OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 7.— William J. Bryan was the chief guest at a dollar dinner given at the Auditorium tenight by the Dahiman Democratic club, at which about 1200 persons were present. Following the banquet the galleries were thrown open to the public and about 3000 persons availed themselves of the appendix by the presches of the opportunity to near the speeches of the evening.

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The enthusiasm with which Mr.
Bryan was received exceeded any
demonstration ever given by the people of his own state. It was the first
time he had addressed a Nebraska
audience since he announced his willingness to accept the Democratic nomination and, when he arose to speak it took several minutes of demonstration to satisfy the gathering. The band played "The Star-Spangled Banner," but the crowd continued to until Mr. Bryan waved for

More Borrowed Ideas.

The enthusiastic reception was evifiently noted with considerable feeling by the Democratic leader, and he acknowledged the hearty greeting in a feeling introductory to his speech.
Mr. Bryan followed the line of argu

ment pursued in his speech at Washington, adding to the things which he stated in that speech were borrowed from the Democratic platform, one new suggestion contained in the message of President Roosevent sent to Congress last Tuesday. This additional suggestion refers to the recommendation of ion refers to the recommendation of the President of a license system for the trusts.

Mr. Bryan also indorsed the President's suggestion in regard to appropriating money for campaign funds, saying that, while it was an original suggestion for which the President should have credit, it was Democratic

Let Rank and File Choose Him.

Many references had been made during the evening to Mr. Bryan's candi-dacy for the Democratic nomination and to these suggestions the speaker gave little encouragement, except to state that his position remained the same as indicated in the pronuncia-mento given out by him some time ago. He reiterated that his position was unchanged and that his accept-sace of the nomination would be forth-coming, if he were satisfied the rank and file of the party wished him again to lead their forces.

GO HIGHER OR QUIT THE GAME

Hughes Will Retire From Politics Unless Elected President.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7 .- State Senator Alfred H. Page, regarded as one of Governor Hughes' personal friends, said today that the Governor would not accept a renomination. He said that, if the Governor continued in public life after the end of next year, it would be because the Republicans elected him President of the United States.

Has Made No Further Declaration.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7 .- Although sev washingTon, Dec. 7.—Although several interviews have been published with recent White House callers to the effect that the President has declared at each anew, he will decline another normination, it is said the President has made no such declaration. It is pointed out that if he contemplates such a statement he would not embody it in a casual conversation with a caller, to be repeated or withheld as the caller should elect, but would make it direct and this he has not

LINER STICKS ON MUDBANK \$20,000.

Carmania Blocks New York Channel, but Is Again Floated. .

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—The big Cunard liner Carmania, which became wedged fast on a soft mudbank that streaks its way across the new Ambrose channel, while leaving port today for Europe, was floated into deep water at high-tide tonight and returned to quarantine, apparently none the worse for her experience. She will probably continue her interrupted voyage late tonight.

The big Cungarier left her experience.

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The big Cunarder left her pier early today, bound for Liverpool, and was ploking her course under fair speed down the new Ambrose channel, which was recently opened to navigation and which is a short cut to sea. Suddenly there was a grinding under the keel and before the big propelliers could be reversed and check her course, the Carmania found brealf lodged on a mudbank about a quarter of a mile northwest of Romer Shoal lighthouse. The Carmania slowly swung diagonally across the channel, blocking the waterway for vessels of large draught. Efforts to get the ship off in the ebbing tide were futile. At high-tide today a small fleet of tugs high-tide teday a small fleet of tugs strained and tugged at the huge liner and slowly the Carmania slid of the mud ridge into the deep waters of the channel. She then returned to quarantine, and on investigation she was found to have sustained no damage.

ARMY AND NAVY DISAGREE

Issue Is Choice of Navai Base in Philippines.

CHICAGO, Dec. 7.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Washington, D. C., says: The position of the United States as a naval power in the Far East may be seriously jeopardized by the sharp contro-versy which has been in progress for sev-eral weeks between the Army and Navy. The controversy arose as a result of the decision of the general board of the Navy to establish a naval base at Subig Bay. Island of Luzon. The Army insists that the proper place for this base in Manila. Secretary Taft inspected both Manila.

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CHICAGO CONVENTION CITY

SEVEN OF TEN PRESIDENTS ARE NOMINATED THERE.

Since 1860 Scene of Political Assemblies-Coliseum Most Perfect Convention Hall,

CHICAGO, Dec. 7.—(Special.)—Chicago holds clear title to the name "Convention City," for of the eight men elected directly to the presidency since 1860 six were nominated in this city. Within that period of nearly half a century 10 National gatherings have a century 10 National gatherings have been held here by the Republican and Democratic parties—nearly one-half of the great quadrennial assemblages had during that time. Of the eight men elected directly to the White House to fill the 12 Presidential terms since 1850, Lincoln, Grant, Garfield, Cleveland, Harrison and Roosevelt were named in Chicago. The two that did not come from a convention here were Hayes and from a convention here were Hayes and McKinley. For their second terms, Lincoln and Grant were nominated in other cities, but Cleveland came from a Chicago convention both times that he was elected.

Seven Presidents Named There.

Of the three Vice-Presidents that took up the mantles of the three "mar-tyr" Presidents—Lincoln, Garfield and McKinley—Johnson, who became President at the death of Lincoln, was nominated for Vice-President at the Baltimore convention that named the "Great Emandentstor" for his second Emancipator" for his second term, while Roosevelt's Vice-Presidential nomination came from the Philadelphiaconclave that picked McKinley for the second term that was cut short by the bullet of Czolgosz. In all, 10 men have sat in the White House since 1860, in-cluding Vice-Presidents who stepped nto vacancies, and of these seven have bleen nominated at National assem-blages held in this city.

The Presidential nomination will be

fought out in the Collseum-the great-est building of its kind on the contiest building of its kind on the conti-nent in point of seating capacity, light, ventilation, acoustic properties, fire pro-tection and general comfort of appoint-ments. The building made such an im-pression on the National leaders in 1804, on account of its accommodations, that it is small wonder that the Na-tional committee decided again to pitch its tent by Lake Michigan. its tent by Lake Michigan.

More Seats in Colis

seating capacity of 12,000 was set as the minimum limit for a convention hall when the National committeemen began to consider the question of a site began to consider the question of a site for 1908. The ordinary capacity of the Collseum is placed at 10,000, which can be increased to 12,000 without over-crowding. By the present arrangement of galleries, however, much available space goes to waste, and the management of the building, in conjunction with the citizens who secured the meeting for Chicago, is planning to build "hanging galleries" that will increase the accommodations to 15,000. Engineers have been drafting the necessary plans, and by the time the interior of the building is remodeled the immense amount of space under the present galleries that was wasted the present galleries that was wasted three years ago, will be utilized, giv-ing seats enough for the delegates and for more spectators than heretofore have been able to enjoy the privilege of witnessing the deliberations of a great National convention. The cost of the aiterations is expected to be \$12,000 to

BEG TO BE FORGOTTEN

McCurdies Hide in France, Sick and Heartbroken.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—The American this morning quotes Louis A. Thebaud, son-in-law of Richard A. McCurdy, former president of the Mutual Life Insurance Company, as saying that both Mr. McCurdy and his son Robert are very sick and that it is probable neither will recover. According to the inter-view, Mr. Thebaud refused to state where the former insurance men are, further than to say they are in France. "I don't know just where they are,"

said Mr. Thebaud. "I have not heard from them directly for some time. They are over there somewhere, heartbroken and sick. Why don't people let them alone? Haven't they suffered enough already? Haven't enough false charges been made against them? Aren't they entitled to rest in peace now? Let them be forgotten."

GATHERING AT THE ROADS

Pacific-Bound Atlantic Fleet Will Soon Be Ready to Sail.

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 7.—The Pacific-bound Atlantic fleet under Rear-Admiral Bound Atlantic fleet under Rear-Admiral Evans is now rapidly assembling in Hampton Roads, whence the groat fleet of 16 battleships will start for the long voy-age to San Francisco following a review by President Roosevelt.

Wilkins Held for Murder. .

OAKLAND, Dec. 7.—M. A. Wilkins, who is charged with killing Vina Carmen, with whom he lived, and burying her heneath an outhouse at their home in Elmhurst, was today held to answer betting fore the Superior Court on the charge of

Governor of Tennessee Marries.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 7 .- Governor Malcolm R. Patterson, of Tennessee, was and Subig Bay while in the Philippines, and sides with the Army. Admiral Dewey insists that the Secretary has taken his views from officers of the Army and that

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Steamer Lumber-Laden From

RESCUER CATCHES FIRE

Steamer Nelson Attempts to Give Aid

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 7 .- (Special.)-A wireless message from the coast below Eureka brought the information tonight that the tramp steamer Sotoyome was burning off the Eureka bar. The crew had escaped by taking to the boats. As far as can be learned, no lives have been

cargo of lumber. Captain Peterson took the vessel far out to dodge the storm. By some mischance, which the wireless did not explain, the cargo caught fire. The men fought desperately to quefich the finess but seen it because the cargo caught fire. the men longer desperately to question the flames, but soon it became apparent that the only hope lay in leaving the ship. The anchor was cast, and the men took to the boats. Soon they were picked up by the steamer Lakme, which made toward Eureka.

The steamer Charles Nelson passed

The steamer Charles Nelson passed along and made an attempt to save the Sotoyome. The Nelson fastened to the Sotoyome with the idea of towing her into Eureka. It was a hard and perlious fight. After a few miles had been covered, the flames communicated to the Nelson and the towing boat was forced to abandon her charge and fight for her own life. The flames on the Nelson were extinguished before any serious damage had been done.

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Like a great torch, the flames shooting funnel-shaped into her masts, the Sotoyome drifted with the wind. As night came on she loomed up a veritable tower of light, visible for hundreds of miles. Gradually the vessel drifted to the coast and late tought hit the her near Furnels. and late tonight hit the bar near Eureka The last wireless message stated that the vessel was still flaming as she lay strand-ed at the approach to the harbor. She

WAR . WAGED ON THE RATS

San Francisco to Keep Them From Houses by Ordinance.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 7.—(Special.)

The Board of Health today filed with
the Supervisors drafts of three proposed ordinances to improve the sanitary condition of the city. One of the
proposed laws provides that the foundations of all new buildings must be of stone, brick, cement, or other rat-proof material; the foundations must ex-tend two feet below the surface of the soil, with a thickness of at least nine inches at the top, and the entire floor area under houses must be of concrete. All openings in foundation walls must

be provided with heavy nets or screens to bar rats and other vermin, With foundations of this character it is hoped to keep rats and mice out of houses and thus prevent the possible spread of disease by them.

In view of the many complaints being unsanitary, condition of stables, the ance. It provides that the floors of all stables must be of concrete, three inches thick and covered with bitumen phalt. All bins and receptacles must be of metal and ratproof.

CURTAIL COPPER OUTPUT

A third ordinance regulates the band-

Amalgamated Directors Will Hold It

Down to Consumption.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—The directors of the Amalgamated Copper Company to-day voted to continue curtailing the out-put of Copper from the mines of the com-pany as nearly as possible on a parity with the present basis of consumption. It was also decided to authorize the operating offices to close each or continue inoperation such mines and smelters as hey deem best

of concentrating the output at such mines and smelters as can be most economic

RESCUERS GIVE LIVES

(Continued from First Page.)

A piece of concrete weighing fully 1000 pounds was blown clear across the West Fork River, landing on the side of a hill. In a radius of half a mile not another piece of concrete can be found. Great holes were torn in the hill on either side of the entrance of No. 5. Mine cars were crushed as though made of paper, and the huge steel tipple was blown apart. On all sides electric light wires were thrown to the ground and many persons narrowly escaped death from these in the rush from the mine followthese in the rush from the mine follow-ing the explosion. The Fairmont and Clarksburg Traction Company's cars passed within ten yards of the mine entrance and a larg scar, crowded with passengers, miraculously escaped being blown into the West Fork River. All the passengers were stunned by the terrific concussion. The mine officials state that 40 per cent of the victims are Americans.

Governor Going to Scene.

The company has sent rush orders for coffins to Pittsburg, Zanesville and other towns, the total number ordered being 380

up to this time.

Governor Dawson, of West Virginia, no-tified the company officers that he had or-dered Chief Mine Inspector Paul, of Charleston, to the scene, and that he would arrive at Monongah this morning.

President Watson, answering the Governor, said the mine explosion was most deplorable, and that probably all who were in the mine at the time are dead. Mr. Watson said to the Associated Press every possible investigation would be made of the disaster concerning its cause and to fix responsibility.

There was a slight fire inside of the stope of No. 8 mine this morning, due to the starting of the fan. It was extin-guished after an hour and the fan, working steadily, greatly facilitated the efforts of the rescuers to get into the mines. Coroner E. S. Amos, of Fairmont, will probably begin the inquest into the ex-plosion Monday morning.

Arrivals and Departures. amer Nevada, from Kahaulai.

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Portland, Or.: steamer Viadivia, for Portland; steamer Melville Dollar, for Puget ling of garbage and provides that it must be burned without delay. Sound; steamer Buckman, for Seattle; steamer Geo. W. Elder, for Portland; steam-er Cole L. Drake, for Portland; steamer Hornet, for Graya Harbor; steamer Persla,

or Portland. Setoria, Dec. 7 .- Arrived -- German bark H. Hackenfeid, from Honolulu to Tacoma.

Astoria, Dec. 7.—Arrived—Brittel back Gladys, from San Jose de Guatemals. Salled Prench back Marechal de Turenne, for United Kingdom; British ship Rajore, for United Kingdom.

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Hotel Portland—W. G. Haan, U. S. A.; F. Darling, Minneapolls, W. B. McIntyre, W. H. Whistler, Rock Island; R. M. Bachrach, San Francisco; A. Arid, New York; G. E. Bridgett, San Francisco; W. E. La Grave, Chicago; J. H. Lewis, Salem; J. B. Prettyman, Cottage Grove; J. D. Caldwell, Salt Lake, P. H. Driver, New York; W. Swan, Hoston; C. W. Jones, Milwaukee; A. C. Anderson, Chicago; Mrs. A. K. Hopkins, Mrs. A. P. Hankell, Brooklyn; E. T. Ford and wife. Seattle; J. Duccy, city; H. S. Shields, Chicago; J. B. Hoffman, Milwaukee; J. H. Howland, Honolulu; Mrs. C. C. Lott, city; M. Austrich, New York; C. F. Whaley, St. Paul; B. L. Crosby, H. H. Entee, Tacoma; J. W. Thomas and wife. Mrs. T. B. Weston, city; T. J. Golden, New York; E. H. Shepherd, Hood River; A. P. Baltheim, Mosier; W. J. Ladd, G. W. Rubenstein, F. G. Carpenter, New York; J. W. P. Cowing and wife, Miss Cowing, Major T. C. J. Balley, St. Paul; Mrs. T. C. J. Balley, St. Paul;

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