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County Supervisors W. O. Brown, J. H. Welty, Dan McDonald and Supervisor-elect F. T. Richmond returned Friday from attendance on the annual convention of Nebraska commissioners and supervisors, held at Fremont the day previous. A number of lively debates were indulged in. Discussion of tax matters brought forth a declaration favoring a legislative bill nullifying notes and mortgages that failed to bear the stamp of the county assessor. Discussions brought forth general endorsement of the above. The convention favored new road laws, more stringent methods of tax assessment and a complete revision of state bridge laws. It was brought out that while supervisors were compelled to keep bridges in repairs, under severe penalties for failure, they are limited in the amount of levy for bridge purposes. An example of the above happened right in Sherman county years ago, in the W. T. Gibson case, where he has been kept out of money rightfully earned for over five years. Another discussion was had favoring county road commissioners. One man declared in favor of abolishment of the offices of county clerk,

county treasurer and county assessor, and would place them all directly in the hands of the supervisors, and favored doubling the salaries of supervisors and correspondingly increasing their responsibilities. The boys report one of the most interesting sessions heretofore held.

Joseph Smith, head of the re-organized church of Latter Day Saints, with headquarters at Lamoni, Iowa, died the 10th instant, aged 82 years. The writer of this, who in years past published papers at Mt. Ayr and Leon, county seats on either side of Lamoni, knew President Smith as a familiar figure, the aged, white-haired old man being well-known to all the people of that section of the state especially. His branch of the Mormon church was anti-polygamous and he always denounced polygamy as an untrue doctrine of Mormon religion.

Few more certain methods for the spread of hog cholera may be found than leaving exposed the carcasses of hogs that have died of cholera. Even tho a carcass may be isolated from other hogs, it may be that seepage from the carcass will reach a neighboring stream and thus endanger a whole section of the state. Again, dogs, cats or birds, attracted to the spot, may carry the germs to a hog lot far distant and perhaps spread the disease for many miles. The department of animal pathology at the Nebraska University Farm urges that every hog dying of cholera or of any other contagious disease should be immediately burned in compliance with the state law.

Jingoes are working overtime to induce this country to add more men and officers and big guns to our fighting force. That would be a very satisfactory way of pushing this country from peace into war. If it is done, then let these same jingoes be put in the fore front of the conflict. An order to that effect would put a stop to jingoism, "believe me."

Champ Clark is reported to have attempted to make an address at Detroit the other night, but was so full of spirits that the audience took French leave, the managers tried to make him quit and when he wouldn't, they put the lights out on him, and admission price at the door was returned to those who attended. Champ was only exercising his right of personal liberty, wasn't he?

Dispatches report the German kaiser as being a very sick man with pneumonia and nervous troubles and has been taken from the front and back to Berlin, with but little prospects of his returning to the war zone for some time, if at all.

And now comes confirmation of the great naval battle of Dec. 8th, in which the German Pacific squadron was put out of business by nine ships of the British fleet. The engagement lasted five hours, all the German ships being sunk, while there was no loss of any of the British vessels.

Our own W. R. Mellor was last week unanimously re-elected president of the American Association of Fairs and Associations, at its annual meeting in Chicago. Will Mellor is fast getting in the class of the biggest men in America.

President Wilson gives it out that if the Mex don't quit sending their bullets across the line into this country and killing innocent Americans, he will try a little canonading effect on the greasers.

The Colorado coal strike was called off by the miners' unions last week Wednesday, but don't expect it will affect our coal bills any.

This tariff tinkering by the democratic administration has caused such a deficit in the national expense budget that the people are now having to pay a little more for most everything they have to use. Among the things that will cost you extra, are a tax on telephone and telegraph messages, freight and express rates, public places of amusement, tobacco and booze, chewing gum, perfumery and cosmetics, commission merchants, bowling and billiard halls, stocks, bonds, contracts, certificates, etc. Of course, our democratic friends tell us this extra tax is on account of the European war, but that is like "whipping the devil around the stump," so to speak. But the democratic party is and always has been a party of mistakes and apology, and history repeats itself at present in extra expense to the taxpayers of our country. Great is democracy.

The mayor of Kearney is a small pox patient. Small pox is no respecter of persons. There are several other cases reported in Kearney.

From all prospects, Italy will be the next one of great powers to get into the scrap.

Notice to The Public

To the Patrons of the Loup City, Post Office:

This is the time of year when the Postoffices of the country are taxed to their capacity, especially since the parcel post has been inaugurated and to overcome this holiday rush, it is necessary for the patrons to assist to a certain extent and if they will observe a few of the following rules they will be doing much towards their share. When calling for stamps, do not wait until you get the stamps before you think about getting the money ready, but have it ready when you call for the stamps, the same is true of the money order department where many will not pay until they get the order or the letter in which the order is sent properly addressed, sealed and mailed before they think about waiting, not thinking that this means delay and causes someone else to wait, because of your negligence.

When it comes to mailing parcel post packages, be sure and have them securely wrapped, and it is unwise to send a parcel through the mails in a hollow box, but have the box filled with paper or anything that will keep the box from crushing in.

Another good way to assist the Postoffice force is to get a lock box, which is only a few cents a month, and is more satisfactory.

Remember the Postoffice department, through its local representatives is anxious to give the very best satisfaction, but in order to accomplish this it requires a little assistance along the line above suggested.

C. F. Beushausen, Postmaster.

Beer Always on Tap. Bavaria has the world's record for beer drinking. Perhaps that accounts for a certain push button in the city of Nuremberg. On one of the many interesting little streets of that quaint old town there is a large, plain-looking building which serves as the downtown office and warehouse of a certain large brewery. In the wall near the door of this wholesale establishment there is a push button that evidently connects with an electric bell somewhere. Over it is a sign reading "Bierglocke," which translated literally into English means "Beer Bell"—evidently an arrangement for summoning more beer in case of emergency.

Ardent politicians. At a recent Liberal gathering in England a number of women, many of them quite young, displayed banners bearing the motto: "What are you going to do for the women?" As one of the fair young hecklers proceeded to answer the banner a handsome steward rushed forward. "Leave the masses and come to the particular," he said. "What do you mean?" she demanded. "Pardon me,—bring it down to the individual," he explained. "I'll marry you—on behalf of the party." It is not said whether this sudden proposal was accepted or not.

Evolution. If the theory of evolution "has been overthrown" the fact is not generally known. So far from being "overthrown" the theory is stronger today, say the leading scientists, than it ever was. Indeed, so these scientists inform us, the theory of evolution is now accepted by the faculties of the great learned institutions of the world and is taught as part of the general education.—Chicago Examiner.

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