr. Gardner, one of the attending physicians, handed Herr Singer, in some surprise, stopped on the following bulletin to the press: At 10 f. m. Mr. Reed's condition is as follows: Temperature, 100 2-6; pulse, 88; res-

piration, M.

Mr. Reed suffered from some degree of

Dr. Gardner made two visits to his patient during the evening, leaving the first time at half past 8. Later he and Drs. Goodnow and McDonald came and remained Quotes Figures showing Less of Disciat the hotel for nearly two hours, some of the time with Mr. Reed and the remainder of the time in consultation. Dr. Gardner was not disposed to talk about the case or to add anything to the bulletin, saying it contained an exact

statement of Mr. Reed's condition. He did say, however, that Mr. Reed's the army canteen question as follows: ondition was critical, but that it was better than at 5 o'clock this afternoon. In some respects Mr. Reed was better than last night and in some worse. He was better as far as the appendicitis symptoms was concerned, but the uraemic features gave the case a graver aspect. After issuing the bulletin the doctor

went home for the night, leaving his assistant, Dr. Bishop, with Mr. Reed. man minister at Caracas a week ago, is SEEK TO BUY A COMPETITOR Chicago-Omaha Lines Make Active

Effect to Secure Chicago

Great Western.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4 .- (Special Telegram.) -Wall street interests well informed in been active efforts to secure control of the The phrasing of the note is the subject of Great Western property by other roads. the present correspondence between the re- The extension to Omaha will be opened in cruisers Amazon, Niobe and Ariadne, as traffic. It is regarded as altogether probthe big systems. It was thought the North-A seemingly inspired article in the Co- western was the system after the line, but logne Gazette today says: "Despite Ger- this is authoriatively denied today by offimany's patience with Venezuela, all thought cials of that road and Wall street is looking elsewhere.

CHICAGO, Dec. 4 .- A. P. Stickney, president of the Chicago & Great Western, has today, stating that while Mr. Buck, the them to send him proxies for the special meeting on February 18. This meeting will suddenly ill and expired. vote on the proposition to increase the

In his circular he says: The company has arranged with the proprietors of the Mason Cliy & Fort Dodge Railroad company to extend its lines to Omaha and Sioux Cliy and to purchase and improve certain branch lines belonging to this company, together making a system of about 503 miles, connecting with the main lines of the Chicago & Great Western at Oelwein, Ia., and at Hayfield, Minn.

COLD SNAP SWEEPS KANSAS Zero Weather is Experienced, but

Finds Cattlemen Amply

Prepared. SIOUX CITY, Ia., Dec. 4 .- Today was the coldest of the season, 9 degrees below zero. TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 4 .- Zero weather is reported from a number of localities in northern Kansas, but the sudden fall in

temperature is believed to have caught but few cattlemen unprepared. In Kiowa county in the southwestern part of the gent, concluded their work today. state the supply of coal for general consumption is scant. LA CROSSE, Wis., Dec. 4 .- La Crosse and in the Weather bureau thermometer dropped to the zero mark. Instruments about town showed as low as 10 below zero.

JACKSON, Miss., Dec. 4.-General rain, the room and every commissioner straight- narrow escape from being burned tonight sleet and snow prevailed throughout the in a fire which did great damage to Denay's state today. This is the earliest snow

the fitter's shop and the wind blew in the to Memphis. Telegraphic communication

if an explosion occurred the miners would clai force of men had hard work to save SUGAR PRICES ARE BOOSTED The Rev. James Hussie, rector of St. shop was gutted, but the fire was got under Western Refining Company Adds Forty Cents on All Refined Goods.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 4 .- The Western and Indian Territory as one state. Sugar Refining company today sent out circulars to all the wholesale grocery houses sion and at 1:50 adjourned until Monday. in California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington, notifying them that until further notice the price of all grades of refined sugar would stand advanced 40c per 100

pounds. All grades of refined sugar were advanced tion which, apparently, caused the increase of prices here today.

Local dealers say they would not be surraise prices again in the near future, as the market is still 30 cents per 100 pounds

RATE ON COAL IS INCREASING NOT WILLING TO ARBITRATE Lake Freights Jump from Thirty ference, now being held in Washington. Cents to One Dollar Per

Ton.

DULUTH, Minn., Dec. 4.-The Pittsburg Steamship company has just closed a contract to bring to the head of Lake Superior Coal has been carried up all the year and the urgency of western shippers led

All the twenty to twenty-five ships that livered in the next fifteen days.

WAGES TUMULT IN THE REICHSTAG REED SUFFERS BAD RELAPSE TROOP TRANSPORTS IN DANGER FAIRBURY IS TO THE FORE

OMAHA, FRIDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 5, 1902-TEN PAGES.

Root Considers Giving Business to Seattle Line Instead of Gov. ernment Ships.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4 Secretary Root had a conference today with Quartermaster PUBLIC BUILDING BILL FOR YANKTON General Ludington and Colonel Pattington, in charge of the army transport service, with regard to the transportation of troops and supplies to the Philippines. The lowest bid received was that of the

Boston company, running between Scattle and Mantla. It was below regular commercial rates. The main question to be determined is whether the rates offered would justify the abandonment of the army transport service.

the business. yet prepared to act and has called for adceptance of the Boston company's bid.

BATES JOINS CANTEEN CRY pline Following Abolition of

Official Bars. WASHINGTON, Dec. 4 .- General Bates, paymaster general of the army, has written to Adjutant General Corbin in regard to

of intoxicants.

of Intoxicants.

This appears to be fully borne out by the records of the paymaster general's officers, which show that the paymaster of the army collected \$462,688 from 75,000 enlisted men during the last year in which the canteen was in force on account of home dues, fines and forfeitures, while during the fiscal year 1962, since the canteen was abolished, there was collected by paymasters from about 70,000 enlisted men on the same account \$632,125.

The fact therefore appears indisputable the same account \$632,125.

The fact therefore appears indisputable by the figures cited that the fines and forfeitures imposed upon and collected from the enlisted men of the army were vasily increased during the year subsequent to the abclition of the canteen, which increase cannot be well attributed to any other cause than the effects of an uncontrolled liquor traffic in connection with military posts, which traffic appears to seriously affect the discipline and morals of the army.

MINISTER TO JAPAN IS DEAD Buck Taken Suddenly Ill

While on Hunting Trip and

Expires. haste today to communicate to Secretary Hay a cablegram he had received from the minister of foreign affairs at Tokio, dated

The service of the deceased minister common stock from \$30,000,000 to \$50,000,- covered a critical and important chapter Fairbury and leave no sore spots behind. water is already backing. of Japanese history.

The State department will take the necessary steps to see that Mr. Buck's remains are brought to this country for interment, if his family so desire. Huntwas designated as charge.

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 4.-Hon. Alfred E. In 1897 he was appointed by President McKinley as minister to Japan.

Authorities Make Move to Stop Illegal

Entry to Country at Land Frontiers. WASHINGTON, Dec. 4 .- The commission-

ference with Commissioner General Sar-It is understood the department now has specific information as to points on the Canadian and Mexican borders where immivicinity experienced the coldest weather of grants have been crossing quite unmolested. close these runways and establish a more

rigid inspection of the frontiers. The immigration bill now pending in the The Weather bureau promises that the senate was also discussed and several sugtemperature will rise within twenty-four gestions bearing principally on the adminhours and that more snow will fall shortly, istration features will be made to the immigration commission, which meets on Monday.

He was off, he said, one day every two shippards at Dumbarton. Only strenuous known here in years. Business is practi- SENATE DOES LITTLE WORK Gamble will form an offensive alliance with prostrated and railway traffic has been Receives Bills, Petitions and Resolu-

tions, Considers in Private and Adjourns.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4 .- The senate was in session today one hour and five minutes, most of which time was spent behind closed doors. After the reception of a number of bills and petitions and the adoption of a concurrent resolution calling on the president for the papers in the Pius fund case, Mr. Beveridge read the resolutions favoring the admission of Oklahoma The senate then went into executive ses-

President Receives Nurses and Sanita- nothing of an important character transrians in Audience at White

House.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4 .- President Roosevelt today received the members of the Spanish War Nurses's association, now in in which the War department was inter- pear at the National Reciprocity League session. Nearly 100 paid their respects to ested the president, while he shook hands with

to each. Later in the day Dr. Walter Weyman

ASTRONOMER SEES NEW COMET Washington Man Observes Celestial

Traveler Discovered in France on Tuesday. WASHINGTON. Dec. 4 .- The United

States naval observatory reports that W. W. Dinwiddie last night observed the comet discovered by Giacobini at Nice on Tuesday. The comet is nearly on a straight line joining Trocyon and Sirius and is about having no commercial value. On the other one-third of the distance from Trocyon to Sirius. It is moving northwest,

Honr.

5 a. m

6 a. m

8 a. m

9 n. m.....

10 m. m.....

11 a. m

7 n. m

Contest for Postmastership is Attracting a Large Amount of Attention.

Some Talk that Combination May Be Made to Clear Up the Calendar of Bills When Site Has Been Purchased.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, Dec. 4 .- (Special Telegram.)-While the fight over the Fairbury Although no bid was received from San postoffice between Senator Dietrich and Francisco the business interests of that. Congressman-elect Hinshaw has not reached city are actively opposing the transfer of any further than a simple disagreement stage as to the relative merits of the two The officers of the quartermaster's de- candidates, Mr. Hinshaw, recognizing the partment are said to oppose the discon- power that a United States senator has, tinuance of the army transport service. has seen not only Postmaster General Although Secretary Root has committed Payne, but the fourth assistant postmaster himself in favor of private lines, he is not general in behalf of his candidate. Lew He has also gone to the presi-Shelley. ditional data as to the effect of the ac- dent with his story, so that when the time comes to act upon Senator Dietrich's recommendation for the place there may be a truck teamsters struck in sympathy with thorough understanding of the circumstances. Mr. Hinshaw claims the right of naming the postmaster at his home town, even though he is but congressman-elect. Senator Dietrich, on the other hand, is carrying out a pledge made to D. E. Thompson more than a year and a half ago, and has sent in the name of B. W. McLucas for the postmastership at Fairbury, and says that Mr. McLucas will be appointed.

bearing, but if this is not successful both From an official of the Postoffice depart parties will be requested to submit the case The War department, in recommending the restoration of the canteen, claims that it improves discipline, lessens descrition and that it decreases fines and forfeitures by courts-martial on account of breaches of military discipline resulting from the use of intoxicants. to the teamsters' arbitration board and agree to abide by its decision. too giad to rid themselves of these spprove unwilling he may be boycotted by the pointments, but there has been no case just exactly similar presented to the Postoffice department as the situation over the by virtue of the new arrangement, will be-

Equities Favor Hinshaw.

There are a great many equities in Mr. Hinshaw's favor, according to the official above mentioned. The fact that he desires to make the appointment at his home town and a town in which the senator does not live seems to be in his favor. That he has changed the complexion of the district from democracy to republicanism is also regarded favorably by the department, and as he will be a full fledged congressman after March 4 the department is desirous of following its usual practice and recognize the right of a line here tonight. The bottom lands, incongressman-elect to make recommenda-

Of course, should Senator Dietrich decide to antagonize Mr. Shelley in case his name is sent to the senate for confirmation, Fair- hundreds are preparing to move to higher bury being a presidential office, it would go points. hard with Mr. Shelley, and should be make WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.-The Japanese a personal fight against his confirmation it minister called at the State department in seems safe to assume that the senate would widening. There appears to be no immestand by a colleague as it has done on num- diate danger to life, though there will be berless occasions in times past. It is not inaugurated, but that a compromise will be being taken. issued a circular to stockholders requesting United States minister to Japan, was on a arranged so that Mr. McLucas may be apallow Mr. Shelley to be appointed in his safety of Shreveport, except in those hol-

Turner Resolution to Die. Senators Gamble and Dubois, who were

appointed a subcommittee on Senator Turners resolution directing an investigation of the conduct and character of Inington Wilson, the secretary of legation, dian schools and reservations as to immorality and disease growing out of charges which ex-Governor McConnell of Idaho Buck was about 60 years of age and was a made against the management of certain leader in republican politics in Georgia. Indian schools, had a meeting today with the committee on Indian affairs, and after a full conference decided to make no report on the Turner resolution and to allow it to BAR BAD IMMIGRANTS OUT die a natural death. Gamble and Dubols conducted an investigation with a view of ascertaining whether a public investigation, such as was contemplated by Senator Turner's resolution, was imperative, and after hearing a great many witnesses they reached a conclusion that there was more smoke than fire in the charges made by ers of immigration who have been in con- McConnell and the whole thing will prob-

ably be dropped. Appropriation for Yankton.

appropriating \$100,000 for the erection of a ing. public building at Yankton, S. D., on the site recently selected by the Treasury de- woman were given by the niece and many partment at the southwest corner of Wal- articles of clothing were identified by her. nut and Fourth streets. Senator Gamble, speaking of the bill, said that there was a decided feeling growing in favor of bring- the defense gave an inkling of a possible reach them. Many jumped from the fourthing in an omnibus public building bill for defense. He tried to shake Miss Casey's story windows or tried to save themselves the purpose of appropriating money for positive identification until it seemed as by climbing down the fire escape in the the erection of public building on sites already purchased, and to clean up the whole still alive. public building question at this session. If an omnibus bill is not agreed upon Senator FIRST DREXEL MEDAL GIVEN The persons sleeping in the rear of the of congress who are similarly situated and an effort made to get bills of a character such as the senator introduced today through congress before the close of the

session. Committee Makes Call, Captain Hull, chairman of the military affairs committee of the house, together with his colleagues, called today to pay their respects to President Roosevelt. The president was exceedingly gracious and said to the members of the committee that Captain Hull was one of three men who had made possible a republican majority in the Fifty-eighth congress, to which the captain gallantly replied that it was the president who brought about the election of a republican congress and not the men KEPT BUSY SHAKING HANDS of the national congressional committee. STANLEY DETAINED AT HOME Beyond a mere exchange of formalities

> pired. Later the committee called in a body upon Secretary Root, who also spoke of the innovation, and said he expected to see the members of the committee individually later on and would take up subjects ley has cancelled his engagement to ap-

Captain Hull was informed today by the he was to make an address. and extended a pleasant personal greeting secretary of the interior that the name of He is a candidate for the United States R. P. Clarkson, former editor of the Des senate and the campaign for that office Moines Register, would be sent to the sen- is livening up to such an extent that he presented to the president about fifty dele- ate as pension agent at Des Moines at the cannot well leave the state at present, gates to the Pan-American Sanitary con- first meeting of that body after the tem- though he issued the call for the meeting porary recess. It was expected that the that resulted in the organization of the name would be sent to the senate today, league. but it probably did not reach the White House in time to be sent up with a large

for a report as to why he has held up a " certain lot of laces consigned to Lederer, Straus & Co. of Des Moines. The consignees have written to Representative Hull stating that the consignment of laces held up by Redmon are simply samples,

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CONDITION OF THE WEATHER DIE

7 p. m..... 15 8 p. m..... 15

9 p. m 16

Deg. Hour.

Conciliatory Labor Court Formed in

Chicago Which May Avert

Overt War.

was when the freight handlers were out last

summer and the commission drivers and

In the fuutre when teamsters are re-

quested to take up the grievances of an-

other union they will refer the troubled

union to the advisory board of employers.

Here the matter in dispute will be taken

up and the employer requested to appear

and state his side of the case. An effort

will be made to settle the matter in this

Any union which refuses to take such a

course, will be deprived of the support of

the teamsters, while if the employer shall

John C. Driscoll, the secretary-treas-

urer of the associated teaming interests.

come a sort of labor commissioner for Chi-

FLOOD WATERS WASH NEGROES

Louisiana River Rises Rapidly and

Overflows Black Men's

Homes.

SHREVEPORT, La., Dec. 4 .- The Red

river continues to rise at Shreveport and

filling with water. A number of families

have been forced to leave their homes and

teamsters.

cago.

for labor troubles has been formed.

Forecast for Nebraska-Snow Friday Colder in West Portion. Saturday, Fair Temperature at Omaha Yesterday: 1 p. m..... 12

2 p. m..... 13 3 p. m..... 14 4 p. m..... 14 VISITORS TO STOCK SHOW VICTIMS 5 p. m..... 14 6 p. m..... 14

Hotel Crowded with Sightseers, Who Rush to Street in Nightdress.

STOP TEAMSTERS' STRIKES TWO IOWA MEN KILLED AND ONE INJURED

Smoke Overcomes Many and Others Leap to Death from Windows.

which have just been perfected by the associated teaming interests a clearing house Protecting Walls Ordered, but Proprietor Falls to Build Them, Claim-Ever since the teamsters formed into ing as Contractors Saw Strucunions their co-operation has been sought by hearly every other labor organization in ture He Cannot Re Blamed. the time of trouble. The most serious case

> CHICAGO, Dec. 4 .- Fourteen persons among the scores crowded into the Lincoln hotel at 176 Madison street, met death shortly before 6 o'clock this morning in a fire. Death came suddenly to a few, but with awful slowness to others, who were penned in the death trap and suffocated or burned to death. Some died in their rooms, some chanced all in jumping and lost, while others were found in the hallways, where they had expired with their fingers dug into the

hotel was not destroyed. List of the Victims. M. M. HANDY, Janesville, Wis. H. K. WOOD, Lebanon, Ind.

F. L. EWING, Marletta, O. A. B. COON, Marengo, Ill. T. V. SLOCUM, Waconda, III. WARD LOWE, Sechlersville, Wis. F. W. CAREY, Bucyrus, O.

B. F. BOSWELL, lived at hotel.

THREE PERSONS, including one who died on the way to the hospital, had not been identified up to noon.

downstairs. points above. It will go above the danger with anxious people interested in the dead or seeking to assure themselves of the

as a further rise of five feet is predicted. The gap in the levee at Belcher, twenty miles above Shreveport, is reported to be considerable suffering and heavy crop and

Captain Potter of Memphis, United States engineer for the Third district, with a

government relief boat is expected to arrive tonight. NIECE IDENTIFIES THE DEAD Claims She Got Letter Returned for

Prisoner. BOSTON, Dec. 4 .- The trial of J. Wilfred Blondin on the charge of wife murder is established today that Mrs. Blondin was killed by strangulation and her head was cut off after death with a sharp instru-

Murdered Aunt Indorsed by

ment, probably a jack knife. The attorney general proceeded to introduce evidence to prove the identity of the woman and to show that a letter written to her by her piece. Miss Casey, subsequent to the alleged murder was returned to the writer, bearing the indersement, Senator Gamble today introduced a bill "Gone to Canada," in Blondin's handwritfilled with men and women who had escaped

Some details in the life of the murdered searching and the questions of counsel for overcome and died before assistance could if he meant to show that Mrs. Blondin was front of the building, only to lose their

a number of other senators and members Prof. Helipreicht Honored for His for their lives. A narrow stairway leading Archaeological Research at Nippur.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 4 .- Prof. H. V. Heilpreicht was tonight awarded the Lucy scene of the catastrophe. They con-Wharton Drexel medal for his excavations demned the building as a "fire trap." at Nippur and his publications on the subject by the University of Pennsylvania. The fund for the medals was established and the dead and injured were quickly atlast month by Lucy Wharton Drexel, who tended to. All but fourteen of the guests donated \$2,000, the income of which is to at the hotel were out-of-town persons. be expended for medals to be awarded Most of them came to Chicago to attend once a year for the best archaeological the international live stock show. excavation or for the best publication based on archaeological excavations by an

English-speaking scholar. Cannot Attend Reciprocity Convention

Cailed in Detroit at His Instance. TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 4 .- Governor Stan-

meeting in Detroit next Wednesday, where

Movements of Ocean Vessels Dec. 4. At New York—Arrived—Teutonic, from Liverpool; Zeeland, from Antwerp.
At Liverpool—Arrived—Majestic, from Liverpool—Arrived—Majestic, from Liverpool—Arrived—Majestic, from New York; Roman, from Montreal. Salled—Bohemia, for New York; Pretorian, for Hailfax and St. John; Rhynland, for Philadelphia, via Queenstown hia. via Queenstown. London-Salled-Minnetonka, for New Cherbourg-Sailed-Kron Pring Wil- carried out. from Bremen and Southampton, for

At Queenstown-Sailed-Oceanic, for New

Fourteen Guests Perish in Another Chicago Holocaust.

CHICAGO, Dec. 4.-Under arrangements REQUIRED ALTERATIONS NOT CARRIED OUT

cracks of the floor. All the bodies were recovered, as the

SAMUEL L. YOCUM, Davenport, Ia. J. C. YOCUM, Davenport, Ia.

ED TONER, Milwaukee.

Among the injured was William M. Snyder of Loom City, Ia., bruised by falling The victims were taken to Raiston's morgue, and all day the place was filled

habited principally by negroes, are rapidly safety of friends or relatives. Building is Fire Trap. The building was a fire trap of the worst kind, according to experts. There were but

two exits, a narrow stairway leading down the four floors of the building and an incomplete fire escape in the rear, The fire started on the second floor, presumably from a lighted eigar dropped on the carpet. Guests occupying upper rooms thought however, that an open war will be live stock losses. Relief measures are in the front part of the hostelry, aroused by the screams of a woman, were able to escape down the stairway, and about thirty Snow and rain continue to swell the hunting trip this afternoon he was taken pointed, and then after March 4 resign and waters. No fear is entertained for the people reached safety by means of the fire escape. To add to the horror, however, this stead. This would satisfy all factions at lows inhabited by negroes, into which the gave way while others were attempting to escape and three men were dashed to death

ement of the alley hal For the people in the rear there was no escape save by jumping. The stairway was in flames and the fire escape gone. Horrorstricken faces appeared at the windows and cried for help. Firemen cried back to them to wait until nets or mattresses could be brought, and those who did in most cases escaped with slight injuries. But some, crazed with fear, jumped to the pavement and were either killed or badly hurt.

Fire Subdued With Difficulty. With great difficulty the fire, although comparatively a small one, was subdued, beginning to take definite shape. It was but it was some time before rescuers could penetrate the dense bank of smoke which

filled the place. It was an awful scene which met their gaze. The dead or unconscious lying stretched on the floors, and in some cases on their beds. Some had attempted to slip on a garment before making for the street, but they had been overcome, although most of them were in their night clothing. Every store and hotel in the vicinity was

with only their nightgowns. Hotel Not Badly Damaged.

Little damage was done to the hotel, but The cross-examination of Miss Casey was the smoke was so dense that many were grasp on the cold iron bars and fall to the

street.

building on the top floor had no chance to all floors of the structure was afire and the escape of the lodgers in the rear of the building was cut off. Firemen and policemen were not reticent in speaking of what they witnessed at the Ambulances and patrol wagons from all

parts of the city were called to the place

House Filled with Guests. Up to 10 o'clock last night persons were taken in at the hotel and in every room or place where a cot could be erected guests were accommodated. At that time a large number of stockmen, with their families,

were turned away. Shortly after the fire broke out the firemen rushed up the stairway and began the work of rescue. Men, women and children were carried down ladders, fire escapes and smoke-filled halls. In one instance a fireman of engine company No. 2 saved a woman from running to the rear of the building to certain death on the fourth floor, only to be forced to drop her from the third floor to the roof of the building at 178

Madison street. The woman held her 7-year-old son in her arms. She was Mrs. J. Sheppard and her son's name is Frederick. She was then carried from the roof of the building to the Brevoort house, where a physician was summoned. It was found that their injuries were slight.

The building is constructed of brick, with

but one stairway leading to the upper

floors and a fire escape in the front of the

building, but a fire wall around the freight elevator and other precautionary alterations which had been ordered had not been E. C. Weber, the night clerk, was one of

the first to discover amoke on the second floor. It is believed that the fire St. Vincent, C. V.—Arrived—Clumber-from San Francisco.

Napice—Arrived—Trave, from New

Weber refused to make any statement and
after he had secured possession of the