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STREET CARS STOP

Suspension of Service Marks Beginning of Strike in St. Petereburg.

PROCLAIMED DAY AHEAD OF TIME

Partial State of Siege Proclaimed by General Doubasoff in Moscow.

ELECTRIC LIGHT PLANTS ARE CLOSED to Sh

Troops Occupy Railways and Are Attempting to Keep Lines Open.

GOVERNMENT CRIPPLED IN THE STRUGGLE

Reports Reach Capital of Mutiny of Soldiers at Kharkoff and Sebustopol, with Rioting in Many Places.

BULLETIN

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 30.-The strike promises to be on a far more extensive scale than any previous movement of the kind. It was ascertained tonight that many of the largest works, including the Putilog and Nobel concerns, will cease operations tomorrow. Almost all the papers suspended by the censorship are appearing under new names and are meeting with huge sales.

The railway union at Moscow has resolved to run troop trains from Manchuria and to convey grain to the famine-stricken

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 20 .- On account of some confusion, the general strike was proclaimed at noon today instead of tomorrow. It was begun with a complete suspension of the street railway service.

The government enters upon its new struggle greatly crippled. The situation in the Baltic provinces is growing steadily worse, and in the Caucasus the renewal of the outbreak of the Tartars and Armentans has produced another reign of terror. The inhabitants of Tiflis and other cities are begging the authorities to furnish them with arms to organize a militia for selfprotection. At Sebastopol new mutinies have occurred and 1,600 soldiers have been disarmed and are under guard. The troops at Kharkoff have revolted and the inhabi-

tants are still administering the city. The weather has become very cold. Deep snow covers the country as far south as Kleff. It is believed that a few days' hunger and starvation will easily drive the people to desperation and provoke uprisings and attacks on strikers and perhaps general pillage.

Government is Confident.

1:20 p. m .- The proclamation of a general strike for tomorrow at noon has created the most intense excitement. If a strike can be successfully begun and maintained the revolutionaries are confident that it will break the government's back. In government circles, however, confidence is expressed that the proletariat organizations cannot effect a complete tieup and that he strike must be of short duration. This ope seems based on the theory that the eme program of the Reds has allenated the symbathy of a large proportion of the real workmen, and also upon what they claim to be absolute knowledge that the organizations are without funds. The government calculations, however, proved deplorably at variance with the true situation in the past and the strike leaders declare the government is again hopelessly ignorant of the magnitude of the struggle confronting it.

Their plans are exceedingly ambitious From the nature of the appeals of the leaders to the troops, it is evident that they expect to precipitate a crisis in th

The central committee of the railroad men of Moscow, which determined the issue last night by voting in favor of a strike, has telegraphed over the railroad lines that the employes of twenty-two roads are ready to stop all traffic. The de cision is to close everything in the empirerailroads, manufactories, wholesale and retail stores and all government works, except the water works. The bakeries in the cities, however, will not be closed so long as they do not raise their prices. If they raise the price of bread even the bakeries will be closed. It was proposed in Moscow to exempt the electric light plants, but this was defeated. Although the blow is fined for tomorrow noon, on account of the difficulty of communication the strike leaders do not hope to bring the life of the empire to a standstill by a single stroke, but they will labor for a gradual

extension of the strike movement. The nature of the manifesto of the work men's council of Moscow to the army is so inflammatory that even the radical papers are afraid to print it. During the strike it is proposed to stop all papers and print and distribute only the organ of the workmen's council.

The police are hunting down and arresting the strike leaders as rapidly as they can be found in the comparatively few captures that have been made, as the leaders keep in hiding, avoiding their residences and meeting in secret, each time at a different locality.

The helplessness of the government in this crisis is demonstrated by the inability of Interior Minister Durnovo last night to get through instructions to arrest the members of the workmen's council of Moscow. He attempted to use the railroad wires, but the operators obeyed the dictum of the council and refused to send the message. The government is even unable to forward instructions to General Linevitch, commander of the Manchurian army. Five operators in succession on the railroad lines declined to send a cipher dispatch signed

Workmen Punish Crime

that throughout the district the land has there are planing an anti-Jewish outbreak. been laid waste, all the buildings belonging to the landlords have been burned to the ground. The situation in Courland, the onsul says, is even worse. At Riga the garrison is too small to attempt to wrest seph today and tendered the resignation the power from the bands of the workmen, who have organized a police force and are administering the affairs of the city. The workmen have sent a deputation to Governor Reginsk notifying him that he need been deposed. The city is terror stricken, but comparatively quiet. Killing took place in the streets daily, but the comparatively quiet. Killing took place in the streets daily, but the the power from the bands of the workmen. took place in the streets dally, but the workmen's militia is successfully preventing pillage, showing no mercy to rowdles. several of whom have been shot or hanged. The Molva in an editorial today save

the only possibility of saving the situation (Centinued on Second Page.)

TROOPS PRESERVING ORDER SHONTS' NAME IS HELD UP ABE HUMMEL IS CONVICTED WARNER IS COMING TODAY NEBRASKA WEATHER FORECAST BAXTER CASE ENDED State Department Receives Word of

Arrival of American Force at Shaughal.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.-The State department has received a cablegram from NOT CONSIDERED BY THE COMMITTEE Shanghai announcing the arrival there last evening of the men from the Baltimore.

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norning are to the effect that the British g for a large demonstration / and navy. German, Japanese n cruisers were on their way Quiet prevailed yet, but only of the army controlling the city. court was still closed. The thorities were trying to effect a co C ise, but demanded a removal of i assessor, which demand was There was no report of trouble posts, but the missionaries were

As understood here the trouble arosa from the action of the British assessor in levying a tax upon a Chinese resident of the foreign settlement. The court is a curious body, made up of a Chinese magistrate who holds sittings every week day. On two days of each week an American official from the consulate general sits with him in the capacity of assessor, on the two other days a similar German official sits and on the remaining two week days a British representative. This court has jurisdiction over all the licenses and taxes payable by the Chinese in the foreign settlement of Shanghai. The Chinese municipal authorities have always been jealous of the Chinese to collect these taxes themselves. The court also possesses the power at the same time.

to punish culprits and frequently causes the cat-o'-nine-tails to be laid on, while the Chinese whip culprits with hamboos. For J. B. Bishop as a member of the commistrying to reduce the authority of the mixed | today. court, and it is inferred here that the present trouble has arisen from the assertion of jurisdiction by the British officials over

ne of the Chinese merchants. the town today. Business has been resumed, but the sallors landed by the warships in port remain on duty as a pre- poll of the committee taken tomorrow and with her husband unti August, 1903, when caution against a renewal of the rioting. The United States gunboat Villa Lobos has arrived to reinforce the Baltimore and the British cruiser Andromeda is expected to reinforce the Diadem.

The deadlock growing out of the mixed court dispute continues. The toatal adheres to his demand for the dismissal of the British assessor and police inspectors. while the British consul refuses to yield. CHE FOO, Dec. 20,-10 p. m.-A prominent European official who is visiting Chee Foo, crystalizing the opinions of persons thoroughtly acquainted in China and with the present disorders, states that the Shanghai troubles were the direct result of the American boycott. He thinks the American officials at Washington should have opposed the Chinese demands for a revision of the exclusion laws and insisted upon the immediate suppression of the boycott. He characterized the boycott movement as an excuse for an exhibition of anti-foreign in Colorado and 4 cents a pound in Michigan feeling resulting from an inflammatory and that therefore the cost of Philippine propaganda caried on in China through the

"While the boycott in itself is harm less," continues the official quoted, "it has been used by the revolution anti-foreign faction of the Chinese to precipitate a repetition of the Boxer troubles, though it is probable that the excitable elements have eluded the control of the real conspirators and caused premature demonstrations. "Unless the Washington authorities take

immediate and strong measures to suppress the agitation in Shanghai." concluded the official quoted, "troubles which are now merely local will spread."

The failure of the boycott agitation appears in Che Foo to be due, undoubtedly, to the stern demand of American Consul Fowler that the Chinese refrain from holding meetings or issuing inflammatory placards, resulting in the inability of the dangerous Chinese element to successfully prosecute their agitation.

Marquis Ito Will Be First Resident General of Japan on Continent.

TOKIO, Dec. 20.-3:30 p. m.-The order publishing the newly organized system of resident generalships to hold office in Corea passed the privy council today and it will be published tomorrow. According to its provisions the resident general will be under the direct command of the emperor

and not of the government. Simultaneously with the publication of resident general at Seoul, principally ompliance with the wish expressed by the will, it is believed, be short, as there is president of the constitutional party of Japan, is forming a new cabinet.

BELGIUM AND TURKEY COLLIDE Porte Refuses to Surrender Belgian Citizen for Trial, Accord-

ing to Treaty.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 20 .- The Belgian legation has demanded that Edward Joris be handed over to the Belgian consular authorities for trial in accordance with the treaty of 1838. The Porte objects

to this and trouble is anticipated. Joris is a Belgian subject, who with three others is charged with participation in the attempt to assassinate the sultan last July and who were sentenced to death December 18 by a native court.

Union Leader Arrested.

ALEXANDROV, Russian Poland, Dec. 28.-A message received here from Warsaw today says the president of the Warsaw railroad union has been arrested and that the union consequently has decided to to inform the house whether any criminal 2:33 p. m.-The consul of a continental order the employes of the Vistula railroads power who arrived here today from Riga to begin a strike on Friday. Advices from in a train heavily guarded by troops, says Bielostok, Russian Poland, say the recruits judged guilty of unlawful restraint of trade

Fejervary Cabinet Resigns. VIENNA, Dec. 20.-Premier Fejervary

had an audience of Emperor Francis Joof the entire Hungarian cabinet. It is

TOKIO. Dec. 30 .- The combined fleet of Japan has been dissolved and Admiral Togo has been appointed president of the naval command. The Manchurian arms headquarters has also been dissolved, and Field Marshal Oyama will resume his

former position as president of the general

staff office,

Senate Confirms Nomination of Panama Chairman, but Recalls It.

The State department advices of this Mr. Morgan Charges That Head of Commission is Still Acting as President of Clover Leaf Railroad.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20 .- Confirmations by the senate of the nominations of memberg of the Isthmian Canal commission were a fnotion was adopted calling upon the president for the return of the notification alarmed and many were arriving has been done the nominations again will of the senate's previous action. When this be referred to the interoceanic canal com-

mittee for consideration.

Before the decision was reached to reconsider the vote charges of "railroading" nominations were made by several minority senators and counter-charges that the protestants were proceeding in a manner not prescribed by the rules of the senate were made by republican senators. The decision developed the fact that there had been no poll of the canal committee on the nominations in question, and as a result obice tion to reconsideration was withdrawn. It is generally understood that the purpose of minority senators in asking to have the is still pending against Hummel in connec

The controversy in the senate resulted in Brooklyn. from a motion to take up the nomination of | In his charge to the jury Justice Rosers a long time past the Chinese have been sion, which was only sent to the senate brought by Mrs. Dodge for divorce from

If it is true that an attempt will be made on the ground that he is holding dual posi- that go to make a valid decree of divorce SHANGHAI, Dec. 29.-All is quiet in and the presidency of the Clover Leaf road under the record Mrs. Dodge was entitled the nominations again confirmed.

Payne Bill is Reported.

The favorable report of the ways and means committee on the Payne Philippine tariff bill, which was presented today, brought to light new facts which were not presented to the committee at the last session. The most important testimony, the report states, was that which showed a higher cost in the production of Philippine sugar than was shown last year. At present the cost of raw sugar delivered at Hollo or Manila is at least 11/2 cents a pound, not considering the depreciation of sugnr machinery nor the interest on money invested. The insurance and freight are three-tenths of a cent a pound and the duties and cost of refining bring the total cost up to 38-10 cents a pound in New York for refined sugar.

The report states that the cost of refined beet sugar is said to be 31/2 cents a pound sugar is not as much lower as opponents commencement of the Russe-Japanese war. of tariff reduction have stated

the production of sugar and tobacco is to the islands.

The bill admits all Philippine products into the United States free excepting sugar and tobacco, which are to pay 25 per cent PLAN FOR COREA IS ADOPTED of the Dingley rates until 1909, when they also are to go on the free list.

Court-Martial for Middles

In accordance with the ruling by Attorney General Moody that the secretary of the navy or the superintendent of the naval academy had no authority summarily to dismiss a midshipman guilty of the offense of hazing, a court-martial will be convened for the trial of the accused midshipmen, Trenmoor Coffin and W. A. Vandeventer, in connection with the hazing of Midshipman Kimbrough.

Would Repeal Cuban Treaty.

Representative Needham of California inthe order the Marquis Ito will be appointed troduced a bill today providing for the every indication that the Marquis Saionji, this repeal incorporated in the Payne Phil- morrow, ippine tariff bill reported favorably by the house ways and means committee. In ex- COWBOY planation of the measure he said the Cuban treaty had resulted in serious loss of revenue to the United States, as Cuba makes extensive purchases in Europe and does not give American merchants an opportunity to get anything in return for the reductions in tariff on Cuban products admitted to

the United States. Change in Inauguration Day. Representative Jenkins of Wisconsin in troduced today a resolution fixing the last Thursday in April as the date for presi-

dential inaugurations. Senator Clark of Wyoming introduced similar resolution in the senate. The date proposed was decided upon by a committee composed of governors of the states and citizens of the District of Columbia, which met here some time ago for the purpose of starting the movement for a new in augural date.

Question by Williams. Representative Williams today introduced

a resolution asking the attorney general proceedings have been instituted against in the Northern Securities case.

Cominations by President. WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.-The president today sent the following nominations to the

senate:

Receiver of Public Moneys-Arthur H Swain, at Visalia, Cal Swain, at Visalia, Cal.

Postmasters—William R. Jewell, Danville, Ill.; Charles W. Warner, Hoopeston, Ill.; William F. Stahl, Lisbon, Ia; John H. Wegersley, Alta, Ia; John M. Wormley, Kingsley, Ia; Bess J. Balley, Snyder, Osl.; Alfred H. Stites, Sloux Falls, S. D.;

George W. Hoofert, Schulenburg, Tex

New York Lawyer Adjudged Guilty of Subornation of Perjury in Divorce Case.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20 .- Abraham H. Hum mel, the lawyer, today was convicted of conspiracy in connection with the Dodge-Morse divorce case. He was sentenced. within a few minutes after the jury's verdict had been pronounced, to one year's imprisonment and a tine of \$500, which is the maximum penalty for the misdemeanor of which he was adjudged guilty. A mo tion of his lawyers for an arrest of judgment for twenty-four hours was denied and Hummel was taken to the Tombs preparatory to going to the penitentiary. He prepared to spend the night at the Tombs, reconsidered today in executive session and but said that tomorrow he will bring some action to save himself.

Depending upon the result of this case are actions in other indictments against for the present, at least, he will retain all prominent persons which have grown out of Mathew's deputies. of the Dodge-Morse divorce case. When the foreman said "guilty" Hummel flushed slightly, and turning to one of the

court officers he said: "See that no one gets away with my coat, will you?"

Mr. Stanchilleld then proposed that sentence be passed immediately and District Attorney Jerome was hurriedly summoned to the court room. He consented saying as he made the motion that Hummel had been a menace to the community and to public decency for the last twenty years. An indictment for subormation of perjury nominations returned is to permit a pro- tion which he is under bond in the sum test against Chairman Theodore P. Shonts of \$2,500. Hummel was released from the clashes in the past owing to the efforts of holding a position on the commission and Tembs at it o'clock tonight under \$10,000 the presidency of the Clover Leaf railroad bail on a writ of reasonable doubt secured from Judge Woodward of the supreme court

Charles F. Dodge.

"The judgment roll, while not artistically to hold up the confirmation of Mr. Shonts made up." he said, "contains all the papers tions-the chairmanship of the commission and the marriage was duly dissolved, and -action cannot be had before the holidays, to remarry again. She did so, and as the An effort will be made, however, to have a wife of Charles W. Morse lived happily Captain James T. Morse of Buston, for reasons best known to himself, conceived the idea of breaking up the marriage that had taken place between his nephew and Mrs. Dodge. Captain Morse had no right to interfere, but he went about the breaking up of the marriage and in doing so engaged Hummel and spent large sums of money five years after the divorce. The crucial point in this case is whether there was an agreement, a conspiracy by this defendant and others, to falsely maintain an action or special proceeding or to prevent the due administration of law and justice.

"Both Mr. and Mrs. Morse have conducted themselves with the utmost propriety during the whole of this trying time. If the evidence is to be believed in this case a great wrong was perpetrated on them."

TATLOCK FAVORS SPECULATION President of Washington fate Be-Heres Insurance Companies Should Trade in Securities.

animals and inferiority of machinery and and that he never influenced or suggested agricultural methods no great increase in to the finance board what securities to buy. Mr. Tatlock said he thought insurpossible, the report says, and Americans ance companies should be run by men in have nothing to fear from the passage of touch with Wall street, because of their the bill, which will be of great assistance knowledge of the security market. He also

business in many respects is better than points. In many instances they are in-

to a fund having for its object the defeat pri the mortgage tax law, and \$250 to further the passage of the loan bill in Albany in 1904. No campaign contributions had ever been made.

E. L. Paylies, who collected the fund to in repeal of the Cuban reciprocity treaty and defeat the mortgage tax law, said on the authorizing the president to proclaim the stand today that he secured a fund of emperor of Corea. His tenure of office repeal ten days after the passage of the \$23,000 for this purpose. The examination measure. Mr. Needham attempted to have of the Bankers Life will be resumed to

MINER MURDERED Mule on Which Walter Scott Left Death Valley Comes Into Camp

with Bloody Saddle. LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 20 .- The belief grows stronger that Walter Scott, the cowboy miner, has been murdered in Death valley for his money. On December 1 he eft his mine in Death valley, riding a mule and carrying with him \$1,500 and two repeating rifles. According to a letter received from Scott's brother William at Bennet's Wells, the miner's mule galloped riderless into camp there on December ! the saddle pierced with a bullet and the day Scott's manager telegraphed \$1,000 reward to Barstow and Bulifrog for the recovery of Scott's body. He is satisfied that Scott has been murdered in the desert. Already a thorough search for the miner has been instituted in Death valley and throughout the Funeral mountains. Scott's brother, accompanied by Shand Merricks, a well known desert scout, went back on the individuals or corporations recently adafter it came into camp, but a terrific sandstorm finally wiped out all trace, and their water supply having become exhausted, the men were compelled to return to camp. Later they started out again and the search is being continued.

NEBRASKA BONDS ARE STOLEN dvertisement luserted by Boston Police for Their Return.

ROSTON. Dec. 20 .- (Special Telegram.)-A lock of valuable bond and stock coupons as been lost here by unidentified partie nd advertised by the police, the list is luding a bank of Dixon county, Nebrasha roal estate hond No. 1962, due in 1910, coupus of January 1, 1906.

New United States Marshal Will Take Charge of the Office.

MANY MEN WOULD SERVE UNDER HIM

Announces that for the Present at Least He Will Retain Mr. Mathews' Force of Deputies.

-William P. Warner of Dakota City, the new United States marshal for Nebraska. will go to Omaha tomorrow morning to as sume the duties of the office. He has been flooded with applications for the office of deputy, but announces that

Mathews Proud of State. Former United States Marshal T. L. Mathews returned from Washington Wednesday morning and was at the federal buliding greeting his old friends and asso-

clates. He said: There is nothing more to say than has already appeared in the papers. I might add, however, that I still intend to remain a resident of Nebraska. It is a good enough state for me and the loss of an office cuts very little figure with the grand privilege of knowing that a man is a resident and citizen of Nebraska."

LEUPP DEFENDS HIS PLAN Says Undue Apprehension Exists Re-

garding Single Place for Leting of Contracts.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.-Mr. Leupp, commissioner of Indian affairs, thinks that undue concern is being feit and shown by different cities wherein are located Indian warehouses because of a suggestion in his annual report relative to having but one place in the central part of the country for the opening of blds for Indian supplies. He has been deluged with communications from business organizations of these cities. including quite a number from St. Louis In each instance he is asked to select the city of which his correspondent is a rest dent. The impression also seems to be held that his recommendation applied to warehouses, but it did not. Mr. Loupp desires to direct attention to the wording of his report, which if read carefully ought to dispel any misapprehension. Under the heading, "Method of Purchasing Supplies," Mr. Leupp says:

The present system, with few exceptions, has prevailed for years and on the whole has served its purpose well. Changes for the better have been made from time to the botter have been made from time to time, however, as special exigencies have pointed the way. Until recently, for example, subsistence and goods of the first eigot classes for the Pacific coast agencies and schools were not included in the eastern lettings, but were bought separately. Such articles as beef, flour and grain were allowed to be contracted for by the different agencies and schools, while the other articles of subsistence and the classified goods described were bought at a special letting for the purpose in San Francisco. In 1995 the beef, flour, etc., for the agencies theretofore expected were included in the graced call, and this year the subsistence articles between bought Mention is made of the slight opposition by American interests to the reduction on tobacco, and the report says that even Philippine tobacco men are not enthusiastic over the reduction because they feel it will result in increased wages for tobacco workers.

The report also says American cigar wrappers seem likely to find a good market in the islands, as the Philippine wrappers are far inferior to the American product. Because of the diseased condition of the animals and inferiority of machinery and and that he never influenced or suggested. paratively inexpensive to send them any paratively inexpensive to send them any-where. As it is now, excluding Washing-ton, bids are opened at four different places on four different dates. These might with advantage be reduced to two—one in the eastern or central part of the coun-try for most of the articles, and the other knowledge of the security market. He also favored the idea of insurance companies speculating in securities.

Cornelius Doremus, president of the Germania Life, said that about one-third of his company's business was done in Europe, principally in Germany, and that this Angeles, and occasionally from other business to many respects to be greatly changed. Goods now are received and shipped from New York, Chicago, St. Louis, Omaha, Sioux City, Kansas City, St. Paul, San Francisco and Los Angeles, and occasionally from other boths.

any done in America. He declared it to be more stable, there being fewer lapses, and that the cost is a great deal less than in America. He characterized the American ways of doing business as "wild methods."

The only contributions of a legislative character paid by this company was \$500 found paying for its object the defeat. privilege of binding and the same option of delivery at one or all of these points as they have now.

CONFERENCE ON INSURANCE Call Issued For Meeting of Officials to Be Held in

Chicago.

MADISON, Wis., Dec. 20-Insurance Commissioner Zeno M. Host announced today that a call had been issued for a conference in Chicago February 1 next of all governors, attorney generals and insurance commissioners in the country to discuss the regulation of life insurance companies and to attempt to secure uniformity in legislation to that end. Bills will be prepared for introduction into state legislatures embodying three propositions-first, a short period of accounting by companies; ness; third, to bring policy holders in calling such a conference is due to a conference in New York by insurance commiswith the New York legislative committee blanket and saddle covered with blood. To- | and had an audience with President Roose velt. The president, it is understood. agreed fully as to the desirability of the enactment of the propositions and will suggest that the District of Columbia lead in the work. It was unanimously agreed that the proxies should be done away with and policy holders vote either in person or by mail and that a nominating committee of two trustees and two tellers be selected.

SASH AND DOOR COMBINE Missourt and Iowa Plants Merged Into Corporation with Million Dollars Capital.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Dec. 20.-F. J. Moss of this city today announced the organization of the American Sash and Door company, with a capital of \$1,000,000. Roach & Kiengle Manufacturing company of Kansas City and the Huttig Moss Manu-

H. W. and William Huttig and W. L. Roach of Muscatine, Ia., large saw mill Roach of Muscatine, Ia., large saw mill York for Antwerp, and proceeded.

At Leghorn-Arrived: Perusia, from New york, via Naples and Marseilles

Fair in West, Snow in East Portion Thursday: Friday, Fair.

Temperature at Omnha Vesterday: Houor. Deg. 5 s. m. 27 Deg. Hour. 1 p. m..... 34 2 p. m..... 36 7 a. m..... 28 2 p. m S a. m..... 27 S a. m..... 27 5 p. m 10 n. m..... 23 11 n. m..... 32 7 p. m...... 12 m 34

NEW YORK LEGISLATIVE FIGHT NO SIGN WHO WILL BE RECOMMENDED SIOUX CITY, Dec. 20 .- (Special Telegram.) Anti-Higgins Members of Rouse Call

Conference of All Republican Members for Friday.

move in the contest for the speakership of the New York state assembly was made today, when, after a conference, which included some of those opposed to the candidacy of J. W. Wadsworth, Jr., a decision was reached to call a conference of all republican members of the assembly, to be held in this city on Friday. Though Mr. Wadsworth was not consulted, friends of E. A. Merritt, ir., also a candidate for the speakership, said tonight that the call would include the adherents of both camps and that it was intended to get the members together for an expression of their views on the action of Governor Higgins in support- general, wired members of the delegation ing Mr. Wadsworth and as to the other

candidates. Another interesting feature today was a the question, the president and attorney statement that Assemblyman James T. Rogers, the majority leader of the assembly, is considering whether again to an incyship. Senators Millard and Burkeft nounce himself as a candidate for speaker. Mr. Rogers withdrew from his candidacy for speaker when Governor Higgins came appointment of Mr. Warner as United out in favor of Mr. Wadsworth.

Mr. Merritt made public a statement tonight, in which he criticized Governor Higgins' action, declaring that "the governor has undertaken to dictate and make the choice of speaker, not an act of the legislative body, but a matter of appointment. No disclaimer on his part of an intention to set himself up as a political bors counts anything against the positive course he has

MURDER IN DENVER HOTEL

William Wilson, a Cattleman, In-Stantly Killed by J. D. Henderson, Who Commits Suicide.

DENVER. Dec. 20.-William Wilson, a cattleman, was shot and instantly killed by J. D. Henderson, a former partner, in the lobby of the Lewiston hotel today. Henderson then turned his pistol upon himself, pired in the arms of a policeman who had seized him.

former partner.

pillar, when his pursuer opened fire. Two over upon the floor. By this time officers tions were today confirmed with lightning were advancing upon Henderson, but be- rapidity. fore they had fairly seized him he had

ended his own life by his own hand. LIVE STOCK SHOW AWARDS E. T. Davis of lowa Wins First Hon-

ors in the Aberdeen-Angus

Class. CHICAGO, Dec. 29.-Henry L. Wardell and E. P. Swanson, two prominent New York stock brokers, carried off championship honors at the live stock show here today. Mr. Wardell won first honors in Shropshire breeding sheep classes, while Mr. Swanson took the blue ribbon for the champion carload of sheep be-

classes. In the horse ring, Refiner, the Scottish Clydesdale champion, imported this season by an Ontario firm, took the blue ribbon in this class. In the Clydesdale class for yearling mares, Forbes & Co. of Sheri-The exhibition of Shorthorn cattle which are most admirable and will go far toward

sides taking first prize in three other

began today promises to eclipse the ex- bringing about harmony in that particular hibition of last year. In the Aberdeen-Angus class, Augusta's Pet, owned by E. T. Davis of Iowa, secured first honors. In the Hereford class, the herd of Cargill & McMillen of La Crosse captured both senior and juntor herd prizes and also every first prize for fe-

STORM STRIKES JACKSONVILLE

Florida Metropolis Out of Communication with Rest of World Several Hours.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 20 .- A storm swept over Jacksonville and the surrounding country this afternoon for hours, cutting this place completely off from telesecond, to limit the expense of new bust- | graphic communication with the outside world. Not a wire was working until closer touch with the companies. Action in nearly 10 o'clock. In Jacksonville no damage was done beyond the blowing down of a few signs and injury to a few roofs. sieners of nine states, who also conferred The local weather office reported wind velocity of fifty miles an hour.

BANKERS ESCAPE PROSECUTION Men Who Furnished Evidence Against Imboden and Hill of Denver Will Go Free.

DENVER. Dec. 20 .- In consideration of their evidence for the state in the case against Leonard B. Imboden and James A. Hill, convicted of conspiracy to wreck the pired today. Denver Savings bank, W. T. Camp of Fort Worth, Tex., C. C. Roberts of Drummond, Okl., and A. B. Davis of Vinita, I. T., will escape prosecution.

Movements of Ocean Vessels Dec. 20, At New York—Arrived: Sicilian Prince, from Naples; Konig Albert, from Genoa; Oceanic, from Liverpool. Salled: Majestic, for Liverpool: Rotterdam, for Rotterdam; Victorian, for Liverpool. At Avenmouth—Sailed: Manxman, for At London-Arrived: Monteguma, from

Bistrict Attorney Wires Nebraska Delegation to Secure Him a Hearing.

ANSWER RETURNED IT IS IMPOSSIBLE

Applicants for the Vacant Place Are Wiring to the Senators.

Nominations of Warner, Hostetter and Michael Are Confirmed.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.-An Important KITTREDGE PULLS OFF TWO VICTORIES

Nebraska Delegation Agrees on Recommendation for Vacant Post tions in the Valentine

Land Office.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, Dec. 20 .- (Special Telegram)-Late last night Mr. Baxter, having read in the afternoon paper that his resignation had been demanded by the attorney insisting upon a hearing. Today the members telegraphed that a hearing was out of general having decided that a change must be had in the United States district attorwere told in so many words by the president when they saw him in relation to the States marshal that Mr. Baxter's resigna-

tion must be forthcoming; that he did not

like the manner in which Mr. Baxter had

conducted the case against Richards and

Comstock, and he believed a change in the attorneyship would be beneficial. Mr. Baxter's resignation has not had time to reach the Department of Justice, but when it comes Senators Millard and Burkett will get together and name his successor in short order. Up to this time they have given no consideration to Baxter's successor, although applications for the vacancy are beginning to arrive by telegraph. So far as could be learned two names are already before the schators-H. H. Baldridge and F. S. Howell of Omaha. Of course there will be others, but until the resignation of Mr. Baxter is received the senators absolutely refuse to

discuss the question. Michael and Hostetter Confirmed.

The confirmation of Louis Hostetter to be consul at Hermosillo, Mex., and Colonel fired a bullet through his breast and ex- W. H. Michael to be consul general at Calcutta, were confirmed today by the senate, when the State department announced to Wilson and Henderson were partners in Senators Millard and Burkett that these the cattle business many years ago. The appointments would not be charged to Nepartnership was dissolved and Henderson, braska. The Nebraska senators, and more t is stated, had ever since continued to particularly Senator Burkett, have insisted charge Wilson with defrauding him in their that they should have been consulted in final settlement. Two years ago Hender- the matter of these appointments and been son made an attempt upon the life of his advised of the reasons of their being made, and until an understanding was reached a The two men met today directly in front stop order was put upon the nominations of the Lewister hotel and Henderson, with- in the fereign relations committee, and out a moment's warning, pulled a revolver until this order was removed by the sen from his pocket. Wilson ran into the lobby ators it was impossible to bring about a and was about to seek shelter behind a confirmation. The State department having stated that the appointments would not bullets pierced Wilson's body and he rolled be charged up to Nebraska, the nomina-

> Marshal Warner Confirmed. The nomination of William P. Warner

for United States marshal for Nebraska was also confirmed during the executive session of the senate.

Valentine Positions Filled. Shortly after the adjournment of the senate today Senators Millard and Burkett got together and with Congressman Kinkaid decided to recommend Dr. A. R. Julian of Long Pine as register and Judge Elof Olsen of Bassett as receiver for the land office at Valentine. Both these gentlemen were strongly recommended Dr. Julian being particularly well urged, Dr. Julian is a presiding elder in the Methodist church and is looked upon as one of the leading citizens of that section. Mr. Cornell, Judge Kinkaid's chairman, was looked upon with great favor on the part of the senators until he decided to retire from the race. having interests, as he stated, that the office might possibly interfere with their development had he decided to remain a candidate. It is generally thought here dan. Wyo., won the first and third awards, that the selections for the Valentine office

land district. Kittredge Claims Two Victories. Both South Dakota crowds, that is to

gay Senator Gamble on one side and Senator Kittredge and Congressmen Martin and Burke on the other, saw the president today. At the close of the conference the Kittredge crowd stated positively that J. E. Elliott, United States district attorney for South Pakota would not be reappointed. the Kittredge element being against him. while Senator Gamble is enthusiastic in his favor. It is expected Judge A. C. Riematzki of Salem, McCook county, will be named as his successor. The Kittredge contingent, however, would not go to the extent of naming Elliott's successor, being satisfied with the general and positive statement that Elliott would not be re-

appointed. Congressman Mondell today introduced a bill to provide for dry farming in the arid belt and carries an appropriation of \$15,000

for experimental purposes. In appointing Edward H. Stites as postmuster at Sioux Fails, S. D., President Roosevelt has again fractured his recent rule and yielded to the wishes of a United States senator. Senator Kittredge has, it is asserted, for some time desired to displace George Schlosser, who has served as postmaster at Sloux Falls for four years, but as Schlosser's record was excellent it took a good deal of persuasion to induce the president and postmaster general to yield to the pressure of Senator Kittredge to secure the nomination of Stites. Postmaster Schlosser's term of four years ex-

Bill for Plattsmouth Building. Senator Burkett today introduced a bill providing an appropriation of \$75,000 for the purchase of a site and the erection of a public building at Plattsmouth, Neb.

Canal Contracts Let. The secretary of the Interior today executed the following contracts in connection with the interstate canal, the North Platte project in Nebraska and Wyoming: James O'Connor of Mitchell, Neb., for comof Kansas City and the Huttig Moss Manufacturing company of St. Joseph have been merged into the new corporation. Five other large concerns in different parts of the United States have given the new company options on their plants.

H. W. and William Huttig and W. L.

At London-Arrived: Montegums, From New York.

At Liverpool-Arrived: Lake Champlain and Althenian, from New York.

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