Operator Tells Of Train Wreck; Unable to Sleep

-Substitute Was in

Tower.

By The Associated Press.

Porter, Ind., Feb. 28.-Charles hitchead, telegraph operator in the Possibility of an immediate in-while it was two miles back from Whitehead, telegraph operator in the signal tower which regulates the passage of the trains over the crossing H. O. Seipel, county coroner, said they failed to catch the signal." where a New York Central train last he would not attempt to start an flight smashed into a Michigan Cen-tral train, killing more than 40, toinquest until finished. night gave his version of the events No Fire in Ruins.

in the signal tower preceding and during the collision. official on the scene, announced to-He substantiated the statement of Joe Cook, signal operator, that the signals were set "against" the Mich- limiting the speed at which trains passed the crossing. gan Central train and exonerated

look of blame. Whitehead tonight was back at his within one of the busiest railroad tob, outwardly calm. His eyes, deep set from loss of sleep, darted at Porter's doors an even greater from one track to the other and wreck occurred 15 years ago. This was the destruction of a Baltimore many times he paced the floor. To tailroad officials he said he thanked and Ohio emigrant train which ran head-on into a freight train and took fire three miles east of here. God for his own narrow escape and was feeling fine, although his appetite was gone. Failure of fire to break out last

Regular Man Off.

night was a saving boon. The town "I send and received all messages marshal had placed his fire departelling when various trains will arhe said. "I have nothing to do with the operation of the sig-Tals

"Ordinarily Piering runs the lev, ers, but he wanted to take a night off and hired Joe Cook, who is a substi-'ute operator, to work,

Because of the mass of switches. detours and the intersection, both of

"Far down each track is an appliance which rings a hell in the tower when a train hits it. Last night we were waiting for No. 151, the New York Central train. We heard the bell and looked up at the recorder, seeing it was the New York Central. About 30 seconds later the Michigan Central bell rang. Joe set the signals against the Michigan Central and opening the track for the New York Central. We sat peering down the New York Central tracks, watching the headlight grow larger and larger. We hadn't noticed the Michigan Cen-

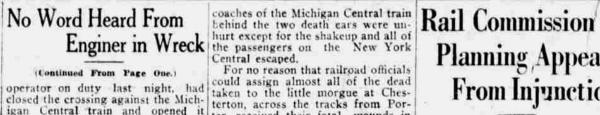
'The New York Central enngine gradually grew larger and finally its outlines were visible. Suddenly I heard Joe shout

Comes Through Block.

"My God, Charley, the M. C. is coming through the block." "I can still hear that should warn-

ing. "I turned quickly and there, not 150 feet away, was the Michigan Central No. 20 crashing down at 60 miles an hour. It was so close I could see the spaces between the fender hars. Joe jumped for the door and I jumped after him. Something made us realize that to go downstairs would be fatal. We grabbed the door and held on.

We heard a terrific grinding



gan Central train and opened it ter, received their fatal wounds in for the New York Central train, the head. Some were decapitated, Engineer of Michigan Central for the New Fork Central the head. Some were to identify Trainmen pointed to cuts in the accounting for the failure to identify Michigan Central ties as proof that nine of the 25 which had been taken

the train had been derailed by the there up to 6 o'clock. derailing switch and then had

Towerman Blameless. climbed back on the track when it hit the "diamond" at the intersec-"I was not to blame," Towerman

Cook told an Associated Press rep Cook's statements were substan-tiated by his fellow worker. Charles ton early today. "I threw the block

quest was set aside today when Dr. the crossing. I do not know why An official statement issued from

the Michigan Central at Chicago also declared the Michigan Central Town Trustee R. Huff, first town engine crew apparently failed to observe that the crossing signal was

day he intended to move toward set against them. The steel forward coaches of the New York Central train were almost

Though this is the greatest dis-aster Porter has ever had, it lies Central engine ran off the rails and turned over, tangled in a heap with sections in the country and almost the Michigan Central engine,

Aged Engineer Killed.

the death of Albert Van Riper. He was an engineer employed by the Michigan Central and was to have been pensioned soon, having spent 50 years at the throttle, without having met with a mishap. He had ment's hose on one side. Chester- spent Sunday in Chicago visiting

tons department coon appeared on the other. But electrification of the train lighting probably prevented this diseaster, officials said.

New York Central Plows.

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Planning Appeal From Injunction the farm loan banks. The government, the Federal Land Bank of

Case of Order Restraining Body Interfering With Rate Raise, to Be Taken to

Supreme Court.

Nebraska Railway commission is found in the exemption of the farm perfecting an appeal to the United loan securities from taxation, as "instrumentalities of the govern-States supreme court from the temporary injunction granted the car-

riers at a federal court hearing in identification was the office of the chief dispatcher of Omaha, Monday, February 21, restraining the commission from interiering with interstate freight and passenger rate ordered by the Interstate Commerce commission, to supersede state rates on or before March 22.

> The railroads immediately put the passenger fare increase into effectchanging from 3 cents a mile to 3.6 cents. The authorized increase in freight rates, amounting to 10 per cent, is expected to be installed

A pathetic incident was revealed early this week throughout the state. The carriers were required to give

a joint \$200,000 to reimburse shipcommission should win in its con-

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it was a foregone conclusion that they would also make Victor Records.

When Toscanini and La Scala Orchestra came to tour this country,

tention that the government had no authority to upset established intrastate tariffs.

preme court, upholding the validity Nebraska has joined with 41 other of the federal farm loan act, is of

a group of test cases to come up for all business interests of agricultural hearing-an appeal from Wisconsin, sections,

ganized under the act, loaned over for argument before the court Monday of this week. \$20,000,000 to farm owners in its district before the attack upon the law The briefs attack the construction made it impossible to sell bonds with

Farm Loan Banks Valid; Millions Are Released loan bank officials, has been december of the private sources. This, in the opinion of the private sources of the p

farm loan bank officials, has been "This decision means the world one reason why it has not been pos-to us," said E. D. Morconi, treasurer sible to relieve the financial strin-

(Continued From Page One.) gency soooner. Under today's de-cision the federal farm loan bank excision the federal farm loan bank ex-pects to start loans within 60 days. be able to loan money in unlimited Wichita, Kan., and the First Joint Officials declare that this will perheld by banks and make money in general. 'casier'

Defeat for Bankers.

Counsel for Mr. Smith asserted in The court decision, while a vic substance that the farm loan act was tory for the federal farm loan banks. an exercise of power which congress is a sharp defeat for the American did not possess under the constitu-Lincoln, Feb. 28.-(Special.)-The tion. Further ground for attack was Farm Mortgage Bankers' association, which instituted the proceed-Members of this association mgs. have loaned millions on Nebraska ment.

William G. McAdoo, former secretary of the treasury, submitted the firmed by the court decision. government brief as special assistant to the attorney general in the argument of the case. He asserted that a consolidation of a former corporathe banks were created as "fiscal tion of the same name with the said, after accidentally wounding Marshall will sail for Europe Ma agents" of the government and that Peters Joint Stock Land bank of him. He said he fired the first shot 14, going first to Switzerland in con congress had the clear right to set up Omaha. This institution now ranks such institutions. Since assistance to agriculture pertains to the general welfare, it was argued, congress welfare, it was argued, congress

could have made direct appropriations for the purpose in view, but chose to create these special agencies

o provide the necessary funds. With regard to the tax exemption

feature Mr. McAdoo contended that it was "simply a question for congress to determine when the usefulpers and travelers in case, on the ness of its agencies would be enfinal hearing on its merits, the state hanced by exemption."

Important to Nebraska.

Decision of the United States su

states in the brief before the United vast importance to farmers of Ne-Count Jacques of France States supreme court in the first of braska and Iowa, and indirectly to

The Omaha farm loan bank, or-

igan Central train were scattered for of Count Jacques was formerly Miss 50 yards. Passengers in the four Lita Garner of New York. Esch-Cummins transportation act. more than a year no applications for

of the Omaha Federal Land bank "It means that we can now sell our

Officials declare that this will per-mit the farmers to pay off loans now of proper security. The demand is great. The agricultural interests are straining at the leash and this means life to them."

Youth Is Under Arrest

Branfield, 11, was detained by case, a cigar holder and a box or land in past years. Right to organize private joint the police here today, pending in-

such bank now exists in Nebraska, his 9-year-old brother, Clare. The trip, traveling from coast to coast the Fremont Joint Stock Land bank, a consolidation of a former corpora- "to put him out of his misery," he said, after accidentally wounding Marshall will sail for Europe Ma

Bee Want Ads-little, but mighty, at Lausanne

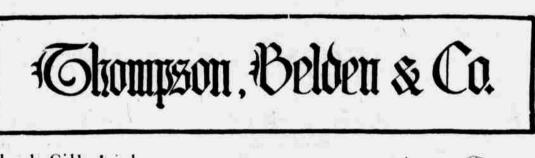


Vice President Is Recipient of Gifts From

Colleagues.

Washington, Feb. 28 .- A tall si ver loving cup was presented Vice President Marshall today the senate as a "going away" gif republican and democrati-For Shooting Brother leaders, Senators Lodge of Massa chusetts and Underwood of Alabama leaders, Senators Lodge of Massa Pontiac, Mich., Feb. 28.-Warren wishes of the membership in pre-Right to organize private joint the police here today, pending in-stock farm loan banks is also con-firmed by the court decision. One woods near Farmington yesterday of the court decision. After a visit with Mrs. Marshall mother in Arizona, Mr. and Mi

"to see how close he could come to his brother without killing him." pany with others representing the northern jurisdiction of the Scottist Rite Masons at a world conference



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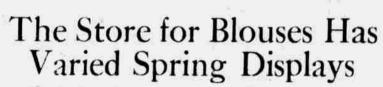
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smach There was a hiss of steam a red glare lighted up the tower and our little building shook. The crashing of glass-the tower windows breaking-tingled in my ears and the tower continued to rock.

"We lay against the door for a moment and then collapsed. A few seconds later loe got up and dashed downstairs. I followed.

Runs Two Miles.

"When I reached the ground Joe was running full speed up the road to Chesterton, two miles away, am told that he never stopped until he reached there. "I went to the wreckage, the con-

ductor came up and tried to ask me something. He couldn't talk, he was shaking so, and I guess I couldn't have answered. I don't remember much after that. I went home but couldn't sleep, I kept seeing those two glaring headlightsthey seemed pigantic-rushing down on me. I dreamed of them. "I'm all right now, but thank God

for my escape. Fortunately the cars fell away from the tower." Whitehead expleained that the

signal system was interlocking so that both tracks could not have been open at once. He said that the Michigan Contral train probably was making 60 miles an hour, but that the New York Central was traveling slower, probably 40 miles. Cook Unable to Work.

"They always travel nearly full speed, but last night the New York Central seemed to be coming slower. Perhaps the engineer saw the other train and tried to stop," he said. Cook was unable to work tonight, but was not needed. Every train in both roads were ordered to stop before reaching the wreckage and to proceed only by hand signal. All derailing switches were locked closed and all blocks were set against on-

coming trains. Last night was the first night off the regular tower man has taken in over a month. His job is a sevenday one. Piering was back at work this afternoon.

Train Fireman Says He Has

Story of Wreck to Tell Michigan City, Ind., Feb. 28.-(By The Associated Press.)-"The other fellows can chirp all they want to We have our own story to tell yet," said George Block, fireman of the Michigan Central train wrecked at Porter, Ind., last night.

William Long, the engineer, and Block were found here awaiting a special train which took them and various Michigan Central officials to Niles, Mich., where an official rail-road inquiry was to be held later today.

Long was told he had been accused of responsibility for the wreck by the Porter towerman and it had been reported also that the police officials were seeking him, but he made no reply.

Morris Plant at St. Louis

Suffers \$500,000 Fire Loss East St. Louis, Ill., Feb. 28.—The building housing the offices and cas-ing rooms of Morris & Co., pack-ers, was destroyed by fire today. Officials estimated the loss at \$500,-

It is believed the fire was caused by crossed electric wires. About 2,000 men will be thrown out of it was said.

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