

### VETERANS TO HONOR CORPORAL TANNER

Guest at Banquet to Be Given Tuesday Night.

### FINAL PLANS ARE MADE

President Roosevelt May Be Among the Government Officials at G. A. R. Feast.

Singing the old battle hymns of the Union soldiers in the days of the civil war, two hundred members of the Department of the Potomac, G. A. R., with a score of Representatives, Senators, Cabinet and other Government officials, and possibly the President of the United States as their guests, will do honor Tuesday evening to Corporal "Jim" Tanner in the annual banquet of the department to the commander-in-chief of the national order of the old veterans.

The banquet which will be held at the New Willard, promises to be the largest attended and most brilliant of any in a number of years and the veterans of the Potomac are looking forward to a happy reunion at the feasting board.

### Ranks Thin Out.

With each succeeding year the army of the old veterans is thinned out by death, but each year the number in attendance at this banquet increases—an illustration that as the old soldiers increase in years and their comrades pass away, their ties of friendship and patriotic brotherhood grow closer and stronger and each year the event has more significance for a greater number of veterans.

As the table of feasting will be extensive and seating the program of the evening is expected to prove by far the greater attraction. The address of the evening is expected to be made by the guest of honor, Colonel Tanner, but impromptu talks also will be made by other prominent members of the order and numerous distinguished guests.

Among the guests on the occasion will be Senators Warner, Scott, Flint, and Burnham; Speaker Cannon and Representatives Grosvenor, Littlefield, Dickson, Cannon, Deaver, Calderhead and Reeder. Secretary of War Taft has signified his intention of being present and address the veterans who fought under a former Secretary of War. The fact that Secretary of the Navy Bonaparte will give the address to the President on that evening—some preventions of the cabinet members from attending, but the President is expected to be present for a short while at least some time during the evening. Heads of several government department bureaus also will be present.

Arrangements for the banquet are rapidly being completed by the committee appointed for the purpose, of which Thomas S. Hopkins is chairman. The other members are Maj. John McElroy, Capt. Arthur Hendricks, George H. Blaylock, Col. B. F. Bingham, Judge I. G. Kimball, Capt. Abram Hart, C. M. Robinson, Judge H. H. Moulton, H. L. Johnson, Capt. E. H. Holbrook, G. Husted, Capt. Walter F. Hollock, and Maj. L. F. Williams. The personnel of this committee practically is the same as has been for the annual banquet arrange-

### Boy Bandit Made Good His Threat; Died in Cell

Young Burglar Wrote Farewell Note to Chicago's Noted Jailor and Then Hung Himself—Gave Advice to Others.

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 3.—Rocco Bell, boy bandit, hanged himself in the county jail early today, using a sheet attached to a bar of his cell door to end his unhappy life. Thus he made good a threat often repeated to police officers during the nine years that he has been a criminal.

The following letter was found in Bell's cell, addressed to Jailor Whitman:

"Dear Sir: "Some people say life is sweet, but life is not sweet to me. I will give my reasons for it. I was born in Italy twenty years ago, and came to America at the age of two. At seven I was a poor beggar and newsboy. I used to earn about a dollar a day selling papers, and would bring it home to my father, who would drink it up or gamble it in playing cards. When I would earn less I would get an awful beating.

**Used to Run Away.**

"By licking me so hard, I used to run away from home, and it was then I learned how to steal in stores.

"At the age of nine I was caught stealing and sent to the State reformatory. When I came out my father put me to work shining shoes. He would never send me to school, where I belonged, but would send me out like a dog to feed him on beer. Three years in the Bridwell four at Pontiac, two years in the county jail and one year in New York. And still, I am in jail again. Now what is the matter with me? I am no good on earth. I am always in jail. What good am I? No good at all. I might be good in hell, where my other friends are.

**Hands Out Advice.**

"Young men, keep away from drink, gambling and women. Please never smoke cigarettes, because you are going to the bad when you do so. This is why I am going to end my life in the Cook county jail.

**"ROCCO BELL."**

With two companions Bell faced trial in the criminal court for a burglary in a saloon. The three were captured after a revolver fight with the police, in which one of the three was shot and the other two bandits beaten into submission.

When this conclusive evidence was presented against the trio of youthful magistrates—some of them as young as years old—and Justice Mayer held them to the criminal court, Bell said to the magistrate:

"Well, I won't go back to Pontiac, that's all. I've been scaling all my life, and I can't help it. I'll kill myself before I go down again."

ments the past seven years, and each time Mr. Hopkins has been the chairman.

### Final Plans Made.

Final plans for the banquet were perfected last night at a meeting of the committee in the office of Mr. Hopkins, in the Washington Loan and Trust building, where the committee has met during the past seven years.

"We anticipate the biggest, happiest, and most successful banquet in the history of the local organization," said Mr. Hopkins, after the meeting of the committee. "On this occasion we will unite in honoring our distinguished comrade Corporal Tanner, who has suffered as few men have, for his country."

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### OCEAN STEAMERS COLLIDE.

BERLIN, Feb. 3.—The British steamer City of Berlin ran down and sank the German coasting steamer Karl Uhlele at the mouth of the Elbe river. Two persons from the Uhlele were saved and five others were drowned. The City of Berlin was only slightly damaged by the accident.

### BITTERLY ASSAILS RAILWAY KINGS

Floyd Says They're Descendants of Mule Drivers.

### CALLS PEOPLE THEIR SERFS

Hepburn Rate Regulation Bill Meets Hearty Approval From Democrats and Republicans Alike.

An unexpected and forcible denunciation of railroad magnates by Representative Floyd of Arkansas, yesterday afternoon, was the feature of yesterday's debate on the railroad rate bill in the House.

The House, which had been in session for five hours, with but a corporal's guard in attendance most of the time, sat up, rubbed its eyes and began to take notice when Mr. Floyd sallied into the rich magnates with ruthless language.

"I hope," he said, "I shall not offend the pride of these railroad men, these owners of predatory wealth, some of whose daughters have intermarried with the European nobility. I shall deal only in plain facts and plain figures.

**Progeny of Mule Drivers.**

"These captains of industry work for hire. They are merely the descendants of mule drivers, teamsters and draymen. Then, why should they be so proud and adopt the position that they are innate from the law and above its power?"

"I tell you, Mr. Chairman, we have feudalism now—not the feudalism of the estates, but the feudalism of corporations. These magnates are the lords of the manor and the people at large are their vassals. The monopolies are grinding down the people under the iron heel of oppression."

Mr. Floyd, like all the other speakers, Republicans and Democrats, yesterday, favored the Hepburn bill. Some of the others, however, wanted a more stringent bill, but declared that they would vote for the Hepburn measure because they thought it a step in the right direction.

The debate yesterday lacked the fire and enthusiasm which had before characterized it, due in a great measure to the fact that most of the speakers argued along legal and technical lines. Those who spoke in the afternoon were Representatives Ellis, Floyd, Crumpacker, Esch, and Kennedy.

### Legal Status of Bill.

Mr. Ellis declared that the question of railroad monopoly is to be simply solved by a development of the waterways of the country and the creation of water competition.

Mr. Crumpacker dwelt upon the legal status of the measure, as did Mr. Clayton.

Mr. Esch, in classifying the five railroad acts as construction, competition, combinations, government control, and, lastly, government ownership, exclaimed: "From which may God save us, referring to the last."

Mr. Kennedy believed in the theory of the widest Federal control.

### BAD FLUE CAUSES FIRE.

A defective flue was responsible for the fire in John F. Harris' home, 229 Tenth street northeast, about 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Firemen who responded to the alarm from Box 528 put out the blaze in short order.

### SHE SNORED SO LOUD HUBBY COULDN'T REST

Swegles Declares Gentle Side of Matrimonial Compact Created Terrible Din While Reposing on Her Downy Couch.

DETROIT, Feb. 3.—Mrs. Louisa Swegles, of Delray, an eccentric woman of about sixty-three years of age, was a suppliant before Judge Hosmer yesterday in an effort to have the bonds that bind her to William Swegles, of Naukin, severed by law. Mrs. Swegles, while on the stand, informed her husband's attorney that he could not "bluff" her and that William Swegles had brutally abused her on several occasions, once going so far as to use a horsewhip. She declared that William had spent just 5 cents on her during their long years of married life, this 5 cents being for withpuzzled.

Mrs. Swegles had purchased a set of "store teeth" for the trial and at the period when she "allowed that she could not be bluffed" the teeth dropped from her mouth. Holding them in her hand she continued telling of the hardships she had sustained while living with Swegles.

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**OPEN WINTER PROVERB.**

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### PLANS TO RECLAIM MUCH RICH LAND

SALT LAKE CITY, Feb. 3.—To round out the development of a gigantic irrigation enterprise that comprehends the reclamation of not less than 20,000 acres of rich and fertile soil in the valley of the Upper Muddy, at Moapa, Nev., Judge T. R. McNamee of De Lamar, is in the city.

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