Speaker Rouse, Windham, Davis of Buf-

falo. Gerdes of Richardson and Suddler of

A year for farmers' institutes.

H. R. 192, by Rouse of Hall, to allow surety companies to be surety for a public

surety companies to be surety for a public officer for more than two successive terms. H. R. 136, by Rouse, to exact a penal bond of \$5,000 from an applicant for a saloon license before such license is issued. H. R. 193, by Rouse, permits state and sounty treasurers to require guaranty bonds from depository banks, whereas now they may only require personal bonds, and it legalizes such guaranty bonds.

H. R. 48, by Warner of Lancaster, requiring a uniform examination under direction of the State Board of Education for all applicants for state teachers' certificates.

gency clause. H. R. 237, by Casebeer of Gage, to re-

The house decided to decorate the speak-

er's stand tomorrow, Washington's birth-

day, with flowers and flags and celebrate

The house adopted a resolution today

that when it adjourns Thursday It be until

ROUTINE SENATE PROCEEDINGS

Blacksmiths' Lien Law is Laid Away

for Good.

(From a Staft Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, Feb. 21 .- (Special.)-The senate

indefinitely postponed the blacksmith lien

law bill, and recommended for passage the

proposition to a vote of the people. For

that reason he proposed an amendment re-

quiring the proposition to first be sub-

mitted to a vote before the ordinance be

comes effective. The amendment carried

and the bill was ordered engrossed for a

The blacksmith lien bill provided that for

work on any kind of vehicle or for shoeing

a horse or other animal the workman

should have a lien on the animal or ve-

hicle should his Hen be filed within four

bill by request and spoke for its passage.

Jones of Otoe believed that if the bill was

enacted into law without amendments it

would mean that shoemakers would have

a lien on persons who bought shoes without

paying for them, because he had been

taught that a man was an animal. Tucker

of Richardson made the speech against the

bill that killed it. Tucker was of the im-

pression that such a bill would absolutely

prevent the transfer of any kind of per-

bill provided a perpetual lien.

day it received only ten votes.

sonal property for the reason that the

The senate put to sleep H. R. 75 by

cans be painted red. This bill was recom-

mended for passage yesterday after a

humorous debate by a vote of 10 to 9. To-

H. R. 60 and H. R. 82 were passed. The

former regulates the practice of dentistry

and the latter provides for the construc-

tion of a live stock pavilion and fish

H. R. 67 was indefinitely postponed. This

bill provides for the printing of the report

These bills were introduced and read s

building at the state fair grounds.

of the State Board of Irrigation.

first time:

Foster of Douglas providing that gasoline

months. Cady of Howard Introduced the

At 4 p. m. the house adjourned.

by working hard all day.

Monday at 2 p. m.

third reading.

Adams compose this committee.

The house passed these bills:

of New Mohairs

Paris says "Mohairs." The American dressmaker says "Moto to the senste requesting that H. R. 49 be hairs," which means that it will be a great Mohair season. This passed. This is the bill to establish a season they are more exquisite in texture and coloring than ever At the afternoon session S. F. 75 was before—such shades and color combinations as you see in beautiful silks. We advise an early selection. The better goods are made in Bradford, England. There is only a limited quantity of was H. R. S. the Omaha water board bill. the finer fabrics, and if you wait too long you will surely be disappointed. We mention below just a few of the newcomers:

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Tiny dashes of color, small nubs of mohair and color schemes are made of shining glassy mohair that gives life and sparkle to the goods; a most beautiful line at \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75 a yard.

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Stylish and dressy simply tells the story; there is absolutely nothing that will take the place of these pretty fabrics this season; handsome, rich silk lustre; light, weight, tucks and plaits beautifully; 50c, 75c \$1.00, \$1.25 a yard.

Special Value-Plain Sicilian at 50c a Yard No matter what kind of goods you have seen, here is one of the finest

values we have ever called your attention to; in shades of blue and brown only; 44 inches, handsome rich lustre. You would call them fine value at 75e; our special price, 50e a yard.

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claim and expect from it the opening up, the standing rules of the house be printed of this whole question in such a way as for the use of the members. of this whole question in such a way as to afford, through subsequent proceedings, adequate relief. They said when they presented it it was but the first step toward complete action. And it is this in such a relation that the measure appears to be generally considered.

Railreads Certainly Fighting.

"If this bill were to pass," said a well the house during the passage of bills. He known lobbylst (not railroad) this morn- had the house adjourned yesterday because ing, "it would affect 95 per cent of the of confusion during this order of business. railroads' receipts. Does any sane man, then, mean to contend that the railroads are not fighting the bill?"

The same opposition which the railroads are making to the commodity rate bill is being put forth against the other kindred measures. The Caldwell maximum freight rate bill will be resisted to the last. It contemplates a general reduction, the author maintains, of from 15 to 20 per cent in rates, embodies much of the old Newberry act and provides for a state board to enforce its provisions. It is a more comprehensive bill than the commodity rate bill. It is possible harmonious action may be taken as to the passage of one or the other of these two bills.

"Certainly enough anti-raffroad legislation has been projected to keep the corporations busy from now to the end of the session," remarked a member, "and my opinion is the best of this legislation will be consummated. I have no patience with this thing of convicting this legislature of insincerity in this matter until the time comes.

Lobbyists to the Rear.

Lobbyists off the floor of the house and members in their own seats while bills are being passed or are on third reading, is the rule presented by the committee on the rule presented by the committee on rules and adopted by the house this morning by which Speaker Rouse expects to overcome the confusion and disorder such as caused him yesterday to call for adjournment abruptly when the house was in the midst of an extremely busy day.

Windham of Cass, a member of the rules committee, presented the report and explained what the committee had hoped to accomplish. He said it was not the intention or desire that members shall be obliged to he accomplish. The committee is a committee of the rules accomplish. The said it was not the intention or desire that members shall be obliged to he accomplish.

tion or desire that members shall be obliged to be present during the passage of bills, but if present to be in their own seats. The committee was determined, however, that all lobbyists keep out of the house while bills were being finally acted upon. The report was adopted without so much as a

dissenting voice. So far as the lobbyists are concerned, they seemed to start in obeying the rule better than the members. Not a lobbyist dared transgress the railing separating the floor of the house from the lobby during the entire day, but members continued to meander from place to place. Some of the lobbyists took seats in the galleries.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS OF HOUSE Large Number of Bills Passed During

Session. (From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Feb. 21 -- (Special.)-Immediately upon convening at 10 o'clock this morning the house adopted amendments to

he house rules.

Rule 61. When a bill shall have been made a special order for a definite time and an adjournment should intervene for a time beyond the time fixed for such special order then in that event the bill so made a special order shall be placed first on the general file.

Rule 62. All resolutions, except by unanimous consent of the members present, shall lay over for consideration until the following day, or until the next day's session of the house. , he house rules.

mous consent of the members present, shall lay over for consideration until the following day, or until the next day's session of the house.

That rule No, II be amended by adding thereto the following: Provided that during the third reading of bills no one but members of the house shall be admitted to the floor thereof and during roll call on the passage of bills the members present shall be in their seats.

We further recommend that 200 copies of



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S. F. 208, by Meserve providing for the appointment of three commissioners to re-Allay Bronchial Irritation effectively relieve hs and Sore Throat.

that where a community gives a bonus of land for an industry the town or village shall have a lien on the property for twenty years.

On motion of Jenny the house and senate from 2 until 4 tomorrow, will listen to the farewell address of Washington read by Assistant Secretary Greevey.

The farmers' institute of Kearney and a number of Thayer county farmers were to the front this morning with a petition Secretary Wilson Asks Congress for passed. This is the Thomas negotiable note bill, defining a negotiable instrument. Among the bills reported for general file

The senate resolved itself into a commit tee of the whole with Good of Nemaha in the chair.

H. R. 3 was recommended for passage

This was amended by the standing commit-

The bill provides there shall be appointed by the supreme court commissioners not S. F. 83, by Cady, to prevent impersonating of lodge officers, was recommended for

passage. DOINGS OF THE LEGISLATORS

Biennial Joke of Capital Removal to Be Sprung. (From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, Feb. 21 .- (Special.) -- A bill to remove the state capital from Lincoln to Grand Island or Columbus, or even to Central City, may be introduced tomorrow in the house. This is to be a joke. It is as well that this be stated now, so as to preent any riots or uprisings in Lincoln. Of ourse the matter will be presented in the form of a concurrent resolution, since it was the constitution of 1875 that located the capital at Lincoln. When the bill is passed will be time enough to decide which of these three cities shall get the state house and all the appurtenances thereto. At least this is the view now taken.

Jackson of Antelope says all legislative investigations are farces, but here is one The rules were presented by Windham of on the Case, member of the rules committee, of farce. on the way which certainly couldn't be a

which the speaker is chairman. These Some humorist has declared his intention rules were drawn as the result of the of instigating an investigation of the last speaker's determination to enforce order in (Poynter) pop administration for the purpose of determining why and by what right the pops tore off the gold surface from the capital dome, replaced it with silver and in Rev. George Scott of Wisner, chaplain doing so spent the \$10,000 appropriated by two years ago, offered the prayer this the legislature for the repair of the roof or the capital building. The resolution calling for this investigation will recite the fac-H. R. 172, by Wilson of Pawnee, transferring \$20,000 from the clothing fund at the Hastings insane asylum to the repair and improvement fund; emergency clause.
H. R. 169, by Burns of Lancaster, to enable the State university regents to commit lands needed for university purposes. The emergency clause failed to pass.
H. R. 71, by Scilley of Dodge, empowering cities of the second class to grant franchises and make contracts with power plants. that this gold dome was "demonstized" during the silver age and was therefore only done to satisfy the prejudices of the apostles of silver, who ever have had a native aversion for anything yellow. It will require that this silver lining be stripped off and sold at the highest market price. This investigation is provoked by reason of the fact that that old roof is still leaking H. R. 200 by Burns, to prevent printers and becoming almost unbearable during H. R. 200 by Burns, to prevent printers from publishing more copies of books, pamphlets, etc., than ordered. Emergency, S. F. 14 by Jennings of Thayer, regulating the amount of bonds which school districts may issue.

H. R. 173, by Cropsey of Jefferson, authorizing county boards to appropriate \$100 a year for farmers' institutes. this beautiful "spring" thaw

Late this afternoon in the house the hopper upset after several days and dumped out thirty-eight new bills. One of these measures is an appropriation bill by Mc-Allister of Deuel, setting aside \$20,000 for another building and its furnishings at the North Platte experimental substation.

Perry of Furnas introduced his railroad commission bill in the form of a concurrent resolution, calling for an amendment to the constitution for the creation of a adjustment will be brought about is a matprovision explained by Mr. Perry in The will take up after the postoffice appropria-Bee to count a vote cast for the candidates for the railroad commission as a vote for the proposed amendment, thus insuring the carrying of the amendment.

Perry has another proposed constitutional mendment. It provides that all proposed amendments shall be submitted to the voters at the general elections on separate billots of pink color, and that these pink ballots shall be deposited in boxes of pink color.

Charters after twenty years so as to issue five-year policies.

H. R. 217, b7 Gliem of Red Willow, to provide for payment of outstanding road district warrants and to liquidate all indebtedness against road districts. Emergency clause.

H. P. 204, by Casebeer of Gage, providing that any person insured in a mutual com-Coats of Holt, Gliem of Red Willow and McAllister of Deuel introduced a bill providing for junior normal schools, not more than seven nor less than five, to be lothat any person insured in a mutual com-pany, except in case of notes acquired by this act to be deposited at the time of its cated where the legislature may desig-

organization, may at any time return the policy for cancellation and on paying amount due on his premium note and be discharged from further liability. Emer-A bill by Voter of Cedar provides for a commission of three members appointed by the governor to revise the insurance laws on the statute books. quire members of legislatures to make out written applications at the first of each ses-sion for legislitive supplies.

H. R. 190, by McClay of Lancaster, ap-propriating \$10,000 to reimburse Thomas P. Kennard.

Caldwell introduced his maximum freight rate bill of which so much has been said and of which leading schedules were pubished in The Bee. The bill contains much of the old Newberry bill.

The Norfolk asylum investigation committee is holding little sessions from day to day, but as yet has not found any evidence on which to hang anybody. Jones, chairman of the committee, insists on making a visit to Norfolk, but McAllister and Howe, the other two members, cannot see the necessity of this. One thing the committee has not found and that is any record of bids for the contract for building the new structures at Norfolk. Former Secretary of State Marsh aided the committee in its vain search for these docuthis morning in the committee of the whole ments. Former Land Commissioner Follmer was before the committee today. He demonstrated that, while it cost between South Omaha sewer bill by Gibson. In \$19,000 and \$20,000 to build one of the three his statement regarding the bill Gibson new cottages, which would hold about as said he had found much opposition to it many people as the old wing, it would have in South Omaha for the reason that it cost about \$18,000 to rebuild the old wing provided the council could issue \$250,000 He showed that the board had gone over worth of bonds without first submitting the this matter thoroughly and found after exhaustive investigation that it would be far more profitable to the state to erect the three cottages than to rebuild the old wing.

> George W. Berge, late fusion candidate for governor, tonight disarmed Representacounty, of all credit for introducing the credit of authorship of this measure. This lead to some severe strictures upon former usion administrations in Nebraska.

fusionists, when in complete control, did sincerity now.

Senator Bresce of Sheridan, as well as anti-pass bill. They said they would suppass was the private property of a raiload, which it could dispose of as it saw fit. Mr. Berge made a continued defense of his bill. J. H. Ager of the Burlington and R. W. McGinnis of the Northwestern spoke from the railroad standpoint, not, however, touching the pass feature of the bill. Their part was to show that Nebruska's passenger rates were lower than those of many states. The committee took no action on the bill, but proposed meeting to-

HYMENEAL.

morrow morning.

Houlthan-Nethart. NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., Feb. 21.—(Special.)—William P. Houlihan and Miss Anna E. Neihart, popular young people of this Omaha. city, were united in marriage at 8 o'clock vise the insurance laws of the state for this morning at St. Mary's Catholic church. which each is to receive the a day, the Father J. T. Roche officiated, Mr. and Mrs. work to be completed by January 1, 1607. Houlihan will make their home in this city. ham's bill for the construction of a rail-

HEADOUARTERS FOR OMAHA Postoffice Bill Restores Sixth Division of

Rural Free Belivery. SEVERAL OTHER CITIES AFTER PLUM

Money to Be Expended for Experimental Purposes in Irrigated Sections.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.-(Special Telegram)-There is every prospect that a division of the rural free delivery service will be established at Omaha. Quiet, but active, work has been done by Senators Dietrich and Millard and Congressman Mc Carthy, looking to the re-establishment of rural free delivery headquarters in the Gate City. The postoffice appropriation bill as it passed the house and as the bill has been reported by the senate committee to that body contains an item for compensation for six division superintendents of the rural free delivery service. This is a reaffirmation of the former postal appropriation bill wherein six grand divisions of the rural free delivery service was established. Omaha had the headquarters of the western division after its transfer from Denver. Ex-Assistant Postmaster General Bristow, believing that it would be in line of econ omy to compress six divisions into five distributed in the western division between Kansas City and St. Louis and Omaha was given the cold shoulder. It is now recognized by the postoffice department that the concentration of states included in the entire west between Kansas City and St. Louis was a mistake and as the appropriation bill provides for six divisions, it is confidently believed that Omaha will be made headquarters of one of the six divisions Several After Plum.

Just what states will be made tributary to Omaha has not been determined upon by the postoffice department. Officials are waiting for the passage of the postoffice appropriation bill, which will probably be

taken up on Thursday. From conversations had with members of the postoffice ommittee it is learned the postmaster general is in favor of six divisions, as protrans-mississippi country will be active in an effort to secure the division headquarters for themselves, but The Bee correscondent feels justified in predicting that Omaha again will be made division headquarters of the rural free delivery service, not so much on account of its geographical location, but because it has splendid office facilities in its public building there and because its location in Omaha will save payment of rent in at least some of the cities that are pushing for the headquarters, 'The five divisions as at present constituted, have their headquarters at the following cities: Cincinnati, Chleago, St. Louis, Nashville and Washington, D. C. It will be seen therefore that some city west of the Missouri of right ought to be made division headquarters, shortening the time between far

from twenty-four to forty-eight hours. The re-establishment of headquarters at Omaha will necessitate a re-adjustment of states now included in the Chicago and St. Louis divisions, but just how that recallroad commission. The bill carries that ter of detail which the postmaster general tion bill becomes whw.

western points and the Mississippi river

Plan Agricultural Experiments. his department and the tion projects being constructed in the west | ment was taken until next Tuesday. by the government. The secretary has submitted the plan to congress and has repartment put aside one farm unit for experimental uses on each reclamation project rado; Pathfinder and Shoshone, Wyoming;

Fruckee, Nevada The work on the farms will be performed points. by employes of the Department of Agriculture, in connection with state experimental stations, and the reclamation service will furnish a permanent water supply for irrigation. State experimental stations were not, they declare, in position to agree will be expected to construct farm buildings and make other permanent improve- their eastern connections. ments and supply the necessary live stock. The Department of Agriculture will pay REPEALS the running expenses, furnish seeds, trees The products will be held to create a fund for payment of cost of buildings, live stock and other expenditures. If necessary to discontinue work the state experiment stations will have the option of taking over all rights of the Department of Agriculture, and if not wishing to do this, the property shall revert to the reclamation service and be sold for the benefit of the irrigation fund.

It is proposed by the secretary of agriculture that experimental funds shall be constituted with a view to assisting settlers under the various irrigation projects, by conducting experiments with various seeds. plants and trees, so as to determine the est variety for use in the respective locations. These farms will be object lessons to prospective settlers, and it is the intention to make them self-supporting.

Little Chance for Buildings. Citizens of York are greatly exercised over the omnibus public building bill, in which that city is given \$50,000 for a public building, as against \$100,000 for Grand Island and \$46,000 for Plattsmouth. Many of the residents of York are outspoken against accepting a \$50,000 building, asserttive Hartman, republican, of Saunders ing in no uncertain terms that if they can not get more than \$50,000 they don't want anti-pass bill. Before the house and senate any appropriation. As it looks now the railroad committees Mr. Berge claimed full omnibus public building bill will never get beyond its place on the calendar, although 300 members of the lower house of congress had signed a petition to the speaker asking Senator Wilsey of Furnas declared: "This for its consideration, but the speaker reegislature is not asking advice from the mains adamant and will probably continue tail end of the populists." He said the hard-hearted unless a caucus of republican members should make the public building nothing toward reform, and questioned their bill a party measure. As for the citizens of York, who are protesting against an appropriation of \$50,000 for a public building Wilsey, then admitted he rode upon rail- at that place, they fall to realize the reroad passes and would not vote for an mark made by the late speaker, Thomas B. Reed, to a friend: "Take what you can port reasonable rate bills, but thought the get, and then move heaven and earth to get more.

Dennison Mandate Issued.

The mandate of the supreme court directed to the supreme court of Nebraska in the case of Dennison against Christian was issued today. The mandate recites that the supreme court has affirmed the judgment of the supreme court of Nebrasks and directs that court to take such tory building in Greenwich atreet that further proceedings as are right. The proceedings from this point are simple. Assuming that it will take forty-eight hours In a loss of fully \$100,000. The fire was in in their efforts to increase the market for for the mandate to reach the clerk of the the factory of Philip Hano & Co., manusupreme court of Nebraska, it will probably take that official twenty-four hours and autograph machines. to prepare the papers directing the marshal of the northern district of Iowa to take into custody Thomas Dennison of

Alaskan Bill Reported. The committee on territories today ordered a favorable report on Senator Burn-

road, telegraph and telephone line in the SENATE WILL NOT PASS LAW according to Senator Beveridge, chairman of the committee, for the purpose of outlining the policy of the committee as to reasonable aid by the government. It is not expected that any rallroad legislation for Alaska will be enacted during this con

grens. Orders for Surgeons. Contract Surgeon Preston S. Kellogg b relieved from duty at Fort Robinson and from temporary duty at Fort Crook and will proceed to Fort Riley and report not later than March 12 to the commanding officer of the Third squadren, Eighth cavairy, to accompany that squadron to the Philippines, where he will report to the commanding general of the Philippines division for duty. Contract Surgeon Marion F. Mazvin is relieved from duty in the Philippines division and upon the expiration of his present leave will proceed to

Fort Robinson for duty. Archie Smith for Collector. Archie Smith of Storm Lake, Ia., is to be the next collector of internal revenue for the Northern district of that state vice J. U. Sammis, resigned. Smith is Lot Thomas' last appointment. The delegation from the North part of the state, comprising the two senators, Representatives Connor, Haugen, Birdsall and Thomas have agreed that the appointment belongs to the Eleventh district and Thomas, upon the strength of that decision has been moving heaven and earth to have Archie Smith ation by the senate was made at the in appointed before he retires to private life. As there is a vacancy, the Iowa delegation an amendment placing on the retired list reasons that it ought to be filled now and Phomas, profiting thereby, gets the appointment, depriving his successor, Judge Hub-bard of Sioux City, of a voice in the selection. It is understood Mr. Smith's name will be sent to the senate tomorrow.

INSURANCE COMPANY Wisconsin Supreme Court Unholds Deferred Dividend Policy of

Equitable. MADISON, Wis., Feb. 21 .- (Special Tele gram.)-The test case by the Equitable life Assurance society, on behalf of the foreign naurance companies doing business in the state of Wisconsin, has resulted in a signal victory through the decision handed down by the supreme court of Wisconsin today. reversing the decision of the Dane county

circuit court in favor of Commissioner vided in the former bill, and that as far as Host. The question involved the construccan be learned there is no opposition. It is tion of section 1952 of the revised statutes. expected that a number of cities in the the commissioner maintaining that the word "may" as used in the statute should be construed as mandatory, and that the issuance of deferred dividend policies was prohibited by the statute thus construed. The supreme court holds that the statute is permissive; that the Equitable has not violated the law in issuing deferred dividend policies and that the latter form of policy, which constitutes 75 to 80 per cent of all the insurance written, is valid and not in conflict with any provision of law. This marks the end of one of the most nteresting and important cases in life insurance for many years. The case was presented on behalf of the society by J. G. Flanders, D. T. Watson and Bainbridge Colby of Alexander & Celby, counsel for the society in New York. The commis-

GRAIN RATE WAR UNSETTLED Conference of Railway Presidents at

attorney general of Wisconsin.

Chicago Unable to Agree Upon Differential to the Gulf.

CHICAGO, Feb. 21 .- An ineffectual attempt was made today to settle the grain rate war. At a conference of the presidents of railroads interested, the fact developed The secretary of agriculture has outlined that a certain gulf road has contracts for carrying grain at Interior department are to co-operate for cannot get them cleaned up before the latthe establishment of experiment and dem- ter part of March. After vainly trying to onstration farms under the various irriga- reach some point of agreement an adjourn-

Some of the roads were in favor of restoring normal tariffs as soon as this could be quested an appropriation of \$15,000 to put it done, while others objected to doing so unnto operation. It is proposed by the sec- til the question of gulf differentials should retary of agriculture that the Interior de- be settled. The gulf lines, however, are not united on what differential they desire, Some of them insist that the differential now under way, namely, Gunnison, Colo- from Omaha and from Kansas City should be the same. The old differentials were Yuma, Arizona; Minadoka, Idaho, and 4½ cents from Omaha and 5½ cents from Kansas City, and the other lower river

The western lines were not willing to offer the gulf lines more than 314 cents as a differential and to this the gulf lines would not agree. Some of the gulf lines to anything until they had consulted with

"BREEDERS" LAW" Missouri House Decides to Make Pool Sciling Illegal at All Times.

JEFFERSON, CITY, Mo., Feb. 21 .- The ower house of the legislature today passed the bill repealing the present statute known as the "Breeders' law," which authorizes pool selling on horse races in certain enclosures. The proposed law, known as the Godfrey bill, not only repeals the "Breeders" law but prohibits pool selling on horse races in my part of the state of Missouri, whether the races are run within or without the boundaries of the state.

The bill will now go to the senate where it is expected a determined fight will be made by persons interested in the several race tracks of the state. When the bill was introduced in the house, Governor Folk sent a special message to both houses of the legislature strongly advising the repeal of the breeders' law and the enactment of a substitute prohibiting gambling of Nebraska to prohit ibthe importation of on borse races.

BULLION THIEVES CONVICTED Men Who Stole \$20,000 Worth of Silver Bars from Car at St. Louis

Found Guilty. SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 21-In the United States district court today the jury in the case of George Rogers and William E. Burroughs of East St. Louis, charged with breaking into a bonded car at East ippine commission to enact legislation re-St. Louis last November, and stealing garding opium, they shall not establish a thirty-one bars of silver in bullion, valued at \$25,000, on its way from El Paso, Texas enue from the traffic, also that no license to the United States mint at Philadelphia, fees or taxes, except duties on imports, returned a verdict of guilty. The two men together with William Majors, pleaded necessary to cover the expenses of adguilty Monday and turned states evidence, ministration of such legislation. they will be sentenced by Judge Humphrey together.

FIRE RECORD.

Bad Fire in New York. NEW YORK, Feb. 21 .- Frozen hydrants so interfered with the work of firemen today when a fire started in a bag facwhat at first seemed rather an insignificant blaze, called for four alarms and resulted day to southern mill owners, to assist them facturers of manifold books, carbon papers.

Missouri's Futile Vote. JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 21.—The twenty-sight hallot of the Missouri legislature failed to make any change in the deadlock over the selection of a United States senator, the vote resulting as follows: Niedringhaus, 61; Cockrell, 68; Kerens, 12; McKinley, 4; Pettijohn, 1; Speer, L.

Mr. Elkins Anneances There Will Be No Bate Legislation This Year

ISTHMIAN CANAL BILL IS CONSIDERED

Attorneys for Judge Swayne Make the Opening Statement for Defense in Impeachment Proceedings.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.-The senate to lay passed the military academy appropriation bill and began consideration of the Indian appropriation bill. Early in the day, in response to a question, Mr. Elkins, chairman of the committee on interstate commerce, expressed the opinion that it would be impossible to secure railroad rate legislation during the present session of concanal bill and agreed to meet an hour were organized. earlier tomorrow in order to advance the

Ex-Senator Higgins finished his preliminary statement in opening the defense for Judge Swayne, and one witness for Judge

Swayne was examined. The military academy appropriation bill was taken up and passed. The only alterstance of Mr. Platt (Conn.), who moved as brigadier general General Joseph R. accepted without discussion. As passed, the Sons.

Indiana to succeed Mr. Fairbanks. ill was then begun.

Impenchment Trial Resumed. When at 2 o'clock, the hearing of the Swayne impeachment trial was resumed,

the Indian bill was laid aside. Mr. Hale presented an order for a vote in the Swayne case at 4 p .m. Saturday, and asked that it go over until tomorrow He said he would insist on the literal enforcement of the rule governing the closing arguments on the case

Mr. Palmer replied that the house managers would desire at least six hours for their presentation of the case for the prosecution. He said that each of the nanagers would desire to be heard. Mr. Higgins then resumed his opening statement in Judge Swayne's interest. He said that a Delaware witness would be produced to show that Judge Swayne had been only a summer visitor in that state since | Call for the full name and look for signahis appointment as judge, that he was much occupied in holding court outside the state, that he could not get a house in Pensacola.

That testimony would be introduced to show that it has been the rule to allow the expense accounts of the judge; that the majority of the judges make the charge of \$10 per day for expenses whether actsioner of insurance was represented by the a private railroad car by a judge is not an impeachable offense, and that in punishing attorneys for contempt Judge Swayne had only taken proper precaution to protect the dignity of the court.

Mr. Higgins concluded at 3:25 p. m. and Attorney W. A Blount of Pensacola was recalled as the first witness on benalf of the

Government of Canal Zone. When Mr. Blount concluded the trial was suspended for the day and the senate began consideration of the bill for the government of the Isthmian canal zone. Messrs, Teller and Bailey tool exception

to the provision authorizing the use of the rentals of the Panama railroad in constructing the canal, without first turning them into the treasury. The bill was not amended so as to meet the objection. The bill was not completed and it was arranged that the senate would meet at 11 o'clock tomorrow and after the reading of Washington's Farewell Address consideration of the canal bill would be resumed. During the day the senate passed the bill making it a misdemeanor to present false evidence relative to second-class mail matter.

At 5:58 p. m. the senate went into executive session, and at 6:05 the doors were opened and Mr. Fairbanks for Mr. Platt of New York, offered resolutions respecting the death of Representative Otis. A committee to attend the funeral was named. The senate at 6:10 adjourned.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE HOUSE

Philippine Tariff Bill Passes as it Came from the Committee. WASHINGTON, Feb. 21 .- The house today passed the Philippine taziff bill, practically as it came from committee, and with but little discussion. There was no especial opposition to it, although amendments coming from the democratic side designed to put certain products on the free ist met with defeat. An effort to prohibit the importation of oplum into the islands except for medicinal purposes also failed after Mr. Payne, New York, had explained that the Philippine commission was dealing with the subject in its own way. Immediately after the Philippine tariff

bill was disposed of the house took up the river and harbor appropriation bill, but was soon laid aside and several measof Nebraska to prohibit the importation of which was the authorization siven the secretary of war to return to the several states union and confederate battle flags. During the discussion of the Philippine tariff bill the traffic in opium in the islands formed the subject of discussion through an amendment by Mr. Hitchcock the product except for medicinal purposes. He was particularly insistent that on account of its evil effects its use should be restricted.

Mr. Payne asserted that the use of oplum in the Philippines had greatly diminished and he believed in acceding to the auggestion of the Philippine commission that the question be left with them to deal with. The amendment was defeated.

An amendment was agreed to providing that under the authority granted the Phillicense system with a view to deriving revshall in any event be higher than deemed An unsuccessful attempt was made by

Messrs. Cooper of Texas and Webb of North Carolina to place in the free list raw cotton and cotton waste imported into the Philippines from the United States and Spain, the fatter country being included so as not to violate the terms of the treaty of Paris regarding discrimination. In offering an amendment to remove the

tax on yarns Mr. Webb called attention to the promise of the president, made yester. American cotton abroad and said that an

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opportunity was presented by the bill to

The amendment was defeated, 25 to 39. Unavailing efforts subsequently were made to place agricultural implements and

agricultural products, locomotives, etc., on the free list, and a similar fate was accorded to a proposition by Mr. Cooper-Tex.) to tax diamonds in the rough. The bill was passed without division and practically as it came from committee.

Following the presentation of the conference report on the army appropriation bill the house went into committee of the whole on the river and harbor appropriation bill. An agreement was reached to limit general debate to two hours.

As soon as the bill was before the house it was immediately laid aside and some minor bills were passed, including one providing for the establishment of the Billings land department in Yellowstone and Carbon counties, Montana,

General applause followed the adoption of a joint resolution authorizing the return by the secretary of war of union and confederate battle flags to the respective states gress. The senate took up the sthmian in which the regiments which bore them

At 5:35 the house adjourned until tomorow at 12 o'clock.

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