Brief Telegrams

The year which has just closed has been an excellent one for Iowa sportsmen with rod and gun. President Roosevelt is likened to

Kaiser Wilhelm as counterpart of "great war god" by Representative An agreement to burn their share

of surplus cotton was reached at a mass meeting of the farmers at Brazos, Tex. Andrew Carnegie commissioned his

Lenden agent to bid up to \$5,000 for the Burns' Bible, which was sold there recently. Rev. Dr. Edmund J. Wolfe, presi-

dent of the general synod of the Lutheran church of America, died at Gettysburg, Pa. Thomas W. Hynes of New York has

been appointed auditor of the Island of Porto Rico, to succeed Erastus S. Rockwell, resigned. Dorothy Deneen, the 10-year-old daughter of Governor Deneen of Illi-

nois, was successfully operated upon for appendicitis. The report of Secretary Shaw's withdrawal from the cabinet is again

revived by the New York Sun, but is not generally credited. The deadlock in the Oregon senate was broken by the election of Senator William Kuyendall of Lane coun-

ty to the presidency of the senate. Extensive washouts occurred on the Southern Pacific, east of San Bernardino, Cal., caused by a cloudburst,

Great damage was done to the tracks. George B. Cortelyou and Mrs. Cortelyou have gone for a seven weeks' trip to southern Europe. He will return in time for the inauguration of President Roosevelt.

The conditions of labor in the West phalian coal fields of Germany, which have induced the growing strike, will be made the subject of interpellation in the reichstag.

An official report says that altogether twenty persons were killed during the labor disturbances in the oil regions in Russia, and that fortyfour oil towers were burned.

M. Paul Doumer, former governor general of French Indo-China, was elected president of the chamber of deputies of France by 265 votes. against 240 votes cast for M. Henry Brisson.

The senate and assembly of the California legislature, strongly republican, voted separately for candidates for United States senator to succeed Senator Bard, whose term will expire on March 4 next.

A charter for a council of the Knights of Columbus, to be instituted | bills then begun, and the first one in Manila, has been granted by the national board of directors of that organization. This is the first council to be established in the Philippines.

Fifty barrels of giant powder in a derailed freight car burned in the Mott Haven freight yards of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad. The powder did not explode, but burned with so bright a glare as to light up the surrounding country for a great radius.

Following the recent letter of President Roosevelt, urging strict enforcement of the law against the emitting of dense smoke from chimneys in the District of Columbia, the police court in Washington imposed fines aggregating \$480 in nineteen cases against Lindley S. Sinclair, general superintendent of the Potomac Electric Power company.

Secretary Hitchcock has transmitted to the house a recommendation from the director of the geological survey regarding the use for irrigation purpose of the waters of the lower Colorado river. The recommendation is made that legislation be enacted for the storage of the head-waters of these rivers to improve both its navigation and for irrigation of the lands of California and Arizona.

The state department at Washington has informed the Chinese government through Minister Cheng Llang Cheng that it regards the Hankow-Canton railway as an American corporation, pure and simple, and as such, entitled to the protection of the government; also that it would not look with favor upon the proposed cancellation of the railroad's fran-

chise by the Chinese government. On account of stories that have been circulated about illness and death, due to "suckes in cabbage." the Illinois board of health has issued a statement, in which it says: "The state board of health has rigidly investigated, through its inspectors, every report of sickness or death attributed to eating cabbage, and in each cash failed to find the slightest ground for the alarming stories circulated over the country."

General Nogi is reported to be rushing his troops northward from Port Arthur to reinforce Marshal Oyama.

The Japanese minister at Washington says that no overtures for peace have been made or will be made by his government.

Fifty sweatshops where clothing is made in New York were raided by inspectors of the state labor department. They were compelled to stop work until they complied with the provisions of the new labor law, which provides that each shop must take out a license.

LEGISLATURE of NEBRASKA

A Synopsis of Proceedings of the Twenty-Ninth General Session.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 10.

Among bills introduced were the fol- be careful in each bill in specifying ed." Mrs. W. H. Sutton was selected lowing: Senate file No 1, by Senator whatever sections of the statutes were to furnish a journal of the proceed-Thomas of Douglas, is a bill for an to be repealed and not to wind up ings at \$2.50 a day, she to furnish all act to provide a twelve-hour shift for Omaha firemen. Senate file No. 2, by Senator Fries of Valley, is a measure to require counties, cities and villages to issue ex-union soldiers and sallors licenses, free of charge, to peddle hawk and dispose of wares. Senate file No. 3, by Senator Good of Nema ha, is a bill for an act to classify property under the revenue law and per mit the state board to raise the valuation of any class of property in any county. When this is done the county forced last year and the bill of Mr.

Senate file No. 4, by Senator Moc-Sheldon of Cass, is a bill for an act outstanding state warrants. Senate file No. 8, by Senator Beghtol of Laucaster is a bill for an act to provide for a county engineer in Douglas and Lancaster counties. Senate file No. 9. by Senator Thomas of Douglas, is a bill for an act to apply the penalties for theft and embezzlement to the crime of conversion. It applies to agents and attorneys in all cases where commissions are involved. It is no exoneration if a part of the sum converted is due the agent. At present the offense is only punishable as a breach of trust.

In the house the speaker thus announced this committee on rules: Chairman, the speaker; Davis of Bufof Cass, Jouvenat of Boone, Bacon of to allow state, county and city officers to give surety bonds, revising the present law. Twenty-one bills were introduced, among them the following: Act to cure the defect of the law permitting state, county and local officers to give surety bonds. Emergency. Act to provide for election of precinct, township and ward assessors in the counties and cities. They are to be elected annually and assess property in the district electing them. The present law provides for their appointment by the county assessor. Emergency, Act to empower supreme commissioners, to serve for two years. unless summarily removed by unanimous vote of the court. The present commission consists of three members. Act to provide for the election of precinct assessors to serve for four years and not be eligible for re-election and fixing the bond at \$5,000. Emergency. Act authorizing the publication of laws on a plan uniform with the annotated statutes and makdence. It authorizes Cobbey to prepare the statutes. Act to appropriate sity of Nebraska, the moneys known as "the agricultural experiment station fund," also the funds arising under the act of congress of August 30, 1890, commonly known as "the Morquire contract for bridges, culverts, etc., to be let to the lowest bidders. Act to regulate the speed of and to control the use of automobiles and other horseless conveyance. It makes limit 12 miles in incorporated cities ing attorney six challenges for each and villages and country roads, compelling automobiles to stop to prevent frightening horses and fixing penalty

In the senate on the 11th, Lieuten- shall appear that any horse or mule ant Governor McGilton delivered a driven or ridden by any person upon short address on the matter of pre- any of said streets, roads or highways

imprisonment or both.

Big Animals Disappearing.

The Indian rhinoceros is nearly extinct. There are two specimens in they will soon disappear.

Trades in London.

According to the late returns there are 1,756 distinct trades being carried Berlin is said to be worth twice what on in London and its suburbs.

conflict with the bill be repealed, Be- pointment of W. H. Askwith as comcause of this slipshod way of prepar- mander of the Grand Island Soldiers' ing bills he said the section permit- Home was confirmed by the senate in ting state officers to give guaranty executive session by unanimous vote. bonds had been repealed and much Bills were introduced: S. F. 33, by confusion had resulted. A message Giffin of Dawson, an act providing for was received from the governor and the election of a prosecuting attornouncing the appointment of William ney for each judicial district in the S. Askwith to the position of com- state, to hold office for a term of four mandant of the Soldiers' and Sailors' years, the first election to be held in home at Grand Island for the period 1906; the prosecuting attorney shall of two years from December 1, 1903, be paid \$2,000 a year; in districts authorities add the increase to the and requesting his confirmation by the containing counties with a population class of property assessed too low senate. The following bills were intro- of more than 100,000 he shall have and the increase does not affect all duced and read for the first time: An two deputies, each to be paid \$1,500 the taxable property in the county. act to prevent the illegal expenditures a year. An act to establish local option The latter interpretation was en- of public funds by making officials re- by counties; providing that 10 per sponsible for money spent out of any cent of the voters can file a petition Good is a curative measure to prevent funds in excess of the amount contain- with the county clerk thirty days beed in such funds. To punish jurors fore a general election and get the and referees for receiving bribes by question voted on. Providing that fore a divorce can be secured and to ing public funds in excess of statu- is entitled to a vote. S. F. 35, by Shelrequire the plaintiff to declare that tory limitation. To define conditions don of Cass-Providing that when the permanent residence is contemplated. of child dependency, neglect, cruelty Missouri river changes its course Senate file No. 5, by Senator Epper- and ill treatment, and to prescribe and puts a part of Nebraska in anson of Clay, is a bill for an act to methods for the protection, disposi- other state, the accretion and the inprevent voluminous court records in tion and supervision of dependent, habitants thereof shall become a part unimportant cases. It directs that neglected, cruelty or ill-treated chil- of the other state, the same to be ancomplete records be made only when dren and to provide punishment for nounced by proclamation of the govthe title of land is involved. Other- the violation of this act. To define wise a complete record is made when bribery of jurors and referees and to the contesting parties bear the ex- fix punishment for the conviction of pense. Senate file No. 6, by Senator the same. An act providing for the Mockett of Lancaster, is a bill for an examination of dipsomaniacs, ineact to establish a juvenile court. Sen- briates and persons addicted to the ate file No. 7, by Senator George L. excessive use of morphine, cocaine or other narcotic drugs, for the deten- Roosevelt in his railroad reform legisto provide a 2 mill levy to purchase tion, care and treatment of such per- lation, the clerk on the 12th, read sons in the Lincoln insane hospital, the following: "Am advised of action and for their parole. The house, by resolution, on the 11th, invited Congressman Burkett to

return from Washington and say personally whether or not he will support President Roosevelt's anti-railroad policy. The resolution was introduced by Mr. Meradith of York. Speaker Rourse announced his committees, accompanying the same with a letter in which some explanation is made. A motion by Wilson that the printing committee be authorized to ascertain the cost of mimeograph copies of the daily minutes for the members was passed. At the first of the session a falo, McClay of Lancaster, Windham motion was passed doing away with ed: "Whereas, By the death of Hon. this custom on the grounds that \$5 a Dawson, Gerdes of Richardson, the day, the cost last session, was too last named being the fusion member much. The committee on rules return- citizen, who has served many times of the committee. The introduction of ed a report which was adopted and in public office and by reason of his does away with two clerks employed exemplary life and honorable service submitted was by Burns of Lancaster heretofore. Among resolutions introduced was one condemning Postmaster Sizer of Lincoln for his activity in the speakership contest and recommending that the postal department at Washington investigate his case. These bills, among others, were introduced: Reapportionment bill. Divides the tsate into sixty-seven representatives districts and thirty-seven in the senate, District No. 5 includes Douglas county to have four senators. District No. 6 shall include Douglas and Saunders and have one float senator. Representative district No. 9 shall include Douglas county court to appoint six commissioners and have thirteen representaives. To and as many stenographers as may be compel railroads to run passenger deemed necessary for the aid of the and freight train on schedul time; an act to do away with the tonnage system. An act making it obligatory on county attorneys to file complaints when in possession of evidence which warrants a prosecution. At present the county attorney may enter'a nolle at his discretion. To punish jurors and referees who take bribes, and defining the crime of jury tampering. Dividing Omaha firemen into two shifts, each to work twelve hours a ing such publication admissible in evi- day. Defining child dependency and providing punishment for the ill treatment of children. House Roll No. 40 to the use and benefit of the Univer- provides that the county clerks shall do the duty of county assessors in ator, So under the new bill Douglas counties under 10,000 population. House Roll No. 41, provides a penalty that, in the discretion of the judge, one who is accused of attempting to rill fund," also the fund known as poison a person shall be imprisoned "the university cash fund." Act to re. or fined, House Roll No. 42 imposes restrictions on traction engines on the highway, and provides they must be stopped within 100 yards of teams or stock. House Roll No. 43 amends the criminal code, allowing prosecut-

SENATE-The second section of S. of \$25 to \$200 fine or three months' F. 29, introduced by Senator Schreck on the 12th, for regulation of automobiles, reads as follows: "Whenever it paring bills that are to be enacted is about to become frightened or is

defendant.

Value of Fox Skins. The only skin which approaches the sea ofter in value is that of the black

skin is said to have brought \$1,000,---Fish and Stream.

Berlin Land Values Double. The ground value of the city of

it was in 1887.

Energy of Radium.

ernor in his message.

The quantity of energy put forth by the London zoological gardens and or silver fox. It is said that good radium is very large. Expressed as two on the European continent. Very skins of the black fox have been sold heat, it is sufficient to raise its weight few are left in a wild state in India in St. Petersburg at from \$1,500 to of water to boiling point in an hour, and Assam, and unless special meas. \$4,000. A pair of sliver skins in Lon- Expressed as power, the energy of a ures be taken for their preservation don sold for \$2,400, while a single saltspoonful would lift 500 tons a mile high-power 30,000 to 1,000,000 times as great as that developed by He who does not give does not live, the most powerful chemical energy hitherto known.

> Good men are the conscience of society.-Samuel Smiles.

frightened by the approach of any au- THE APPORTIONMENT MEASURE

tomobile or vehicle, or when it shall appear that any horse or horses, mule How the Senatorial and Representaor mules, driven by any person or tive Districts Are Arranged. persons upon any of said streets, roads If the bill introduced in the house or highways are about to become on the 12th becomes a law, the senafrightened or are frightened by the aptorial and representative districts will proach of any such automobile or vebe distributed as follows:

Senatorial Districts.

District 1-Richardson and Nemaha, -Pawnee, Gage and Saline, two sena-

hicle it shall be the duty of the per-

son driving or conducting such auto-

mobile or vehicle to cause the same

to come to a full stop, unless horse

HOUSE-Replying to the action of

of Nebraska house of representatives

today, asking my views. Please say

squarely with the president and in-

dorse his message for proper control

of railroad rates." The telegram was

received by Speaker Rouse. The house

adjourned at 2:50 p. m. out of re-

spect to the late Governor Garber,

whose death was announced in a tele-

gram received by Governor Mickey

of Webster moved for the appoint

has endeared himself to the people of

our commonwealth; therefore be it

immediate family, to whom we offer

our sincere sympathy in this their

hour of grief." McAllister of Deuel,

introduced his reapportionment bill.

It is house roll No. 37, and with one

slight change is identical with house

roll No. 371, which he introduced two

years ago and which failed of pas-

sage. The only point of difference be-

tween the two measures is that the

present bill adds one more county,

Banner, to district No. 60, represent

ed by McAllister, which now includes

Deuel, Keith, Cheyenne and Kimball.

The new bill reapportions the senator-

ial as well as the representative dis-

tricts. It takes Douglas county out of

the Tenth representative district and

places it in the Ninth, giving it four

more representatives, and instead of

leaving Douglas in the Sixth senator-

ial district, as at present, with three

senators, the new bill creates the

Fifth district of Douglas alone with

four senators, and the Sixth, with

Douglas and Saunders, with one sen-

county has seventeen and a half mem-

bers in senate and house together,

whereas at present it has twelve

Among bills introduced the following

occur: To provide for the erection and

maintenance of a hard fiber binding

twine plant at the Nebraska state

penitentiary and to make appropria

tions therefor. Appropriates \$45,000

for establishment and \$150,000 for op-

eration, H. R. No. 51, by Warner of

Lancaster-An act to provide for the

reassessment of all real property in

1905; permits county assessors in

counties of over 30,000 to make up

assessment books; permits annual re-

vision of real estate valuation; gives

state board power to increase or de-

zation, as recommended by the gov-

into laws. He urged the senators to or horses, mule or mules, have pass-

the bill by saying that all sections in material except machines. The ap-

ernor.

Johnson and Otoc, one senator, Cass and Sarpy, one senator.
Douglas, four senators.
Douglas and Saunders, one senator.
Washington, Burt and Thurston, one

-Dakota, Dixon and Cedar, one sena-

-Cuming, Wayne and Pierce, one sen-Stanton, Madison and Antelope, one Boone, Nance and Morrick, one sen-

Platte and Polk, one senator, Dodge and Colfax, one senator, Butter and Seward, one senator, Lancaster, two senators, York and Fillmore, one senator. Jefferson and Thayer, one senator, Nuckols, Webster and Franklin, one

enator.

19—Adams and Clay, one senator.

20—Kearney and Buffalo, one senator.

21—Hall and Hamilton, one senator.

22—Howard, Sherman, Greeley, Valley,
Wheeler, Garneld, Loup and Elaine, one

23-Knox, Holt, Boyd and Rock, one sen-24-Brown, Keya Paha, Cherry, Sloux, Sheridan, Dawes and Box Butte, or

stor.

25—Lincoln, Logan, Thomas, Hooker, Grant, McPherson, Keith, Perkins, Deuel, Cheyenne, Kimball, Banner and Scotts Bluff, one senator.

25—Luster and Dawson, one senator.

27—Harlan, Phelps, Frontier and Gostor, and senator.

Representative Districts. 1-Richardson, two representatives.

whee, one representative. -Johnson, one representative. -Nemaha, Pawnee and Johnson, one presentative.

Otoe, two representatives.

Cass, two representatives.

-Sarpy, one representative, -Douglas, thirteen representatives, -Washington, one representative, -Burt, one representative 12-Cuming, one representative, 13-Washington, Burt and Cuming, one presentative.
14—Dakota and Thurston, one representthe house demanding information

from Congressman Burkett as to -Wayne, one representative, Dixon, one representative. whether he would support President Cedar, one representative. 8-Stanton and Pierce, one represent-

Knox, one representative. Knox and Boyd, one representative, Antelope, one representative. Madison, one representative. representative -Platte and Madison, one representa-Nance, one representative.

to the house for me that I stand olfax, one representative. 25—Colfax, one representatives.
27—Dodge, two representatives.
28—Saunders, two representatives.
29—Lancaster, six representatives.
30—Gage, three representatives.
31—Jefferson, one representative. 32—Saline, one representative. 33—Saline and Jefferson, one representa-

> Seward, one representative. 35—Butler, one representative. 36—Butler and Seward, one representa-

from Joseph Garber of Red Cloud. -Polk, one representative. 38-York, one representative. 39-Fillmore, one representative. 40-York and Fillmore, one representa-When the telegram was read Kaley ment of a committee to draw suitable Thayer, one representative. resolutions. The following were pass-

42-Nuckolls, one representative.
43-Clay, one representative.
44-Thayer, Nuckolls and Clay, one Silas Garber the state has suffered the epresentative. 46—Webster, one representative.
48—Adams, two representatives.
47—Hall, one representative.
48—Hamilton, one representative.
49—Hamilton and Hall, one representative. loss of a distinguished and honored

Boone, one representative 52-Howard, one representative. 53-Garfield, Wheeler and Greeley, one

Resolved, That we honor the memory of the Hon. Silas Garber by adjourn-4-Sherman and Valley, one representaing for the remainder of the day, and Holt, one representative. that these resolutions be spread upon 56-Rock, Brown, Loup, Saline and homas, one representative, 57-Keya Paha, Cherry, Hooker and trant, one representative. th journal of the house and that a

copy of the same be forwarded to his 8-Sherman and Dawes, one represent-9-Box Butte, Scotts Bluff and Sloux,

representative.
Deuel, Keith, Cheyenne, Kimball
Banner, one representative.
Lincoln, one representative. 62-Custer, one representative. 63-Custer, Logan and McPherson, one

esentative. Buffalo, two representatives. 65-Kearney, one representative, 96-Franklin, one representative,

65-Harlan, one representative 68-Phelps, one representative Furnas, one representative. 70—Dawson, one representative. 71—Dawson, Gosper and Furnas, one

2-Frontier and Hayes, one representa-73—Red Willow, one representative. 74—Hitchcock, Dundy, Chase and Per-dus, one representative.

Nearly Drowned by Kangaroo. While chasing a full-grown male kangaroo at Reedy Creek, Victoria, a local resident was suddenly seized by the animal and ducked repeatedly in the water, being only saved from death by the courage of his dog, who finally put the kangaroo to flight.

Modernizing Rome.

Several large new hotels are being built in Rome. The natives complain that the city is being modernized and Anglicized. Several bars, with barmaids, have recently been opened and the Cafe de Roma now has a grill

Injuries to Drunkards.

In the casualty wards of the London General hospital regularly, on Saturday nights, 90 per cent of the injuries admitted are directly due to drink, and on the last boxing day every admission was due to drink.

There are two things we have never crease assessment on any class of been able to understand: How a property; provides for county levy hotel has the nerve to ask forty cents after state board has made its equalifor a baked potato and where a florist gets the courage to take a dollar for a chrysanthemum.

Oldest Inhabited Residence.

The oldest inhabited residence in the British kingdom is said to be Dunvegan castle, in the Isle of Skye -the seat of the McLeods of McLeod -part of which dates from the ninth century, or a couple of hundred years before the conquest of England by William the Norman.

It is generally easy enough to judge a man by the diamond he wears in his shirt front.

NO PEACE SOUGHT.

Neither Russia Nor Japan Asking

For It. WASHINGTON-Japan has made no overtures for peace to Russia, directly or indirectly, through the United States, or any other power, and contemplates no such action, and now that Port Arthur has fallen, proposes to press the war in the north all the more vigorously by reinforcing the Japanese armies at Liao Yang with the greater part of the troops which have been besieging Port Arthur. This, in brief, represents the views of Kogoro Takahira, the Japanese minister, who has recently resumed charge of the legation at Washington after a long illness at New York.

"The fall of Port Arthur," said the minister, "is but a step in the war which Japan is waging for a principle. Certainly it is an important step, but nothing could be further from the truth than the assumption that, because Japan has captured a stronghold, the fall of which had long been expected, the Japanese government will now make overtures for peace, Japan is too busy fighting. We are as much in earnest today as we were at the outset of the war. We have made no overtures for peace, either directly or indirectly, nor have the powers approached us with any idea of intervention."

At the Russian embassy it was reiterated that Russia would fight all the harder in view of the temporary loss of Port Artnur.

Europe, it is learned, is firmly of the conviction that, however dark the outlook for peace at this moment, when the prospect brightens it is to President Roosevelt that the neutrals as well as the belligerents will look for the intermediary through which negotiations can be made. As a European ambassador said today, the American government is practically the only government to which both belligerents will be willing to look for assistance in reaching a settlement. when the time comes, and aside from this fact the high personal regard in which the president is held, both at St. Petersburg and Tokio, makes it all the more probable that through him, when Russia and Japan have fought their fight, the powers must hope for peace.

LAND FRAUDS IN MONTANA.

Purchases Made by Senator Clark Unlawfully Entered.

HELENA, Mont.-Judge William S. Hunt, in the United States court here overruled the demurrers of the defendants to the indictments in the case of the United States versus R. M. Cobban, J. B. Cattlin and many others, charged with subornation of perjury and perjury in connection with timber land entries in western Montana, and the accused will now have to come to trial.

There are twelve indictments for subordination of perjury and ninety for perjury. Included in the defendants are many settlers in Powell and Missoula counties, who are alleged to have made false oath in proving upon their timber lands which were afterwards acquired by Senator W. A. Clark. It is charged that Cobban and Cattlin, well known citizens of Missoula, induced their people to swear falsely. The indictments were returned in June, 1901, and the cases have since been pending in court.

BUILDINGS FOR NEBRASKA.

York and Grand Island Likely to Be Thus Favored.

WASHINGTON-It is almost certain that York and Grand Island will get public buildings at the hands of this congress. Sites may be provided in North Platte, Columbus and Kearney, but the present session will not provide for buildings in the last named towns. Congressman Hinshaw has been indefatigable in his labors to secure for York one hundred thousand dollars for a building, but the chances are he will get but seventyfive thousand. However, that amount may be increased at a later session. No definite assurance has as yet been given by the committee that York will be included in the list, but Congressman Norris, who is a member of the committee, is making a hard fight for both Grand Island and York. Members of the committee intimate that inasmuch as Grand Island Las the largest population and that congress is likely to pass a law providing for the holding of sessions of the federal court in Grand Island, the government building there should be a large one. Hence the committee is likely to appropriate \$125,000 for Grand Island.

Nebraska Manufacturers' Census. WASHINGTON-Work will soon be commenced by the government to take another census of the manufactures throughout the United States for 1904. Three special agents will be designated to take the Nebraska census. Two will be appointed at Omaha and one at Lincoln. These agents will be selected upon the recommendation of congressmen from the state. The compensation will be \$3 per day.

Brazill Wants an Ambassador. WASHINGTON-Brazil, through her charge d'affaires at Washington. has transmitted to this government the intimation that she desires to be represented at Washington by an ambassador and would welcome the appointment of an American ambassador at Rio de Janeiro. Cordial as are the relations between the two governments, the need of an American ambassador to Brazil is not felt by this government, and it is quite improbable that the suggestion will be encouraged.