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WEATHER—Snow or rain to-
night and Saturday, warmer tonight
colder Saturday.

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DELIBERATION IMPOSSIBLE

It will be a long and expensive trip for democrats from the east to take to attend the Denver convention, especially as the railroads have given notice that no reduced fares will be conceded. But those who attend the convention as delegates may gain in composure what they lose in cash, by the absence of the noisy enthusiasts, who have made some conventions a bear garden more than a deliberative assembly. With ten thousand spectators howling for their favorite candidate, nothing that a speaker says can be heard by anyone fifty feet from him, and the art of gesture is not equal to imparting ideas.

When the Legislature of Ohio in 1906 passed the 2 cent passenger rate bill, the railroad managers declared it was ruinous and confiscatory. But the official returns of all the railroads in the state for the year ending June 30, 1907, as figured by the Ohio Railroad Commission, shows a substantial increase over the preceding year. This increase is due to the elimination of free passes and excursion rates and the natural growth of passenger traffic. The result in the state of Ohio, however, is not a fair criterion for some other states, because it is traversed by interstate railroads from East to West which must increase the returns for passenger traffic. It is also a more densely populated state than many others ranking higher than New York or Pennsylvania perhaps with its well to do farming population. It would seem that the Interstate Commerce Commission could figure out the cost per mile for passenger traffic which could be used as a standard for fixing the rates in each state as the Ohio Commission has done for that state. Fair play demands that the railroads shall be allowed to charge reasonable rates that will provide fair interest upon the actual money invested, but no return on watered stock must be expected.

As the Republican National convention will be held June 16th, it is probable that congress will be adjourned by the republican leaders by June 1st. That would mean that few, if any, of the president's recommendations will be enacted into law, but Speaker Cannon's plan of passing the appropriation bills and then going home will be adopted.

What has become of President Roosevelt's crusade against race suicide. Did he abandon that at the same time he turned tail on trust prosecutions?

It must be admitted that Weston clubs have become more popular since railway passes were abolished even though the two-cent fare law did become effective.

It is a little amusing to see papers which used lots of ink fighting for temperance during the last campaign, running page ads for beer now.

Senator Lamb, of Toledo, proposes repealing the Australian ballot law. Better not do it until after the next election. We want to see what the 1908 ballot will look like.

Wiant's \$1.00 Pen

A fountain pen guaranteed to give satisfaction for one year; if it lasts one year it will last long or.
Points exchanged until your suited.

C. G. WIANT

BOOKSELLER AND STATIONER
THE HOUSE OF POST CARDS.

The British Naval authorities are said to be preparing plans for a war-ship 50 per cent greater than the Dreadnaught or with a displacement of 30,000 tons. Our naval designers have proposed to build a war ship of 40,000 tons, which will cost \$20,000,000. When will this rivalry for the size and number of war ships cease, or what will satisfy this craving for war preparations? In the end it must impoverish the people of all countries that strive for supremacy, for there is not only the vast outlay for building these enormous war engines, but the constant expense of keeping them in repair and in commission. Experience shows that in about ten years our finest war ships a few years ago, are now built for the scrap heap. The limitation of land and naval armaments is something the world must soon agree upon, for it is senseless to tax people for the creation of that which is really useless.

The California courts have held that extortion is not extortion, so long as it is practiced on French restaurants. Any man who has wrestled with a French bill-of-fare can appreciate the feelings of the court.

One way to get even with the railroads for charging such high rates for carrying brick is for council to compel them to pave their rights-of-way from corporation to corporation line.

Following the progress of the attorneys in securing the Thaw jury has been just like going back and learning over again the addition and subtraction tables.

If you hear a noise like a jollification tonight, do not become alarmed. It will be merely an indication that the Board of Education has effected an organization.

If Thaw's chief counsel, Martin W. Littleton, looks anything like the pictures being published, he had best be careful or a lunacy commission may be named for him.

Advocates of a ship subsidy have never thought of referring to the subsidy which Ferdinand and Isabella paid, making possible the discovery of America.

Congressman Burton now refuses to lead the Taft forces in Cleveland. He is probably waiting for a command from Roosevelt to "make the fight."

North Carolina negroes lynched a fellow black man. This should endear them to the hearts of the white population of the Tar Heel state.

Brick makers allege that the railroads are becoming rich hauling paving brick. Here is a good chance for the asphalt men to clinch a nail.

Leaders of republican factions in Ohio just now seem to be very much afraid that the sore spots cannot be healed before election day.

The Cleveland Plain Dealer uses a head line, "Wind Elopes With Cable." A matrimonial tangle is sure to follow.

War rumors are almost as prevalent in this country as revolutionary plots in Russia.

Burton need not be so gun shy. Tom Johnson is not leading the Foraker forces.

What has become of "Fighting Bob" Evans and his bunch of exterminators?

It must be about time for Hariman to have another bath.

Imagine a Republican love feast under present conditions.

Telephone Notice.

Have you paid your telephone bill yet? If not, please remember you save 25 cents if you pay by the 10th of the month.

MARION COUNTY TELEPHONE.
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The hundredth anniversary of the birth of Dr. L. D. de la Loza, an eminent physician and chemist in Mexico during the last century, was celebrated by official decree with due honors to his memory.

NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS:—
The annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Fairbanks Steam Shovel Company will be held in room "A," Masonic Temple Building, Marion, Ohio, on Tuesday, February fourth, at two o'clock p. m., to elect a Board of Directors and transact such other business as may be brought up.
W. B. SCOFFIELD, Secretary.
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77 ADMIRAL COFFEE.

McCLAIN'S Annual Auction Sale

Starts Saturday Morning, Jan. 11
AND CONTINUES FOR TWO WEEKS.

\$60,000.00 Stock of Furniture, Carpets, Stoves, Dishes, Wall Paper,
Subject to any reasonable offers.

THIS IS THE ONLY DIFFERENT SALE IN MARION

YOU have been importuned continuously for many months to buy at large discounts by firms who should be realizing a legitimate profit on their goods. That McClain's regular prices are low enough to satisfy the average buyer is evidenced by the fact that even under adverse conditions our Fall and Holiday business greatly exceeded any former years, leaving a good round surplus on the profit side of our balance sheet.

NOW WE ARE READY AND CAN WELL AFFORD TO TALK DISCOUNTS

You know what a McClain Auction means! It's the one opportunity of the year for lovers of good and beautiful home-furnishings to gratify their every desire, positively at their own price. You don't even pay an auctioneer's commission, for there will be no auctioneer. No competitive bidding to run prices up; no excitement; no hurried decisions. Just come in any time between 7 A. M. and 6 P. M.

Select the articles you desire, make a reasonable offer, and the goods are yours. Any fair proposition will be accepted.

This is an absolutely fair, square, honest effort to turn several thousand dollars' worth of stock into cash. Every penny of profit will be sacrificed---and "a little bit more" if you say. It's giving you every possible advantage and you'll appreciate it more when you come and see.

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A limit of 30 days' credit will be made on all auction sales.

Time Payment Accounts

will be opened as usual and we offer greatly reduced prices throughout the entire stock.

\$60 Davenport to be given away Saturday.

January 25. Coupon tickets will be given with every cash sale and for every dollar paid on account from this time until 9 o'clock Saturday night, January 25. The drawing will take place then and the Davenport will be delivered to the holder of the lucky number.

Remember every dollar paid on new or old accounts will entitle you to a coupon ticket.

Out of Town Customers and Friends.

We urge you especially to take advantage of this chance. Come and get acquainted with the greatest home-furnishing store in the state. We will deliver your purchases free anywhere.

THE CHAS. W. McCLAIN CO.

NEW HUBER BLOCK.

MARION, OHIO