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FIFTY-SIXTH YEAR

NEW INVENTION HELPS FARMERS

Wheel Offers Solution of Problem Along the Southeast Rivers

IS OF DIFFERENT DESIGN.

One Distinctive Feature of Construction. It is Claimed, Will Accomplish a Saving of Power.

Another Valuable Contribution to the Science of Tilling Land—Will Lift Water to Irrigate 80 Acres.

The wheel now comes to offer a solution to the problem of farming along the southeast rivers, where a gravity canal is impracticable. The description given by Mr. Slough in his letter to the inventor, is that it is



Wonderful New Water Wheel. Now in Operation on the Green River, Eastern Utah. Where It Promises to Become an Important Factor in Irrigation.

is "undershot" wheel, the interesting feature of which is that it is of an entirely new design throughout. The wheel is of a circular shape, with a central hub and spokes. It is designed to be used in a river, where it will lift water from the river into a canal. The wheel is made of steel, and is of a size that will lift water to a height of 25 feet. It is claimed that the wheel will save power, and will be a valuable contribution to the science of tilling land.

NOTED IMPROVEMENTS. In the mode of hanging the wheel improvements are to be noted. Instead of a tower consisting of two timbers 48 feet high, which in turn are held in place by a wire cable, passing across the river. A windlass on the river bank will raise or lower the wheel in the water, to accommodate its depth to that of the river, and makes adjustment easy with the rise and fall of the stream.

IS MADE OF STEEL. The wheel is of steel, and not of wood. While it stands an abandoned wooden wheel, which, however, is less than a year old, and of the latest design according to the old models. The wooden wheel is idle, because the current is not sufficient to operate, and has been so for two months. The new wheel is working steadily, and is lifting water from the river into a canal. It is claimed that the wheel will save power, and will be a valuable contribution to the science of tilling land.

VALUABLE CONTRIBUTION. Contributions to the science of farming come in many ways. It is just possible that the Utah country has contributed a valuable bit of invention to the world. The wheel is a device that will lift water from a river into a canal. It is claimed that the wheel will save power, and will be a valuable contribution to the science of tilling land.

OTHER IMPROVEMENTS. The water wheel invention is not the only big movement of the year towards better farming conditions. The southern Utah dry farms speak volumes for the future growth of Utah, and the heavy crops and fruitful orchards. Mr. Hall is in Salt Lake to place his service upon the market. He is a carter by trade, and says he has been at the details of the invention at a great personal sacrifice of time and labor. He wishes to or-

ganize a company to sell the wheels, and is in search of financial backing for his proposition.

UP AGAINST "HOODOO." P. S. Cooty stole a purse containing "23" Cents on 23rd of Month.

The "23 for you, skidoo" proposition was in evidence in Judge Armstrong's court today, when P. S. Cooty appeared before the court upon a charge of stealing a lady's purse which contained 23 cents. The offense was committed on Oct. 23, and he will be arraigned on Nov. 23. It is very probable that Cooty will "skidoo" to the state prison for a term of years for his offense. Inasmuch as the defendant had no attorney, Judge Armstrong today appointed Attorney J. W. McKinney to defend the prisoner, and the latter will be arraigned on Friday, Nov. 23. The man is charged with snatching the purse from a lady by the name of G. Silver, in this city, on Oct. 23, 1906. It is hardly probable that he will be able to overcome the "23" hoodoo, and will have occasion to remember those fatal figures, especially if the warden of the state prison carries out the problem of placing Cooty in cell 23 and giving him number 2323 among the convicts. The public awaits further developments in the case with great interest. Forney Atwood, a boy 17 years of age, was up before Judge Armstrong in the criminal division of the district court today on the charge of burglary in the first degree, but his arraignment was continued until Friday, Nov. 23. The court appointed George C. Buckle as the guardian and attorney for defendant. A hood is charged with burglarizing a car in the Rio Grande

IRRIGATION AND SUGAR BEETS

Give Utah Water and She'll Raise Biggest Crop of Beets In the World

SAYS HON. JOHN HENRY SMITH

Addresses Transmississippi Congress On Subject—Many Papers on Different Topics Presented.

KANSAS CITY, Nov. 21.—At the Transmississippi commercial congress, which is meeting here in annual session, this was to be a day of speeches, according to the pre-arranged program. Many additional delegates, delayed in reaching the city yesterday by storm, north, east and west, arrived during the night and today. The topics up for consideration today included the improvement of waterways and trade relations with the South American countries, reclamation of submerged lands, public drainage, matters of insurance control, naval construction and Alaska.

It was intended to give the Latin-American diplomats, who were crowded out of last night's program, a chance to speak and to hear from Victor A. Alderson, president of the Colorado school of mines, who failed to reach Kansas City yesterday and take his place on the program then.

At the morning session the first thing was the call of states for nominations for chairman of delegations, vice presidents, members of the executive committee and members of the committee on permanent organization and resolution.

The first address of the day was delivered by Representative J. T. Randall, of Lake Providence, La., on "The Improvement of Navigable Waterways."

Among the other speakers on the program were the following:

Morning Session—W. D. Vandiver, superintendent of insurance of Missouri, on "The Business of Insurance from a Western Standpoint."

Afternoon Session—John Barrett, American minister to Colombia on "The Panama Canal and Our Great Undeveloped Opportunity in South America and the Pacific Ocean."

Morris Sheppard of Texas, one of the youngest members in the national house of representatives, on "Levee System."

F. H. Newell, Washington, D. C., chief of division of geological survey on "Public Drainage and Its Relation to the Reclamation Service."

W. H. Herron, Washington, D. C., topographer in charge of the middle west, in the department of the interior on "Reclamation of Submerged Lands."

A paper on "National Construction on the Pacific Coast," by George B. Dickie, to be read by the secretary of the congress, Arthur P. Francis.

At the evening session J. G. Brady of Boston, former governor of Alaska, is down for an address on "Alaska."

Discussions will follow the presentation of each of the papers.

John Henry Smith of Utah, a cousin of Joseph Smith, the Mormon leader, spoke briefly on the raising of sugar beets in that state, and the need of irrigation there.

"Give us water," said he, "and we'll raise the greatest crop of sugar beets in the world. We are raising more than 100,000 pounds of sugar beets in Utah this year."

Following the address of Representative Randall, C. L. Irvine of St. Louis made an earnest talk on the matter of river transportation.

"We must," he said, "have a regulation of river rates, and must forever prevent the railways from monopolizing the rate situation."

Mr. Irvine, upon the authority of the manufacturer's association of St. Louis, stated that the manufacturers of the state to work for the organization of a bureau of publicity that may carry on a campaign of education and to provide a permanent guaranty of the increased transportation and of securing cheaper freight rates. The further discussion of the subject of river improvement was postponed until Thursday morning.

W. D. Vandiver, superintendent of insurance of Missouri, then delivered an address on "The Business of Insurance from a Western Standpoint."

W. S. Woods, president of the National Bank of Commerce of Kansas City, spoke in favor of a more flexible currency and for the expansion of our money supply. He said:

"I don't believe that any plan which proposes that a national bank shall be allowed to issue emergency currency based on a percentage of its capital, will meet the requirements." He favored laws providing for the issue of emergency currency secured by clearing house certificates.

Resolutions were presented as follows: By E. F. Harris, of Galveston, favoring a liberal appropriation under contract by the federal government for the improvement of the harbors of the Gulf of Mexico and the Pacific coast.

By L. B. Prince of New Mexico, favoring the establishment by act of congress of a national department of mines and mining.

By L. B. Prince of New Mexico, providing that the people of New Mexico should no longer be deprived of self government, and that that territory should be admitted as a state whenever it adopts a suitable constitution and applies for such admission.

By H. R. Whitmore, St. Louis, reaffirming previous action of the congress favoring the upbuilding of an American merchant marine.

At the afternoon session John Barrett, United States minister to Colombia, spoke on "Trade Relations with the Latin-American Republics."

HEAVY SNOW IN KANSAS. Railroad Trains Much Inconvenienced But Not Blocked.

Topeka, Kan., Nov. 21.—Heavy snow fall is general over the state, according to the reports from the railway offices.

The Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific railway has got its overland trains all moving and the tracks in fair condition save on the El Paso division. The company is not attempting, however, to keep up the freight schedule.

The Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railway reports its main line across the state open but traffic blocked on some of the branch lines in the southern portion. A heavy snow is falling across the entire state but with little snow there is no drifting and filling of cuts.

The Union Pacific reports considerable snow but trains on time.

CHRISTMAS NEWS STORY AND POEM CONTEST IS CLOSED.

Tuesday, the 20th, was the date named as the closing of the competition for the prizes offered by the Christmas News—first \$50 for the best story; second, \$25 for the best poem. Never since the Christmas News became an institution has there been such a flood of responses. The "News" office was kept open till 10 o'clock last night to receive the offerings of belated contributors.

This morning's mail also brought a big supply. All whose postmark bore evidences that they were mailed on the 20th will be admitted. Any others will be excluded.

The stories and poems now go to a committee of the Desert News editorial staff, by whom they will be carefully sifted and weighed. The announcement as to the winners of the prizes will be made as early as possible.

DIRECTORS HELD MEETING TODAY

Regular Session of Those of Utah Light & Railway Company.

A GRATIFYING STATEMENT.

Report for October Showed Excess of \$20,000—Physical Improvements Informally Discussed.

The directors of the Utah Light & Railway company met this morning, in regular session, with these directors present: P. L. Williams, L. S. Hills, T. G. Webber, D. E. Burley, W. W. Ritter and H. M. Wells. Mr. Williams as first vice president, occupied the chair in the absence of Mr. Bancroft, who is detained at home by illness, and Secy. Knickerbocker was present. W. S. McCormick was not present, as he is in the south.

GOOD REPORT. The reports for October were read, and were most gratifying. The financial statement was very gratifying as it showed an excess of \$20,000 over the gross receipts of the same month in the last year. The matter of physical improvements was informally discussed, and from what was said it appears that the first street track is to be retained, and not taken up, but is to be replaced with heavier rails. In fact, the entire system outside of the paved district is to be rebuilt, and that calls for a great deal of money. The track is in such shape that a director says every car is brought into the shop once in four days for repairs because of the rough tracks, so that it is imperative that the roadbed should be remodeled and made permanently good. One improvement to be made as a director remarked after the meeting, is the drainage of the roadbed, which will prevent its sinking into the mud. It is the expectation to have the entire system overhauled the coming year, so that by the opening of the winter of 1907-8, the tracks will be in fine condition. All of the 35-pound rails will be removed, and heavy steel substituted, then, the new cars will be added.

IMPROVED CARS. The disposition is to have all cars hereafter single deckers, like Denver Tramway cars, with entrances at the sides or rear end, and the motorman in an apartment by himself in front, where no passenger can talk to him. This will be a saving of \$300 to \$250 over the present double ender, with its two controllers and duplicate connecting system of wires; and then this car will turn on a look, so that the front end will always be in front.

The directors accepted the franchises granted by the Salt Lake county commissioners, for the local interurban system, and the franchises granted by the Weber county commissioners for pole line rights of way through the county.

PRESSURE OF WIND. That on Presbyterian Church Window Figured at 9,720 Pounds.

The architects of the First Presbyterian church have figured out the pressure on the east window, by the wind which blew it in during the mooning, which blew it in during the mooning, which blew it in during the mooning.

The pressure on the 18x30-foot space was calculated to have been not short of 9,720 pounds, nearly five tons. The new window will be braced with lattice girders, and other stiffeners, all being so securely anchored that the side of the church will blow in before the window gives way. Mr. Giles, the representative of the Minneapolis company which furnishes the glass, says the new window will be in place in 30 days.

Toulon, France, Nov. 21.—The main portions of the dock yards of the Societe des Forges et Chantiers were destroyed by fire today. The foreign warships in course of construction were saved with difficulty. The loss will amount to several million francs.

J. J. HILL A WITNESS. Minneapolis, Nov. 21.—James J. Hill, president of the Great Northern railway, took the stand today when the interstate commerce commission began its inquiry into the relations between the railroad companies and the grain companies in the northwest. The hearing is held pursuant to the La Follette resolution adopted by Congress at its last session.

OIL TRUST OUSTER CASE. St. Louis, Nov. 21.—No more testimony will be taken here in the defense of the oil trust in the defense of the so-called oil trust.

The hearing will be continued in Chicago in December and later in New York.

LABOR APPEALS TO PRESIDENT

Federation Sends Him Cablegram Asking Him to Investigate Conditions in Porto Rico.

IT FAVORS SELF GOVERNMENT.

Passes Resolution Demanding That Congress Recognize People of Island As American Citizens.

Minneapolis, Nov. 21.—President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor was today instructed to send a cablegram in the name of the federation to President Roosevelt at Porto Rico asking him to investigate conditions on the island, with a view to giving the islanders self government and to better the labor conditions on the island. Mr. Gompers dictated the cablegram and sent it forthwith.

The committee on President Gompers' address furnished its report early today. This committee disposes of several reasons which had been referred to it, among them the one directing the tabulation and publication of the work of various labor organizations during the political campaign, and to suggest what is the best course for such organizations in future campaigns. The committee recommended the resolution for adoption and the action was taken. The text of the message follows:

"President Roosevelt, San Juan, Porto Rico.

"American Federation of Labor convention urges you to give consideration, however briefly, to the situation of the islanders, who are suffering from the effects of the Spanish-American war, and to the workers' aspirations for improved conditions, local self-government and American citizenship."

The action of the American Federation of Labor in condemning Judge Smith McPherson, of the United States court for his action against striking machinists of the Santa Fe railroad was sustained by the committee, and that also was adopted by the convention. The resolution demanding that Congress recognize the people of Porto Rico as American citizens, and that they be vested with all the rights as such was also passed, with the sympathy of organized labor for them in their struggle for better conditions.

FIVE MEXICAN CENTRAL TRAINS ARE MAROONED.

El Paso, Tex., Nov. 21.—Five Mexican Central passenger trains are marooned in Mexico below this city and 200 passengers are aboard them. No train has reached here from Mexico City since Sunday night and trains leaving here are held up. No train left today as there was no equipment here. The trouble was started by a freight wreck. Snow followed and then a landslide made conditions worse. Passengers ran out of food and supplies were sent from Chihuahua as far as possible on a special train and then carried overland to the sufferers. Rock Island trains are still tied up by snow north of El Paso.

SCAFFOLD FELL.

Three Men Killed, Eight Seriously Injured, Six Slightly.

Rochester, N. Y., Nov. 21.—Three men were killed, eight seriously injured and six slightly hurt today at Eastman Kodak Park works.

The men were at work on a scaffold near the top of a two-story building, in course of construction. The probable cause of the accident was the removal of the supports of the steel flooring before the concrete had properly set.

About 20 workmen were on the upper scaffold when the top floor gave way. The roof and walls tumbled in with a crash of concrete and bricks and heavy steel girders. The men were hurled into the debris, falling about 40 feet.

PRESIDENT ARRIVES AT PONCE, PORTO RICO.

Ponce, P. R., Nov. 21.—President Roosevelt arrived here this morning from Colon and was received on landing at 8:30 a. m. by Gov. Vinthorpe.

The other prominent insular officials. The town, which was profusely decorated in the president's honor was crowded with people from the surrounding country eager to greet Mr. Roosevelt.

Washington, Nov. 21.—A cablegram was received today at the White House from Ponce, P. R., stating that the president would remain in San Juan tonight and return tomorrow to Ponce where he will remain for a few days before reaching Washington Monday evening or Tuesday morning.

The message also stated that the president and party had a very good trip across from Panama.

HAU AGAIN REMANDED.

Papers in Extradition Case Had Not Arrived From Germany.

London, Nov. 21.—Karl Hau, alias Stau, professor of Roman law in George Washington University at Washington, who was arrested in the city Nov. 8, charged with the murder of his mother-in-law at Baden-Baden, was brought up on remand at the Bow street police court today and was again remanded as the papers in the extradition proceedings had not arrived from Germany.

Atty. Wilson, counsel for Hau, has not yet determined whether or not to fight his client's extradition and will not arrive at a decision until he has studied the papers in the case.

Vienna, Nov. 21.—The investigations of the local police in regard to the movements of Karl Hau, who is held by the London police on the charge of having murdered his mother-in-law at Baden-Baden, satisfied them that he arrived in Vienna from Constantinople on Oct. 17. They assert that he cashed a check for \$2,000 in a Vienna bank on that date, but Hau denied this. A few days later a telegram from London, believed to be fictitious, reached the bank, asserting that the

FLOOD SITUATION BETTER.

Memphis, Tenn., Nov. 21.—The flood situation as regards the railroads was somewhat improved today in the case of one road—the Southern—which resumed its traffic into Memphis, thus relieving the Frisco of the burden of handling the Southern traffic. Conditions, however, as far as the Illinois Central and Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis railroads are concerned, show no improvement. Although the Illinois Central is greatly hampered in its northern traffic on account of the weakening of the Wolf river bridge, the officials of the railroad say its line south is open to traffic. The Louisville & Nashville has had no washouts, but the heavy rains have delayed a number of its passenger trains.

The Nashville and Chattanooga road is entirely out of business, but hopes to resume before night.

The financial loss to the railroads during the past four days has been heavy, while business interests of Memphis have been much interfered with.

During the night rain fell in torrents and the precipitation continues this morning, although the downpour is not quite so heavy. Street car service is badly crippled.

THE TENNESSEE RISING.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Nov. 21.—The Tennessee river at this point is rising rapidly and the danger line, 33 feet will probably be reached in a few hours. This is the highest stage in five years.

SUPERVISOR NICHOLAS.

Charged With Taking a Bribe, Arrested, Released on Bail.

San Francisco, Nov. 21.—Supervisor Nicholas, indicted by the grand jury, charged with agreeing to take a bribe, was arrested last night. He was taken by the arresting officer to the home of Judge Murasky, who released him upon the deposit of \$2,500 in gold coin.

BP. JOHN J. TIGERT DEAD.

Tulsa, I. T., Nov. 21.—Bishop John J. Tigert of Louisville, died here early this morning, after an illness of 16 days, aged 45 years.

Bishop Tigert was taken ill while attending a church conference at Abbeville, S. C., but disregarded the advice of his physician to rest. He came to Tulsa intending to open the conference here on the 14th, but was compelled to make to his bed. His illness was caused by the judgment of a piece of chicken bone just below the tonsils. This caused an inflammation of the throat and resulted in blood poisoning.

S. F. FIRE CLAIMS.

G. E. Butler Appointed Special Agent To Investigate Them.

San Francisco, Nov. 21.—George E. Butler, one of the oldest insurance men on the coast, was yesterday appointed a special agent of the commissioner of corporations to make a full investigation of the action of the fire insurance companies in the settlement of claims for losses resulting from the big fire in this city.

The appointment comes from Washington, where the fire insurance companies have been making a study of the action of the fire insurance companies in the settlement of claims for losses resulting from the big fire in this city.

CARUSO'S CASE.

Every Preparation Made for Hearing Charge Against Famous Tenor.

New York, Nov. 21.—Thorough preparations were made by the police department and counsel representing Enrico Caruso, the famous tenor of the Metropolitan Opera company, for a hearing in police court this afternoon of the charge that Caruso annoyed a woman in the monkey house at Central park one day last week. Notwithstanding what appeared to be an earnest search for the woman whom Caruso is alleged to have annoyed, representatives of both the police and the defense declared before the hour set for the hearing today that they had been unable to find her. When her complaint caused the arrest of the singer she was taken to the police station along with the prisoner and gave her name as Mrs. Hannah K. Graham, of the Bronx borough.

The next day and allowed to be heard in the case came up in court neither Mrs. Caruso nor a physician's certificate that he was too ill to come.

In the absence of the witness, Detective Con, who arrested Caruso, is prepared to go on with the case and act as complainant, declaring that he witnessed the annoyance of which Mrs. Graham complained.

Director Corcoran of the Metropolitan Opera House has indignantly defended Caruso from the charge and the singer himself asserted that he was a victim of extraordinary circumstances. He was unable to make a false case against him for some ulterior purpose. There have been many arrests in the Central park monkey house on charges similar to that on which Caruso is held, and in other cases a jail penalty has been imposed.

Police Capt. Stephenson of the Central park station said today that he was informed last night by a prominent business man who knows Mrs. Graham that she would not appear in court for hearing as she does not want to be embarrassed and have her name spread all over the city and perhaps the country.

Capt. Stephenson said his informant told him that Mrs. Graham is a woman of unusual refinement. He was sure that her failure to appear would make little difference as to the outcome of the case against Caruso, however.

FLOODS DEMOLIZE THEATERS.

Portland, Or., Nov. 21.—Theatrical conditions in Oregon, Washington and British Columbia have been demoralized by recent floods which have crippled the railroads. Managers of companies are suffering and at least \$50,000 has been lost by them during the last ten days. Every vaudeville house in this territory has been compelled to hold over last week's bill through inability to send the acts over the circuits.

Traveling dramatic companies are forced to cancel engagements in two states and many have been separated from baggage and scenery which they will not recover for several days. Never before has the theatrical situation in the Pacific northwest been so paralyzed.

BERLIN SUBURBS.

Proposed to Incorporate Them in the City Proper.

Berlin, Nov. 21.—Minister of the Interior Dr. Von Bethmann-Hollweg recently asked Burgomaster Kisehnor for his views of the proposed plan for the incorporation of the suburbs of Berlin into the city proper.

In response, Herr Kisehnor has now submitted to the minister a memorandum pointing out the necessity for previously providing for the reorganization of the suburban municipalities.

If the plan is carried out, Berlin will have 3,000,000 inhabitants.

WILL DISCHARGE NEGRO SOLDIERS

War Department Issues Statement Concerning Those at Fort Reno.

DELAY WAS ONLY TEMPORARY

Now Dismissal of Obdurate Troops Will Be Immediately Proceeded With.

Secy. Taft Says Steps Will Be Taken to Recruit Colored Men to Replace Those Let Out.

Washington, Nov. 21.—The war department issued the following statement today concerning the negro troops ordered dismissed at Fort Reno:

"In the matter of the order discharging the enlisted men of three companies of the Twenty-fifth Infantry, issued by the president, a plan was presented to the secretary of war by a number of persons of standing asking for a rehearing by the president on the ground on which the action was taken. The secretary telegraphed the president of the application and delayed the proceedings of the discharge until the president could indicate his wishes. The secretary was meantime called out of town. No answer was received from the president. The secretary on his return did not feel justified in further delaying the plan of the order of discharge, especially in view of the fact that the president had fully and exhaustively considered the argument against the order of the persons who now applied for a rehearing. Accordingly, the secretary directed yesterday (Tuesday) that the proceedings for discharge be continued without delay."

Later in the day Secy. Taft received a dispatch from President Roosevelt and issued the following additional statement:

"A telegram was received from the president at 11 o'clock today after the previous statement was given out at the war department, in which he declines to suspend the discharge unless there are new facts of such importance as to warrant calling him. He states that the action was taken after due deliberation, and that the only matter to which he can pay heed is the presentation of facts showing the official reports to be in whole or in part untrue, or clearly exculpating some individual. If any such facts later appear he can act as he deems advisable but thus far nothing has been introduced to warrant the suspension of the order and he directs that it be executed."

Secy. Taft says that immediate action will be taken to recruit colored soldiers to replace the men discharged. Members of the three companies who were on a furlough at the time of the discharge will be recalled and three members who are to be tried by court martial will not be mustered out.

It was authoritatively stated today that the matter of the dismissal of the troops has not been brought to the attention of the president by the White House officials since he left Washington more than 10 days ago. None of the protests which have been sent against the carrying out of the action have been received at the White House, but have gone to the war department.

NO ORDERS RECEIVED.

Oklahoma City, Okla., Nov. 21.—When Maj. Clark, at Fort Reno, was notified at 1 o'clock today of the Associated Press dispatch stating that he had been ordered to proceed with the discharge of colored troops, he said:

"We have received no word to proceed with the discharge of the troops, and none have been discharged today. We will not proceed until order to do so from Washington."

He had nothing to say as to the feeling there on the subject.

FREE STATE NEGROES.

Hereafter Will Be Compelled to Pay Their Taxes in Money.

Brussels, Nov. 21.—The government of the Congo Independent state has accepted the recommendation of the commission of inquiry into the administration of that state and has abolished compulsory labor in the district of Katanga. Thereafter negroes will pay their taxes in money.

ATTEMPT TO DYNAMITE PASSENGER TRAIN FAILS.

Portland, Or., Nov. 21.—A special dispatch to the Evening Telegram from Hood River, Or., says that an attempt was made on Saturday night to blow up a train on the Mount Hood railway. That the attempt was not successful was due to the frozen condition of a section of dynamite which had been placed upon the track. When the train passed over the dynamite it was dark and the 25 passengers and the train crew did not know of their peril until yesterday, when news of the foolish attempt to wreck the train was made public. The railroad company has offered a reward of \$500 for the apprehension of the dynamiters.

CHICAGO NAT'L BANK.

Federal Grand Jury Will Investigate Its Failure.

Chicago, Nov. 21.—United States District Judge John C. Wood has ordered a special grand jury to investigate the failure of the Chicago National bank, which occurred on Oct. 18, when he was investigated by a special federal grand jury, which will meet early next month.

HERMAN KOUNTZE DEAD.

Omaha, Neb., Nov. 21.—News was received here this morning from Watkins Glen, N. Y., of the death there last night of Herman Kountze, a prominent banker of this city.

Mr. Kountze, who was president of the First National Bank of Omaha, and a multi-millionaire, had gone to Watkins Glen during the summer for the benefit of his health. He started in the banking business in Omaha before Nebraska was admitted to statehood and has been a prominent figure in financial circles of the United States for many years.