

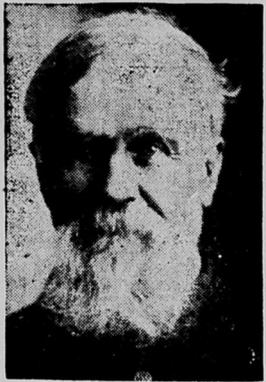
TO RUN TO CHICAGO.

Through Service From Black Hills Commenced Dec. 1.
Through passenger service on the Milwaukee railroad to Chicago commenced Dec. 1. The train consists of a day coach, smoker, baggage, express and mail cars, leaving Rapid City at 8:30 p. m. every day, including Sunday, and arriving there at 8 a. m. each morning. Between Rapid City and Mitchell, S. D., a sleeper is used, which is cut out at Mitchell and run to Sioux City via Yankton. At Mitchell another sleeper is attached to the train from the Hills and run through to Chicago. The run from Mitchell is via Canton, S. D., and Mason City, Iowa, without change. A mixed accommodation train is run out of Rapid City each morning and returns each evening for the benefit of the people along the new line.

Julius Abbot of Sioux City was arrested for peddling merchandise from house to house in Big Sioux township near Elk Point without a peddler's license. He was fined \$40 and costs. Sheriff E. E. Sherman has instructed his deputies to arrest any one found peddling in this county without a license.

When faith sees the glory of character at the end of the way it does not need a fence to keep it in the road.

HAS BEEN TEACHING OVER HALF CENTURY



PROF. J. H. SNODDY

Of Miller, S. D., known to all of the older educators of South Dakota, having been in the work continuously there for twenty-five years and altogether fifty-two years without a va-

cation of any length of time. He was one of Gen. Lew Wallace's zouaves in the beginning of the Civil war, and has a picture of himself taken then with the loose fitting soldier clothes common to that day. He would not take a thousand dollars for this picture, considering it a valuable war relic. He has just commenced a winter term of school twenty-five miles from Miller. He was county superintendent two terms.

DIES IN HER NEW HOME.

Mrs. Courtney Burns to Death at Fort Meade.

Mrs. Rose Courtney was burned to death in her cabin at Fort Mead, and the cabin was burned to the ground. She had just been given the use of the cabin for the balance of her life by the government and moved into it the day before.

The supposition is that Mrs. Courtney accidentally set fire to the cabin, but how it was done never will be known. Both her arms were burned to the elbows and both legs to the knees. What was left of the remains was buried at Post St. Mary. Mr. Courtney some years ago was killed in a runaway by being thrown into a wire fence, almost completely severing his head from his body. Mrs. Courtney was upward of sixty years old.

BLOODSHED IS NOW FEARED

FIVE HUNDRED NON-UNION MEN IMPORTED — WILD RUMORS FILL THE AIR.

Goldfield, Nev., Dec. 11.—Late yesterday afternoon the Goldfield Mine Owners' association issued its ultimatum to the miners in Goldfield in the shape of a set of resolutions adopted at the meeting which had been in progress all day. These resolutions embody the new scale of wages to be in vogue from this time, showing a lowering of the scale of 20 per cent.

The mines are to be reopened on Thursday next. Meanwhile men will be brought here to the number of 500 to take the places of the strikers. The change from Wednesday to Thursday was made to allow time to get men from other points here to replace the strikers.

Troops to Guard Mines.
Gov. Sparks will come to Goldfield on Thursday. The troops now here will be scattered through the city and will practically guard the mines.

Capt. W. S. Wayne of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, noted as a mine strike breaker, arrived from Coeur d'Alene last night. He says that he is here simply to watch the situation.

The order given for horses for the troops under command of Col. Reynolds was countermanded yesterday morning, and it is doubtless the intention to divide the two camps now established into a number of smaller camps nearer to the large mines, where the first attempt to reopen will be made and where the first trouble will occur if there is to be violence or bloodshed.

Serious Trouble Expected.
The officers of the Mine Owners' association assert that they have not imported a large number of non-union men to take the place of the strikers, but are depending on those now in the federation who are ready to withdraw. They will permit men belonging to the American Federation of Labor or affiliated unions to go to work and will not bar men belonging to any labor organization except the Western Federation and the Industrial Workers of the World.

The streets of Goldfield are crowded with men discussing the situation, and the air is filled with many wild rumors.

The general feeling is that serious trouble is liable to commence at any minute. Reports of attempts at intimidation, threats of violence and even attempts to commit violence are being constantly heard, but at union headquarters these are characterized as false.

TAKE MANY CORPSES FROM PIT.

Seventy-Eight Bodies Recovered From Wrecked Mines at Monogah.

Monogah, W. Va., Dec. 11.—When darkness came last night a total of seventy-eight bodies had been brought from the two wrecked mines at Monogah. Rescue work, while slow, was progressing smoothly and as rapidly as due precaution for the rescuers would permit.

It is believed that close on to a hundred dead will have been recovered by daylight. The fire which caused a suspension of rescue work has been extinguished.

Scenes of touching sadness were caused throughout the day by the burial of the recovered dead and the pitiful actions of relatives of the entombed victims.

The company issued a statement yesterday in which the claim is made that later developments lead the officials to believe there were only 260 men in the mine when the explosion occurred. The statement, however, is believed to be purely conjecture, and no one who is familiar with conditions here takes it seriously. It is insisted by miners of the district that 406 men were checked off as entering the two mines last Friday morning and in addition to that number there were many having duties in the mine who are not under the checking system.

EMPEROR SEES SIGHTS.

German Ruler Takes Lunch With King Edward.

London, Dec. 11.—Emperor William of Germany who has completed his "rest cure" at Highcliffe castle, arrived at London yesterday for three days of sightseeing. He lunched with King Edward at Buckingham palace at noon and later took up his residence at the German embassy, where he will stay until Wednesday. The emperor looks to be in splendid health.

JOHN GOODNOW DIES IN SPAIN.

Former Consul General to Shanghai Passes Away.

Malaga, Spain, Dec. 11.—John Goodnow, former consul general to Shanghai, China, is dead here. Mr. Goodnow formerly lived in Minneapolis, where he had business interests. He took a very active part in politics in Minnesota about the year 1896. The late President McKinley appointed him in the following year to the American consulate in Shanghai, China.

Kills Two; Shoots Self.

Hannibal, Mo., Dec. 11.—Isaac C. Wilcox, a telephone lineman, last night shot and killed Mrs. Wilkinson and her brother, "Cotton" Hanson, and then blew out his brains with a revolver. Mrs. Wilkinson was a widow and Wilcox was once a suitor for her hand.

Zulu King Surrenders.

Pietermaritzburg, Natal, Dec. 11.—Dinlulu, the Zulu king who has been held responsible for the threatening situation in Natal, has surrendered.

LOWER RATES; BOOST PROFITS

South Dakota Railroad Commissioners Answer Allegations of Railways Which Have Secured Restraining Order to Prevent Passenger Rate Reductions.

A return in behalf of the state board of railroad commissioners to the order to show cause in the case involving the proposed reduction of passenger rates on all standard-gauge railroads in South Dakota from 3 to 2 1/2 cents per mile has been filed in the United States court in Sioux Falls by P. W. Dougherty, assistant attorney general of South Dakota and counsel of the board of railroad commissioners.

Some weeks ago the railroads having lines in South Dakota and which are resisting the reduction secured a temporary restraining order preventing the railroad commissioners from putting the reduced rate into effect pending a hearing in the case, which will be held on Dec. 17 before Judge Carland of the federal court. At that time the railroads will endeavor to have the railroad commissioners permanently enjoined from putting the reduced rate into effect. The return of Attorney Dougherty is in connection with the intention of the railroad commissioners to show cause why the temporary injunction should not be made permanent.

The return denies the contention of the railroad companies that the rate of operating expenses is unusually high; expressly denies that the complainants' operating expenses within the State of South Dakota exceeds the sum of their gross earnings, and alleges the fact to be that the said complainants have for over three years last past been deriving a reasonable compensation from the operation of their lines in South Dakota. It is further denied that the proposed reduction in passenger rates will reduce the income of the complainants in any amount whatever; the elimination of passes and the collection of

cash fares will, on the other hand, increase the net earnings instead of reducing them.

It is contended that the proposed reduction is reasonable "and will stimulate and increase the transportation of passengers within this state, and was intended to apply to all persons traveling locally within the state, and would, in fact, increase the gross receipts and net earnings of the complainants within this state."

COUNTY BOARD WINS.

Spink County Superintendent May Appeal Case Against School Board.

Judge Frank B. Smith for the circuit court at Redfield denied the mandamus motion against the board of county commissioners of Spink county brought by F. A. Ransom, county superintendent of schools.

Mr. Ransom had petitioned the board to give him additional office room, an extra clerk and new office furniture. The board had failed to act on this petition and a writ of mandamus was issued by the circuit court. In the hearing to-day, however, it appeared that the board appropriated \$45 per month for a deputy superintendent and refused the other demands. The court thereupon dismissed the writ, holding it within the discretion of the board to make improvements and repairs on county property. This case undoubtedly will be appealed.

This is the second case Mr. Ransom has brought against the county board in a bitter fight to compel them to grant his demands. This is of great importance to the taxpayers of the state, involving the absolute discretion of the county commissioners to handle county property.

SCHOOL GIRLS STRIKE.

Boys' Suspension is Cause of Trouble at Watertown.

The Watertown school board is having troubles of its own. Just now it is facing a strike of the whole junior class of the high school numbering twenty-seven boys and girls.

The trouble was precipitated by the suspension of seven boys of the class for raising their pennant over the school building in supposed defiance of the board's orders that only the Stars and Stripes should float from the high school flagpole. In support of the boys whom they believed innocent of any intentional disregard of rules the twenty girls of the class left the assembly room of the high school in a body, and refused to return until the boys were exonerated by the board.

The principal of the high school is sure the order of the board was published, while the class is equally firm in maintaining that only their president and two other girls in the class ever heard of the ruling of the board and so no action has yet been taken by that body on the "strike."

It is rather a perplexing question for the board to settle, as it does not wish to be unjust to the class, nor incredulous of the principal, nor let lax in its discipline.

MAKES PROJECT COSTLY.

Farmers Protest Against Power Proposition.

While the irrigation law of the state authorizes the taking of private property through condemnation proceedings for the purpose of storage of water for power purposes, the property must be paid for at an equitable rate, to be fixed by a jury.

If the valuation placed by the Hamilton county farmers on their lands which would be flooded by an increase of three feet in the level of Lake Poinsett and other lakes is fixed as the basis of damages it will require a quarter of a million dollars from the power company to carry out its plans, their estimate running up to that figure or more as the damage they would sustain. When the farmers went to Pierre for their hearing before State Engineer Lea they expected to be met by representatives of the company, but no one appeared in its behalf. The farmers expressed their views on the situation, and every one of them filed a formal written protest with the engineer.

Mr. Lea announced that he would withhold his decision on the matter until after he had made a personal inspection of the lands which would be flooded by the proposed three-foot increase in the lake level.

END TEACHER SHORTAGE.

The office of the state superintendent is receiving a number of papers from the November teachers' examinations, and a force is at work marking them. The returns so far received indicate that there are a number of applicants for certificates, and with the average number passing the teacher supply for the state will be pretty well filled and the shortage which was so serious in the fall will have been cut to a minimum.

TO TEST LAW.

Commissioner Wheaton Will Sue Pierre Druggist Soon.

A. H. Wheaton, state pure food commissioner, while in Pierre a few days ago, said the delay in bringing suit under the patent medicine clause of the pure food act has been due to efforts to secure a friendly suit on the part of some outside drug house, to get the interstate phase of the law tested.

A suit in the state courts only will settle the matter so far as business within the state is concerned, leaving the interstate question one of open contention.

But as Mr. Wheaton has failed to secure action on the part of an outside house, he expects within a few days to begin suit against some local druggist to test the provisions of the law, so far as it is concerned within the state, and to leave the interstate part of the question to further action, whenever some outside firm shall feel that its interests are involved to an extent which will warrant it to bring such a suit in the United States courts.

MONEY FOR CROUCH ROAD.

Railway Now Will Be Able to Tide Over Its Heavy Losses.

In a telegram from C. D. Crouch, president of the Crouch railroad between Rapid City and Mystic, comes the news that financial aid has been secured for the road and it now can tide over its recent heavy losses and expenditures. Eastern capitalists have advanced \$50,000, of which \$10,000 is available at once and the rest within ninety days in installments. This money will be used to meet the reconstruction payrolls and take up the time checks now outstanding. The washout last spring and consequent rebuilding of almost the entire road and 116 bridges cost the company more than \$100,000, while there have been two wrecks and numerous other losses, a part of which will now be made up.

TO HOLD CORN SCHOOL.

Prof. M. L. Bowman of Iowa Will Attend Mitchell Show.

The second annual corn show of the South Dakota State Corn Growers and Breeders' association will be held in Mitchell Dec. 17-19, the city hall building being reserved for that week. The officials announce that they have secured Prof. M. L. Bowman of Iowa agricultural college, to conduct a corn school on the first two days of the convention.

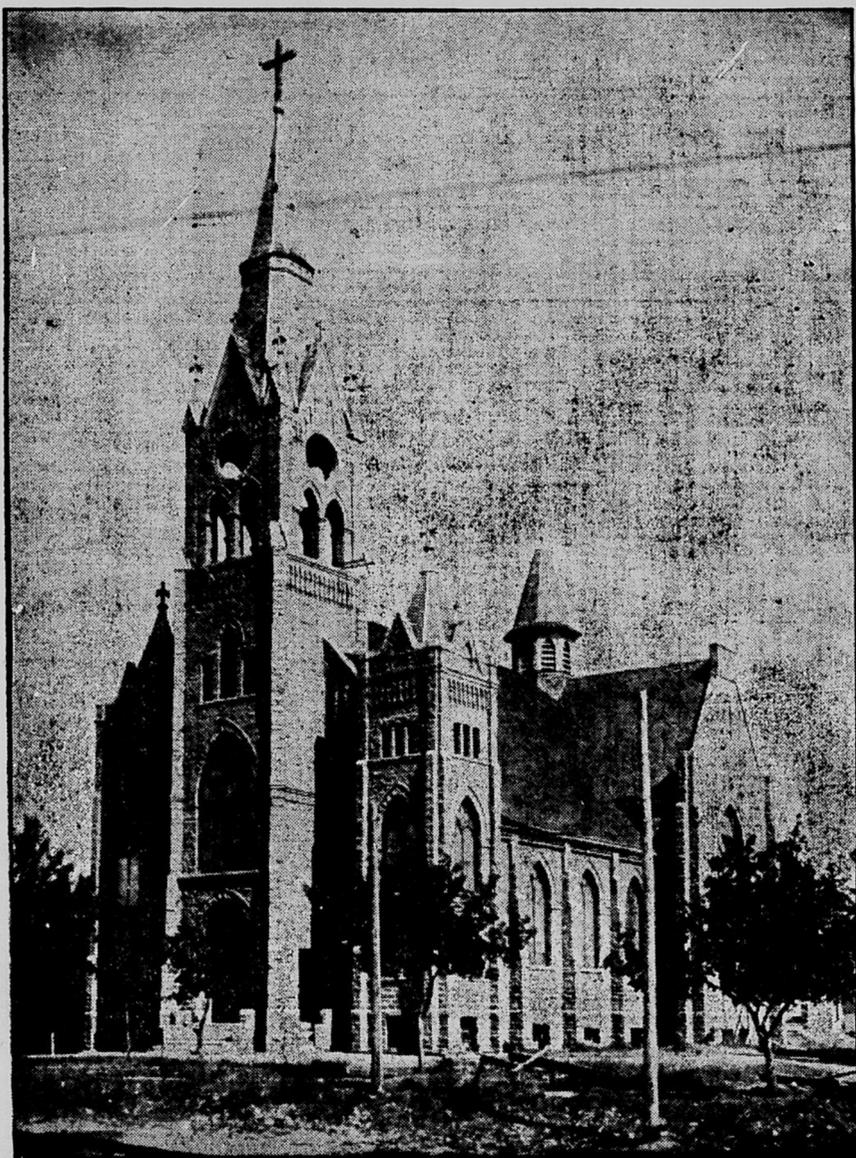
Other speakers during the convention will be Prof. J. Cole of Brookings agricultural college, Hon. H. C. Warner, Prof. W. A. Wheeler of this city, Hon. A. E. Chamberlain of Brookings, A. J. Wimple and John Brenner, and Dr. Robert Slagel, president of the Brookings agricultural college.

The entries for the corn show will close on Dec. 10.

WILL BE FREE CHRISTMAS.

The state pardon board has recommended a pardon for H. E. Edmunds, sent from Clay county on a charge of manslaughter in the first degree, the pardon to become effective Dec. 24. They rejected the application of Ed Davis, sent up for murder, John Kappel, for assault with dangerous weapons, and Elmer Dahl, imprisoned for embezzlement. Edmunds has served a year of a five-year sentence for killing William Williams at Meckling with a baseball bat during a quarrel over wages.

Handsome Granite Edifice Supplants Pioneer Church



HOLY FAMILY CHURCH, MITCHELL, S. D.

Catholics Build House of Worship That Will Cost More Than \$45,000, but Will Be Dedicated Free of Debt.

After worshipping for a quarter of a century in a church that was erected two years after the first Catholic services were held in Mitchell, the Holy Family Church society soon will dedicate a handsome new edifice that will cost, when completed, more than \$45,000. The new church was started two years ago last spring, and it has been built without burdening the members of the parish too much, so that when the day it is dedicated it will be free from debt. The day of dedication has not been set as yet, but it likely will be in January.

The dimensions of the building are 62x132 feet, the side walls being 30 feet high, while the tower over the front of the church is 170 feet high. The building is constructed of granite, and is a model of architectural beauty. The interior furnishings are rich, while the decorating of the walls is done with free hand work. On the

North and south walls of the sanctuary two beautiful subjects have been illustrated in oil painting in practically life size—that of the Annunciation and of the Holy Family—both of which are symbolical of the Holy Family church. The interior of the church presents a fine appearance, with the large arches and columns, which have been decorated artistically. The church will be equipped with a pipe organ costing about \$3,000.

The first mass was offered in Mitchell by Bishop Marty, who came in June, 1880, and the first resident priest was Father McCarty, who remained but a few months. Father Nolan succeeded Father McCarty, and conducted mass in a building that had been erected for a store. Early in 1881 Father Hennessy came to Mitchell, and during his priesthood the first church building was erected. He remained until 1884, and during

that year two priests were in charge of the work, Fathers Flanneghin and Constantine. In 1883 Father Sheehan, now of Elkton, came. Under his methods the church prospered, a parochial school was built, and school has been held every year. In 1892 he was succeeded by Father Ahern, and six months later Father Maher took charge of the parish. This priest was much beloved, both by Catholic and Protestant. He died in January, 1906, when he had nearly completed a young ladies' seminary, which later was burned. The three years following Father Hogan had charge of the work. He was succeeded by Father Shea, the present priest, under whose ministrations the new church was commenced, and will be carried to completion. There was \$13,000 in the church treasury left by members of the church before funds were solicited.

BUSINESS MAN TEACHES.

Volunteers Services to Relieve School-ma'am Shortage.

Teachers are so hard to find in Arlington and vicinity that J. H. Cross has closed his elevator and joined the teaching force of the Arlington high school to keep things running. A vacancy suddenly occurred in the faculty of the school, and Cross, a member of the school board, volunteered to leave his own business and fill the place.

Representatives of the United States Indian bureau have just completed the work of distributing the sum of nearly \$30,000 in cash among the members of what is known as the Yankee tribe of Sioux Indians, who reside along the Missouri river in Charles Mix county. These Indians are very progressive and refused to accept checks, demanding the cold cash instead. In accordance with their wishes the payment to them was made the regular annual payment.

UNDER TEN TONS; LIVES.

When they uncovered the last of the ten ton of rock and earth that had fallen on John Holmes, a miner, and brought him out of the tunnel, he wore a smile. And well he might for he had escaped with only a dislocated leg and numerous cuts and bruises where most men are killed. Holmes and his partner, Frank Thompson, had been engaged by the Norfolk Gold Mining company of Keystone to timber up a tunnel.