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had—how did you figure that they could be \$3,000 out of it?" asked Tinley, in his slightest tones.

"I didn't try to figure; they had me all worked up."

Then the witness slipped off into a hopeless tangle. He said he didn't know that the "pot" was short even though the \$3,000 had been let out of \$30,000 and explained that some way Mr. Martin, another of the Mabray crowd, was to blame.

The red-hot examination of Mr. Ballew probably will be held today. The defense will then resume the grilling on the re-examination.

Maurice Hough, the juror who is unable to sleep, because he is locked up at night, has found a new source of grief.

"I just can't stand the idea of being locked up again when the case is submitted," he pleaded to Hallifur Cousins.

Hough will probably be held on the jury for the present, despite his appeal. His condition is, however, really grave in that he has been unable to sleep, practically, since the hearing began.

C. H. Warren has been made a special bailiff to sleep with Hough so he can have his door unlocked.

Tinley, for the defense began the morning's grilling with a review of Ballew's transactions in Omaha banks.

Ballew Can't Recall.

"Did you introduce Martin to Luther Drake at the Merchants National bank as manager of one of your lumber yards?" asked Tinley.

"I don't remember," said Ballew.

Then followed a tangle in which the witness admitted that he would not positively deny that he had so introduced Martin.

"Did you not tell Mr. Drake that you wanted the large sum of money that you asked for to use in a lumber yard deal?"

"I don't remember," said Ballew. "I think I told him I wanted it for some deal."

"Well, you didn't want it for that, did you?"

"No."

"Why did you tell him that? Ashamed?"

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## POSTAL IS IN NEW MERGER

Independent Telegraph Company Biggest Stockholder in Corporation.

GOVERNMENT MAY INVESTIGATE  
Reported Special Assistants from Attorney General's Office Are Getting Data on Proposed Combination of Wire Systems.

NEW YORK, Nov. 17.—The report that the controlling interest in the Western Union Telegraph company obtained by the American Telephone and Telegraph company would lead to a closer community of interest between those companies and the Postal Telegraph company and probably an ultimate merger of the three companies was given more color today when officials of the American Telephone and Telegraph company frankly said that the Postal company was the largest single stockholder in their company.

President Theodore N. Vail of the American Telephone and Telegraph company is in Boston today, it was said, conferring with other high officials of the company and the plans of the new combination in regard to the Postal's interest and other matters could not be learned in his absence. There was a report current today that Special Assistant Attorneys General Ellis and Harrison had come to this city to investigate the merger of the American Telephone company with the Western Union company. The report has not been confirmed.

It is known, however, that the government has since May, 1901, been investigating the telegraph and telephone companies in accordance with a resolution adopted by the United States senate.

Plans of Merger.

BOSTON, Nov. 17.—A long ride toward the completion of the incorporation of all wire communication in the United States was made today in the acquisition by the American Telephone and Telegraph company of the control of Western Union Telegraph company.

In order to make possible the utilization of the incorporation of a new billion dollar company. It is said, will be necessary to include \$32,475,000 of bonds and stock of the American Telephone company, known as the Bell company, and the outstanding \$15,000,000 of bonds and stock of the Western Union.

The acquisition of the Western Union by the Bell company has been in progress for about six months and only a sufficient amount to insure control, said to be 51 per cent, was taken over.

The officers of the telephone company believe that the merger will save the Bell company \$75,000,000 in new construction while it will save the Western Union \$10,000,000 in the same work.

Companies Interested.

Some of the associated corporations engaged in the telephone business, the majority of whose stock rests in the treasury of the parent concern, are: New York Telephone company, \$20,000,000; New England Telephone and Telegraph company, \$11,700,000; Bell Telephone of Pennsylvania, \$1,150,000; New York and New Jersey Telephone company, \$25,400,000; Southern Bell Telephone company, \$1,400,000; Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph company, \$1,000,000; Chicago Telephone company, \$17,500,000; Western Telephone and Telegraph company, \$15,000,000; Bell Telephone company of Canada, \$12,000,000.

The telephone system annually transmits 5,958,800 messages, while the Western Union handles 60,963,000. The telephone system has 3,068,573 miles of wires and the Western Union has 1,100,000 miles. The property value of the telephone company is \$125,045,000 and that of the Western Union \$124,085,000.

Vail Denies Merger Story.

BOSTON, Nov. 17.—There is absolutely nothing in the story," was the comment of President Theodore N. Vail of the American Telephone and Telegraph company, when his attention was called to a report from New York that a merger of the Postal Telegraph company with the American Telephone and Telegraph might follow that of the telephone company with the Western Union.

Referring to the report that the government attorneys might investigate the merger of the Western Union with the telephone company, Mr. Vail remarked that his company had nothing to fear from such action.

GIRL FROM RISING, IOWA, WOULD WED TOM TURNIPSEED

Secure License in Omaha After Failing to Get Permit at Council Bluffs.

Thomas Turnipseed of Washington, Ia., and Miss Ruth Spencer of Rising, Ia., secured a marriage license in Omaha late Wednesday afternoon. They gave their ages as 21 years, but later it was learned that the couple had applied earlier in the day for a license at Council Bluffs, but were refused when they were informed that the two babies who got lost in the woods after they had wandered around the corridors for awhile Deputy Sheriff Bert Waddington, although he suspected their mission, inquired of the youth, "Are you looking for anybody?"

"We are looking for the county judge," declared the young man with some evident embarrassment.

"We have no county judge," said Waddington, "but maybe it's the man who dispenses marriage licenses you are seeking." The youthful ruffian coyly admitted that was the man he was looking for.

Deputy Sheriff Waddington escorted the couple to the office of Harry M. Brown, clerk of the district court, where he turned the youthful couple over to the tender mercies of Deputy Roy Hardesty, the age expert. After the young couple had stated their names, ages and places of residence, Mr. Hardesty quietly, but firmly, informed them that before he could issue a license entitling them to become man and wife it would be necessary for them to bring their papas and mammas with them, as in the consent of the latter to their marriage would be required. The girl looked at the youth and he in turn looked at the girl and, hand in hand, they slowly made their way from the court house, evidently greatly disappointed.

MITCHELL DEFENDS BOYCOTT

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committee recommended that both organizations at once comply with the regulations of the federation and "thereby retain peace and unity in their respective cities."

Buys Block in Boone.

BOONE, Ia., Nov. 17.—(Special Telegram.)—Ed Garland this morning obtained a block of business property on the north side from John Dan for \$25,000 to take possession December 11. Garland is to utilize the corner building for a saloon, handling Omaha beer, this being the first saloon in Boone to use it.

The best coffees are those properly aged to concentrate the flavor and aroma. The next essential to a perfect cup of coffee is skillful blending and roasting.

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## Engineer Hears of Conspiracy to Defraud Chicago

City Official Admits He Disregarded Information from Subordinates About Contractors' Ring.

CHICAGO, Nov. 17.—The special commission which is investigating charges of fraud in the letting of municipal contracts, drew admissions today from City Engineer Ericson, the principal witness, that he had disregarded information concerning alleged frauds given him by a subordinate, and that he had at one time practically been deposed from his position through the political influence of a clique of contractors.

Distrust of subordinates was given by the city engineer as the reason he did not set on information given him.

Mr. Ericson said that under the conditions materials being excavated was classified and paid for at a high rate as "shale rock," whereas it is contended it was common clay. He said other city inspectors, in whom he had confidence, had insisted that the material was "shale rock."

Mr. Ericson said that under the administration of Mayor Dunne he had been asked to resign because of the importance of the alleged contractors' clique. He said he had refused to resign and that for a year he had been merely a figurehead, subordinates signing his name and performing all the executive function of his department.

The commission is investigating contracts in which large amounts are alleged to have been paid for inferior work to favored contractors.

## MINE REFUSES TO YIELD DEAD

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lected," said the sheriff, after a conference with State Attorney Eckhart.

"The protection which has been provided I intend to have where it might be most needed. Regarding rumors of threats of secret society meetings and such things of alarming nature I have nothing to say.

"You have watched matters here for several days and today especially and you can judge for yourself that I would be foolish to leave the mine and the people here unprotected."

So it developed that just as the soldiers were eating their evening meal a switch engine plucked up their train and the idle men had been there all day ceased. When the troop train arrived at the mine Captain C. W. Hall in command ordered one company to guard the cars and another the mine.

Sheriff Skoglund ordered the soldiers to remain quietly in their cars. Their presence excited no comment from the sorrowful men and women who took possession of the premature burial of their loved ones.

Sheriff Calms Crowd.

Pent up grief and anger were unchecked by the officers of the law as they increased all day long and even when an orator mounted the sand-sealed shaft of the mine the sheriff single handed calmed the situation.

Climax came when James Witherell, a veteran miner, leaped to the shaft and harangued the crowd of weeping women and children.

Witherell condemned the act of the authorities since the disaster and declared the men entombed in the mine were buried alive. He made no threats, but the fierce interjections of members of his audience revealed their feeling against the mine owners and state officials.

"They are eating and sleeping in the cars," replied another.

"Yes, they're eating while they smother their men to death and refuse these poor women food," said another.

Witherell's talk evidently was exciting his hearers and the crowd surrounding him was growing larger, when someone notified State's Attorney Eckhart and Sheriff Skoglund induced Witherell to go away.

Witherell was not employed in the St. Paul mine, but works in Ladd. He came from England when a boy and has worked in mines in England, Wales and West Virginia.

Remarkable cures have been made by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

BIG GROCERY HAS OPENING.

West End Market Pleases Visitors.

The opening of the West End Market at 4th and Dodge, marks another step in the growth of Omaha to the west. This store, one of the largest and best appointed in the city, has settled in what promises in next few years to be the very heart of the best residence section of the city.

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**GRANGE FOR BETTER ROADS**  
Also Favors Substitution of Agriculture Courses for Latin and Greek.

DES MOINES, Ia., Nov. 17.—The National grange, in session here today, went on record as favoring the improvement of public highways in preference to the development of the deep waterways. Members declared that improvement of market roads is of far more importance than that of boulevards for rich automobilists. The grange also voted in favor of uniformity of taxes rather than classification. Resolutions favoring the adoption of more practical courses of study in colleges and high schools were adopted. The members said that vocational agriculture and manual training in place of Latin and Greek in school courses of study.

**BANQUET FOR BUFFALO BILL**  
Cody Business Men Reverse Custom and Fete Veterans' Founder of Town.

CODY, Wyo., Nov. 17.—(Special.)—Colonel William F. Cody (Buffalo Bill) arrived to spend the winter at his home here. A large delegation of citizens was at the depot to greet him and the famous old man was roundly cheered as he alighted from the train. Heretofore it has been the custom for Colonel Cody to give a banquet to the prominent men of the town on his return from trips with his show, but this time the custom was reversed, the citizens giving a banquet, at which Colonel Cody was the guest of honor.

**Long Journey by Brides.**  
ROCK SPRINGS, Wyo., Nov. 17.—(Special.)—Two romances which involved journeys of thousands of miles for the women have culminated here during the last week in marriage. Miss Maggie Nicole arrived from her home near Newcastle, England, and became the bride of Thomas Cullen, and Miss Margaret Bryson, who some time ago arrived from Scotland and became the bride of Alex Hunter.

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**SOUSA AND HIS BAND.**  
Will Be Heard in Two Grand Concerts at the Auditorium Saturday of This Week.

Music lovers in Omaha will be furnished another real treat Saturday afternoon and evening of this week when Sousa and His Band will give two grand concerts at the Auditorium. John Philip Sousa, "The March King," has always been warmly welcomed in Omaha and this year will prove no exception as the call for reserved seats at the Auditorium would indicate. The soloists with the band are sure to give great pleasure to the audience, as they are some of the finest in the land. The next sale opens at the Auditorium Thursday, November 18th.

**Rug Takers.**  
Thomas Kulljian will lecture at the First Congregational church Thursday afternoon at 2:30, under the auspices of the Omaha Women's Club.

Mr. Kulljian will explain the art of rug making and give a history of its development. He will also expose the methods of rug takers and give instructions as to how they may be detected. Furthermore, his lecture will contain suggestions on how to judge rugs and understand their quality.

**Mrs. Leavitt Draws Crowd.**  
BEAVER CITY, Neb., Nov. 17.—(Special Telegram.)—Ruth Bryan Leavitt gave her lecture "A Pilgrimage Through Palestine," tonight. The entire seating capacity of the house was sold in advance and standing room was filled.

**SOUSA and HIS BAND**  
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