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ing probably could be reached within two

"With the rate of progress which now

appears reasonable to anticipate, this

ommittee believes that a sea-level canal,

with a tidal lock 1000 feet long and 100

feet usable width, at Miraflores, can be

completed within ten to twelve years from

this time, the bottom width of the canal

cars from the present time.

"The chief engineer estimates that with

working day.

New Orleans Suffers Heavy Disaster.

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LOSSINTHEMILLIONS

Wheat, Cotton and Sugar Go Up in Smoke.

CREAT ELEVATORS BURNED

At Illinois Central Wharves Ships Move Just in Time.

FIRE SPREADS VERY RAPIDLY

Despite Modern Appliances and Active Work of Firemen, Terminal Crew and Harbor Tugs the Flames Are Not Stayed.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Feb. 28.-Fire, involving millions of dollars' loss in physical property, and that strikes a serious temporary blow at the immense export trade of New Orleans, swept the river front tonight and wiped out the vast freight terminals of the Illinois Central, known as the Stuyvesant docks.

Nearly a dozen squares of model wharves and freight sheds, two magnificent grain elevators, hundreds of loaded cars and vast quantities of freight, including 20,000 bales of cotton, were destroyed, together with a large number of small residences.

The fire was still raging fiercely at midnight, at which time it had almost reached the upper end of the Illinois Central property. It has not been determined whether there has been any loss of life.

The ocean-going shipping seems to may escaped serious damage. A number of firemen and employes of the rocks were injured. Actual estimates of the losses are impossible to obtain tonight, though they may exceed \$5,000,000.

The Stuyvesant docks extend from to Nap avenue, a distance of 12 squares. The wharves between these two points were covered with miles of trackage, and a CONTENTS OF TODAY'S PAPER steel and iron shed ran the whole dis TRIDO

vas a complete wreck. At midnight more than nine squares the terminals had been completely destroyed, and it seemed unlikely that the fire would be checked until it had reached Commission's Plans for Napoleon avenue, which also is a very broad street. During the fire a heavy wind blew, and the blaze was of indescribable fury, carrying brands to great distances, driving back the crowds of sightseers

Flying Pieces of Roofing. Immense pieces of corrugated iron, STEAM SHOVELS CUT FAST torn from the roofs of the elevator, were arried through the air as if they were feathers and dropping in every direction onstantly endangered the lives of fire men and spectators. The weather was When Plant Is Perfected Cost bright and warm, and nearly 50,000 people visited the scene during the progress of the fire.

Aside from the tremendous financial loss involved, the fire is a calamity to New Orleans in the temporary abatement of the immense export business of the Illi-CHAGRES CAN BE CONTROLLED nois Central Railroad, particularly in the matter of grain shipments.

Three Unknown Men Burned. HOT SPRINGS, Ark., Feb. 26 .- Sunday has been a day of gloom in Hot Springs. The first estimates of the damage done by the great conflagration were not exaggerated. More than 40 blocks were destroyed. The most con-servative estimate places the loss at \$1,500,000. The three unknown bodies

ecovered are the only fatalities. All trains today brought in visitors to view the remains. Mayor Belding or-dered all saloons closed. The devastated district will be speedity rebuilt. Property owners are al-ready planning with architects, and in three instances carpenters began work today on temporary structures,

Business Block Destroyed.

WHITMAN, MASS., Feb. 26 .- Fire broke out at midnight at the Jenkins business block, a three-story brick structure, destroyed that building and threatened the entire business section. The loss at that hour was estimated at about \$75,000.

ICE IS MOVING IN THE PLATTE

Four Spans of Burlington Railway Bridge at Schuyler Torn Out.

LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 26 .- Ice began moving in the Platte River today, and with the water high the results, it is feared, will be serious. At Schuyler four spans of the Bur-

lington Railroad bridge were torn out. and the Burlington bridge at Columbia is in a shaky condition. High water and lee gorges are caus-

ing trouble on other neighboring streams.

Sousa Writes to the Times.

LONDON, Feb. 27. - John P. Sous writes to the Times a strong protest against the British government permitting open piracy of his copyright compositions. He declares that music piracy does not exist in any other country where the international copyright law is enforced, and that National honor and pride might demand that immediate steps be taken to fulfill Great Britain's

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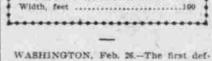
Panama Canal.

Will Be Greatly Reduced.

Isthmus Can Then Be Made at

Any Future Date Without

Delay to Shipping.



inite engineering plans for the construction of the Panama Canal have just been laid before the Isthmian Canal Commission by the engineering committe of that body, consisting of Commissioners Burr. Parsons and Davis. The principal recommendations are summed up in this reso

Resolved. That this committee approvrecommend for adoption by the commission a plan for a sea-level canal, with a bottom width of 150 feet and a minimum depth of water of 35 feet, and with twin tidal locks a Miraflores, whose usable dimensions shall be 1000 feet long and 100 feet wide, at a total estimated cost of \$230,500,000. Such estimates include an allowance for ad-

ministration, engineering, sanitation and co iingencies, amounting to \$35,450,000, but with-out allowance for interest during construction, expense of mone government and collateral costs and water supply sewers or paving of Panama or Colon, which inst items are to be repaid by the inhabitants of those cities.

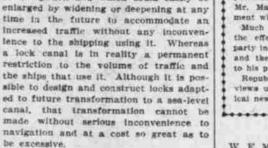
The committee estimates that a sea-leve canal can be completed within 10 or 1 years from the present time.

These recommendations are the conclu

on of a report to the committee prepared in the Canal zone under date of February 14 last, and hazed on complete engineering reports on all of the problems involved.

The committe decided that under

being 150 feet and the minimum depth of water 25 feet. These considerations have induced this ommittee to express to the commission ts unanimous judgment that with the Enlargement of Waterway Across the contemplated system of working and with the rate of development which appears to be justified with the work now being performed at Culebra, a sea-level canal, free from the restriction of locks, should be adopted. This committee believes that such a canal with terminal harbors, can be constructed for a sum not exceeding \$230,500,000. ************************* Advantages to Be Obtained. "The advantages of a sea-level canal across the isthmus are most obvious. It would be a waterway with no restriction to navigation and which could easily be



"The additional cost of a sea-level canal over that of a canal with locks with a summit level of 60 feet above mean tide, x \$52,462,000, or \$79,742,000 more than the estimated cost of the lock canal with a summit level of \$5 feet above mean tide. proposed by the former 1sthmian Canal Commission, after allowing \$5,500,000 for the Colon breakwater and direct entrance not previously estimated. "This committee considers this addition-

al expenditure fully justified by the advantages secured." EMPLOYES WELL CARED FOR

General Davis Advises Families Be Not Now Brought to Panama. WASHINGTON, Feb. 26-Writing on

the general topic of wages and the discontent of employes on the Isthmus, Gen- thews was seen yesterday afternoon in eral Davis, Governor of the Panama his office, and was asked: Canal Zone, has addressed a long comnunication to the Panama Canal



MATTHEWS REALLY QUITS.

W. F. Matthews' retirement from the political leadership of the Republican party, as announced in The Oregonian yesterday morning, has been confirmed. Mr. Matthews himself makes a statement which shows that he is out, Much speculation has resulted as to the effect of his retirement upon his party in the coming municipal campaign, and there is even more speculation as to his probable or possible successor Republicans of all factions give their views upon this important bit of politlcal news.

W. F. Matthews, who for the past 10 or

15 years has been a dominant factor in both city and state politics, has resigned his leadership.

Jack Matthews has resigned. How the Matthews." news through the city went flying! Pol-W. L. Bolse said: "All this talk, if there has been any, about my succeeding iticians, when they read the announce-Mr. Matthews is without foundation. Bement In yesterday's Oregonian, drew fore the last campaign I served notice forth their political lightning arresters. that I would resign from active politics. hoisted them aloft, fearful that the polit-My resignation dates as far back as the ical leadership lightning would strike November campaign." them. A canvass of astute politicians The telephone was the easy access to A. L. Mills, Speaker of the last House. was made, but not one of them would state that he was willing to step into Mr. He was asked what the retirement of W.

F. Matthews meant to the political or-Matthews' political shoes. They were ganization, and he said: "I read the headshy, shy because they did not believe that lines in this morning's Oregonian. I am Matthews was sincere, but he is, and not prepared to talk politics. I rather here is what he says about stepping down think, however, that the world will go on and out of the political game. Mr. Matjust the same. The sun will come up tomorrow morning, and it will go down at night. I've had all the politics I want,

What Matthews Says.

His reply was:

Millionaire Marries a New York Actress. FATHER OF MANY CHILDREN

publican leadership is that the Republi-

when they are down for the count, to step

and some others absolutely refused to be

quoted. There were others, however, who

talked, and what they had to say fol-

Both Coyly Refuse.

C. H. Carey was another that side-

Mr. Matthews was sincere in his deter-

been too busy to pay any attention to

a year. I do not know what the organiza-

tion has done, or what it is doing. I

know that I will not succeed Mr.

lery.

lows:

He Sent Infatuated Son Abroad Four Years Ago.

FALLS INTO A TRAP HIMSELF

Time Hung Heavy in His New York Palace Until the Quondam Steel Magnate Met the Winsome Goldie Mohr.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Feb. 28-(Special.)in after the smoke of the battle is cleared Retribution seems to have come over Alan and take a firm hold of the situation. It A. Wood, of New York City, formerly of is evident that there is no game worth the firm of W. Dewees Wood, of McKeesthe political hunting, so for that reason port, inventors of the famous planished there will be no call for the heavy artilsheet steel. There were three brothers-

W. Dewees Wood, Alan W. Wood and Leaders of the various factions were Richard G. Wood, the latter now of Philslow to commit themselves on the readelphia, who is the promoter of a new tirement of Mr. Matthews. Such men as ompany to make planished sheets. A. K. Bently, W. T. Muir, D. J. Malarkey

Alan W. Wood is the father of many children, having been married twice in Pittsburg, and quite recently in New York to Goldle Mohr, an actress. The date of

the marriage has been kept a secret, but the sons and daughters of Mr. Wood are panicstricken, and want to break up the stepped. He was willing to believe that old man's infatuation for the showgiri. Four years ago Alan W. Wood learned mination to retire, but he said: "I have that his son, W. Dewees Wood, Jr., was infatuated with an actress. He had politics. I have been out of it for almost planned to elope with her. Within a few oments young Wood was called into his father's office in McKeesport, given transportation to Europe, and had a roung McKeesport companion sent with

him, to do the Old World as long as the boys wanted to remain.

Spends Money and Forgets.

The only request made of the young McKeesporter was that he should break young Wood from his infatuation for the actress, and under no circumstances to come home until the lovesick lad was thoroughly cured. The boys remained away two years and spent money in large wads. Who the actress was cannot be learned.

W. Dewees Wood, Jr., was thoroughly cured of his passion, and he settled down to work. When his parents moved from Pittsburg to New York, he went to Santa Barbara, Cal., where he is staying with and from now on I am going to attend his uncle

Goods of All Descriptions.

The grain elevators were of the mos odern construction, the upper one having a capacity of 1,000,000 bushels. Thou sands of bales of cotton, several hundred thousand packages of sugar, great quantities of cotton-seed oil and oil cakes. lumber and every conceivable variety of freight, filled the warehouses and sheds, Practically all the export business handied by the Illinois Central Railway was put aboard ships at these docks.

Improvements have been under con struction for ten years past, elaborate extensions and immense investments having been made for the constitutional conven tion of 1895 made it possible for the road to invest permanently at this point.

The fire was discovered soon after o'clock. It was said to have resulted from a journal which had not been sufficiently olled. The whole plant was equipped with gigantic water tanks and fire-extinguishing apparatus, but the blaze, small at the beginning, almost instantaneously got beyond control, com municating through the conveyors to the lower elevator and some of the sheds.

Fences Barred Path of Engines.

The response of the fire department was prompt, but owing to the fact that the terminals were not readily accessible because of fances and tracks, the engines found difficulty in reaching the flames. In half an hour the fire covered two squares, the lower elevator was practically consumed, and the fire was sweeping irresistibly both up and down th river

As soon as it became known that the zone of the fire was the Stuyvesant docks. harbor tugs hastened to the wharves and vessels that were moored there were pulled out into the river.

At the same time switch engines were rushed to the wharves and hundreds of boxcars loaded with freight were drawn to points above the upper end of the terminals, before the fire reached them. Hundreds more, however, were consumed.

The wind was blowing down the river as the blaze began, and the fire spread with greater speed in that direction. By 9 o'clock the lower elevator and sheds and wharves from Amelia street to Louistana avenue, a distance of six squares, had fallen in. Fortunately, Louisiana avenue is a very broad thoroughfare, and the further apread of the fire beyond that point into a residence section was checked.

Between the points named, however, the fiames swept to complete destruction many cottages of the poorer classis, the occupants in a great many instances losing all they possessed.

River-Boats Pour Out Streams.

The river-boats, the employes of the road and the fire department concentrated all their energies in an effort to save the upper elevator, between Australits and Constantinople streets, and to check the fire at that point. The fire, however, gradually worked past the point occupied the elevator. Heroically the forces

treaty obligations

The Weather

TODAY'S-Increasing cloudiness, pr lowed by showers and cooler; winds becom ing southerly.

YESTERDAY'S-Maximum temperature, deg.; minimum, 45. Precipitation, non-The War in the Far East.

as withdraw in good order to well-forts fled pass. Page 5. Captured big guns from Port Arthur are fired

at the Russians. Page 5. unbarding of the Russian position by the Japanese seems to indicate a determined

advance very soon. Page 5. Russia.

Alexander Stolypin, eminent Russian writer gives view of political situation. Page 5. umian strikers are believed to be inspired by political agitators. Page 15. Peasants may be lovolved in great outbreak in

Spring. Page 13. Ten Jews killed and 60 wounded in anti-

Semitic riot. Page 14. Nutional.

Sen-level canal on the Isthmus of Panama i recommended by the commission. Page 1. Ten or 12 years would be required to complete at less cost than first estimated. Page 1. Senate has five days in which to pass seven large appropriation bills. Page 3. impeachment of Judge Swayne believed to have been a mistake. Page 3.

Domestic. Illinois Central freight terminals at Ner royed by fire; tons will reach sans are dest \$5,000,000. Page 1. wenty-three miners killed in explosion Bluefield, W. Va., coal mine. Page 3.

Bill to make "tipping" a misdem the New York Senate. Page 3. Millionaire Alan A. Wood, father a children, marries a New York actrees

Page L. Northwest Political.

vernor Mead will veto the capital-rebill. Page 4.

Washington Legislature employs no women clerks, with good counomic results. Page 4. Dr. Withycombs, the only acknowledge candifar to succeed Governor Chamber lain. Page 4.

Pacific Coast

Fire destroys a block at The Dalles, Or., with \$30,000 loss. Page 10. Echooner Onward wrecked while attempting saii into Coquille Bay. Page 7

Portland and Vicinity.

Matthews confirms his retirement as po leader, and gossip is busy with possibilities and probabilities. Fage 1.

fite for High School is theme of much talk Page 9 Dr. Cressey declares that Osler is entirely wrong, and cites achievements of old mer

Woodmen pay loving tribute to the memory of their late head consul. Page 8. Chief of Police mays City Jall is strong enough

to retain prisoners, and that escape was due to lazity of Jailer. Page 1

lity Council may act to abolish unsightly bill de and onuse rubbish to be Page 13.

Homer Davenport, the cartoonist, will make exhibit of his pheasant farm at The Trail

Page 14. ard of Education has the power to enfor the merit system with respect to teachers instead of walting till September. DOW. Page 8.

More than 7000 persons visit the Fair grounds Sunday, Page 8. Bailway officials have high penise for Oregon Page 12.

Pastors of Pa sermons. Page 13

canal be more than 60 feet above the sea. and estimates that at this level the cost would be \$178,013,406. A 30-foot level is estimated to cost \$194,213,405.

Control of the Chagres.

It is recommended that the Chagres River be controlled by a dam at Gamboa. built to a creat height of 200 feet, and the waters of the lake thus created disposed of through tunnels. The work on the dam will require from 1 to 21/2 years, and

the committee reports it should begin at once. The dam at this place, it is said, involves no formidable obstacle, which is not the case at the Boplo location.

Actual work with the new American steam shovels in the Culebra cut has demonstrated that the entire excavation can be done at a cost of 50 cents a cubic yard. The former Isthmian Commission estimated this cost at 80 cents. This reduction amounts to a total of \$15,000,000, and is given as a justification of the recom

mendation of the sea-level canal. Immediate work is recommended at Co lon in constructing a safe harbor. To this end an outer breakwater is suggested as well as the construction of an inner harbor at the entrance to the canal. It is recommended that bids be invited for this work

Three Small Dams Recommended.

Other minor features of canal construction recommended include completing the Gatuncillo diversion channel begun by the old canal company, to divert from the canal the waters of the Gatuncillo and Mindi Rivers and other smaller streams. In connection with this, three small dams must be built-two across the Chagres, near the Mindia, and one across the Boca Mindi. All of this work is independent of the decision as to the level for the canal, and its immediate execution is recom

mended. Other subsidiary features depend on the level determined on, and are not discussed. The committee makes this observ

ation in summing up: "The practicability of certainly and sat isfactorily controlling the floods

of Chagres by so simple and economical a method as the Gamboa Lake and its outflow of channels, and the reduced cost of excavation as actually demonstrated by the work of the Culebra cut makes the work of the sea-level canal a reasonable cost far more available than has hereto

fore appeared possible. These recent de elopments in the conditions attending the construction of the canal are so important as to be almost controlling in character.

Present Results Under Difficulties. "The remaining element is that of time required to make the great summit exca vation. It is to be carefully observed that the results thus far obtained in the Culebra cut have been reached under disadvantageous conditions of both organi

nation of plant and force. The railroad tracks serving the excavators are yet fragmentary and tentatively placed to serve the purposes of investigation. "In both respects the disposition of the

plant is far more unfavorable, both to sectomy and celerity of operations, than will be the case when a complete track over Niedringhaus.

mission. His observations are confined to circumstances, should the surface of the the employes of the Commission from the isthmus who were hired in the United Discussing the yellow fever sit-States. uation, General Davis says.

"Of canal employes and their families oming here from the United States only our out of some 400 or 500 have been sick from yellow fever, and of this number one erminated fatally."

Discussing the lack of accommodation. the Governor observes:

"The number of employes who have at rived on the lsthmus under appointments made in the United States, who assert that they were told by members of the Commission, or by its employes in Wash-ington, that they all would have guarters or residences, and excellent accommoda-tions, is so large and the assertions are o positive, that I cannot but believe there some basis for the statements made and if any such assurances were given. It was a great mistake, I think, The pic ture ought to have been painted worse than it is, rather than otherwise, so that men arriving here could not possibly find the real condition to be worse than they expected to find it." He continues:

"As land can be secured in the wa provided by treaty and by statute, it will be taken, and there will be no delay in erecting the necessary houses for all the employes in the City of Panama. Until quarters are avilable." he says, "it is not advisable for married men to take their families to Panama. Misery for all cerned has resulted in cases where this has been done.'

Governor Davis says the wages paid to employes who come here from home and to others of the same class hired on the Isthmus, are in many cases 25 per cent higher than they were during the busiest period of the French canal work and in no case are they less,

No suggested remedy for the lack of amusement is made. The barro gambling hells are the principal attrac-tions now, and in the City of Panama lottery tickets are everywhere offered fo sale on the street corners. Because of the increased price of mer

chandise of all kinds, the report says, the Canal Commission has just directed that Canal Commission has just directed that the material and supplies department establish a commissary, where they will be kept for sale at cost price. Concluding, General Davis says:

"Casting up the matter in all its phases, would say that, while this discontent exists, and certainly will exis probably for a long time, with respect i some of the employee, yet the larger number are not unreasonable, and accept the situa tion; they know that the Govern doing everything possible to make their lot pleasanter, and they are loyally working and carrying out their contracts.

NIEDRINGHAUS WILL NOT QUIT Democrats May Throw Their Votes

to R. C. Kerens.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 26 .-With the return of Thomas K. Niedringhaus, caucus nominee for United States Senator, who has been absent for nearly a week, speculation over the probable breaking of the deadlock in the Legislature was general today. Mr Niedringhaus denied that he expected to withdraw from the race.

From Democratic sources it t learned that a Democratic caucus members of the House is planned for early this week to decide whether or not to throw sufficient. Democratic votes to Richard C. Kerens to elect him

There WIE "Is is true, Mr. Matthews, that you talk of a machine while the Legislature have retired from the leadership of the was in session at Salem. If there was a regular Republican organization, as stated machine, I saw nothing of it. I cannot in The Sunday Oregonian-that you will outline the future of the Republican ortake no part in future politics, and that ganization, because I do not know what it will do." you have so advised your friends?"

Many Diverse Views.

John W. Minto saw nothing to fear in "I am not the leader of the regular Resublican organization, and have not been the resignation of Mr. Matthews. He since 1962, when I resigned the chairman- said: "We are all Republicans, and the ship of the State Central Committee to organization will take care of itself. The Republicans who have guided the affairs accept the office of United States Marshal, and I have not been a leader iso of the city and county are of the sturdy called) or chairman of the State Central sort, and the resignation or the death of Committee or of a County Central Coma leader will not affect the onward movemittee since that time; therefore I have ment of the organization. Who will suc no leadership at this time to resign. I ceed Mr. Matthews? Well, that is hard o not consider it just to those now at to say. I could not for the life of me say the head of the regular Republican orat this time who it would be. ganization to attempt to detract from Alexander Dernstein said: "It Mr.

them the power which belongs to the po-Matthews goes out, somebody else will ations which they hold by attributing take his place, and politics will go on some of it to me, because it does not be just the same. long to me; moreover, I do not claim it. Ex-United States Senator Simon simply

"It is true that for some time past I remarked: "I have no desire to be have discussed politics with my personal quoted.'

political friends, and also with some who W. D. Fenton said: "I have no knowlare not my friends, and it is also true edge that Mr. Matthews is to retire from that I have made suggestions and given political management, and I doubt the advice as a private citizen when asked authenticity of the report. In my judgto do so, but in the future 1 do not inment, the Republicans should come to tend even doing this much, and have so gether and eliminate factional control, and advised my friends, and it may be to this urge upon the leaders of all factions that the story printed in The Sunday Orean honest effort to unite in council and gonian is due.

wered: "I do not care to express an

opinion, as I have not had time to study

the matter. I have not talked to anyone

No Confidence in Retirement.

his machine's failures in the Legisla-

lately about political matters."

leadership. The retirement of the gentle "I am not so situated, and have not man mentioned. If he should do so, should been since 1902-because of my positionnot destroy or seriously impair the existthat I can devote any time to politics, ing organization, but the occasion should give opportunity to wise leadership to and, as it is necessary that one's whole time should be given to politics in order unite the party. Personally friendly to to make much of a success at it, I am the leaders of the two old factions, I in no position to take any part in such speak without fear or favor of either when I advise: Let Republicans get tomatters, even if so inclined, but, as I said before. I do not besire to do so, and gether. Donald Mackay when questioned anwill not.

Begin to Take Notice.

In spite of the fact that W. F. Matthews has resigned the political leadership of Portland and of Multnomah County, the Republican organization will no e' without a leader. Some of the wise acres smiled within themselves, for they looked upon the announcement as that much "political hot air," but when as sured that Mr. Matthews was sincere they began to take notice.

The skeptics were many, but when the and it is not his nature to yield the were informed that Mr. Matthews had reins. If he does nominally retire, he submitted to an interview, stating posiwill undoubtedly keep in close touch tively that he would no longer dictate with the organization-his organization to the political organization, either as a -and direct it from cover as he has friend or as a politician, they were conbeen doing. By the way, since Matvinced that he was through with the pothews is now and for some years has ittical game. But when it came to nam been a Federal officencider, his decla ing a successor to Matthews, or to telling ration of retirement at this late day what effect his resignation would have on must be taken as an admission of the the future political organization, they fact that he has long been acting in were as noncommittal as Wordsworth's disregard of civil service laws. little maiden. Many of the leaders were asked for interviews. Jut of the entire Republican organization only two men were named as successors to Matthews. to recover her good name until she They were C. H. Carey and Whitney L. openly and decisively repudiates the Bolse. Not one of those on the inside machine that has brought us to diswould stand for favoring either Carey or grace. Just what the line-up will be Roise. The latter had a number of supno one can now say, and all forecasting porters, but it was to Carey that most of will be idle until we get a decision

the politicians leaned. Both Mr. Carey and Mr. Boise were infrom the Circuit Judges in the cise terviewed, and both were positive in their brought to determine whether the di- little other damage will result.

Alan W. Wood moved from Pittsburg to New York, the brothers having sold their plant to the American Sheet Steel Company for many millions of dollars. He built a large home on the Riverside drive, in which he lived until recently. Life in the metropolis threw the old man in the way of an actress, and he became infatualed with her, as his son had done three years before.

Children Try to Wean Him.

His children used every artifice to wear Mr. Wood from his devotions to Miss Goldie Mohr. They failed, and it is said that recently he made her his bride.

Mr. Wood's first wife was Miss Nannie Knox, a sister of Senator P. C. Knox. They had one child, Mr. Wood then married Miss Alberta Carrier, and the couple had six children.

Mr. Wood is Wlated to Thomas McKee, a brother of A. Hart McKee, another of the Pittsburg millionaire set in New York. Thomas McKee married a sister of Mr. Wood, as also did Joseph R. Ditworth, a wealthy Pittsburger. The marriage of Mr. Wood with Goldie Mohr has been a sweet morsel for the gossips of Pittsburg.

DR. HARPER RESTS EASILY Central Church Choir Sings for Him

at Chicago Hospital.

CHICAGO, Feb. 26 .- Dr. W. R. Harper, president of the University of Chicago, rested comfortably today at the hospital, and his attendants said tonight that his condition was excellent. The choir of the Central Church sang for an hour this afternoon at the Presbyterian Hospital for the patient. After they had finished, Dr. Harper thanked each one for the music

Governor Boutwell is Very III.

GROTON, Mass., Feb. 26 .- Ex-Goverr George S. Boutwell, who is ill from pneumonia, passed a comfortable day, and at times showed some improvement.

His condition, however, continues very grave. The venerable statesman real-W. S. Duniway says: "I do not beized the gravity of his illness today and Heve Matthews has retired, or that he said to his daughter, Miss Georgiana will retire, though he is probably at Boutwell present suffering from chagrin over

"I think my chances of recovery are pretty alim.

At midnight his condition was unture. He has proved his love of power, changed and he was resting quietly.

THOUSANDS ARE CONVERTED

Eighteen Evangelists at Work in Great Kentucky Revival.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Feb. 26 .- Meetings In 24 churches, theaters and halls today concluded the main effort of one of the most remarkable religious revivseen In America during the past 50

During the two weaks Just vears. "In 1896 Oregon was the proudest Reclosed 6500 persons confessed to Chrispublican state in the West; now she is tianity. Enghteen visiting evangelists took part in the work. in shame. I do not look for the state

ice Floating in the Kaw.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 26 .- Floating ice

in the Kaw River here has wrecked the

pile bridges of the Kansas City Belt Line and the Rock Island Railroad. A

channel was made in the ice today by

the use of dynamite. It is believed that