as the winner of the corn bread prizes. Miss Besack remains to assist in settling the affairs of the exposition, when she will return to Ames and continue her work and studies.

Indications are that the newspapers of the country, as well as the agricultural press, will not hesitate to say many good words about the show in Omaha, as the applications which the publicity department is receiving for photographs would indicate that the press has appreciated the merits of the exposition. Over fifty sets of photographs have been sent on request.

Real News Matter.

Almost every exposition has a press bureau, btu the National Corn exposition probably had the only one of its kind ever organized. The plan was not only to furnish the newspaper men with passes to the show, but to do them a real service in enabling them to collect the news and photographs. It was organized on the same plan as the "city press associations" and furnished the "rountine" news of the exposition to all newspapers impartially.

At a big exposition one of the hardest jobs for a newspaper is to get first and get quick the list of prize winners. To secure a complete list from the judges' books and then the names from the entry clerk is a job which takes two or three people from two to five days. The press bureau of the National Corn exposition furnished this list complete in typewritten form, releasing it as it was completed to all papers at the same time.

Copies of the addresses of the prominent men who spoke were in the hands of the newspapers many hours afore the addresses were delivered or immediately afterwards. The press bureau assisted the foreign speakers, who were not familiar with the language and made copies of their addresses, besides furnishing lists of the buyers at the auction. To the country press the news of winnings made by their home people was sent. The work required the time of four persons, who worked almost day and night. C. C. Rosewater, manager of The Bee Publishing company, was in charge of the publicity department and did not desert those who advertised the show when it came to furnishing them with some real news.

Police Service Good.

There were many bureaus and plans for the convenience of the visitors and exhibitors, as well as a well organized watchman system in charg of Sergeant Dempsey of the police department. Regardless of any "hear say," there were only a few articles stolen, and almost without exception they were recovered by Sergeant Dempsey and his men. The stealing amounted to about three overcoats and some college banners. The overcoats were recovered.

When the exposition closed the police were again ready. There was no "grab bag" on the grounds. Every driver who left the grounds had to secure an "exit" pass before he could leave with his load. The way this rule was enforced is shown in the incident about 10 o'clock Saturday evening when one of the young women clerks in the press bureau was leaving with a small bundle containing a Christmas gift from a girl friend. The young woman was stopped at the exit and had to get a pass before she could take the bundle out, though she wore a press badge and had been running in and out at the gate all week.

To Dissolve the Union
of stomach, liver and kidney troubles and cure billousness and malaria, take Electric Bitters. Guaranteed. 50c. For sale by Beaton Drug Co.

McKeller Secures Liberty.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Dec. 20.—(Special.)—Walter J. McKeller, who a day or two ago was pardoned from the Sioux Falls penitentiary by Governor Crawford in accordance with a recommendation from the State Board of Pardons, now has been given his liberty.

He was serving a term of four years for grand larceny, committed in Lawrence county. At the time of becoming involved in the difficulty on May 27 last, that landed him in the penitentiary, McKeller was a United States soldier, stationed at Fort Meade.

While absent from the post on that day and visiting at Spearfish, he stole a gold watch from a man named James Halloran. As this constituted grand larceny under the South Dakota statutes, he was arrested on that charge, afterwards entering a plea of guilty. The severity of the sentence imposed in his case was due to the fact that he was charged with grand larceny.

A few weeks ago friends of McKeller interested themselves in his behalf by circulating a petition asking that he be pardoned. This petition was signed by many residents of the Black Hills portion of the state and was sent to the State Board of Pardons, with the result that McKeller now has been given his freedom.

Passing counterfeit money is no worse than substituting some unknown worthless remedy for Foley's Honey and Tar, the great cough and cold remedy that cures the most obstinate coughs and heals the lungs. Sold by all druggists.

ETHEL BARRYMORE'S BY-PLAY

An Incident in the Life of Lady Frederick Berroles.

EMPHASIZING WOMAN'S CHARM

Here's A Pointer That Will Enable Fair Omahan's to Prevent the Loss of Their Tresses and Add to Their Hair-Wealth.

In the delightful comedy of "Lady Frederick," Ethel Barrymore, who assumes the role of the winsome Irish widow, Lady Frederick Berolles, places in the hands of the infatuated young Lord Moreston a handful of false hair. It serves to knock the romance out of him.

One great charm of delightful womanhood is found in her hair. The woman who realizes that she is losing some of her wealth of tresses is just the woman Dr. Nott was laboring for when he was pursuing his scientific research for a remedy to prevent hair from falling and to cure dandruff and baldness. This valable formula has been secured by the great Tennessee house, Hosg-Ellis Drug Co., of Memphis.

It is designed to promote both the growth of thickness and length of hair and keep on the head, hair now there. Dandruff is a forerunner of baldness.

This hair tonic of Dr. Nott's is an aseptic that puts the microbes, which are responsible for the dandruff crop, right out of business. It is a delightful hair dressing, cools, refreshes and invigorates. Will neither stain nor dye. There is a vast amount of carelessness about proper treatment of one's head. People who wouldn't think of going either to breakfast or to bed without cleaning their teeth often allow weeks to pass without cleaning their head. The hair loses its popularity as a nesting place for microbes when Dr. Nott's Hair Tonic is used.

Abnormally greasy hair is not an evidence of a healthy condition, and people with hair of that sort are invited to call at the Myere-Dillon Drug Co., Omaha. They are handling Dr. Nott's Hair Tonic as well as his Q-ban Hair Restorer, which is guaranteed to restore to gray hair the natural color of youth. Ask about it.

FIGHT OVER SPEAKERSHIP

Brewers and Their Allies Are Lining Up Against Holt.

BRYAN MAY HAVE TO SHOW HAND

Arthur Mullen, at Command of Governor-Elect, Stops Boosting Henry, but His Friend Snyder at Once Gets Busy.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, Dec. 20.—(Special.)—The fight over the speakership is becoming so intense that it is very doubtful if Mr. Bryan can get away from it without showing his hand. The leaders of the county option fight have given out the information that they will have sufficient legislators to pass a county option bill. This has lead the party organ and the leaders of the brewery end of it to line up against Henry of Holt county for speaker because he is said to be for county option. It can be said with authority that Henry has the backing of the county option people generally as well as a number of members who oppose county option. But it is by no means certain that he can be elected. For that reason it is very likely Mr. Bryan will be asked to give his endorsement to Henry or to someone who is opposed to the liquor interests.

During the last week or thereabouts R. E. Lee Herdman has consulted with Governor-elect Shallenberger, and shortly thereafter it became public property that the governor was very much distressed with the activity of Arthur Mullen, his oil inspector. In fact, Mr. Shallenberger served notice on Mr. Mullen to quit meddling with the legislature, which meant to quit boosting Mr. Henry.

But a feature of the fight that some democrats may be wondering about is that the minute Mullen was called down Representative Snyder of Alma started out on the road to help line up the members, and it is said he is working for this very same Henry of Holt county. Mr. Shallenberger was also asked to make Snyder keep his hands off the fight, but the Alma representative is still busy, or was at the last reports.

So some of the democrats are wondering just where the new governor stands on the question of organization. He chastised Mullen, but he failed to drag off his next door neighbor, Mr. Snyder.

As yet the corporations are keeping pretty close under cover and have given very little indications of what their final decision in the matter will be. At this time it looks like Clark of Richardson is their man, though Bob McGinnis of the Northwestern is out in the west end of the state sizing up things there, and there may be a change to someone else.

Differences Over Bank Deposit Law.

That bank deposit law which the democratic party promised the people of Nebraska is as short of detail now as it was when democratic orators talked about it during the campaign. It is barely possible that a lack of knowledge of how the law should be framed kept the spillbinders from giving out any more information during the campaign.

"To compel the immediate payment of losses from the reserve fund, would wipe out the fund in no time," said one prominent democrat, who expects to have a hand in the affirs of the legislature this winter.

"Not to have an immediate payment of losses will be a betrayal of the confidence of the people," said another, who, believed what the democratic orators said during the last fight.

Mr. Bryan insists on the immediate payment of losses to depositors in case of a bank failure.

It is because of these differences of opinion that the speakership fight is growing more bitter every day. Wilson of Polk country has already announced that he wants to be chairman of the committee on banking and he expects to trade the votes of the Fourth congressional district to some one for speaker in return for the chairmanship—if he can. He called the representatives of the district together this week at the Lincoln to sound them out. He favors a deferred payment in case of a bank failure. In other words he wants a law which will permit the payment of 25 per cent to depositors and then permit the issuance of receivers' certificates for the remained, these certificates to draw 7 per cent interest and run one year or less.

Women Will Sell Tags.

Tomorrow is "Tag Day" in Lincoln and a number of the prominent women of the city will stand on the street corners and sell tags for any amount, regardless of the size of the contribution. The money is to be used in the construction of a detention home. The women will endeavor to break all previous records and get enough money to make Lincoln the most talked of city of its size in the world. The man who does not contribute will be sorry he was ever born. Every person who walks the streets will be forced to give something.

TractionFig ht at Havelock.

The people of Havelock are indignant at the Lincoln Traction company for charging 10 cents for a measley little ride from Lincoln to Havelock and threatens to do things to the octopus. Havelock made a contract with the Traction company to run ten years providing for the use of the streets there and the 10 cent fare was a part of it. Now that contract has expired and Havelock wants a reduction or its streets. Some of its citizens say if the 5-cent fare is not put into effect then the tracks are liable to be dug up by the roots.

The case was tried out before the Railway commission, but the commission only reduced the fare to 7 cents. When the Traction company objected to that order the price was jumped back to 10 cents.

ROBBERS MAKE GOOD ESCAPE

Ceresco Bandits Believed to Have Come to Omaha.

WAHOO, Neb., Dec. 20.—(Special Telegram.)—Cheriff Dailey, who has been working on the Ceresco bank robbery, believes the men who did the job were safely in Omaha before the robbery was discovered. He feels certain the men who drove to Ashland took the early morning Burlington passenger out of these east, and are either in hiding in Omaha or have gone farther on.

James Boyle, the young man who was bound and left in the bank when the men went way today recovered his senses after his fright and was asked to identify several suspicious characters the sheriff arrested, but he failed to conect them with the robbery. In the darkness there was no opportunity to get a good description of them and all he knows is that one of the men who bound him was tall and slender and dark and the other was short and stout. He did not see the third man as he was blindfolded, when taken lino the bank.

Sheriff Dailey says the description is far too incomplete to be used in an identification of any well known bank craftsmen by their photographs. His office was notified of the robbery at 8 a. m., yesterday.

Brakeman Killed.

SUTTON, Neb., Dec. 20.—(Special.)—Emmett Pendergast, a brakeman on the Kansas City & Omaha, while at McCool trying to adjust a coupling to a car that was being backed onto a switch, tumbled and fell under the train and had his right leg crushed near the hip joint and had his left leg broken below the knee. He was brought here and sent to Lincoln, but died before reaching there. His body was brought back to Sutton Sunday morning and taken to his mother's home, awaiting burial.

CONTEST IN MORRILL COUNTY

Canoty Election Will Take Place There Next Tuesday.

BRIDGEPORT, Neb., Dec. 20.—(Special.)—The county election to select the new officials of Morrill county will take place December 22. A republican and a democratic ticket are in the field and the fight is warm over them as well as over the location of the county seat. Following are the candidate:

Republican Ticket—Treasurer, Frank Irving of King; clerk, L. W. Thompson of Haynes; sheriff, John O. Belden of Court House Rock; assessor, C. W. Sixberry of Bayard; attorney, F. E. Williams of Bridgeport; coroner, L. R. Nosth of Bridgeport; surveyor, C. R. Edwards of Eastwood; spuerintendent, Miss Edith Walford of Bayard; county commissioners, W. T. McKelvey of Bayard, J. F. Holloway of Court House Rock, Patrick Rowland of King.

Democratic Ticket—Treasurer, L. L. Stoney of Haynes; clerk, C. D. Casper of Bayard; judge, John H. Steutville of Bridgeport; sheriff, D. A. Colyer of Weir-Lisco; assessor, Thomas Burke of Camp Clark; coroner, Dr. V. Anderson of Bridgeport; surveyor, G. W. Welton of Bridgeport; superintendent, Miss Edith Walford o fBayard; commissioners, Herman E. Smith of Gilchrist, John L. Finn of Court House Rock, Fred Lindberg of Camp Clark.

Alliance Wins Basket Ball Game.

SCOTT'S BLUFF, Neb., Dec. 20.—(Special.)—Alliance won its second of the Western High School Basket Ball league games from Scott's Bluff by a score of 37 to 16. This places Alliance nearer the western Nebraska championship.

Grand Jury for Harlan.

ALMA, Neb., Dec. 20.—(Special.)—Next Monday district court convenes. This is a grand jury session and will be watched with considerable interest owing to the fact that a petition was circulted asking Judge Dungan to call a grand jury.

Nebraska News Notes.

ALMA—The Eastern Star loge gave a reception last evening in honor of Mrs. J. W. Furse, the worthy matron, who will soon leave here for Lincoln, as her husband has been appointed secretary to Governor-elect A. C. Shallenberger.

ALMA—E. M. Rohrbough, a civil engineer from Omaha, was in Alma Friday enroute home from Cambridge, where he had been to submit a proposition in regard to putting in a system of water works.

SUTTON—There has been organized within the male membership of the Methomist church a society called the Brotherhood of St. Paul. It has for its object the extension of the influence of the church to outsiders and the social uplift of its membership. The officers for the ensuing year are: Rev. John Calver, president; J. B. Scott, vice president; W. J. Baint, secretary; Fred Hanke, treasurer; Mr. Bosh, J. Webber and Phil Schward, directors. The brotherhood held an open meeting at the church December 17 and rendered a program of instrumental and vocal music. Rev. John Roberts made an address on "Good Reading" and Prof. Clippinger on "Christian Education."

PERU—The music department of the Normal gave a grand concert last Friday evening. The Normal chorus of 130 voices, under the direction of Prof. H. C. House, sang a number of very excellent selections. Miss Sidney Murphy played the piano accompaniment for the chorus. Other features of the program were a piano duet by Misses Beck and Larimore, a vocal solo by Miss Adeline Blankenship, several selections by the Normal Ladies' octet, several selections by the Boys' Glee club and, as a very special feature, a number of selections by Dr. Clemens Movius, the great basso of Lincoln, who was repeatedly encored. A large crowd was present. The music faculty includes Prof. H. C. House, Sidney Murphy and Prof. C. B. Cornell.

PERU—The Normal model school is holding an art exhibit and sale. The specimens of art on sale there have all been made by the pupils of the model school and the funds derived therefrom will be used to improve their art department. This exhibit affords an especially valable opportunity to the teachers who are taking training here to see what can be done in the public schools of the state along this line, and also gives them models from which to work.

ALBION—In the case of Catherine Kramer against John A. Wiegand, founded upon a paternal charge, the jury, after being out a short time, returned a verdict of guilty. The court has not yet fixed the amount for the support of the child.

ALBION—The public schools were dismissed yesterday for the holiday vacation of two weeks. Superintendent Filley and the nonresident teachers have left for their homes.

ALBION—Colonel C. G. Barns, who about a year ago disposed of his interest in the Albion Milling company, has again become its manager.

WILCOX—School district No. 62 has just issued $10,000 worth of bonds to build a new school house. The bonds were sold to the state treasurer for $12,000, making them net 4½ per cent interest. The contract for the building was let this week to C. Halgreen, contractor and builder at this place.

WILCOX—T. F. Allen of McCook has bought the American house here of D. C. Shelter, who some time ago took the same over from G. E. Congdon.

WILCOX—Arthur Newton sold out his butcher business at this place yesterday to Hugh Gifford, a farmer, for $5,600.

WEST POINT—The local lodge of the Roman Catholic Mutual Protective association of Iowa, at West Point, will be officered in 1909 by the following: President, J. F. Kaup; vice president, William Stieren; secretary-treasurer, John H. Lindale. The headquarters of the order are at Fort Madison, Ia.

WEST POINT—The second annual show of the West Point Poultry and Pet Stock association will be held at the city hall in West Point on January 13-15. The breeding of fancy poultry has of late become very popular among the young men of the city and some very fine strains of purebred fowls will be on exhibition at the show. B. J. Fischer is the secretary of the association.

WEST POINT—The local lodge of the Royal Neighbors of America at their last meeting elected these officers: Oracle, Miss Emma Holst; vice oracle, Mrs. Bertha Dill; chancellor, Mrs. Ida Hermann; recorder, Mrs. Bertha Krause; receiver, Mrs. Minnie Hermann; inner sentinel, Mrs. Nellie Wilde; outer sentinel, Mrs. Lizzie Koch; marshall, Mrs. Ida Staliborets; assistant marshal, Mrs. Meta Hansen; manager, for three years, Mrs. Malinda Ackerman.

WEST POINT—Dr. H. S. Summers, one of the oldest physicians in the county, has announced his intention of retiring. The contemplated retirement of the doctor is deeply regretted by this community, where he has lived and labored so long and so successfully, his residence here being for over thirty years, the only period of his absence being when he was appointed superintendent of the Norfolk Hospital for the Insane by Governor Boyd.

FALLS CITY—Sam Stouffer was taken to the insane asylum at Lincoln Thursday by Sheriff Fenton. Mr. Stouffer was shot in the head when a boy and the bullet was never extracted.

FALLS CITY—The taxes collected in this county since November now amount to $65,009, which exceeds those of any previous year.

FALLS CITY—Veteran post No. 84, Grand Army of the Republic, has elected the following officers for the year 1909: John L. Cleaver, commander; John Gapen, senior vice commander; William Cade, junior vice commander; Edwin Glines, adjutant; J. R. Messler, quartermaster; W. A. Whitaker, chaplain; J. A. McCormack, officer of the day; Roswell Fisher, officer of the guard; trustees, James A. Hill, James McDowell and Charles Kreker. John Gapen and James A. Hill were elected delegates to the department encampment at Lincoln.

Granville Making Terms.

SIOUX CITY, Ia., Dec. 20.—(Special.)—Arthur Granville, who for the last two years has been shortstop for the local base ball team, has been in Sioux City during the last week endeavoring to arrange with Manager "Ducky" Holmes for his transfer to the Columbia, S. C., team, which is in the South Atlantic league. The owners of the Columbia team are anxious to secure Granville for manager. Holmes names for Granville a price which Granville is afraid the Columbia club will not be in a position to meet. Holmes agrees to give in addition to Granville two promising players whom he will not need for Sioux City. Granville is one of the cleanest and most popular base ball players who ever held down a position on a Sioux City team.

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VIEWS ON NEW NAVAL CODE

Delegates Assemble in London to Arrange for Prize Court.

TEN NATIONS SUBMIT BRIEFS

United States and Great Britain Differ on Several Points — Tribunal Created by Last Hague Conference.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—The views of the ten powers, the delegates from which are assembled here to decide upon a code of laws for the international peace court provided for at the last Hague congress, make a decidedly bulky volume. Some of the powers, like Japan, have submitted their proposals in brief form, while others, notably Great Britain support their views with arguments and referencess to decisions which naval courts have given in regard to naval cases. The United States, too, has gone into details on various subjects which it thinks should receive consideration, while Germany has submitted a clear draft code of laws.

Views of United States.

The United States, Great Britain and Japan are agreed on the majority of points. The American views include the following suggestions:

A neutral ship found within the limits of a belligrent power may be seized, destroyed or used for warlike purposes, but the proprietors must be idemnified.

In cases where the enemy has not observed the usages of war and the delinquent cannot be captured there may be recourse to reprisals, but always in accordance with the dictates of humanity.

The reprisals should not xceed in severity the offense committed and should not be repeated after reparation has been made for the injury complained of.

Ships Subject to Capture.

All ships in the public service of the enemy are subject to capture, except those employed in purely charitable or scientific work, voyages of discovery and as hospital ships.

All private vessels belonging to the enemy except bona fide coasting boats, are subject to capture unless exempt under treaty. In case of military or other necessary private ships of the enemy can be destroyed or retained for service of the government.

Neutral ships employed in naval or military service of the enemy or placed under control of the enemy for naval or military service, are subject to capture and destruction.

War ships of the United States can seek asylum during war in a neutral port subject to the limitations prescribed by the port authorities. Such ships must conform to the regulations of he port authorities regulating stays.

A neutral ship carrying an enemy's dispatches is subject to seizure when acting as courier.

Mail steamers under a neutral flag, carrying said dispatches, whether as part of general mail or separately for convenient reasons and without special remuneration, are not subject to seizure and should not be detained unless there is a well-grounded cause to suspect a violation of the laws of war.

In the section relating to the exemption from capture of hospital ships it is suggested that such ships should give succor and assistance to the wounded, sick and shipwrecked of the belligerents without distinction of nationality. Belligerents should have the right to control the movements and visit hospital ships. They could refuse their help, order them away in any direction wished; but a commissioner may board and even detain the ships if the gravity of the situation requires it.

Merchant ships, yachts or neutral vessels carrying or picking up belligerent wounded, sick or shipwrecked should not be captured on account of such acts, but should still be subject to capture for violations of the neutrality. Merchant ships under escort of warships of their own nationality should be exempt from the right of search on proper assurances being given by the commander of the convoy.

The American views also contain proposals to contraband and the methods of blockading which are similar to those put forward by Great Britain in a more extensive manner.

Views of British.

The British case follows on decisions of British prize courts and discusses contraband as neutral property on board ship on the high seas, or in the territorial waters of either belligerent, which by nature is capable of being used to assist in or is on the way to assist in naval or military operations. In deciding whether the second of the conditions has been fulfilled it is contended that the court must distinguish between goods primarily used in war and goods used in either peace or war.

The destination of the cargo should be presumed to be that of the ship, and if a ship calls at more than one port, unless proof to the contrary is produced, the port least favorable to the neutral should be presumed to be the destination of the cargo, which would then be contraband. If it is proved that contraband cargo has an ulterior hostile destination different from that of the ship, the destination of the ship should not protect it. It is also held that a ship carrying contraband should be liable to seizure at any moment throughout the whole course of its voyage, so long as it is on the high seas or in belligerent waters, and its liability to seizure should not be affected by the fact that it intended to touch at some neutral port before reaching its destination. When contraband has been discharged, however, liability to seizure should be at an end.

Right of Search.

The right to search a merchant ship when under convoy of a neutral warship is preferred. It is held that a neutral ship should not be entitled to resist search by a belligerent warship on the ground that it is under convoy of a warship of its own nationality. Forcible resistance by it or by the neutral warship should be ground for condemnation of both ships and cargo.

In regard to blockade, the British, as opposed to the continental view, hold that the blockading force may be disposed at any distance from the ports or coasts of the enemy that the naval commanders think fit, provided it is not so placed as to obstruct access to a neutral seaboard.

On the question of the righ to seize a neutral ship carrying cargo to a neutral port, which cargo is intended ultimately for the enemy, the British view says:

"Great Britain never has raised any objection to the condemnation of goods on a British ship seized while on the way to a neutral port, where it has been proved that the goods were to be trans-shipped at the neutral port to an enemy's territory."

View in Japan.

Japan differs from Great Britain in only one question. This is in respect to the right to search a neutral vessel under convoy of a warship of its own nationality. On this Japan holds "a neutral vessel under convoy of a vessel of war of its own nationality is exempt, except in cases of grave suspicion, from a belligerent visitor's search, if the commander of the convoy makes a declaration in writing to the effect that the vessel under convoy has no contraband on board, is not engaged in an attempt to violate a blockade, is not performing unneutral service for the other belligerent and that the ship's papers are in order and complete."

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Work for Fire Marshal.

MITCHELL, S. D., Dec. 20.—(Special.)—The services of State Fire Marshal Craft are frequently brought into use to ferret out incendiary fires, and the experience of the marshal at Faulkton serves to show the good purposes of his position. Ten days ago an incendiary fire occurred at that place and there was no trace of the guilty parties until Mr. Craft took up the investigation, which resulted in having John Small and Ben Barrickman bound over to the term of circuit court on the charge of setting fire to a saloon building, which endangered the lives of six people who were rooming on the second floor. Barrickman tends bar in the opposition saloon, and with Small, bored a hole in the side of the building under the outside stairway, into which they poured some kerosene and then applied the match. The occupants on the second floor were awakened just in time to make their escape from the structure before the outside stairway was in flames. Mr. Craft has been able to run down quite a number of these incendiary fires.

CHANGES IN SENATE

(Continued from First Page.)

will decide the contest and it is conceded to be close.

Many Candidate in Indiana.

Not the least interesting of the senatorial fights that will be settled in the next two months will occur in Indiana. The change of the complexion of the legislature from republican to democratic occurred so unexpectedly that it was like posting an attractive prize before a lot of runners that had had no opportunity to warm up. When the election returns showed beyond a doubt that Senator Hemenway's seat would be vacated March 4, however, there were a number of democrats who were not slow in falling into line. Chief among these were John W. Kern, candidate for vice president on the democratic ticket; John E. Lamb of Terre Haute; Thomas Taggart, former chairman of the democratic national committee; former Representative Benjamin F. Shively of South Bend, and L. Ert Slack of Franklin, all of whom are still in the race except Mr. Taggart, who withdrew. That Mr. Kerl has more members of the legislature pledged to his support than any of the other candidates is conceded, but it is recognized that his pledges are still short of the number needed to elect. No movement to unite against Kern is again in evidence, and it is probable he can be elected.

The supporters of some of the candidates are taking the position that Mr. Kern was sufficiently honored when given the vice presidential nomination, but on the other hand, Mr. Kern's friends are assuming that his acceptance of that nomination amounted to a sacrifice which entitles him to receive the senatorial toga. Slack is a young man and is making an active fight for the place. One of his qualifications, according to gossip of the contests, is that "he looks, talks and acts like Senator Beveridge." As Senator Beveridge is a popular idol in his state and well thought of by the democrats, this is an asset. In the event of the failure of Kern to secure the election, it is generally believed that Mr. Slack will make a strong showing.

A NIGHT IN SOUTH AFRICA

Scenes at a Stopping Place for Passengers on the Cape to Cairo Railroad.

The dark comes down with African swiftness, and at 8 o'clock the train stops for the night at Choma. Instantly all is life and bustle. In an incredibly short time all the natives on the train—and they often number 100, either going to or returning from the mines—are busy making fires by the side of the track upon which to cook their evening meal. Our own boy is busy with the rest, making a fire also and boiling water for tea.

In fifteen minutes you have the new experience of a dark African night, with its brilliant southern stars, and the blazing fires, each within its circle of laughing, chattering natives, whose white teeth gleam in the firelight as they throw their heads back in huge enjoyment of any joke. They are almost uncanny, those gleaming white teeth.. Everywhere just firelight and black, indistinguishable figures and rows of gleaming teeth!

The second evening we stop at 6 o'clock, while it is still daylight, and so we get a longer stroll. We have now made friends with one or two other travelers, and a little friendly gossip passes the time until a meal is ready. It is so interesting to know why these other travelers are there, each in his way so different from the traveler at home, who excites neither interest nor surprise.

Here is a Belgian going to Congo, manager, of course, of some big rubber plantation or mine, whose wife is brave enough to accompany her husband into the Back of Beyond. Here is a native commissioner for Northwestern Rhodesia taking his wife and child to some distant outpost, only to be reached after perhaps ten or twenty days trek. One looks at the woman with a sense of awe. She is young, pretty and charming, and out where she is going there is no other woman, no doctor within perhaps eighty miles, no other child for her child to play with—nothing but days and weeks of monotony and the silence one can hear. We look at her with awe because we know she is a heroine. We know she is going, in a measure, to a silent martrydom, unless the man for for whom she goes can be all things to her.

Later on the station master regales us all with an excellent phonograph, and the rows of glistering teeth glisten more persistently than ever as the natives gather around, both awed and delighted.

Then once more we all retire to sleep and next morning awake refreshed to the contemplation of the loveliest part of the whole route, the hilly district between Kafue and Lasaakas. Kafue we had passed the previous afternoon and gazed in surprise at the fine bridge across the river, the longest bridge in Africa.

All through the last day the scenery is again chiefly forest and at one place the spot is pointed out where the engineer recently alighted from his caboose and shot two lions, while the train waited. He explains himself how there were three or four playing together quite near the line, like huge dogs, and how, being on the back of the train, he got in the first shot and killed one instantly. The guard and engine driver came hurrying along then, but before they arrived he had put in his second shot and bagged a second animal.—Gertrude Page in London Mail.

Something to Be Considered for Christmas.

When you are making a present you might as well give something appropriate and lasting. Where could you find anything better than at Hospe's. What would be more desirable or entertaining than a fine Victor talking machine? What would be more educating than a complete violin, mandolin, banjo or guitar outfit? You can buy them for $5 up. Then again we have mandolin, violin, banjo and guitar cases at $1.25 up. Music rolls and music stands at 50c up. Harmonicas at 10c up. There is no other place where you can secure more valuable gifts than at Hospe's, 25 S. Main St. and 29 Pearl St., Council Bluffs, Ia.

We are showing the largest and most complete line of carving sets in fancy boxes as was ever displayed in this community. We guarantee our carving sets to be the best the markets afford. P. C. De Vol Hardware Co., 504 Broadway.

AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

Underwriters' Engineer Investigates Packing Houses.

SOME CHANGES RECOMMENDED

Conditions on the Whole Found to Be Satisfactory So Far as Fire Prevention and Fighting Are Concerned.

Chief Engineer T. Townsend of New York, representing the National Association of Fire Underwriters, was in South Omaha during last week examining into the fire conditions about the packing plants and the Union stock yards.

As the final result of his trip a meeting was held yesterday afternoon at the offices of the Union Stock Yards company, at which all the packers were represented. Mr. Townsend made a little talk on conditions as he found them and made a declaration of a number of improvements in the fire fighting system.

Tests were made at all the packing plants during the week to see how quickly and efficiently the departments could respond and to discover any defects in equipment or in handling situations. In all these respects Mr. Townsend expressed satisfaction.

As a protection to the interests which he represents a cross system of water mains will be laid in the yards in such a manner that high pressure can be developed at any point in the packing district at a moment's notice. This will necessitate considerable laying of pipes. In place of the present fire plugs a plug operated by electricity, a small motor at the plug, will be substituted. These will all be operated from a central station and in a moment will concentrate all the force of the system on the danger point. What is known as a three-way system hose will be employed to a much greater extent than at present. This, with the high pressure of the mains, will make a stream powerful enough to top the highest buildings and to cut down brick walls if necessary.

Mr. Townsend's talk was exceedingly instructive to the packers and the yard men who have these problems to wrestle with and work out every day in their plants. Since the meeting at the yords yesterday Mr. Townsend made arrangements to consult with Mayor Koutsky on the fire fighting propositions of South Omaha. It is expected that the city in general will receive the same attention as the packing district. It is possible that Mr. Townsend's recommendations will enter into the annual report of risks by the National Underwriters and his recommendations will have much to do with insurance rates in South Omaha in the future.

Power Question Discussed.

The Good Government league's executive committee met in the offices of John Fitz Roberts yesterday afternoon, where they were waited upon by Messrs. Kinsler and Jagge of the Nebraska Power company. These gentlemen presented the points in favor of the power proposition at considerable length. They maintained that their contract with the city would be binding on their part, but that in case the revenues from that plant did not pay the interest the city would be obligated to pay none of the deficit. The point of what would become of an annually increasing deficit was also discussed. The final outcome was the passage of a resolution asking that a committee of the city council be appointed to confer with the executive committee of the Good Government league.

Saloon Robbery Kept Quiet.

It has been a secret of the police department until yesterday that an important saloon robbery occurred last Thursday night. The saloon of William Rozewick, at 534 North Twenty-seventh street was broken into during the night and a lot of liquors and tobacco taken, as well as $90 from the cash register. This is the largest haul made by the saloon breaking gang this year. The place is a Schlitz saloon and in a handy part of the city for such a gang to work. The police kept low for a day or two hoping that a clue might turn up, but, as yet, they have no evidence pointing to suspected parties.

The facts of the case were learned outside of police circles, and the detectives are still at work on the case.

Shower for Bride-to-Be.

Mrs. Harry Snyder entertained in honor of Miss Nellie Rawley yesterday afternoon. The event was a shower to add to the felicities of Miss Rawley's approaching marriage to Lou Walker, which is announced for December 26, 1908. About thirty young women attended the party and played whist during the afternoon, a fine lunch being served at 1:30. Prizes in the whist games were won by Mrs. Arthur Miller and Mrs. Erle B. Brown. The young women presented the bride-to-be with several fine articles of china, which were duly appreciated. The contracting parties are popular young people of South Omaha.

Man Has a Bad Face.

Thomas Kirk has positively earned the title of "looking a sight," whatever that may mean in the local parlance. Yesterday he was celebrating in the "rocky road to Dublin" style over on West Q street and things happened to him which he neither could remember nor explain. He was discovered soon after by James Hasburgh. At that time his face was swelling much like the rapid expansion of a rubber balloon under breath pressure. The left side of his face swelled so fast there remained no room for it on that side and it traveled around his nose and pushed the right side into a corner under his left ear. He wanted a drink of Hasburgh, but Hasburgh thought he needed a doctor more. This enraged Kirk, who attempted for a minute to run amuck in the saloon and succeeded in scratching a patron of the place with a knife. He had no further chance, for the man attacked made a rapid disappearance. Then Kirk cooled down and consented to go to the police station. There he would drink nothing but water and went on penance. His left eye was closed and his face puffed to a great extent, but he said, "I'm all right. I aint even drunk. How do you reckon I got dis knock on me face?" He was told that an explosion had occurred and four men had not yet come down, and he believed it. The city physician thought Kirk's cheek bone crushed last night, but the swelling made it impossible to reduce it at once. It is believed he simply fell on a walk.

Magic City Gossip.

Honest goods at honest prices. Sandwall, 2404 N street.

Miss Marie Siegl, Twenty-second and S streets, is seriously ill.

Jetter's Gold Top Beer delivered to any part of the city. Telephone No. 8.

Can save you 40 per cent on hand-painted china. Eckerman, Twenty-fourth and A.

COAL! Try Howland's celebrated Silver Creek. Office, 418 N. 24th St. Tel. South 7.

Diamonds in rings, brooches, cuffbuttons and scarfpins at Sandwall's, 2404 N street.

For rent, nice new five-room house, all modern, close in. Wilcox, Rich Co., 2415 N street.

Miss Katheryn Lowery has returned from the University of Nebraska to spend her Christmas vacation.

Henry Peeper, alias William Cunningham, was arrested last evening by J. C. Trouton as a deserter from Fort Crook.

For sale, seven-room house, modern except heat, good location. J. H. Kopietz, 503 North Twenty-fourth street.

A. V. Calloway was arrested by Detective P. H. Shields on lower N street, where he was found entering people's houses, claiming that he was a United States officer and had a right to search for supposed hidden articles.

For choice improved and unimproved acre property on Bellevue electric line see J. H. Kopietz, 503 North Twenty-fourth street.

Lloyd Williams, son of Jay N. Williams, was bitten by a dog Thursday. The head of the dog has been sent to Chicago for examination.

Compare our prices on watches with other stores. Ours always the lowest for honest goods and value received. Sandwall, The Jeweler, 2404 N street.

A load of white-faced heifers weighing 1,212 each was sold in the yards yesterday for feeders at $6. This is the best feeder price for heifers this year.

Jack Queenan, James Corcoran, alias James H. Harris, and E. M. Jones, alias C. R. Allen, were arrested and booked as suspicious characters. It is believed they assisted in a short change deal in a local saloon last night.

The Ideal club gave a theater party Friday evening at the Orpheum, which was followed by a luncheon at the Henshaw, where tables were reserved which were tastily decorated with cut glass and silverware. Mr. O'Brien furnished special music for the occasion and a pleasant time was enjoyed by all.

Never since we have been in business have we shown such a handsome assortment of useful articles for Christmas gifts for men and boys as we do this season. From now until Xmas store is open evenings. We also would like to show to any one who is interested our new $15 automobile overcoat, it compares with what uptown stores ask $22.50 for. Nebraska Shoe and Clothing House, corner 25th and N streets, South Omaha.

Do you want to own a home in South Omaha? If so think of this snap: A new house, 24x38, stone foundation, double floors, double siding, porch seven feet wide, pulley weights on all windows, five large rooms, two closets and large pantry, nice bath room, enamel tub, stationary lavatory, hot and cold water and toilet, electric lights in every room. Lot 40x150, within three blocks of street car. Will sell at cash value on $300 payment, balance like paying rent. If this looks good talk with Broadwell-Rich Coal company, 2412 N street.

MANY DEMANDS FOR MONEY

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corporations under the new administration from the application of that statute.

Threats Against Freight Rates.

Threats of a movement in congress against the proposed increase in freight rates by the railroads opened up a new prospect of governmental intervention. It is the belief of those interested in railroads, however, that the comprehensive changes in rates and classifications proposed by all of the great railroad systems will become effective and will be a material factor towards re-establishing the revenues of the railroads. This belief is a strong underlying influence in the stock market. The placing of the Pennsylvania railroad's early order for steel rails was an important incident of the week. It is supposed that most of the railroads in the country have been awaiting the decision of disputes involved in this order before providing for their own requirements. A general placing of orders soon is therefore looked for now.

COAST SHIPPERS TO PROTEST

Strong Objection to Be Made to Increase in Transcontinental Rates.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20.—Shippers and importers are arranging to unite in a statewide protest against the increase in transcontinental tariffs announced by the Southern Pacific and Santa Fe railroads as effective January 12.