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Between 600 and 700 Delegates Present When Convention is Called to Order.

WELCOMED TO MILWAUKEE BY MAYOR

Response is by Head Consul Talbot and Head Clerk Hawes.

ANNUAL REPORTS OF THE OFFICERS an immense crowd gathered to welcome the

Order Includes 14.53 Per Cent Fligible to

Membership in Ita Territory.

INSURANCE IN FORCE OVER ONE BILLION

Hend Consul Recommends By-Law Prohibiting Foresters or Locals from Giving Picules or Excursions on Sunday.

MILWAUKEE, June 20.-The head camp of Modern Woodmen of America opened Mrs. Thomson and Mr. and Mrs. Stephen its fourteenth biennial convention at the Pell. Davidson theater today, with between 600 camps and nearly 700,000 members, present. Consul A. R. Talbot for the Modern Wood- horses started. men and Head Clerk Charles W. Hawes of Rock Island, Ill., for the head offices.

#### Consul Talbot's Report.

The convention then proceeded with the presentations of reports. Head Consul Talbot reported for his department as follows: The report of Head Consul A. R. Talbot was devoted to a review of the work during the biennial term. Speaking of the centralization of the work, he favored the plications to go to the supreme medical suited in an adjournment. director at the head office. The expenses of his office for 1968 were \$11,683, and for to interpellate the government upon half of 210 distressed members were re-He spoke in favor of the foresters' de- negotiations actually going on. The prepartment and recommended the adoption mier added that he would be glad to furforesters' teams from holding Sunday picthe order, with a penalty for disobedience expulsion or revocation of charter. He mended the order of Junior Woodmen as beneficial to the boys. He favored an interval of three or four years between the meetings of the head camp, in the interests of economy. During the biennial the new members numbered 121,639, and 1.482 new camps were chartered. The soclety, he said, now includes 14.53 per cent of all those eligible for membership in the

## Report of Head Clerk.

This was followed by the report of Head Clerk Hawes.

states in which it is organized.

surance \$175,462,500.

The average per capita payment to the benefit fund was \$1,20½, as against 80 cents during the term preceding. The increase was due to the new rates becoming effective January 1, 1904, when the rates of the members were increased from 25 per cent to 75 per cent at the various ages. There were 2,991 deaths from accident and 804 deaths from suicide. Of the latter 248 were farmers—30.85 per cent of the total number. The farmers also led in accidental deaths—885. The report of the board of auditors was

next presented.

cussing the merits of the national fraternal first years of their married life. ganitarium for tubercular sufferers. In the ourse of his remarks the doctor said that of the more than 700,000 members of the 100,000 were doomed to die of consumption The Woodmen paid last May \$86,000 in death claims due to consumption in April The doctor told how the Santa Fe Railroad company had given a \$1,000,000 hotel and alte in the city of Las Vegas, N. M., for sanitarium purposes and asked that each sember of the Woodmen contribute a anny a month to the maintenance of the

stitution. The committee on order of business reported making the election of head officers the first thing on the program for tomor-

# Fight Over Liquor Question.

The expected fight over the liquor question began early, grew bitter and promises to absorb a large part of the convention's time, with the result that the rule against admission of liquor men is likely to be sustained. A resolution removing zine and lead miners from the list of extra hazardous risks was referred to the law commit-The report of the law committee was then taken up. The announcement changing the method of collection and assessments from newly elected members was rejected, as was one eliminating the \$3,000 insurance policy. The law as to policies was changed to comprehend a policy for 81,500

Kansas City Team Leads. The following scores were made in the foresters' prize drills today:

Senior Class—Decatur No. 144, Captain U. S. Giles, 96.2; Lincoln No. 199, Captain A. C. Herrick, 97.502; Kansas City No. 1990, Captain William Walker, 98.585; Kansas City No. 1412, Captain J. A. Beggs, 96.363; Des Moines No. 111, Captain L. R. Tillotson, Junior Class—Los Angeles No. 7710, Cap-tin A. M. Newton, 79.76; Lincoln No. 969, aptain H. J. Gildersleeva, 72.29; Des toines No. 2134, Captain A. E. Brunnett, 38; Mason (Ia.) No. 769 Captain W. G. 7ells, 33.14; St. Louis No. 2680, Captain A. Page 74.47. S: Mason (Ia.) No. 109
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Battalion Drill-Rock Island Battalion
So. 10. Major T. J. DeKay. 74-83; St. Paul
Permanent Battalion No. 17, Major T. P.
C. McKauguire, 64-96.

### RESIGNATIONS ARE ACCEPTED Alexander and Hyde Retire from

Management of Equitable Life Assurance Society. NEW YORK, June D .- Paul Morton chairman of the Equitable directors, has announced that he has accepted the resignation of James W. Alexander as president and James Hazen Hyde as first vice presi-

dent. He said he has not acted on the other resignations yet. Good Roads Convention ORTLAND, Ore., June 20.—Colonel R. Richardson, secretary of the National od Roads association, today announced candidacy for president of that origation to succeed W. H. Moore of St. Market and Moore is also a candidate for re-election. The convention will sent temperow.

gin tomorrow

### L FAMILY AT THE RACES REPORT NEVER COMPLETED mericans Are Honored by In-

gations to Royal Enclosure at Ascot.

LONE June 20 -The king and queen the prin. of societ ended the Ascot race meeting today. coyal procession, with the eight carriages, preceded by scarlet liv ried outriders with postillions in the Ascot stake livery, dark blue and gold. The course was reached in a driggling rain, but

royal family. Ambassador Reid and the staff of the American embassy went from London to Ascot in automobiles. Many Americans are a dispatch announcing the death of A. O. staying in the vicinity. The guests of the Wright at Madison, Wis. Mr. Wright was Ascot in automobiles. Many Americans are duke and duchess of Roxburgh include Mr. and Mrs. George Cavendish Bentick. Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Drexel are entertainng a house party, while Consuelo, duchess others are staying in the neighborhood. and the Misses Mills, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Townsend, Mr. and Mrs. El- While engaged in his work on the Winnebridge T Gerry, Mrs. Mackay, Colonel and bago reservation he became ill and was

The gold vase, valued at 200 sovereigns, and 700 delegates, representing over 11,000 given by King Edward with 400 sovereigns in specie for the winner, two miles, was Mayor David S. Rose welcomed the dele- again carried off by Bachelor's Button, last gates to the city in a happy speech and year's winner of this event, ridden by Brazil. Hart and Klingerman arrived from presented the keys of the city to the head Maher, the American jockey. Mark Time consul. Responses were made by Head was second and Hammerkop third. Ten

#### MOROCCAN MATTER POSTPONED Question is Not Brought Up in French Chamber at Meeting Today.

PARIS, June 20 .- An effort was made to bring up the Franco-German negotiations in the Chamber of Deputies today, but at ontinuance of state nead physicians, all | Premier Rouvier's earnest request it re-

Archducon Binder asked for permission 1904, \$24,819; total, \$36,503. Appeals on be- France's foreign relations. M. Rouvier objected, saying it was not the custom for ceived and the contributions were \$21,549. governments to furnish explanations upon of the bylaws prohibiting local camps or aish details as soon as possible, but he did not wish to embarrass the progress of the nics or excursions under the auspices of regotiations by public explanations at their present stage.

> plauded by both sides of the chamber. a date before the July recess, but the at this time, but he hopes that lightning chamber indefinitely postponed the discus-

parliamentary discussion of the delicate in the east having told on him consider-Moroccan negotiations.

### ROYAL PARTY AT POTSDAM Crown Prince and Princess of Ger-

and escorted them to the city, which was New Haven & Hartford railroad. gaily decorated with bunting, flags, evergreens and flowers. The reception of the retary Loeb, Dr. P. M. Rixey, surroyal couple took the form of a warm pub- geon general of the navy; M. M. Latta, lie demonstration. Extra trains brought his personal stenographer; two secret station to the Old Market, where the bur- party wil' arrive at Worcester at 9:30 gomaster delivered an address of welcome. The crown prince responded briefly, thank-Warner of Kansas addressed the welcome. The couple then proceeded to the ercises will be held. He will deliver the

#### COMMITTEE TO PROBE SCANDAL Modern Woodmen of America more than Premier Balfour Says Army Officials Cannot Now Be Prosecuted for Acts.

LONDON, June 20 .- The House of Comsuntide holidays and the new speaker, Mr. Lowther, was installed.

The opposition immediately bombarded the government with questions about the army stores' scandal, and Premier Balfour announced that the government had placed the papers connected with the case in the hands of the director of public prosecutions. The latter, however, considered that the papers did not reveal any ground for criminal prosecution. The censured officers had been relieved from their duties. Mr. Balfour added that he proposed to appoint a select committee of the House of Com-

#### POLICE AND GERMANS CLASH Eviction of Tenant is the Occasion for Riotous Demonstration Near Cologne.

mons to deal with the matter.

COLOGNE, Germany, June 20 .- A serious collision occurred last night between the police and the populace of Chlodwigs Platz. The police received orders for the eviction of a tenant who was behind in the payment of rent for his house. An enraged crowd, numbering thousands, assembled and some of the tenants of neighboring houses threw stones and other missiles at the police from the windows, while the crowd in front of the delinquent tenant's residence made riotous demonstrations. Finally the police drew their swords and dispersed the crowd, but not before the postmaster at Hampton, Ia. rioting had lasted six hours. About twenty persons were wounded, two of them being SECRETARY HAY AT HIS DESK severely injured.

New Greeinn Cubinet. ATHENS, Greece, June 20.-King George has entrusted M. Ralli with the formation of a Deliannist cabinet.

# NEGRO IS SHOT TO DEATH

Crime and Asks for Speedy Execution.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., June 20 .- Simon Ford, a negro, who assaulted a white woman near Riverside has been taken from the jail at Hohenwald. Tenn., by a mob of fifty men and shot to death. Ford was

arrested after being wounded. After his arrest he admitted his guilt an. was later identified by his victim. Ford was hauled to the scene of his crime, about ten miles, suffering from his wounds. He asked to be killed the quickest way and made no plea for his life.

Inspector Wright Dies Without Completing Work on Winnebago Reserve.

Wales and most of the leaders TWO NEBRASKANS RETURN FROM BRAZIL

touse part . Windsor castle, consisted of Colonel E. HO Crowder Back from His Assignment of Observing the War Operations in Manchuria.

> (From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, June 20 .- (Special Telegram.)-The Indian bureau today received for many years an inspector of Indian

Mr. Wright's last assignment was to investigate charges which had been preof Manchester, Mrs. John Jacob Astor and ferred by Rev. Father Schell regarding the illegal sale of liquor to Indians of the Among the Americans invited to the royal Winnebago reservation. He made an exenclosure today were Mrs. Ogden Mills haustive investigation of the subject, but has never made a report as to his findings, obliged to return to his home in Madison.

> Nebraskans Back from Brazil. H. C. Hart of Edgar and C. Klingerman of Lincoln, formerly of Edgar, are in Washington today en route to their Nebraska homes after a three months' trip to Rio on the steamship Catana after a passage of seventeen days. "The states are good enough for me," said Mr. Hart. "Brazil is no place for an American. Taxation is tremendously high and if you save a concession from the government you do not know what minute the govern ment will change and your grants be an nulled. Living is dearer by many per cent over American cities, and altogether Brazil holds out no inducements to capitalists from the states. We both are overloyed

to get back to Nebraska." They left for

Chicago tonight. Crowder Arrives from Orient, Colonel E. H. Crowder arrived in Washnel Crowder's friends have been active in pushing him for a brigadier generalship, and the death of Colonel Wagner, who seemed to give Crowder a decided advantage. Secretary Taft, however, announced today that Colonel W. S. Edgerly of the Second cavalry, stationed in Manila, would succeed to the Wagner vacancy, which will M. Rouvier's statement was heartily apdefer Colonel Crowder's promotion until a later date. Colonel Crowder stated today M. Archducon asked the premier to name that he could hardly hope for promotion sternation in political circles. In revoking The result disclosed that M. Rouvier had eral Bates on his trip from the far east. Work and the material remaining to be the support of the chamber in avoiding a He is not in the best of health, his service supplied. The original value of the con-

### ably. PRESIDENT TO VISIT SCHOOLS paid for work done.

Chief Executive Will Make Addresses

Clerk Hawes.

The insurance in force at the close of the biennial term aggregated \$1,136,678,500. The society paid 7,061 death claims, amounting to \$12,562,600, as against \$5,850 claims, amounting to \$10,705,435 during the preceding.

The receipts of the benefit fund totaled \$1,2567,703. as against \$7,570,388 during the preceding biennial. The balance at the close of the term was \$507,657. The receipts of the general fund were \$1,674,259, as against \$1,600,011 during the preceding biennial. The balance being \$259,594. The lapsed (beneficial) membership during the two years was \$17,415 and the lapsed in surance \$176,462,500.

The average per capita payment to the close of the term of the balance being \$259,594. The lapsed (beneficial) membership during the wook of the general fund were \$1,674,625.00.

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New Haven & Hartford railroad.

Neeser was removed today by President Roosevelt as deputy colector of the commencements of Three Colleges.

Colleges.

WASHINGTON. June 20.—President Roosevelt as deputy colleges at Commencements of Three Colleges.

WASHINGTON.

Was involved in the Congressional library here and commencements of Colleges.

Was involved in the congressional library here and converted the revenue at Philadelphia. Mr. Meeser was removed today of revenue at Philadelphia and Colleges.

Was HINGTON.

Was involved in the Colleges at Williams college a and sister-in-law at the railroad station on the route will be over the New York, Missouri Suit Against Companies of might be advanced if a battle could be

The president was accompanied by Sec many visitors from Berlin and great service officers and representatives of ing the people of Potsdam for their cordial university where the commencement ex-Woodmen's convention this afternoon, dis- marble palace, where they will spend the principal address of the occasion. He also expects to visit Holy Cross college at Worcester and probably will deliver a brief party will proceed to Williamstown where the president will be the guest of President Hopkins of Williams college.

At the commencement exercises on Thursday President Roosevelt will receive the degree of doctor of laws and deliver an address. Afterwards he will make an admons reassembled today after the Whit- dress to the general public. Early Thursday the president and party will leave Williamstown for Washington, being scheduled to arrive here before breakfast time Friday morning.

# WESTERN MATTERS AT CAPITAL

Change in Salaries of Nebraska Postmasters Announced by the Department.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 20 .- (Special Telegram.)-These changes in postmasters' salaries were announced today: Nebraska, ncrease, Chadron, \$1,600 to \$1,700; Crete, \$1.500 to \$1,500; Pender, \$1,400 to \$1,500. Decrease, Ashland, \$1,600 to \$1,500; Table Rock, \$1,100 to \$1,000. South Dakota, increase, Madison, \$2,000 to \$2,100; Mitchell, \$3,400 to \$2,600; Redfield, \$1,800 to \$1,900. Decrease. Miller, \$1,500 to \$1,400.

Grace A. Covell has been appointed postmaster at Bridgewater, Adair county, lowa, vice J. W. Fisher, resigned. South Dakota rural routes ordered exablished September 1: Montrose, McCook unty, route 2; population, 515; houses, 163. White Rock, Roberts county, routes 1

and 2; population, 900; houses, 180, The First National bank of Highmore, S. D., has been authorized to begin business with \$2,500 capital. F. D. Greene is president, W. D. McDonald, vice president; C. P. Swanson, cashier. Thomas W. Purcell was today appointed

### Returns from His European Trip in Good Health and Takes Up Work Again.

WASHINGTON, June 20 .- Secretary Hay, who returned to Washington yesterday after a prolonged absence abroad, was at Assatiant of White Woman Confesses his desk in the State department today. The secretary attended to a large amount of correspondence which had accumulated during his absence. He expects to leave in a short time for his New Hampshire

New Railroad for Illinois. PEORIA, Ill., June 20.-A new road to be mown as the Peoria, Pekin & Southeastern PEORIA, Ill., June m.—A new road to be known as the Peoria. Pekin & Southeastern has asked for incorporation papers. It will be built from Peoria to Ramsey, Ill. where it will connect with the Clover Leaf, and running in connection with the Chi-cago & Northwestern, will open up a through freight business from the south to the north, via Peoria. The incorporators are: G. W. Taibot, W. T. Irwin, Herman Danforth, Robert P. Jack, R. H. Hardin, of this city.

# BATTLE IN PROGRESS BLAME BRITAIN FOR DELAY

Russian Army in Manchuria Out flanked on Both Wings-Movement Began May 20.

LONDON, June 20.—The correspondent of the Daily Telegraph at Tokio sends the following: The Japanese are continuing their victorious advance in Manchuria The Russians have been completely outflanked on both wings and news of Japanese victories may be expected shortly. The Japanese have considerably over half a million men in the field. Their preliminary operations began as far back as

May 20. Two significant announcements have een made, the first that the Japanese onsul general has informed the viceroy of Liang Klang that Admiral Uriu's squadron intends to cruise in the Yangtse river, and the second, that the British quadron at Hong Kong will proceed to Wei-Hei-Wei and begin gun practice off Shantung province on June 22.

Your correspondent with the Japanese headquarters reports that Cossacks were repulsed with heavy losses near Linanhuapao June 16, but were considerably reinforced at Telkaton, and that another raid is expected. In the direction of Hailincheng the Russians have been reinforced by three divisions. General Madolaroff commands the advance lines and is trying to check the Japanese northward advance. The Japanese expect good news shortly. The Russians have constructed three strong bridges across the Tumen river.

#### SENSATION IN QUAKER CITY Former Official Charged with Falsify ing Records-Big Contract Reseinded by Mayor Weaver,

PHILADELPHIA, June 20.-The arrest of John W. Hill, who resigned last week as chief of the Bureau of Filtration on the charge of forgery and falsifying certain books and papers belonging to the city and the annulment of a \$700,000 contract held by D. J. McNichol & Co., were the dramatic developments today in Philadelphia's sensational upheaval. Hill entered ington yesterday from the far east. Colo- bail in the sum of \$10,000 for a hearing tomorrow. The warrant charges Hill with having committed forgery in that he made or caused to be made a statement giving was made a brigadier last Saturday, a few a false estimate of the work done by the hours before he died at Ashland, S. C., firm of D. J. McNichol & Co. on the filtration plants and also with falsifying certaln books and papers of the city for the purpose of defrauding the city. Former Chief Hill received a salary of \$17,000.

The rescinding of the \$700,000 contract held by D. J. McNichol & Co. caused conthe contract the mayor notified the diwill strike in his vicinity some of these rector of the public works to immediately days. Colonel Crowder accompanied Gen- take steps to advertise for bids for the tract was \$500,000, but on March 17 this was increased to \$700,000 by a supplementary contract. Up to date \$217,477 has been

> WASHINGTON, D. C., May 20.-Clarence Meeser was removed today by President

# that State in Progress at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS. June 20 .- Hearing in the suit instituted by Attorney General Hadcrowds lined the streets from the railway the press associations. The presidetial ley of Missouri asking that the charters of the Standard Oil company with the o'clock tomorrow morning. Soon afterward | Waters-Pierce Oil company and the Repubthe president will be escorted to Clark lic Oil company be revoked, began today before Special Commissioner D. R. thony in the court room of the St. Louis court of appeals. Attorney General Hadley opened the

case with a statement of the state's conaddress there. Early in the afternoon the tention in the premises which lasted about an hour. He said that the state would attempt to prove that the Standard and Waters-Pierce companies divided the state of Missouri, the former taking the northern half and the latter the southern, where, according to the attorney general, there is a strong prejudice against the Standard. He also stated that the Waters-Pierce and Republic companies handle Standard products, and alleged that there is a conspiracy between the three concerns to restrain trade. Attorney Priest, for the defendant companies, denied the sufficiency of the complaint and holds that the combination, if one really existed, is no more than an arrangement such as any men might make regarding the purchase and sale of any article in which they were interested. The hearing then adjourned until tomorrow when the taking of evidence will begin,

## Telephone Men Not Connected with Bell Company May Enter New York,

CHICAGO, June 30.-The ninth annual onvention of the National Interstate Independent Telephone association opened here today and will continue until Thursday. The delegates will endeavor to effect a defeat to General Linevitch. strong central organization which will result in complete harmony, extending throughout the entire independent system. The possibility of establishing an independent company in New York City is an important question which will come before the convention. Members of the association on Thursday will make observation trips for study and rest.

the consolidation of the two associations.

#### MITCHELL JURY COMPLETED None of the Members Reside in Portland and Ten of Them Are Farmers.

PORTLAND, Ore., June 20.-The case of Senator John H. Mitcheil, indicted in con- were filed by Joe Leiter and the other nection with the land frauds in this state, was called in Judge DeHaven's court to- The outcome of the case is being watched New day. The greater portion of the first session of the court was devoted to hearing and Chicago attorneys appear in the case, the excuses of jurors who desired to escape the duty of passing upon the gullt or the innocence of the aged senator. The jury was completed late today. It consists of ten farmers and two merchants. None of the jurymen are residents

St. Petersburg Alleges England Would Have Battle Before Commission Meets.

Tokio Says that Plenipotentiaries of Mikado May Leave for Washington on Last Day

JAPANESE ARE DISCUSSING SITUATION

of June.

ST. PETERSBURG, June 20 .- The Novoe Vremya today printed a dispatch from London in which its correspondent declared h was in possession of information to the effect that the British were udvising Japan against the conclusion of an armistice 'Russia," the dispatch added, "is not considered to be sufficiently weakened. Great Britain hopes that Field Marshal Oyama will succeed in destroying General Linevitch's army and thus relieve it of the nightmare that the army may later be shifted to the borders of Afghanistan for wide attention for many months past. operations against India."

The radical Nasha Shisn asserts that the phantom of financial exhaustion hanging to Secretary Taft, made public tonight apof peace, and draws a harrowing picture and conclusions in the case. The presi- nounced last night, a contract having been of 90 per cent of the empire's population living as their forefathers did in the sixteenth century, groaning under the con- reprehensible," that Mr. Bowen asked one Commercial National and the Union Nastantly increasing debts plied up by militarism and the adventures of the autocracy a certain company for the purpose "in consolidated as soon as the legal acts can which clever bookkeeping no longer can plain words of stealing" documents which be completed. The consolidated banks will inues. "Is reaching the end of its ability and that Mr. Bowen has "evidently for \$200,000. It will retain the name of she to borrow for the purpose of prosecuting many months, indeed for the last two United States National bank. It will octobe war. Here is the real secret of the hope years, devoted himself," to hunting up cupy the building of the Commercial Naof peace. Russia's poverty must decide the issue when the plenipotentiaries meet."

Armistice Depends on Roosevelt. 2:10 p. m.-The only hope for an armistice pending the meeting of the peace plenipotentiaries seems to rest with President Roosevelt, and even that is considered slender. So far as known the president has not taken a positive step in this direction. The impression here continues strong that Japan with only great reluctance could be that he would consider that resignation an Lyman, E. M. Morsman, W. W. Morsman, induced to forego the advantages of its strategic position, which, despite the tone is therefore ordered. of the official advices from the front, is Field Marshal Oyama, and agree to a suspension of hostilities for at least six weeks, during which time thousands of reinforcements would reach General Linevitch and Vladivostok would be strengthened with munitions and supplies to withstand a siege. Indeed, it is suggested that Japan deliberately planned to postpone the meeting long enough to give Oyama a chance to administer to the Russians a fresh defeat on land, in order to rob the war party in Russia of their last card and facilitate acquiescence to its terms.

May Meet August 1. Russia, the Associated Press is officially informed, finds no objection to Aughst I as suggested by Japan for the date of the meeting of the plenipotentiaries and instructions will be sent to Ambassador Cas-

sini to accept it. In spite of the dispatches from Washington indicating the possibility that Count Cassini and Minister Takahira may sign a that there have been no official exchanges on the subject. Indeed, according to the view expressed by the Foreign office recognized mouthpiece there is not much expectation that a suspension of hostilities can be arranged. At the same time it is readily agreed that the prospects of peace

avoided pending the meeting. According to reports current in this city some preliminaries looking to an armistics have already taken place between General Linevitch and Field Marshal Oyama, but the War office offers no confirmation of this. On the contrary the news from the front, although meager, all seems to indicate that the Japanese advance has already been begun.

Japanese Envoys May Start in June. continues through Washington, with indications of an early completion of the details. There has been a series of confer- Harry Gower, assistant freight traffic manences between the elder statesmen and the ager for the Rock Island; Frederick W. cabinet to consider the conditions and dis- Buckett, western assistant general freight cuss the selection of plenipotentiaries. It is thought to be possible to complete the Hayes, assistant general freight agent of details, appoint the plenipotentiaries and the Grand Trunk; William Babcock, genorganize a staff of assistants in time for eral freight agent of the Lackawanna lines; them to sail on the steamer Empress of James E. Gorman, freight traffic manager India June 30 from Yokohama for Van- of the Santa Fe; C. A. King, assistant gencouver, B. C. (a voyage of about two eral freight agent of the Alton; J. A. Ridgumber a dozen.

In the meantime military activities will agent Western Shore fast freight line. continue. Important developments in various directions are expected speedily.

Would Like a Fight. LONDON, June 20.-While undoubtedly the people of England would like to see a general battle in Manchuria before an armistice is declared, since it is felt certain that Field Marshal Oyama would score another victory, the Associated Press is assured that the British government has not INDEPENDENTS ARE MEETING siven Japan any advice as to what course to pursue, as alleged by the Novoe Vremya of St. Petersburg. In fact, the government has done nothing beyond supporting Pres ident Roosevelt's effort to secure the earliest meeting of the peace plenipotentiaries and the submission by Japan of terms likely to be acceptable to Russia. With overwhelming forces at his command it is felt in military circles that Oyama is in a position to deliver a most crushing

#### LEITER-PRATT SUIT IS ON Action of Omaha Man to Secure Redivision of Property is on Trial.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., June 30 - (Special.) -The celebrated Leiter-Pratt case will com-Today the convention endorsed a move- on for trial in the district court today o ment begun several months ago to combine the motion of Colonel J. H. Pratt of Omaha, the National association and the National who asks for a redivision of the property Interstate association. J. B. Hoge, presi- of the Leiter-Pratt Land and Live Stock dent of the first mentioned association, company, alleging that the first division called the matter to the attention of the as made by the commission appointed by delegates and they unanimously voted for the court, did not treat him fairly. Pratt claims he is about \$75,000 short of what he should have. Upon the death of the late Levi Z. Leiter.

stock and other property was begun. Over 12,000 cattle and 1,000 horses were sold last March at auction. Affidavits to the number of 111 have been the United States against United States filed in the case. Of this number fifty-six from Leiter heirs, and fifty-ave by Colonel Pratt.

> with interest. A large number of Omaha National Guard Meeting.

# NEBRASKA WEATHER FORECAST

Showers Wednesday; Thursday Fair Temperature at Omaha: Degree. Hour.

1 p. m..... 74 2 p. m..... 75 5 a. m.... 61 n. m..... 61 7 m. m..... 61 3 p. m .... 75 8 a. m..... 62 5 p. m..... 6 p. m..... 9 n. m ..... 63 10 a. m ..... 11 a. m ..... 67 7 p. m ..... 12 m..... 60

#### MINISTER BOWEN DISMISSED President's Letter to Secretary Taft Arraigns His Conduct in the

Loomis Affair, WASHINGTON, D. C., June 20.-The disdissal of Herbert W. Bowen, for some years United States minister to Venezuela, and the exoneration of Assistant Secretary of State Francis R. Loomis of the allegations brought against him by Mr. Bowen are the outcome of the Loomis-Bowen controversy which has attracted

This disposition of the case is made by President Roosevelt in a letter addressed ver Russia" is really the greatest friend proving Mr. Taft's report on his findings dent scathingly arraigns Minister Bowen, made between the principal stockholders declaring that his conduct is "especially of the United States National bank, the of his witnesses to enter the employ of tional, whereby the three banks are to be onceal. "Russia," the Novoe Vremya con- he hoped might incriminate Mr. Loomis have a capital of \$600,000 and a surplus of scandal and gossip until it became a mono- tional bank, which will be remodeled inside mania and caused him "to show complete to accommodate the greatly increased voldisloyalty" to the country he represented. ume of business. The president says he had hoped to prohis usefulness in the diplomatic service is dents; Alfred Millard, Cashier, and W. E. now at an end. The president adds that Rhodes and L. M. Talmage, assistant cashtion be requested, but for his statement

The president states that it appears that | Caldwell, Euclid Martin, N. A. Duff, S. S. regarded as being altogether favorable to Mr. Bowen while minister secured the pub- Caldwell and B. F. Smith. The personnel ilcation of attacks on Mr. Loomis and fur- of the the officers and directory is such as nished to the press documents pending before the state department for approval and strongest in the west. that his action is inexcusable and shows his "entire unfliness" for the service. Even if Mr. Loomis had been guilty, says the street, where the representatives of the president, Mr. Bowen's conduct would be three banks affected spent the evening in unpardonable. The letter quotes certain correspondence and testimony. The report of Secretary Taft on the case, on which the president's action is based, is a vol- said: uminous document, reviewing the charges and the evidence taken.

In his report Secretary Taft says that there was nothing dishonorable in the becoming personally interested in any of house this evening, when representatives the schemes either with a mere nominal of the three banks were present. interest or substantial interest. He holds, however, that Mr. Loomis has been "most time ago that one large strong banking cruelly slandered," commends him for the house, with ample capital, would be better self restraint with which he has met the able to meet the financial demands of the temporary armistice before the end of the charges and points out that Mr. Loomis' people of the city and of the west than week the Foreign office declares positively bitter experience in this case makes it unthree smaller banks could do. With this necessary to point out the moral, that a idea in mind he started out to effect the minister cannot afford to in the country to consolidation. It was entirely his own idea which he is accredited to make personal and he worked out all of the details. investments.

# BEEF TRUST CASE REOPENED

Grand Jury Will Look Into Question of Freight Rebutes and Icing Charges.

CHICAGO, June 20.-Railroad rebates the relationship between the railroads and the packing industries and questions concerning icing charges are to be reopened by the federal grand jury, which is investigating the beef industries. Eight members of traffic departments of as many rall-TOKIO, June 20.-10 a. m.-Discussion of roads were today served with subpoenas the meeting of the peace plenipotentiaries and the first of these witnesses will be heard tomogrow morning. The railroad men who will testify before the jury are agent of the Baltimore & Ohio; C. A. weeks.) It is expected that the party will ley, general agent Louisville & Nashville, and S. D. Barlow, general western freight

#### **GUARDS SELECT WASHINGTON** Two Nebraskans Elected to Office by Interstate Association at

ST. PAUL, June 20 .- The Interstate National Guard association, in convention here today, selected Washington, D. C., for next year's meeting.

St. Paul.

General Charles Dick of Ohio was elected president and other officers elected as fol. posed merger." lows: First vice president, G. Moulton, Illinois; vice presidents, General F. B. Wood, Minnesota; General J. H. Colver, Nebraska; General N. Perry, New York; General F. J. Stewart, Pennsylvania; General William its business as in the past, until a meeting Stopford, Massachusetts; General C. R. of the stockholders is called. A meeting Foster, Florida; General F. B. Lucke, Cal. of the directors will be held this afternoon ifornia; General W. R. Ward, Indiana; and a notice will be issued to the stock-General J. W. F. Hughes, Kansas; General L. Riggs, Maryland; General Armsfield. North Carolina; secretary, Colonel Carroll D. Evans of Nebraska; treasurer, General John D. Frost, South Carolina.

#### SIXTEEN DEATHS FROM HEAT Oppressive Temperature with More Fatalities and Many Prostrations Continues at Pittsburg.

PITTSBURG, Ps., June 20.-The oppressive heat wave that has lightly gripped Pittsburg and vicinity during the last four days continues and the list of fatalities is growing rapidly. Up to noon today three ore deaths were reported, making a total the Chicago millionaire, it was decided to of sixteen deaths since Sunday. There were discontinue the Leiter-Pratt stock business in this state, and the sale of ranches, live also many prestrations of a serious nature.

> Movements of Ocean Vessels June 20, At Antwerp-Arrived: Finland, from New great powers participated they would ac-London-Arrived: Minneapolis, from

Naples Arrived; Citta di Torino, New York Arrived: Kaiser Wilhelm II., At Bremen-Arr

# THREE BANKS MERGE

Degree. United States, Commercial and Union National to Be Consolidated.

RETAINS NAME OF THE FIRST MENTIONED

Quarters of Commercial National to Be Occupied by New Bank.

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS \$800,000

Officers and Directors Made Up from Each of the Old Banks.

CALDWELL MOVING SPIRIT IN THE DEAL

Final Agreement Entered Into at a Meeting Held Last Night at the Residence of G. W.

Wattles.

The consummation of a deal involving large and important interests was an-

The officers of the new institution will be mote Mr. Bowen, as during much of his as follows: M. T. Barlow, president; G. W. service he had done good work, but that Wattles and Victor Caldwell, vice presihe would direct that Mr. Bowen's resigna- lers. The directors will probably be as follows: Guy C. Barton, C. E. Yost, C. W. admission of misconduct and the dismissal Alfred Millard, G. W. Wattles, W. A. Smith, A. L. Reed, M. T. Barlow, V. B. to insure the new bank being one of the

The deal was closed at the residence of G. W. Wattles, 320 South Thirty-seventh

Caldwell Moving Spirit. Mr. Wattles, when seen at his residence,

"This deal of consolidating these banks was worked out by Mr. Caldwell, who was obliged to overcome a large number of almost insurmountable obstacles to accomtransactions in which Mr. Loomis figured, plish the results that have been reached. but that he was not discreqt. The report It has been pending for the last three says that Mr. Loomis was not justified in weeks, but was only closed here at my

"Mr. Caldwell conceived the idea some

"I believe that it will be an institution second to none west of the Missouri river.'

Mr. Caldwell's View. Victor Caidwell said: "This consolidation takes what is best of the three institutions. I refer particularly to the character of the men who become directors and

active officers of the new bank. "Each bank has been rigidly examined by committees appointed from each one of them for that purpose. Into the new organization will go the best assets of the three banks, which have been selected by the strongest men in each institution. The new bank is organized in such a manner that the officers are well acquainted with the needs of customers, who will see in the new bank officers and directors of the three banks, that their interests will be protected as heretofore.

"With the well known conservative views of Mr. Barlow and the strong, aggressive character of Mr. Wattles, who will take an active and energetic part in the new institution, I believe that its success is absolutely insured. J. W. Thomas, cashier of the Union National bank, will remain for a time at least with the new bank, and it is as yet undetermined just what final disposition will be made of his valuable servfces."

# First Report Erroneous,

Preceding the absolute announcement, the following statement regarding a rumor current yesterday was made by Henry W. Yates, president of the Nebraska National bank, who declared positively that there was no consolidation scheme under consideration by his bank:

"There may be consolidation negotiations on, but if so they must be between the Commercial National and another bank and do not include our bank. I wish you would correct the report that makes the Nebraska National a party to the pro-

To work out the legal details of the consolidation will require thirty days time, during which period each bank will keep its present place of business and conduct holders to meet in thirty days, as required

# MOROCCO ASKS UNITED STATES

Washington Government Invited to Attend Conference to Consider Affairs of Country.

WASHINGTON, June 20 .- The State department today received a dispatch from Mr. Gummere, minister to Morocco, transmitting a request from the government of Morocco that the United States participate in a conference upon the affairs of that country. The request is similar to that which has been sent to other governments. The reply of the United States will un discussed at the cabinet meeting, but it is not expected that any determination will be reached, because the United States will At New York—Arrived: Citta de Paisermo, from New Orleans; Grosser Kurfurst, Kron Prinz Wilhelm and Prinzess Alice. have replied in substance that if all of the

The interests of the United States, it is said, are only commercial, while those of Germany or France are political. Consequently the United States does not have At Palermo-balled: Sicilian Prince, for such interest in the conference as the

ST. PAUL, June 20.—At the opening session of the Interstate National Guard today discussion turned on a new small arm.
described by Captain L. H. Fuller, ordnance department, U. S. A. Major W. G.
Borden read a paper on "Sanitary Conditions in the Army."

Army York.

New York.

At Hamburg—Sailed: Neko, for Sydney.

N. S. W. Arrived: Manuka, from Vancouver.

At Liverpool—Sailed: Ivernia, for Boston; Lake Manitoha, for Montreal; Siberian, for Philadelphia.

Other governments.

The United States, it later was learned
authoritatively, will accept the invitation
provided the other powers invited by Germany accept.