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TRIAL FOR MERRIAM

NEW YORK UNION AFTER THE GENERAL'S SCALP.

Union Has a Copy of the Orders to the General Cautioning Him Not to Meddle in Union Affairs—Other Items of Interest.

Demand for Courtmartial.

The Central Federated Labor Union in New York Sunday presented a resolution instructing its secretary to write to President McKinley and the War Department, demanding the recall and trial by courtmartial of Gen. Merriam, because of his policy regarding the striking miners at Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. A committee was also appointed to draft resolutions denouncing Gen. Merriam. This action by the central body was inspired by the reading of the reply from the War Department to another, asking if Gen. Merriam's orders to miners to employ no union men had the sanction of the Department. The reply was written by Frederick C. Squires, confidential clerk to Secretary Alger, and inclosed a copy of instructions sent to Gen. Merriam on May 31. These are as follows: "You will instruct Maj. Smith, commanding at Wallace, that he is to aid the United States troops simply to preserve order. These were your original instructions. The army must have nothing whatever to do with enforcing rules for the government of miners or the miners' union. That is a matter for the local authorities to deal with."

WILL FIGHT WITH VIGOR.

Aggressive Campaign Against the Rebels to Be Kept Up.

According to the Washington correspondent of a New York paper, two important decisions were made at the meeting of the cabinet held just before the President started for Holyoke, referring to the campaign in the Philippines. First, that in view of the strength of Aguinaldo in the north, as developed in dispatches from Gen. Otis, the aggressive campaign against the rebel chief must be renewed with vigor. Second, that the army and navy must co-operate to maintain a tight blockade in Luzon and prevent the landing of supplies of any character for the rebel forces.

President McKinley expressed surprise that the insurgent forces should be able apparently to procure inexhaustible supplies of arms and ammunition, and directions were cabled Admiral Watson to co-operate with Gen. Otis in trying to prevent landing of munitions of war on the island of Luzon. A blockade of the island was reported established some time ago, but every encounter with the insurgents demonstrates that they still have abundant supplies. Cabinet officers are of the opinion that if a strict blockade is maintained the insurgents will quickly exhaust their resources.

Special reasons for using extraordinary vigilance in maintaining the blockade are now said to exist. English and American merchants in Hong Kong who are helping the Philippine junta are showing great activity, and are said to be offering enticing inducements to blockade runners to carry arms and ammunition to Aguinaldo.

HURT IN OMAHA FIRE.

Eleven Firemen Painfully Injured by an Explosion.

At an early hour Sunday morning the building occupied by Allen Bros.' wholesale grocery in Omaha was discovered on fire. The blaze started on the fifth floor and burned downward, destroying the fourth and fifth floors and their contents. The damage to the stock is estimated at \$100,000 and is covered by \$170,000 insurance. During the progress of the fire a magazine filled with powder which the firemen were moving to a place of safety exploded. Eleven firemen were painfully burned or injured, two seriously. None of the injured, with the exception of Thomas Ruane, are dangerously hurt, though the burns are painful and will incapacitate them for duty for some time.

POWDER FACTORY BLOWN UP

Four Persons Killed Near San Rafael, Cal., by an Explosion.

The United States Smokeless Powder Company's factory, situated on Point San Pedro, four miles from San Rafael, Cal., was the scene of a disastrous explosion. As a result four employees were killed and three seriously injured, while six buildings were demolished by the shock and the resultant flames. The bodies of the dead were badly mangled. The disaster is believed to have been caused by one of the workmen smoking a pipe in the graining room. The property loss is about \$15,000.

Fatal Collision.

A head end collision occurred between a Northern Pacific freight train and a returning excursion train from Astoria, Ore. One man was killed outright and six were injured, some of them with broken limbs.

Jury Again Disagrees.

For the second time a Chicago jury has failed to agree as to whether Christopher Strook is guilty of having committed the schrage bond robbery.

TRAIN ROBBERY.

Kansas City, Pittsburg and Gulf Holdup in Indian Territory.

Southbound passenger train No. 2, on the Kansas City, Pittsburg and Gulf Railroad, was held up June 16 by three masked men at a curve about a mile south of Shady, Indian Territory. The engineer was signaled to stop by a red lantern and on bringing the train to a stop guns were leveled at him and the fireman was ordered to go back and out of the express car. Then they all entered the cab of the engine and ran the cars down the track a couple of miles, where they went through the express and mail cars, securing considerable booty, the exact amount of which is not known as the express company will not give out the amount of its loss. When the train came to a stop Conductor Sullivan paid little attention to it until shots were heard. Shortly the fireman came back, announcing a holdup. It was about an hour before the engineer returned with the other cars. The robbers did not go through the passenger coaches.

LIKELY TO AROUSE MINERS

Sweeping Injunctions Are Issued Against Kansas Strikers.

Deputy United States Marshals Mooney and Trigg of Fort Scott, with a number of assistants went to Yale and Fleming, Kan., to serve sweeping injunctions on the union miners at those towns. The injunctions were issued from the Federal Court at the first named town upon orders from Judge Hook, who heard the application in Chambers at Leavenworth. It is evident that the company expects to operate its plant in spite of union miners by importing negro miners from the South. The injunctions are likely to arouse the miners. They place the deputy marshals in almost complete control of the union men, their authority being extended beyond the limits of the company ground. The injunction is absolute, pending a hearing on June 21.

BARROW IS GUILTY.

One of Marion Clark's Kidnapers Gets Fourteen Years.

George Barrow was found guilty of the charge of kidnaping Marion Clark in New York city, and sentenced to fourteen years and ten months in the State prison. The trial concluded with testimony intended to establish the previous good character of the defendant. The summing up of the counsel was very brief and the cause was given to the jury with a few words of instruction from the bench. The jury, after being out twenty-five minutes, rendered a verdict of guilty and sentence was passed as above stated. Carrie Jones, who pleaded guilty, was sentenced to four years. The trial of Mrs. Barrow, as her husband's accomplice, will follow.

MINERS PERISH.

Ten Killed by Series of Explosions in a Nova Scotia Mine.

Two explosions occurred in the Caledonia mine of the Dominion Coal Company, at Glace Bay, Nova Scotia, resulting in the death of ten men, including Thomas Johnson, underground manager, and brother of the assistant manager of the company. Ten bodies have been recovered. The explosions were caused by an accumulation of gas in the old workings at a depth of three-quarters of a mile. The shock shattered glass in every direction. A fire followed, and all in the mine are doubtless dead. About sixty were below when the explosions occurred, but part of the force escaped through another slope.

Breaks Free on Scaffold.

Carroll M. Rice, wife murderer, was hanged at Alton, Oregon county, Mo., last Friday afternoon. Just before the black cap was adjusted and while his legs were being pinioned the condemned man broke away from the sheriff and attempted to escape. He was recaptured and quickly hanged. Before dying he addressed the 5,000 people present, saying that he hoped to meet them in a better world.

Another Fend Victim.

News has been received from Manchester, Ky., of another tragedy in the Baker-Howard feud. The new victim is James Howard. He was standing in front of the court house, very near to the spot where Tom Baker was shot down last week, when a shot was fired from a near by window and he fell. The assassin escaped.

Yellow Fever at Mobile.

A Mobile, Ala., dispatch states that the British steamship Lombard, from Vera Cruz, arrived in the lower bay Thursday with a sailor on board suffering with yellow fever. The vessel was ordered to the Government quarantine station at Ship Island.

Paris Rioters Sentenced.

Compt de Dion, Compt d'Aubigny and Compt d'Assy were sentenced at Paris to a fortnight in prison and fined 100 francs for participation in the riots at Auteuil. Others were sentenced to imprisonment of one to three months on the same charge.

France Called to Account.

The Italian Government, says the Rome correspondent of the Daily Mail, has demanded satisfaction from France for the arbitrary arrest at Nice of the Italian General, Giletta, taken into custody there.

Kills a Peacemaker.

While acting as peacemaker between John Moore and Chris Graft at Rockhouse, Letcher county, Ky., William Maggard was shot dead by Craft, who fled to the mountains.

Hanging in Missouri.

John Heidrick, 19 years old, a farm hand who murdered James M. Lail, a year ago, was hanged at Jackson, Mo., Thursday.

A DISTINGUISHED TRIBUNAL

First Formal Meeting of Venezuelan Arbitrators in Paris.

The first formal meeting of the Venezuelan Arbitration Commission opened in Paris Thursday. The arbitrators, counsel and others began assembling at the Foreign Office shortly before 11 o'clock. They were received by Minister of Foreign Affairs Delcasse. The tribunal sits in the rooms used by the Spanish-American peace conference. Former President Benjamin Harrison, Gen. Benjamin F. Tracy and the remainder of the Americans sat at tables at the left side of the room, facing the court, and the other British representatives were seated at tables on the right side. Prof. de Martens was president, having Chief Justice Melville W. Fuller and Sir Richard Henn Collins, lord justice of appeals, on his right, and Barron Russell of Killowen, lord chief justice of England, and Justice David J. Brewer on his left. The Foreign Minister welcomed the Commission to the hospitality of France. Prof. Martens replied, thanking the Foreign Minister for his words of welcome. Mr. Webster announced it had been arranged he should speak first, followed by two Venezuelan counsel, then by two British counsel, then Venezuelan, then British, closing by Venezuelan.

CLOUDBURST IN TEXAS.

Great Damage to Cattle and Sheep Ranches.

A cloudburst occurred in the mountains north of Spofford Junction, Texas, Thursday. The immense volume of water rushed down the mountainside, sweeping everything before it and converting dry arroyos and small creeks and rivers into raging torrents and completely flooding the valley and level country below. At the sheep ranch of M. L. Butler every living thing was swept away, and the entire Butler family, consisting of father, mother and two children, are reported to have perished. Henry Carver, on the cattle ranch lower down, was drowned. The Southern Pacific track was washed away in a half dozen places, and two large bridges were completely destroyed. There are many rumors of loss of life below the railroad, but it is impossible to get particulars until the water subsides. It is certain, however, that there has been great damage to cattle and sheep ranches along the streams that are now so swollen.

LABOR MAKES A PROTEST.

Freisco Unions Take Action Regarding Warden Troubles.

At a mass meeting held in San Francisco under the auspices of the Labor Council, Building Trades Council and Affiliated unions, a strong protest was made against the maintenance of military rule at Warden, Idaho. Addresses were made by ex-Congressman Maguire, Judge Highton, P. H. McCarthy and others. Resolutions were adopted protesting against the acts of Gov. Steunenberg and Gen. Merriam; calling on President McKinley to "order the cessation of the usurpation of power by the military," and requesting California representatives in Congress to ask for a congressional investigation.

Hundreds Starving to Death.

Advices from East Africa show that famine is more prevalent in German possessions owing to drought, which also prevails alarmingly in the British protectorate. Hundreds of women and children are dying of starvation and resident whites are unable to cope with the distress.

Two Killed by Lightning.

Aubrey Pring, son of John Pring of Colorado Springs, and Leonard Lee were killed by lightning while working in a field near the divide. Others in the field were shocked by the lightning and a team was killed.

MARKET QUOTATIONS.

Chicago—Cattle, common to prime, \$3.00 to \$5.75; hogs, shipping grades, \$3.00 to \$4.00; sheep, fair to choice, \$3.00 to \$5.25; wheat, No. 2 red, 75c to 76c; corn, No. 2, 34c to 35c; oats, No. 2, 23c to 25c; rye, No. 2, 59c to 61c; butter, choice creamery, 18c to 19c; eggs, fresh, 12c to 14c; potatoes, choice, 50c to 65c per bushel.

Indianapolis—Cattle, shipping, \$3.00 to \$5.75; hogs, choice light, \$2.75 to \$4.00; sheep, common to choice, \$2.50 to \$4.75; wheat, No. 2 red, 73c to 75c; corn, No. 2 white, 33c to 35c; oats, No. 2 white, 29c to 30c.

St. Louis—Cattle, \$3.50 to \$5.75; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.00; sheep, \$2.50 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2, 76c to 77c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 33c to 35c; oats, No. 2, 25c to 26c; rye, No. 2, 57c to 58c.

Cincinnati—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.75; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.00; sheep, \$2.50 to \$4.75; wheat, No. 2, 77c to 78c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 34c to 36c; oats, No. 2 white, 28c to 29c; rye, 62c to 64c.

Toledo—Wheat, No. 2 mixed, 76c to 78c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 32c to 34c; oats, No. 2 mixed, 26c to 27c; rye, No. 2, 57c to 59c; clover seed, new, \$3.85 to \$3.95.

Milwaukee—Wheat, No. 2 spring, 76c to 77c; corn, No. 3, 33c to 34c; oats, No. 2 white, 27c to 29c; rye, No. 1, 59c to 60c; barley, No. 2, 30c to 41c; pork, mess, \$8.00 to \$8.50.

Buffalo—Cattle, good shipping steers, \$3.00 to \$5.75; hogs, common to choice, \$3.25 to \$4.25; sheep, fair to choice wethers, \$3.50 to \$5.00; lambs, common to extra, \$4.50 to \$7.00.

New York—Cattle, \$3.25 to \$6.00; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.50; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.75; wheat, No. 2 red, 83c to 85c; corn, No. 2, 41c to 42c; oats, No. 2 white, 21c to 33c; butter, creamery, 15c to 19c; eggs, West ern, 14c to 16c.

STATE OF NEBRASKA

NEWS OF THE WEEK IN A CONDENSED FORM.

Initial Steps Taken by Mayor Moores of Omaha to Welcome First Nebraska—A Committee Appointed—Gold Medal for Every Man.

Will Welcome First.

The initial steps toward making the welcome to the First Nebraska a fitting testimonial of the respect and gratitude of the entire State have been taken by Mayor Moores of Omaha in the naming of a committee of 300 prominent citizens of the State to take the matter in charge. Mayor Moores, in naming the committee, issued a proclamation to the people of the entire State, reading in part as follows: "Every patriotic citizen of our State feels proud of the splendid record made by our three regiments of Nebraska volunteers. As we have read recently of the gallant deeds of the First Nebraska in the Philippines we have felt that our boys have done honor to us and to the State, and that nothing we could do would be too good for them upon their return. In a little over a month the regiment will be mustered out in San Francisco.

"It has occurred to some of our patriotic citizens that the people of Nebraska should run special trains to the Pacific Coast and bring the boys home without expense to them; that the whole State should join in welcoming the regiment in a magnificent celebration to be held at Omaha, and that each soldier should be given a handsome solid gold medal. No sooner was the idea suggested than it was taken up at once with enthusiasm and within a few hours \$10,000 had been pledged by Omaha gentlemen. It is estimated that \$40,000 will be necessary to carry out the plans as suggested. At the request of a committee of business men I have consented to take charge of the arrangements, and have appointed a committee of 300 prominent citizens throughout the State to assist me in the work. The committee will meet and formulate definite plans, will elect a treasurer and secretary and appoint an executive committee to have the active management of affairs.

"While the larger part of the money necessary for this undertaking will be raised in Omaha yet this is a Nebraska and not an Omaha affair and an opportunity will be given every one in the State to contribute."

CONFIRMS SHORT LINE SALE

United States Judge Munger Enters Decree of Transfer to Tods.

The sale of the Pacific Short Line Railroad, extending from Sioux City to O'Neill, to William S. Tod and Walter E. Tod, representatives of a new company that is in process of organization, has been confirmed by Judge Munger of the United States Court at Omaha. According to the terms of the decree, the road is to remain in the custody of the receiver until the further order of the Court, or until the organization of the new company is completed. The Tods who have purchased the road are the brothers of J. Kennedy Tod of New York, a director in the Great Northern and Baltimore and Ohio Railroads, and a member of J. Pierpont Morgan's voting trust, and they have the financial backing to do almost anything with the road.

Masons Meet at Lincoln.

The annual communication of the Masonic Grand Lodge was held in Lincoln with about five hundred delegates in attendance. All the business sessions were held in Representative Hall in the State House.

The officers selected are as follows: Judge W. W. Keyser of Omaha, grand master; Judge Albert W. Critch of Chadron, deputy grand master; Judge B. E. Evans of Dakota City, grand senior warden; N. B. Ayers of Beaver City, grand junior warden; Francis E. White of Plattsmouth, grand secretary; Chris Hartman of Omaha, grand treasurer. The next annual meeting of the grand lodge will be held in Omaha, the date to be afterward decided upon by the officers of the order.

Nebraskan Disappears.

Jacob A. Maxwell, who left his home in Washington June 11, has not yet returned. What has become of him no one seems to know. He is a son of former Congressman Maxwell of this State, and went to Washington as clerk to his father. About a year ago he was married. For several months he has not had any employment, and he has been very much worried over this condition of affairs. When he failed to return excuses were made for him by his wife, who is ill, but this continued absence worried her and she now fears something serious has happened to him. The police have an idea that he may have started to return to his former home.

Viola Harlocker in New York.

Miss Viola Harlocker of Hastings, who is under a \$5,000 bond on the charge of having attempted the life of Mrs. C. F. Morey by sending her a box of poisoned candy, is in New York city with her sisters, Miss Zora and Mrs. Lou Nance Phillips, where she has gone to recuperate. A report is current in Hastings to the effect that Miss Harlocker's mind is becoming unbalanced and that she was taken to New York to be placed in a private insane asylum. This is not believed, however, as Miss Harlocker is known to be convalescing and is said to be enjoying the sights of New York.

Relocate County Seat.

Petitions are being circulated at Wausa asking the county board to call a special election to relocate the county seat. The originators of the move are interested in a rural site located in the center of the county about fifteen miles from the railroad. Enough signatures, it is thought, will be secured to the petition to call the election.

Burglars at Kearney.

Burglars broke open the branch store of Kentner & Co. at West Kearney, blew open the safe and secured \$100 in currency and some checks. The precaution taken by the burglars showed that they were professionals.

HERMAN DISASTER.

Plenty of Necessaries of Life Provided for the Unfortunate.

Herman, June 19: Order is being brought out of chaos in this tornado devastated town. The streets are already passable, and the business men are beginning to put up their shanties. Some thirty tents are now standing in the various parts of town. The people are well provided with clothing, bedding and provisions from various localities, especially from Blair and Tekamah. The Women's Relief Corps of Blair is doing excellent work in looking after the wants of the people. It has its tent in the heart of the town, where lunches are served at any hour of the day. The leading business men of Tekamah have taken hold of the work of straightening out the complicated affairs of Herman. J. R. Force is secretary of the organization, and is getting memoranda of every man's losses and physical injuries. The work of the distribution of clothing is left in charge of the Women's Relief Corps of Tekamah and Blair. They have already done magnificent work. The Blair State Bank is made the sole receiving agent for all cash contributions. A committee of three from Herman and Blair, consisting of J. H. Chambers, Herman; William Gray, Herman, and A. P. Howes of Blair, is instructed to look after the distribution of supplies.

The leading farmers of Washington County are advocating the plan of Washington County voting the sufferers at least \$30,000 to help them start again in business.

It is a sorry sight to walk among the people of Herman, who only a short time ago were in a prosperous and happy condition, and to learn that now the only possession left them are the clothes on their backs. This is the condition of many, and some of these were the most prosperous in the little town. The town is well patrolled by members of the Blair fire department and the crowds who come to view the disaster are nicely handled and everybody allowed to see all parts of the wreck.

Omaha, June 17: The injured of the Herman cyclone are doing well and will probably all recover. The work of relief is progressing satisfactorily. Gov. Poynter ordered fifty tents sent to Herman, and issued an appeal for aid. Blair and Tekamah are carrying for the wounded and contributing liberally, while several thousand dollars has been raised in Omaha. The work of rebuilding has begun. It is estimated that \$75,000 is needed at once. It will be supplied without delay. Iowa towns are contributing liberally.

Supreme Court Special Session.

The Supreme Court held a special session a few days ago to admit to the bar of Nebraska the twelve young men who successfully passed the examination before the Supreme Court Commission. All but two of the applicants passed the examination, but one of these men, H. L. Standewitz of Omaha, was not admitted because he is not of age. He will be sworn in as an attorney as soon as he becomes 21.

Will Announce Decision Later.

Chancellor MacLean of the State University has not announced whether he will accept the presidency of the Iowa State University, but it is thought in Lincoln that he thinks favorably of doing so. He will not announce his decision for several days.

Passes West Point Examination.

The citizens of Plattsmouth are congratulating D. S. Gould of the supply department of the Burlington over the good news that his son, George S. Gould, has successfully passed the examination and admitted as a cadet to the Military Academy at West Point.

Kramer Returns.

Will C. Kramer, who so mysteriously disappeared from Bennington over a year ago, has returned to his old home. The girl who wanted to learn his whereabouts has accepted \$500 as payment in full for her injured character.

Held Blameless for a Shooting.

James Cockrell, the timekeeper at Alliance, who shot and seriously wounded Mark Lee and Otto Held recently, was held blameless at his preliminary hearing. Both men are yet in a critical condition.

More for Some and Less for Others.

In the readjustment of the salaries of presidential postmasters in this State 59 out of 95 received an increase and three were decreased. The readjustments are based on gross receipts.

Nebraska Short Notes.

The Tilden creamery is averaging 1,200 pounds of butter per day.

Fred Barclay of Gordon has added a carload of thoroughbred short horn bulls to his herd.

The largest cash deal in land ever consummated in Knox County was accomplished by the sale to H. J. Peterson of Charter Oak, Iowa, of 320 acres of the Valentine place, one mile east of Bloomfield, the purchase price being \$11,200.

North Platte people are enthusiastic over a Fourth of July celebration and preparations are going on that will result in eclipsing any previous attempt in that direction. Several hundreds of dollars have been raised to defray the expenses.

The round-up by the cattlemen living south and west of Alliance, which started something like a month ago, disbanded last week. The cattlemen who engaged therein are said to be well satisfied with the result of their efforts, covering a great deal of territory and getting many scattered bunches together. An average of about forty riders participated.

The generous people of Hamilton County have raised a fund for the assistance of the sufferers from the recent storm.

Methodists of Chappell dedicated a fine new church building. The building was completed when dedicated and cost something over \$2,000, all of which has been subscribed.

The Chadron Gun Club has completed arrangements for a grand shooting tournament on July 3 and 4. No Fourth of July celebration has been arranged for, consequently the sportsmen will have full sway on that day. It is expected that visitors from Hay Springs, Douglas, Hot Springs, and other Northwestern points will be present, and a big time is anticipated.

GREAT COLLEGE YEAR.

Western Institutions of Learning Show Special Progress.

When cap and gown have been laid aside and the last senior has packed his sheepskin and disappeared from the campus educators in the universities of the West will look back over the school year now closing as one of unequalled endeavor and marvelous results. Advances from the leading institutions west of the Alleghenies concerning the work done in '98-'99 show that there has been in the history of Western colleges no year more successful than this, either in point of numbers instructed or in the quality of the instruction given. And this mark is made at a time when wars have taken into other lands thousands of young men—hundreds of whom left studies to enter the armies of the United States.

A Chicago paper has received from the heads of most of the Western universities communications telling of the year's material and mental prosperity and containing hopeful and enthusiastic predictions for the labors to be taken up next fall. Without exception these letters tell of a wonderful work done in the last ten months. In many institutions this year's attendance never before was equaled, and in none has it fallen below other records. New buildings have been erected, courses of study have been enlarged and improved, additions have been made to facilities, and many institutions have had their endowments increased by substantial donations. Throughout the Western educational world the same story is told.

Among the colleges which have shown particular vigor this year are the University of Wisconsin, where the attendance was 156 in excess of any previous record; the University of Illinois, which set a new mark—165 higher than the last—and which graduates the largest class in its history, Lake Forest University, whose schools have had their largest attendance; Drake University, with an enrollment showing a gain of 17 per cent over any other year, and the Armour Institute of Technology, which sends out a greater number of engineers than ever before. The University of Minnesota sent more than 100 students with the volunteer regiments to the Philippines and still retained 2,900 on its rolls. Purdue University graduates 157 young men and women, eclipsing any former record.

HOBART TO RETIRE.

Vice President Will Not Be a Candidate in 1900.

On account of physical incapacity Vice-President Hobart will not be a candidate for re-nomination next year. It is stated that he will soon retire from official life. The positive retirement of Hobart naturally excites interest as to who will succeed him. Three names are talked of at present. Gov. Roosevelt of New York, is mentioned. Senator Lodge of Massachusetts is also looked upon as a favorite candidate.

A Chicago paper the other day said: "Western Republican Congressmen are nearly a unit for the idea of selecting the vice-presidential candidate from the region west of the Mississippi river. It leaked out that during Congressman Henderson's stay in Chicago the question of selecting a running mate for the President was discussed quite as fully as the speakership contest. Senators Davis of Minnesota, Thurston of Nebraska, Wolcott of Colorado and ex-Senator Manderson of Nebraska have been discussed in a tentative way."

PREPARING FOR THE CENSUS.

Director Merriam Ready to Instruct His Supervisors.

Census Director Merriam has organized a bureau for the instruction of Supervisors, and as soon as they are appointed the work of teaching them their duties will begin. It is hoped by Mr. Merriam that by the time Congress meets in December the whole corps of supervisors will have been thoroughly drilled, so that all the nominations may go to the Senate for prompt action by that body.

The supervisors will have charge of the enumerators in their various districts, and just now the bureau is at work gathering data and preparing statements and maps which will show how many enumerators will be needed in each district and how the districts may best be paid out to be covered satisfactorily and within the thirty days allowed for taking the census next year. In appointing the census clerks in Washington, of whom there will be 2,000, the Democrats will be given a share.

"TEXAS EXPRESS" IS DERAILED.

Passengers and Crew Hurt by an Accident Near Geneseo.

The Texas express on the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railroad was derailed near Geneseo, Ill., Sunday night. No one was fatally injured, but a dozen passengers and trainmen were more or less hurt. Two chair cars and a smoker were torn into splinters, the engine was turned over and the mail car was split in twain. The wounded passengers were given prompt medical aid, which was furnished from Geneseo. Conductor Huntington was the most seriously hurt and he was taken to a hotel. The train was running at a high rate of speed when the accident took place, and it was suggested that the smash-up was due to a spreading of the rails.

CALL FOR SOLDIERS.

Gen. Corbin Issues Orders for Enlisting 2,600 Men.

Gen. Corbin issued orders Friday for the immediate enlistment of 2,600 regulars at the army recruiting stations in various parts of the country. This addition, which brings the actual fighting force up to 65,000 men, is rendered possible by a decision of the Comptroller of the Treasury that the hospital corps should not be included in the limit fixed by Congress for the aggregate strength of the regular establishment and that men for the hospital corps could be regarded as nurses. This corps numbers 2,600 men, who will be transferred to the civilian employe class.