# ANSWER TO CRITICS

President Replies to Charge of Use Patronage in Behalf of Taft.

BRANDED FALSE AND MALICIOUS

Question Called to His Attention by an Indiana Man.

NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS AS TEXT

Method of Making Appointments is Clearly Set Out.

FEW PERSONALLY KNOWN TO HIM

Senators and Congressmen Consulted and, With Few Exceptions, Are the Ones Directly Responsible for Naming Men.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8, -President Roosevelt today made answer to the recent pub-He statements that he had made use of federal patronage to further the presidential interests of Secretary Taft. The answer is in the form of a letter addressed to William Dudley Foulke of Richmond, Ind., and includes a letter from Mr. Foulke to the president, suggesting the need of such a statement. The president begins by characterizing the charges as "false and malicious." He follows this The correspondence in full follows: \_

Letter of Foulke. February 5, 1908 .- The President, Sir: had been nominated in Ohio and you an- latitude.

New York Evening Post of January 16:

also supporting Mr. Fairbanks, and re- whole seasons.

especially if coercion can be implied, in likely to injure you very seriously. \* \* \* The use of any public office for this purpose is fraught with great danger and subject to unanswerable criticism."

Asks for Proof.

"To this you answered, January 19: " 'Will you produce the name of a single mau whom I have coerced or influenced; will you give me the name of any official who has been controlled by the threat or implied threat of dismissal, or from whom I have demanded support for Taft; in fact, will you give me one particle of justification for the fears you expressed? Name the man whom I have removed because I was for Taft, or threatened to remove because he was not for Taft. You cannot do so, and, as you cannot, why do you not repeat this challenge to the newspapers in TAFT BANQUET TO BE BIG AFFAIR question; assert that their words are absolutely false and challenge them to make good?"

"I, accordingly, wrote to the Star asking It to name a single case of the coercion banquet in Convention fall tomorrow night lation, when perhaps the very amendment referred to in its previous issues. It pub- in honor of Secretary of War Taft promises was included in a different section of the lished an answer to my letter, but failed to be a gigantic affair. Over 1,000 persons bill. to name any instance of the kind. I then will eat dinner served in the arena of the wrote again, falling aftention to this failure big hall and probably 19,000 more will crowd and asking if I were not forced to conclude the balcories and gareries to listen to the on the part of the democrats and to get from its own silence that its own charges music and the speeches. Tickets to seats in through with the bill as rapidly as possible, were absolutely without foundation. This the twenty-five boxes that encircle the Norris offerd an amendment that con second letter, however, it would not pub- arena have been sold, but the galleries vulsed the house and which is as follows: lish, thought it still continues to repeat its and balconies will be free to the public. general charges of abuse of patronage.

has instructed postmasters that they must. The dinner is to begin promptly at 6 o'clock. resignations or their piedges of support for ing which time the spectators will be enter- body had grown tired of the apparent deother causes.'

"In view of these reiterated complaints, are recommended, your reasons and prin- Mo., will be toustmaster. ciples upon which you have acted in making them, as well as a statement in regard to the alleged poercion, by the best method WILLIAM DUDLEY FOULKE."

Palse and Maltelous. Feb. 3, 1908 -- My Dear Mr. Foulke: The statement that I have used the offices in the effort to nominate any presidential candidate is both false and malicious. It is the usual imaginative invention which flows from a desire to say something injurious. Remember that those now making this accusation were busily engaged two months ago in asserting that I was using the offices to secure my own renomination. It is the kind of accusation which for the next few months will be rife. This particular slander will be used until exploded and when exploded those who have used it will promptly invent another. Such being the case, I almost wonder whether it is worth while answering, but

as it is you who ask why, the answer you snall have. "Since the present congress assembles two months ago. I have sent to the senate the names of all the officials I have appointed for the entire period since congress adjourned on March & last, that is for eleven months. Excluding army and navy

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IRRIGATION PROJECT COMPLETE Largest Enterprise Undertaken by Private Captial All Ready for the Settlers.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Feb. 9.-(Special.) one of the largest and what promises be the most successful reclamation projects ever attempted by private capital will be opened to settlement on May 12 next, when thousands of sattlers will be offered homes on fertile tracts of land under a never-failing system of irrigation. , It is what is known as the Oregon Basin project in Big Horn county, Wyo., and is being constructed by the Big Horn Basin Development company and financed by Young & Hamilton, the Chicago bankers. The lands will be reclaimed under the terms of the Carey act through contracts with the state of

Wyoming. The Oregon Basin project will rectaim 245,000 acres of land lying wholly in Big Horn county. The tract is fifty-five with an analysis of all appointments sent miles long from east to west, and twentyby him to the senate for its action to show five miles wide north to south, and lies that in no case has the proximity of a between the Shoshone river on the northand the Big Horn river on the east. The in the Indianapolis News (a paper support- state. The temperature never gets ex- Nebraska station. ing the candidacy of Mr. Fairbanks) accust remely hot nor does it get very cold. The method requires an expert to admin- over its tracks at various points of teleing you of using the federal patronage to The season in which to mature crops is later it, but it is hoped that a system phone lines. These wires, it is alleged, are secure the nomination of Mr. Tatt, and longer than in any other section of the can be arranged whereby it will be pos- swung so low as to endanger the lives of naming the postoffices in particular. I state. The soil is very rich and will sible for the farmer to handle it himself, freight brakemen. The railroad company

swered that that was true, that you would Water is taken from the Shoshone be very weak if you allowed the power of river at a point thirty miles above, or matter up with the department with the companies, it was the unanimous opinion appointment in that state to be used only southwest of the town of Cody, on the view of having an expert sent to the neigh- of the members that it did have jurisdiction as a means of attack upon the administra- Burlington railroad. A canal has been borhood who will be prepared to administer over anything which in any way obstructed "On my return home, I observed other the Oregon basin, an immense natural existence of such epidemic is brought to his of railroad employes or the general public. articles making similar charges in various reservoir with solid rock sides and bot- attention. papers, for instance, the following in the toys. This canal is sixty fet wide and from ten to eighty-five feet deep. There "We are now getting daily lessons in are five tunnels through solid rock, agelse but a serious minded folk, that is to the tracks of the Minneapolis & St. Louis not available, civil service reform from the White House, gregating two miles in length. Where say, those who represent that state in the railroad are alleged to be strung at too which ought to attract national attention, the canal empties in the big basin the halls of legislation, for George William low a height, and secure an adjustment of The appointment of Taft workers to post- water has a fall of 24 feet, producing Norris knows now what it means to be the difficulty. offices in Ohio, and of the totally unfit 16,000 horse power. The lake holds water facetlous in debate and he is greatly per-George W. Wanamaker as appraiser of to the depth of ninety-seven and a half turbed over a little pleasantness of his SUITS FOR ROYAL ALLOWANCE this port, is now followed by the presi- feet. The outlet is through solid rock a during the debate on the bill revising the man as collector of customs at Plattsburg.' tural reservoir has a capacity of 444,000 is an industrious and laborious legislator. "On January 17 an article charging you acro-feet, or sufficient water to supply according to the estimate of John Wesley with similar abuse of the patronage ap- each acre to be reclaimed with two feet Gaines of Tennessee, had been listening to peared in the Indianapolis Star, a paper of water, or enough to irrigate for two the fulminations of the democrats upon

pears to have been planned by a higher mind than that of our best engineers, who have simply taken advantage of the wonderful resources offered. ..

FLEET SIGHTED IN STRAITS Chilean Cruisers Leading the Way Through the Tortuous Pas-

sages of Magellan. PUNTA ARENAS, Strait of Magellan, Feb. 9.-The Pacific Navigation company's steamship Orita, which arrived here this morning, reports having passed the American fleet in the strait at 6 o'clock last evening, tweive miles east of Cape Pilar. The Chilean cruiser Chacabuco was leading. The weather was very stormy.

Tables in Public in Galleries. At the banquet the speakers' table, eightyeight feet long, will extend along the north
inted by other newspapers in all parts of
the country. Thus the Boston Herald of
lanuary 22 says:

"Federal office-holders may be commanded to tree their influence and their
authority in behalf of a candidate. Such
a command has been issued and the presieight feet long, will extend along the north
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republican state officials, republican state
or who shall patronize any national
bank by depositing any money therein, or
who shall patronize any raliroad company
by riding thereon, or who shall patronize any raliroad company
by riding thereon, or who shall patronize any material to any
authority in behalf of a candidate. Such
a platform has been erected on the east
a command has been issued and the president should know of it. \* \* \* Somebody
the basin promptly at 5 o'clock.

The dinner is to begin promptly at 5 o'clock.

The house had been in session all day

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by riding thereon, or who shall patronize any material to any
any material of or sell any material to any
corporation shall be hanged by the neck
until dead and thereatter be prohibited
from holding any office of profit or trust
under the government of the United States.

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The house had been in session all day At the banquet the speakers' table, eighty- gage in the practice of law,

sent appointments, the men by whom they speaker. E. E. E. McJimsey of Springfield, company, sleeping car, dining car, steam-ST. LOUIS, Feb. 3.-Secretary of War pany doing an interstate business to give William H. Taft arrived in St. Louis to to any senator or representative in congress, night shortly after so clock on his way to or to any judge or justice of any of the of exhibiting the facts? Yours respectfully, Kansas City, where he will speak tomorrow. Mr. Taft was scheduled to arrive over the Pennsylvania at 4:30 o'clock, but making such representative or senator and if the lands were sold to the state. his train was two hours late. He spent such judge or justice liable for a high mistwo or three hours here, talking with demeanor should he accept such free privifriends and met members of the two war- lege.

WOODFORD HEAD HUGHES LEAGUR

ring republican factions.

to Be Named. NEW YORK, Feb. 2.-It was announced conight that General Stewart L. Woodford The effect, nowever, of this amendment has been chosen president of the Hughes' League of the United States, and that at a notification meeting to be held at the Manhattan hotel on February 17 vice presidents and an advisory committee would be chosen.

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	Fort. Arrived, Satied.
r	NEW YORK Lucania
9	NEW YORK St. Paul
ы	BREMEN Buelow
	LIVERPOOL Campania Etruria.
	LIBAU MOSEYS
н	ANTWERP Manifest
6	ROTTERDAM Byndam.
9	BY WIRELESS.

SOUTH WELLFLEET—Cedric 200 miles west of Bandy Hook at noon; will reach New York at 6 p. m. Sunday.

Dr. Melvin Tells Mr. Pollard He Can

Save Afflicted Herd. WORK IN NEBRASKA PLANNED

Pacts Come Out in Hearing Before Agricultural Committee and Congressman Pollard Takes Quick Action.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, Feb. 9 .- (Special.) -- Dufra lot of hogs that are infected with this milk and cream shipments. malady and by applying this remedy prevent the continued mortality of the herd?" ione that."

"After it has broken out?" some of the states.

herd of that kind?" "I do not know definitely. I think I pers were adjusted. would be safe in saying 28 per cent. We was done in a number of instances."

presidential contest influenced his actions, west, the Greybull river on the south, Pollard took the matter up with Prof. E. The railroad commissioners, during the the delegations are to be labeled with climate is almost perfect, there being lit- ceived word that Dr. Melvin has recently of the kind ever held before the board. The list of republican county convention tis or no wind, and the smallest percent- been in Lincoln and discussed the matter The case was brought before the board by dates so far made up is as follows: On January 13 I laid before you an article age of precipitation of any section of the with Prof. Burnett and Dr. Peters of the the Minneapolis & St. Louis Railroad com-

spoke of the fact that certain Taft men grow successfully any crop known to this Mr. Pollard says that if there are any asked the board to rule on the height the First district he will be glad to take the the board has no jurisdiction over telephone built a distance of twenty-eight miles to the treatment to the diseased herds if the railroad tracks and endangered the lives

> Morris Explains Amendment. the bill which codifies the criminal laws congress. It must be understood that congress, under the constitution, must go

The bill never contemplated anything else than the codification of existing laws. It is easy to see that if each section were debated and amendments offered and discussed, the entire winter would be taken up on this one bill alone, comprising as it

does many hundred pages. Some of the democrats started in to offer amendments to every section. Some of these amendments, standing alone, were desirable, but many of them were offered out of pure buncombe and most of them were already covered by existing law in other parts of the bill. A number of the amendments were ingeniously worded so as Thousand Expected to Be Seated at to give opportunity for political speeches with a view of making it appear that the KANSAS CITY, Peb. 3.-The republican republicans were opposed to needed legis-

Morris Stops Fillbustering.

In order to put a stop to the fillbustering Any member of congress who shall en

"We Have Put Our Hand to the Plow," Missouri, who was supporting an amend- coal and asphalt resources. Attorney General Herbert S. Hadley, Miss- ment offered by Mr. Randell of Texas, boat, express, telegraph or telephone comcourts of the United States free transporta-

Wholly Unlookedfor Effect. Mr. Norits offered his amendment to show the logical result of the doctrine advocated Vice Presidents and Advisory Board by Mr. Clark and facetiously introduced his ascendment for the hanging of any member who engages in any business pursuit in Nebraska has been wholly unlooked for. Newspapers as well as citizens have taken Norris seriously to task for an amendment which was offered in a satirical manner and done for the purpose of showing how un-

> said: In addition to the objection that was made by the gentleman from Pennsylvania. Mr. Moon, it seems to me that the real reason why we ought to opp this amendment is because it is practically covered by law at the present time. I was most heartily in favor of what is known as the antipass amendment to the Hepburn bill. I

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CONDITION OF THE WEATHER SURE CURE FOR HOG CHOLERA CREAMERY RATES TOO HIGH DEMOCRATS SLIGHT PRIMARY SICK GIRL TAKES HER LIFE HINT AT CONSPI South Dakota Railroad Commission Promises to Make Full

Invetigation.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D. Peb. A .- (Special.)-The State Board of Railroad Commission ers, at an adjourned meeting which has just been held at the headquarters of the ommission in Sloux Falls, among other things considered the camplaint of the Redfield Creamery company to the effect that it is being charged excessive freight rates upon shipments of milk and crean from points on the Minneapolis & St. Louis railroad. The railroad commissioners wil make an effort to have the rate reduced and as an outgrowth of the complaint in ing the hearings before the agricultural this case will make an investigation of rutes committee recently Dr. Melvin of the bu- upon cream and milk throughout the state, reau of animal industry made the state- in an endeavor to ascertain whether any ment that they had discovered a cure for of the local creameries are being unjustly hog cholera. Mr. Pollurd asked Dr. Mel- discriminated against by any of the rail-"Are your scientists able to go into road companies in the matter of rates on

During the adjourned meeting the board considered the application of the Great "Yes, sir," was the reply, "they have Northern Rallroad company for permissio to close its depot buildings at Booge and Corson, and in both cases the application 'Yes, sir; not only our own men, but in of the railroad company was refused by the board.

"What percentage can you save in a During the meeting quite a number of claims for excessive freight paid by ship-

Complaints were recently made to the have gone into herds where the disease board in reference to the taking out of was prevalent and treated one-half of the telegraph instruments at some of the smaller and nearly all the untreated hogs would taken up the matter with the various rail-

pany and was in regard to the construction epidemics of hog cholera existing in the wires should be above the tracks. While Accordingly, Secretary Stanley of the board was instructed to take up the matter with Hamilton, Hitchcock, Lincoln, Perkins, Nebraskans cannot afford to be anything the telephone comapnies whose wires over Rock and Thayer, but the exact dates are

### dent's refusal to reappoint a good Hughes distance of one-half mile. The big nad criminal code. Congressman Norris, who Children of Late King of Spain Bring Action to Secure Some Cash.

MADRID, Feb. 9.-The question of allotputed to be owned principally by Mr. DanThe Shoshone river flows 15,000 acreof the United States. Our criminal laws Alphonso, the son of Don Carlos of Bouring a pension of 250,000 pesetas to the infant feet per month maximum, which is durportant Wall street interests. This article
Ing the irrigating season in that country. enclosed in a letter to you in which I The canal is substantially built, and under present conditions, to even find the in England, has received the approval of the law. To codify these laws it was necessary to the council of state and sow goes before "No man can be a more unqualified supporter of Mr. Taft than I, yet I realize that any use of the paironage to aid him, in the reservoir. The whole system ap
the council of state and wow goes hetere water supply ever falling. There are no dams to go out, and no possible leaks bill, containing all the criminal laws in the United States, had been prepared until the council of state and wow goes hetere water supply ever falling. There are no dams to go out, and no possible leaks bill, containing all the criminal laws in the United States, had been prepared until the council of state and wow goes hetere water supply ever falling. There are no dams to go out, and no possible leaks bill, containing all the criminal laws in the United States, had been prepared until the council of state and wow goes hetere water supply ever falling. There are no dams to go out, and no possible leaks bill, containing all the criminal laws in the United States, had been prepared until the council of state and wow goes hetere water supply ever falling. There are no dams to go out, and no possible leaks bill, containing all the criminal laws in the United States, had been prepared until the council of state and wow goes hetere water supply ever falling. There are no dams to go out, and no possible leaks bill, containing all the criminal laws in the Cortes. But it has raised many complete the council of state and wow goes hetere water supply ever falling. der great expense by a committee ap- brought by the natural children of Alpointed for that purpose by a preceding phonse XII by Elena Sanz, a Spanish actress, and a natural cousin of the king named Carlos Allen Perkins, a second rate

Perkins' claim goes back to his great grandmother, the famous Infanta Charlotta, who provoked the Carlist war by obliging Ferdinand VII to admit the principle of the Salic law. It was she who slapped the face of Calomarde, the premier, and drew from him the historic retort: "White hands are not offense."

Perkins' birth is not recorded in Gotha, out he insists that his real name is "Don Francisco Carlos Pio Rose Alphonso Luis Fernando Allen Perkins Gurowsky Bourbon Lutherian Hossen Drichma Vrichina and Ottendorf," and consequently the blood relative of most of the reigning sovereigns of Europe.

The suit of the heirs of Elena Sanz for recognition as natural children of Alphonso varez, a republican deputy, is the lawyer tell which candidate will hold the balance an accident. for the plaintiffs. Among the witnesses are some of the grandees of Spain, Marquis D'Altaville, duke of Sesto and marquis of ing interest. Borga, who was master of the royal palace during the late king's reign.

# COAL LAND VALUES NOT FIXED Failure of Supervisors to Turn Over ferent sections of the country.

The house had been in session all day submitted to the state legislature within hokia and from collecting rentals from the islature, which will be submitted to the has instructed postmasters that they must The dinner is to begin promptly at a clock.

The house had been in session all day so clock. The house had been in session all day without reading a line of the bill and every—

a few days. The commission is said to tenants of 600 owners of valuable lands of voters of South Dakots at the election have reached the conclusion that at this that historic settlement. Frederick B. Mer-Taft delegates to the convention. \* \* tained by a nilitary band and a big college sire on the part of the democrats to con. time there is no means at hand to ascertain rills of Belleville was made receiver. Even in Massachusetts efforts of this kind club. The speaking will begin at 8 o'clock, sume as much time as possible with the reasonable value of the lands, but that have been made recently, but happily they The address of welcome will be delivered by speeches on every conceivable subject and under no circumstances should a price in to readjust the affairs of the village, which have been stopped, partly because the post- Mayor Henry M. Beardsney and the prin- having no bearing whatsoever upon the excess of \$16,000,000 be considered by the were entangled as a result of the alleged masters on whom the attempts were made cipal toasts will be "The Republican Party." bill before that body. Mr. Norris was re- state. The purpose of the proposal to buy failure of Supervisor Anthony Bordeaux, have the courage to resist and partly from Judge Sciden P. Spencer of St. Louis, and plying to Representative Champ Clark of the lands is to give the state control of its who served the village from 1882 to 1892, to

John F. McMurray of McAlester appeared \$20,000 collected in rentals. would not a detailed statement of your re- our! Secretary Taft will be the last making it a misdemeaner for any railroad before the commission and exhibited a contract between the Choctaw and Chickasaw tribal governments on the one side and named for a village or city. The office of on the other the law firm of Mansfield, supervisor of Cahokia was created in 1722 Cornish & McMurray and Cecil A. Lyon and has been continued since with the same invoked the referendum amendment to the through until primary day; the Jacksonlans of Texas, by which the latter were to powers. The village is still governed by negotiate the sale of the lands and to retion of person or property or frank and ceive a commission amounting to \$1,000,000

CE OF PIG IRON FIXED Informal Agreement Reached at annual banquet of the newly organized Cleveland to Maintain

Present Rates.

for No. 3 foundry iron.

relation to ore and finished material was "Manufacturing and Cheap Power,"

Delegations in Nebraska Counties Chosen by Mass Conventions.

REPUBLICANS UNITING ON TAFT

List of Republican Convention Dates, at Two-Thirds of Which the Presidential Preference Ballot Will Be Used,

The political developments in Nebraska during the last week have almost all been In the direction of harmony among the republicans, with a strengthening of the Taft sentiment, and of greaater discord among the democrats. The only real ripple on the republican waters is the contest in progress in Lancaster county for the control of the delegation to the state convention, while on the other hand the feud between the democratic clans in Douglas county has broken out again in the worst form of virulence and-violence that promises a standup and knockdown fight.

A few democratic convention delegations have been chosen in different counties, all by mass conventions, without any of the much vaunted primary elections, and no resort whatever to direct expressions of preference by the rank and file of the party. Most of the republican county herd and left the other half untreated, places in South Dakota, and the board has providing for a choice of delegates, and the committees have taken some action toward die and the others would survive. That road companies which are concerned. In be coming thick and fast. About twocounty caucuses and conventions will now most cases public telephones have been thirds of the countles in which calls have Upon learning that no co-operative work installed in the depots as a substitute for been issued will use the presidential prefalong this line had been undertaken in telegraph instruments, and these seem to erence ballot, which is to be supplied by connection with the Nebraska station, Mr. give fair satisfaction to the general public. the state committee, and in Douglas county A. Burnett of Lincoln and has just re- adjourned meeting, considered the first case their presidential preference on the ballot. Knox, Mar. 4. Lancaster, Feb. 14. Antelope, Feb. 26. Lancaster, Feb. 19 Madison, Feb. 29. Nance, Feb. 29. Nuckoffs, Mar. 4. Phelps, Feb. 29. Plerce, Feb. 29. Polk, Feb. 29.

Boone, Feb. Burt, Mar. 6. Butler, Feb. 24. Dodge, Feb. 29. Douglas, Feb. 18 Fillmore, Feb. 27 Franklin, Feb. 19. Howard, Feb. 29.

Washington, Feb. 29, Wayne, Feb. 29, Webster, Mar. 5. The committees have also issued calls for Hall, Otoe, York, Cheyenne, Dixon,

Pierce, Feb. 29.
Polk, Feb. 29.
Red Willow, Mar. 4.
Richardson, Mar. 2.
Sarpy, Feb. 26.
Saunders, Mar. 3.
Seward, Feb. 29.
Thurston, Mar. 7.
Washington, Feb. 29.

Probably the greatest joke of the season has had its inception in Sheridan county, where the populists have called a convention for the purpose of electing delegates to the Omaha convention. The reason for naming the delegation is given at length in the Rushville Standard, in a signed statement by H. F. Wasmund, chairman of the populist county central committee. The chairman says:

"To keep the organization of the party entirely separate from other parties, for the reason that the reforms demanded by the people's party would soon be enacted into law and executed in the interests of the people, so long as the party works inand nothing doing."

named by the Sheridan county populists in Omaha. are sure to come to Omaha and do as the democrats desire them to do, the populists' chairman explains that the people's party is needed, as badly as a neglected garden needs hoes, and says:

"The people's party is needed at this time to force the old party to give the people relief from corporate oppression, and

of newspaper power in the district, but the

# RECEIVER FOR ILLINOIS TOWN Tax Collections is the

turn over to Camile Droit, his successor,

This is the first time in the history Illinois courts that a receiver has been the laws given it by Louis XIV of France Stoux Falls Men Celebrate,

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Feb. 8 .- (Special.) -One of the greatest affairs of its kind in the history of Sioux Falls was the fifth Commercial club of Sloux Falls, which was held last evening (Friday) at the Cataract CLEVELAND, O., Feb. 2.-While no at- hotel. Pintes for more than two hundred tempt was made to form a binding agree- of the business men of Sioux Falls were the unanimous sentiment of pig fron laid. During the serving of the banquet manufacturers who met here yesterday was a local orchestra rendered a program of in favor of maintaining the basis of \$17 at choice selections. Among the addresses at Mahoning and Shenango Valley furnaces the banquet were the following: "Value of Commercial Clubs in City Building," by The whole subject of pig iron prices in Victor E. Bender of Council Bluffs, Ia.; discussed and there was a strong feeling George B. Caldwell, Chicago; "Street Car tenable Mr. Clark's position was regarding in favor of the policy of conclitation and Systems," F. M. Mills, proprietor of the the amendment. In conjunction with the concentration inaugurated by the Gary Sloux Falls electric street rallway system; IPS, amendment Mr. Norris in speaking to it movement at the recent meetings held in "That 50,000 Prediction," Porter P. Peck, New York City. This action of the pig Sioux Falls: "Sioux Falls Commercial tron producers, following that of the rep- Ciub," W. L. Baker, Sioux Falls; "The resentatives of iron ores interests, prom- Salt of the City," Rev. Frank Fox, Sioux ises to have a very beneficial effect upon Falls; "The City Beautiful," E. A. Sherthe market, it is said. Those present at man. Sloux Falls. It is the belief of the today's meeting represented pig iron manu- men who are pushing the commercial in-Falls.

## Tillie Wik Brank Carbolic Acid Sunday Morning While Paramour

Was Absent. Tillie Wik, a girl 19 years of age, committed suicide by taking carbolic acid at 11 o'clock Sunday morning in the room where she lived with Charles Zinch, 514

North Stateenth street. The rooms are on the second floor rear Zinch left the house at 8 o'clock in the norning and at that time the girl was sating breakfast. He is a driver for T. C. Brunner & Son, wholesale flour dealers, 1816 Chicago street. When Zinch returned from the barn where he kept his team he found Billy Plager at the door 'What's the matter with her? I believe she's taken something," said Pla

Zinch found the girl on a sofa. Her lips were burned with the acid. He telephoned at once for Dr. J. F. Langdon, but when the physician arrived it was too late. The body was taken in charge by Coroner Davis, who will hold an in

Zinch said the girl had been in poor health for several months. He said they had had no quarrel of any kind. girl left two letters, one written to her father, Henry Hagedorn, 200 Reynolds. avenue, Kansas City, Mo., and the other addressed to Zinch. In the latter she addresses him in tender terms and said pashe bring her life to a close. The letters were written after Zinch had left the notise, as she borrowed a pencil from a neighbor for the purpose. The Wik girl at that time.

### GOOD HAUL FROM JEWELER Store of Louis Borsheim Robbed Early Sunday Morning, Watches and Pens Being Secured.

The jewelry store of Louis Borsheim, 506 South Sixteenth street, was broken into by burglars early Sunday morning and looted of several hundred dollars' worth of jewelry. Entrance was gained by a rear door which is made of sheetiron. The robbers made their haul some time after 4 o'clock in the morning, as a watchman found all well at that hour. When Mr. Borsheim came down at 3:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon he discovered the burgiary.

Among the goods which a hasty examination showed to be missing were twentyfour dozen sliver knives, forks and spoons, five mirror sets, a dozen pearlhandled gold pens, twenty-five fountain pens, a number of manicure sets, several watches, bracelets and other valuables.

a Term of Years from 1898 to 1908.

the criminal record of Willis Curl, the could pull through this fight without his negro, who admits his guilt in several mixing into it to his own detriment so recent burglaries and the assault of Miss Florence Poast at Twenty-second and Hitchcock, through his personal representa-California streets the evening of Jan- tive, did try to exercise a certain influence. uary 30. Curi, whose real name is Bill Corey, there just now, dependent of other parties. Both of the Curi, whose real name is Bill Corey, old parties have adopted a part of our was sent to the penitentiary for one year

Regardless of the fact that the delegates mitting burgiaries and highway robberies

### Street Railway Company Has Not Found It Necessary to Lay Off

a Single' Man.

Seventy-five men are on the pay roll of stand aloof from either of the old parties," company in the repair department and this force has not been dismissed but is kept up The congressional contest in the Fourth to the full standard the year around. The district is now reaching the point where company last year completed a new machine a climax might naturally be expected, as shop at Twenty-seventh and Lake streets the republican papers of the district are and here all the cars of the system are we didn't endorse him, but we made it aligning their guns, some for Hinshaw and gone over and painted once a year. Some XII is now in progress. Mel Qualdes Al- others for Aldrich. So far it is hard to cars get into the shops oftener, in case of

> As "time work" the company is building contest promises to be of more than pass- new cars and the men are at work on eight cars, mention of which was made in The Bee last fall. The company has also rebuilt some of its old motor cars, which have been sold to interurban lines in dif-

> > Sunday Closing Opposed.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Feb. 8 .- (Special.) A movement has been inaugurated by Roy Townsend of this city, secretary of the All Sloux Falls Base Ball association, having for its purpose the holding of a convention in Sloux Falls some time during the coming summer with the object of organizing for the defeat of what is known as the Sunday closing act of the last legnext November for acceptance or rejection. Among other things the act prohibits the playing of base bail on Sunday. Those who seek to defeat the law at the polls because it interferes with Sunday base ball propose to first hold a district convention, which will pave the way for state convention, when the organization of the anti-Sunday closing forces would extend to all parts of the state. The law has enacted by the legislature which was in session a year ago, but before it could go into effect those opposed to its provisions state constitution, thus preventing the law from going into effect and giving the voters of the state an opportunity at the November election to say whether or not they want it placed upon the statute books.

Charities and Corrections. MITCHELL, S. D., Feb. 9.-(Special.)-The State conference of Charities and Corrections for South Dakota will be held at Redfield on April 1, 2, and 3. This meeting is expected to be one of the most interesting ever held in the northwest. Themes of vital importance, not only to the workers in lines of phology and sociology, but subjects of interest to the public generally will be discussed by men and women of prominence in this line. Several people of great prominence have already been secured to take part in the program.

New Elks Take Oath

HURON, S. D., Feb. 2.-(Special.)-A class of this city an evening or two since, making the total membership something over ties will not be disturbed, but as fast as 500. C. P. Bates, deputy grand exalted any vacancies occur these will be filled by initiation ceremonies. A large number of representations made to the secretary by facturers of Chicago, Milwaukee, Cleveland, terests of the city that the banquet will visitors from out of the city were present. American machinists who objected to the Pittaburg, Ironton, Columbus and other mark a new era in the history of Sloux and at the conclusion of the caremonies a social time was had

Dahlman Democrats Wonder at Jacks Submitting Name of Hitchcock.

WAS IT TO TEST HIS STRENGTH;

But the Jims Carefully Dodge the Issue of Congressional Candidate.

IG DUNN WOLD GO TO CONGRESS

Probably the Jacks, Displeased With Hitchcook, Would Back Him.

JIMS TO HELP THEIR FRIENDS

Only Those Who Boost for Dahlmane ism Can Expect the Support of the Jims, and Hitchcock Remains Inactive.

Out of the cloud and smoke of battle waging between the Jacks and Jims of local democracy rises one feature distinguished above all the rest, and this is thetically that she thought it best that the twist given to the congressional situation in the Second district of Nebraska. Both factions to this fraticidal conflict admit the position of Mr. Hitchcock to be tried to take carbolic acid a few weeks disconcerting, to say the least, and the ago but she was prevented from doing so future fraught with ominous uncertainty for him or any of his rival aspirants.

Whether a preconceived plot existed in the camp of the Jacksonians at the outset to center this war on the congress-editor as the pivotal issue or the entering wedge of indeterminate factional fight as a means of determining the relative strength of Ig Dunn and Hitchcock with the Dahlmanites is not known. That the Jacks courted open hostilities for this purpose or that the turn affairs have taken just happened to develop this condition is the question. But the fact is, as admitted under cover, Mr. Hitchcock has been placed between the "devil and the deep blue sea," and has failed to wield the slightest influence with either Jacks or Jims. Worse than that, he has falled to receive endorsement at the hands of the majority faction for delegate to the national convention. "But he didn't seek endorsement," say his friends. "He didn't want the place,"

says W. H. Thompson. And thereby hangs the tale, so one stalwart Jim asserts. Hitchcock Let Down Easy.

"You see, it's like this," he said. "The CURL IS FOUND TO BE COREY Jacksonians very well knew that Mr. Hitchcock was not a candidate for dela-Negro Has a Prison Record Covering gate, didn't want to go to the convention or do anything that might tend to complicate his individual position or hazard his chances of renomination and election. Chief of Police Donahue has compiled He felt that if we and the Jacksonians much the better for him. Of course, Mr. We know that, but that is neither here nor

"The Jacksonians naturally feel sore beplatform, but so far have failed to enact from Hastings for burglary in 1838. Upon cause Hitchcock, once strongly allied with them into laws and enforce them, and it being released he came to Omaha and them, now shuns this alliance in selfis very doubtful whether either can get was arrested here April 6, 1900 and was defense. They think he ought to continue the party machinery out of the hands of freed January 16, 1906 He immediately to align himself with the minority faction, concentrated wealth. Until that is done, committed a burglary in Lincoln and was but they are not as good practical polithrough the tedious task of reading the but popular actor in the music halls of the bill.

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> Scheme of Jacks Fell Through. "Weil, we fooled our cunning friends We taught them a lesson in diplomacy. Did we turn down Mr. Hitchcock? Oh no possible to avoid the issue." "Do you mean to say the Dahlman De-

mocracy is too loyal to Hitchcock to turn him down?" "Well, we are not discussing the subject of loyalty just now. I say we didn't turn him down, that is not with a thud."

for congress will the Dahlman men jump to the support of Hitchcock?" "The Dahlman Democracy has no candidate for congress. We are trying to fight our own battles, and help those who help us. Mr. Hitchcock hasn't asked us to fight

"If the Jacksonians get behind Ig Dunn

his battle yet." The Dahlmen men deny the charge of C. J. Smyth that the joint conference committee's report on a compromise the other night was turned down by them, or that the joint committee could not reach an agreement.

"It did reach an agreement," said a Dahlman man. "All seven of our committeemen and Ed Berryman of the Jacksoniana, which constituted a majority, as per terms, agreed on a ticket, and then when the agreement was returned to the Jacksonians it was repudiated, the Jacksonians asserting the committee it had empowered had no authority to make such an agree ment.

The situation now presents, it is Mnitted, the possibility of nothing but an open fight to a finish. The Dahlmanites having named thier state, say they are must still and will tonight, they say, name their delegates.

How the Jacksonians will be able to relect the name of Joseph Hayden is more than wise heads can make out. President Smyth of that club is Mr. Hayden's close friend and legal adviser, and will not, ft is understood, place himself in the attitude of opposing him. In the judgment of many, the best the Jacks can possibly do after all is to compromise on at least one man, leaving the other two they endorse precarious targets for the battle of ballots.

Good Jobs for Americans.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8 .- Secretary Taft yesterday ordered that bereafter none but Americans shall be put on the "gold rolls" of the Isthmian Canal commission. effect of this order will be that skilled labor on the isthmus hereafter will be American citizens. Such foreigners as may of twenty was initiated into the Eiks ledge be among those now employed and whose numbers include a dozen or more nationaliruler, was present and superintended the Americans. The order is the outcome of employment in responsible places at good salaries of citizens of fereign countries.