

League of the Cross, Camp Fire, etc., will not be visited by the president. On Saturday the president hopes to be present at the launching of the Ohio...

TRUTH CONCEALED

Mrs. McKinley's Condition Known Many Days Ago. Special to The Journal. Washington, May 16.—It has been known in Washington several days that Mrs. McKinley's condition was more serious than current dispatches from the Pacific coast indicated...

PLEADS NOT GUILTY

Ballet to Be Tried for Fraudulent Use of Mails. Des Moines, Iowa, May 16.—Lettson Ballet of Baker City, Ore., appeared in the federal court yesterday and entered a plea of not guilty to indictment returned against him last November...

LABOR HITCH

Disagreement in Chicago Augurs Ill for Settlement. Chicago, May 16.—A clash between the National Metal Trades association and the International Association of Machinists threatens to undo all efforts towards a peaceful settlement of the labor question...

PROGRAM NOT CHANGED

Syndicate Calls for First Burlington Absorption Payment. Boston, May 16.—The directors of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad company held their regular monthly meeting today, but considered only routine business...

HELPS THE AMALGAMATED

Injunction Over the Boston & Montana to Be Dissolved. New York, May 16.—Vice Chancellor Pitney, in court at Jersey City, announced that he will dissolve the temporary injunction against the carrying out of the purchase of the Boston & Montana Copper company...

SAW HER BOY KILLED

Iowa Mother Drops Dead From Grief and Excitement. Dubuque, Iowa, May 16.—At Dyersville, John Sherman, aged 12, was thrown from a wagon by a runaway and instantly killed. His mother witnessed the accident and on finding the son lifeless, dropped dead.

OLDEST PREACHER DIES

New London Conn., May 16.—Rev. William H. Connor, believed to have been the oldest preacher in the country, died at his home in this city today aged nearly 101 years. He was born in slavery near Baltimore.

AUTHOR'S SECRET

Food That Brought Back Buoyant Health. Newspaper writers have a time of it to get the right kind of food to nourish them. One of the best writers for a Boston paper says: "From the first Grape-Nuts Food worked like a charm. My stomach had been failing to digest ordinary food, and my nerves were completely unstrung. I was about to give up work while preparing a series of articles for the press, but by a stroke of good fortune they began to feed me on Grape-Nuts. My strength gradually returned, nerves became steadier day by day, and I soon found I could do more office work with greater ease than ever before. There came to me that feeling of buoyant health and satisfaction with my work and satisfaction with myself. In short, I felt that life was worth living, and that I was 'girded up' like a strong man for a race. In my opinion, Grape-Nuts is the one perfect article of food invaluable alike for those that are sick and those that are well." W. S. Gidley, Author of "Happy-Go-Lucky Papers," "The Landlord's Story," etc.

DIG TRUSTS' ABLE ALLIES

to suspend the order of last December and grant the railroads a hearing, and the railroads will not be required to make any further concessions. It will be a "compromise" in order to avoid endless litigation. It is freely predicted, however, that when the commission has finished, there will be no need of a legal control order made by their predecessors, and permit the roads to keep the old rates going, as they are now doing in violation of law.

Shall the Steel Trust Rule?

The case is not a quarrel between the steel trust and independent mine owners. The independent companies have never made any complaint. They have not dared openly to antagonize the trust. It is a question of whether the steel trust shall be permitted to absorb all the iron mines of northern Minnesota.

Not a Common Carrier

These were the grounds stated by the Duluth & Iron Range road, which practically announces that it is not a common carrier in the ore business. Yet this road has received over \$500,000 acres of land, and has been granted and chartered as a common carrier.

Ex-Commissioner Knox's Statement

The case started in a conversation I had in Duluth one evening with Lou Merritt. We met by chance, and had never known each other, but he told me some things that opened my eyes. There was no complaint filed by the independent shippers. The commission initiated it.

Staples Stands Alone

There has been serious division in the commission from the first. To all outward appearances, however, everything of the commission will not be with the consent of C. F. Staples. That gentleman has hitherto kept quiet, and still refuses to discuss the ore rate question.

They Are Indifferent

The other two members of the commission are reported to be indifferent to criticism. They do not care for a re-election. Staples took little pleasure in the years, during which time they will control the policy of this important body.

Little Business Done

Miller has apparently lost interest in the work of the commission. He is seldom found at the office, and on account of his absence and the frequent trips taken by Judge Mills, the sessions of the commission have been infrequent.

Judge Mills' Deadlock

In the election of a secretary to the commission, Judge Mills has apparently succeeded in creating a deadlock. The other two members of the commission have promised their votes to W. E. Verity, but it is stated on good authority that the election of a secretary has never been held.

Judge Mills' Statement

The Journal interviewed Judge Mills this afternoon on the ore rate case. When asked in what respect the commission intended to modify the order of May 7, he said: "We will withdraw the clause requiring them to file their rates as a condition of obtaining a hearing. There has been no intention to require the companies to part with any of their legal rights. I drew that order, and I am relying on it. I drew it under a misapprehension. I had supposed that the rates were not on file at the time the hearings were had last year. I find that they were, and that there is, therefore, no objection."

\$155,000 FOR FIR LANDS

Washington Timber Holdings Sold by Alger and Hawley. Tacoma, Wash., May 15.—Ten thousand acres of fir timber lands in Whatcom and Skagit counties have been sold by former Secretary of War Alger and Senator Hawley for \$155,000.

TOOK MORPHINE

Stranger Commits Suicide in an Orleans, Iowa, Hotel. Special to The Journal. Orleans, Iowa, May 15.—L. Rys, a man aged 25 and 20 years of age, committed suicide in Hotel Mealy in this city last night. He took morphine. His weight is about 160 pounds, height about five feet seven inches, and hair brown. He had worn blue denim trousers, gray vest and brown blouse. Nothing was found on his person.

Woman of 50 Would Wed Boy of 17

Special to The Journal. Des Moines, Iowa, May 16.—Mrs. Deaton, of this city, aged 50 years, who wanted to be a bride, but with whom the fates cruelly interfered, left the room of the county clerk of Polk county today in tears. The object of her affections was a blooming youth of 17 named Frank Earing. The relatives of the boy objected to the marriage. The clerk referred the matter to Judge Conrad of the district court and he recommended the license be not issued.

Iowan Shoots When Told to Dance

Special to The Journal. Waterloo, Iowa, May 16.—William Cotton rebelled when he received his first lesson in dancing to the tune of rapid fire gun. Alvin and Hubert Marquita, while intoxicated, wanted Cotton to entertain them with a clog dance and because he refused they made signs as if to draw a gun. But Cotton scored first with three shots, one taking effect in Hubert's arm and the second grazing Alvin's leg. Cotton was taken before Justice Kuhn to whom he told a story of self-defense and was discharged.

Blacklisting Declared Legal

Chicago, May 16.—In the superior court today Judge Baker decided that it is legal for employers to maintain a blacklist. The ruling was in the case of Allie Condon against certain stockyard packing firms. The plaintiff joined a strike last year against a reduction in wages and claimed she had since been unable to secure employment at the yards. The court ruled that the various firms had a right to take protective measures against persons who had quit the employment of other firms without valid reasons.

Mirage Shows Objects in Three States

Special to The Journal. St. Joseph, Mich., May 16.—Another freak of nature has been witnessed by the passengers and crew of the steamer City of Chicago coming from Chicago to this port. For the first time in the memory of the oldest sailors the mirage was so clear in outline that standing on the pilot house of the steamer, objects could be seen in three states. It was first observed at 2:30 o'clock when the steamer was half way across the lake.

Passengers flocked to the pilot house to witness the wonderful scene. The principal buildings of Chicago were recognizable, Montgomery Ward's tower and the Masonic temple standing out in bold relief. Spires in Michigan City, Ind., were plainly seen, as was the smoke issuing from factory chimneys. A number of the passengers could see the Clay banks just south of St. Joseph, Michigan and several times glimpses were caught of the principal buildings in this city.

Police and Showmen Fight

Special to The Journal. La Crosse, Wis., May 16.—The managers of a show known as the Persian Minstrels and the police had a lively fight last evening, which resulted in the closing of the show. The company of about twenty-five people came here Tuesday and gave one performance. It was of an informal character and when the managers asked for an extension of the license for last night it was refused and Mayor Boschert instructed Chief of Police Byrne to have the show closed. In spite of the orders of the police, one of the managers went around town and through a megaphone shouted: "They can't stop us; come and see the show on the market square."

Just as the performance was about to begin, Chief Byrne, Mayor Boschert, City Attorney Wolfe, two detectives and a squad of policemen, entered the tent, which was filled with spectators. When the officers saw the entrance, there was a rush for the exit. One of the managers stood in the entrance and shouted, "Keep your seats, the show will continue!" He had no more than spoken when Detective Lyman grabbed him and put him outside. This created more excitement and a panic was narrowly averted.

Chief Byrne ordered the girls in the company to dress and leave the tent, which they did in short order. After a hard struggle, the officers took two of the managers to the police station, while several officers remained at the main entrance of the tent to prevent the show from continuing. Two hours afterwards the tent was taken down and the company left town.

SAVED LONDON

Work Attributed to Messrs. Morgan and Rothschild. London, May 16.—Some dramatic details regarding English action during the strike in American stocks have come into the possession of a representative of the Associated Press. It appears that last Sunday the senior partner of the largest American firm summoned a meeting at a private house, where J. P. Morgan, Lord Rothschild and others were present. He declared that if the buying in of Northern Pacific shares was not stopped, his firm must announce themselves defaulters. Scarcely were the words out of his mouth before he would mean an immediate loss of \$10,000,000. The meeting was held at the residence of Lord Rothschild and Mr. Morgan, contrary to all rules of capital and Capel Court, pledged their word that there would be no further buying in of Northern Pacific.

It is generally realized that, if this arbitrage concern had not been able to get its needs met, London would have felt the effects for three years, and houses would have been compelled to go to the wall, despite the fact that none of the parties in question had taken any serious initiative in the fight between the American roads.

NO COMBINE THERE

Alaska Salmon Packers' Association Stands Afloat. San Francisco, May 16.—The fish salmon combine is off so far as the Alaska Packers' association is concerned. After days of negotiation between the promoters of the Pacific Packing and Navigation company, and the association's officers a halt was called and the promoter, T. B. McGovern of New York, left last night for Portland, Ore.

MARTYR TO SCIENCE

Chemist Killed by a Sedative of His Own Invention. New York Sun Special Service. St. Louis, May 16.—Edward J. Sultman, aged 34, of 1229 Olive street died at the city hospital this morning from the effects of a sedative which he was compounding with which he experimented upon himself. He was a chemist and had been assigned to formulate a new preparation of a sedative with the assurance that should he succeed he would be placed in permanent charge of his manufacture. This morning he was found unconscious in his apartment. He was taken to the dispensary and from thence to the city hospital, where he died thirty minutes after his arrival without having regained consciousness.

SMASHING IN MEXICO

Carrie Nation Has a Disciple in Greeneland. Phoenix, Ariz., May 16.—Angela Ramona, a Spanish woman of excellent work in Mexico and threatens to wreck every saloon in the republic unless liquor laws are enforced. A dispatch received here says Senora Ramona completely demolished a saloon in Guaymas a few days ago, and created serious havoc with a big club in several others before she was arrested. She is a native of Iowa and she is enlisting women to visit other cities in a tour of destruction. She claims to be divinely inspired to save Mexico from ruin through its consumption of liquor.

DEPARTMENT STORES

Failure of the Law in Germany Placing a Tax Thereon.

HOW THE LAW IS SAID TO WORK

Analysis for the Benefit of Minnesotans Who Believe in the System.

From The Journal Bureau, Room 45, Post Building, Washington.

Washington, May 16.—The German law taxing department stores, which was passed at the instance of the small dealers, is not working to the satisfaction of German trade. It is injuring the very people whom it was intended to protect, while the department stores seem to be thriving. The new law makes possible, in Illinois a department store law was passed, also at the request of the small dealers, but just how it will work is not yet known. In Minnesota the bill introduced in the legislature prior to the last one, State Senator Thedon of Minneapolis did his best to secure the passage of a bill putting the big stores under the ban, but failed. Senator Thedon is in favor of legislation, however, is not yet dead in the state, for which reason it may be worth while to quote the New York Journal of Commerce briefly as to the way in which the German law is working. The Journal of Commerce says: "The German department stores are reported to have made contracts for goods at prices low enough to offset the tax—in other words, they have passed the tax along to the manufacturers, who assumed it rather than lose such valuable customers as the department stores. And then it has been discovered that the law hits concerns it was not aimed at. A manufacturer who contracts with a department store for an especially fine grade of oil to encourage the public to buy his lamps. But oil and lamps are in different categories, according to the German law. The manufacturer had to pay the department store to escape burdensome taxation. A bazaar at which all sorts of domestic and fancy goods are sold—some of the very concerns it was the purpose of the law to tax—has been able to protect itself by a department store within the meaning of the law. In the meanwhile the original Berlin department store, at which the law was aimed, has doubled its capacity and new and better department stores on the American plan was opened in December."

Iowa Preacher's Suggestion

The general conference of the United Brethren church held in session for a week past at Frederick, Md., near Washington. A good many delegates from western states are present. At one of the recent sessions of the conference an address was delivered by George Miller of the Des Moines, Iowa, district, advocating the establishing of a pension fund for disabled ministers. Some of the annual conferences of the church now have funds for this purpose, but they are not making outside the conference lines. It is Dr. Miller's idea that the general conference should take hold of the matter, making the fund general in its application.

The R. and H. Junket

Members of the house committee on rivers and harbors are entitled to public commendation for their devotion to duty in making at essentially their own expense a trip to the Pacific coast in order to understand better the improvement projects urged upon them by that section.

There is no appropriation to pay for their going, nor do they want one. Seven weeks' time of a body of men like this is valuable, too, but so difficult has it been to understand Pacific coast needs that the committee decided to go out to see for themselves what they are. The only degree to which their expense are reduced is in the railroad and Pullman transportation, the railroad companies have so much to gain from proper river and harbor improvements that as a matter of legitimate interest they are only too glad to carry the party from here. They will sail on June 10 on the Orleans, and will have a special sleeping car, and west of New Orleans, over the Southern Pacific, they will have a special train. The party as now made up will consist of thirty-eight persons, including the committee, with wives in some instances, and daughters in others. All the bills for hotel accommodation and meals on the route will be paid by the disbursing clerk, and the committee will be divided on a pro-rata basis. They will go as far north as Whatcom, visiting all the inlets on the Pacific coast and the tributary streams for which appropriations are urged.

Dietrich to the Fore

Said a Nebraska politician to-day: At the rate of progress Senator Dietrich has recently made, he will soon be president. A year ago he was unheard of outside of dabbling a little in local politics. Today he is in the senate. The fear of the German vote because of his imperialistic ideas is the wind that blew him into favor. When the republican convention was held to nominate a candidate for governor, it was thought best to pick up a German-American of popularity, somebody who was a good mixer, and who would hold in line the German vote. Dietrich had never held an elective office that I can remember, but was president of the German Bank of Hastings, which has quite a large German vote in the region thereabout, and so he was nominated. It was supposed that he would run ahead of his ticket, since Bryan was the presidential candidate, but instead of that McKinley carried the state by 7,800 and Dietrich by 800. No sooner had he entered office than the senatorial fight developed. The chief business of the state is in the chief railroads; and in this fight, while he won the respect of the next best man Mr. Dietrich, and elected him, with Millard, to the senate.

Ohio Politics

Some surprise is expressed in political circles here at Senator Hanna's failure to deny explicitly the report that Governor Nash was to be side-tracked in this year's fall election. It is believed that Senator Hanna is Nash's closest friend and supporter, and some credence is given to a report that otherwise would not be listened to by his neglect to speak decisively. In spite of this few persons believe that Governor Nash will be "turned down" for the renomination. It would be quite as dangerous as his renomination that he has become a rather weak candidate is generally believed, although like all governors of Ohio, he has little to do, and his lack of personality rather than what he has done is the reason assigned. In stopping the Cincinnati fight, while he won the respect of the good citizens generally, it is maintained by his opponents that he was superserviceable and said more than he needed to. In consequence it is predicted that he will be cut by the sporting element in the cities.

Washington Small Talk

The controller of the currency has approved the Iowa National bank of Des Moines as a reserve agent for the People's National bank of Independence, Iowa. Three rural free delivery routes have been ordered established at Ireton, Sioux county, Iowa, July 1, with F. H. Sargent, J. A. Lindeman and M. H. Peterson as carriers. Dr. Frederick Satterton of New York city has been appointed head of the lunacy commission of New York state, at a salary of \$5,000 per year and \$1,200 for expenses. This is said to be one of the most important appointments in the life of Governor Odell. Dr. Peterson was born in Minnesota in 1859 and was graduated in Buffalo in 1879, after which he went to New York, where he has since lived. Minnesota postmasters appointed to-day: Cassel, Big Stone county, James A. Wilson; Lost, Red Lake county, Paul Midrum. The following increases in salaries of presidential postmasters at various points were announced to-day: Canton, \$1,600 to \$2,000; St. Charles, \$1,600 to \$1,800; Clark, \$1,500 to \$1,800; Elk Point, \$1,000 to \$1,500.

Minneapolis Small Talk

In the year 1898, according to the statistics just printed, 19,580 couples of Berliners were united in marriage.

The Plymouth Clothing House, Sixth and Nicollet.



Bargain Friday

Correct Fashionable Clothes from Head to Foot.

30 Men's all-wool spring overcoats, made with silk sleeve lining; some have velvet collars; most all sizes in the lot; regularly sold at \$15 and \$10. Bargain Friday..... \$6.50

25 Men's all-wool Cassimere suits, well made, all sizes; suits made to sell at \$10 and \$12. Bargain Fri. \$5.50

\$10 Bicycle Suits, \$4. 30 choice Bicycle Suits, mostly Scotch Cheviots, every one in the lot worth more than double the price. For Bargain Fri. \$4

Extra Bicycle Pants, fancy colors, in chevots; neatly made with cuff or buckle bottom; regular price \$3.50. Bargain Friday..... \$2

Friday Haberdashery Bargains.

One lot brown stiff Hats, new spring shapes and colors; \$3.00 values. A few \$2.00 blacks in lot. \$1.00

An all fur Crush Hat, pearl gray, blue and Oxford mix colors; \$1.50 values. For a Friday bargain buy. 75c

Men's heavy Ballingrain Shirts or Drawers, made in Saxony. Sizes—shirts, 42, 46, 48 and 50; drawers, 38 only; regular \$1.25 value. For Bargain Friday..... 75c

Men's elastic ribbed blue Shirts only, no drawers left; regular 75c value. For this sale, 3 for \$1.00; each..... 35c

100 doz. Men's Fancy Half Hose, 20 different styles to select from, our own importation; regular 50c quality. Friday..... 25c

Men's medium weight all worsted Sweaters, in white, navy, scarlet and maroon; regular \$3.50 quality. For this sale..... \$2.50

Men's Butterfly Bows, to wear with high band collar; 100 different patterns in silk to select from; regular 50c quality. Friday..... 25c

Men's Negligee Shirts, beautiful patterns, all sizes; regular price 75c. For Bargain Friday..... 45c

Bargains for the Boys.

Boys' \$1 and 75 Knee Pants for 45c—All sizes, blues, blacks and mixtures; only two pairs to a customer. Bargain Friday..... 45c

A Snap—Only 50 suits in the lot—\$5, \$6 and \$8 values. Boys' Sailor Suits; large sizes only; the pants are worth the price of the suit. Bargain Friday..... \$2

Boys' Long Pant Suits—A few broken lots and sizes; ages 14 to 19; pure all wool fabric, \$8 and \$10 values. Bargain Friday..... \$4.50

25 Boys' Spring Wearers and Overcoats; odds and ends; values up to \$7. While they last, Bargain Friday..... \$1

Boys' 15c Hose..... 7c

Boys' \$1.00 Stiff Bosom Shirts..... 25c

Boys' 75c Jersey Sweaters..... 39c

Boys' 25c Overalls..... 19c

Boys' 50c Balbriggan Underwear..... 19c

Boys' 50c Waist and Blouse..... 25c

One lot of Boys' All-Wool, Silk-lined, Cloth Caps, in blue and all the leading fancy colors; Golf, Harvard and Yacht shapes; 50c values..... 25c

Children's Tams, in cloth and crash, the new colorings and shapes; 50c kind, while they last..... 15c

Bargains on Ladies' Floor.

At \$2.50 Ladies' Walking Skirts, Oxford gray, light and dark \$2.50 shades, plaid back, 8 rows stitching, former price \$6 to \$7.50. Fri. \$1.00

At \$1.00—White Dimity Waist, bishop sleeve, trimmed in tucks and two rows of insertion in front, one in back. A regular \$1.00 \$1.50 waist at..... \$1.00

At 50c—We continue our waist sale, giving choice of 25 doz. \$1.00 waists for 50c, good purple, bishop sleeve and thoroughly made..... 50c

You do not have to be an expert to know that our Friday offerings are bargains in every sense of the word.

Ladies' white muslin skirt, with 12-inch cambric ruffle, three rows of tucks and wide embroidery. The material alone would cost what we ask for the finished skirt. Each..... 75c

Ladies' Silkette Vests, in white, light blue and pink; the third lot we have had this season; with a little selection you get a 25c vest for..... 12 1/2c

Ladies' Mercerized Silk Vests, in white only, with silk edging on neck and arm holes; we ought to ask 39c for them, but Friday the price will be..... 25c

Bargains in our Great Shoe Salesroom.

Men's \$3.00 and \$3.50 Shoes, small sizes, in Lace and Congress. Friday bargain price..... \$1

Children's \$1.50 and \$2 Shoes, in narrow widths, lace and button. Friday bargain price..... 50c

VETERANS IN CAMP

S. D. Department and the Lake Madison Association at Sioux Falls. Special to The Journal. Sioux Falls, S. D., May 16.—Good progress is being made with the arrangements for entertaining and caring for the visitors to the city on the occasion of the annual encampments of the G. A. R. department of South Dakota, and the Lake Madison Veterans' association. It is the intention to make this year's encampments the most enjoyable ever held in the state. The committees having charge of the arrangements have secured several strong attractions, and others are being considered. The encampments will open on the 24 of June, and the sessions will be held in the auditorium. Besides an opening address by Mayor George W. Burnside, it is definitely settled that an address will be made by General Orton S. Clark, assistant adjutant general of Minnesota. Governor Van Sant, of Minnesota, will also be here, and it is believed that another well known governor will come for at least one day. Colonel Lester Stover, of Watertown, will make an address. Two bands and a drum corps will furnish martial music. Among the amusements will be two games of baseball by teams made up of professional players.

WRECKED ON A REEF

Schooner Helene Nicholson Lost, but All Hands Saved. Victoria, B. C., May 16.—News has been received here by the steamer Moana of the wreck of the American schooner Helene Nicholson of Tacoma, bound from Apia for Sydney, on an unchartered reef about sixty miles north from Noumea, New Caledonia. All hands were saved.

BARGAIN FRIDAY

These prices are extremely low—so low that you might think the shoes are worthless—but let us assure you they are not, but they are all honest shoes and we warrant every pair. For an advertisement we can occasionally afford to sell you shoes less than they cost us—it makes new customers for us.

LITTLE GENTS' SHOES—Our 8c line of vic kid and satin calf lace, sizes 10 to 13 1/2; bargain Friday..... 59c

BOYS' SHOES—Satin calf, modern shapes, all leather, sizes 13 to 2 and 3 to 6; bargain Friday..... 69c

SOFT SOLE SHOES—For babies, button or lace, color red, blue, black and tan, sizes 1 to 4; bargain Friday..... 9c

MEN'S SHOES—Black or tan vic kid, the tans have vesting tops; any size in either style, they are \$2 shoes; bargain Friday..... \$1.19

LADIES' SHOES—Made of dongola kid, new round toes, lace, sizes 3 to 7; regular \$1.25 shoe; bargain Friday..... 69c

LADIES' SHOES—Nice vic kid, patent leather tips, new toes, all sizes; a splendid \$2 shoe; bargain Friday..... \$1.19

BIG GIRLS' SHOES—Spring heel, sizes 2 1/2 to 6; regular price \$1.62; they are soft vic kid, stylish shapes; bargain Friday..... \$1.15

CANVAS SHOES—For boys and youths, sizes 1 to 2 and 3 to 6 with leather soles, these are not warranted; bargain Friday..... 35c

