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George L. Burr, who serves in the capacity of private secretary and political lieutenant of Stark, was at the state house today and talked freely on political matters. He said that Stark would like to run for governor, but would like to be returned to congress. This was also the general feeling of the committeemen in the district and for that reason it was deemed advisable to hold the congressional convention first.

Mr. Burr said that the general impression of the district of late has been that Halmer will be the republican candidate pitted against Stark, although there is still some talk about Senator Murphy of Gage county. The popular conventions of the Fourth district will be held on July 27, a few days before the state of the state convention. While the city Mr. Burr thinks that the deputy Campbell, of the state superintendent's office, for the calling of the senatorial convention in the district composed of Hamilton and Clay counties. The convention will be held at Stockton on August 4. Clay will be entitled to nineteen delegates and Hamilton to sixteen.

The Tomlinson Ranch company, which has headquarters in Buffalo county, filed articles of incorporation today, with a capital stock of \$6,000. The incorporators are Wallace G. Keim, Edward Keim and Clayton W. Keim.

From Honolulu daily papers received at the state house today much news is gleaned regarding the recent visit of the First Nebraska at the islands. It seems that the boys were treated to banquets and receptions, and that President Dole officially reviewed the troops, as if the islands were already a part of the United States.

The Daily Bulletin has the following item about the Omaha company: "Captain Taylor, company L, the crack Thurston Rifles company, which won the national prize at Memphis, Tenn., two years ago, is the pet officer of the regiment on account of his efforts in avoiding the men with frequent batches of fresh grub."

The Commercial Advertiser also has the following complimentary notice of Captain Taylor's company: "Captain Taylor commands the Thurston Rifles of Omaha, the crack company of the whole Manila force. The Rifles won a \$5,000 cash prize at Memphis, Tenn., for drilling, and a \$10,000 cash prize for showing the best discipline. It is a splendid company and quite well."

Death of A. H. Mendenhall.

In an investigation made by the coroner's jury yesterday it was concluded that A. H. Mendenhall came to his death from accidental drowning in the cistern at his residence. It seems that Mr. Mendenhall had worked a great deal lately for fear that the heavy rains would cause the cistern to overflow or break its walls and flood the cellar and during the last week he had lifted the cover and examined the inside of the cistern every day and had had the cellar walls reinforced with concrete.

Those intimately connected with the family and knowing all the circumstances believe that he got up in the night to take a look at the cistern and, being weakened by a long season of ill-health, fell in after having pulled the cover away. Mr. Mendenhall was born at Liberty, O., on October 5, 1842. He spent his youth in central Illinois, learning the printing trade at Peoria. He came to Lincoln in 1871 and became associated with the Journal company, taking charge of the mechanical workings of the plant. At the time of his death he held membership in Lincoln lodge No. 19, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons; Delta Lodge of Perfection No. 4, Emanuel Chapter Rose Croix No. 2, A. A. S. R.; Appomattox post, Grand Army of the Republic; and Lincoln lodge No. 16, Knights of Pythias.

His surviving family consists of his wife and two daughters, Mrs. C. H. Warner of this city and Mrs. Bert E. Betts of Chicago. Frank Lind and William Hall were bound over to the district court for the charge of Justice Spencer's court in the sum of \$400 each to answer to the charge of burglary. They are thought to have been implicated in the burglary of Myer & Einfeldt's general store at Hallam on the night of July 8. Hall is also thought to have been implicated in the burglary committed at Waverly one night last week.

Josef Letak filed a supplementary petition in the district court this morning in the case of Ballard against Letak et al. He states that while under the effects of liquor furnished by Ribble he was induced to sign a paper in which he deeded away his farm in Lancaster county to the said Ribble. Letak says that he was made to believe that the paper was relieving him of an indebtedness to Ribble of about \$2,000. He also says that when the deed was signed the agent of Ribble surreptitiously put a promissory note for \$150 and \$50 in cash in his pocket. He now tenders the money and the note to whomsoever it may belong and repudiates the whole deal, claiming that it was done while he was under the influence of liquor.

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Death of His Wound. FREMONT, Neb., July 11.—(Special Telegram).—John Sullivan, the young man who was shot by a gang of tough thugs in a box car near North Bend Thursday morning, died here at the hospital today from the effects of his wound. His condition was not considered serious until yesterday afternoon, when his father, an old employee of the Union Pacific company in Omaha, was notified and arrived here last night. Sullivan at first identified two men whom he thought did the shooting, but later was uncertain about them and as the trainmen could not identify them they were discharged. His remains will be taken to Omaha for burial. There is little prospect of his murderers being punished.

Dawes County Institute Instructors. CHADRON, Neb., July 11.—(Special).—The instructors in the coming Teachers' Institute of Dawes county, which will be held for one week, beginning Monday, August 8, have been employed by County Superintendent A. R. Julian, as follows: E. E. Lymer, president of Black Hills college at Hot Springs, S. D.; Principal W. C. Rhoades of Chadron academy and their flight was balked and they attempted to return. Through the smoke of its bow guns the Ericsson darted, plunging into the swirling cloud of smoke-enveloped fleets. A bit on the starboard bow a huge hull loomed through the mist of bursting shells and the flying missiles in each their flight had of the flag of Spain almost riddled, but still flying.

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CLEVELAND, O., July 11.—The lives of eleven men were snuffed out in the twinkling of an eye tonight in the big water-works tunnel being constructed in the bottom of Lake Erie, as a result of an explosion of gas.

JOHN PARKS, foreman, 32 years old, and single. JAMES PARKS, brother of John, 30 years old and single. JOHN FRADEY, Italian, 22 years old and single. TONY BRUNETTI, Italian, 22 years old and single. FRANK HANEY, 22 years old and married. FRANK LAMBA, Italian, 18 years old and single. EMERSON SMITH, bricklayer, 44 years old and married. JOHN McCAULEY, 21 years old and married. WILLIAM TUCKER, colored, 26 years old and single. GUS WATTS, 28 years old, wife and several children. FLECK CLEMENTS, married, with several children.

The tunnel is an immense affair, being built to extend outward from the shore for a distance of four and a half miles, and it has been under construction for more than a year. The work has been attended with great difficulties.

The explosion occurred at a few minutes before 7 o'clock this evening, but nobody will ever be able to tell what caused it or how it happened, for every witness is dead and the bodies of all are lying where they fell, 6,000 feet out in the lake over a mile from the shore.

The only man in the tunnel who escaped is Con O'Donnell, a lock tender, who was stationed 3,000 feet from the shore. He heard the explosion, or series of explosions. He says there were ten of the shocks and the concussion was something terrible, for it threw him off his feet, and for hours he was in such a dazed condition that he could scarcely remember what had happened. He finally groped his way out and told what had occurred.

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Rev. H. H. Proctor of Atlanta (colored) said he represented 7,000,000 people and he hoped that the council, in behalf of these people, would seat the Association delegates. He started to discuss the race problem, but yielded to a motion to defer action on the committee report.

The remainder of the day was consumed with reading reports of benevolent societies.

Rev. W. E. Barton of Boston delivered an address on "The Work of the Congregational Educational Board" and proposed nominating delegates to the various conventions and for a contest of nominating candidates for county offices. The democrats hold the key to the situation in this county and the sentiment of the party seemed to be in favor of contending for their rights.

Two Tecumseh Pastors Resign. TECUMSEH, Neb., July 11.—(Special).—Two of Tecumseh's pastors have resigned their charges, Rev. T. D. Davis of the Baptist church and Rev. F. C. White of the Christian church. There was no trouble of any kind in either case between pastor and church. Rev. A. B. Bohannon of Shubert has been called to fill the vacancy made by the resignation of Mr. Davis and as yet no provision has been made to fill that made by Mr. White.

Hum of the Thresher. ASHLAND, Neb., July 11.—(Special).—The hum of the threshing machines can be heard in almost every part of this county. An unusual amount of small grain grown in this vicinity has made it necessary for the employment of several machines. Spring wheat is not so good as