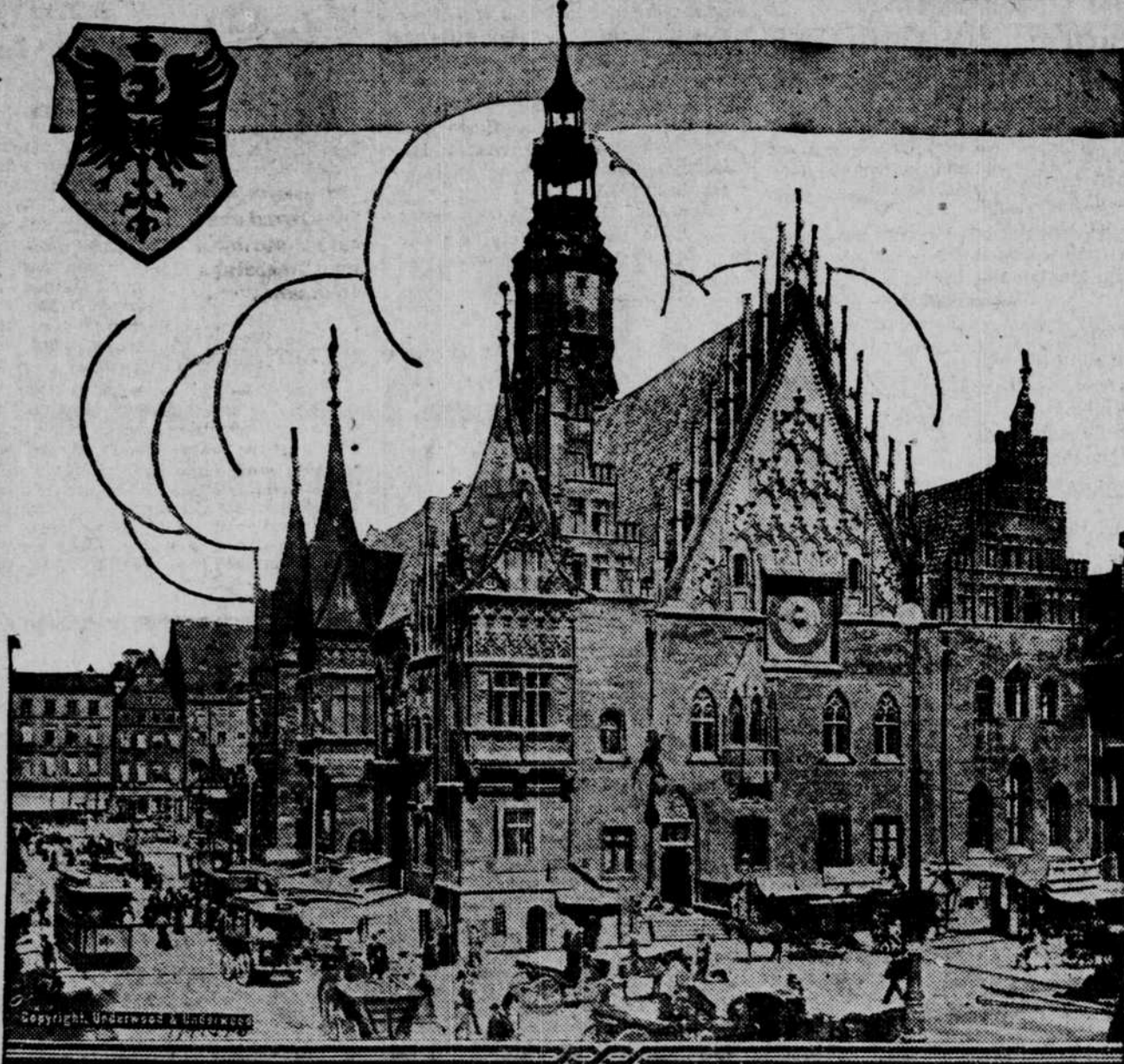


## BRESLAU MAY BE BESIEGED BY RUSSIANS



Breslau, capital of Silesia, the stately city hall of which is here shown, is in some danger of being besieged by the Russians, and has been prepared for a stubborn defense.

## GOVERNMENT OF BELGIUM LEAVES CITY OF ANTWERP

German Demand for Surrender of the Temporary Capital Was Refused.

### CIVILIANS FLEE TO SAFETY

Report at London That a British Force Has Entered Antwerp—Allies Claim to Have Repulsed German Attacks in the Fighting in France—Conflicting Reports Come From East Prussian Frontier.

Bordeaux, Oct. 9.—News has been received here that King Albert of Belgium marched out of Antwerp today at the head of a portion of his army.

London, Oct. 9.—The heavy guns of the kaiser's troops were trained on Antwerp after the garrison had refused a demand that it be surrendered. The commander of the German troops sent an officer under a white flag into the city to announce that the bombardment would begin unless the city was given up. The request was refused.

Immediately after the decision of the Belgians was announced the temporary capital of the nation was removed to Ostend, and an exodus of the people began.

The permanent capital, Brussels, is held by the Germans.

Report British at Antwerp. It is reported in military circles that a British expeditionary force of formidable strength has entered Antwerp after passing through Ghent. The war office refuses to confirm the report, but it comes from a credible source. The expedition is said to consist almost exclusively of artillery and a naval detachment with heavy guns. The Germans before Antwerp, it is estimated, cannot number more than 250,000.

Death and destruction are carried into the city not only by the siege guns, but also by a fleet of six Zeppelins, which circle high overhead, dropping bombs. These have destroyed, by some accounts, at least a score of houses, maiming and killing the thirty or forty occupants.

The Belgian army has sortied repeatedly into the open field in efforts to relieve the hard-pressed city. But it has been impossible thus far to reach and silence the German siege guns stationed in far places, in security, throwing their shells over both armies and over the outer forts into the midst of the city itself.

The Germans are not succeeding in drawing their lines closer about the besieged city. Since they crossed the River Nethe, according to a dispatch to the Times, the only German advance has been that of the shells into the city.

### ALLIES REPEL ATTACK ON LINE.

On the Battle Front, via Paris, Oct. 9.—The fiercest fighting of the battle of seven rivers has occurred since Monday on the left wing of the allies. In the northerly positions assumed by the rival armies on the extended lines, new cavalry forces hurried to von Kluck's relief by the German general

### EAST INDIANS WITH ALLIES

Form One of the Most Picturesque Features of the Gigantic War Raging in Europe.

The Indian troops on the battle line in France furnish one of the most picturesque features in the war of the nine nations.

The British force in India numbers about 76,000; the native contingent 160,000, besides 36,000 reserves and 20,000 troops of native princes. As all

staff, heavily supported by infantry, have been hurled with terrific force against the British and French lines, only to rebound from the vigor of the defense, in turn forced to suffer attack by the allies with equally determined energy.

At certain points the Germans were forced to recede, particularly north of Arras, where the situation developed in favor of the allies. The operations of the German cavalry have become so extensive as to reach almost to the sea coast.

Between the Somme and the Oise rivers the Germans are still in force, but the French have succeeded in retaking a number of positions which they previously had been forced to vacate. On the heights of the Meuse, between Verdun and St. Mihiel, the Germans are declared to have withdrawn to the north of Hattonchatel. The war office admits, however, that the enemy still holds the town of St. Mihiel and some of the positions to the north, on the right bank of the Meuse.

Berlin, Oct. 9.—Heavy fighting between great forces of cavalry continues at the western end of the battle line in France. Infantry figure in the conflict only occasionally. We took Douai from the French and they have been striving to drive us out for several days without success. We are making steady progress.

### ON EAST PRUSSIAN FRONTIER.

Petrograd, Oct. 9.—An official communication issued from general headquarters says:

"The fighting on the East Prussian frontier continued on October 7 with the same ferocity. In spite of German reinforcements all their attacks in the region of Wirballen, Russian Poland, and Philippoff have been repulsed with great losses. By a night assault the Russian troops have captured the village of Kamenka, near Bakalargewo."

"In the forest of Massalechtznak, west of Ratchka, our troops in a night surrounded a German detachment which was partly exterminated, the others being dispersed, abandoning their rapid rifles."

Russians Take Galician Town. "Russian troops have also captured the town of Biala, in Galicia, 43 miles southwest of Cracow. In other regions there is nothing of importance to record."

"In the attack against the Przemysl garrison conditions are in our favor, our troops capturing by assault a strong fortification, constituting one of the principal positions."

"The following telegram has been received from the commander in chief under date of October 8:

"The emperor, on leaving general headquarters yesterday, ordered the train to stop at Bielowost, so that he might proceed to the fortress of Osovetz in order personally to thank the garrison for its valiant defense of that place. In doing this his majesty found himself very close to the battle front. This visit of our august chief was announced by me to all the armies and I am sure will inspire them to new exploits."

Russians Move on Cracow. London, Oct. 9.—A Petrograd dispatch to the Reuter Telegram company says the Russian troops are advancing slowly but irresistibly upon Cracow, the population of which has already been reduced by one-half.

A Rome dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company states that a message from Budapest announces the almost complete annihilation of an Austrian battalion of Czechs in a fierce encounter with the Russians during the latter's advance on Marmoros-Sziget. Every soldier in the battalion

heavy artillery is British-manned, a field division consists of mixed units totaling 3,748 British and 9,168 natives, long accustomed to fighting side by side. Deducting garrisons and details, the field army is 150,000 men. About half of this is probably in France, say 20,000 British and 55,000 native troops. And what an army! Its native contingent belongs mainly to a civilization that was old when Germany was a forest and the early Britons stained their naked bodies blue with woad. The Sanskrit elements of their speech

was either killed or wounded, it is said.

Russians Advance on Thorn? Rome, via London, Oct. 9.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Petrograd says the Russians have driven the Germans from Wolowek, Russian Poland, 35 miles southeast of Thorn, East Prussia, and have fortified themselves within a few miles of the fortress of Thorn. The German left wing in Poland, according to the dispatch, is said to have been partly enveloped.

A dispatch received here from Russian headquarters says that the intimations has been given to the Austrians holding the town of Przemysl, Galicia, that they will be permitted to surrender with military honors, but that if they refuse to surrender the Russians will give them no quarter.

Russian News Called False. Washington, Oct. 9.—The German embassy received the following wireless from Berlin:

"Official headquarters say that the report of an advance of Russian forces across the Niemen river in the district of Suwalki, Russia, is a lie. The battle took place near Augustowo, where the Germans on October 1 and 2 completely defeated two Russian army corps, made 3,500 unwounded prisoners, and took 20 guns, of which one was a heavy battery gun, and a number of machine guns."

"On October 4 German troops threw a brigade of Russian rifle guards from a fortified position between Opatow and Ostrowiec, in Russian Poland, and took 8,000 prisoners and numerous guns and machine guns."

Germans Claim Russian Defeat. "On October 5 the Germans attacked near Rudow two and one half Russian cavalry divisions and parts of the Ivangorod reserves and drove the Russians back on Ivangorod."

"Elsewhere along the Russian front the movement of German troops for strategic reasons has caused a lull in the fighting."

### MINOR WAR NEWS

Sink German Destroyer. London, Oct. 8.—Submarine E-9 of the British navy made another raid into German waters off the mouth of the River Ems and succeeded in sinking a German torpedo boat destroyer. This same submarine made a similar dash and sank the German cruiser Hela off Helgoland on September 13. As on the former occasion, the E-9 has safely returned to its home port.

Berlin, Oct. 7.—The forty-third German casualty list has been made public. It contains 10,600 names in dead, wounded and missing. It is headed by the name of Major General von Walter, who was wounded at Tarnovka, Russian Poland, September 9.

Can Send 500,000 to War. New York, Oct. 7.—Canada is willing and able to furnish 500,000 picked men to fight against Germany if the British government needs them, according to Col. Sam Hughes, the Canadian minister of militia, who sailed for England today on the steamer Cedric.

War Hits British Colleges. London, Oct. 7.—English and Scotch universities opened their fall terms today with greatly reduced attendance. Cambridge university had only 1,500 students as against 3,500 last year, many of those at the institution last year having joined the army. The other seats of learning have lost students in about the same proportion.

Belgians Flock to England. Folkestone, via London, Oct. 6.—The number of Belgian refugees arriving here is steadily increasing, more than two thousand landing today. Many of these refugees came from Malines and Alost. About six hundred came from Antwerp.

French Seize Food. Paris.—The French authorities have seized food supplies valued at between \$1,500,000 and \$2,000,000 which had been deposited on the docks at Havre by a German firm.

Bulgarians in the Fray. London.—The Central News quotes the Vienna Reichspost as stating that fighting has taken place between the Bulgarians and Servians and that the Bulgarians have besieged Islip, Servia indicates that Bulgaria is on the side of Germany and Austria.

German General Is Killed. Berlin, via London.—Maj. Gen. Augustus Zeilman, commander of the Second Bavarian field artillery, was killed in action on September 26, it has just become known here.

## U.S. APPROVES PLAN

COMMISSION TO GOVERN MEXICO FAVORED AT WASHINGTON.

### LIKE PHILIPPINE COMMISSION

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Washington—A commission form of government for Mexico until order is restored, and the resumption of full constitutional functions by the people, has been suggested at the informal discussion at Aguas Calientes preceding the formal meeting between representatives of Carranza and Villa. This was reported to the state department and met with prompt recognition as a possible solution for the vexing problems of the southern republic. The plan, it was believed, would eliminate the personal rivalry of various factional leaders and lead to early restoration of a strong central government with which the United States could deal in more direct fashion than is possible under present conditions in Mexico. Details of the proposal were not received here, so far as is known, but officials found somewhat of a parallel for the plan in the organization and powers of the Philippine commission. They thought it probable such a commission would at first be of a military nature, largely since its authority must be supported by the army, although it might later, through changes in the personnel, become entirely civil and provide an easy way for return to constitutional government.

### Americans in Distress.

Washington—Secretary McAdoo was asked by the state department to authorize the withdrawal of \$50,000 to \$75,000 of United States deposits, in the Bank of England for the relief of Americans in Turkey, where aid is urgently needed, according to Ambassador Morgenthau at Constantinople. The funds could be transferred through the British at Alexandria, Egypt, and the cruiser North Carolina, which has arrived at Beirut, would distribute the money to American officials in Turkish ports. According to recent dispatches, American schools at Smyrna, Beirut, Jerusalem and Constantinople, ordinarily supported by mission societies in the United States, are practically without funds.

### Object to Tax Method.

Washington.—Newspaper publishers generally are preparing to ask the senate to change that portion of the house war revenue bill providing for a stamp on the bills of lading on all packages so that it will not be necessary to attach bills of lading to bundles of newspapers. The newspaper owners do not object to paying the tax, but regard the method of levying as impracticable. They contend that neither the railroads nor other transportation companies will hold cars until newspaper packages are checked and receipted for.

### Will Not Confiscate Property.

London.—Emperor William is popularly supposed to have large investments in the timber and mineral lands of British Columbia and it has been rumored in London that the British government was considering the confiscation of the emperor's property in Canada.

It can be stated on the authority of a high official in the foreign office that the government has no thought of confiscating the property of alien enemies located within the confines of the British empire.

### Troops Suffer From Cold.

Rome (Via Paris).—A dispatch received here from Cetinje, Montenegro, says the troops are suffering severely, especially at night, owing to the cold. Snow already covers the peaks of the mountains. Several detachments of Austrians, the dispatch adds, have been compelled to retire, unable to resist the terrible weather. Some of their sentinels were half frozen.

### Thousands of Priests in Armies.

Rome (Via Paris).—According to reports received at the Vatican, more than 63,000 ecclesiastics are now serving in different capacities with the armies in the field, especially with the Belgian, French and Austrian forces. Most of these clergymen are engaged in hospital work. They include seven bishops and nineteen other prelates.

### Japan Denies Pledge.

Tokio.—Minister Kato has denied that Japan ever promised to limit war activities to Chinese and Japanese waters, but said that it would attack German forces wherever necessary.

### Good Words for Red Cross.

Bordeaux.—The splendid service rendered by the American Red Cross workers will never be forgotten, according to Baron Murray of Ellbank the former chief liberal whip, who has arrived here after visiting the Anglo-French lines on the Aisne.

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## NEBRASKA IN BRIEF.

Lincoln banks will send \$50,000 in gold to New York.

The Hessian fly is damaging wheat crop in Richardson county.

The First Presbyterian church of Seward has been rededicated.

A suffrage parade was a feature of the fall festival at Falls City.

Mrs. Arabel McCullough, past 60, of Stella, has made 3,300 rose beads this year.

Miss Sarah Urquhardt was struck by an automobile in Hastings and instantly killed.

The attendance at the Ak-Sar-Ben at Omaha has surpassed all records of previous years.

As a result of a fight at Walthill, J. H. McCauley received injuries from which he died.

Beatrice poultrymen have completed arrangements for the poultry show to be held in December.

Rev. C. W. Heady has preached his farewell sermon at the Tecumseh Baptist church.

Judge Barr of Alsworth has received word of the death of his aged father at Boise, Idaho.

William Stahley, a farmer living near Hickman, was seriously injured when thrown from his wagon.

The city of Fremont has contracted to supply North Bend with electricity for lighting purposes for ten years.

The jewelry store of August Myer & Son of Grand Island was robbed and about \$150 in goods was taken.

Prof. J. H. Smith has been re-engaged as physical director of the parish house gymnasium at Alsworth.

Pastures in Johnson county are in good condition and many farmers have cut the fourth crop of alfalfa.

The large barn on the farm of George Sunkin near Seward was destroyed by fire. The loss is estimated at \$2,000.

The water situation at Tecumseh has been improved although changes in location of sewers have not yet been made.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dietrich Steffen of Columbus was killed in some manner unknown to her parents.

C. F. Schafer of Alliance was slightly injured when an automobile which he was driving turned over near Scottsbluff.

The Custer County Republican, owned by D. M. Amsterry for twenty-five years, has been sold to C. E. Shea of Brainerd.

Fifteen waifs from New York are at Tecumseh, and homes will be found for the children by a local committee of five men.

City Superintendent of Schools Pate of Alliance and a number of ministers are endeavoring to organize council of boy scouts.

Earl Templar, 14 years old, son of G. Templar, a farmer living near Broken Bow, was killed by being kicked over the heart by a horse.

William Hartman, 70, was attacked by two burglars at his home in Beatrice and received a broken jaw and several bad cuts on the head.

Edmond Simmons of Scotts Bluff Sugar company says that sugar beet growers will receive more for their product this year than in 1913.

A coroner's inquest held in connection with the death of J. H. McAuley of Walthill, found that he came to his death through accidental injury.

The new United Brethren church at Julian has been dedicated. Dr. Carter of Chattanooga, Tenn., delivered the final dedicatory address.

Gage county and state republican candidates will tour Gage county this week. The Beatrice military band will accompany the candidates.

Robert I. Elliott, deputy state superintendent, was elected to the head of the mathematics department of the Kearney Normal school, taking the place of Mr. Snodgrass.

Elliott Nutter, 12 years old, of Kearney, died as a result of a kick by a horse a few days ago. Hemorrhage of the stomach caused death. No effects of the injury were felt until two hours before death.

"Echo Crimson Wonder," champion boar and first prize winner at the last state fair, died at Tecumseh two days before a sale at which he was expected to bring \$1,500. More than \$1,000 had been offered for the hog at the fair.

Timothy Sullivan suffered a dislocated hip when his automobile skidded and turned over two miles south of Friend. Mrs. Clark and M. J. Campbell who were in the car, escaped injury.

Fire destroyed the variety store conducted by C. H. Trimbom at Dodge. Firemen worked heroically and saved the adjoining implement house of J. B. Miller. The loss is almost total and no insurance was carried.

At the end of eight months' existence, the Havelock Y. M. C. A. has a membership of 165, with the number increasing almost daily. The association is prospering in every way, and there is little doubt now felt but that it will continue to grow.

Farmers in the vicinity of Blair have organized a society of Equity with a charter membership of about fifty. The object of this society is for the farmers to control the marketing of farm products.

George Schleicher, bartender in George Gibson's saloon at Grand Island, died as a result of a blow on the head, mysteriously given. It is believed he was slugged in the saloon while doing work preparatory to opening.

Two men named Kair and Thomas, the former a plumber and the latter employed at another bar, are being held for investigation.

Miss Della Reed of Alliance, for many years county superintendent of schools, is critically ill at an Alliance hospital, following an operation for appendicitis.

The Union Pacific company have commenced suit in district court at Fremont in an effort to secure title to a narrow strip of land which lies between its tracks and the Platte river a mile east of North Bend. It is said similar actions will be started covering several thousand acres.

In this instance the defendants named are Robert and Emma Mehaffey of North Bend.

## LAND VALUE HIGHER

ASSESSMENTS ARE MUCH MORE THAN LAST YEAR.

### PERSONAL PROPERTY IS LESS

Total Assessments of Nebraska Show 1914 Ahead of Previous Year.

Lincoln.—The land assessments for 1914, as shown in the office of Secretary Seymour of the state board of assessment, show that the valuation of improved and unimproved lands in Nebraska has increased, over the 1913 assessment by \$1,581,426. The valuation on unimproved lands has fallen off considerably. The total showing on the three items, however, is as follows: In 1913 the valuation was given as \$251,244,346, while this year it was shown as \$272,825,772. The valuation of all personal property, in 1913, is given at \$148,038,227, while the 1914 assessment shows a lesser value, the figures being \$145,959,044. All property in 1914 is assessed at \$471,533,572, as against \$470,650,414 in 1913.

### Want Insurance Liability Cut.

Representatives of two insurance companies appeared before Governor Morehead and Attorney General Martin of the insurance board on an application which affects every country merchant in Nebraska. They asked the board to allow insurance companies to limit liability on policies covering merchandise stocks in country towns to three-fourths of the face value. The companies want policies to specify that in case of loss, they will not pay to exceed 75 per cent of the amount. Commissioner Brian has refused to sanction the proposal. The insurance companies assert that they intend to apply the three-fourths rider only in towns and villages where there is no fire protection. The cause refers to "country stores."

### Law Blocks Irrigation Project.

Physical, financial and legal difficulties stand in the way of the proposed irrigation project for Kearney, Gosper and Phelps counties, according to a report formulated by Engineers Walters and Pease of the federal reclamation service and revealed unofficially to state engineers. It was intended to take the water for the project from the Platte river and store it for use when no rain fell to help out growing crops. The experts put stress on the following features which work against the plan. The water supply at present is not sufficient to meet the demands, hence there could be no added drain. Cancellation of a multitude of water rights would have to be undertaken and this would involve long and expensive litigation and possible defeat in the courts.

### New Building for Peru.

Notwithstanding the building fund for normal schools is running low, the State Normal board has let the contract for the erection of a new building at the Peru Norma which will be christened the "Majors" building in honor of the junior member of the board, Thomas J. Majors. The contract for the erection of the building was let for \$83,568, which does not include anything but the building itself, and there is no money for the furnishings and only about enough for the heating and plumbing. It is expected that the next legislature will not allow the building to stand idle and will appropriate funds to get it in shape. It will cost in the aggregate about \$93,000.

### Veterinarians to Confer.

State Veterinarian L. C. Kigin is sending out letters to members of state veterinarian associations in the different states and those who are not connected with state associations and also to veterinarians in states which have no associations or boards, asking that they attend a conference of veterinarians which will meet in Omaha on Thursday, October 29, for the purpose of devising some uniform method for the shipment of cattle from one state to another and for the regulation of the same. The meeting will be held in the Live Stock Exchange building.

### Auditor to Sue Counties.

State Auditor Howard has decided to file civil suits against five counties of the state of Nebraska to compel them to collect taxes to pay money due to the state under an old law providing for the care of the insane at state hospitals. Some years ago counties of the state owed \$96,000 to the state under the law, but all but seven or eight counties have made the payments or have made levies to pay what they owe under this law.

### No Depot Phones for Public.

The Burlington railroad objects to furnishing phones for the public. The protest came up in connection with an application by the people of Seneca for a phone in the depot there. Bryon Clark, counsel for the company, said the road was perfectly willing to install phones in its depots, but he wanted the commission to attach a provision that the phones would be used only on railway business and the public be excluded from using them except for this purpose.

### Inspects Telephone Poles.

In campaigning across the state for a distance of 400 miles, Railway Commissioner T. L. Hall has found more telephone and telegraph property than he knew existed. It is alleged that when traveling he spends much of his time counting and inspecting telephone and telegraph poles. "I find a great difference in construction," he said. "In some of the western counties, where timber is scarce, I find all sorts of material used for poles. Sometimes stakes driven in the ground are used."

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Easy Fix. A negro truck driver backed his wagon into the space allotted to a rival transfer concern at a railway freight depot in Dallas, Tex. "Hey, dar, niggah!" yelled the driver on whose territory the other had transgressed. "I'll knock yo' outa yo' house and home of yo' don't back up!" "I see no home," retorted the offending driver. "Now what yo' gonna do 'bout dat?" "I'll dig yo' one, niggah—I'll dig yo' one!"

### Some Men Do That.

Big Sister—What did Mr. Smith say while waiting for me in the parlor? Little Brother—He didn't say anything. He just talked.

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