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BUNDESRATH DELAYS

STANDS IN WAY OF REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT.

Radicals and Socialists Demand Change in German Constitution Making Chancellor and Ministers Responsible to People.

The debate in the reichstag on the motions introduced by the socialists and radicals demanding changes in the constitution with the object of making the chancellor and ministers responsible to parliament and giving the sole power to the reichstag to declare war will probably begin on Dec. 2. The debate is expected to last one day, or two days at the most.

The advanced liberals, whose aim is to convert the German political system into a government responsible to parliament, do not anticipate much from the present reichstag, because in the days when feeling ran the highest the party leaders would not agree to urge even the simplest resolution of censure or inquiry. The radicals and socialists count upon making their first great campaign in the elections of 1912 unless the house is dissolved sooner.

The power of the associated monarchies forming the German empire is entrenched in two principal ways—in the bundesrath, which has equal legislative powers with the reichstag, and in the conservative and clerical parties, which have, under the ancient system of the reighstag electoral districts, the means for holding the majority in that body by about one-third the votes cast.

The bundesrath, which consist of 58 members appointed by the sovereigns of the states of Germany, except one each from Hamburg, Bremen and Lubeck, stands directly across the path of a government responsible to the elected representatives of the people. The kings, grand dukes, dukes and princes who rule the federated states, also through ministers responsible to them alone, while willing to unite in limiting the freedom of initiative and speed on the part of the king of Prussia as emperor, are one with him in their determination to resist representative government. Fourteen votes in the bundesrath against any amendment to the constitution will suffice for its rejection. The emperor as king of Prussia nominates seventeen members, and as a consequence there is no possible chance for the adoption of an amendment without his consent. The radicals and socialists do not doubt that by cutting off the money appropriation they could in the end compel the monarchs to grant a full representative government, but they must first command a majority in the reichstag, and that seemingly is only possible through a prolonged and overwhelming agitation for a rearrangement of electoral districts, so that the artisan classes in the industrial centers shall have equal ballot rights with the protected food growing interests which are opposed to a change.

NEW COUNTERFEIT NOTES.

Paper $5 Certificates Discovered by Chief Wilkie.

Chief Wilkie, of the secret service, has announced that a new counterfeit $5 certificate (Indian head) has been detected in circulation, having first made its appearance in Providence, R. I. The counterfeit note purports to be one of those authorized by the acts of Aug. 4, 1886, series of 1899, check letter "D," face plate No. 2, back plate No. 666, with portrait of Onepapa.

The officials declare it is a dangerous photo-mechanical production printed on one piece of heavy bond paper, but a defect in the plate gives the Indian chief a crosseyed expression. The blue seal closely approximates the genuine in color, but is badly printed, being coarse and rough, with many broken lines. The back of the note is a very deceptive piece of work, and except for being lighter in color appears much like the genuine. In the sample furnished Chief Wilkie there appears to have been no attempt to imitate the distributed silk fiber.

A new counterfeit $5 United States note also has been discovered. It purports to be one authorized by the act of March 3, 1863, series of 1907, with a portrait of Jackson, check lettter "D," No. A50247176. This spurious production is a straight photograph, with the seal and denominational design on the face of the note touched up with color and back painted a muddy green.

Sioux City Live Stock Market.

Saturday's quotations on the Sioux City live stock market follow: Top beeves, $4.00. Top hogs, $5.75.

Kansas City Banks United.

The Union National bank, with deposits of $13,000,000 has absorbed the National Bank of Commerce; of Kansas City. The Bank of Commerce will have a total of $31,500,000 in deposits.

Auto Runs Into Pole.

DeRoze, a mechanic, was killed and John Juhaz, a driver, badly injured by the collision of an automobile with a telegraph pole while the men were training at Savannah, Ga.

MANY LIVES ARE LOST.

Terrific Explosion of Gas in a Brooklyn Street.

Twenty-five persons are believed to have lost their lives in an explosion of gas which tore up a great section of Gold street, Brooklyn, N. Y., Friday. It is definitely known that fifteen persons were buried under the hundreds of tons of earth and timber thrown into the air, and ten more are reported as missing. The exact number of dead cannot be determined until those working to recover the entombed bodies have dug through fifty feet of dirt, rock and a tangle of pipes and timbers.

The explosion occurred in a fifty-foot excavation that had been made in Gold street between York and Front streets, where a water main was being laid. The gas main recently sprung a leak, and in a manner unknown a spark came in contact with the escaping gas. Immediately there was a terrific explosion that lifted the surface of the street for half a block in both directions and hurled dirt, paving stones and debris into the air. When the smoke and dust cleared away it was seen that the street had been opened from doorstep to doorstep over an area of nearly a block. The loosened earth and debris had fallen into the excavation, burying the score of laborers who were at work when the accident happened. Great tongues of flame shot out of crevices, and beside them geysers of water slipped into the air from a water main that had been shattered by thhe explosion. Two bodies were sticking out of the wreckage.

Gold street was crowded with school children when the explosion occurred, and that scores were not killed or injured was remarkable. A woman and three children were almost opposite the excavation when the earth crumbled under the feet and they were swept down into the hole under tons of wreckage. Two other children were on the opposite side when the sidewalk caved in, and they lost their lives.

Samuel Trout lost his life in attempting to save a woman who was passing through Gold street at the time of the explosion. Trout fell into the trench and was roasted alive. The woman was dragged out of the trench and saved by a boy.

WITH TWO VOTES MARGIN.

Gmelich Elected Lieutenant Governor of Missouri.

Joseph L. Gmelich, republican, defeated William Paynter, democrat, for the office of lieutenant governor of Missouri by the narrow margin of two votes, according to a special dispatch to the Post-Dispatch from Jefferson City. The result purports to be the official revision of the count conducted by Secretary of State Swanger. According to Paynter's partisans their candidate was successful by from 4 to 23 votes. The points in dispute relate to supplemental returns from county clerks. The total vote for lieutenant governor was 695,214.

William H. Taft carried Missouri by a plurality of 1,026, according to the tabulation of the official returns made by Gov. Folk Friday. The tabulation, however, was made only on the first elector, and there is a possibility that this figure may be changed somewhat as regards other electors.

FOR FARMERS. 8 BILLIONS.

Grangers' Income Last Year Would Run Goverment Eight Years.

The farmers of the country pocketed $8,000,000,000 from their crops last year, according to a report soon to be made by James Wilson, secretary of agriculture. It is calculated that enough money is now being extracted from the farms of the country in a year to pay for running of the country for eight years. Last year the total value of crops was 7,500,000,000. One of the officials of the goverment said that the farmers of the country are better off this year than in previous years in two respects. The crops are better than the average and the prices are much higher.

Auto Rushes into River.

Two persons were drowned and six others rescued from the water Friday at Chicago, when an automobile in which they had been speeding toward Chicago swerved from its course at the approach of a bridge over the Calumet river and dashed into the stream.

Use Coats as Life Nets.

Eleven children, including a babe in arms, were caught in the coats of policemen early Friday, at New York, after they had been hurled from windows by terrified mothers as a fire raged in a tenement in Williamsburg. One boy of 10 years perished.

Contracts for Steel Armour.

Contracts for about 10,000 tons of steel armour for the batttleships Florida and Utah have been awarded by the secretary of the navy, the Bethlehem, Carnegie and Midville companies each giving a contract for about one-third.

Robbers Make Good Haul.

Robbers held several citizens at bay early Friday at Attica, Ind., while they blew open and robbed the safe of Renniger & Silcox of $6,000 in cash. The robbers escaped.

Goes Ashore in Storm.

The French cruiser Conde ran on the rocks off the Corsican coast Friday during a heavy storm. Her position is critical. There was no loss of life.

"TOM" DOWN AND OUT.

Cleveland's Famous Mayor Has Lost a Fortune.

Mayor Tom L. Johnson, of Cleveland, O., who for years has been credited with the possession of a very large fortune, Thursday announced that he had lost everything and would be compelled to give up his beautiful home on Euclid avenue and move into small and less expensive quarters. The mayor also stated that that he would give up his automobiles and other luxuries because he could no longer afford to keep them. His fortune was wrecked, the mayor declared, by his devotion to the affairs of the estate of his dead brother, Albert, who was heavily interested in traction properties in the east. After Albert's death a question was put up to him whether he should resign his office as mayor and take up the management of Albert's estate.

"I decided that I would not. I had entered the fight in this city with certain ideals before me. I wanted to fight privilege and special interests and I had already decided to give up working for dollars. So I concluded to stay right here and do what I could to help my brother's children at long distance.

"Why did I choose the course I did? I'll tell you. It is not because I am a philanthropist, for I am not. I acted on a purely selfish motive. I wanted happiness and nothing else when I closed up my business affairs and took up civic activity.

"And I've been happy, too. The past seven years have been the best of my life, leaving out of consideration the loss of my brother.

"I'm going to be happy yet, too. We may have to go back to a cottage, but that's the way we started, and we can look upon life just as joyfully there as we did in the big house on Euclid avenue.

"They tell me my enemies are planning to bring financial trouble upon me. I've been expecting it. There's one mistake I have not made—that of failing to foresee the efforts of those who would like to destroy me if opportunity presented. My enemies are capable of doing that. One may expect nothing else from special privilege. However, I realize that any other set of men in the same circumstances would act the same. Let them do what they may. Let them make any sort of attack upon me they choose, with whatever success, and they will find me with a thousand fights left in me.

"I'll never give up. I'm well and strong and confident, and they'll always find me at the front.

DONS GARB OF CONVICT.

Peter Van Vlissengen Given No. 603 at Joliet Prison.

Peter Vlissengen, of Chicago, self confessed forger to the amount of more than $700,000, was taken to Joliet Thursday and became convict No. 603.

Fear that the disgraced financier might attempt suicide was given as the reason for his removal from the jail at an earlier date than had been expected.

To avoid newspaper photographers the prisoner in leaving the jail held a newspaper over his face. He continuer to use this devise in the omnibus to avoid recognition on the way to the union depot.

The news that he was awaiting a train spread quickly in the neighborhood of the station, and a crowd of 200 to 300 people crowded about him until he went abroad. There was no demonstration.

Seek Rabbit; Find $3,600.

While digging around a hole in which a rabbit had disappeared Edward Woods and Thomas Dickinson, lumbermen employed near Oil City, Pa., uncovered an iron kettle containing $3,600 in gold coins. Old residents believe the money was buried by John Caldwell, an eccentric farmer who died in an insane asylem nearly thirty years ago.

New Pool Champion.

Thomas A. Hueston, of St. Louis, wrested the world's continuous pool championship from Alfred De Oro, of Havana, Cuba, by the score of 600 to 436. For twenty years De Oro has held the championship almost continuously and in that time he has played ninety-two championship games.

200 Escape Injury.

Two loaded cages in the Kerns-Donnewald coal mine, nine miles north of Edwardsville, Ill., collasped, carrying with them to the bottom of the mine the entire hoisting apparatus and top works. Two hundred men were in the mine at the time of the accident, but all escaped injury.

Johnson's Wealth Gone.

Mayor Tom L. Johnson, for years reputed to be a millionare several times over, Thursday announced his entire fortune had been lost. He added that a large part had been spent in an affort to save properities left by his late brother Albert.

Silverman Not Guilty.

The jury in the case of Harry Silverman, of Pittsburg, manager for Miller & co., New York brokers, charged with conspiracy to defraud the Farmer's Deposit National bank, Thursday returned a verdict of "not guilty."

Corn Shredder Kills Farmer.

Sebastian C. Cromer, a farmer of Eola Junction, Ill., was caught in a corn shredder and killed. Every bone in his body was broken.

NEBRASKA STATE NEWS

INTERESTING HAPPENINGS
From Day to Day Condensed
FOR OUR BUSY READERS

PONCA MILLS START AGAIN.

Closed for Two Years for Lack of Power.

The Iowa Milling company at Ponca, is once more ready for the production of flour. For two years the mill has been silent. The lower part of the town was flooded several times and the city called for the removal of the dam, which furnished splendid water power. The city paid the company $2,000. The company was reorganized last spring and George Mattison elected manager. Under his direction a gas engine has been installed and started. The engine worked so well that it will be attached to the mill machinery. It is a tandem of sixty-horse power operated by a gas producer. Ponca bears the distinction of having the first of this class of engines in the state of Nebraska. The mill has a capacity of sixty barrels of flour per day, besides cornmeal and feed. The new engine has attracted the engineers and machinists from far and near. It is hoped that it will supply the place of the lost water power.

MASONS ASSEMBLE AT HASTINGS.

Scottish Rite Bodies Institute Lodge Knights of Kadosh.

With the annual Masonic reunion which began Wednesday morning, Hastings, is elevated to a position of commanding importance in the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, surpassing in authority and jurisdiction all towns in Nebraska except Lincoln and Omaha. The specific event which will mark the beginning of the new era of local Freemasonry will be the establishment of Frederick Webber council No. 3, Knights of Kadosh. Heretofore Masons of the Scottish Rite have gone to Lincoln or Omaha to receive the degrees above the eighteenth. With the new council of Knights of Kadosh all degrees up to and including the thirteth may be conferred at Hastings, and with the establishment of a consistory, which may come in the near future, the thirty-first and thirty-second may also be given there.

SHOOTS WIFE WHILE HUNTING.

Had Been Married But a Short Time and Wife May Die.

Mrs. Raymond McCabe, of Randolph, was accidentally shot by her husband near Page. Mr. and Mrs. McCabe were visiting her parents, and they were out hunting when the accident occurred.

The young bride was shot through the accidental discharge of a hammerless shotgun while hunting with her husband near Venus in the western part of the county. The shot after passing through her right arm entered the stomach, the terrible force of the bullets carrying a coat button and a piece of corset steel into the body of the unfortunate woman.

The McCabes were married at Winside last August, where Mr. McCabe's mother resides.

RICE AND DAVIS ON STAND.

Woman and Man Must Again Testify in Rustin Case.

Mrs. Abbie C. Rice and Charles E. Davis, witness and principal in the Rustin murder case, will again have to go on the witness stand and tell what they know about the death of Dr. Frederick Rustin.

The Fidelity and Casualty company, in which Dr. Rustin carried an accident policy for $5,000, has filed a petition to perpetuate the evidence of the two witnesses.

The request is much the same as the one made several weeks ago by three other companies and is for the same purpose to secure in a form that can be used the evidence of the witnesses in case Mrs. Rustin should sue for the insurance.

GEORGE PIERCE KILLED AT ORD.

Man Riding Railroad Velocipede Is Struck by Burlington Train.

George Pierce was accidentally killed one mile east of Ord by Burlington passenger No. 54. He was riding a velocipede on the track on his way to Sumpter where he has been working as a section hand. The car was scattered for nearly half a mile. The view is unobstructed for two miles and the engineer did not see him on the track, neither did the train stop. Death might have been caused instantly, as the neck was dislocated and the face and head badly bruised. Two pint bottles of whisky were found in his pocket intact. Pierce has lived there for the past thirty years.

New Telephone Line.

The New Home Telephone company is building a new toll line between Beatrice and Cortland. When this line is completed every town in the county will be supplied with a toll station.

West Point Mayor Weds.

Mayor F. D. Hunker, of West Point, and Miss Stella Jarrett were married Wednesday. The ceremony was performed in St. Mary's church, Rev. Joseph Ruesing, rector, officiating.

Boy Bitten by Dog.

The 4-year-old son of Mrs. Ellen Rhoden, of Table Rock, was severely bitten by a dog which he was tormenting Monday evening.

Schmidt Up for Fatal Kick.

Charged with causing the death of Lars C. Jensen, an old man, by kicking him in the abdomen, Gus Schmidt has been placed on trial in district court at Omaha. The formal charge against him is second degree murder.

American Consul's Wife Dies.

A cablegram from Berne, Switzerland, announces the death there of Mrs. George Heimrod, wife of the American consul at that place. Mr. and Mrs. Heimrod were former residents of Omaha.

ELECTRIC STOCK GOES TO COURT

Both Claimants Have Representation Pending Settlement.

As a result of the suit filed in the district court at Beatrice a few days ago by Paul Horbach and others, residents of Omaha, to secure possession of certain stock held by L. E. Watson and other parties of Beatrice, the plant of the Beatrice electric company is now in the joint possession of C. L. Wilson, representing the Horbachs, and L. E. Watson, representing his own interests. The property will remain in their charge, with W. S. Johnson as superintendent until the case is tried in court.

President D. W. Morrow, of the Beatrice Electric company, and a number of the old board of directors, including Paul Horbach, arrived Monday from Omaha. A meeting of the directors was held and a resolution passed dispensing with the services of L. E. Watson and appointing C. L. Wilson, of Omaha, to take his place as manager, but Mr. Watson refused to recognize the action of the board or turn over the property. Mr. Wilson claiming he was the owner of $51,000 of the $100,000 stock of the company. An agreement was finally reached whereby Mr. Wilson and Mr. Watson are to remain temporarily in charge of the company's affairs. The Horbach estate claims to own practically all of the stock of the company, and while a majority of it has been in possession of E. J. Sullivan, he had no authority to sell or dispose of it. The estate also contends that Watson does not own a majority of the stock and that his claim is made for the purpose of assisting Mr. Sullivan in getting the property away from the Horbachs.

ARRESTED FOR FORGERY.

Painter at Hastings Signs Employer's Name to Checks.

C. O. Anderson, an employe of Haynes Bros., painters and decorators, was arrested Monday night on the charge of forging his employers' name to some twenty-four checks for $15.25 each, ten of which he succeeded in passing at local stores. He was taken in custody by Chief Widmier as he was waiting to board a westbound passenger train. The signature of his employer was so skillfully imitated that it was impossible to distinguish between the genuine and bogus without comparison with stubs in the check book. He made small purchases at each place where he negotiated a check and practically all of the goods thus purchased and $147 in money were found in his possession.

NEW APPOINTEES SELECTED.

Heads of Hastings Asylum and Nebraska City Institute Designated.

Gov. elect A. C. Shallenberger has said he will appoint Dr. M. W. Baxter, of Prosser, in place of Superintendent Kern, of the Hastings insane asylum, and will name N. C. Abbott, of Tekamah, superintendent of the institute for the blind at Nebraska City. T. W. Smith, of York, has been picked for warden of the state penitentiary to succeed Warden A. W. Beemer and Col. John C. Hartigan, of the Second regiment, Nebraska National guard, will be named adjutant general.

Mr. Shallenberger has decided to appoint Fred Pratt, of Humphrey, deputy oil inspector of the Third district, and M. J. Bouse, of David City, deputy inspector in the Fourth district.

SOCIETY GETS THE CHILDREN.

Dyer Childern Given to Children's Home Society.

The Dyer habeas corpus case at Beatrice, which has been in the district court the last year, was settled out of court and the two children, a boy aged 8 and a girl aged 11, who were taken from the Nebraska Children's Home society, of Omaha, while Mr. and Mrs. Dyer were residents of Thayer county, were turned over to the institution. Mrs. Quivey, of the society, was in Beatrice in the interest of the children, the case having been set for trial in the district court.

USES SHOTGUN ON WIFE.

Jealousy Caused Negro to Attack Young Wife.

James Barton, a young colored man, shot at his wife in Kearney with a single barreled shotgun and four shot took effect. The wounds will not be fatal on account of the distance from the weapon. Jealousy led up to the affair. The shooting took place at the home of a friend for whom the couple had recently been keeping house. Barton has been placed in jail awaiting charges.

Boy at David City Injured.

The son of Andrew Secock, of David City, 12 years of age, was found by the side of the Union Pacific track by some of his playmates on their way to school. Both his legs had been severed and it is thought he will die. He probably caught a ride on a freight train that passed and fell under the cars.

Suicide Attempt Unsuccessful.

Mrs. C. L. Barrackman, of Hastings who attempted suicide last Wednesday by swallowing carbolic acid, is recovering satisfactorily. She has been suffering with tuberculosis and her attempt to commit suicide was prompted by despondency.

Injured by Falling.

Paul Feiblekorn, a brick mason who was working on the new school building at Tilden, fell from the second story window to the ground. He was badly bruised but no bones were broken and unless he is injured internally he will probably recover.

New Building for Elmwood.

The Plattsmouth Telephone company has commenced the erection of a two-story brick building in Elmwood.

STATE CAPITAL CHAT. LINCOLN

Labor Commissioner Ryder has made public a tabulation of Nebraska crops for 1908, which indicates that this year's corn crop is worth, at 50 cents a bushel, $89,299,878.

"This is an increase over the value of record breaking crop of 1905, which was 243,712,244 bushels; and it is only $12,000 less than the value of the next largest crop, that of 1906, which totaled 241,383,537 bushels.

"We are most agreeably surprised by the final outcome of the reports this year. With a reported acreage 247,825 less than in 1907, the total production is 9,000,000 bushels more, or 178,599,789, as against 169,599,885 last year.

"There is a decided change as to the leading corn counties this year. Because of floods, principally, former leaders fell off; hot winds and drouth at the wrong time reduced the production of other ordinarily heavy producers. To offset these losses, remarkably good results are shown by counties not heretofore regarded as big corn producers. Lancaster reported the largest acreage, but Custer leads in total production, with 3,441,327 bushels, against 2,655,471 bushels for Lancaster. Counties reporting 2,000,000 bushels or better stand in this order, after two named: Saunders, Cedar, Nuckolls, Buffalo, Boone, Knox and Platte. The average per acre for the state this year is 28.17 bushels, while last year the average per acre was 25.75 bushels.

"Winter wheat acreage reported this year exceeded that of 1907 by 62,741 acres, but the total production is less, being 41,001,938 bushels, as against 42,992,004 for 1907. Last year the average production per acre of this crop was 18.85, this year it is 16.99, but the value is greater by over $2,500,000. The 1908 winter wheat crop is worth to the farmers $34,851,610, as compared with $32,244,753 last year. Clay county leads in production, with a shade under 2,000,000 bushels; Adams is close up and Hamilton a strong third. Then come Gage, York, Fillmore, Seward, Butler, Saline.

"Spring wheat acreage shows a decline every year of late, but the average per acre this year is 13.98 against 12.93 in 1907, with a total of 2,840,284, as compared with 3,214 264 last year. The present crop tops the last one in value, $2,414,322 against $2,410,990. We thus have at total for wheat this year of $37,395,932. The counties raising spring wheat in largest amounts are Sheridan, Lincoln, Dakota, Cheyenne, Burt, Dawes, Box Butte, Cuming, Washington, Cass.

"In oats we have an increased total production on a reduced acreage, the average per acre going 23.86 as against 21.49 in 1907. The total reaches 56,183,528 bushels, compared to 53,622,262, and the value is $22,467,395; last year it was $20,276,460. Platte county leads in the oats production, with 2,379,730, followed closely by Cedar with 2,094,103; then come Custer, Knox, Madison, Pierce, Cuming, Gage, Saunders, Buffalo, all running along over 1,000,000 bushels.

"In Barley production we fall off, from 2,346,166 bushels last year to 2,131,793 this year. The average per acre also shows a slight reduction. The value of this crop to Nebraska is $959,289. The counties producing the most barley are Thurston, Dundy, Hitchcock, Custer, Red Willow, Burt, Lincoln, Cedar, Logan, Hayes. Rye, likewise, shows a decrease all around. Total production, 1908, 1,206,448 bushels; 1907, 1,407,699 bushels. Value this year, $759,859. Western counties lead in rye production.

"The total value of these five crops to the farmers of the state foots up $150,750,254, as against $129,985,045 for the same crops in 1907, an increase of $20,765,209."

"Alfalfa and hay will weigh up strong this year in boosting our grand total, and potatoes will represent more wealth than the Alaska mines produce in a year. Then don't forget that eggs are now 3 cents apiece or three dozen for $1. And we have celery, turkeys, pumpkins, apples, frog legs, sweet potatoes, etc. So no one need worry about the Nebraska farmer either as to Thanksgiving or Christmas, or the college education for the children, to say nothing of automobiles riding in the most delightful, 'ozony' atmosphere lying utdoors."

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The case against C. S. Depass, an insurance agent arrested at Beatrice Oct. 20 on the charge of writing a policy of $2,000 for John Chesnutt without first obtaining a certificate, was called in county court Wednesday and dismissed, as it was shown that the alleged offense was committed in Lancaster county. State Auditor Searle, Deputy Insurance Auditor Pierce and Judge Holmes, of Lincoln, had been called as witnesses in the case.

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Gov.-elect Shallenberger was in Lincoln Wednesday night riding the Shriner goat. He said he was too busy with that occupation to think about appointements.

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A message has been received in Lincoln announcing that A. Galusha, former secretary of state, had been injured at Guide Rock by a fall caused by a runaway.

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W. J. Taylor, representative-elect in Custer county, is being urged by friends to enter the race for speaker of the next house of representatives.

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By failing to sell their bonds to the state the officials of Kimball county have lost the taxpayers some $374. The bonds amounted to $5,000, run for five years and drew 6 per cent interest. The records show the bonds were sold for a premium of only $1.

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Nebraska and Iowa are anxious to bring closer to this part of the country a meeting of the Short-horn Breeders' association and for that reason are securing proxies of members of the association to be used at the meeting to be held in Chicago Dec. 2.