ESTATE SHRINKS QUEERLY

Interest Now Centers in Inquest, Which Is Expected to Reveal Important Facts-Policies Likely to Be Protested.

CHICAGO, July 26 .- (Special.)-Authorities of Winneika, who yesterday took possession of the Summer residence of the late Ira G. Rawn, president of the Monon Railway, were expected tonight to issue a statement that would have an important bearing on the inquest tomor-row evening, but at a late hour it was announced that no statement would be

The residence was selzed by the pres-ident of the Winnetka Council, who inti-mated that-vital information was being withheld. He placed Chief of Police Coutry in charge, together with enough policemen to patrol the grounds. Mem-bers of the Rawn family are permitted to go and come freely, but they are not per-mitted to carry away any article and every visitor is subjected to constant es-vironmen.

plonage.

Chief interest now centers in the inquest tomorrow evening. It had been expected that President Lowett, of the Illinois Central, would arrive today, presumably to attend the inquest, but if he is in the city, no trace can be found of Normal School Makes

Estate Dwindles to \$120,000.

Considerable surprise was caused to-day when it became known that the es-tate of ira Rawn, instead of amounting to a million dollars or more, will not ex-ceed \$120,000 and pehraps not more than \$100,000. This estimate does not include the life insurance or casualty insurance of \$135,000, payment of which may be contested unless the companies are convinced Mr. Rawn did not die by his own band. Attorneys for the Illinois Central still insist that Mr. Rawn must have had an estate of nearly \$2,000,000 and will want to know what has become of it.

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The Pinkertons announce they are working on a new clew which they assert may lead to the slayer of Rawn. Two mysterious men arrived in Winnetka at 12:39 o'clock on the night of the tragedy and inquired the way to the Rawn home. Neighbors have been found who heard two men arguing in the shrubbery at the Rawn home. wn home. One was protesting against me act the other proposed.

Mysterious Strangers Sought.

These men had been seen in Winnetka These men had been seen in Winnetka a few days before the shooting and at that time they obtained general directions as to the locality of the home from a chauffcur who has given the detectives a fairly good description of them.

Superintendent Schumacher, of the Pinkerton Agency, says there never has been any ground for the them of sui-cide.

"I have been wrongly quoted in saving "I have been wrongly quoted in saying I could prove this was a case of murder, but I believe this evidence will be in my hands inside of two days," he said. "The talk of suicide is preposterous."

The hearing of the Illinois Central graft case, set for today, was postponed for one week by Master in Chancery Taylor.

GRANGE PLANS BIG MARKET

Washington Farmers Hope to Eliminate Middle Men.

SEATTLE, Wash., July 26 .- Delegates to the State Grange representing 22 counties, at a meeting here yesterday, decided to form an organization for the decided to form an organization for the purpose of marketing the products of purpose of marketing the products of the farm direct to the consumer, elim-inating the middle man entirely. To organize such an association a commit-tee of three managers was appointed. The committee will consider a plan to unite all the co-operative stores in

to unite all the co-operative stores in the state, now numbering over 150 with a market to be established in Seattle, forming one vast organization that will buy the entire output of manufacturers and establish a distributing

of acturers and establish a distribution of the board of managers elected by the delegates given full power to act by the Washington State Grange, con-

by the Washington State Grange, consists of C. B. Kegley, of Paleuse; for a
term of three years; Chris McDonnell,
of Colville, for two years, and S. M.
McKee, of North Yakima, one year.
In addition a committee consisting
of L. V. Williams, of O'Brien; E. Hazleton, of Monroe, and L. L. Snow, of
Olympia, was elected, to nave enarge of
the establishment of the market for
the farmers' products in Seattle.

MOSHBERGER IS ELECTED

Woodburn National Guard Fills Vacant Captaincy.

WOODBURN, Or., July 26.—(Special.)—At an election held by Company F. Third Infantry, O. N. G., tonight Pirst Lieutenant Eugene Moshberger was elected captain to fill the place made vacant by the appointment of Captain F. W. Settlemier as major.

Second Lieutenant Grover Tood was appointed first lieutenant and Figure appointed first lieutenant and Figure 1999.

appointed first lieutenant, and First Sorgeant P. A. Livesey second lieu-Captain Moshberger is a Spanish-

American War veteran, having served with Company M. Second Oregon, in the Philippines.

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SEATTLE. Wash. July 26.—Prominent lumbermen from all parts of the Pacific Coast. Northwest and British Columbia will be in attendance at the semiannual meeting of the Pacific Coast. Lumber Manufacturers' Association in Tacoma next Saturday. Lumbermen and others indirectly identified with that important industry will speak. Reports of many descriptions will be submitted and discussed. The lumbermen's organizations of Tacoma and the commercial associations are arranging for the entertainment of the visiting delegates, including an afternoon automobile ride for the ladies and a banquet for all visitors in the Tacoma Hotel in the evening.

Barcelona Is Quiet.

MADRID, July 26.-This is the anniversary of the general strike at Barce-lona, but the threatened walkout did not materialize today. Official dispatches state that tranquility reigns in Barcelona. Ten thousand troops occupy strat-seic points in the Catalonia capital.

THREE BEAUTIFUL DAUGHTERS OF IRA G. RAWN, MYSTERIOUSLY DEAD, WHOSE FORTUNE APPEARS TO DWINDLE.







MRS DAVID BIGELOW.

TO GIRLS, HE SAYS

Dramatic Witness.

APPLAUSE FOLLOWS WORDS

Students, Graduates and Their Mothers Volunteer Testimony as to Good Character of Professor-Verdict Likely Today.

CHICO, Cal., July 28 - (Special.)-Bringing his story to a dramatic climax this afternoon while he testified as the closing afternoon while he testified as the closing witness in the inquiry into the charges against him, Dr. C. C. Van Liew, his voice breaking, his lips quivering, proclaimed himself the guardian of the young women in his school, set himself up as the protector of their morals, not their traducer, and won wild applause from his friends and supporters, who crowded the office of the normal school president, where the hearing is being conducted. prewident, conducted,

Overcome with emotion, the accused and of the state co-educational institu-ion declared the charges against him

Covercome with emotion, the accused head of the state co-educational institution declared the charges against him unfair and unjust.

"I have had many cases in which I have played the part of the minister in conduct of this school," said Van Liew, "If you want to put it that way, in which I have endeavored to save girls, and sometimes I have saved them, I have been their spiritual adviser, sometimes in a way. And the girls know I have been their spiritual adviser, sometimes in the strength of the girls with official consent.

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The applause following the speech of Dr. Van Llew did not subside until Chairman Clifford Coggins had rapped repeatedly for order. Immediately a recess was taken. Trustee E. A. Warren stapped Dr. Van Liew on the back. "You did fine, doctor, you did fine," he said. The testimony for and against Dr. Van Liew has been submitted. Now remains only the summing un arguments of his only the summing up arguments of At-torney-General U. S. Webb, the state rep-resentative in the hearing, and those of A. Yell and A. M. Seymour, the at-torneys for Dr. Van Liew.

There was a plan to attempt to com-plete the case tonight, but hot weather worked a big argument against such action. In the morning it is expected that the case will go to the jury of trustees and the decision is expected before night.

Women Volunteer Testimony.

Public sentiment in favor of Dr. Van Liew showed itself at the hearing today. Not only the personal friends of the accused head of the school, but mothers whose daughters had graduated from the school, fathers whose sons had been educated there and women who had lived their lives within the shadows of the school came forward to tell of their regard for the accused man. It was a demonstration in which all classes took a part, and was one that has made a re-

demonstration in which all classes took a part, and was one that has made a remarkable impression upon the trustees of the school who are sitting as the judges of the President.

As Dr. Van Liew denied bit by bit the story of Ada Clark, his chief accuser. The young woman set within a few feet of him, watching his face as he uttered every word, oblivious to all around her. At her left sat her friend and confidant. Nona Lindley, the young woman who furnished the only bit of corroborative testimony to her story. Her patriarchial father, intent upon what was being said, sat on her right. what was being said, sat on her right.

Rev. Clark Listens Closely.

his eyes fixed upon the face of the man his sister accuser, Rev. C. Todd Clark, drank in every word of testi-mony given by the school president. It is a question of veracity between Ada Clark, the pretty young woman, when, as a student at the school, went into the office of the president upon school business, and there says Dr. Van Liew hugged her, and the word of Dr. Van Liew, who denies the story of the girl in full. There was no third party present. It remains a question of veracity for the trustees to decide between the young woman, who has stuck them. tween the young woman, who has stuck to her story, and that of a man who during il years of work as head of the Normal School has not had a charge involving his morality or good character brought against him

CHINA IS AFRAID OF LOANS

People Fear Foreign Financiers May

for the construction of the Sze Chuan comforts and Canton-Hankow railways has reached the State Department through articles in the Chinese papers of the December.



ate Egypt, otherwise how could she have got it?"

Just about the time China was to close the negotiations with England, France, Germany and America for the Smithsonian Institution Gives Sand loan of money to build the roads, pro-tests from the provinces caused a de-lay in the completion of the loan Re-cently the foreign governments joined in a note asking for early action by Geological Survey-Subject

ENGINEERS PLAN

China.

ALL RECLAMATION PROJECTS ARE TO BE INSPECTED.

Army Board to See Umatilla and Klamath Enterprises and Wil Travel as Unit.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Wash; ington, July 26.—The board of Army engineer officers appointed to exall Government projects will leave Washington on Thursday and travel westward to the State of Washington, inspecting projects en route.

ects en route.

The board's ltinerary is not definitely fixed, as the members are not able to anticipate the amount of time required on various projects, but their first inspection will be of the North Platte project, Nebraska, next Monday. They then go to Goshen Hele, Wyo., which is the proposed extension of the North Platte project; thence to Bellefouche, Huntley, Shoshone Dam, Wyoming. Platte project; thence to Hellefouche, Huntley, Shoshone Dam, Wyoming; Lower Yellowstone and Williston, N. D.; Milk River, Sun River and St. Mary's, Montana; thence to the Yakima Valley, where all the subsidiary projects will be gone over.

The board then goes south to examine the Umatilla project and particularly the proposed west side extension.

Turning east, they will inspect the

Turning east, they will inspect the Boise-Payette and Minidoka projects, in Idaho, and stop next at Strawberry Valley, Utah, Beyond that point their route has not been mapped.

They may turn back to California or decide to go on to Colorado and then south and west, but before returning to Washington will visit all projects, including the Klamath. It is the present intention of the board to make

ests, including the Kismath. It is the present intention of the board to make only one report, covering all the projects. The board will travel as a unit and not divided into two parties, as

Eugene Invites Roosevelt.

Get Control of Kingdom.

WASHINGTON, July 26.—Some light on the nature of the opposition in China to the \$40.000,000 foreign loan for the construction of the Sze Chuan and Canton-Hankow railways has reached the State Department through articles in the Chinese papers of the December.

Not Less Than 55,000,000 Years, Is New Estimate.

GUESS

tion to Figures of Members of Open for Discussion.

WASHINGTON, July 26 .- (Special.) -Old Mother Earth, like femininity brough all time, but with far greater uccess than most of her sex, has defled man to learn her age. Scientists still admit their defeat. Their latest estimate credits her with "not above 70,000,000 years or below 55,000,000

years."
This estimate, to which official sanction is given through publication by the Smithsonian Institution, is the result of studies by Frank Wigglesworth Clark and George F. Becker, of the United States Geological Survey.

Professor Clark in a paper entitled

Professor Clark in a paper entitled A Preliminary Study of Chemical Denudation presents a review of available data from a chemical point of view. Mr. Becker discussed the question in a paper on "The Age of the Earth" from a more philosophical point

of view.

The age of the earth has always been a subject for discussion among men of science and largely without any definite agreement among the representatives of the different branches of studies on account of the different points of attack.

Briefly, the more recent discussion as the earth's age has placed time as Lord Kelvin, in 1862, 20.000,000 to

Lord Keivin, in 1882, 20,000,000 to 400,000,000 years, with a probable 98,000,000 years.

Clarence King and Carl Barus, in 1893, 24,000,000 years.

Lord Keivin, in 1897, revised his figures to 20,000,000 to 40,000,000 years.

De Lapparent, in 1890, 67,000,000 to 20,000,000 years.

De Lapparent, in 1890, 87,000,000 to 50,000,000 years.
Charles D. Walcott, secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, in 1893, maximum age 70,000,000 years.
J. J. Jolly, in 1899, age of the ocean \$0,000,000 to 90,000,000 years.
W. J. Sollas, in 1909, age of the ocean, \$0,000,000 to 150,000,000 years.

Anti-Weed Crusade Aided.

WASHINGTON, July 26 .- Stimulating the Government's country-wide anti-weed crusade. Acting Secretary of the Treasury Andrew has ordered all cus-toms officers to take two-ounce samples of all importations of grass, clover and forage plants and forward to the seed laboratory of the Department of Agriculture here.

Chinese Statesman Resigns.

PEKIN. July 28.—An Imperial edict was issued today accepting the resignation of Liang Tung Yen from the presidency of the Board of Foreign Affairs and appointing as his successor Tsong Tchia Lao, formerly vice-president of the board.

Quarter's Returns Many Millions Greater Than Those of Year Ago.

FUTURE EVEN BRIGHTER

Only Non-Cancellable Business Is Intended in Corporations' Estimate of Orders on Hand. New Plants Planned.

NEW YORK, July 26.—The quarterly statement of the United States Steel Corporation for the three months ended June 30 last, issued today, shows total earnings of \$40,170,950, an amount fan in excess of unofficial estimates and greater than earnings of the first quarter by \$3,554,984. Net earnings for the quarter were \$32,880,755, or \$2,377,561 greater than the first quarter's returns.

Both gross and net earnings are vastly larger than those of the corresponding quarter last year, which were \$29,340,491 and \$23,223,395 respectively. At this period last year the corpora-

\$29,240,491 and \$23,222,395 respectively. At this period last year the corporation was at war with many independent concerns and all products were being cut drastically. In contrast to the earnings, Wall street expressed disappointment at the exhibit of unfilled orders as set forth in today's report. They are only 4,257,754 tons, a falling off of 1,344,575 tons in comparison with the previous quarter.

Only Beal Business Shown. In this connection it was said unofficially that the report shows only
the actual, or noncancellable, business.
Pursuant to the corporation's policy
of publicity, the directors today ordered that the officers hereafter make
public on the 10th of each month the
aggregate tonnage of unfilled orders
on hand at the close of the previous
month.

The charge off for depreciation and The charge off for depreciation and extraordinary expenses for the last quarter was \$5.569.949, as against \$5.829.232 in the previous quarter, and \$5.511,000 in the same quarter of 1909. The surplus for the quarter is \$6.410,-923, against \$6.532,531 for the first quarter of the year, and \$5.894.244 in the corresponding quarter last year. The sum of \$7.500,000 was set aside for account of expenditures made and

for account of expenditures made and to be made for additional property, new plants and construction.

The regular quarterly dividends of The regular quarterly dividends of 1% per cent on the preferred and 1% per cent on the common shares were declared. No statement dealing with the trade outlook was issued, but several of the directors expressed themselves as convinced that the present quarter's returns will be even more satisfactory than those just published. W. E. Corey, president of the corporation, presided at today's meeting in the absence of Chairman Gary, who is abroad. The attendance of directors, which included J. P. Morgan, was unusually large for a midsummer meeting.

OLD FIRE FOUGHT ALL NIGHT

BURNING FORESTS GET BEYOND CONTROL IN MONTANA

Militia May Be Called Out to Aid in Struggle With Flames-Property in Grave Peril.

MISSOULA, Mont., July 26.—The all-nghit struggle against the rush of the lames into the more valuable timber on Iron Mountain has been unavailing and today the fire, entirely beyond control, threatens to become the most destructive of the season in this part

of Montana. The situation at Libby is still reported as critical and the Forestry officials have advices that both life and plaperty there are endangered. It has been suggested that the Governor be appealed to detain the state militia, now at Libby on its way to Tacoma, to help

with the fire-fighting.

The third serious fire now in this district is that on the slopes of the Bitter Root Mountains. Already a large area has been devastated. Every available man has been enlisted in the fight against the fire.

OSTEOPATH CAN'T COLLECT Tacoma Justice Says Patient Does

Not Have to Pay.

TACOMA. Wash., July 28.—(Special.)— By holding that A. L. Goff, an osteo-path, could not collect from Louis Ol-son for services rendered as a physison for services rendered as a physi-cian and surgeon and giving the de-fendant judgment for costs. Justice Card set a precedent for Pierce County that offers peculiar possibilities. The fact that Goff as a professional prac-titioner could not force his patients to settle is an interesting phase of the law's workings. Goff swore on the witness stand that

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-Persian Novelties in Windsors, Bows, La Valliere and Coat Sets in light and dark color combinations.

a physician and surgeon. Attor-dilagher, for the defendant, main-dithat Goff never had a license the last Legislature, and it was on this ney Gallagher, for the defendant, maintained that Goff never had a license to practice medicine.

Goff's assertion put the cause out of plaint

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