COME EARLY FRIDAY

into how many banks and trust companies

Mr. Morgan said that directors could

not go into the affairs of a bank that

"Well, then I guess that will be all,

Mr. Morgan," said Mr. Untermyer, and

the financier left the stand. He shook

bers of the committee, held a whispered

conference with his attorneys and left

The committee adjourned until Janu-

Keeps Open House

The Farnam street 1200 block will play

Santa Claus to the people of Omaha

All merchants have linked themselves

together for the day when they will

Hundreds of dollars' worth of mer-

chandise will be given away and in addi-

tion to this many lines of goods will be

sold far below cost, just as an induce-

ment to have the Omaha public accept

While this 1200 block was once the real

uliding the 1500 block has "come back"

Filed Against Two

Libel damage suits against the World

Herald and the Daily News for \$20,00

contractors, in district court yesterday.

prisoners in the county jail mutinied be-

Flannagan and Cardines declare the

stories false. Deputies in the jail also as-

Flannagan and Gardipee each sued the

World-Herald and the News for \$10,000

The workmen's compensation and em-

ployers' liability commission, before sub-

mitting its draft of a law to the governor.

will hold public hearings in the council

chamber of the city hall, Lincoln, Mon-

day and Tuesday. December 23 and 34

and in the council chamber of the city

Morning sessions from 10 to 12 o'clock;

The full commission will sit the entire

The bill is now being printed and copies

will be furnished on application to the

cludes the majority and minority reports

After these hearings the bill will be

evised, if the arguments presented jus-

STERLING TOILET SETS-FRENZER.

Mart Butler of Geneva was relieved of

Butler and struck up a conversation, and

Mrs. I. Kemp, who has a rooming house

after they parted company Butler discov-

at 4610 North Thirty-sixth street, re-

ON FARNAM STREET

MAN ROBBED IN DAYLIGHT

tify any changes and will then be re-

ported to the governor

ered his loss.

Saturday, December 26, 27 and 28.

Public Hearings on

four suits altogether.

to 10 o'clock

sert the food gave no cause for com-

The suits are based on news storie

All Day Today

Farnam 1300 Block

hands with Mr. Untermyer and the mem-

way, according to his understanding of

of his position.

the building

their hospitality

and growing city

DENVER GATEWAY SEALED

Union Pacific Ties Up the Outlet to Colorado Roads.

HILL MEN SAY OPPRESSION Harriman Men Say it is Only a

Business Proposition for the Self-Protection of the Union Pacific.

According to the other Omaha-Denver voting in the Pennsylvania railroad. raffroads the Union Pacific has not only Under that plan one-seventh of the stockneed the Ogden gateway, but has nailed | holders can get together and elect a di carbed wire over and across it. The Union rector. Pacific people admit that the gateway rectors. Thus they can secure a minority has been barred and nailed and that the representation. Now most directorates key has been thrown away. The trouble are controlled by bare majorities," he all brought about by reason of the said. fact that the Hill interests bought the olorado & Southern property that the Harriman people wanted and wanted

As soon as the Hills got hold of the colorado & Southern they issued the if it would secure that result. dimatum that in the near future they would have an ocean-to-gulf line and ommenced building the gap through Wyoming, discontinuing only when the brenk occurred between the Northwestern sembled "voting trusts." and Burlington, whereby the latter expected to use the track of the former octween Powder River and Orin Junction. I don't want to suggest that, but it could Shortly after the Hills got hold of the be done," he said. Colorado & Southern the Union Pacific closed the Denver gateway reasonably tight, but nothing like what it is at this Untermyer. time. In a general way the closing is against all competing roads into Colorado. but it hits the Burlington the hardest.

Under the new order of things, if freight from Omaha goes to points in Great Britain," Mr. Morgan added. Colorado over the Burlington to Denver and from there it is routed over the Union Pacific to destination, it does not go unless the full local is paid. There is no such a thing as a through rate. The other and persons desiring to finance a bankers entirely independent of each result is that the through rate over the proposition could go to any one of them. Eurlington to Denver and the local from there to destination makes the aggregate there was any great combination among rate practically prohibitory.

Burlington people look upon the move as oppression, but on the other hand, Union Pacific officials say it is simply business for self protection

MORGAN SAYS THERE CAN BE NO MONOPOLY IN MONEY AND CREDIT

(Continued from Page One.) se often had much to do with the tability and success of corporations.

"There's another point about it," he added. "You must remember that all securities sold and issued are not always good and when there is a responsible fiscal agent there is moral strength behind them."

Will yo name any instance of a railroad bond proving bad, where your firm has had to pay the loss?" asked Mr. Untermeyer. "I can't remember any case, but I know

there have been several," said Mr. Mor-'All that comes out of the security

"No out of the property."

"But that eventually comes out of of the security holder," suggested the at- tive company, what chance do you think "Look over the whole history of the railroad business and see if you to succeed?" can find one case where the banker has and to stand the loss." Mr. Morgan said he could recall no from one company."

specific case.

Appoints Steel Board. Mr. Untermyer turned to the fiscal arrangement with the United States Steel

corporation. 'Didn't you name the entire board of he knew anything about the organization of money. Mr. Morgan said no. directors of the United States Steel cor- of the New York, Wyoming & Westporation?" asked Mr. Untermyer.

"I think I passed on it." "But didn't you hand out a slip con-

laining the names? "If passing on the board is naming, I Temple Coal and Iron company had

am quite willing to assume all the responsibility," said Mr. Morgan. But did at you say who should go on knew Robert Bacon, a former member of and who should stay off?" persisted the his firm, had gone into the coal field

lawyer. "I possibly did the latter," replied the new road was not built. Mr. Morgan

financier, amld a laugh Mr. Morgan said he had not passed on all who went on the board of the Steel corporation, but said no members had New York Central lines was brought up

ever gone on the board against his pro-"Who fixed the prices at which the

various subsidiary companies should go into the organization?" asked Mr. Un-"I approved the price," said Mr. Mor-

"But it was left to you to determine the price at which they should come in?" Yes, but I wasn't always able to get them at the price we wanted." Which committee of the Steel corpora-

tion selects the banks where its funds shall be deposited?" The finance committee.

Mr. Untermyer asked if men had not monopolized railroads and industries and abused their power. question you about it."

"I am not discussing the question of railroads or merchandise; I'm talking about money and credit," said Mr. Morgan. He said a man might get control of the former, but could not get the

Mr. Untermyer asked whether Mr. Morgan thought competition among banks or concentration would be better.

"I'd rather have competition," replied Mr. Morgan when pressed for an answer. Competition Among Partners. He said he thought several men could

be directors in different banks and competition still be maintained between the banks. He added that he did not believe one man should run a great enterprise. Don't you run your firm?" No. 1 do not.

He said he did not favor one man control of great enterprises of any kind, even railroads.

time he wanted them. You believe in concentrated power?" asked Mr. Untermyer. Well, that is a question of personal

power, of personality," replied Mr. Mor-

Mr. Untermyor asked about the possiblittles of competition between the Guaranty Trust company, the Bankers' Trust company and the Bank of Commerce. Mr. Morgan said that he knew nothing of

the details of the management of those concerns. He said that the Bankers' and Guaranty companies had taken in seven to have it other companies and really represented pine old trust companies. "That is an example of combination have to say about it."

and concentration," said Mr. Untermyer, "How far do you think they ought to are something over \$500,000,000?" be allowed to go

think they have got enough," said to sell his Equitable stock to him.

Cumulative Voting All Right.

"Yes," agreed Mr. Morgan,

"Don't you think that the minority

showing stock voting methods in foreign

seemed to indicate control by what re-

"They could simply put their stock un-

"I think the records will show differ

No Combination of Bankers.

Mr. Untermyer declared under the Eng-

Mr. Morgan said he did not believe

"Do you know of any railroad financed

"You don't think you have any power

n any line of industry in this country?"

"Your power in any direction is eh

Baldwin Locomotive Deal.

Yes, we handle their securities."

comotive company had been formed?"

"Now, assuming that you and Mr

"Do you think it is a healthy condition

bankers in the United States.

ers had anything to do with it.

Mr. Untermeyer.

sald Mr. Morgan.

"No. I do not."

railroads that buy

Mr. Morgan said he did.

strangled the new road.

by Mr. Untermeyer.

peting line?"

ties merger.

the lawyer.

man.

\$3,000,000.

dends?"

· Yes.

terrupted himself.

"Why, sure."

said he knew nothing about it.

"I don't know," said Mr. Morgan

Equitable Life Purchase.

per cent on the investment?"

"good for the situation."

I think about that."

'No, but he sold it'

hands of Mr. Ryan and Mr. Harriman.

"But you thought it was better for you

Mr. Morgan said he asked Mr. Ryan

"Did he say he wanted to sell it?"

Mr. Morgan said that he had but

"I don't know," said Mr. Morgen.

tirely unconscious of you?"

lish system there were many groups of

der different names and evade that law

brief recema

lative voting.

bsorbed" asked Mr. Untermyer.

"Forced, for the good of the companies able company.

idea about the disposition of the Equit-

"I think it should be turned over, that "Yes forced to absorb them to protect is the stock, to the policyholders," he said. "That has always been my idea. "You mean sell it to the policyholders At this point the committee ordered a for \$3,000,000?"

"For just the price I paid for it." "Then I don't understand why you After a short recess Mr. Morgan rebought the stock umed the stand, while Mr. Untermyer

'Only because I thought it was the read into the record laws covering the voting powers of stockholders in foreign "Then there was no reason," asked Mr banks. Mr. Untermyer referred to cumu-

intermyer. 'Well, that's the way you look at it. "You know that there is cumulative answered Mr. Morgan. "I thought it was the thing to do. Some day you'll agree with me

Maybe some day you'll agree with Two-sevenths can elect two direturned Mr. Untermyer. Well, if I do, it will be for a good reason," said Mr. Morgan with a laugh. Mr. Morgan explained in more detail that he had thought there was a possi-

should be represented in a directorate." "I thing that's a very good plan." He "That was not the reason," he said, added he would favor cumulative voting 'that's only one of the things that went through my mind," Mr. Morgan observed that the figures

"The Thing to Do." But what would have been the harm

bility of the Equitable stock being divided

that Mr. Ryan had already sold some

banks as introduced by Mr. Untermyer it had been divided?" Mr. Morgan insisted that the only answer he could make as to his purchase of the stock was that he "thought it was the

"I am ready to stand before the community on that," he declared. "But they don't allow that sort of Data bearing on the proposed mutualiocus pocus over there," remarked Mr. ization of the Equitable company was presented by Mr. Morgan's attorneys and put into the record. Mr. Untermyer then ently." he returned. "There is no place offered a satement of securities held by where mergers and consolidations have the Equitable, Mutual, New York and taken place to the extent they have in Metropolitan Life companies, issued through Morgan & Co. and now held by

> As to the reason for the formation of the First Securities company, an adjunct of the First National bank and the National City company of the National City bank, Mr. Morgan said hethought they were organized to deal in securities the banks themselves could not handle. In the ners! National City company, he said he had

the insurance companies as part of their

independently in recent years?" asked a small holding, which he later said was worth at present value about \$6,000,000. Mr. Morgan said he did not know of "Do you call that a small interest?" any, but did not think, however, that "It's not a controlling interest," said the duties of a director. He was certain either the domination of railroads by Mr. Morgan; "it' is not an investment bankers, or the unity of interest of bank-

that requires constant watching." Mr. Morgan and the lawyer then went "Don't you and other bankers control into a long discussion about clearing the Reading road?" asked Mr. Unterhouses and the possible benefits of government supervision. "No, sir: if we do I don't know it,

Mr. Morgan inclined to the belief that the banks in a clearing house were entitled to judge the admissibility of others

Concentration of Money. Mr. Untermyer again took up "concentration of money.'

"The control of credits involves the control of money, doesn't it?" he asked, "Well. Let's see about this concentration situation," said Mr. Untermeyer, "No, I think not. What I call money is "You took over the Baldwin Locomotive the basis of all banking-gold." replied Mr. Morgan. He said credit was the 'evidence of banking." but not the basis "Prior to that time the American Loof it. Credit was a great part of banking everywhere.

"A man or group of men who have the control of credit have the control of keep open house and play hosts to all Baker control the great railroad systems moneymoney. Isn't that so?" asked the who will visit that part of the retail disof this country and between you, you lawyer.

are interested in the American Locomo-"Not always." "If you had control of all that reprea new locomotive company would have sents the assets of all the banks in New York you'd have control of the money. "I think it would have a good chance. wouldn't you?" We could not buy all our locomotives

"No, I don't think so." Mr. Morgan said that every commodity except money could be controlled, but to be identical with the interests of the trolled. On that point the witness was struction of the Woodman of the World of the suit. So has Mr. Patrick.

Mr. Untermeyer asked Mr. Morgan if credit would not carry with it a control

"But suppose a man had control of al ern railroad to open up new independent the credit?" "If he had the credit and I had the

Four Libel Suits coal roads. This railroad figured in the recent "hard coal" cases before the sumoney, his customers would be badly off,' preme court, where it was held that the said Mr. Morgan, adding that credit had no relation to the control of money. He said that he knew many men with great Mr. Untermeyer asked if Mr. Morgan credit who had no money.

Credit Without Money "I know men who will come into my and bought up the colleries, so that the office and I'll give them checks for \$1,000,000 when they have nothing back of them

The consolidation of the Lake Shore Mr. Morgan said that he lent money or and Michigan Central railroads into the the basis of a borrower's character, "Is that the way you lend money or the Stock exchange?" asked Mr. Unter-"You believed in buying up the com-

"Yes. "Do you know to whom you lend money Mr. Untermyer asked about the conwhen you send it to the loan stand on food. solidation of the Northern Pacific and

the Stock exchange? Great Northern in the Northern Securi-"I know very soon afterwards. If a loan comes in for 'Mr. Smith,' and I don't "What was your idea as to the reason trust him. I say, 'I'll call off the loan'for destroying competition there?" asked

even if it was made on government Mr. Morgan asked permission to move Mr. Untermyer then began a series of questions about the elimination of com- up nearer the committee table. He took

one of the committee chairs next to petition in the organizations of the Representative Hayes of California. As United States Steel corporation, but inhe took his seat, he remarked: "I'm getting a little deaf as I get "I will not go into that." he said.

That is now in litigation and I will not older. Continuing his testimony he said he knew very little of operations on the New York Stock exchange. Mr. Morgan testified that he bought "Don't you think the quotations on the control of the "Equitable Life Assurance

society from Mr. Ryan and Mr. Harri-He secured, he said, about \$51,669 tions?" asked Mr. Untermyer, "I think they do. But I know nothing worth of stock, for which he paid

exchange should represent real transac-

"Do you think manipulation is genuine," "The company pays 7 per cent divi-

"That's illegitimate?" suggested the "About one-eighth or one-ninth of one lawyer. "Yes, I think so," He added that he thought a majority of five days to hear all persons interested

the governors of the stock exchange con- in the subject, whether for or against Mr. Untermyer wanted to know if James Stillman and George F. Baker sidered manipulation a dangerous thing, the provisions of the proposed law. were interested in the purchase of the Short Selling is Necessary. Equitable. Mr. Morgan conferred with Mr. Morgan said he knew the sales of commissioner. The draft of the bill in his counsel about answering that ques- the New York Stock exchange were thirty tion and finally said Mr. Baker and Mr. or forty times the amount of the out-Stillman had agreed to take one-half of standing securities dealt in. He said it of the commission.

the investment off his hands if at any would be difficult to prevent this. If he bought stock, he said, he would probably Mr. Untermyer insisted on knowing sell it again if it got high enough. why Mr. Morgan had thought it good "Do you approve of short selling?" business to buy the Equitable stock at a "I don't like it, I never did any that price that paid only one-ninth of one per know of. But I think you can't get along without it.'

Mr. Morgan said he thought it was "Why can't you get along without it! That's like a man selling something he Mr. Untermyer asked why it was not has not got. just as "good for the situation" in the

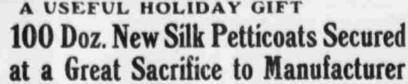
said Mr. Morgan with a chuckie. \$30 in cash and his Masonic pin at 9 Mr. Untermyer asked if there would not o'clock yesterday morning while walking be less speculation if the money from down Parnam street en route to the Bur the country banks did not go to New "That's the way it struck me." said York. lington depot. A youth walked beside

Mr. Morgan. He added: "That is all I they'd get the gold from Europe," said Mr. Morgan with a wave "The assets of the Equitable company of his hand. "Then you think you can't stop the speculation that way?"

ported to the police that a thief had en "No, I think not." He added that he tered the room of R. E. Stewart, who thought that a high rate of interest would hoards with her, and taken a valuable not prohibit it, nor a usury law Suppose you wanted to find out the

diamond ring and \$30 in cash. commitments of a Wall street operator. STERLING NOVELTIES_FRENZER





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May Appeal.

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of South Omaha from executing paving

contracts aggregating \$200,000 was issued

by Judge Howard Kennedy in the equity

Judge Kennedy held void the union ia-

letting of the contracts. Unless the

ably will be taken

other contractors.

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o. The court will protect this concern City Commission from any loss on work already done Amends Proposed Billposting Law

Upheld by Supreme E. G. McGilton of Omaha received word this amendement to the ordinance prothis morning that the constitutionality of hibiting unsightly placards in public

the "bulk sales law" had been upheld by places. the state supreme court at Lincoln. Attorney McGilton argued the matter before the court representing the Omaha ner, superintendent of mail carriers Credit Men's association. bor clause, which was observed in the braska in 1907 when but a few states had by several courts.

when Whight's suit was started.

Bulk Sales Law is

decision is appealed to the supreme court such a law. It provided that a person R. Beecher Howell, water commisthe South Omaha city council will have to readvertise for bids for the paving contracts affected and award new congoods in a lump without first notifying certain inspection charges which the old all his creditors of this intention. It was council did for the old water company tracts. John P. Breen, attorney for interested contractors, said an appeal prob-Contracts affected are those of the National Construction company. George daylight, as had sometimes been con- lic improvement. Parks & Co., Dan Hannon and Congdon summated, with the result that the mer | E. W. Fitt was allowed \$90 for services & Co. The Parks-Lefler Construction company holds some small contracts iters the next day.

voided by the decision, but their interests are small compared with those of Mercantile company against Baker in the Alonzo A. Wright, a taxpayer, is the appeal was taken to the supreme court, Gold street. ominal plaintiff in the paving cases. His and the constitutionality of the law was attorney is W. R. Patrick. Wright con- attacked. Omaha jobbers have watched retail center of Omaha the center sistently has dealed that any interests the case with considerable interest, as for the interests in the supply companies that money absolutely could not be conuphold the law. When it was passed in brothers at ents in South Omaha Nebraska in 1997 only twenty states of the club Thursday, and its live merchants are again bidding have been suspended ever since the suit union had such a law. Since that time, county is in the

into how many banks and trust companies could you delve through your own part-

No bills or papers, except newspapers and addressed envelopes will be thrown Court of Nebraska and addressed envelopes will be thrown into front of back yard or on the porce or put in the mail boxes in residential districts. The city commission passed

City Attorney Rine drew the amendment. It was suggested by George Kleffhere and is modeled on a similar or The bulk sales law was passed in Ne- dinance which has been declared legal

engaged in a mercantile business might sioner, notified the commission that the not be permitted to sell out the stock of Water board did not feel inclined to pay esigned to protect creditors against bulk free of charge. The council referred the ales consummated between dark and communication to the department of pub-

chant was not to be found by his cred-itors the next day.

as boiler inspector during the absences of Inspector Wolfe. Mr. Wolfe was re-The test case arose out of the Appel quested to also pay Fitt 190. The name of Bancroft street from

district court of Lancaster county. An Thirty-eighth to Fortieth was changed to

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

for their share of the business of a great to void the contracts awarded with ob-



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