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WILL NOT STOP HERE

President's Special Train Will Pass Through Nebraska Over Union Pacific.

Run Will Be Made from Denver # nicage in Fast Time.

200 Chief Executive Will Also Mak Address in Colorado Capital

SECRETARY LOEB WHITES TO VERNOR

Invitations Have Been Received to Make Addresses at Many Cities. but it is Necessary to

Decline Them All,

LINCOLN, Neb., April 17.-Letters received today from Secretary Loeb, in reply to Governor Mickey and others who invited President Roosevelt to stop in in the day. Complete order prevails Lincoln on his return from Colorado, say that the president will return through Nebrasks, but that no stops will be n.ade in this state. The return journey will be made over the Union Pacific, through Omaba.

Itinerary for Return.

GLENWOOD SPRINGS, Colo., April 17. -Up to noon today the expected courier from President Roosevelt bad not arrived and no word had been received by S cretary Loch. The secretary says he does not expect word from the camp more than two or three times a week at the most.

The itinerary for the return trip of the president to Washington is nearly completed. There will be but two stops of a formed character. The stop are at Denver where the board of trade will give a dinner by the Merchants' club; a reception by the Hamilton club, and a dinner by the Iroquois club. The dates for the engagements depend upon what time the president concludes his hunt. Secretary Loeb will inform the organization whose hospitality the president will accept as soon as anything definite is received from the hunters' camp. There will be the usual number of water tanks stops en route home, but the invitations mentioned are the only ones to be accepted out of a deluge that has poured in on headquarters here. It is likely that the president will make three speeches at Chicago and one in Denver. The return trip will be over the Union Pacific to Omaha, over the Chicago & Uorthwestern to Chicago, and over the Pennsylvania to

Lock Will Go to Camp.

Before President Roosevelt penetrates the wilds so far that communication with the outside world will be next to impossible, Secretary Loeb, with the aid of the courier daily expected from the camp, will JEROME RETURNS LETTERS get on the president's trail and visit him in the mountains. The visit will be for the burpose of taking up with the president a number of important matters that have come to the headquarters here since Saturday. There are a number of sions to be signed, as well as departmental isiness that has been forwarded.

Many invitations have come to Secreparty, stopping at the Hotel Colorado, to take excursions into the surrounding territory in order to view sights of interest. from the president. Mr. Loeb expects to return to the president's camp with the the camp. Horseback rides, bathing in the hot water pool, tennis and mountain climbing have occupied the party today. Wild stories of the hunt, most of them obviously fakes, have reached here. Secretary Loeb does not credit them. Several of these stories have been investigated, and it has been discovered that the tale pearer could not have received reliable information from the president's camp, for he could have had no opportunity.

Fake Photographer at Work. An illustration of the dearth of authentic news or picture material was noticed about a mile from the Hotel Colorado. A photographer representing a syndicate selling pictures to daily papers attached a wire to the telegraph line running through a wild section of the mountain country and then attached a telestump of a tree as a table. An assistant then posed for a picture, which will be sold to newspapers as an alleged representation of the manner in which news sent from the vicinity of the president's camp. As a matter of fact there is no telegraphic line within miles of the original camp of the party. The bunters intend to roam over a large area, cover-

GARFIELD IS ON THE GROUND

hunt is concluded.

Commissioner of Commerce and Labor Spends Day in Oil

Company Office.

INDEPENDENCE, Kan., April 17 --James R. Garfield, commissioner of corand figures bearing on the oil situation. and the defense were plentiful today. he had been here half an hour Mr Garfield was in the office of the Prairie Oil and Gas company, a branch of the Standard Oil company. The Prairie officials assured Mr. Garfield that they would giadly furnish him all the information they had, and tendered the services of their office force to assist him. Mr. Garneld spent practically the whole day in the office of the Prairie company, going over the concern's books. Mr. Garfield said that the work was progressing much fuster than he expected.

"We are getting a great deal of infor-ation," he said. "We are finding the facts, and that is what we came for." Commissioner Garfield is holding a night session in the office of Secretary Parker of the Kansas Oil Producers' association. A number of oil men are being examined as to methods of the Standard Oil company in this state. Mr. Garfield will go to Needesha tomorrow and return here on Wednesday. He will go to Kansas City Wednesday night and expects to leave in a few days for California. On the return from the coast he will investigate condi- to remove the lads to the conveyances tions in Texas and complete his work in which carried them to their homes or Kansas. He will then go east and inves- hospitals. Relatives who did not reach tigate castern methods. He stated to- the hall before the boys were taken away night the work here was growing larger swarmed to the different hospitals and than he had expected. It had been his intention to spend Wednesday in the Indian at these institutions to keep the crowd. Territory, but he finds it impossible to from breaking into the rooms where the complete his work here and do so. His lads were being cared for. assistants will remain here and work on inary.

Some Employes of Italian Railways Refuse to Quit Work When Requested.

ROME. April 17.-Tee strike of railroad nen which began today was not as success- OPINION BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL NO STOPS IN THE ANTELOPE STATE ful as expected. Some of the men refused to strike and published a manifesto saying they could not risk the bread of their families. With these men and a military escort one train left Rome on each line. A car on each train was converted into a prison for use if arrests are necessary dur

THREE SPEECHES IN WI & CITY ing the journey. Notwithstanding the uncertainty of suctraveling many Americans left this city for Naples, Florence and Pisa.

The leaders of the movement are trying to bring about a general strike of all work-men, but they find little sympathy. If it occurs the governent has decided to entrust the military authorities with the maintenance of order. Five men-of-war have been ordered to

Senoa to maintain order. The strike is in protest of the new bill presented by the Fortis cabinet, because it provides for the dismissal of those who go on strike and does not contain an arbitration clause.

Tonight the situation is less acute. The government has been able to operate other trains in addition to those organized early everywhere,

Zemstvos for Siberia. ST. PETERSBURG, April 17.-An im-

perial rescript issued today orders Count Kutaissoff, governor of Irkutsk, to elabo rate a scheme for the introduction of zemstvos fr. Irkutsk, Tomsk and Tobolsk In accordance with the suggestions of the imperial ukase, adding that the development of emigration to Siberia from European Russia necessitates some form of popular representation.

This rescript, which provides for the exof Siberia east of Irkutsk, marks the first notable advance in local self-government since the institution of the zemstvos.

Finland to Help Russia.

HELSINGFORS, April 17.-The Finnish witness tomorrow. national Paliament has agreed to pay to the Russian treasury \$2,000,000 toward the military requirements for the year 1905 only. The proposal of the Russian government was that this amount should be payable annually from 1965 to 1968.

Attempt to Wreck Train. EMPORIA, Kan., April 17.-An attempt vas made early today east of Emporia to wreck the westbound mail train on the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railroad, the engine crashing into a pile of ties that had been placed on the track. No damage was done-

Sensation in Poland.

sation has been caused by the simultaneous appearance in all the Polish papers of a petition to the governor general in the Polish language.

Mrs. J. Morgan Smith Gets Papers Taken from Her Trunk by

Detectives.

NEW YORK, April 17,-There were two developments in the Nan Patterson case today, another postponement of the trial bc, and the same is hereb many invitations have come and the said appearance the official of the actress until tomorrow and the Securities company recover against the said appearance to the official of the actress until tomorrow and the Securities company recover against the said appearance to the official of the actress until tomorrow and the Securities company recover against the said appearance to the official of the actress until tomorrow and the Securities company recover against the said appearance to the official of the actress until tomorrow and the Securities company recover against the said appearance to the official of the actress until tomorrow and the Securities company recover against the said appearance to the official of the actress until tomorrow and the Securities company recover against the said appearance to the official of the actress until tomorrow and the Securities company recover against the said appearance to the official of the actress until tomorrow and the Securities company recover against the said appearance to the official of the actress until tomorrow and the Securities company recover against the said appearance to the official of the actress until tomorrow and the Securities company recover against the said appearance to the official of the actress until tomorrow and the Securities company recover against the said appearance to the official of the actress until tomorrow and the Securities company recover against the said appearance to the official of the actress until tomorrow and the said appearance to the official of the actress until tomorrow and the said appearance to the official of the actress until tomorrow and the said appearance to surrender by the district attorney's office of the letters and other effects whose recent seizure from the trunk of Mrs. J. Morgan Smith. Nan Patterson's sister, poned until the arrival of the first courier caused widespread interest. The bundle of district of New Jersey . was finally returned to Mrs. Smith's cour courier and he may spend the night in sel, Mr. Limburger, this afternoon and was opened by him before newspaper men. moval of George W. Beavers from Brook-It contained, besides the letters, insurance lyn to Washington against Beavers, holding papers and some personal effects of Mrs.

Smith. Mr. Limburger declared he believed that he had got everything seized by Mr. Rand, Washington for trial unless he finds other and added that this is just the beginning means of proceeding. The case grows out of the suit, which will be argued Wednes- of one of several indictments against day to prove the permanent possession of Beavers in connection with the postoffice the effects. Mr. Jerome said that he did department, and was indicted both in not see any need for the Wednesday pro- Brooklyn, where he lives, and in this city, given up, so far as he knew.

expected that Nan Patterson would ap- trial. pear in court for the third time today to answer to the charge of killing Caesar the illness of a juror when it was about graph instrument to the wire, using a half finished and in the second trial the validity of the beer inspection law of the Morgan Smith and his wife, Miss Patter-Cincinnati The grand jury indicted them dissenting opinion. on a charge of conspiracy in connection In an opinion by Justice Peckham the with the Fatterson case and they were ar- supreme court held to be unconstituing probably 150 square miles before the rested and held for extradition. Their re- tional the New York state law making ten tusal to come to New York voluntarily re- hours a day's work and sixty hours of sulted in a postponement in the opening of week's work in bakeries in that state. Justhe trial until to lay. In the meantime the tices Harian, White, Day and Holmes dis-Smiths gave up the fight against the ex- sented and Justice Harlan declared that no tradition and they are now in the Tombs. Since their return from Cincinnati, how- in the last century. ever, it has been said that they may not be

called as witnesses after all. It is expected that the present trial will develop some features that were altogether lacking when the case was in the courts

PANIC AMONG NEWSBOYS

Bush for Free Theater Tickets Causes Death of Four Lads at Indianapolis.

INDIANAPOLIS, April 17.-Frenzied by a false alarm of fire, several hundred eager newsboys struggling to obtain their share of free tickets to a local theater which were being distributed by a traveling representative of a patent medicine company, stampeded in a narrow stairway in the Masonic temple tonight, crushing the life out of four boys and injuring about fifty others.

MORRISSEY, ED. aged 12. SCHEIGERT, LOUIS, aged 15. FALAND, FLOYD, aged 8. WILLIAMSON, HOMER aged 11.

With the aid of at least fifty police, doctora, lodge members and other rescuers. it required fully three-quarters of an hour dispensaries and men had to be stationed

The accident evidently had little effect the details. His work was only prelim- on about 600 of the boys who, after the excitement was over, went to the theater.

Senate Committee on Commerce Begins an Investigation of the Subject.

He Holds that Congress Has the Right to Delegate Rate Making Power to Commisston.

WASHINGTON, April 17.-The senate Interstate Commerce commission met today to begin hearings on railway rate legislation. The committee did not meet until 2 o'clock, and spent an hour and a half in executive session, considering a program for the hearings. The preliminary arrangements made by Chairman Elkins were approved. The committee will meet at 11 o'clock each day and the session will continue until 5 o'clock in the afternoon. The cast Official Watts in his report of the power to fix rates to private car lines and terminal facilities and other cognate mat-

ters will be considered. of the committee, has prepared exhaustive northern Georgia, and east through Viropinions on several points to be covered by the hearings, which will be submitted to the committee within a few days. The Snow flurries occurred in the Ohio valley." opinion will cover the power of congress delegate to a commission the fixing of rates, including the right to reduce rates cultural experiment station today state the and for the reduction of expenses; also the damage done to fruit by the frost was constitutional question as to the right of severe. In some localities the cherry and the government to allow differentials be- plum trees have been stripped of blostween different ports in case rates are soms. Apples and peaches have fixed. At present, differentials in favor of suffered severely. The less to fruit some ports are allowed by agreements growers will be heavy. among the roads. The question raised is differentials if it fixes the rates.

Chairman Elkins was asked if he knew tension of the zemstvo system to the whole would be, and gave it as his opinion that the attorney general would hold that congress had the power to delegate to a ommission authority to fix rates. Victor Morawetz, a corporation attorney

and author of New York, will be the first

Pension Examiners Resign. Several of the ten pension examiners against whom Commissioner Warner has preferred charges handed in their resignations today. Commissioner Warner will report to the secretary of the interior on the case shortly. In the meantime it is understood that all ten of the examiners report, reinstatement will be sought. The resignations tendered have not yet been accepted. The charges resulted from disclosuresures that applications for civil war pensions had been illegally passed on by this examining board, the claimants being

Securities Case Mandate.

part of it is as follows: was \$3.581, compensa to the present term the case came on to be heard before the supreme court and was argued by counsel, it is now and here ordered, adjudged and decreed by this court that the decese of the United States court of appeals in this cause be, and the same is hereby affirmed with costs; and that the said appellant. Northern

Beavers May Be Removed. The supreme court of the United States teday decided the case involving the re-

him subject to removal. The effect of the decision affirming the lower court will be to bring Beavers to ceedings as the effects had already been on charges of conspiracy to defraud the government, and the present proceeding With the last known objection to the grows out of an effort to prevent his rebeginning of the trial removed, it was moval from Brooklyn to Washington for Civil Service Commission Issues State-

Beer Tax is Constitutional.

The supreme court today affirmed Young, a wealthy bookmaker and turf the decision of the circuit court for the alleged grave digger as coachman to Secman. The first trial was interrupted by eastern district of Missouri in the case of Pabst against Crenshaw, attacking the jury was unable to agree. A few days state of Missouri. The effect of this debefore the date set for the third trial J. cision is to sustain the law as not antagonistic to the commerce clause of the conson's sister, who had been sought by the stitution. The opinion was delivered by prosecution for months as witnesses Justice White. The chief justice and Jusagainst the young woman, were located in tices Brewer, Brown and Day united in a

more important decision had been rendered

The supreme court today, through an opinion by Justice Brown, affirmed the decision of the New York federal court refusing to grant a petition for a porations, arrived here early today and before. Rumors of new witnesses and of writ of habeas corpus in the case of immediately began his search for facts promised sensations by both prosecution John A. Benson, who is resisting removal to the District of Columbit for trial on the charge of conspiracy to defraud the government in connection with land frauds n the Pacific coast. United States Attorney Beach announced

foday that the trial of Machen, Lorenz and Crawford on a charge of conspiracy in connection with postoffice frauds will begin here May 2.

Postmasters Appointed. The following presidential postmasters

were appointed today: Illinois-Gleneilyn, Robert G. Kankakec, Edward A. Jeffers. Kansas-Fredonia: Thomas C. indsborg, Eben Carlson; Quenemo, Hodiey. ouri-Granby, Julian Courteol.

PLEADS GUILTY TO FRAUD Man Who Promised to Collect Money from English Estate Finds

Dupes.

CINCINNATI, April 17.-George Thatcher of Dayton, O., pleaded guilty to day in the United States district court in this city on three counts in indictments charging use of the malls to defraud by means of what he called the "Mercer" catate in England, which he declared to be

valued at over \$50,000. Letters to Mrs. Martha Winn of Peoria, Ill. Mrs. Sarah Evick of Delphos, O., and in the English estate.

STRIKE IS NOT A SUCCESS RAILWAY RATE LEGISLATION ICE IN SOUTH CAROLINA DENNISON CASE TO RED OAK Remarkably Low Temperature is Re-

ported from Points in South and East.

GREENVILLE, S. C., April 17 -- A killing frost visited this section this morning. IS IN INTEREST OF A SPEEDY TRIAL fruit and vegetables being badly damaged. ice formed in many places.

SPRINGFIELD, III., April 17.-Farmers in Clark and adjoining counties report that the freezing weather of last night damaged the fruit crop thousands of dollars. They declare that the pear, plum, peacl and cherry crops are badly damaged, if not ruined. The cold continues today. CAIRO, III., April 17 -- A severe frost in this section last night has greatly dam-

mated that fully 50 per cent of the fruit crep is ruined. NORFOLK, April 17 .- The formation of ice throughout the vast Norfolk country trucking section last night did great dam

aged fruit and vegetable crops. It is esti-

LOUISVILLE, Ky., April 17,-Local Foreweather conditions today says: "Abnormally low temperatures prevail generally today, with heavy and killing frosts Attorney General Moody, at the request as far south as southern Tennessee and ginia, while light frosts are reported from southern Alabama and northern Florida LAFAYETTE, Ind., April 17.-Reports received by the Purdue university agri-

INDIANAPOLIS, ind., April 17.-Reports whether the government can allow such received from all parts of Indiana indicate that while some damage has been done to early fruits by the frosts of the what the opinion of the attorney general past twenty-four hours the loss to formers and gardeners will be light except near

ATLANTA, Ga., April 17 .- The reports of cold weather from various parts of Georgia indicate heavy damage to the vegetable and fruit crops. The local weather bureau reports a temperature of 31 degrees here today, the lowest on record for so late a date. Killing frosts are reported from Macon and Augusta and from as far south as Mobile. The present indications are the damage will prove serious to the peach crop in Georgia.

SIDNEY MAKES A SHOWING will resign. If they are exonerated in the Large Amount of Land in District

Still Subject to Homestead Entry.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, April 17 .- (Special Telemembers of Pennsylvania and New Jersey gram.)-Commissioner Richardson of the WARSAW, April 17 .- Something of a sen- regiments , which never had seen actual ser- general land office was today acquainted with data relative to the Sidney land office. Official reports recommend that the In accordance with the previous an- land office at Sidney be consolidated with nouncement by Chief Justice Fuller, the office at North Platte. From reports the mandate of the supreme court of the subordinates there still remains 136,of the United States in the Northern 686 acres of vacant public land in Sidney Securities case was issued today. It was land district. Receipts from this office for directed to W. P. Clough, chief counsel for the nine months ended March 31 amounted the Securities company and the essential to \$7.944, and expenses of this collection was \$3,981, compensation of officers for this

It is also recommended that the following South Dakota be consolidated with the Huron office. Aberdeen, Mitchell and Watertown, the offices which it is sought to consolidate with Huron, have fallen below the statutory provisions either | in amount of acreage left or the public domain or excessive expense of maintaining them. In Aberdeen there were on April 1, only 29,480 acres remaining of the public lands, and in Mitchell and Watertown, there are no public lands whatever which have not been filed upon.

South Dakota rural routes ordered established May 15: Armour, Douglas county, routes 3, 4 and 5; population, 1529; houses, 304. Menno, Hutchinson county, route 1; population, 505; houses, 101. Henry Campbell has been appointed post-

master at Luton, Woodbury county, Iowa, vice R. H. Terry resigned. Complete county rural free delivery service has been established May 15 in Greene county. Iowa, making the total number of routes in the county twenty-three,

SHAW'S GRAVE DIGGER DRIVER

ment About the Appointment. WASHINGTON, D. C., April 17.-The reent employment by the government of an pital for the insane and Mr. Cooley states there could be no criticism of his ability to perform the duties of coachman.

Mr. Cooley then proceeds to show that the fourth name on the eligible list, Robert B. Shepard, was the one Secretary Shaw apparently wanted to reach. cording to Mr. Shepard's sworn statement he had not driven a horse for several years.

Mr. Cooley concludes as follows: Our action in this case was dictated solely by a desire to guard the secretary of the treasury from possible physical injury at the hands of the apparently inexperienced driver who was being forced upon him by political influence.

MRS. CARTER ON THE STAND Actress Confirms Statements Made by Belasco in His Suit Against

Klaw & Erlanger. NEW YORK, April 17 .- Corroboration of David Belasco's testimony regarding his and the rottenness has been made to ap-meeting in Philadelphia with Nivon a pear, as we will demonstrate a little later meeting in Philadelphia with Nixon & Zimmerman was furnished in the supreme court today by Mrs. Lerile Carter in the trial of the case of Mr. Belasco against Mrs. Carter allege that Klaw & Erlanger the incident." were Mr. Belasco's partners in the pro-

duction of "The Auctioneer," with David Warfield in the title part. Mrs. Carter testified that Mr. Belasco told Mr Nixon that he had turned over 50 per cent of Warfield's profits to Mr. Erlanger, and that Nixon said he would sometime bring Erlanger to terms for al leged double dealing. Mrs. Carter said that she had been turned out of theater after theater, controlled by Kiaw & Er- gas and electric lighting conditions in this

langer. Marc Klaw testified that his firm made \$20,000 in "The Auctioneer" and also shared tricity, today told the story of a comin the profits of the theater in which it was played, but that they had no partner, except through Joseph Brooks, who paid He testified that at that time in 1962, there

Mr. Belasco, recalled today, said that without the assistance of Klaw & Er-Mrs. Charles Reed of Portland, Ind., were per cent of the profits. Bookkeeper Aaron for street lamps was \$17.50 per year, the in evidence, in which he sought money of the Klaw & Erlanger company said all same price as obtained twenty years befrom them to help in collecting their shares the expenses of "The Auctioneer" were fore, when gas was \$2.25 per 1,000 to the charged to his firm.

Judge Green Grants Change of Venue to Accused Omaha Man.

Court Will Convene in Montgomery County May 2, When Case Will He Ready for Next Step.

LOGAN, Ia., April 17.-(Special Telegram) -Judge Green this morning granted a change of venue to Tom Dennison to Red Oak, in Montgomery county, where court convenes May 2, with Judge N. W. Macy

of Harlan on the bench. Counsel for both parties agreed not to ensider Council Bluffs, but to ask for a change to either Mills or Montgomery charges that the federal grand jury which counties. The judge stated the hotel and brought indictments against him in contrain service was much better at Red Oak | nection with land frauds in this state was than at Glenwood, though the latter was an illegal body and that United States Disnearer. A speedier trial ought to be had at trict Attorney Heney was prejudiced. Mr Red Oak as no court is to be held at Glen- Hency today introduced affidavits relating wood till September and the docket light the fact of his appointment as district atat Red Oak while heavy at Glenwood, thus torney and declaring that he bears no the case, which will last three weeks, would malice toward any of the defendants from not be so troublesome to the local court. any causes whatever. The affidavits also Thomas produced a letter from Connell certify that George Gusin, the juror whole

Correspondence Between Attorneys. ment had not adopted the proper course The attorneys in the Dennison case re- of procedure, to Red Oak. Inquiry of Attorney Connell as to the letter produced in court by El- naturalized foreigner. He stated that the mer Thomas brought out the fact that the statute provided that pleas in abatement letter was only one of an interchange of shall be tried by a judge without a jury correspondence.

agreed to try the robbery case first.

"Yes, I have a copy of my letter, or rather letters, because the one read by affidavits. Mr. Thomas was the first. It was written April 19. The substance of it is embraced

in this extract:

"It has frequently been asserted and published that Tom Dennison was desirous of having Sherciiff leave the country and was making efforts to induce him to do so. I know this to be absolutely untrue. On the contrary, I know that Tom Dennison and I, as his attorney, both desire Sherciiffe to appear and give his testimony. I have good reason to believe, and so advise you of the fact, that Sherciiffe is liable to leave the country at any time for parts unknown and there is great probability that he will not appear as a witness when wanted. I therefore give you this information that you may take such steps as is 'in the power of the federation' and in your power, as he is likely to do.

"In response to this I received a lengthy

"In response to this I received a lengthy ommunication from Mr. Thomas. It starts out by saying:

"If you and your client are so well informed as to Shercliffe's intentions and so solicitious for his presence at these trials (the criminal trials and the libel cases) it might be well for you to take the necessary steps to insure his presence. Your anxiety, however, for his presence as a witness is in strange contradiction of the course of yourself and client thus far. Offer from Thomas.

Then he goes on to recite in detail the

and winds up: "If there is any slacerity in the anxiety which you express for Saercliffe's testimony you still have an opportunity to prove it. You know that in a criminal prosecution the state cannot use a deposition except upon the consent of the ant, whereas the defendant can always use the deposition. If you are anxious that Shercliffe attend this trial let your client Shercliffe attend this trial let your client sign a written stipulation agreeing that Shercliffe's deposition may be taken at once and filed in the criminal case and waive the presence of the witness at the trial and agreeing that such deposition may be read in evidence and treated in all respects as if given by the witness in open court.

I do not believe there is any sincerity in your statement that you desire Sheroliffe's testimony. Your essures in the past forbids any such belief and your failure to take advantage of this offer will confirm your want of good faith and truthfulness in your letter of April 10. If it should so happen that through any threats or other unlawful influence Sheroliffe's presence at the trial of Dennison should be prevented the miscarriage of justice cannot be laid at my door or that of any person whom I represent. our statement that you desire Shercliffe

represent. Dennison's Rights Protected. "I immediately answered that letter with

the following:

"April 15, 1905.—Mr. Elmer E. Thomas, Omaha, Neb.: Dear Sir—In response to your lengthy communication of yesterday I would say that my letter of April 10 was not for the purpose of opening up an extended correspondence with you, but merely to advise you of the fact that your star witness. Shercliffe is likely to soon leave for parts unknown and to enable you to take the action within your lower to prevent him from doing so. I know that unless the money which has been promised him is promptly raised by the Civic Federathe following: retary of the Treasury Shaw, under certification from the civil service commission resulted in the issuance of a statement today by Commissioner Cooley. The statement defends the three names certified from which Secretary Shaw could choose. It shows that the alleged grave digger was for many years coachman to the superintendent of the government hosshould appear against him. He will do nothing to induce Shercliffe to leave, so you need lose no sleep on that

Now, with regard to taking Sherel ffe Now, with regard to taking Sherci fie's deposition, you know you have the perfect right to do this in the civil cases which are pending. I will consent to taking his deposition in these cases at any line. As to the criminal cases, Tom Dennison has the right to require Shercliffe to face a jury in the giving of his testimony, and for good and sufficient reasons I insist that this shell be done.

"Now, about the past delays about which "Now, about the past delays about which you have so much to say, I assume the entire responsibility of all past action causing delay. Tom Dennison wanted to go over to lowa at once, but I insisted he should not do so. I wanted to first uncover the true inwardness of the prosecution against him. As I stated to a party the other day: 'When the streets were covered with snow and ice, if I know that underneath that snow and ice there was a lot of corruption and rottenness which I corruption and rottenness which is to expose, I would want a little for the sun to come out and melt the ice and snow that the corrup-

on. Very truly yours. W. J. CONNELL. "Mr. Thomas did not bring in these letters before the court over at Logan, but Klaw & Erlanger. Both Belasco and they are necessary to an explanation of

PRICE OF GAS IN NEW YORK Company Charged \$17.50 for Street Lamps When Gas Was \$2.25 Per

1,000 to Private Consumers

NEW York, April 17 .- Before the legislative committee which is investigating the city, Robert Grier Monroe, formerly commissioner of water supply, gas and elecbination that prevented competitive business during Mayor Low's administration was absolutely no competition; that there was virtually but one bid for each kind of in 1900 he could not get a theatrical route light and that the city was "made to pay dividends and interest on an inflated cap langer and then only by giving up 29 ital." The price of open flame burners I private consumer.

NEBRASKA WEATHER FORECAST JAPS TAKE COLLIERS

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9 p. m.,... 46 HENEY REPLIES TO MITCHEL

District Attorney Denies Charges of Prejudice and Irregularity in Land Fraud Indictment.

PORTLAND, Ore., April 17.-In answer to United States Senator John H. Mitchell's stating that Frank Shercliffe would soon citizenship is questioned by the defense, is leave the state for parts unknown and a naturalized citizen of the United States, consequently urged a speedy trial. Fallon Attorney Bennett, for the defense, raised

objections to the introduction of the affidavits upon the ground that the govern-

turned to Omaha Immediately after the Mr. Hency argued that a statute of the order had been made transferring the trial United States provided that affidavits could be introduced to show the citizenship of a and that the federal laws provide for the introduction of evidence in the form of

Congressman Binger Herrman today submitted demurrers to each of the charges pending against him in connection with land frauds in this state.

,Former District Attorney J. H. Hale, former District Attorney Edwin Mays, Earl Benson, W. N. Jones and Thaddeus Potter pleaded not guilty or entered pleas in abatement.

PANAMA ROAD REORGANIZED Theodore P. Shonts Elected President and Money Appropriated for Double Track.

NEW YORK, April 17 .- Secretary Taft and members of the Panama Canal commission were in session today at the offices of the Panama Railroad company. Meetings of the stockhoiders and directors of the railroad company, control of which now is vested in the government, were held today.

The following new board of directors of the Panama Railroad company was elected: various steps in the Dennison case, includ- E. Magoon, Mordecai T. Endicott, Peter ing the extradition proceedings, appeals, C. Hains, B. M. Harrod, Oswald R. Ernest, William Nelson Cromwell, William Barclay Shonts; vice president and general manager, John F. Wallace; secretary and treasurer, E. A. Drake; assistant treasurer. Sylvester Deming; assistant secretary, Thomas H. Rosbottom; general counsel, Sullivan & Cromwell; traffic manager, R. L. Walker; auditor, John Adams; superintendent on the isthmus, H. G. Prescott; executive committee, President Shonts, Vice President Wallace, Charles E. Magoon, William Nelson Cromwell and C.

R. Edwards. The board ordered the double tracking and re-equipping of the railroad and made an appropriation of \$1,250,000 for that pur-

KENNEDY MAY INTERVENE portion of his squadron, has been sighted Suit Against Equitable Life Assurnnce Company Extends to An-

other Stockholder. NEW YORK, April 17.-Leave to intervene in the action of Frank'in B. Lord against the Equitable Life Assurance society to prevent the mutualization of the sosalner Kennedy of New York City, holder of sixteen shares of Equitable stock. Mr. nox Kennedy, owner of four shares. The agents of the Equitable society have arrived in this city from various parts of the

NEW HEAD OF PUBLIC WORKS Joseph Medill Patterson Youngest Man to Hold the Office in Chicago.

CHICAGO, April 17 .- Mayor Dunne tolay appointed Joseph Medill Patterson to commissioner of public works. Mr. Patterson succeeds Frederick W. Blocki, who, at the recent election, was successful as a candidate for the position of city treasurer. Mr. Patterson, who is 26 years Commissioner Patterson is a grandson of

Robert W. Patterson, editor of the Chicago Tribune. Snow in Kansas ARKANSAS CITY, Kan., April 17.—Light snow fell in southern Kansas today, changing to rain later. Crops will be benefited.

Movements of Ocean Vessels April 17. At New York-Arrived: Oscar II, from Copenhagen; Minnehaha, from London; ke, from Genoa.

Boulogne—Sailed: Patricia, for New

Bremen-Arrived: Gneisenau, from the afternoon of April 12. Gibraltar-Arrived: Konig Albert. New York. Moville-Sailed: Furnessia, for New

At Leghorn-Arrived:

Number of Vessels Are Captured by Islanders Off Coast of Cochin- hina-

KEEPING TAB OF RUSSIAN MOVEMENTS

Fleet Has Been in Harbor of Kamranh Bay

Over Forty-Eight Hours. ALLEGED BREACH OF NEUTRALITY

Japan Will Make Representations to France About Mutter at Once.

HOSPITAL SHIP OREL LANDS SICK MEN

Russian Ships Are Now Anchored in Kamraah Bay, Where They Are Taking on Board Provisions.

SAIGON, April 17 .- The Japanese recently captured a large number of colliers

off the const of Cocnin-China. Six men, supposed to be Japanese, landed some days ago at Cape St. James, near here, from an Annamese junk and after a brief stay re-embarked.

A number of Russian warships are anchored in Kamranh bay, where they are revictidating. The steamer Eridan, which was purchased by a local French firm, sailed yesterday evening with a full cargo of provisions for

the squadron. The health of the Russians is remarkably good. Only eight deaths from disease have occurred since their departure from Europe

out of an effective force of 18,000 men. A Russian officer suffering from beriberi is in the hospital here. The other sick men who were brought here by the Russian hospital ship Orel Include Prince Cantacuzene, but the reports that the Orei has wounded men on board are unfounded. as there had been no fighting up to the time of its arrival.

Keeping Time on Russian Fleet. TOKIO, April 17,-It is calculated here that the Russian squadron arrived at Kamranh bay at noon, April 12, and therefore has been occupying the port forty-eight

hours when seen at noon, April 14. The information received regarding vesseis of the Russian squadron being seen at Kamranh bay, April 14, reached Tokio today and was given to the public through a brief communication from the Navy department. The news was a surprise because it was generally doubted that France would permit the use of its ports to a belligerent squadron engaged in offensive operations. The Japanese government is silient on the subject of its intentions, but it is expected that it will make immediate representations to France. The response of France is engerly awaited particularly as to whether France admits the squadron is within territorial waters. France denied Theodore P. Shonts, J. F. Wallace, Charles that the Russian squadron was within territorial waters when off Madagascar. If it denies it in this instance it will give Japan an opportunity to attack the Russian vessels without violating France's neutrality. dia, R. L. Farnam and Edward A. Drake. Many people continue to believe the Russian squadron will speedily leave Kamranh

bay and continue its voyage northward Report from Manchuria. 2:30 p. m .- The following official report was issued today from the headquarters of On the night of April 19 of the enemy's cavairy entered Sanyen of the enemy's cavairy entered Sanyen chiag, on the Fakomun-Fenghua road. Our force made a night attack and repulsed the enemy northward. The enemy was panic-stricken and left eight men dead on the field. Our losses were two men killed. India ovent collisions between cavairy are baus places. Otherwise the Japanese armies in Manchuria:

field. Our losses were two men avairy Frequent collisions between cavalry occurring in various places. Other there has been no material change in situation. Rojestvensky Off Hong Kong. PARIS, April 17.-A dispatch from St. Petersburg to the Echo de Paris states that Vice Admiral Rojestvensky, with a

off Hong Kong, sailing northeast. This not confirmed from other sources. Question of Neutrality Raised. LONDON, April 18.-In the absence of further information regarding the position of the Russian and Japanese fleets. the morning papers are keenly discussing the neutrality question, for the most part

in a strong pro-Japanese tone. The Morning Post takes the milder view ciety was granted today to H. Van Rans- that Kainranh bay is a mere fishing port and unable to provide coal or other supplies to the Russian squadron, which prob-Kennedy in the action also represented as ably took shelter there to replenish from administrator the estate of Ruchael Len- its own colliers, and that, though a technical breach of neutrality had been comapplication was granted by Justice Mad- mitted, the French authorities could hardly dox of the supreme court in Brooklyn and be held responsible unless it can be proven was unopposed. A large number of general that they had previous knowledge of the Russians' intentions.

The Daily Mail's correspondent at Singcountry. They will remain here about a apore gives a further report from the week and will hold meetings, beginning to- North German Lloyd steamer Prince Heinrick, that on Friday, April 14, the Russian cruisers Dmitri Donskot and Rion were scouting outside the bay while a tug was bringing colliers alongside of warships which were coaling, and that many boats were transferring provisions to Russian vessels.

The correspondent at Hong Kong of the Daily Mail reports that the steamer North Anglia late Friday night sighted a strong fieet of cruisers off Bombay reel steering bouth and using search fights. The North Anglia was unable to distinguish the nationality of the cruisers.

St. Petersburg Makes Surmise. ST. PETERSBURG, April 17.-(11:55 old, is one of the youngest men to hold a. m.). The news that vessels of the Rusthe commissionership of public works in stan squadron have put into Kamranh this city. "I knew nothing of the ap- bay north of Cape Padaran, off the east pointment," said Mr. Patterson, "until coast of Cochin-China, bears out state-Saturday. I was not expecting the posi- ments contained in these dispatches a week tion and I was as greatly surprised as ago to the effect that Admiral Rojest anyone. The matter has come too sud- vensky probably would seek shelter off dealy for me to make any statement of that part of the Cochin-China coast and there coal and make his final preparations before embarking on the final stage of his the late Joseph Medill and is a son of journey. No definite information is obthinable as to the length of the squadron's stay at Kamranh bay or whether the warships have already sailed, the Admiralty even if it knows being naturally slient on

this point. "You may be sure," said an officer, "that very precaution will be taken against torpedo attack. Rojestvensky can bu relied upon to protect his ships." Among naval men the idea that Admiral

Rojestvensky has divided is squadron is At Idverpool-Arrived: Bovic, from New not entertained. No confirmation has been received here Dover-Arrived: Zeeland, from New of the reported naval engagement north At Glangow-Sailed: Buenos Ayrean, for Montreal: Sarmatican, for Montreal. Arrived: Caledonia, from New York.

At Genoa-Arrived: Canopic, from Hos-

150 miles north of the Natura islands in Russians Stop German Ship HONG KONG, April 17.-The German

steamer Brunhilde arrived here today from Cherbourg-Sailed: Barbarorsa, for Bingapore and the Russian cruisers for two hours by three Russian cruisers At Teneriffe-Arrived: Prinzessin Victo-ria Luise, from New York.

At Leghorn-Arrived: Calabele for two hours by three Russisn cruiters on April is thirty miles north of Cape Pad-Calabria, from aran. The Brunhilde counted all gether thirty-three vessels steaming north north-