by Attorney General.

of Reported Attempt to Influence

Representative by Means of

Handsome Check.

State Board of Equalication to predict will have a rough road to travel | action will *be. in either house or senate, as the sentiment seems very pronounced in favor of the Douglas county bill, which is backed by an overwhelming local sentiment and supported by Lincoln commercial interests, which have gone so far as to request their delegation in the legislation to work for the passage of such a bill for the benefit

of the espital city. Bill for Organized Labor.

Roetter of Douglas today introduced a bill designed to benefit organized labor. It lt has been the custom of the senator for provides that no employer, individual or corporation shall oppose or do anything to at his home on Walnut Hill, Omaha, winprevent an employe from joining or affiliating with an organized labor union, and flowers. His three sons, the eldest of whom that for any violation of this provision the is 12 years of age, assist him and all of offender shall pay a fine of from \$50 to \$1,them are naturalists. Since coming to Lin-000, or go to the county jail for a period of coln Senator Hall each morning while ensix months, or be subjected to both fine and Imprisonment,

Speaker Mockett is the author of a bill which was introduced in the house today providing for the appointment of a comnission by the mayor of Lincoln which shall in turn appoint the school board. The favor. speaker said the object of the bill was to remove the school board from politics one LITTLE TILT IN THE SENATE more step. He will not push the measure unless he finds it meets public approval.

Fowler on Normal Schools.

This communication was distributed to day among the members of both house and senste:

I desire to call your most earnest attention to the normal school question. Much is being said and published on this matter, some of which is truth, much of which is misrepresentation. The excellent schools in the extreme eastern end of the state are constantly referred to by the opponents of additional normal school facilities, but additional schools, if established, must of necessity go west of the sixth principal meridian. These opponents, almost wignout exception, live east of that meridian. I have always lived cust of that ine, from 1883 to 18d in Dodge and Washington counties, and have no intention or expectation of ever living west of that meridian. I have no property or investments west of that line, but I have been all over the state, I have talked to and interviewed the teachers in eighty-five counties, and while I know that those in the central and western portions of the state are as carnest, as enhusiastic and as anxious to progress as portions of the state are as carnest, as en-thusiastic and as anxious to progress as the teachers in the custern portion of it, they have not had the chance, the oppor-tunities of their more favored eastern sin-ters and brothers, and it is their cause I plead, honestly and unselfishly. We want better teachers that we may have better schools.

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Fifteen per cent of our teachers do not have any high school education whatever, 30 per cent have one or two years high school education, 40 per cent have three or four years high school education, 40 per cent have three or four years high school graduates and about 5 per cent are college or university graduates. Twenty counties in Nebraska are without a high school district, all west of the sixth meridian. Many of the schools are taught by those whose education ended with the lessons they are hearing. The section of the state west of the sixth printerple meridian, six-asyenths of the state Normal school during the past two years. Many of these students remained and will remain east of that line, but a school in the west will attract teachers who will remain in their home territory and teach those western schools.

in their home territory and teach those western schools.

I hope you can see your way clear to support, conscientiously and enthusiastically, and enthusiastically, house rolls Nos. I and 160. Some objections have been raised to the manner of providing for the committee to locate the school called for in house roll No. I. Amend it, then, if you please. The personnel of this committee is a matter of indifference to me so long as it consists of putriotic honorable men and citizens who will do the best for the state. I am not interested in any particular location. "No school unless it goes to my town" is not my motto, but rather "Establish a school for the state, determine its location thereafter." A school anywhere west of the sixth meridian is better than no school. House roll No. 169, providing for junior normal schools, can and should be heartily supported by every member of the legislature. These schools, if established, would furnish a summer's term instruction to teachers that are from 100 to 300 miles from nony normal school. The bill also calls for yo landed investment, and the schools may be discentinued at any time without Descentinued at any time without Descentinued at any time without passes 172, 201, 391, 1001 and 515 and 515 of the Lieutenant Governor McGillon called the Your attention is respectfully called to pages 172, 201, 291, 1001 and 810, 812 of the seventeenth blennial report of this department, copies of which have been distributed to the members of both houses.

This department will cheerfully furnish you with additional information on this question, and the reports on education of the journal was dispensed with after a few sections and other states and of the United Sintes commissioner of education and the National Educational association are attyour service. Very respectfully.

your service. Very respectfully, WILLIAM K, FOWLER, Superintendent of Public Instruction. House roll No. 1, above referred to, provides for the appointment of a committee to locate a new state normal school.

Farmers File Protest. This petition will be introduced in the

We. the undersigned residents of Jef-ferson county and citizens of Nebraska re-spectively represent: That the railroads traversing the state of Nebraska invaria-bly fall, refuse and neglect to furnish or provide cars when requested so to do by farmers or others who desire the ship grain to the markets independent of elevator men

farmers or others who desire as ship grain to the markets independent of elevator men and regular grain buyers.

Whorefore, we petition your honorable body to enact such law or laws as will provide an adequate remedy for the evil herein complained of, to the end that the farmers and the independent shippers of grain may be guaranteed equat rights and privileges with the elevator men and regular grain buyers, and providing a penalty for the violation of said proposed law by any railread corporation or its agents.

Signed by Samuel Clark and 200 others.

The revenue revision committee apwithdrawn. pointed by Speaker Mockett held, an inwhole to consider S. Fs. 29 and 25, formal meeting today and engaged in a the former in reference to the payment of general discussion of the work before it. fees into the land commissioner's office Nothing of public interest came up, but it and the latter in regard to privileges of is the plan of the committe to get down private schools, providing that schools to business without further delay. The senate committee on revenue and taxation the same power as normal schools to grant also held an informal and smeventful meeting. The two committees doubtless will certificates. meet jointly tomorrow.

Governor Mickey has done nothing as yet in the land lensing bill matter brought

> "When two do the same thing it is not the same thing after -Publius Syrus

One of the old Roman slave's maxims which may be borne in mind when one is assured that some unknown maker's production is " the same as "

Gorham Silver

Unless silverware bears the Gorham trademark, the Lion, the Anchor, and the ... it cannot be depended upon and is distinctly "not the same thing after all." The price only is the same the balance of value being overwhelmingly on the side of Gorham silver.



upon valuations fixed and approved by the to his attention by the Nebraska congrestate Board of Equaliention." sional delegation and the stockmen of the Thin, of any similar measure, it is safe state. He has not determined just what his

route to the state house has stopped at a

lorists and purchased a carnation. This

morning Lieutenart Governor McGilton

blossomed out with a carnation, as did also

Howell and Hasty of Furnas. These gentle-

men had been recipients of Senator Hall's

Supreme Court Revenue

Resolution.

(From a Staff Correspondent)

killing the bill that it would not pass in

any event and would cost something to be

printed. Day of Nuckolls seconded the mo-

act of courtesy he should be allowed to

have the resolution printed. Several sena-

The normal school question was brought

up early in the proceedings and occupied

nearly the entire day. The particular bill

was S. F. 39, to decrease the amount of

money required to be invested in schools

right of state normal school in issuing

of Cass moving to amerd by striking out

O'Neill favored the amendment because

he said he believed it would benefit the

west were against the amendment and it

the resolution pass the supreme court com-

the pay of members and employes.

fees.

and private schools.

Furnas voting against it.

pages. Carried.

ing session.

reported favorably on S. F. 26, provid-

ing that the land commissioner charge fees

for certain filings. The bill was amended

to insert for recording deeds and sales

Committee on education reported favor-

ably on S. F. 35, relating to sectarian

committee of three to investigate the rea-

son of the low per cent of taxes collected

by some countles. Carried, with Hasty of

Harrison of Hall moved to postnone in

measure. After a debate the motion was

The senate went into a committee of the

Senate adjourned at 12 o'clock until 2.

Afternoon Session.

Day of Nuckolls and Hastings of Butler a

Anderson resolution adopted at the morn-

The senate went into committee of the

The amendment to S. F. 35, propos-

and was reported favorably to the senate.

imitte report on it at that time.

vote was taken and the motion was lost.

The following bills were introduced:

S. F. St. by Harrison of Hall—To provide for the attaching of warrant to tax lists in the hands of county freasurers where such warrant has been omitted.

S. F. St. by Hall of Douglas—To provide for the supersedeas of cases appealed to the supreme court and to repeal sections. 33, 539, 530, 531, 637 and 678, Compiled Statistics.

S. F. St. by Hall of Burt (by request)—To prevent and punish the desecration of the flag of the United States.

E. F. St. by Hall of Burt—To create the office of county assessor and for the taxing and as easing all property of the state at a fair cash value and allowing each county to its its own valuation.

S. F. St. by Anderson of Smitne—To amend chapter in entities "Marriage," and to provide for the issuing of Heense for parties who desire to be married, and the syldence necessary for the issuing of the same, and penalties for false awearing for the purpose of procuring a license and making the same perjury.

Richards as copyist, was carried.

Adjourned at 3 o'clock.

Harrison objected and an aye and nay

The committee on employes reported,

whole to consider bills on general file.

mmittee to carry out the intentions of the

teachers' certificates.

the amount.

amend section 5, chapter filli. Compiled Statutes, relating to insurance. S. F. 96, by O'Neill of Lancaster-To pro-vide for the appointment of an insurance vide for the appointment of an lesurance deputy.

E. F. 97, by Saunders of Douglas-Authorising the formation or organization of corporations to act as frustees, assignees, receivers or agents for corporations and individuals; and to act as guardian of estates; and to act as guardian of the property of minors or other persons under disability; and authorising such corporations to execute all kinds of trissts, and do a general trust business.

E. F. 85, by Saunders of Douglas-To prevent the mutilation of horses.

S. F. 95, be O'Neill of Lancaster-To define the duties of judges of the county courts in certain cases.

H. R. 87-To amend section 748, Compiled Statutes, being section 18, chapter xila, regarding changing date of Omaha city elections. Personal Gossip. Senator Hall of Douglas county has been called the "arbiter of elegance" of the His immaculate lines, his neatly pressed and carefully dusted clothing and, above alt, a carnation fresh each morning from the florist, has wop for the senator the title. Senator Hall is a lover of flowers and this morning in discussing them he said; "At my home we do without pudding on the table, but never without flowers.' years to spend every Saturday afternoon

ter and summer, studying and raising ROUTINE OF LOWER HOUSE

Eyek Asks for Another Committee Clerk, but Does Not Get It. (From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, Jan. 21 .- (Special.) - The house indefinitely postponed H. R. 97, a bill by Thorpe of Garfield, relating to certain roadways in his county. H. R. b, by Gregg of Wayne, ducing the required vested capital of in-

corporated schools entitled to common privlleges under the state superintendent of Harrison and Howell Clash Over public instruction from \$100,000 to \$50,000. was recommended to pass. Ten Eyck of Douglas, a member of the committee on revenue and taxation, intro-

duced a resolution to give his committee an additional clerk and compel the meet-LINCOLN, Jan. 21. (Special:) Somewhat ings of the committee to be public. of a surprise was sprung on the senate this The resolution met general epposition morning when Harrison of Hall moved to and was tabled. Warner, chairman of the postpone indefinitely the second reading of committee, was quoted by Good of Nemaha Howell's joint regolution to request the as saying he did not ask for another clerk. supreme court commission to appoint a A resolution was introduced by Jouvenat ommissioner to cenfer with the senate

of Boone requiring all bills and claims and house committees on a revenue against the state to be filed with the state measure. Harrison gave as a reason for auditor not later than the twenty-fifth legislative day and instructing the committee on claims to ignore any bill or claim filed later than that. It was adopted, This resolution, by McClay of Lancaster, Howell in defense of his resolution said was introduced and at the author's request the cost would only be \$1.85 and that as an laid over one day:

Another Revenue Resolution.

Resolved, That it is the judgment of this house that the present revenue laws of the state do not provide an adequate means by which sufficient funds may be raised, out of which the necessary governmental expenses may be met, maintenance of state institutions, making needed repairs and additions to public buildings and other necessary and incidental expenses may be paid. tors objected to the motion and before it came to a vote Harrison-withdrew it. Leter in the proceedings Howell attempted to secure the adoption of a motion to have the resolution printed and in the flies by the morning of the 22d and require the revenue committee to act on it at the same time. This motion was lest on an aye and

To the end that reasonable and conservative appropriations may be made to cover the foregoing items, and that the general fund may not be overdrawn, such revision of the revenue laws should be made as will place all the taxable properties in the state upon the assessment rolls; that a fair cash valuation be placed thereon, and that adequate provisions be made for epitoring payment of delinquent taxes. from \$100,000 to \$50,000, to give them the House roll No. 40, correcting certain ambiguities in the statutes against frauds The debate was precipitated by Sheldon

The house adjourned for the day at noon, New Bills.

H. R. 186, by McClay-To make plumbers'

by said he believed it would benefit the western portion of the state. Wall, Brown and others from the west and northwest were against the amendment and it was lost. The original motion then plassed the senate in committee of the whole and was so reported back to the senate.

Considerable discussion has been indulged in during the day about the Howell resolution and Harrison's attempt to kill it. The general impression is that should the resolution pass the supreme court committee. One senator said the snawer of the supreme court would be: "Pass your revenue bill and we will get when it comes before us, and not before."

Lieutenant Governor McGillon called the senate to order at 10 o'clock and roll call immediately followed. Chaplain Presson revenue bill and we will act when it comes

H. R. 193, by Koetter (by request)—To protect the rights of workingmen in belonging to labor organizations and other tawful organizations in the state of Nebraska, and to provide penalties of fines from \$50 to \$1,000 and imprisonment in county jail of six months, or both.

H. R. 198, by Currie—To authorise insurance against atorm plate class steem. ance against storm, plate glass, steam boiler, burgiary, title and credit, automatic sprinklers, crops and other property from Committee on public lands and buildings

flood.

H. R. 195. by Riggs (by request of state auditor)—To amend section 8 of an act entitled, "An act to provide for the issuing and payment of school district bonds."

H. R. 196. by Mockett, fr.—To provide for an educational commission in school districts comprising territory embraced within the corporate limits of cities of the first class, having a population of more than 40,000 and less than 100,400 inhabitants.

Committee on employes reported to employ Carl Mosly and Clifford Parks as VETERAN CHIEF IS DYING Colonel Philip Deitsch of Cincinnati Anderson of Saline called up his resolu-Critically III with Pagution providing for the appointment of a

CINCINNATI, Jan. 21.-Colonel Philip Deitsch, who has been at the head of the Cincinnati police for a quarter of a century, definitely the reading of S. F. 84, to is lying critically ill at his home with request the supreme court commission to

monin.

act with the joint committee on a revenue The absent members of his family, cluding Lieutenant Ausewell Deltsch of the Fifth infantry, U. S. A., at Leavenworth, have been called to his bedside, His physicians give no hope for his re-

covery. A pathetic feature of the case is that Deitsch is herself almost at the point of death and is kept in ignerhaving an investment of \$50,000 shall have ance of her husband's condition. Deltach is widely and favorably known in police circles throughout the country. After a lengthy debate the matter was

laid over. S. F. 29 was reported favorably. WAGE DEMAND GROWS LOUDER Chairman appointed Anderson of Saline

Kansas City Southern Men and Santa Fe Telegraphists Join Movement for Raise.

TOPEKA, Kan., Jan. 21.—The Kansas City Southern employes at Pittsburg, Kan., are the latest to take part in the movement among Kansas railroad men for more ing to strike out the clause relating to wages. A demand for an increase has been the \$50,000 investment, was taken up and made, and a conference is being held in debated. The amendment was lost. The Pittsburg with the officials of the road. original bill then passed the committee Further efforts were made here today to

settle the controversy between the Santa Howell moved that the clerk have his Fe and the trainmen and conductors, but joint revenue resolution in the files by the no result was reached. Rumors are curmorning of the 22d, and that the revenue rent here that the Santa Fe telegraphers will ask for more wages.

PRESIDENT BRYAN INSTALLED

commending the employment of Emmet Appropriate Ceremonies Mark His In auguration as Head of Indiana University.

> BLOOMINGTON, Ind., Jan. 21.-William installed as president of Indiana university. An address was delivered by W. H. P. Faunce, president of Brown university. Then followed the installation of President Bryan by Chief Justice Hadley of the Indiana supreme court. President Bryan then delivered an address on "The Patth in Education. President Bryan succeeds David Swain,

who was recently elected president of

Swathmore college. Court Ball is Postponed. STOCKHOLM, Jan. 21 .- The court ball menalties for false awearing for the purpose of procuring a license and muking the same perjurys.

S. F. St. Dy Anderson of Saline (by request)—Authorizing the district courts and judges thereof in vaccition to parcie and discharge persons convicted an fasonies and misdemanors in certain cases.

S. F. St. Dy Brown of Kaya Paha—To

SENATE HAS TRUST BILL bers of the subcommittee today continue Senator Elkins Introduces Measure Approved to observe the pledge of secrecy that they had taken and Mr. Lessler himself declined

Cash for Military Academy. BRIBERY SCANDAL IS INVESTIGATED The military academy appropriation bill House Subcommittee Hears Evidence

adjoining the academy grounds Trust Bill is Adopted.

A meeting of the full subcommittee of WASHINGTON, Jan. 21. Senator Elkine oday introduced a bill which covers the eatures of anti-trust legislation, so far as it relates to railroads. It contains the provisions which have been recommended to the full committee on Friday. by Attorney General Knox as to the pun-Militia Bill is Signed. ishment of those who receive as well as those who give rebates. It provides for the President Roosevelt this afternoon signed

of imprisonment of officials; also for regulations to prevent discriminations. The Elkins bill is the result of conferbeing members of the interstate commerce

committee. Its purpose is to separate interstate commerce and railroads from other trust legislation. The interstate commerce committee has been unable to agree upon measlating to pooling and fixing rates by the the intention of the committee to take it up at an early day. Among those who have been consulted in

the preparation of the bill besides Mr. Knox were Senators Aldrich, Cullom, Foraker, Clapp and others. Among other provisions of the bill are

the following: The willful failure to file tariff rates and observe them subjects the road to a fine of \$1,000 to \$20,000; granting or receiving rebates subject the corporations or persons

to the same fine. The Interstate Commerce commission can to compel the attendance of witnesses, both carrier and shipper, who are required to a solid mehogany sideboard \$85 answer on all subjects relating, directly or indirectly, to the controversy; the courts also can compel the production of all books and papers, but all witnesses shall have the same immunity from prosecution and punishment as now provided by law.

Quey Scores a Victory.

In the senate, at 4 o'clock this afternoon, Mr. Cullom moved to proceed to executive business. The motion was resisted by Mr Quay, in charge of the omnibus statehood ьш. The motion resulted: Yeas, 26; nays, 37. The detailed vote follows:

Yeas-Aldrich, Alger, Allison, Bard, Beveridge, Burnham, Burrows, Clapp, Cullom, Dietrich Dolliver, Fairbanks Frye, Gamble, Hanna, Hoar, Lodge, Me-Comas, Millard, Nelson, Proctor, Quarles, Simon, Spooner, Wetmore-26. Naya-Bacon, Bate, Berry, Blackburn Burton, Carmaght Clark (Mont.), Clark (Wyo.), Clay, Cockrell, Culberson, Dubois. Foraker, Foster (La.), Gallinger, Gibson, Hansbrough, Heitsett, Harris, Jones (Nev.), Jones (Ark.), McCamber, McLaurin (Miss.),

Mallery, Marting Mason, Mergan, Perkina, Pettus, Quay, Rawlins, Simmons, Stewart, Tallaferro, Turner, Vest, Wellington-37. Reasons for Advancing Rates. The Southern railroad has filed with the Interstate Commerce commission an answer for its request for its reasons for ad-

vancing freight rates on grains, dressed meats and other commodities. . Vice President Culp says that the figures are not advanced above the standard rates, and explains that statement by showing the competitive relations between the trunk lines and the Southern. The Chesapeake & Ohio railway, in its answer, says increase of cost of transportation is the reason for

increase in rates. President Opposes Statehood

President Roosevelt had further conference today with senators respecting the omnibus statehood bill. The situation as it | ing the location of the postoffice on the exdeveloped in the senate yesterday is regarded by the president and leaders in the senate is serious. The president is taking no active part in the statehood bill contest. but he is concerned lest it should result in the sidetracking other important legislation. He has indicated, therefore, his opposition to the omnibus bill, but whether his opinion regarding the measure will impel him to veto it in case it were passed is regarded as doubtful.

Probe Bribery Scandal.

The subcommittee of the house committee on naval affairs which is investigating the charge made by Representative Lessler (N. Y.) that he had been offered a bribe, will make at least a partial report tomor-

Mr. Lessler was again before the sub committee today at both the morning and afternoon sessions and submitted to a vigorous cross-examination. It was with some reluctance that he disclosed names in connection with the charges be made of improper attempts to influence his vote, but finally, on pressure, he gave two names. One of the persons named, he said, threat ened him with defeat at the last election if he did not vote as desired on certain propositions. The other name he used in connection with his charges of an attempt to influence his vote by pecuniary considera-

Mr. Lessler's charges are said to have lacked definiteness. The substance of his story was not that he had been actually

CLEVER BOY

Took the Teacher's Food,

Careful observation on the part of parents and school authorities as to proper food to use to bring up children will lead to a probably not adjourn until the end of the healthy generation. A pupil in a Philadelphia, Pa., school

"I had a severe attack of typhoid

fever, after which I was so very weak and delicate that I could not attend school reg-"One day our teacher, who is a great student and able teacher, gave a lession in

will be used in modernizing certain plants Lowe Bryan, Ph. D., was this afternoon physiology, in which proper food was dis- and concentrating the work of others. cussed. She recommended Grape-Nuts to the class, as she had used the food a long OLD DUELIST MEETS DEATH while and watched results. "I thought that if Grape-Nuts had enabled her to teach a class of boys as she

taught us the food would do me good in my weak state and I commenced eating it "I have used Grape-Nuta steadily for over a year, am a little past 15 years old and now measure five feet eight inches, weigh 137 pounds and am strong and well, having entirely recovered from my weak and deliand join actively in all the sports in our sissippi and an ex-confederate officer.

offered a bribe of \$5,000, but that it had HOIST WITH OWN PETARD been intimated to him that he could get \$5,000 if he would vote "right." The mem-

to make any statement for publication.

eported to the house today carries a total f \$64f, \$72. The estimates were \$696,458. Barrow on Cross-Examination Ob-Provision is made for the purchase of a tract of land containing about 220 acres

the house judiciary committee was held today and an anti-trust bill adopted. The democratic members reserved the right to offer amendments when the bill comes before the house. The bill will be reported

punishment of corporations by fine instead the militia bill recently passed by congress. Gathered round the table as the president appended his eignature were Secretary Ropt, Secretary Shaw, members of spices among various senators, most of them the house committee on military affairs, General M. H. Byers, adjutant general of Iowa; General Bird S. Spencer, adjutant general of New Jersey, and Colonel E. J. Dimmick, secretary of the National Guard association. After the president had signed the bill Secretary Root delivered a brief ures which have been pending before it re- speech of congratulation to the committee. General Dick, the author of Interstate Commerce commission. The new the bill, responded, and President Roosebill leaves these contested questions out velt expressed the hope that no presiand covers features which have been most dent would ever find it necessary to conspicuous in the preparation of anti- avail himself of the troops provided by the trust legislation. The bill was referred to bill, but congratulated the committee on the committee on interstate commerce, of its ensetment and said he regarded citizen which Senator Elkins is chairman, and it is soldiery as a most important factor in the protection of the country.

Porto Ricans May Naturalise.

Senator Foraker today introduced a bill renouncing on the part of the United States all right to the church lands in Porto Rico and granting the right of naturalization to Porto Ricans and to people inhabiting earnings of the contract miners and laborother possessions of the United States simflarly situated.

White House Furniture Sold. A quantity of furniture used in the White House for many years and discarded as a result of the recent improvement, was sold institute suits in the United States courts at auction here today. A large leather for supposed infractions of the law. It is lounge, which had been in the president's the duty of United States district attorneys, office, was bought by ex-Governor Lowndes under direction of the attorney general, to of Maryland for \$15, a mahegany washinstitute and presecute suits provided for stand, minus its top, went for \$10, while in the bill. The bill gives the courts power two carved oak leather cushioned chairs brought \$85, five mahogany chairs \$21 each,

Revenue Still Decreases,

The monthly statement of the collector of internal revenue shows that during December, 1902, the total collections were \$20,943,852, a decrease as compared with December, 1901, of \$2,068,062. For the last six months the receipts show a falling off of \$22,972,931.

Provides Samoan Government,

A bill vesting in the president authority to appoint persons to govern the island of Tutuila in the Samoan group, today was reported from the committee on the Pacific islands by Senator Foraker. Its provisions are similar to those provided for the taland of Guam. The duty on goods imported from Tutuila is fixed at 50 per cent of that from foreign countries. Captain Sebree, U. S. N., who is practically governor of Samoa as well as commapder of the naval station at Tutuila

ceed him, had an interview with the president today. Mail for St. Louis Pair.

and Commander Underwood, who is to suc-

Pirst Assistant Postmaster General Wynue left today for Et. Louis he will confer with where those interested regarding the establishment of a postoface station across the street from the Union depot, and regarding the increased postal facilities that will have to be provided to meet the coming exposition busi-

It is proposed to establish a branch of the postoffice on the depot grounds, to be connected with the tracks by an underground passage, thus expediting the mails and cutting off the distance the mails now have to be carried from the cars to the postal

branch. The authorities have proposed a rental which the postal officials regard as excessive, and this matter will be adjusted this week. Mr. Wynne also will confer regardposition grounds at the railroad terminal

Tug Layden is Wrecked.

The Navy department this afternoon received the following dispatch from Observer Day of the weather bureau: server Day of the weather bureau:

The United States naval tug Layden, from Porto Rico, to Newport, Wells commanding, with thirty-three men, went ashore on a rock off Block Island at 12:30 p. m. today, High water, thirty feet; dense fog. Nine men came ashore in boats, stove to pieces—the men landing safely; others, twenty-four officers and men, being taken off with breeches buoy. Probably all will be saved. Tug absolutely total loss. off with breeches buoy. Probably a be saved. Tug absolutely total loss.

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business of the committee at the republican state headquarters.

He takes the stand that he was not lawfully deposed, but that the federal office holders violated their oaths of office by coming to Denver and voting him out of office with the proxies furnished them. The provisional committee appointed at the meeting of the state central committee on Monday, to assume the power and work of the chairman, is conducting business at the headquarters of Edward O. Wolcott, the leading republican senatorial candidate.

MAGNATES CONFER Formulate Plans to Spend \$25,000,000 on Improving Trust Plants.

NEW YORK, Jan. 21 .- The presidents of subsidiary companies composing the United States Steel corporation are holding day and evening sessions in this city and will

More than ordinary importance, is supposed to attach to these meetings, because they are the first since the corporation announced its profit-sharing scheme. Plans involving an outlay of at least \$25,000,000 are being formulated. The money

Shoots Self and Leaves Note Claiming to Be John Wilken Booth.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okl. Jan. 21.-The old man who committed suicide at Enid leaving a note saying that he was John Wilkes Booth, has been identified as Major cate condition. I am very fond of athletics D. E. George, aged 67, a native of Mis-

Operators' Witness Materially Aids Union Miners' Case Before Commission.

PAY MUST BE BY WEIGHT, NOT BY CAR

tains Strong Support for Strikers' Contention Which Will Be Fully Argued Later.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 21.—The coal

strike commission today was enlivened by some interesting testimony. During the morning session the Lehigh Valley company placed a union miner on the aland, who on cross-examination proved a good witness for the miners. He said there would be trouble so long as the companies insisted on paying contract miners by the car instead of by weight. A some-

vote an entire day to arguments on the Some Strikers Barred.

what lively discussion followed, which only

ended when the commission decided to de-

The first witness called by the strike ommission today was Gilbert Jones, one of the assistant mine superintendents of the Temple Iron company. He denied posttively that a blacklist existed at the company's collieries.

On cross-examination he admitted issuing orders to the foremen of collieries over which he had supervision not to employ as miners any of the men who were on strike at the Maltby colliery of the Lehigh Valley company. These men struck before the general suspension

was inaugurated. George L. Houser of Scranton, auditor of the Temple Iron company, presented statements relative to wages. contained a statement of the earniogs of the men for 1901 and the ers. The Temple Iron company employed 779 company men, whose average earnings in 1901 were \$1,599 a day. The company had no company stores. The Temple Iron company then rested its case and the Lehigh Valley Coal com-

Witness Aids Miners' Case. John F. Murray, a union miner in the Dorrance colliery, was called and before he

pany proceeded to call witnesses

ered to each miner.

left the stand proved a good witness for the strikers. On cross-examination he said the com pany did not deliver enough cars to the men and that the union had no rule restricting the number of cars to be deliv-

There would be trouble, he added, a long as the companies insisted on paying by the car instead of by weight. He as serted that the cars were more like freight cars than mine cars.

'The miners," he continued, "think they hold much more than the two and a half tone the company claims." S. D. Warriner of Wilkesbarre, general

superintendent of the Lehigh Valley Coal company, said no complaints were made to him prior to the recent strike on the car question. It would be impossible to have a standard car, owing to the varying conditions of the mines. He thought it was possible, however, to more nearly standardize the cars. The contract miners employed by hi

ompany were, in some cases, paid by the linear yard, and that was satisfactory. Mr Darrow's proposed system of paying by weight would not be practicable An eight-hour day would curtail the production and necessitate the opening of more

collieries to meet the demand for ceal. Men Deny Coal Famine.

R. S. Mercur, a district superintendent of the Lehigh Valley colliery in the Mahanoy and Shamokin district, said the men in his collieries worked on an average about seven hours a day. The miners did not produce any more coal as a result of Mr. Mitchell's "hurry up order." They claimed there was no coal shortage, he said, and that it was a scheme of the op erators to show that the men were earning larger wages.

Judge Gray remarked that those miners should go to Wilmington and see poor peo ple standing around waiting to buy a bucke

of coal at 17 and 18 cents a bushel. Mr. Darrow asked witness why he did not work two shifts and he replied that he could not get men to cut enough coal to keep the breakers going ten hours a day If the union would furnish men he would

put all of them to work. Mr. Mercur said the company contracted with a man to build a boiler house for Packer colliery No. 5 during the strike. The strikers refused to permit that to be done they would not permit material to be taken from the railroad cars. Finally the contractor wrote to District President Faher asking permission to erect the boiler house

and the labor leader replied:
On account of existing conditions I can
not grant you the permission, which, as
understand from your letter, you request. The letter further stated that Mr. Fahe; was willing to meet him and discuss the

Judge Gray sarcastically asked why witness did not go with due submission to see Mr. Fahey and appeal for permissio to build the boiler house. "He might hav softened a little," added the commissioner Mr. Darrow protested that the matter should not go further until Mr. Fahey was present. The chairman said he did not like the word "permission," as used by Mr Fahey. He was not educated up to using ! in the way Mr. Fahey had employed it. H added he hated tyranny, no matter whether practiced by an operator, a miner or an; one else.

Mr. Mercur closed his direct examination by saying that during the strike the miner ompelled a man to cease hauling feed t mine mules. Judge Gray did not believ this until a letter showing that such thing was ordered by a local union wa shown him.

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