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Executive Letters Regarding Frieti-Department.

HOT SHOT R BROWNSON Rear Admiral's 1 ... gnation Called Act

of Gross Impropriety. OFFICERS SHOULD OBEY ORDERS

Service Cannot Be Maintained if Men

in Command Are Disloyal. CLIQUES ROUNDLY DENOUNCED

Defects in Navy Will Always Exist. but They Should Be Pointed Out Without Mallefons Untenthfulness.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. k.-President Rooseyelt's attitude on the question of the command of hospital ships in the army bich resulted in the realgnation of Ren-Admirat Willard H. Brownson and inc' don/atty caused some caustic observations on that incident and that the controversics among the naval officers and their otherenis as to details of naval construction and preshods of training, were made known

dressed to him on these subjects. represensible to permit either personal mony, pique, wounded vanity or factional feeling on behalf of some particular bureau or or at the first trial upon the theory that it report from the chief of staff, which is

opinion of Admiral Converse, formerly chief of the navigation bureau, who, because of his high professional attainments grid standard of conduct and duty the president considers peculiarly fitted to give

Text of Letter.

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THE WHITE HOUSE, WASHINGTON,

THE WHITE HOUSE, WASHINGTON, Jan. 2. 1908.—The Secretary of the Navy: in accordance with our conversation of today Captain Pillsbury will be appointed thief of the bureau of navigation.

The action of the late chief of the bureau. Admiral Brownson, in tendering his esignation because he did not agree with the president and the department regarding at under, issued before he came into the bureau by the secretary of the navy, as to the control of the hospital ships, was unseemly and improper, and, coupled with the various controversies among the officers of the navy and their adherents as to details of naval construction and methods of training, has undoubtedly been prejudicial to the interests of the navy and may seriously impair the confidence in the navy which is essential to be served. of the navy and may seriously impair the confidence in the navy which is essential to securing the legislation so sorely needed by the savy. The way in which these controversies have been carried out is highly injurious to the service, whether the communications are made openly over the signatures of the naval officers or by civilians who have evidently gained their information from naval officers. There also were and always will be defects to correct, both in the construction of whims information from naval officers. There also were and always will be defects to correct, both in the construction of ships and in the organization of the department and in the organization of the department and in the schual drill of the fleet. It is well that these defects should be pointed out without hysterical exaggeration or malicious untruthfulness. While it is of course reprehensible in the highest degree to exploit them in grously exaggerated form in the fancied interest of an individual or clique of individuals, or for the sake of supplying sensational material to some service or non-service newspaper. The officers of the navy who are guilty of such conduct deserve grave rebulk. They cast discredit upon the service and their conduct is deeply mortifying to every American who believes in the navy and is anxious to uphold its interests and honor. There has been so much misrepresentation and exaggeration that I desire you to make me a statement as to the exact facts concerning which there has been dispute. In particular, I desire you to make me a statement as to the exact facts concerning which there has been dispute. The particular, I desire you to make me a statement as to the exact facts concerning which there has been dispute. The particular, I desire you to make me a statement as to the exact facts concerning which there has been dispute. The particular, I desire you to make me a statement as to the exact facts concerning which there has been dispute. The particular, I desire you to make me a statement as to the exact facts concerning which there has been dispute. The particular, I desire you to make me a statement as to the exact facts concerning which there has been dispute. The particular of the foot of the conduct is deough to the foot of the committee on ways and mean committee on ways and real important committees there distinctionation to move, for committee on ways and mean committee on ways and real important com

ainments render him peculiarly fit to gi Judgment Objection to Bad Precedent.

I would willingly pass over the conduct of Adaliral Brownson because of his fine service in the past if it were not that at a time when a new chief is chosen to suc-ceed him it becomes imperative to stamp with disapproval the behavior which, if ceed him it becomes imperative to stamp with disapproval the behavior which if spread throughout the navy generally, would literally ruin the navy's efficiency. The question to which Admiral Brownson took issue with the department I will deal with the general setter. It is one as to which there can be entirely legitimate differences of opinion, although in my judgment, the considerations in favor of the course decided upon are overwhelming. But there is no room for difference of opinion as to the gross impropriety of the admiral's condust in resigning sooner than carry out the orders of his superior officers in such a matter. The officers of the navy must remember that it is not merely childish but in the higheat degree reprehensible to permit their personal pique, wounded vanity or factional feeling on behalf of some particular bureau or organization to render them disloyal to the interests of the navy and therefore of the country as a whole. The question whether one officer or another shall command a ship is of little consequence compared with the weakening of all command and discipline which would result if officers were to refuse to serve whenever their tempers are ruffled by adverse decisions on the part of their superiors. Their sole roncern should be the good of the service, and save only lack of courage in actual warfare, obedience and loyalty are the most desential qualities in keeping the service up to the highest standard. The different bureaus of the department, the

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FORECAST FOR NEBRASKA-Fair and FORECAST FOR IOWA Bain Monday: Recommendation President Asks Con-

NEW MOVE IN THAW CASE Report that Mr. Jerome Will Attempt to Bar Testimony of De-

fendant's Wife. second trial of Harry K. Thaw, which will directed a communication to the secretary begin tomorrow before Judge Victor Dow. of war under date of December 33, request-Evelyn Thaw, wife of the accused man, At the first trial the testimony was allowed the district attorney, who said the precedent set in the case of the state against Wood seemed to cover the matter.

Several criminal lawyers of prominence in their profession have argued the point with Mr. Jerome since the close of the first today when Secretary Metcalf gave to the hearing and have urged him to oppose this press two letters from the president, ad- line of testimony at the trial about to begin. These attorneys declare a vital In the first of these letters President principle of law is involved and that it without mineing words, con- should go to the highest courts for deterdemns in measured terms the act of Ad- mination. Mr. Jerome has given no definite mired Brownson. Geolaring it to be un answer to his fellow members of the bar security and improper. The question as to and he may feel impelled to consent to anwhich Admiral Brownson took issue with the Navy department the president declared by the Secretary of War. I have been used to the community at large of testing the legality of such testimony, have been unusually strong and many of the presecuting officers of his superior officers of his superior officers of his superior officers of the navy must remember that it is not the navy must remember that it is not the superior of the purpose of making infantry captains mounted officers, and for the establishment of as many remount depots as may be necessary to furnish remounts of the purpose of making infantry captains mounted officers, and for the establishment of as many remount depots as may be necessary to the purpose of making infantry captains mounted officers, and for the establishment of the purpose of making infantry captains mounted officers, and for the establishment of the purpose of making infantry captains mounted officers, and for the establishment of the purpose of making infantry captains mounted officers, and for the establishment of the purpose of making the purpose of making infantry captains mounted officers, and for the establishment of the purpose of making infantry captains mounted officers, and for the establishment of the purpose of making the purpose of making infantry captains mounted officers, and for the establishment of the purpose of making the purpose of the military committee of the sent and purpose of making the purpose of the sent and purpose of the m the may must remember that it is not Mrs. Thaw is called as a witness and conmorely childlish, but in the highest degree tend against the admissibility of her testi-

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ture of the week's proceedings in the house of representatives will be the assignment members by lottery of rooms in the yours 59,000,000 house office building, now about Chairman, committee on military affairs, completed. The drawing will be held on house of representatives. \$9,000,000 house office building, now about Thursday, January 9, mmediately after the reading of the journal. Three hundred The letter to Secretary Metcalf regard- and thirty-three marbles, consecutively ing the retirement of Admiral Brownson numbered from one up, will be placed in

of fourteen. Among several of the more important committees there is a decided disinclination to move, for instance, the committee on ways and means, the premier committee of the house, is adverse to giving up its rooms on the house corridor. but a step from the hall of representatives. Chairman Payne feels that inasmuch as the committee embraces in its membership gade, a number of the leaders, both of the majority and of the minority, the committee's meeting place should be where it is rather than in the office building on B street. so that its members when in conference may be within instant call if they are required on the floor of the house during sessions of that body, especially when a

CANAL LOCKS Commission Recommends that Present Plan for 100 Feet Be

Adhered To. WASHINGTON, Jan. 5 .- By unanimous decision the Isthmian Canal commission
will recommend to the secretary of war
that the locks on the canal be constructed
at their present projected width, namely, at their present projected width, namely, for all commercial shipping for years to come. If, however, it is the judgment of the Navy department and of the president that the proposed width be increased to 119 feet, this can be done at reasonable cost and it is believed without danger of structural weakness. The out danger of structural weakness. The out danger of structural weakness. The companies of the proposed width or increased width or increased width or increased width or increased with the proposed with the pr suggestion for increased width originated to with the navy, where, among some of the officials, the opinion prevails that this may be necessary to meet naval developments in ingreased beam of war vessels

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BETTER HORSES AND RIDERS

NEW YORK, Jan. 5 .- On the eye of the and to improve the service throughout. He ling of the supreme court, comes the report lag birs to call this matter to the attention | \$12: that District Attorney Jerome may attempt of the mulitary committees of the house this time to bar the testimony of Mrs. and senate for the earliest possible consideration and has also himself sent communications under date of January 4, to to go before the jury with the consent of these chairmen, pointing out the need for constituents: these chairmen, pointing out the need for such legislation. He includes in his letters to the chairman a long communication from Major General J. F. Bell, chief of staff of the army, compiled at the request staff of the army of the staff of the staff of the army of the staff of the army of the staff of the staff of the staff of the staff of the army of the staff of

neif explanatory; The field officers of our army cannot

to improving the horsemanship in our army, and in raising the standard of effici-ency throughout the service. Sincerely

(Signed) THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

General Bell Makes Statement. WAR DEPARTMENT, OFFICE OF HIEF OF STAFF, WASHINGTON, Nov. My Dear Mr. President: I have the onor to acknowledge the receipt of your numbered from one up, will be placed in a box and as each ir turn is drawn out by a blindfolded page and handed to the reading clerk its number will be announced. The member whose number on a prepared list corresponds with that on the marble will come forward to the desk and select by diagram a room from among the 37 offices into which the first, second and third floors of the building are principally divided.

That only 237 of the 286 members of the house will participate in the drawing is chiefly accounted for by the fact that chairmen of committees are not entitled to private offices in the new building, but instead will use the rooms set aside for their respective committees.

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About a dozen of the fifty odd committees and a distance of containing and institutes will maintain military schools and institutes.

About a dozen of the fifty odd committees, including those on banking and currency, claims and elections No. 1, already have vacated the capitol and taken quarters in the office building. How many more will follow suit is undetermined. Provision has been made for the rehousing of fourteen. Among several of the more of the provision has been made for the rehousing of fourteen. Among several of the more mounted officers affords ample opportunity for practical tests in horsemanship. The European idea appears to be that daily service is a daily examination, that as an officer is constantly under the orders and observation of his superfors a special test would be superfluous, for his efficiency report, showing the opinion of his superford as to his military capacity and spittude in general, and horsemanship in particular, completely states the case. Division, brigade, regimental and battalion commanders are all present at drills, each observing completely states the case. Division, ori-gade, regimental and battalion command-ers are all present at drills, each observing the performance of their respective sub-ordinates, as reports are required of all commanders each year upon the efficiency of subordinates in all respects. Division commanders, whose reports upon an officer largely determine the views of the War department as to bis merits, generally base partment as to his merits, generally base department as to his merits, generally base their opinions upon their own impressions, supplemented by those of brigade, regimental and other commanding officers. The great maneuvers are the practical testing fields of all officers. Efficiency reports are usually made after the maneuvers each year. Should a division commander report a field officer deficient in the presentability of the proposed at any time he is either as mander report a mind time he is either as-horsemanship at any time he is either as-signed to some kind of duty not requiring physical activity—practically shelved—or becomes subject to transfer to the retired list without any further examination or

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long to test and select them for promotion to active commands.

In the French army there are no examinations for promotion whatever, in the Italian army a portion of the captains only are examined, but in both of these armies ample facilities and opportunities exist for determining the knowledge and practical efficiency of officers at all times. As a rule, the degree of efficiency in riding and horsemanship of officers is as well known to everybody as their personality, and at all inspections and maneuvers officers deficient in riding are reported. In the French, German and American armies only lieutenants of foot troops of the line are not required to ride, as all captains are mounted officers.

officers.

To come now to a few particulars as to tests of hersemanship which actually occur in European armies, the following data has been found in reports made by observers from our army relating to work which came under their own observation:

FRANCE

At the French Cavairy school at Saumur a course in equitation exists for field officers of the French cavairy. The object of the course, as officially stated, is to give general instruction in equitation, to deter-

general instruction in equitation, to deter (Continued on Second Page.)

Big List of Allowances or Reissnes in

Three of the Congressional Districts.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, Jan. L . (Special.)-The emmissioner of pensions has notified Congressman Hinshaw of the allowance or re

Horsemaship Among the Soldiers of the United

States Army.

WASHINGTON. Jan. 4—(Special Correspondence.)—The president has taken steps to ask congress for legislation making the fast yeaptains in the United States army mounted officers and for the establishment of as many remount depots as may be necessary to furnish remounts for the army.

His chief purpose in to raise the standard of efficiency of horsemanship in the army and to improve the service throughout. He directed a communication to the secretary of war under date of December 21 requesting bins to call this matter to the attention of the military committees of the house and senate for the earliest possible consideration and has also himself sent commission, and has also himself sent commissions.

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staff of the army, compiled at the request of the president showing the conditions in foreign armies as compared with those in the American army, with the odds in favor of the foreigners. He points out the superior horsemanship in European armies and urges that proper measures be taken to improve those in the troops of the United (Sates.

Text of the Correspondence.

Here are the communications exchanged: THE WHITE HOUSE, WASHINGTON, Dec. 22, 1907.—To the Secretary of War: I wish you would take such measures as may be necessary to bring to the attention of the military committee of the senalty and house the desirability of ligislation for the purpose of making infantry capitains mounted officers, and for the establishment of as many remount depots as may be necessary to furnish remounts for the army. Both of these measures are essential to the improvement of horsemanship in the army.

(Signed) THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

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MURDER AT EASTON. of City Controller Smith Wills His Wife and Attempts Suicide.

This morning the husband forced an entrance to the house occupied by his wife and her sister. After securing a carving knife Smith stole to the room occupied by the two women and plunged the instantly. He left the house and, going to his father's residence several blocks away, told him of the crime he had committed. The startling information unnerved the father and before he could regain his composure the son attempted to kill himself by gashing his throat and abdomen. The physicians tonight say wife with infidelity.

DEATH RECORD.

George Woolflinger. HARVARD, Neb., Jan. 5 .- (Special.) -- At his home in this city, about 5 o'clock Saturday evening, occurred the death of George Woolflinger, aged about 73 years. Mr. Woolflinger did not take to his bed until a day or two previous to his death, but had not been feeling well for two or three days, but had been down town Tuesday. Death resulted from a severe cold, terminating in grippe and pneumonia conditions. During the war of 1861-65 deceased was in the service in a Wisconsin buttery, and had been a resident of this locality for the last twenty-five years, removing from his farm to this city two years ugo. Several grown children and one brother reside here.

John Mack. MARSHALLTOWN. Is., Jan. 5 .- (Spefal.)-John Mack, formerly trainmaster of the Iowa Central, with headquarters in day the Cincinnati Commercial-Pribune, Glendive, Mont., according to a telegram Foraker's organ.

Chicago Banker to Speak.

MARSHALLTOWN, Ia., Jan. 5 .- (Specommercial National bank of Chicago, and formerly director of the United States gantzation of business men, known as the sensation than the senator's declining to Searchlight club, next Tuesday night.

CONDITION OF THE WEATHER CAPTAIN MOUNTED OFFICER PENSIONS FOR NEBRASKAN NEBRASKA POLITICS MOVING

Republican State Committee Will Meet Wednesday Next.

Seeks to Improve Efficiency in the Issue of pensions to the following persons Indications of Fight in Lancaster to Keep Senator Burkett Home and to Send Judge Field to Chicago.

> The calls for the meetings of the different state committees to arrange for selecting national convention delegates seem all to of the city of suspicious characters. Men have come sooner than was figured on by are already under arrest charged with the the politicians. The republican state committee will meet at Lincoln next Wednesday and both the democratic and the popu- the death of Callaghan, a confession has list committees will hold meetings at the been secured. Anderson had been accused same place the following Wednesday. The of the crime by Bert McCagg, a companior democrats and populists have assected the who was shot and probably fatally same day as the Bryan dinner, to be pulled wounded by Callaghan in the fight in off at the state capital, and have extended which the policemen met death. Two other invitations generally to county chairmen men who had been in his company also and democratic war horses to be present gave damaging statements against Anderwith advice and enthusiasm.

ance of pensions to the fellowing of his meeting of the republican state committee. Bred two shots at the officer. He also which is expected to lay out the lines for the preliminary campaign that will determine who will represent Nebraska at Chi- its eartridges exploded. cago and whether it will be a solid Taft delegation or whether a few disturbing factors will succeed in injecting themselves

> There is likely to be a friendly contest between Omaha and Lincoln for the location of the republican convention, and there may be some difference of opinion as to the date, although the consensus seems to be, so far as expressed, in favor of reasonably early action, in order that Nebraska may be a real help to its preferred candidate, rather than a late arrival in a band

Wagon. What method the committee will pre scribe for the selection of state convention delegates is still up in the air and will probably await the actual vote of the committee. While a debate has been going on as between a state-wide primary for presidential preferences and the old caucus system, no great excitement has been raised by it, except among a few wirepullers who have tried hard to work themselves up into a frenzy. The fact remains that on the

Senator Burkett wants to have this honor he will have to come home and fight for it, because his political enemies in Lancaster county are determined that he shall be relegated to the rear and propose to bring out Judge Allen W. Field to make curious conglomeration," includes about the state committee. everything that is active in politics at the state capital, with the exception of the on Tuesday, April 14. senator's personal friends and political retainers. All this, of course, may be a tempest in a teapot, and then again It may be the brewing of a real storm, but in the interval it will warrant the marking The ten or a dozen men who control the of Lancaster county as an area of low republican organization in this state are barometer on the political weather map of Nebraska.

Just what the populists propose to do ator is likely to go as delegate-at-large." toward having Nebraska represented at St. Louis is an enigma even to the old guard. The veteran, T. W. Tibbles! who PA. ran in second place on the last populist presidential ticket, says he doesn't know anything about it and does not propose to take any hand in it, unless conditions

change materially. "Not many of the Nebraska populists," EASTON, Pa., Jan. 5.-Frank Smith, a says Mr. Tibbles, "are in sympathy with son of City Comptroller Chester Smith, the call that has been issued for a natoday murdered his wife and then at- tional convention at St. Louis in April. tempted to commit suicide. Smith and his We are very much a minerity party and wife had been separated for some time. ought to let the old parties take the lead. think most of the populists are still friendly to Bryan, but at that they would not follow Bryan if to do so they would have to swallow with him some rank gold bug Parker democrat hitched to him on weapon into his wife's heart, killing her the same ticket. The populist party is a party of principle and it cannot afford to

be used as trading stock. "Here in Nebraska our organization has been badly shattered of late, but we have forty countles in which populist organizations are still maintained and I would place the number of populists in Nebraska that Smith will recover. He charged his at 30,000. Twenty thousand of them voted for me four years ago and 10,000 voted for Roosevelt. They do not care so much for party names as they do for results, but they are not to be ignored as an important element in Nebraska politics."

> The two-to-one victory of the Taft men in the Ohlo state committee has contributed still further to strengthen the position of the war secretary in Nebraska, as proving conclusively the correctness of the claims of his managers that the vast majority of Ohio republicans are for Taft. As expressed by an officer of the Nebraska Taft league, "Taft must have Ohlo the laws as they stand on the books. pretty solid or Forsker would not be hellering so loud."

MR. FORAKER CALLED DOWN Senator's Cincinnati Organ Says There Can Be No Valid Objection to Convention Call.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 5 .- (Special Tele-

gram.)-In its leading editorial tothis city, died this morning at his home in which has been heretofore Senator declines to received today by Mrs. Mack's sister, Mrs. low the senator in his avowed purpose to W. L. Place. Disease of the kidneys was disregard the Ohio republican state comthe cause. For the last seventeen years, mittee's call for a direct primary to de Mr. Mack had been a passenger conductor on the northern Pacific out of Glendive. termine whether Foraker or Secretary Taft is the choice of Ohio republicans for the presidency. The Commercial-Tribune declares that no valid objection can lie against the state committee's action and ial.)-George E. Roberts, president of the gay that Foraker has been given just what he asked. The descriton of Senator Foraker by the newspaper which has been mint, will speak in this city before an or- his ghief supporter has created a greater

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CHICAGO CLEANING HOUSE

Police, Aroused by Murder of Two Patrolmen, Begin to Arrest Suspicious Characters.

CHICAGO, Jan. 5 .- Roused by the deaths esterday of Policemen William Mooney POP AND DEMOCRAT WEEK LATER and Michael Callaghan, both of whom wer shot by things, the police of the West side TRUST IS STANDING districts started at 1 o'clock this morning to arrest all suspicious characters in that section of the city. A general raid was begun on questionable saloons and resorts

at that hour and scores of arrests were

made.

The activity of the police was not directed especially towards the slayers of the two policemen but was the beginning of what they declare will be a thorough cleanging murder of the two policemen and in the case of one, David Anderson, accused of with advice and enthusiasm. son and late last night he confessed to The real interest, however, centers in the Police Captain Stephen K. Healy that he told where he had hidden the revolver and the weapon was found with several of

Mooney's assailant is believed to have been J. P. McLean, 22 years old, who was arrested shortly after the shooting Thursday night and identified by the dying yesterday. Eugene Buckley and John Walsh, who were McClean's companions at the time of the shooting are also under arrest.

GOPHER DEMOCRATS LINE UP

Minnesota Friends of W. J. Bryan Set Forth Their Rensons for Supporting Him.

DULUTH, Minn., Jan. 5 .- Democrats of Minnesota who favor the nomination of of the company for consideration. The W. J. Bryan for president tonight gave cause of the fight of the growers of toout an address to the democrats of Minnesota cetting forth their reasons for pany and other purchasers and the comsupporting Mr. Bryan. The address is plications are best explained by the fole signed by T. T. Hudson, democratic na- lowing recounted sentence of events in tional committeeman for Minnesota, and chronological order: more than 100 other prominent democrats of the state.

The address, in part, says: Relieving that it is essential in the contest of 1908 that the democracy of the nation shall continue on advanced ground, that there shall be no retreat, that what has been already so dearly won shall not be lost, it is our firm conviction that the best interests of the American people demand the nomination and election of W. J. Bryan to the presidency as the chief exponent of the reforms needed in our nation, and to that end we ask the cooperation of the democrats of Minnesota. The conflict is between reaction and progress. The influence with selfish influences behind them, which have always been inimical to pure democracy, are still at work. Let no true democrat be deceived. In the present situation no man can be seriously considered in place of Mr. Bryan, if those influences are ochind him. We know what Bryan stands for; he is no experiment. If we win with him it will be a victory worth the winning—a triumph of the principles we hold dear. Belleving that it is essential in the contest of 1908 that the democracy of the

Root, Cortelyon, Black and Woodruff the farmers who were unwilling or unable

NEW YORK, Jan. 5 .- The Tribune tomorthe race against him. If the Journal's state; George B. Cortelyou, secretary of tor Burkett, which it characterizes as "a and Timothy L. Woodruff, chairman of country.

"The state convention is likely to be held

"If this slate stands, obviously it leaves 'outside the breastworks' those national convention veterans, Senator Thomas Collier Platt and Chauncey Mitchell Depew. chary of saying why the slate leaves Senators Platt and Depew off the list, but when pressed they admit that neither sen-

MRS. NANNIE G. HOAGLAND DEAD Mother of George A. Hongland Passed Away in St. Joseph Saturday Night.

Mr. and Mrs. George A. Hoagland were called to St. Joseph Sunday morning by a York hearing that the company and its telegram announcing the death of Mr. Hoagland's mother at her home in that city. Mrs. Nannie G. Hoagland was 92 years of age and her husband, Mr. Hoagland's father, was George T. Hoagland the millionaire founder of Booneville, Mo. Mr. Hongland died in St. Joseph three years ago.

Mrs. Hoagland was born in Massachusetts, and from her early youth took an active interest in church work. When Mr. Hoagland made his fortune both he and his wife gave liberally to church and charitable work. Mrs. Hoagland's children liv ing are: George A. Hoagland of Omaha: Theodore Hoagiand and Mrs. D. R. Vineyard of St. Joseph.

ROCHESTER IS TO BE DRY New Commissioner Says He Will Enforce Liquor Laws Today.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Jan. 5.-Rochester is to be "dry" tomorrow, if the order of the new commissioner of public safety, Charles S. Owen, is carried out. The commissioner says in his order that it has con to his attention that "on Sunday last there were frequent violations of the excise law," and be declares that he intends to enforce The brewers of the city are said to be it

sympathy with excise law enforcement, and it is reported that the New York State renting farmers and are compelled to mar-Brewers' association, which will meet here ket each crop promptly in order to provide January 12, will take measures to bring sustenance until the following one is raised. about regard for the laws in the liquor trade.

DURANGO BANKERS ARRESTED Officials of Defunct Concern Accused

of Accepting Deposits After it DURANGO, Colo., Jan. 1 - Following

the defunct Colorado State bank, which was filed in the district court today, warrants were sworn out charging Benjamin M. Preeman, president, and Frank Eldredge, Evan Hampton and W. C. Chapman, directors, with having received deing to Receiver Boyle's report the State chance of suffering personal violence. bank will be able to pay depositors only

Situation in Western Kentucky Goes from Bad to Worse,

Planters in Association.

Refusal to Raise Price Angers

HISTORY OF THE CONFLICT

Effort to Hold Crops Has Not Injured Factory Combine.

SMALL GROWERS SUFFER MOST

Many of Them Must Mortgage Cres Before It is Out and Curedon Part of Two Crops on Hand.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Jan. 5 .- The raid on

Russellville, Ky., early Friday morning by "night riders." which resulted in the destruction of nearly \$100,000 worth of property and the wounding of three persons; the refusal yesterday of the toq bacco growers to accept the proposition of the American Tobacco company for the purchase of tobacco and the announced intention of the growers to proceed against the American Tobacco company in the courts, following Governor Willsson's statement that the lawless element will be severely dealt with, have brought to an acute stage a condition which has existed in Kentucky and Tennesses for two years. Conferences for the last two days at Frankfort between a representative of the American Tobacco company and the tobacce growers has resulted only in transferring the matter to the heads bacco against the American Tobacco com-

Causes of the War. I. The apparent passing of the leaf tobacco market in Kentucky and Tennessed into the control of the American Tobacco company, with the consequent elimination of nearly all the middlemen or independent tobacco buyers and rehandlers. 2. The awakening of the farmers to the

situation and the formation by them of the American Society of Equity and two subsidiary organizations, the Burley (light colored leaf) Tobacco association and the Dark Tobacco association, with the purpose of holding their crops until they could obtain what they claimed would be a fair price from the American Tobacca company and affiliated concerns. 3. The failure of the attempt by the

farmers' societies to win over a sufficient majority of the growers of tobacco to their pooling plan to enable them to immediately compel the company to pay the price demanded. 4. Ostracism and petty persecution of rected against so-called "independents,"

to pool and hold their crops of tebacce and who sold to the "trust." 5. Whipping of tobacco buyers and farmrow will say: "While the list is subject to ers who sold their crops, destruction of change, like other political slates, the plan | beds of young tobacco plants, burning of

of the organization leaders is that the "Big tobacco barns containing the harvested Four" elected by the republican state con- crops of independents, shooting into homes vention will be Elihu Root, secretary of and the wounding of innocent persons, among them being women, and the warnaccount is correct the lineup against Sens. the treasury; ex-Governor Frank S. Black ing of refractory independents to leave the 6. The culmination of a mob spirit in

bold attacks on Princeton, Hopkinsville and Russellville, towns of from 4,000 to 19,000 inhabitants, which raids resulted in the dynamiting and burning of tobacco warehouses controlled by the American Tobacco company, the killing of several of the raiders and the wounding of a number of citizens and the destruction of property owned by innocent neutrals because the raiders refused to allow the fire departments to work.

Trust Suffers Little.

As to the Tobacco trust, so-called, The has suffered less than the men who have sold their leaf tobacco to it and if the anti-trust societies' claims be true less monetary loss than the men who have pooled their crops. Officers of the American Tobacco company have during the last few days declared under oath at a New allied and subsidiary concerns do not control the tobacco trade of America. When, two years ago, the company put buyers into the Kentucky and Tennesses fields to deal directly with the producers, after it had made arrangements dispensing with the system of buying from rehandlers and independent middlemen, it also denied that it controlled the raw material of the markets of Tennessee and Kentucky. The anti-trust growers vehemently deny this and claim that it does control the market

in the two states, As to the claim that the trust forces the growers to accept an unfair price neither side has produced any figures as to cost of production and farm values in the tobacco districts which would bear out the statements pro or con. The "trust" has suffered the loss of a number of warehouses and their contents, the estimates on the direct gross loss running from \$125,000 to \$250,000. Fourteen of their warehouses have been closed. This loss, howe ever, undoubtedly falls below the aggregate damage sustained by the men who have refused to join the farmers' associatiens or pool their crops. Some of them were too independent to be coerced, while most are financially unable to hold their crops had they so desired.

Poorer Growers Suffer. On this latter class of independents the posling movement has had a most disas-

trous effect. A large number of them are

Some of them are often compelled to mortgage a crop before it is cut and oured. The societies have during the last five months made arrangements to advance two-thirds of the value of crops to growers who need them money, but there is doubt as to whether they would be able to finance all the independents, even if the latter could accept the arrangement and escape ruin. But there is, as stated, a numerous class the report of Owen F. Boyle, receiver for of independents who must market their crops immediately after cutting and curing. These men, therefore, must accept a society loan on their crop and in case the "trust" wins, drop so far behind that in three years they will be ruined or else they must sell posits when they knew the bank to be to the "trust" and run a strong risk of asolvent. They were arrested and gave having their barns burned or their next bonds for appearance for triat. Accord. year's crop ruined, to say nothing of the

The pooling societies now have on hand 25 cents on the dollar at the outside esti- part of the 1956 crop and all of their 1997