### ROCK ISLAND HEAD ON STAND DECLARES HE EARNS SALARY

Testifies He Held Jobs From thing that prevented Baker's latest Merger of Present Chamber Harder Now Than Ever.

#### JOB PAYS \$60,000 A YEAR

President Mudge Asserts Pull Crew Laws Compel Bailroads to Carry Useless Men on Trains.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 27 .- H. U. Mudge, president of the Rock Island declared that railroad officials deserve all the remuneration they receive. He ALLIED FLEETS resented the reference by Chief Counsel Folk to lump sums voted officers of the road as gifts and expressed the opinion that the public should have no say as to wnat should be done with the morey co.lected as fares provided

Mills, a director on the Rock Island allies were scarcely touched. he had too many irons in the fire. He limit of the allies' casualties. opined that the holding companies conected with the Rock Island are not detrimental to its interests.

Speyer termed as an "insulting

pany of New Jersey, a holding comcommissioner said they certainly had proved practically worthless. Speyer

"Several times in the history of this country the people have been anxious to buy almost anything without in-

John J. Quinian, president of the Rock Island company of New Jersey, testified that the purchase of the Frisco, which resulted in a book loss of \$35,000,000 to the Rock Island was wise move. Asked why by Commissioner Clements, he said at the time of the purchase rates were higher

this order, resulting in loss, Henry M. Sloan, assistant president of the Rock Island Co., said and a poor one which is a heavy expense and it takes half of the income cruisers, the Goeben and Breslau,

from the good house to keep the poor one in repair, I gain if I sell the poor. burdensome house at even half what .1 paid for it." This parable represented well the

Frisco deal, he declared. Sloan testified he knew of a \$5000 campaign contribution by the Rock Island concerning which Folk questioned him. President Mudge, ques-tioned relative to railroad officials' remuneration, said:

"I have been section hand, boss, station agent, railroad telegraph operator, brakeman, conductor, division superintendent, general manager, operating vice president and president, and I believe I come nearer earning my present salary than I did in any other capacity."

### Salary Is \$60,000.

He testified he receives \$60,000. He explained that the Rock Island pays no higher salaries than other roads of its size and declared that salaries of good men are a matter of competition. Good men have been won away from the Rock Island, he said, by offers of higher salaries and bonuses from other roads and from large industrial concerns.

He himself had been offered an inresented Counsel Folks' reference to lump sums voted officers as gifts. He said the railroad gave no gifts to officials and that services were rendered in exchange for every dollar voted. He went into detail concerning the present operating condition of the Rock Island, telling the condition the guards only after they had been eral equipment and claiming a gradual improvement in the face of increased states through which the Rock Island operated made it necessary to carry men on trains and on switching engines which were not only useless but a burden in cost. State and federal safety appliance acts called for increased expenses, he said, but added he grudged nothing spent in safety.

Would Equalize Values. Asked whether assets of doubtful value should not have been written down in the reports of the financial condition of the Rock Island, he said, such assets should be so written but added that on the other hand elements in the system which had materially enhanced in value should be revised

upward. Folk asked Mudge if he dld not think the public ought to have a say as to what was done with the money collected as fares and freight rates and Mudge declared he thought the public should have no say provided value was received for the rate paid. Commissioner Clements at this point said the public had a right to when the roads of the country are asking increased rates and pleading that their revenues are insufficient.

Captain Polis Dies at Sea. New York, Feb. 27.-Word was reof the directors of the Hamburg-American steamship company, had

### Baker Building Has Fire Mystery

Department Besponds Quickly and Plames Are Extinguished by Use of

Baker, Or., Feb. 27 .- The fact that Dr. H. J. Horton, a dentist, who has offices in the new Sommer building, was busy last evening, is the only and modern office building from be-Section Hand Up; Works ing a mass of ruins today. Fire starting in the basement was discovered by Dr. Horton in time to prevent its gaining headway. He went from his office to accompany a friend to the elevator. It is an automatic affair and when it reached the fourth floor and the door was opened, a vol-ume of smoked rushed out.

Without waiting to investigate, Dr. Horton turned in a fire airm and the fire department successfully extinhad burned through the first floor, the smoke doing considerable damage on the ground floor.

system, testifying before the inter- although it started in a wooden box and the Commercial club and the Chamstate commerce commission in its in- in front of the furnace, the flames her of Commerce playing Gaston to

# PUSH WAY UP

(Continued From Page One.) patrons got their money's worth for was terrible. The reply of the Turkish fective. This is on a par with the stand by Ogden Mills and James Spey- reply made by the gunners in the uter forts during which action the

The admiralty announced tonight izations.

But Portland has not made the progstock and represents the holdings of that during the attack the Agamemlarge blocks of stock in the hands of non was struck by a shell which landrelatives, said he did not have time to 'ed on the deck and that three men go into the details of the affairs of were killed and five injured. There the road. He admitted that possibly is every reason to believe that is the

#### Defenders Suffer Severe Losses.

On the other hand, a dispatch from Soila states that the defenders of the wounded Turkish soldiers having been manufacturers have Mr. Spewer termed as an "insulting question" the query of Consellor Folk taken from the ruined fortifications. If Mr. Speyer's firm ever had agreed to buy scentifies from the Rock Island and later had declined to keep the agreement. The witness stated that his banking house handled Rock under what remained of the entrenched works and completed the accomplish. Others have complained that they were not receiving the assistance such as a strong commercial body could and should render. So weak lave the organizations been in some respects that industrial leaders have despaired of the entrenched works and completed that they were not receiving the assistance such as a strong commercial body could and should render. So weak lave the organizations been in some respects that industrial leaders have despaired of the entrenched works and completed that they were not receiving the assistance such as a strong commercial body could and should render. So weak lave the organizations been in some respects that industrial leaders have accomplish. Others have complained that they were not receiving the special body could and should render. So weak lave the organizations been in some respects that industrial leaders have accomplish. Island securities to the extent of \$170,- entrenched works and completed the arousing any commercial body to activity and that the profits therefrom ruins. Landing parties sent to investivity and have formed into unofficial had been only \$1,438,740, or less than tigate the results of the bombardment one per cent.

Commissioner Clements asked Speyer the straits, found that three of the chamber of commerce to secure. the person who had been induced forts were completely destroyed, while to buy stock of the Rock Island com- the four was partly in ruins. The pany had not lost heavily. Speyer took cape Helles battery, the Orkanieh Ta-

Further up the straits the huge forand strongest of the entire scheme of ortifications, has been subjected to long range fire that has all but de-

Bombardment of the Narrows forifications is expected to begin within Work the next 24 hours. These fortifical should do. entire plan of the Dardanelles works. The narrow passage is guarded by 12 forts, nine on the European and three on the Asiatic. The fortifications were they don't get cooperation. laid out under the direction of Ger-

will have to be taken by landing par- biggest captains of industry, the sale of the Frisco by the Rock ish fleet of 34 vessels remains to be Island at a book loss of \$35,000,000 disposed of. This fleet is believed to was a wise move and that he believed be waiting in the Nagara roads. It is the railroad company was justified in said to consist of one dreadnaught. The railroad company was justified in said to consist of one dreadnaught. The road is everyloady's business applies with pecarrying the loss as an asset. He said: two battle cruisers, five cruisers, nine culiar force to the divided situation

> guarding the entrance to the Dar-The airmen made daily flights over the positions of the enemy dropping bombs and made observations which enabled the warships to

> gauge the fire to a nicety. The Turks were helpless to protect themselves from the airships, for they were without high angle guns,

### Miners Acquitted Of Murder Charge

Seven Men Had Been Accused of Ambushing Three Mine Guards in Colorado Tragedy.

Pueblo, Col., Feb. 27 .- The first big

ambushed a party of three mine guards on the La Veta road. Three guards tivities. creased salary and \$30,000 to leave the driving their car. The state claimed were killed as well as the chauffeur Rock Island, he declared. Mr. Mudge it was a case of cold-blooded murder, whereas the defense declared the guards were killed in a pitched battle. Attorney H. N. Hawkins, in his closing argument, contended that the first came from the automobile and that the defendants dropped behind

The trial lasted nine weeks. Seven extraordinary expenses. He said the of the jury and two weeks in the inweeks were consumed in the selection troduction of testimony. One of the seaport. men in the miners' party turned state's evidence, but when placed on the stand to testify could not say positively Garrison Has No whether his companions or the mine guards fired first

# Harbors Committee

to Come to Pacific Next Summer.

bers of the house committee on rivers and harbors today accepted the invitation of the legislative and civic bodies of California to visit that state sometime next summer. Between the progress of modernization of the Aider street from East Water to seacoast defenses, says:

"We should place as soon as we can sometime next summer. Representa- do so guns where we do not now feel

### of the railroad expenditures MURDERESS IS ACQUITTED

Toronto, Ont., Feb. 27.-Carrie Davies, who killed C. A. Massey, her employer, because she feared he would assault her during his wife's absence, New fork, red 21.—West was acquitted today. She had testified for and under the latest that Massey, who was a prominent estimated cost to complete the fortification of the directors of the Hamburg-clubman, had kissed her the night because is approximately \$40,000,000. was acquitted today. She had testified

### OBJECTS OF THE NEW COMMERCE CHAMBER CLEARLY SET FORTH

and Portland Commercial Club to Solve Problem.

Unanimity of Action Urged as Way in Which to Build up City's Trade in General.

Telling how in the past Portland has in a millinery store and barber shop let commercial opportunity after opportunity slip through its fingers be-The origin of the blaze is a mystery, cause of procrastination, indecision quiry into the finances of the Chicago, blazing up high enough to set fire the other's Alphonse, H. V. Chase, who Rock Island and Pacific railway, today to the woodwork of the floor above, is now in Portland to effect the merger of these two bodies into one, asserts that the new Chamber of Commerce will be so organized as to make truly representative of Portland's spirations for world commerce and of ter determination to help her citizens xpand their trade territory. In a statement made yesterday he

> Portland has many big men-men was terrible. The reply of the Turkish who have wrought mightily in the up-gunners was generally wild and ineffacturers. Most of what these men have accomplished is due to their in-dividual effort, part of it is due to the community and the cooperation it has given through its business organ-

> ress to which it is entitled by its commanding position. Many small manufacturing institutions should be doing facturing institutions should be doing a larger business. Many mercantile ouses are operating within a trade erritory that is ridiculously small territory that is ridiculously small compared with the area Portland is to serve. Division among Portland's leading usiness organizations has weakened outer forts suffered severely, 600 their efforts. Leading merchants and

Trouble Pointed Out. The new Chamber of Commerce, in-The new cluding the two old bodies, is cluding the two old bodies, is creamized along lines that make it truly representative of Portland's aspirations for world commerce and Portland's determination to help her merchants and manufacturers expand their trade territory. Instead of the Commercial club deferring to the Chamber of Commerce, like Alphonse to Gaston, and saying "You first to be done, there are is to be done, there are is to be done, there are the same and the commerce is the commerce. razed forts are Sedd-El-Bahr, the cluding the two old bodies, is being to Gaston, and saying "You first blease," when work is to be done, there will be one organization that will be responsible before the public for al There will be no confusion tions are the very backbone of the entire plan of the Dardanelles works.

The narrow passage is guarded by 12 and the business men will be plan to the one central body, and the business men will be presented by 12.

> Such an organization, united, strong of Portland's

undertaken with vigor Prompt Action Necessary.

"If I have a good rent paying house of the destroyers, five cruisers, nine of the divided situation to the destroyers of the divided situation to the ed to have a representative of Portland join one of these tours of investigation, but neither the Chamber of Commerce or the Commercial club felt responsible for broad trade extension work, and the opportunity was lost. Several business men offered to subscribe towards the cost of sending subscribe towards the cost of sending a competent trade representative, but there was no organization ready to head up the movement. No private business house felt justified in carry-

when its New Chamber of Commerce office buildings from doing electrical Must Keep Informed. Nothing ever happens in Washington lirectly affecting Seattle business but

Pueblo, Col., Feb. 27.—The first big murder trial growing out of Colorado's industrial war tonight resulted in the acquittal of seven miners charged with murder. The jury was out only 45 minutes.

What the Seattle Chamber of Commerce is promptly informed. For a considerable part of the year the Seattle Chamber and the work is done of one who has years' experience. Those objecting in touch with the departments and assist the state's generators and assist the state of the work is done of one who has years' experience. The men were charged with having imbushed a party of three mine guards on the La Veta road. Three guards the La Veta road in the chauffeur great possibility, except to complain great possibility, except to complain ricat possibility, except to complain when Seattle benefits from discrimina-

> The New Chamber of Commerce will be beld responsible for maintaining ortland's position before the rederal officers whose activities are so closely related to Portland's business affairs.
> There is no reason who There is no reason why Portland should take a back seat in the contest for oriental, South American, European and Alaska trade, and the New Chamber of Commerce will have as one its principal functions the duty helping Portland manufacturers a merchants find markets to which they are entitled from Portland's pre-em-inence as a manufacturing city and

tion by some bureau chief.

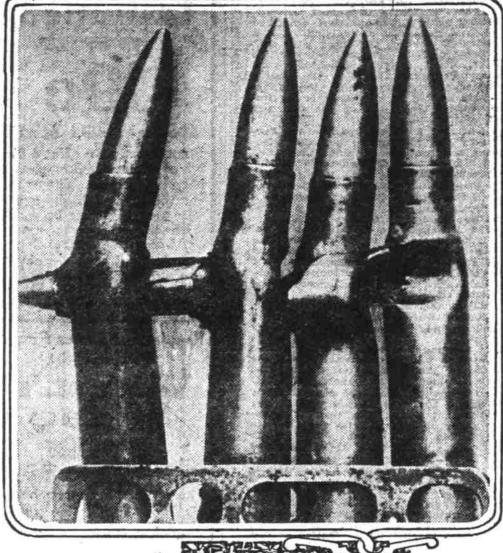
# Faith in Airships

Washington, Feb. 27.-The European war has shown that aeroplanes are absolutely essential for scouting. Emerson street from Vancouver Secretary Garrison says in a state- avenue to Williams avenue, cost ment made public by the house appro-House Committee on Rivers and Har- priations committee. The secretary bors Accepts California's Invitation points out, however, that armored air machines have not played any valuable part in war. He dwells on the import-Washington, D. C., Feb. 27.—Mem- ance of automobiles in war transpor- Russell street from Gantenbein avenue

tive Curry, of California, appeared be- | we have guns of sufficient range and committee today to extend power, but there is no occasion to rush into that now and scatter 14 or 15 inch guns all over our continent. As to destroying fortifications of enemies, I do not know how you would transport a 32-centimeter or a 42-centimeter gun out of this country unless you built a

Guns for present coast defense pro- gulches in various parts of the city. jects have been 91 per cent provided All of the men received \$3 a day

### FREAK PLAYED BY BULLET



A clip of British cartridges, transfixed by a German bullet while in the cartridge belt of a British soldier.

# ARE EXPECTED UPON ELECTRICAL MEASURE

New Proposed Ordinance Is Scheduled to Come Before Council Next Wednesday.

Lively arguments are expected or

the new proposed electrical ordinance which a business organization Dieck, sponser for the measure, has contractor's fee of \$25 a year is ceived. any meritorious activity will be shall be done under the direction of a supervising electrician who has had at least four years' experience in that business is line of work. An exception is made in the case of

building owners who wish to do their own wiring, however.

Owner May Hire Man. The ordinance allows the owner or trical inspectors will make two inspec- present. tions and one inspection for each additional 50 cent fee paid. In this way the inspectors may keep careful watch

to hire a man to do the work he must first engage a licensed contractor who \$100,000 in dock bonds for the con-

called maintenance men in the large wiring in these structures unless \$25 contractor's license is paid either by the ewner or the electricians and the work is done under the direction For a of one who has had at least four

> Those objecting to the measure say that the provision relative to contractors and supervising electricians are too stringent, and that it favors few

Those advocating the adoption of the measure in its present form say that under present conditions it is difficult to control wiring work,

### STREET WORK PLANNED

Plans and Estimates Have Been Compiled.

Plans and estimates for the improvement of a large number of streets have been completed by the bureau of surveys and drafting of the department of public works and will be submitted to the council soon for considration. Following are the streets and the estimated cost of the work, Beech street from Fourteenth to

onnect with pavement in Dixon Place. cost \$945; district improvement of East Madison street from Forty-first to East Forty-third street, cost \$3710; non and 100 prisoners were taken by Karl street from Milwaukie street to the French, East Tenth, cost \$1797; district im-provement of Moore street from Emer son street to Killingsworth avenue and \$3624; East Fiftieth street from East Stark to north line of Wallace addi-tion, cost \$6164; district improvement covering Rodney avenue and San Rafael street in Albina, cost \$14,898

#### MARRIED MEN AT WORK City Commissioner Puts 80 Needy

Ones on Job. the direction of Will H. Daly, commissioner of public utilities, 80 married men, many of whom had not worked for months, were given employment yesterday cleaning up

In the gulch for years. These are to remaining of a large family.

be removed, buried and covered with Christianity for the business man. Mr. has executed two sudden strokes that

removing rubbish, It is proposed to have these men luring to boys who are ambitious in dispatches relayed here from East work three days and then place a enough to forge ahead through their Prussia tonight. The grand duke's new crowd at work. These gangs will own efforts. work until the \$2500 appropriated by se council is exhausted.

Hey had a narrow escape from ser- business for the day and thus be free of Augustof to the Russian fortress Edward N. Wheeler, J. E. lous injury or possibly death a few to prosecute the crusade.

days ago when examining some plumbwould have probably fallen 25 or 30 the following two days. feet inside of the big pipe.

To Name Public Defender.

The appointment of the man to serve as public defender in the municipal court is to be made by the entire council, says Mayor Albee. He clause they have failed owing to the has sent a list of the applicants to objections of Commissioner Bigelow. the various commissioners and will home tomorrow with a report on the the engage in the wiring business unless number of applications have been re- land goes at a membership tourney.

Would Repeal Measure.

Will H. Daly, commissioner of public utilities, is to introduce an ordinance before the city council Wednesday repealing the present efficiency worth the efforts made, system for city employes. He an nounced some time ago that he would MINSTRELS LAUGH MAKERS take this action but was delayed with The measure, other matters. his son to do the work, but prohibits adopted, will abolish only the effiother relatives from helping. For the ciency code. The standardization of

> City Elevator Docks. The city council has been asked by

the public dock commission to submit In case the owner of a house wishes a measure before the people at the June election authorizing the issue of may do the work himself if he has struction of elevator docks. A tentaing the expense alone, so the project drifted and nothing was done.

Seattle maintains the closest touch with Alaskan affairs through its Chamber of Commerce, and is always initiating activities that help develop Alaska. Portland will be on the job when the contractor who will also bar so-called maintenance men in the large mission for the construction of decks. A tentative draft of the measure has been prepared and will be acted on by the city council Wednesday. This issue of \$100,000, if adopted, will place more funds at the disposal of the dock compared to the work himself if he has had four years' experience or employ a contractor who will have the work done under the direction of a supervising electrician.

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Baseball Grounds Asked.

The city is asked to establish more with the city council yesterday. The New York Herald. petitions contain several hundred signatures and the movement is being backed by the local branch of the National Association of Amateur Baseball Leagues.

### French Gain in Bayonet Attacks

Germans Driven From Series of Trenches, and Machine Guns and Men Are Captured.

Paris, Feb. 27 .- By a series of brilliant bayonet charges, the French gained new victories in the Champagne region, it was announced in the official communique from the war office tonight.

North of Mesnil l'Hurlus, the Germans were driven from a series of trenches, the French advancing nearly 600 yards. Two machine guns, a can-

### Aitchison Named On Commission

Des Moines, Iowa; Feb. 27.-Cliford Thorne, president of the National Association of Railway Commissioners, taking in the state boards of nearly every state, today named the standing committee of that body for the enuing year. Included in the important hairmanships were: Railroad taxes, Max Thelan of California; statistics, B. H. Meyer of the interstate com-merce commission; shippers' claims, C. B. Aitchison of Oregon; telephone and telegraph rates, C. A. Reynolds of

Hold Services for Mrs. Smith. Funeral services of Mrs. Charles Smith were held from her Overlook home and from the church of the for and under the latest revision the each and in many cases was the first Blessed Sacrament Monday, Rev. Fathwages secured in months.

One group was placed at work in survived by her husband, a daughter American steamship company, had fore the killing, and that she was died on board the Vaterland in the Atafraid to stay in the house with him further contemplated changes in some and rubbish which have been dumped Bert Drake, the latter the only one in the culch for years. These are to remaining of a large family.

### WHIRLWIND FINISH PLANNED FOR Y. M. C. A. CONTEST TUESDAY

Result Yesterday Brings Portland Total Up to 309 Men and 45 Boys.

#### SEATTLE SLIGHTLY AHEAD

of Being Able to Outstrip

yesterday afternoon, it was found that 309 men and 45 boys had been added to the roster, for the five days since the competition was inaugurated. Seventy-one members was the day's gain, totaling 86,300 points. Seattle secured 123 new members yesterday, counting 114,533 points This record puts the Sound city ahead

of Portland for the second time during the contest, with a total of 401 members and 376,145 points. Secretary Stone of the local association took the grain of comfort, however, that the Seattle figures were reported last night, while the Portland returns were reported at noon, Two days yet remain for the gath-

ering in of the rest of the 1000 memers which was the goal. With organized teams scouring the city tomorrow and Tuesday the hope is that the mark may very nearly be reached.

Tuesday Is "Clean-Up Day." Inspiring talks were given at yesterday's daily luncheon by C. C. Chap- the czar's advisers. Less than a week man and Rev. J. M. Boyd, the latter after his great victories east of the discussing the practical phases of Mazurian lakes, the German war idol fresh earth. Another crew was given Chapman lauded the objects of the may sweep the Russians out of Po- night. A business session was held Mount Tabor and Montavilla districts influences of the association upon the young men who seek its shelter, al- old man of the lakes' were revealed grimage:

"clean-up day," when every prospect Polish capital may be in the kaiser's berg, Edwin G. Phipps, Linnaeus L. will be gathered in if possible. Spe- hands before early spring. Has Narrow Escape.

City Piumbing Inspector William employed team workers to leave their a line leading south from a point east mond W. Turnbull, Hance S.

ous injury or possibly death a few to prosecute the crusade.

"Clean-up day's" activities will be given a substantial start at a ham given a substantial start at a ham given a substantial start at a ham and egg breakfast at the Y. M. C. A.,

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"Clean-up day's activities will be given a substantial start at a ham egg breakfast at the Y. M. C. A., suffered only a bad scare. When to which the Portland pastors have was in contact with the right wing A. Haines, Narrows; Owen W. Jones, crawling around in the dark under- been invited. These same pastors were of the army that inflicted disastrous Forest Grove; Alfred P. Oliver, New- losses on the fleeing Russians in the berg; Asa B. Robinson Jr., Dallas; an open manhole of the Tanner Creek peals for the association in their pulswamps east of Augustof, sewer and he nearly fell into it before pits this morning, so their business . The two armies press he discovered what it was. Had he men members could be prepared for threatening the important railway

> Secretary Is Optimistic. filled out in the Y. M. C. A. office,

the campaign.

Seattle workers last night, is expected Besides giving stringent rules for discuss the applicants with them at a situation on the Sound. He went pri- thus depleted, von Hindenburg threw rabban; James P. Moffet, assistant electrical wiring in dwellings, apart- meeting to be held early in the week. marily to imbibe some ideas on how the extreme right wing of his Mazurian rabban; Thomas McCusker, high priest ment houses, shops and office build- The ordinance providing for the posi- the Seattle boosters do things and to lake conquerors against the Russians and prophet; W. J. Hofmann, oriental Reverses Cause Loss.

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Friday night at the third monthly en- heavily that a serious resistance to the F. Drake, A. L. Dundas, Fred Reynolds, salaries arrangement will be left as at tertainment held by the Glenhaven Im. Germans moving eastward through provement club. skits and jokes of local meaning, hit- sian fortified position at Vysogrod, on Dilge, E. A. Robison, Alexander Oliver, ting without reservation people presare serving the good purpose of bring- shelled by German long range artil- J. D. Perry, ing residents of the Glenhaven section lery. The program was: Vocal solo, Miss Daisy Cooper, with zither accompainment by her father; reading, Charles Coop; minstrels, H. A. Clark C. H. Vyse, C. Russell, Z. Russell, Otto Samson, W. Foster, W. Coop and F. A. Otto Samson read "The Bugle,

Bennett's Villa Robbed.

municipal baseball grounds for ama- \$8000 were stolen from Breslieu Villa, in the past week as of little import- gle was nominated to the position of teur baseball players in petitions filed owned by James Gordon Bennett of the ance. The French have battered vain-

### Public Baseball Grounds Donated

Montgomery Tract at Larrabee and Goldsmith Will Be Cut Up Into Diamonds and Athletic Field.

By the Phoenix Land company doeating the use of the Montgomery tract of 26 acres at Larrabee and Goldsmith streets the city is to be able to establish the long-sought-for municipal baseball diamonds and athletic field. Negotiations for the use of the property are to be closed tomorrow by George Brown, president of the company, and W. L. Brewster, commissioner of public affairs, The tract will allow the establish ment of about six baseball diamonds Petitions asking that municipal base-

ball grounds be established were filed with the council yesterday and now it Local Boosters Confident of Ability is hoped, through using this tract, to comply with the requests immediately It is proposed to erect small grandstands and temporary quarters for players and put the grounds in shape so that they can be used when the baseball season opens. membership contest was checked up

# POLAND NEAR WARSAW

Von Hindenburg Outwits the Czar's Troops and Expects to Control Poland Soon.

(United Press Lessed Wire.)

Berlin, via Amsterdam, Feb. 27 .-Von Hindenburg has again outwitted mittee, and it was an old-fashioned The new strategic moves of "the

of Ossowetz. A German army that

made the discovery in time he the visit of the association workers leading from Warsaw to Petrograd, ward Sears, Beaverton, and Louis O. over which the Russian armies in Scudder, Eugene. Poland maintained their communica-Besides the 71 members in yester- tion with the czar's capital. The grand day's record many applications were duke saw his great peril. First from Grodno to the north and then from corder, greeted the nobles as they enmore probably than during any day of the region north of Warsaw he pushed tered the building. large bodies of Russians to check the

J. W. Day, who conferred with the German advance.

Right Wing Advances. With the forces defending Warsaw saw. The fortified positions at Przas- Lea, first ceremonial master; Frank nysz were stormed and fighting of S. Grant, second ceremonial master;

It was officially admitted today that of the guard, and A. G. Bachrodt, seavy Russian reinforcements have outer guard. temporarily halted the German advance south of Pizasnysz. War offi- licemen, headed by Captain C. A. Insclais pointed out, however, that this keep and ceremonial committee of 29, was just what von Hindenburg had had charge of stunts. This committee anticipated. The grand duke's armies was composed of A. L. Tetu, coremonial defending Warsaw on the right bank master; E. J. Jaeger, chairman; J. S. Merry minstrels made much fun of the Vistula have been drawn on so Beal, C. A. Real, Clyde Evans, Dr. J The minstrels kept Plock and Plonsk cannot be main- Beckard, Roy F. audience laughing with quips, tained at this time. Already the Rus- land, E. P. Mahaffy, John Mann, J. A. the right bank of the Vistula and less L. D. Freeland, Roy Quackenbush, The entertainments are free and than 40 miles from Warsaw has been Lewis Carpenter, F. L. Litherland and

Three Drives Threaten.

Outwitted and outfought the Rusians are now menaced by three separ- gains. ate drives that threaten to force the the Rusisan threat against East Prus- north, according to dispatches from sia disappeared for all time, but that Italian sources received here tonight. von Hindenburg will soon hold allePoland.

The war department tonight again Nice, Feb. 27.—Jewels valued at characterized the fighting in France ly at the German entrenchments in Wilson today.

### 32 CANDIDATES CROSS HOT SANDS ON ONE OF GREATEST PILGRIMAGES

Al Kader Temple Scene of Ceremonial Session With Many Shriners Present.

Visiting Nobles From Various Parts of State Amused by Stunts for Their Edification.

At a special ceremonial session of Al Kader temple, Ancient Arabic Orer Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, held n the Masonic temple last night 32 andidates crossed the hot sands on one I the greatest pilgrimages ever held the temple.

Nearly 1000 nobles from all parts of le state were present, and it was a large" evening from first to last, any stunts being put on for the ediarrassment of the candidates. The Shrine patrol and the Al Kader and were there, and each of the nobles was respiendent in glittering new fez. Tables groaned under the weight of delicacies and beverages of the desert, the usual banquet giving way,

out of the question in the limited quarters at hand. The commissary did itself proud, owever, as did the entertainment comtime from start to finish.

to an elaborate buffet lunch. The size

the membership made a banquet

The session of the temple began at Here are those whe made the pil-

Charles B. Archer, James M. Bilbrey, Charles, E. Canada, Frederick L. army protecting Warsaw from the Carlton, Raigh C. Dorcas, Frank C. Tuesday has been designated as north has been spilt in two. The Griffin, James L. Judy, John R. Kase-Reist, August Robertson, Raleigh B. Edgar L. Smith, Pendleton; George A. Smyth and Prestley Smyth, Flarney; William U. Sanderson, Ontario; Ed-

George W. Stapleton, Illustrious po tentate of the temple, presided over the

Shriner Policeman There, Too. Other officers making up the offi-

dal divan for the year who played imson, marshal; F. H. Dammasch, captain

A special committee of Shriner N. Menzies, Alex Riddell, J. E.

the Champagne region all week, it was

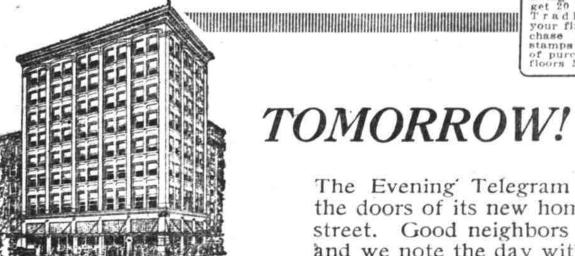
declared without making perceptible Turks operating against the Suez vacuation of Poland. Berlin papers canal have brought up a number of oday adopted the view that only has guns in the El Kantara region, to the

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