Washington, Sept. 28 .- Investiga-

posed in a resolution introduced to-

Mr. Ryan charged that income tax

Simmons Asks Probe.

activities of the organization, according to a statement ssued at klan

Both letters were signed by Mr.

would welcome a sweeping investiga-

tion by the government into all its

activities throughout the country,

tion, has its most active seat in Texas

where numerous outrages attributed

late '60s did not molest women. But

the modern klan recently tarred a

She had been married thrice and

her second husband, they clacked.

ing pitch ready.

state bureau.

Tear Off Clothes.

(Turn to Page Two, Column Five.)

A total of \$4,000,000 in stock

Merger of Two New York

Sample Jewelry Valued at

Mitchell, S. D., Sept. 28.—Two jewelry sample trunks containing

to it have been committed.

day by Representative Ryan, repub-

affairs of the organization.

Waterway G. A. R. Vet Serving Life Term Paroled To Attend Meeting

Plea Made to Congress

Charles P. Craig, executive di-rector of the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Tidewater association, will address the Omaha Chamber of Commerce at today's noon

Lincoln, Sept. 28 .- (Special.)-Eighty Nebraskans, representing 30 distinct agricultural and commercial organizations, in conference here today, endorsed without reservation the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Tidewater project and passed resolutions urging Nebraska senators and congressmen to give it immediate and

The project proposes the improvement of the St. Lawrence river to which allows the consolidation if voluntary with the railroads concerned. The proposals now put forward by the commission follow in the main a plan prepared under its direction by Prof. William Z. Ripport by Charles P. Craig of Duluth.

Men present, representing every variety of commercial and total and t permit the entrance of ocean steam-

tural interest of the state, endorsed the project whole-heartedly. Questions were asked as to various fea-tures of the work to be done or the effect to be achieved, but there was not the slightest difference of opin-ion as to the necessity of the im-

Need Aid in Congress.

"What we need from Nebraska now is action by Nebraska senators and congressmen," said former Gov-ernor Harding of Iowa, who accom-panied Mr. Craig. "We need that badly and we need it now. This project is certain of accomplishment some day. We want it started now. This winter is the time for congressional action authorizing the work to be begun. Then, in five years' time, it can be completed and when It is, Nebraska wheat will be worth 10 cents a bushel more than it is

The 10-cent a bushel increase in Craig pointed out, will come from a reduction of transportation costs from Nebraska to export markets. Herbert Hoover and Julius Barnes were quoted as authority for the statement, which means \$6 000,000 a year to Nebraska on wheat alone and \$336,000,000 a year to the western wheat producing states as a

"Today," said Mr. Craig. "Argentine wheat can be shipped to New York, landed there, shipped inland to Buffalo, be milled into flour and the (Turn to Page Two, Column Two.)

State Expenditures **During September Exceed Receipts**

Lincoln, Sept. 28.—(Special.)— The state treasury during September spent \$220,000 more than it took in. The total expenditures this month were \$880,000, a big drop over the extenditures of July, totalling \$1,-675,600, and August totalling \$1,390,-

thoughts in advance of the taxpaying period is leaving a big deficit of approximately \$1,500,000 in the general fund which must be met by drawing on the hail insurance and temporary school fund, which has a temporary school fu

This money will be refunded to No. 4—Chicago & Erie; Delaware, those funds upon the receipt of the Lackawanna & Western; Bessemer & Lackawanna & Lackawanna bessemer & Lackawanna & Lackawa

Warrants due on hail insurance were issued during September and Chicago & St. Louis; Pittsburgh & were fi

State Rests Case Against

Man on Trial As Wife Slaver statement, announced it will seek to prove Mrs. Mahoney was alive after April 16, the day it is charged No. 8—Chesapeake & Ohio; Hockafter April 16, the day it is charged No. 9—Norfolk & Western; Tol-

The last witness for the prosecu-tion, Detective Captain Charles Ten-nant, told of the recovery from Lake Union, August 8, of a trunk contain-ing a woman's body which other wit-nesses identified as that of Mrz. Ma-hones.

Canadian Paper Company

Cuts Price on News Print Washington, Sept. 28.—The Canadian Export Paper Company, Ltd., has announced a reduction of \$15 a ton for news print paper for the fourth quarter of 1921, the Department of Commerce was informed by Consul E. H. Dennison at Quebec. The new price is \$80 per ton, or 4 cents a pound.

Relatives of Man Killed

In Car Cannot Be Found Alliance, Neb., Sept. 23.—(Special.)—All efforts to locate relatives of Leroy R. Bennett, who was crushed to death in a freight car caded with lumber near here Sep-ember 22, and in whose overalls and nearly \$1,200 in currency sened up in the cuffs, have failed.

Thirty Distinct Agricultural And Commercial Organizations Represented at Lincoln Meeting.

Indianapolis, Sept. 28.—Prison doors were opened so that one civil war veteran might meet again with his comrades during the 55th annual encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic. Henry Romine, 76, is serving a life sentence at the Michigan City penitentiary for a murder of which he was convicted March, 1913. But for five days he is free. Romine was granted a temporary parole by Governor McCray so he might attend the encampment.

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Outrages in Texas Laid

C. D. C. D.

Group Plans for 19 Major Railway Lines Announced tion by a house committee of the activities of the Ku Klux Klan is pro-

Arrangement Authorized by lican, New York. The committee would be instructed to "recommend, if necessary, proper disciplinary action" and to inquire into the financial Transportation Act-Local Officials Decline to Make Extended Statements.

reports did not show "proper returns of vast sums realized" by the klan from the "såle of material and para-By The Associated Press. Washington, Sept. 28.—The inter-state commerce commission today phernalia. announced tentative plans for consolidating all of the major railroads of the United States into 19 great systems, and gave notice that hear-

The step was taken under provision of the transportation act, which allows the consolidation if voluntary with the railroads

ley of Harvard.

The commissions proposed 19 systems, as outlined today, provide for retention of the compatition. most sections of the country access to two or more of the great routes

Combine Weak and Strong.

The principle followed in making up the consolidations was that of hitching weaker and less profitable roads to more prosperous competitors or connections, at the same time maintaining the identity very largely of existing great railroads. In some cases branch lines of existing roads are suggested for divorce from present owners and attachment to other systems, with rearrangement of terminal facilities.

It is expected that the plan with alternative arrangements which the commission has suggested, particularly with reference to New glad to fix the guilt on any man or England, will be under consideration men, members of the klan or not, and argument for a prolonged per- who are cowardly enough to, by and argument for a prolonged period, since permission of the commission and consent of the railroad is required to every detail before it can be put into operation. The voluntary consolidation plan was adopted by congress as a possible means of facilitating the operation individual."

Leussier Talks to Employes.

"I read the decision of the state railway commission to the men," said Mr. Leussier. "I also quoted statistics from the September 3, 1921, report of the United States secretary of labor, which shows that 603 representative establishments employing adopted by congress as a possible means of facilitating the operation of the American transportation system under rate regulation, on the theory that rates allowed by the interstate commerce commission was being found sufficient to give adequate earnings to strong lines while weaker roads in the same territory could not show sufficient earning

to continue operations. In the main, the plan proposed by the commission is that drafted under its direction by Prof. Willim Z. Ripley, Harvard university, but some variations were made. The commission said that while all of the larger or class I railroads had been included in the make-up of its schedule, a number of class 2 and class 3 lines

had also been covered. Proposed Groupings.

The following consolidated sys-tems are proposed by the commis-

No. 1, New York Central, includ ing the Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis; Monongahela; Boston and Maine; Bangor and Aroostock, and others.
No. 2—Pennsylvania, including

appropriations come due Island, Monongahela, as an alterna-in advance of the taxpaying tive to the inclusion of that road in

others. the Missouri, and others.

West Virginia, and others. Group Short Lines. No. 6-Pere Marquette, Ann Ar-

bor and others. Seattle, Sept. 28.—The state rested in the trial of James E. Mahoney, charged with the murder of his aged charged with the murder of his aged River, all of these being alternative-

> edo & Ohio Central, and others. No. 10-Southern, New Orleans Great Northern and Alabama &

No. 11-Atlantic Coast Line, Nor (Turn to Page Two, Column Six.)

Black Sauriol

was a bad man. He had reached that state of iniquity where he took pride in his infamy. Read this BLUE RIBBON STORY by

Arthur Stringer in Next Sunday's Bee

Congress Burglar Is Caught in Act of Changing His Clothes by Reporter Sioux City, Ia., Sept. 28.-Burglars

often catch their victums with their trousers off, but a Sioux City burglar had the tables turned on him by being caught with his trousers off and clad only in a union suit and a pair of silk hose late last night. The man, who gave his name as Nick Costellant, was caught while robbing a men's furnishing store by the proprietor, John Kevill, and H. E. Cody, a newspaper man. When discovered he was donning a new outfit and had. a newspaper man. When discovered he was donning a new outfit and had \$500 worth of the best clothes in the store packed in two suitcases. Ex-Service Man Lashed

Carmen to Vote On Wage Reduction **Proposal Today**

Company Officers Refuse to Confer With Member of Union Executive Board Regarding Question.

New developments in the street car wage reduction controversy are: Arrival of A. H. Burt of Denver. member of the executive board of the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employes of America.

Calling of an all-day union mass meeting to start this morning at the Labor temple, when members of the union will vote for or against accepting the decrease effective

Conference between members of the union executive board and W. A. Smith, president, and R. A. ill and no action had yet been taken on the demand of E. Y. Clarke, im-perial kleagle of the order, to be re-Leussler, vice president of the street car company, which lasted for two lieved of his office.

In his letter to the president, Mr.
Simmons declared that the klan hours yesterday afternoon at the

Mum About Compromise. At the close of the conference

Anton Rubeck, president of the while in the letter to the attorney general, he said all records, books and files of the "invisible empire" mion, said: "The men will vote on the reduction proposition Thursday during the day and evening, by ballot. Until the result of the vote is known there would be at the government's dis-

The letter to Mr. Daugherty also is nothing to announce." President Rubeck would not say declared "if any so-called outrages, as charged by a small partisan press, have been committed by members of definitely whether or not union officers had offered to compromise by accepting a smaller cut than the 12 the Ku Klux Klan, we will render every possible assistance to the Deper cent reduction announced by the partment of Justice in tracing down such alleged outrages and will be

company. Vice President Leussler said, sow-

ever, that the men had made no counter proposition.

Leussler Talks to Employes.

"I read the decision of the state workers, have reduced The modern Ku Klux Klan, which wages 15.9 per cent during the first is sweeping this country like a tidal wave and has assumed such menaceight months of this year.
"I read them statistics from the ing proportions that President Hard-ing himself is giving it official atten-

United States Department of Labor which show that taking the 'United (Turn to Page Two, Column One.)

Martin Convicted The original Ku Klux Klan of the Of Bluffs Burglary; woman in Tenaha, Tex. The gossips of this small town got busy with the reputation of Mrs. Beulah Johnson. Sentence Is 20 Years

Frank J. Martin, said to be from had neglected to get a divorce from The night of July 17 three auto-mobile loads of masked men drove

up in front of the Berry hotel. They dragged her into one of the cars and move for a new trial and may car- prevented any of them catching. drove three miles from town where more masked men had a pot of boilry the case to the supreme court. County Attorney Swanson an-ounced yesterday that the case Tearing the clothes from the upper nounced part of the woman's body, they covagainst Martin's pretty young wife will be dismissed. It was only ered her with the pitch. They cut off her beautiful hair which was her claimed that Mrs. Martin was in her susband's car when he was robbing home of her parents at Garfield, smoke.

Lincoln, Sept. 28.—(Special.)—The state bureau of securities approved a \$2,500,000 stock issue by the new their possession when arrested at Nye-Schneider-Jenks company of Lincoln may be restored to her, Fremont and its subsidiary corpor- since it has not been identified as

ations. Articles of incorporation stolen. were filed by all companies concerned in the secretary of state's of-Of Trunks Valued at \$20,000

authorized but no more than the Sioux Falls, S. D., Sept. 28 .- (Spe-\$2,500,000 can be issued unless ancial Telegram.) - A. L. Heuer of other permit is approved by the Minneapolis, traveling representative of the H E. Murdock jewelry estab-The articles filed do not permit lishment, was robbed of diamonds the sale of shares to the public for five years. E. N. Mitchell, Isaac E. Congdon and Frank D. Williams were taken to the railway station at were taken to the railway station at are named as the company's incorabout 6 last night and when he called for them at 10.30 they had disappeared. Not the slightest trace of the trunks or the thieves has yet been found. National Banks Announced

New York, Sept. 28.—Merger of Minister Pleads Guilty the Metropolitan National bank with

To Violating "Dry" Laws the Chase National bank has been Joplin, Sept. 28 .- Driven by the approved by the directors of the latter, it was announced today. Directors of the Metropolitan bank will ties" for his wife and three sons, Mameet tomerrow for the same purpose. The total assets of the Chase
National bank are \$377,767,860, and
Today he pleaded guilty to violating those of the Metropolitan National the Missouri "bone dry" law and bank \$56,796,056, which will give the consolidated banks total assets of fiths quoted biblical passages where \$434,563,916. in he found justification for making liquor as long as he did not get

\$20,000 Stolen From Depot Minneapolis Man and Wife Killed in Motor Car Wreck watches and other jewelry worth nearly \$20,000 were stolen from the Northwestern railway station at Salem, 40 miles east of here Tuesday their automobile turned turtle in a night. The trunks were in the pos-session of A. L. Huer, a representa-tive of the H. E. Murdock company in Minneapolis for the Great Northern railroad

Will It Come to This?



Prairie Fire Is Raging Over Wide Territory

Motorist and Family Rescued By Alliance Firemen-Several Thousand Acres Devastated.

ratus are working desperately to check the flames, which are fanned by an exceedingly high wind. At noon the flames had swept over several thousand acres of prairie land, destroying fences and everything in

Forty members of the Alliance volinteer fire department are at work with fire shovels, while scores of automobile loads of men from every

direction rushed to the scene. The prairie grass is very dry and burned like tinder. The flames are Kentucky, was found guilty by a jury in Council Bluffs yesterday of the burglary of the Glen Wilcox home there on the night of July 5, a path nearly two miles wide. a path nearly two miles wide The verdict carries a 20-year sen-tence for Martin. His attorneys will by the blaze, but the fire-fighters prevented any of them catching. Bill Would Prohibit ployed to plow fire guards about the buildings and this was all that

saved them from destruction.
An automobile in which a man woman and three children were riding, was caught in the path of flames as they swept across a high-

The fire is believed to have started from sparks from a freight train Oklahoma. which passed a short time before the fire was discovered.

Lead, S. D., Sept. 28.-Fire which yesterday swept through the national forest reserve in Parmalee canon, 30 miles west of here, brought under control today after doing much damage to standing timber, local forestry officials anare now patrolling the region.

Thousands of Thin Cattle Are Shipped to Market

Norfolk, Neb., Sept. 28.—(Special Telegram.)—Five hundred carloads of feeding cattle were sent to the live stock markets in the last two days from western Nebraska. Five hun-dred carloads more will go Saturday and Sunday. Ranchers are quoted as saying that they are sending their thin cattle to market because banks cannot extend them credit to hold them over. Travelers returning from a trip over the cattle country say it is practically cleaned of stock.

Farmers Near Callaway May Burn Corn This Winter Callaway, Neb., Sept. 28.— (Special.)—It is said that farmers in this part of the state will burn corn this winter instead of coal as corn is almost as good a fuel as coal and is several dollars a ton cheaper.

Contractor Falls 25 Feet Norfolk, Neb., Sept. 28 .- (Special Telegram.)-Harry Davis, contractor His injuries are not fatal. | chased the Wolbach Messenger.

Briand to Outline

Speech of Much Importance To Be Given at St. Nazaire.

Paris, Sept. 28 .- Premier Briand will outline the position of the French government relative to the Alliance, Neb., Sept. 28.—(Special.) ments and far eastern questions in One of the worst prairie fires in a speech at St. Nazaire on October this section in many years is raging 9. He will also discuss national quesover a wide territory, two miles tions, including finance and Gersouth of Alliance. Several hundred man relations, in addition to the mn, equipped with shovels, wet Washington conference. It is expected that the premiers' utterances regarding to conference will be only

incidental to a comprehensive statement of the government's plans.
The visit of M. Briand to Washington, ocntinues to be a subject of animated discussion by the newspapers and the friends and opponents of the premier.

It was announced when M. Briand decided to go to Washington a month ago that he would make the trip across the Atlantic with the French delegation on board the armored cruiser Edgar Quinet landing at Hampton roads. It is now reported that he has decided to sail on board La Savoie on October 29 with his entire staff.

Impersonating King

chneider-jenks

Firm Incorporated

holds that in such circumstances the wife is under duress by the husband and cannot be punished with him. She will be released and sent to the bown of the work of Washington, Sept. 28.-Impersonyears, under a bill introduced Representative Herric, republican,

Similar penalties are proposed for producers who engage some one to act the part of a king or queen. Among a half dozen other unusual measures presented by Representa-tive Herric, was a bill designed to fix "standardized wages for labor in all vocations and industries" and standardize prices for all kinds of commodities; a bill to fix the price nounced. Large forces of rangers for wheat for the next 10 years at from \$1.50 to \$2 a bushel and a resolution urging the American government to request France to replace colored troops in the occupied area of Germany with white soldiers.

Keith County Commercial

Club Discusses Irrigation Ogallala, Neb., Sept. 28.-(Special Telegram.)—Secretary Baer of the North Platte Commercial club and J. Halligan, an attorney of North Platte, discussed the lower Platte valley irrigation project at the first monthly banquet of the Keith County Commercial club. The Keith county club plans to work with the North Platte chamber to have the district entended to Julesburg, Colo. Present plans only call for a survey from Kearney to North Platte,

Negro Suspects Held Norfolk, Neb., Sept. 28 .- (Special Telegram.)-Three negroeos were arrested here for inquiry into the murder of a northwestern railroad \$16 a ton here and corn is 26c per detective at Omaha. The negroes said they came from Omaha Tues-

Wolbach Paper Sold Callaway, Neb., Sept. 28.—(Speon the new state hospital kitchen. Callaway, Neb., Sept. 28.—(Spefell 25 feet down a narrow chute cial.)—Rby Barnard, formerly of this from which he was extricated with place but now of Kearney, has purcial.)-Roy Barnard, formerly of this

Men Convicted in French Position "Wild Horse" Case Go to Prison Today

Attorney Fails in Effort to Obtain New Trial for Men Sentenced for Using Mails to Defraud.

Eleventh hour efforts, yesterday, of Attorney J. M. Priest of Cole-Grammer fame, to obtain a new trial for Clyde A. and J. Sidney Smith. who must go to prison today for using the mails to defraud in the celebrated "wild horse" case, proved

The federal court here- has no jurisdiction to consider the motion that after consultation with his aides, for a new trial, J. C. Kinsler, United it had been decided not to call any States district attorney, ruled yes-terday, after Federal Judge Woodrough had turned over to him

Priest's application. "We can do nothing to alter the judgment of this court after the close of the term in which the judgment was made," said Kinsler. "Five years

have elapsed in this instance. The circuit court of appeals and the pardon attorney in the United States Attorney General's office, and thereby, President Harding, have denied interference with the original action of the court here in convicting

the brothers. They were given 30-day and lately 10-day respites from their commit-Or Queen in Pageant ment sentences, but the latter expired last night at midnight.

J. B. Nickerson, chief deputy in the United States marshal's office, said late yesterday afternoon that the two would be given until this morn ing to report. J. Sidney Smith goes to the federal

prison at Leavenworth for two years and Clyde to the county jail Grand Island for three months. C. M. Thompson, convicted at the same time, recently received a presidential pardon.

Mexican Bandit Sentenced To 40 Years for Murder

Perez, alleged member of Mexican tee during the day. bandit gangs, whose depredations six years ago brought thousands of American soldiers to the Texas-Mexican border, today was found guilty of murder by a jury in dis-trict court here and sentenced to 40 years in state prison. He was arrested recently upon returning from Mexico and was tried specifically for the killing of Dr. E. S. Cain, deputy state health officer, who was shot when the bandits wrecked and sheed for an interview. 10bbed a passenger train near here on October 19, 1915.

The Weather

Nebraska-Cloudy and somewhat unsettled Thursday and Friday; north to northwest winds. Iowa-Showers and much cooler Thursday; Friday fair and cooler, strong northwest winds Thursday. Hourly Temperatures,

JudgeHolds Arbuckle For Trial

Film Star Must Answer to Charge of Manslaughter in Connection With Death Of Actress.

Released on \$5,000 Bail

By EDWARD J. DOHERTY.
Chicago Tribune-Omaha Bee Leased Wire.
San Francisco, Sept. 28.—Roscoe (Fatty) Arbuckle was held over to the superior court this afternoon by Judge Sylvian Lazarus on a charge not of murder, but of manslaughter. He has been admitted to bail of \$5,000 and tomorrow he returns to his Los Angeles home, with his wife

his Los Angeles home, with his wife and his mother-in-law, his attorneys and some of his closest friends.

The holding of the slapstick king on the minor charge was greeted with applause by hundreds of women. They came into the chambers of Judge Lazarus' court to shake the comedian's hand, to congratulate him, to tell him how glad they were.

they were.
Fatty's first action was to embrace his wife, Minta Durfee of the films, who has sat beside him all through the ordeal, and then to hug and kiss her mother.

Tears in Star's Eyes. When he walked with them into the chambers there were tears in Fatty's eyes, tears in the eyes of a clown, tears that were not meant for

any screen.

Mrs. Arbuckle and Mrs. Durfee were crying, too, and many of the women who crowded their way into

the place were sniffling.
"I was with you all the time," said

"Oh, I just kne they wouldn't hold you for murder," said another.
"Isn't it wonderful," said a third, "just like a fairy tale."
Fatty had nothing to say to any of them save "Thanks."
He rolled a brown-paper cigaret—with one hand, unconscious of what he was doing—and his great fingers shook as he lighted a match. He had been under considerable

He had been under considerable strain all through the afternoon in court. Judge Lazarus had had much to say before he gave his de-

Judge Reviews Evidence. He had reviewed all the evidence in the case and he had gently re-buked the prosecution, but he had given no hint of what his decision was to be until he was ready to give it. In fact at the beginning of his discourse it looked as if he were

going to hold the comedian for mur-The judge began by announcing that the prosecution had put in its case, that he had overruled the motion of the defense to dismiss the case and that he was ready to hear any witnesses the defense might call. Attorney Frank Dominguez, the

witnesses. "Now, gentlemen," the judge be-

big lawyer for the defense, stated

gan, "before rendering a decision, the court will indulge in a little discus-"There is just enough evidence here, I may say barely enough, to justify me in holding the defendant without further facts and circumstances which would more strongly establish the fact that Roscoe Ar-

buckle is guilty of the crime of mur-Important Case.

der." "This is an important case. We are not trying Roscoe Arbuckle alone. We are not trying the screen celebrity who has given joy and pleasure to all the world.

"Actually, in a large sense, we are rying ourselves.
"We are trying our present day (Turn to Page Two, Column Seven.)

British Cabinet Works On Jobless Situation

London, Sept. 28.—Various pro-posals for relieving the unemploy-ment situation in Great Britain were discussed by a committee of the British cabinet yesterday. A plan to revive home and export trade by he extension of credits was one of Brownsville, Tex., Sept. 28.-Pablo the matters taken up by the commit-

Unofficial reports assert that an-tagonism has developed between cer-George plans to consult a number of

Couple Sought by Police Were Married in Hastings

Beatrice, Neb., Sept. 28.—(Special Telegram.)—Mary E. Eble. Beatrice girl, and Peter Carson, who left this city Monday evening, were married at Hastings Tuesday, according to word sent to Judge Ellis, grandfather of the girl.
Police at Omaha and Lincoln have been looking for them since their

Weeping Water Has Crowd At First Annual County Fair Weeping Water, Neb., Sept. 28.— Special Telegram.)—The first aunual Cass county fair opened here with a big attendance. The displays overflow the provisions made for them. Hog breeders made 140 entries consisting of over 300 hogs. Women made 450 entries in the neddlework department which rivals