Super ntendent of Rural Delivery Must Answer to Bribery Charge.

BRISTOW ISSUES OFFICIAL STATEMENT

Acoused of Having Stood in with Firm of Contractors.

BOND IS PLACED AT TWENTY THOUSAND

Machen is Conclusive.

SUSPECT PROTESTS HE IS INNOCENT

Refuses to Answer Many Questions Asked Him and Says His Arrest is Merely a Grand Stand

Play.

WASHINGTON, May 27 .- A. W. Machen, superintendent of the free delivery, who was removed from duty some time ago, was arrested today at the instigation of the Postoffice department charged with receiv-ing bribes from contractors. These bribes are supposed to aggregate

\$20,000. Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Bristow this afternoon issued the following British Government Annexes Three statement:

M. W. Machen, general superintendent of ree delivery service, was arrested at M. W. Machen, general superintendent of free delivery service, was arrested at 1 o'clock today. He is charged with receiving bribes amounting in all to about \$22,000 in connection with a contract held by Groff Bros. of Washington, D. C., for a patent fastener used on street letter boxes, known as the Groff fastener. The Postoffice department in the last ten years has used about \$160,000 worth of these fasteners, and it is shown by ample evidence that for the last three years, at least, Mr. Machen has been receiving 40 per cent of the amounts paid to the Groffs. The transaction of the business was conducted by Miller B. Groff, who controls the patent of his brother, Samuel M., a policeman.

The arrest of Mr. Machen was the con-

The arrest of Mr. Machen was the concluding act of an examination of him which Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Bristow, Inspector Fosnes, who relieved Mr. Machen as chief of the free delivery system, conclusion of the investigation Deputy the action was reviewed by the British United States Marshal Springman was foreign office, the consul received full apcalled into Mr. Bristow's office and made the arrest.

Other Arrests May Follow,

The warrant on which Machen was arrested charges him with receiving a bribe. missed by the postmaster general. The treasury. amount of money paid during the last ten years to Groff Bros., in Fourth Assistant PASSENGERS GO TO BOTTOM Postmaster General Bristow's statement, was subsequently changed to \$140,000.

Mr. Machen was taken before United States Commissioner Taylor and through his attorneys, Douglas & Douglas, de munded an immediate hearing. The dis trict attorney said he was not ready to

Mr. Machen was released on \$20,000 bond, given by the Union Security and Guarantee company of Philadelphia. Postoffice Inspector Fosnes is trying to locate D. J. Groff, one of the members of the contract-

The other members of the Groff concern were subjected to a severe examination today by the police of the city and the postis stated that they furnished little information, but the questioning continued through- ing. out the morning hours.

When under examination by the postoffic officials Mr. Machen made a general denial of the charge. He said he had accepted no money whatever from the concern. He declined to answer many of the questions propounded to him on the ground that they related to his private affairs.

Mr. Machen was notified last night to come to the office of Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Bristow this morning. He was not informed as to the purpose of the visit.

When he appeared he was immediately taken into the private office of Mr. Bristow, where he was put through a severe rigid examination. Meantime Colonel Cochran, the chief postoffice inspector, and sev- roadway. eral of his men, were busy and the office of the district attorney was communicated with and Deputy Marshal Springman dispatched to the Postoffice department to affect the arrest of Machen. This was done a special exhibit of Irish industries for at 1 o'clock. The postal authorities assert that the evidence in their possession is complete and conclusive, but decline to announcement in the House of Commons go into details.

Relations of Long Standing.

The specific evidence in the possession of the department covers four years, but it department was now in correspondence on is alleged by the authorities that the relations between Machen and the Groff concern have existed for nine or ten years. No charges formed a basis for the investigation of the contract. The discoveries were made by Postoffice Inspector Mayer in the court of the general investigation of the affairs of the division over which Machen has had charge for many years past. The discovery of the alleged bribes was tendered Monday. The ministers rewas made by Mr. Mayer about three weeks ago and since then the efforts of Acting General Superintendent Fosnes of the free delivery system and Postoffice Inspectors Mayer, McKee, Thorpe, Rolfe, Williams

The investigation developed very rapidly late yesterday afternoon. Postmaster General Payne was notified by Fourth Assist ant Postmaster General Bristow that the facts warranted the arrest. This afternoon Mr. Bristow had another consultation with the postmaster general, at which Mr. is making a flying trip to America. Mr. mandant of the Bremerton navy yard Charles L. Scitz of Evansville, Ind.; Wil Bristow announced that Mr. Machen McCormick, the American ambassador to Mayor Croxton has notified that official liam J. Peters of the National Geographwould be immediately arrested. The post- Russia, and Senator Scott are fellow pas- that the council has passed resolutions ical society. Francis Long of the weather master general concurred in the views of sengers of Mr. Choate on the Kronprinz which will not only result in the removal bureau, Dr. R. G. Sharkley, J. Colin Vaugh, the assistant and agreed that this step Wilhelm, which sailed from Southampton of every saloon within the near future, Charles E. Rilletts, John Vodos, Spencer W was necessary. Several of the inspectors shortly after noon today. were at work all last night closing up the investigation preliminary to its sensational climax today. Postmaster General Payne made the announcement of the ar rest at 1 o'clock this afternoon in a voice that trembled with emotion. Mr. Payne said: "Mr. Machen is now being arrested in this building." He had little to add beyond stating that the charge was "participating in the profits of a concern with

his office. Diller B. Groff, one of the partners in the firm of Groff Bros., who are accused of having bribed August W. Machen for the government of their letter box fasten. St. Louis exposition. ers, called at police headquarters tonight, stating that he had heard that a warrant for his arrest was out. He was served with States commissioner tomorrow,

Irregularities Are Charged Against the Customs Office at San Junn.

SAN JUAN, P. R., M. S.—As a result of the visit here of Cus spector Cultum, charges have been . Washington against Collector Kruze of the Washington against Collector Kruze of the Conduct of the Conduc 4 man

According to affidavits submitted the charges, Collector Krusen received lawful emoluments permitting steamers to visit island ports without an inspector on board, in return for presents made to him, and unlawfully demanding cigars from Authorities Assert the Evidence Against shippers. The collector is satisfied now, but on his return a reply from him is expected.

WASHINGTON, May 27 .- The Treasury department today made the following statement regarding the report cabled from San Juan to the effect that Collector Kruzen had been charged by Inspector Cullom with smuggling:

The investigation referred to at San Juan The investigation referred to at San Juan was the regular investigation of the port of San Juan, ordered by the Treasury department, as it orders investigations of all other ports at least once a year. Irregularities were reported by the agent. The collector was accused of receiving presents of tobacco and fluors. In explanation to the agent he said they were given to him voluntarily. The collector has been severely censured by the department for his indiscretions and the irregularities of an agreement disclosed by the report of the investigation. The report does not charge dishonesty.

ENGLAND SEIZES ISLANDS Uninhabited Bodies of Land

with View to Future.

TAHITI, May 15 .- Via San Francisco, May 27 .- (Correspondence of the Assoclated Press.)-Information received on the best authority confirms the rumor that three small islands near Pitcairn were seized by England recently. It appears that they were regarded by British Consui Simons at Tahiti as valuable. He was under the impresssion that sooner or later the French government might annex them and so, without waiting for definite instructions from his government, sent Mr. McCoy, the English resident on Pitcairn was conducted for three hours today by island, to take over the three islands for the British government. Later an English man-of-awr, at Mr. Simon's request, went from Tahiti to the new possessions and Postoffice Inspector Meyer. At the and completed certain formalities. When probation for his forethought. Ducie island has a safe harbor, and Elizabeth island has many attractive features. There

are no inhabitants in the group. Colonial troops are to be withdrawn from Tahiti in the near future. They are con-It is understood that other arrests are to sidered to be wholly unnecessary to this follow. Machen will immediately be dis- colony, and are a great burden upon the

From Fifteen to Twenty Lose Their Lives in a Collision at Sea.

ANTWERP, May 27.-The British steamer proceed and asked for a postponement for Huddersfield, which sailed from here yes ten days. The preliminary hearing was terday for Grimeby, wellided with the Nor-The passengers were mostly seamen, re-

of Uto were damaged. It was ascertained later that twenty-two Austrian and Italian emigrants perished when Huddersfield sank.

LONDON, May M .- A telegram from Grimsby says Huddersfield carried twentyoffice inspectors at police headquarters. It nine emigrants and five other steerage passengers. Twenty of the emigrants are miss-The remainder were taken ashore with the crew of Huddersfield.

RENAULT DIES OF INJURIES Racer and Maker of Automobiles Fails to Survive Accident.

POITERS, France, May 27 .- Marcel Renault never recovered full consciousness from the time he was found beside the

Exhibit of Irish Industries. LONDON, May M.-The Irish Department of Agriculture has decided to organize the St. Louis exposition. The secretary

for Ireland, Mr. Wyndham, in making the today, said the department should be informed that if it undertook the organizabe provided from American sources. The whose co-operation in the project had been Refuses to Accept Resignation.

PORT AU PRINCE, Hayti, May 27 .-President Nord has refused to accept the resignation of the Haytian cabinet, which that less than 150 miles remain to be built. tion to proceed. tain the portfolios with the understanding that the cabinet will continue the investigation into the alleged extensive frauds in the issuing of Haytian government securities amounting to \$2,000,000. It was the opand Farrow have been concentrated on this position of the capinet to a continuance of this investigation which caused the ministers to tender their resignations

Choate Sails for America.

assembled at Waterloo station today to regarding the closing of saloons. bid farewell to Ambassador Choate, who

Albanian Chiefs Exiled.

CONSTANTINOPLE, May 27 .- Fortyseven Albanian chiefs who have been exiled to Asia Minor passed through the Bosphorus Monday bound for a Black sea port. that the situation in Old Servia is compelling families to seek refuge in Servia.

Exhibit of Fish Industries.

LONDON, May 27.-The Irish department of agriculture has decided to organize a

President of Liberia. the warrant and was released on \$10,000 today from Liberia announce that Arthur unless the wishes of the department are bond pending appearence before the United Barc'ay was recently elected president of headed regarding the closing of a half die. It is stated that the tragedy was the is to receive the principal on the death that republic.

Slayer of Mr. and Mrs. Church Pays the Penalty.

Hend from the Body of the Victim of the Outraged Citisens.

NEW CASTLE, Wyo., May 27.-W. C. W. Church, was lynched by a mob from Gillette last night.

The mob battered down the jail door, holding up the sheriff and deputy while forty feet.

The mob, which was composed of fifty deliberation.

The sheriff and his deputies were bound taken up next. townspeople were aroused by the lynchrs. The special term ends Saturday. When the body of Clifton was removed

THE MOB. DENVER, May 27 .- John W. Church and his wife, who lived on a homestead claim seventy-five miles southwest of Newcastle, were never seen alive after March 14 last. Clifton, whose ranch adjoined Church's, was arrested April 7 on suspicion and on April 17 he confessed that he had killed Mr. and Mrs. Church.

Their bodies were found at the place indicated by him. Clifton claimed that he had killed the couple in self-defense. He had given Church a bill of sale covering personal property to secure payment of \$600 advanced him by Church.

He said he had repaid this sum and obtained the bill of sale and that Mrs. Church nad then threatened him with a six-shooter, demanding the return of the papers. He shot her, he admitted, and, being attacked by her husband, killed him also. This story was discredited, as Mrs. Church was a slender little woman 21 years of age. Church was formerly a stenographer in

the Union Pacific offices in Omaha. His family and Clifton resided in Council Bluffs. About a year ago Church and Clifton made an agreement to go into the cattle business in Wyoming together and Church then took up a homestead adjoining Clifton's. Clifton was 31 years of age.

MEXICO MAKES CONCESSION

National Railroad Company Profits by Agreement with Southern

Republic. Mr. Machen said: "This will come out ported to have foundered. From fifteen to twenty of its passengers are said to have stand play."

this city and Speyer Bros. of London have soutified the holders of the common stock to the stand play." this city and Spever Bros. of London have trees tomorrow. Mexico that they have entered into an turning to England. It is believed they whereby it will purchase a large amount of agreement with the Mexican government were crushed in the collision. The bows the company's securities. The government will transfer to the banking interests for sale to the Mexican National at cost its holdings of \$1,000,000 at 4% per cent second debenture stock of the Interoceanic Railroad company of Mexico, limited. This rallway early this morning near Bryan, the preferred and common shares of the suited in the death of three engineers, four Interoceanic already owned, will give it firemen and one brakeman, the destruction practical control of the Interoceanic and by fire of twelve loaded freight cars and a desirable outlet to the Gulf of Mexico. The Mexican government further procures for the Mexican National a concession which will cover for twenty years the construction of any line except a local in a narrow zone extending along the northeasterly boundary of Mexico from Metamores to a little beyond Eagle Pass, Tex. The agreement contemplates the conversion nault, the well known racer and maker of of \$33,350,000 common stock of Mexican Naautomobiles, who was injured by the over- tional into two classes, of which \$22,233,333 turning of his machine during the first is to be known as second preferred and stage of the Paris-Madrid race, died sud- \$11,116,666 as preferred stock. The second denly after midnight at Couve Verac. Re- preferred is entitled to dividends, if earned, not exceeding 5 per cent. After payment Johnson dying at the hospital this afterin any year of dividends of 4 per cent on existing preferred stock and of 5 per cent on the second preferred, holders of the latter and of the deferred will rank on an equality on the distribution of any profits. The second preferred and the deferred stock will be issued for and in conversion of the existing common stock of the Mexican National at the rate of two shares of second preferred and one of deferred for every three shares of existing common.

The government agrees to include as part

fected by the arrangement.

PEOPLE MUCH IN EARNEST ARCTIC Bremerton Takes Steps to Fully Com- Party of Scientists Leaves on First ply with Requirements of Government,

but which places the council on record as Steward and H. H. Newcomb. pledged against the issuance of any more mloon licenses.

The citizens of Bremerton threaten a coat of tar and feathers and the forcible expulsion from town of several members of the council who are held responsible for an The Servian legation has notified the ports order of the Navy department practically closing the Puget Sound navy yard. Mayor Croxton is authority for this statement and his sentiment is voiced by many prominent citizens.

By yesterday's order the fleet of war Besides this, work on the gunboat Ranger. LONDON, May II .- Advices received here and the vessel will be sent to Mare island loudly and fired the shots. dozen saloons on Front street.

MACHEN IS ARRESTED COLLECTOR ACCEPTS GIFTS MOB LYNCHES A MURDERER MARTIAL LAW AT JACKSON BOILER MAKERS GO TO WORK Kentucky Town is Having a Hot Tim During Grand Jury Inves-

tigation. JACKSON, Ky., May 27.-The special grand jury this afternoon began its in- SETTLEMENT SATISFACTORY TO ALL SIDES vestigation of the assessination of City Marshall James Cockrill here last July. As n the Macrum case, the assassin was stationed in the court house, shooting Cockrill with a Winchester rifle from the court room window as Cockrill stood in the street. It was immediately after this that the Cockrill brothers had to flee the country for safety. With them was Capta John Clifton, murderer of Mr. and Mrs. John Patrick, who in a letter to Judge Redwine soon afterward, said that he and others

saw the assassins and would come back and testify if troops were sent to protect them. Judge Redwine declined to ask for troops they hung Clifton to a bridge west of town. and had an attachment issued for Patrick, Clifton's head was cut off by the fall of who, to escape going back to what he considered certain death, has since had to liv in seclusion. It is said that he will appear mounted ranchmen, was perfectly or tomorrow to testify, and, with others, will ganized and proceeded with methodical name the assassins. The assassination of Dr. Cox, uncle of the Cockrill boys, will be

and confined. Clifton's cries were stifled. It seems certain new that to avoid a with a gag. He was bound hand and foot mistrial the trial of Curtis Jett and Tom and was roughly dragged to the scene of White, accused of the assassination of J. The commands of the mob B. Macrum, will not be entered into until leader were given quietly and none of the next week, when the regular term begins

Seperate trials will be asked for the men. from under the bridge today the following In the court room today when their cases message was found pinned to his clothing: were called and by agreement Jett and We think the law too slow in hanging this most cold-blooded murderer, who took the lives of our dear friends and neighbors, and we take it upon ourselves to revenge in behalf of the parents. Hoping that the action on our part will meet the approval of the community at large, we remain.

Were called and by agreement set and the called and by agreement set and the called and by agreement set and the control of the prisoners were not from the searched for enters the court room to be searched for weapons. He also gave Colonel Williams outhority to make agreement set and the called and by agreement set and the colon of the community and the prisoners were not fromed. Judge Redwing the called and by agreement set and the called and by agreement set and the called and by twenty soldiers. wine issued an order for every one who authority to make arrests in town for disorderly conduct or any misdemeanor, which makes martial law in Jackson practically absolute.

A detail of soldiers was sent today into the interior of Breathitt county to bring in as witnesses Captain Ned Strong and Henry Back. Strong was quoted as saying to a number of people, among them Mrs. Macrum's father, that he overheard a discussion of the plot to kill Macrum in a blind tiger, three miles from Jackson, the day before the murder. Being unable to go himself to warn Macrum, he sent Back with a message, Back arriving just in time

to see Macrum shot down. Friends of Macrum, who contradict the affidavits, say that both were intimidated into making the affidavits through fear of assassination. Owing to these circumstances, their testimony is awaited with much interest and may prove the connecting link between the conspiracy and the assassinations. It is believed that when once started testimony which will uncover the ring from which the numerous assassinations have emenated will be freely given and ample. The possibility of this and the desperate measures that might be guardians of the peace and some citizens uneasy and apprehensive,

It was determined this afternoon not to rum murder until the witnesses present in the Cockrill case could be examined. Twelve witnesses were examined in the Cockrill case. Seventy-five are to be heard. The Hotchkies gun and ammunition arrived from Louisville shis avening. A test NEW YORK, May 27.-Speyer & Co. of of its destructive work will be made on

FREIGHT TRAINS IN A WRECK Come Together with Fatal Results on Southern Near Bryan,

Alabama.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., May 27 .- A disastrous head-end collision on the Southern eight empty cars, and great damage to the colliding engines.

The dead: HENRY ACTON, engineer. L. G. CHESTER, engineer. SAM JOHNSON, engineer, ROLAND MADISON, colored, fireman. OTTO WOOD, fireman. DAVE INGRAM, colored, fireman. BOB HANCOCK, fireman. J. D. HILL, colored, brakeman.

All were instantly killed except Engineers Acton and Johnson. They were brought to on duty, haif a dozen in number, at sight Birmingham, Acton dying on the way and

MICKEY POSTPONES ACTION Governor of Nebraska Will Make No

Decision in Rhea Case This Week.

INDIANAPOLIS, May 27 .- A telegram today from Governor John H. Mickey of Nebraska to Governor Durbin announced tion of an exhibit a special pavilion would of the purchase the total issue of deferred that there would be no action this week in stock, which may be offered for a limited the case of William Rhea, the Mount Verperiod, at \$10 per share cash. Rights of non, Ind., young man now under sentence existing preferred stock will not be af- to be hanged for murder in that state. Congressman Hemenway of the First Indiana The concession to the Mexican National district, Major G. V. Mensies of Mount Verprovides for its termination on January 1, non and Governor Durbin interceded in be-1907, unless the company, within three years half of young Rhea and Governor Mickey from January 1, 1904, completes its line has promised to make a thorough investigafrom Monterey to Matamoras. It is said tion of the case before allowing the execu-

EXPEDITION Stage of Trip to Far North.

SEATTLE. Wash., May 27.-After six NEW YORK, May 27.-Part of the Ziegler the surety of getting police protection when months of temporizing, the people of Brem- Arctic expedition sailed today on the steamerton have taken steps to comply fully ship Pollig Olav. They are bound for LONDON, May M .- A crowd of friends with all requirements of the government Trondjeeim, Norway, whence they will sail in June for the Arctic regions. In the In a written communication to the com- party were R. R. Tafel of Philadelphia,

MAN SEES HUMOR IN MURDER

St. Louis Contractor Laughs as He Kills Woman and Himself.

ST. LOUIS, May 27.-Laughing, as if murder and suicide were jokes, Charles E. cantile library, \$3,000 to the American Board Mussians, \$300 Cherbourg. Wolz, a contractor, while talking to Mrs. of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, \$300 At New York, for Southampton; Statendam, for Rotterdam. Louis P. Nelson late today at the corner to the Bank Clerks' Mutual Benefit asso-Southampton; Statendam, for Rotterdam. Arrived: Oceanic, from Liverpool; Hohen-Louis P. Nelson late today at the corner to the Bank Clerks' Mutual Benefit assoships now in California waters is directed of Grand and Chouteau avenues, suddenly ciation, \$3,000 to the First Congregational the purpose of procuring the purchase by special exhibit of Irish industries for the not to sail for Bremerton, where extensive drew a revolver and shot her twice in the church of East Haddam, Conn., and \$2,000 repairs to the vessels were to be made. head and then sent a bullet into his own to the Congregational Church Millington brain. Passersby heard Wolz pleading with acciety of East Haddam. new in the navy yard, will be discontinued the woman and then he suddenly laughed. The residue is left in trust for the widow,

result of domestic troubles.

Old Union Pacific Employes Return to Shops This Morning.

Machinists and Blacksmiths Will Meet with President Burt on Monday and Make Their Final Adjustment.

After being out on strike for over elever turn to work this morning, at least some of them. This is the ultimate result of the conference in New York with President Burt whereby a settlement was effected and the immediate outcome of a conference yesterday afternoon with Superintendent McKeen of the motive power department, when minor differences arising since the New York conference, were disposed of.

Forty-five boiler makers and their belpers went out of the local shops June 18, down to the shops and reported to Master company's employ. Many of them got morning. Of the original forty-five some have better positions in Omaha and elsewhere, and some will yet return to their old places in the shops. Monday President Burt is expected to meet the representawith them and the long controversy brought to a final termination.

Deals Fairly with Men.

Some talk was indulged in yesterday over | Omaha by the 11:30 train. a notice which was posted at the company's shops respecting the return of the old men. JEWS men to be unfavorable to them and the matter was taken up at the conference with Superintendent McKeen and according to Martin Douglas, secretary of the local lodge of boiler makers, satisfactorily adjusted.

"The company promises that all of the old men who desire may return to work." undertaken to prevent it still makes the said Mr. Douglas, "and that is all right. Nothing final has been done about the mon now at work in the shops, but that matter spend futher investigation into the Mac- is left to work itself out and it will do it, we think."

> An official of the company said regarding exclusive of individual subscriptions, and the insinuations that it had sought to break faith with the boiler makers:

> every provision in that agreement. It has no other desire or intention. It is no time districts of the city for contributions. who has the real interest of the commusion calculated to incite trouble will not

give peace." purchase by the Mexican National, with twenty-eight miles west of Birmingham, re- GUARD KILLED BY STRIKERS Serious Trouble is Now Looked For in West Virginia Coal

Mines. THURMOND, W. Va., May 27 .- The first serious outbreak since the late strike order was issued occurred last night at the bly

O mines on Laurel creek. point have been making an effort to induce history in the Omaha Theological seminary, the nonunion men to join their ranks. Last evening the strikers began marching in a body toward the mines. The guards

of the marching body opened fire. The strikers quickly returned the fire. but as they were yet at long range the shooting was not effective, and only one person, Marshall Brown, a guard, was killed. Several received minor injuries. Brown was shot through the stomach, the bullet being from a Winchester. More than 100 shots were fired before the strikers retreated. More trouble is antici-

WASHINGTON SUBMITS REPORT He Tells Why Colored People Leave the Country and Go to Cities.

pated today.

Washington today submitted his annual Presbyterian church of Lincoln before comreport to the board of trustees of the ing to the Westminster Presbyterian of Tuskegee institute.

It is in part as follows: There are several influences that are constantly exacting themselves against the negro growing up on the soil at present. One is the lack of public school facilities in the country district and the frequent and unwise agitation of the question about dividing the school fund in proportion of tax paid by each race.

In the cities and larger towns the negro parent finds a comfortable school house and a school in session eight or nine months. Another thing which sends a larger number of negroes to the cities is the surety of getting police protection when

ne is charged with crime. I think I do not overrate the matter when that for every lynching or attendiching that takes place in the countre of colored people leave the color a score of colored people leave the country for the city. The whole question is one that should receive very serious attention.

MILLIONAIRE'S WILL FILED Distribution of Immense Fortune of George G. Williams is

NEW YORK, May 27.-The will of the late George G. Williams of the Chemical National bank was filed for probate today. It was dated December 12, 1896. No estimate of the value of the real estate is made, but is believed to be about \$5,000,000. The bequests included \$1,000 to the Mer-

half the income to be paid to her and half At the hospital it is believed both will to the only child, Mrs. Clara F. Keets, who of her mother.

Forecast for Nebraska-Fair Thursday and Cooler in West Portion; Friday, Fair in West and Showers in East Portion.

Temperature at Omnha Yesterday: Hour. Deg 1 p. m. . . . 7: Hour. Deg. 5 a. m..... 58 6 a. m..... 58 9 p. m. 7 8 p. m 7 a. m 50 4 p. m..... 70 0 m. m 64 6 p. m..... 76 11 n. m..... 68 13 m..... 70 8 p. m..... 77

9 p. m..... HER CHILDREN WANDER AWAY

perience While Shopping

in Omaha. Mrs. Jacob Ferrera of Fremont was driven into almost an hysterical condition yesterday by the temporary separation from her children, Florence and Jacob. The pair strayed from her while she was shopping in the Boston store and were lost in the crowd. Mrs. Ferrera remained at the police station while the police looked

for the lost children. Florence, who is only 4 years old, strayed away first from her mother and was missed in a few minutes. Mrs. Ferof last year. Thirty-six yesterday went rera sent the boy, who is 3 years older than his sister, after the little girl. Jacob in turn seemed to get lost from his mother Mechanic Thompson and re-entered the and not to find his sister. The mother was in a terrible state and hunted up a last year was twenty-four and one-halt policeman to help her in the search. They in their passage were seen by Jacob, and therefore will not go to work this although not seeing him. The youngster seeing his mother in the hands of an officer evidently decided that the jig was up and started out to walk to safe old Fremont. Nothing was heard of him until Elmore's grading camp at Thirtieth and Q streets, South Omaha, called up early in the evening to say that they were harboring and the same report comes from Lehigh. had fed a small boy who had wandered At Webster City the Boone river, tributary tives of the machinists and blacksmiths, in footsore and bewildered about 5 o'clock, and it is believed settlements will be made asking the road to Fremont. An officer was sent for the boy. Florence meanwhile had been picked up at Twentieth and Pierce streets, in which neighborhood she hoped to find mamma. The reunited famlly, each child in a firm grip, escaped from

ORGANIZE TO

Those of Omaha Will Make Systematic Effort to Relieve Persecuted of Russin.

Thirty prominent Jews of Omaha, two from each of the Jewish local organizations, year ago. met at the office of C. S. Elgutter last night and effected a permanent organization to manage and direct local efforts in relief of the persecuted of Russia. Rabbi Simon was made chairman, Martin Sugarman secretary and Morris Levi treasurer. To these were added for an executive committee, with power to act, Harry B. Zimman, E. Fleischman, S. Ravitz, A. Ferer and Mrs. Kettleman

A total of \$700 was reported already collected from various Jewish organizations. a blaze among the ruins. at a meeting of the executive committee. held after the general meeting, one repre- ance could reach her she was burned to sentative from each local Jewish organiza-"The company will adhere strictly to tion was chosen to furnish the names of all members of his lodge. Later different mem-

for incendiary reports regarding what is Those at last night's meeting discussed, or what is not to be done. What every one but did not decide, the question as to whether it would be best to send the col- it raged. Two and fifty-seven lected money to relieve the persecuted at nity at heart wants is peace and discus- their homes or to reserve it as a fund to two inches of Monday sent every creek and provide temporarily for them after they reach here. This will be acted upon, probably, at the next meeting, to be in the Russian synagogue at Twelfth street and Capitol avenue next Wednesday evening.

Former Omaha Pastor, Now at Tabor, Iowa, Elected President of Howard University.

Rev. Dr. John Gordon, in past years pastor of Westminster Presbyterian church For several days the strikers at that and for a time professor of ecclesiastical was elected Tuesday to the presidency of Howard university, the great institution for

> Washington, D. C. Friends in Omaha received the news last escaping injury. Trees were blown down evening with manifest clation. Dr. Gordon and houses wrecked. Heavy rains caused went from this dity to Tabor, Ia., there to the lower river to leave its banks and occupy the chair of history in Tabor col- floods are threatened in the lowlands. lege, a Congregational school, and later, on July 1, 1902, was made president of the institution. In this capacity he is still serv-

Dr. Gordon is now in his 54th year. He was born in Pittsburg, Pa., and his education included a classical course in the Western University of Pennsylvania, where he received his degree of bachelor of arts and later master of arts; graduate work at Yale university by which he was awarded the master of arts degree, and a complete course at Union Theological seminary. He filled pastorates with the Fourth Presby-TUSKEGEE, Ala., May 27.-Booker T. terian church of Pittsburg and the First Omaha.

a said today that he favored an early state may be the first state to declare for Roosevelt. "We ought to meet in February, if necessary," he said. "We ought to be the first state to instruct our delegates for the president. We are all earnestly and heartily for Roosevelt, and the thing to do is to set the pace for the rest of the country."

Movements of Ocean Vessels, May 27. At Liverpool-Sailed: Canada, for Mon-treal; Noordland, for Philadelphia, via Queenstown: Teutonic, for New York, via Queenstown. Arrived: Friesland, from ing village. hliadelphia.

At Naples—Arrived: Lahn, from New Ork, and sailed for Genoa.

At Hamburg—Sailed: Batavia, for Boson and New York.

At Genoa—Sailed: Cambroman, for Bos-Lizard-Passed: La Lorraine, from York for Havre; St. Paul, from New 107 Southampton. ork, for Southampton.
At Southampton—Sailed: Kron Prinz Wil-eim, from Bremen, for New York, via rn, from Genoa. Cherbourg-Sailed: Kron Prinz Wil-Giasgow-Arrived: Anchoria, from New York

At Brisbane—Arrived: Miowera, from Vancouver, via Honolulu, for Sydney, N. S. W.

CONDITION OF THE WEATHER BAD STORMS IN IOWA

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Number of Fatalities Reported, but List Smaller Under Circumstances. .

BUSINESS PORTION OF BROOKS WRECKED

nonths. Union Pacific boiler makers re- Frement Woman Has a Trying Ex- Heavy Rains Accompany the Winds and Add to Discomforts.

RIVERS AND CREEKS OUT OF THEIR BANKS

Damage Done to Buildings and Crops by Wind and Water Will Amount to Large Sum.

DES MOINES, Ia., May 22-High water in the Des Moines river is causing apprehension here tonight and reports received from the upper river indicate a repetition of the disastrous floods of last June The river at 8 o'clock stood sixteen and one-half feet above the low water mark. feet. Basements in the wholesale section are flooded, butt he tops of the levees in the southern part of town are still three feet above the water. The levees are being patrolled for the purpose of repairing breaks if any occur. North of here the Des Moines river is rising rapidly. At Boone the river is the highest ever known to the Des Moines, is two feet eight inches above last year's high water mark. The

Raccoon river is rising rapidly. From all parts of the state come reports

of rising waters. Wires are down in all directions throughout the state, owing to the storms of last evening, and as reports are being received it is believed that last night's experience was even worse and more fatal than that AID of yesterday.

> cially severe. The dead number two, but the list of injured never can be compiled. The damage to property will reach fully \$50,000. The Des Moines river is rising an inch every two hours and with every prospect of exceeding the high water mark of a Two miles north of Gray, Audubon county, Charles Leslie, a telephone re-

In South Des Moines the storm was espe-

pairer, reports two children dead in the wreckage of a farm house. Five other persons were seriously injured in the same nouse. Another death has been added to the list of victims of the tornado in Des Moines last night. The home of Richard Wallace, a carpenter, was completely de-

stroyed and the fire in the kitchen started The 3-year-old daughter of the family was pinioned in the debris. Before assist-

death.

ATLANTIC, Is., May 27 .- (Special Telegram.)-The most disastrous storm ever visiting this county has just passed over. All day yesterday and all last night dredths inches of water falling added to the other stream in the county out of their banks and over the entire low lands of the

county. In this city the Nishnabotna river is the highest it has been for twenty years and thousands of dollars worth of damage has been done to houses and furniture, barns, DR. GORDON TO GO HIGHER outbuildings and fences, while a large amount of stock has drowned and crops almost beyond value have been destroyed. The Atlantic Canning company alone estimates its loss at \$10,000, nearly 125 acres of its growing pea crop having been ruined. The roads over the county are nearly all impassable and the damage to crops will

be very heavy, corn especially being severely injured. MARSHALLTOWN, Ia., May 27 -- A se vere storm damaged the hospital of the Iowa Soldiers' home last night. A large the higher education of colored people at brick smokestack was blown down, crashing through the roof, the inmates narrowly

> Town Completely Demolished. AUDUBON, Ia., May 27 .- (Special Telegram.)-The latest reports from the Botna tornado are that one was killed and several injured. The town was completely demolished.

tally, and a great amount of damage to property, is the result of the storm which visited this city last night. The injured are: Miss Maud Toops, possibly fatally. Mrs. S. Poops, bruised. Mr. McLaughlin, hurt by falling timber Miss Elizabeth Kelley, back injured.

Floyd DeHaven, thighs crushed.

CRESTON, Ia., May 27 .- (Special.)-Six

people injured, one of them possibly fa-

Flemming, shoulder blade broken. The home of Mrs. S. E. Toops was the only building entirely demolished, though there is scarcely one which is not damaged to a greater or less extent. This house was picked up and carried by the wind for a distance of thirty feet and then dashed to pieces. Both Mrs. Toops and her daughter were buried in the ruins. The DeHaven boy was injured by wreckage from a barn which was partially destroyed. Reports are coming in slowly from the country which indicate that the property

loss there will be heavy, though no loss of life has been reported as yet. The heavy rains which have failen for the last several days, together with the downpour of last night, have rendered the roadbed of the Burlington, both main line and branches, soft and trains are run alewly and with extreme caution. No actual washouts are reported, however At Pacific Junction, which is low and fiat,

it is reported the town resembles a float-Among the buildings badly damaged were the Methodist church, the creamery, ten residences and about fifty barns. The storm was accompanied by brilliant lightning. which struck two buildings and many trees. The storm traveled in a northwestern direction and did about \$30,000 damage. This is the first time in years that Creston has been visited by a like storm.

WEBSTER CITY, 1a., May 27 .- (Special Telegram.)-The Boone river at this point has risen ten feet in the last sixteer, hours. Many homes on the east side flats are flooded and people are moving out. The waters are still rising and the rain

continues. Several Injured at Brooks. CORNING, Ia., May 27 .- (Special.) -- The At Hong Kong-Arrived: Empress of China, from Vancouver, via Yokohoms village of Brooks was visited by a tornade