Debate on Sundry Civil Appropriation Bill Not Finished.

BIG SURPLUS AFTER PAYING EXPENSES

Democratic Member Compliments Republicans for Best Bill of the Kind Which Has Left Committee

in Years.

WASHINGTON, March 26 .- The house totay began consideration of the sundry mvif appropriation bill. Ten hours were gard for general debate on the measure, but at the end of an hour and a haif there were no speakers ready to continue and the house adjourned for lack of talkers.

In his statement on the oill, Chairman Hemenway of the appropriations committee and Mr. Benton (dem.) filed statements on the bill. Mr. Hemenway summed up the fiscal conditions for the next fiscal year, showing that after all legitimate expenses had been paid there would be \$22,000,000 surplus for the year.

Mr. Hemenway estimated the annual expenses for 1966 to be \$197,802,324, to this sum must be added the interest on the public debt, estimated at \$84,971,839. The revenues for the year, he said, were estimated at \$704,472,000. The total estimates of the department for the expenses of the government for 1995 aggregate \$747,317,922, or an excres of \$42,845,862 over the revenues.

By scaling down the estimates and omitting to pass a river and harbor and public buildings appropriations bills the expenditures had been reduced \$22,000,000 less than the estimated revenues. This estimate, Mr. Hemenway said, contemplated all reasonable additions that might be made by the senate to the several appropriation bills and was also sufficient to cover all legitimate deficiencies that might be provided for the next session.

Mr. Benton complimented the republicans on the bill, saying that it was altogether the best republican bill he had seen come from the committee in years. It, however, did not meet with his approval from democratic standpoint.

A number of minor bills were passed by unanimous consent and special orders were made for the consideration of pension bills which had the right-of-way today. After the sundry civil bill has been disposed of the omnibus claims bill will follow pensions as a special order,

Iowa Bill Passes.

A bill was passed authorizing the Davenport Water Power company of Iowa to construct a canal along the bank of the Mississippi river in Scott county, Iowa. The sundry civil appropriation bill was then

Mr. Melers (Ind.), referring to the recent order of Pension Commissioner Ware, granting pensions to soldiers of 62 years and over, said that he had waited for several days for some member of the majority to make an explanation to the effect of the order, but none had been made and he had to do so himself. In estimating what it would cost to place the order in effect, Mr. Meiers divided the soldiers into three pensionable classes. Those who are not receiving any pensions; those who are receiving pensions under the service pen-sion act, and those receiving pensions unier the general pension law.

Of the first class, he said, there were, ac cording to the best estimates, between 180,-200 and 200,000, subdivided into classes according to age, 78 per cent being & and entitled to the \$6 pension, would require \$7,200,000; 68 per cent are 65 years of age, which would require \$1,632,000; 49 per cent are 68, which would require \$1,167,000; 29 per cent are 70 years of age, which would require \$596,000, making a total of \$10,704,000 necessary for those who are not now on the

Sum Needed for Pensions.

Increase of pension under this order to those who are now drawing pensions under the act of June 27, 1890, would require the following sums.

Increase to those to years of age, \$1,453.896; to those 65 years old, \$1,606,530; increase to those 68 years old, \$374,040, or a total of \$3,470,568, making a grand total of \$14,174,568.

BILL TO PROTECT THE PRESIDENT.

Senate Committee on Judiciary Orders Pavorable Report on Measure. WASHINGTON, March 26 .- The senate

was in session only about three hours today. During that time a number of private pension bills were passed and another portion of the District of Columbia appropriation bill was read and debated. The senate committee on judiciary ordered

a favorable report on a bill to protect the president of the United States. The bill ported today follows:

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Section 1—That any person who shall, within the limits of the United States or any place subject to the jurisdiction thereof, wilfully and malliciously kill or cause the death of the president, or vice president, or any officer thereof upon whom the powsers and duties of the president have devolved under the constitution or the law shall suffer death.

But the limits of the United States or any place subject to the jurisdiction thereof shall wilfully and malliciously kill or cause the death of any officer of the United States entitled under the constitution and laws thereof to act as president in case of removal, death, resignation or inability of both the president and vice president, while he is engaged in the performance of his official duties or because of his official duties or because his official acts or omissions, or who, by so killing such official shall cause such a vacancy in the office by him held at a time when, by the constitution and laws of the United States, it would be the duty of the person holding such office to act as president, shall suffer death.

Sec. 3—That any person who shall, within the limits of the United States or any place subject to the jurisdiction thereof, willfully and maliciously kill any ambassador or minister of a foreign state or country accredited to the United States and being within such limits, and while engaged in the performance of his official duties or because of his official acts or omissions, shall suffer death.

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Sec. 4—That any person who, within the limits of the United States or any place subject to the jurisdiction thereof, willfully and malidiously attempts to commit either of the crimes defined in sections 1, 2 and 3 of this act, shall suffer death, or, at the discretion of the court, shall be imprisoned at hard labor for not less than ten years.

Bec. 5—That any accessory before the fact

LACK OF TALKERS IN HOUSE to any offense described in the preceding sections of this act may be indicted and punished as a principal, either separately or

punished as a principal, either separately or jointly with such principal.

Sec. 6—That any person who shall willfully and knowingly aid in the escape of any person of either of the offenses mentioned in the preceding sections of this act shall be deemed an accomplice after the fact, and shall be punished by fine or imprisonment at the discretion of the court, as a principal, although the other party or parties to the offense shall not be indicted or convicted.

TALK OF AMENDING TRUST LAW

Merger Decision Causes Senators to Contemplate Effect Upon Railroad Systems.

(Copyright, by New York Herald Co., 1904.) WASHINGTON, March M .- (New York Herald Service-Special to The Bee.)-What Mr. C. F. Reach has to say on the merger decision has caused much discussion in the senate. Mr. Beach's suggestion that the Foraker amendment, providing the courts with power to pass on the "reasonableness" of restraint of trade, was the proper solution in the matter, was discussed in such a manner as to reveal the fact that the senate leaders are now laboring under the conviction that the merger decision indicates the necessity of some legislation modifying the anti-trust law, at least as it applies to railroads. The only question is how far to go.

The Foraker bill is said to have bee ntroduced at the time it was so that it could come in before the merger decision, and therefore escape the charge of being a measure brought to relieve those who were 'pat in the hole" by the supreme court of the United States decree.

It is the opinion of many of the leading senators that legislation, such as proposed by the Foraker bill, must be passed to prevent all the railroads of the nation being altimately controlled by two or three systems. Agreements among railroads as to operating in a substantial division of territory, it is asserted, is necessary to the proper conduct of great systems of the

TARIFF RULING MAKES TALK Secretary Shaw May Not Approve De cision of Appraisers in New York Case.

(Copyright, by New York Herald Co., 1904.) WASHINGTON, March 26.-(New York Herald Service-Special to The Bee.)-A further discussion of the tariff law and the treasury regulations based on it will probably follow the opinion of Mr. Somerville, handed down from the general appraisers bench in New York last week, declaring dutiable some of the personal belongings of A. Obendorf within the \$100 limit, because they were presents.

The decisions of Secretary Shaw in previous cases brought before him have pointed in the opposite direction. All his efforts have been aimed at liberalizing the operation of the personal belongings exemption as far as the actual terms of the law would permit. It seems unlikely that he would pay any attention to an opinion of the general appraisers if he regarded it as in conflict with the broader principles laid down by the circuit court.

DEATH RECORD.

AURORA, Neb., March 26 .- (Special Tele gram.)-Hon. A. N. Thomas died this morn ing from kidney and heart trouble, aged 65 years. In 1862 he enlisted in company C. Seventy-third Indiana, was taken prisone in 1863, spending some eighteen months in Libby and other southern prisons, finally escaping and again entering the Union As first lieutenant, was mustered army. out in 1865. Was an active member of the Christian church and at the time of his leath was postmaster of his home Funeral services not yet announced.

Mrs. Albert Wells.

News has just been received from Denver of the death of Mrs. Albert Wells, formerly of Omaha and Council Bluffs. Mrs. Wells was the wife of Albert Wells, traveling salesman for a Council Bluffs implement house, and brother of Lifeius Wells, who was for many years connected with the old firm of Deere, Wells & Co. of Council Bluffs. The deceased lived for a number of years at Twenty-sixth and Farnam streets, and is survived by two daughters

and one son, besides the husband. John Ekeroth. ESSEX, Ia., March 26.-(Special Telegram.)-John Ekeroth, cashier of the Commercial National bank, died today, aged 41, from an acute attack of 'Bright's dis-

ease. He leaves a wife and four children. For several years Mr. Ekeroth was clerk of Dixon county, Nebraska. Mrs. Jacob Boyer. HASTINGS, March 26.-(Special)-The funeral of Mrs. Jacob Boyer, who is dead,

after an illness of sixteen months, was held at the residence this afternoon. She is survived by her husband and two daughters, Miss Anna Bell and Mrs. F. P. Olmstead. Mrs. H. D. Rodgers.

BEATRICE, Neb., March 26 -(Special.)-Mrs. H. D. Rodgers, a pioneer resident of De Witt, died yesterday morning, aged 70 years. She leaves quite a large family of children, all grown.

HYMENEAL.

Otte-Moeding.

PAPILLION, Neb., March 26 .- (Special.) The marriage of Henry Otte of Millard and Miss Mary Moeding of Chalco was solemnized at the Sarpy house Thursday noon, Judge Wilson officiating. Marcus Moeding was best man and Miss Dora

Delfs bridesmaid.

church.

Baldwin-Monroe. NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., March 26. (Special.)-Alexander B. Baldwin of Cedar Bluff, Neb., and Mrs. Julia L. Monroe of this city were united in marriage by Rev H. B. Burgess, pastor of the Episcopal

John Jackson Dick and Mollie Colven. both of this city, were margied Saturday by Justice Altstadt.

EIGHT-HOUR CONTROVERSY CAMBRIDGE MEN VICTORIOUS

Proceedings Before the House Committee Come to a Close.

FRIENDS OF THE BILL HAVE LAST WORD

Opponents Present Strong Argument Against Measure, Which They Regard Too Stringent, and

Gompers Favors Bill.

WASHINGTON, March 26.-Hearings on the eight-hour bill, which have been proceeding before the house committee on labor for six weeks, closed today, both sides to the controversy being heard and the friends of the bill having the last word. Danlei Davenport of Bridgeport, Conn., representing the Anti-Boycoti association, began the argument against the bill. 'He maintained that, taken in connection with the law of 1892 limiting work in government navy yards to eight hours, the pend-

and therefore unconstitutional. Under the former law, Mr. Davenport said, a contractor violating the proposed eight-hour law would be subject to a fine of \$1,000 and imprisonment for six months; the subcontractor would be subject to the same penalty. Then under the proposed law this said contractor would be subject to a fine of \$5 a day for each man in his employment should he operate his plant one minute over eight hours. The law. he said, would apply to the construction of the Panama canal, all river and harbor improvements and all public buildings.

Believe Too Stringent. James L. Hayden of Washington, representing the Carnegie Steel company, closed for the opponents of the bill. He compared the contracts for government vessels with contracts with a tailor for a suit of clothes. Both, he declared, remained the property of the contractor until delivered. He asked who was to say where the operation of the measure begins and where it ends. He said he believed t would apply to all goods manufactured for the government which, if not delivered, would find sale in the open market.

Those favoring the bill were given from 12 o'clock until 1:15 p. m. to close the hearing. Samuel Gompers took up the argument, saying that many of the contentions by the opposition had foundation in fact Among the truisms which he accepted was the statement that the purpose of the bill was to influence the industries of the country to come to the eight-hour basis

at the earliest day possible. Mr. Gompers confined himself largely to statements that had been made by oppon ents of the bill and endeavored to show the other side of the question. He was asked if he deemed the law constitutional.

Constitution Always Questioned. "We assert it," he said, "we have consulted some of the best lawyers in the country and they have assured us on this subject." Mr. Gompers reviewed the main disputes labor has had with capital and said the workingmen never had made a

move that the constitution was not brought Referring to the frequent statements from representatives of manufacturers that they want no special favors but "do want to be let alone," Mr. Gompers said this was true when they were engaged in grinding labor, but that when they were asking for subsidies and special legisla-

tion they did not want to be let alone. In closing Mr. Gompers sald he felt compelled to answer the imputation of opponents of the bill that the bill did not nect the wishes of the laboring men and that the champions of the bill were not

representative of the laboring class. The committee adjourned subject to call.

GIVES INDIANS PROPERTY RIGHTS. Bill Proposes to Permit Intelligent Red Man to Handle Own Affairs.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, March 26 .- (Special Telegram.)-Washington representatives today introduced a bill to authorize Indian allottees to sell and convey their allotted lands This bill enables such Indians as may demonstrate to the satisfaction of the secretary of the interior their ability to handle their own affairs to be permitted to do so. In other words, if an Indian allottee is sufficiently intelligent and prudent to control his affairs and interests he may be permitted to sell or convey his allotment without consulting the Indian bureau. The bill also contains a paragraph which will permit any intelligent Indian capable of managing his own affairs to draw such of his share of tribal trust funds as may be due him in the United States treasury. The entire import of the bill, in brief, is to grant the Indian full and complete possession of his property to sell or dispose of in such manner as he may deem ad-

The South Dakota delegation will have another conference next week with the president regarding the Rosebud reservation bill now pending in the senate. If the president then insists upon the bill being amended according to his ideas the South Dakota senators will endeavor to pass the bill and let it go to the president

for his final conclusion Senator Millard today introduced a bill granting to the Akron, Sterling & Northern Railway company a right-of-way across the Tide Flats, on the shore of Valdez bay, Alaska.

Senator Millard also introduced a bfill referring to the court of claims the claim of the heirs and legal representatives of John P. Maxwell and Hugh H. Maxwell This claim grows out of a concession granted to the Maxwells by the Spanish government in 1799 and the land in controversy by their heirs is located at Three Forks of Black river, Missouri, and within the present limits of Reynolds and Iron.

Iowa rural routes ordered established May 2: Blairsburg, Hamilton county, two routes; area, fifty-two square miles; population, 860. Doon, Lyon county, two routes, area, forty-eight square miles; population, 710,

Iowa postmasters appointed: Cornelia Wright county, C. Thompson, vice T. C. Johnson, resigned. Murphy, Jasper county, Townsend Murphy, vice J. W. Murphy,

Colonel Ralph W. Hoyt, recently promoted, is assigned to duty with the Twenty-fifth infantry at Fort Niobrara.

POLL BIG VOTE IN ARKANSAS Believed Wood's Majority in Little Rock Will Overcome Davis'

Vote in the Townships.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., March 26.-Reports from meny parts of the state show that the vote in the democratic primary election today was the largest ever recorded in Arkansas. Six thousand votes were polled in Pulaski county. Wood, for governor, carried Little Rock by a large mawhich will probably overcom Davis' expected majority in the townships Reports have been received from many small precincts, but not enough to deter mine the result. Owing to the long ticket the count is slow.

Car Barn Bandits Sentenced. CHICAGO, March 26.—The car barn bandits, Marz, Neidermeir and Van Dine, were today dealed a new trial. The date of the execution was set for April 21.

Win Strty-First Annual Boat Race at Putney from the Oxford Crew.

PUTNEY, March 25.—The sixty-first annual race between crews of the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge was rowed today over the Putney to Mort Lake course, shout four and quarter miles, and was wop by the Cambridge men, who crossed the finish line at 8:19, four lengths in front of their opponents. Few spectators were present when the beats were sent away at 7:57 o'clock in a slight, drissling rain and hasy weather. Oxford striking a thirty-six stroke and Cambridge pulling at thirty-five. There was scarcely any breeze and the water was smooth.

At Crabtree wharf Oxford was leading by one length. At Hammersmith bridge Oxford was leading by only a quarter length. When Thornycrofts was reached at ten minutes past 8, Cambridge, favored by the bend, had assumed the lead.

Devonshire meadows were passed at 8:12 with the Cambridge men half a length in the lead and both crews going well, making a fine race.

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At Barnes railway bridge, which was reached at 8:14, the Cambridge crew had increased its lead to two and a half lengths, which was further increased to four lengths at the finish.

Oxford seems to have been outrowed. The Cambridge men won well within themselves, but the Oxford men looked to be done.

ing bill, if passed, would be an infringement of the personal rights of contractors Cambridge won last year's race by six According to the official announcement, the time of the winning crew was twenty-one minutes and thirty-four seconds, and their lend at the finish line, four and one-half lengths.

DISAPPOINTS YOUNG CORBETT Denver Man Thinks Britt Got Decision in an Unfair Manner.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 25.—The result of last night's fight was a litter disappointment to Young Corbett, who regarded the decision unjust. When Corbett reached his dressing room after the fight he burst into tears. Commenting on the decision, he said:

"I am a stranger in this city and I have been badly treated. I was warned before I came here that I would be treated as I have been but I did not believa it until tenight. I was deprived of the decision unjustly. I stopped from fighting, according to marquis of Queensberry rules. At the end of the interest tround they had to carry Britt to his corner, yet he was given the decision."

Harry Tuthill, Corbett's trainer, announced that he would match Corbett against Britt, the fight to come off in three weeks, the winner to take all.

Britt said it was a "clean cut victory."

Britt was badly marked up, while Corbett was unmarked with the exception of a cut over his eye. Corbett claims to have injured his right hand and forearm during the contest, but he does not know in what round. It is thought that a small bone was fujured. This deprived him of the use of his right.

EVENTS ON THE RUNNING TRACKS. Nigrette Takes Thousand Dollar Han-

dicap at Oakland Track. dicap at Oakland Track.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 28.—Nigrette took the \$1,000 handicap, which was the feature of the card at Oakland today. The mare was favorite, with Horatius next in demand. Modicum set the pace, followed by Grafter. On the back stretch Nigrette moved up, and assumed the lead three furiongs from home. After that she was never headed, winning handily from Veterano, a 40 to 1 shot. Results:

First race, seven furiongs: Lady Athling won, Marcilo senond, Anirad third. Time: 1:30%.

won, Marcilo senona, 1130%. Becond race, four furlongs: Salable won, Sea Air second, George P. McNair third. Second race, four furlongs: Salable won, Sea Air second, George P. McNair third. Time: 0:434.

Third race, one mile and a quarter: The Fretter won, Expedient second, Searcher third. Time: 2:11.

Fourth race, one mile and fifty yards, handicap: Nigrette won, Veterano second, Horatius third. Time: 1:48.

Fifth race, six furlongs: Letola won, Ocyrohe second, Hainault third. Time: 1:15.

Bixth race, one mile: Past Master won, Carliee second, Cloche D'Or third. Time: 1:448. LOS ANGELES, Cal., March 26.-Ascot

I.OS ANGELES, Cal., March 26.—Ascot Park results:
First race, one mile: Dug Martin wen, Flamero second, Chemist third. Time: 1:45.
Second race, five and a half furlongs: Estado won, Rose Leaf second, Metora third. Time: 1:09.
Third race, Slauson course: Jim Hale won, Durbar second, Redan third. Time: 1:1094.
Fourth race, one and one-third miles, Long Beach handicap: Martin Brady won, Cannell second, Dr. Worth third. Time: 1:21.

Fifth race, five and a half furlongs: Sceptre won, Hindoo Princess second, Wager third. Time: 1:08%. Sixth race, one mile: Invictus won, Jingler second, Merwan third. Time: 1:43.
WASHINGTON, March 26.—Results:
First race, five and a half furlongs: Sals
won, Mrs. Frank Foster second, Rain or
Shine third. Time: 1:10.

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Second race, four and a half furlongs: Fillgree won, Only One second, Melrose third. Time: 0:58.
Third race, seven furlongs: Torchlight won, Briar Thorpe second, Nine Spot third. Time: 1:32.
Fourth race, one mile and forty yards: Lord Melbourne won, Moistessinger second, Rough Rider third. Time: 1:48.
Fifth race, Chevy Chase Hunt handicap, about two miles and a half: Twilight won, Lepida second, La Touraine third. Time: 5:46.

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Sixth race, about two miles, steeplechase:
Gum Honey won, Manillian second, Boney
Boy third. Time: 4:15.
LITTLE ROCK, March M.—The Anheuser-Busch selling stakes, the feature of
the closing day, was won by St. Tammany
in a hard drive. Another large crowd was
in attendance. Most of the stables here
alipped today to Kinicoh Park, St. Louis,
where racing opens on April 15. Results:
First race, four furlongs: Eckstein won,
Courant second, Victor R third. Time:
0450.

Second race, one mile and a sixteenth: Bugle Horn won, Henry of Franstamar second, Inspector Shea third. Time: 1:30. Third race, one mile: Schoolmate won, Martius second, Tennesseean third. Time: Fourth race, one mile, Anheuser-Busch stakes: St. Tammany won, Caithness second, Fourquoipois third. Time: 1:45%. Fifth race, seven furlongs: Welcome Light won, Noweta second, Reducer third. Time: 1:48

won, Noweta second, Reducer 11:32

Blxth race, six furlongs: Arak won, Laura
Hunter second, Queen L third, Time: 137%.

MEMPHIS JOCKEY CLUB MEETING. Witful is Assigned Top Weight and May Be First Choice.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., March 26.—Fighteen well known herses are carded to start it he Montgomery handicap, which will be the feature of the opening day of the Mem the feature of the opening day of the Memphis Jockey club's spring meeting on Monday. S. C. Hildreth's mare Witful is assigned top weight and will probably be first choice in the betting, although the race is regarded as an open one. Fuller will have the mount. Hildreth will also start By Ways and Safety Light. Claude, Derby hero of last year, carries 123 pounds and will be ridden by J. Daly, Kunz will have the mount on Imported Martinas, Dominick will be astride Little Scout, Lucienne Lyne, who has recently returned from England, will pilot Ed Corrigan's McGee.

Some Good Bowling Scores, Some Good Bowling Scores.

The bowlers on the Western alleys this week have made some scores that are just as good as could be made anywhere. B. L. Brison is high for monthly prize at ten pins with 256. John Bengele is high for weekly prize at ten pins, single game, 235, and also three consecutive games, 235, Bris 215, W. Johnson, 214, William Heft, 222; D. D. Norton, 201; T. J. Wright, Springfield, Neb., 295, L. M. Gjerde, 218; Efnil Hofmann, 234, 218, 218, 224, 245, 218, 222, 234, 237, Vaughn, 203; J. Barry, 201; Roy Bowen, 202; 236; H. Clay, 225; J. Peterson, 204; H. W. Lehmann, 231, 211, 207, 230, 222; W. Yatas, 226; S. L. Brison, 201; John Bengele, 201, 200, 312, 225, 204.

Basket Ball at Lyons.

LYONS, Neb., March 26.—(Special.)—A very interesting game of basket ball was played here last evening between the Bachelor Girls and the High School Girls. Score, 2 to 0 in favor of the Bachelor Girls. The feature of the game was the star playof the Bachelor Girls in the last half. Referee, John Conner. Umpire, Harry White.

Farley Not Guilty of "Ringing." DETROIT, March 28.—The Ed E. Farley "ringing" trial went to the jury today. Farley was charged with running the mare Almiess as Sarah Black at Grosse Pointe. Farley was found not guilty.

LONDON, March & Cambridge early wen the Oxford-Cambridge inter-university field sports at the Queen's club grounds here today by cight events to two. No rec-ords were broken.

Cambridge Wins Field Sports.

ECHOES OF THE ANTE ROOM

W. M. Giller of this city, supreme representative of the grand council, Royal Arcanum of Nebraska, accompanied by Supreme Regent A. S. Robinson of the same order, represented the Royal Arcanum in an argument before State Auditor Weston and the state insurance department at Lincoin Friday on the protest of W. B. Price against allowing fraternal insurance companies from Massachusetts, Vermont and New Hampshire doing business in this state, and protesting against the relicensing of the Royal Arcanum to do business in Nebraska. The contention of Mr. Price was that the legislature of Massachusetts in 1901 enacted a law whereby all fraternal insurance companies that sought to do business in that state after that date should charge the same rates as fixed by the fraternal congress, which, he held, worked a hardship, for the reason that many companies already doing business in that state were not affected and charged a less rate than fixed by the fraternal congress, therefore it was impossible for other companies to enter the state. The protest was filed on February 11, under section 89 of the Nebraska insurance laws. Under this section, be maintained that the Massachusetts and other New England companies should be prohibited from doing business in Nebraska.

Mr. Giller argued for the Massachusetts companies, taking the issue that the section mentioned did not refer to fraternal insurance companies, and in support of his argument quoted section 96 of the Nebraska insurance laws, which provides that "such societies (beneficiary fraternal) shall be governed by this act and shall be exempt from the provisions of the statutes relating to life insurance companies, except as hereinafter provided, and no law hereafter passed shall apply to them unless they be expressly designated therein."

The matter has been taken under advise ment by Auditor Weston. The Royal Ar canum has a large membership in this state and has been doing business in Nebraska for nearly twenty-five years.

A very interesting meeting of the tri-city council, Royal Arcanum, met Thursday evening at Arcanum hall to join in a reception to Supreme Regent A. S. Robinson of St. Louis. An interesting program was rendered and a royal good time followed.

Under the auspices of the Grand council, Royal Arcanum of Illinois, Thursday evening, March 3l, at the First Regiment armory in Chicago, a union class of 2,500 candidates will be initiated. The size of this class is unprecedented in the annals of the Royal Arcanum. Representatives of the Grand council of Nebraska have been invited to be present at the meeting.

Supreme Representative W. M. Giller will next week visit Iowa to install the officerselect of the Grand council of that state.

The annual meeting of the Grand council will be held in this city at Arcanum hall Wedresday, April 27. Grand officers will be elected for the ensuing year and much other important business is to be trans-

The thirty-seventh anniversary of State lodge No. 10, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, will be held Monday evening at Independent Order of Odd Fellows' hall.

A box social and dance was given by Minnehaha council No. 2, Improved Order of Redmen, at Myrtle hall, Fifteenth and Douglas streets, last evening. There was a large attendance present and the event was thoroughly and completely enjoyable.

Beacon lodge No. 20, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, has arranged for a most delightful entertainment at Odd Fellows' hall, Fourteenth and Dodge streets, to occur Tuesday evening. The affair gives every promise of being a big success and a very entertaining program has been pro-

Fraternal lodge No. 3, Bankers' Union of the World, held an enthusiastic meeting Thursday night, notwithstanding the difficulties of the supreme lodge. The local membership is very loyal and does not propose to be disturbed by the pending litigation. Arrangements were made for a box social to be given Thursday evening Prizes will be given for the best basket. The committee in charge is W. E. Findley, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Fleming, Miss Baker, Miss Alice Hudson and F. W. Marsh. The meetings are held in The Bee building hall.

The Fraternal Aid drill team, consisting of twelve women, with Mrs. Nellie Yoho as captain, council No. 561, will give an entertainment and ball in their hall at Fourteenth and Dodge streets Thursday evening. April 7. Members of the council are requested to meet at 7:30 p. m., sharp, to initiate several candidates before commencement of the program.

The by-laws of Pythian lodge No. have been amended to provide for the physical examination of each applicant and the election of a lodge physician.

August 22 will be Pythian day at the St Louis exposition. #

All that the Omaha company, uniform rank. Knights of Pythias, expects to get at Louisville next August is about \$900 for proficiency in drill and the first prize of \$600 offered for the best company organized since the last supreme lodge convention.

The supreme lodge convention, Knight of Pythias, meets at Louisville, Ky., in August. The blennial encampment of the uniform rank will open on August 15.

Banner lodge No. 15, Fraternal Union of

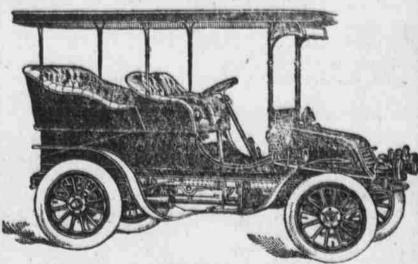
America, held a very interesting meeting Thursday night. Eight applications were Mr. Fargrave from Fort Crook, who has been elected captain of the guards. organized them last night. It is important that all who desire to join the guards be present next meeting night. Dr. Hanchett past fraternal master, was present and made some interesting remarks. It is de sired that all the membership take an interest in the lodge and sustain the officers to increase the membership and create a new interest in the lodge. On April 7 the lodge will give a poverty dance and card party, to which all are invited.

Thursday evening, at the meeting Omaha tent No. 75, Knights of the Maccabees, seventeen applications for membership were read and the applicants elected to membership. Several candidates appeared for initiation and received the nec essary attention of the degree team. Under good of the order several visiting sir knights and the newly elected sir knights made short addresses. The convention committee reported everything in nice shape for the convention, and that full arrangements were being made for the antertainment of the delegates and visitors.

Friday evening, March 25, Omaha lodge No. 2, Independent Order of Odd Fellows conferred the third, or degree of truth upon five candidates. Afterwards a ban quet, with a large number of the priestly order in attendance, was enjoyed, addresses being made by Mesers. Whipple, Huston, Hennings and Mahlstrom. The lodge will evening, and Friday evening, April 1, will time.

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visit Hawkeye lodge No. 184 in Council BILL FOR TWO NEW STATES following Friday evening the initiatory de-

gree will be conferred on eight candidates. It will be a surprise to most of the members of the Modern Woodmen of America to learn that there will be no assessment for April. Scarcely anyone expected this, but at its session last week the board of directors found that the condition of the benefit fund is such that no assessment

will be necessary for April. The concert and ball to be given by the foresters of Camp No. 130, Modern Woodmen of America, at Washington hall, on the evening of April 2, promises to be a great success. The profits will be used in the St. Louis exposition, where they will compete in the drill contests. All Woodmen in Omaha will share in the honors the team may win.

Mondamin lodge No. 111, Fraternal Union of America, will give a leap year dancing | party on the evening of Monday, April 4, at its hall, Seventeenth and Douglas. The ommittee has promised some excellent music for this occasion and anticipates a large turnout. Monday evening several candimembers of the degree staff are requested to attend.

The Tribe of Ben Hur had an open meeting at its hall Friday evening and entertained a number of friends with a program of dancing and with games. Miss Mary Miller recited pleasingly and Misses Berti, Wilson and Pierson pleased the audience with songs. After light refreshments, dancing and games brought the evening up to a late hour. A number of applications for membership were made, and the applicants will be initiated at the next regular meeting of the court.

LOANS EXCEED ONE BILLION For First Time in History New York Banks Show Such an Amount.

NEW YORK, March 26.-Bank loans, for the first time in the history of the New York clearing house, exceeded the billion dollar mark today. With the increase of \$8,944,900, the total of the outstanding volume of loans reported by the associated banks today in their weekly statement reached \$1,007,863.700. This expansion was largely due to the renewal of activity in the stock market and further borrowings by the railroads. The banks also reported today the heaviest volume of deposits on record, the figures reaching \$1,048.668,500. This week's loans of foreign banks were

\$326,000,000. Bryan Starts for New Haven

Bank of France, \$252,000,000. The maximum

reported by the Bank of England was

LINCOLN, March 26.-W. J. Bryan has gone to New Haven, Conn., after two days his home near Lincoln. He came to Nebraska for the purpose of attending political conference in Omaha. In the last six months he has passed only a few ho visit South Omaha lodge No. 168 Monday at Fairview, lecturing tours demanding his

House Committee on Territories Takes Steps Toward Admission of Territories.

COMBINE FOUR TERRITORIES INTO TWO Indian Territory Joined to Oklahema and New Mexico to Arlzona by Measure Now Under

Consideration.

WASHINGTON, March 26 .- The states of "Oklahoma" and Arizona" are created defraying the expenses of the foresters to in a bill which has been completed by the republican members of the subcommittee of the house committee on territories. The democratic members of the subcommittee have been placed in possession of the bill and after they have considered it for a few days a meeting of the full subsemmittee will be held. The two states mentioned are composed of Oklahoma and Indian Territory as "Oklahoma" and Arizona and New Mexico as "Arisona." The admission of the latter two territories is not delayed by any restrictions of law, but dates for initiation will be present and all may be effected as soon as a convention

can be called to form a state constitution. The bill provides, however, that Oklahome and the Indian Territory shall not be admitted as a state until the year 1906. By this time the indian lands will have been alloted. The problem of providing proper revenues for schools, growing out of the fact that the Indian lands of Okla homa and Indian Territory have been alloted in severalty to the Indians under a law which makes them nontaxabe, has been met by a provision for an appropriation of \$5,000,000 out of the treasury. This money is to be used to establish and maintain schools. The principal of the fund may be used to the extent necessary, tho balance being placed on deposit at 8 per cent interest to the credit of the state for the maintenance of the schools estab-

lished. The state constitutions to be formed under the bill must contain an absolute prohibition of polygamy. Suffragists cannot be restricted except for ignorance, imbecility, age and sex. This will not prohibit woman suffrage if the constitution to be adopted shall so provide. Negro suffrage cannot be restricted as such.

Nominations by President. The president today sent to the senate the following nominations: the following nominations:

Consul—Samuel H. Shank, Indians, at Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada.

Assistant Paymasters in the Navy—Brainard M. Dobson, South Carolina; William I. Lamar, Florida; Fred W. Holt. Arkansas; Wilmer D. McCully, Oregon; Henry I. McCrea, Indians, William T. Sygber, Louisiana; Edward M. Hacker, Tenflessee; Horace B. Worden, Montana.

No Instructions for Consul. The State department has sent no fresh instructions to Mr. Davidson to proceed to his post as consul at Antung. When the consul salled from San Francisco it was understood by the department that he would go as far as Shanghai and there await further instructions.

The expenditure of Russia in the city of Harbin, Manchuria, for public imprements was \$15,450,000.

