FIFTEEN ARE NOT THERE

Saturday's Legislative Ballot for Senators Discloses Number of Absentees.

CANDIDATES' SHOWING THEREBY SUFFERS

Day's Changes Result in Currie Losing One and Meiklejohn Two, Hinshaw and Rosewater Being the Beneficiaries.

	Ballots					
	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.	10.
Allen	41	56	54	55	56	45
Berge	3	..	3	2	2	4
Broady	..	..	3	1	1	2
Crounse	8	8	7	6	6	6
Currie	19	21	20	19	21	18
Hainer	6	6	5	4	4	4
Harlan	2	1	1	1	1	1
Hays, J. R.	..	1	1	..	..	..
Harrington	1	1	5	2	2	1
Hitchcock	43	..	2	4	17	24
Hinshaw	15	14	15	15	15	16
Kinkaid	4	4	2	2	3	2
Meiklejohn	23	26	29	31	32	29
Morlan	1	1	1	1	1	..
Martin	3	3	7	7	6	6
Richards	..	..	..	1	..	..
Rosewater	13	15	16	15	16	15
Sutherland	1	1	1	1	1	1
Thompson, D. E.	29	34	36	35	36	34
Thompson, W. H.	..	56	50	54	41	26
Van Dusen	1	2	1	1	1	1

LINCOLN, Jan. 26.—(Special Telegram.)—There were more absentees than common today in the joint convention to vote for senator, and the totals of several of the candidates suffered in consequence. Currie lost one through changes and Meiklejohn lost two in the same manner, Hinshaw and Rosewater being the beneficiaries. Following is the vote.

Allen	45	Hitchcock	24
Berge	4	Kinkaid	2
Broady	2	Martin	6
Crounse	6	Meiklejohn	29
Currie	18	Rosewater	15
Hainer	4	Sutherland	1
Harlan	1	Thompson, D. E.	34
Harrington	1	Thompson, W. H.	26
Hinshaw	16	Van Dusen	1

Vote in Detail.

The republican vote was:

Allen—D. E. Thompson, Currie.
Andrews—Thompson, Crounse.
Arends—Currie, Hinshaw.
Armstrong—D. E. Thompson, Meiklejohn.
Beisner—Hinshaw, Meiklejohn.
Beck—D. E. Thompson, Currie.
Beethe—D. E. Thompson, Meiklejohn.
Beriet—D. E. Thompson, Meiklejohn.
Broderick—Hinshaw, Meiklejohn.
Brown of Furnas—D. E. Thompson, Meiklejohn.
Brown of Otoe—Hainer, Crounse.
Burrish—Hinshaw, Rosewater.
Cain—Martin, Meiklejohn.
Corneer—Martin, Rosewater.
Cressy—D. E. Thompson, Meiklejohn.
Crounse—Harlan, Currie.
Currie—Van Dusen, Crounse.
Edgar—D. E. Thomson, Currie.
Evans—Hainer, Meiklejohn.
Fowler—D. E. Thompson, Meiklejohn.
Friedrich—Hainer, Currie.
Gallogly—Kinkaid, Meiklejohn.
Hall—D. E. Thompson, Rosewater.
Harlan—D. E. Thompson, Currie.
Harris—Thompson, Currie.
Hibbert—Thompson, Meiklejohn.
Horton—Kinkaid, Meiklejohn.
Humphrey—D. E. Thompson, Meiklejohn.
Johnson—D. E. Thompson, Rosewater.
Jouvenat—Hinshaw, Meiklejohn.
Laflin—D. E. Thompson, Currie.
Lane—D. E. Thompson, Currie.
Lowe—D. E. Thompson, Meiklejohn.
Marshall—Hinshaw, Currie.
Martin—Hinshaw, Crounse.
McCargar—D. E. Thompson, Currie.
McCarthy—Hinshaw, Meiklejohn.
McCoy—Martin, Rosewater.
Mead—D. E. Thompson, Rosewater.
Mendenhall—Hinshaw, Rosewater.
Mockett—D. E. Thompson, Meiklejohn
Mullen—Currie, Rosewater.
Newell—Martin, Currie
Oleson of Cuming—Hinshaw, Rosewater.
Olson of Phelps—D. E. Thompson, Meiklejohn.
O'Neill—D. E. Thompson, Rosewater.
Rohwer—Hinshaw, Crounse.
Sandall—Thompson, Meiklejohn.
Scott—D. E. Thompson, Currie.
Shelthorn—D. E. Thompson, Crounse.
Smithberger—Hinshaw, Meiklejohn.
Spencer—D. E. Thompson, Meiklejohn.
Steele—Hinshaw, Meiklejohn.
Steinmeyer—D. E. Thompson, Meiklejohn.
Swanson—Hinshaw, Meiklejohn.
Tefft—D. E. Thompson, Rosewater.
Trompen—D. E. Thompson, Currie.
Tweed—Hinshaw, Meiklejohn.
Uhl—D. E. Thompson, Rosewater.
Warner—D. E. Thompson, Meiklejohn.
Wenz—Martin, Currie.
Whitmore—Hainer, Meiklejohn.
Wilcox—Hinshaw, Rosewater.
Wilkinson—Meiklejohn, Currie.
Young—Rosewater, Martin.
Mr. Speaker—D. E. Thompson, Rosewater.

Laidrige, Gawne, Hathorn, Miskell, Owens and Van Boskirk republicans, and Waring, Gishwiller, Meredith, Webber, Calkins, Becher, Liddell, Pitney and Tanner, fusionists, being absent.

Last of the Contests.

The last of the legislative contest cases were disposed of this morning when the house, practically by a unanimous vote, adopted the report of the privileges and elections committee, which recommended that the fusion members from Douglas county be allowed to retain their seats. Representative Hibbert of Gage county dissented from the finding of the committee in the Johnson case, but agreed that Representative Hunt should not be unseated. Representative Mullen, republican member from Douglas county, took no part in the cases and was not asked to sign the committee's report.

The findings of the committee, prepared by Chairman John A. Whitmore, treated all of the allegations made by the contestants, but did not sustain any of them. It was found that Hunt received a majority of 261 votes over Youngs, and Johnson a majority of fifteen votes over his republican competitor. The official returns gave Johnson a majority of only thirteen votes, but the recount showed that he was entitled to fifteen. After the report was adopted by the house Representative Hunt showed his joy by treating all members to cigars. It had been rumored that a minority report was to be submitted in one of the cases, but that this report was unfounded was evidenced by the unanimity of the vote in the house today.

Investigation Committees Named.

Committees to investigate the charges of corruption that have been made against senatorial candidates were appointed today by Lieutenant Governor Savage for the senate and by Speaker Sears for the house of representatives. Each consists of five members and it is a significant fact that a majority of both, exclusive of the fusionists, are supporters of either Meiklejohn or Thompson. Following is the personnel of the committees:

Senate—Harlan, chairman; McCargar, Owens, Ransom, Ziegler.

House—Wilkinson, Hall, Tweed, Laflin, Pelsiger.

The senate committee was named on authority granted by a motion that was introduced by Senator Francis Martin. He asked the presiding officer not to appoint him as a member and his request was granted. It is announced that the investigation will be commenced Monday afternoon, but it is not likely that any subpoenas will be issued until the following day. Before beginning the probing the committees will listen to voluntary testimony.

Changing Judicial Districts.

Another apportionment bill was introduced in the senate today. This bill provides for the redistricting of the judicial districts, changing the boundary of every district except the Third and Sixth and reducing the total number of judges from twenty-eight to twenty-one. Senator Oleson of Cuming county is the author of the bill. According to this measure the First district, which is now composed of Richardson, Nemaha, Johnson, Pawnee, Gage and Jefferson and has two judges, is to have Nemaha and Jefferson taken out of the district, which is to be left in charge of one judge. The Second district, now composed of Otoe and Cass counties, is to include Sarpy, which is taken from the Fourth, and Nemaha from the First, with one judge to look after the four counties. The Third district, composed of Lancaster county, is not changed, except that two judges are expected to do the work now divided between three of them. The Fourth district, which now embraces Douglas, Sarpy, Washington and Burt counties, with seven judges, is to be composed of Douglas county alone, with five judges. The Fifth district, now made up of Saunders, Seward, Butler, York, Hamilton and Polk counties, with two judges, will have Seward and York counties taken out of the district, which will leave four counties to be presided over by one judge. The Sixth district will still be composed of Dodge, Colfax, Platte, Nance and Merrick counties, but instead of three judges the work will be in the hands of two. The Seventh as it now stands is made up of Saline, Fillmore, Thayer, Nuckolls and Clay, but it is proposed to take Clay and Nuckolls counties out and replace them with Seward, York and Jefferson, with one judge to do the work. In the Eighth district, which is now made up of six counties, it is proposed to add the counties of Washington, Burt and Wayne, with two judges for the district. The Ninth district as it now stands is composed of Wayne, Madison, Antelope, Pierce and Knox counties, but it is proposed to take Wayne county out and replace it with Boone county, with an allowance of one judge. In the Tenth district, now composed of Adams, Webster, Kearney, Harlan, Franklin and Phelps, is to be added Clay and Nuckolls, while Phelps county is to be taken out for use in the Fourteenth. The Eleventh is to be made up of Buffalo, Hall, Sherman, Greeley, Valley, Wheeler, Garfield and Howard counties, which is four less than it now has, the counties taken out of the district being Boone, Blaine, Thomas, Hooker and Grant counties, with Buffalo, now in the Twelfth, added. The district is at present provided with two judges, but by thus reducing the size one judge is expected to do the work. From the Twelfth as it now stands, composed of Buffalo, Dawson, Custer and Sherman, every county except Custer is taken, but the district is enlarged by the addition of Loup, Blaine, Thomas, Logan, McPherson, Hocker and Grant counties. The Thirteenth district, now embracing thirteen counties, is to be made up of nine, Lincoln, Keith, Cheyenne, Deuel, Scotts Bluff, Banner and Kimball being already in the district, to which are to be added Dawson from the Twelfth and Box Butte from the Fifteenth districts. From the Fourteenth district no counties are to be taken, but two counties—Phelps and Perkins—are to be added to the present district. To the Fifteenth will be taken Box Butte and Dawes counties.

Extra Judges for Few Districts.

The only districts that will be entitled to more than one judge, according to this act, are the Fourth, with five, and the Third and Eighth, with two each. Section 2 provides that the judges now in office shall hold their position and perform the duties of their office in the districts hereby created, in which they may reside until the expiration of the term for which they were elected.

The governor shall appoint judges to fill all vacancies created by this act, including additional judges provided by this bill, who shall hold their office until the next general election. The bill also provides for the drawing of jurors.

Here is the manner in which Senator Oleson would divide the judicial districts:

First—Richardson, Pawnee, Johnson and Gage.
Second—Sarpy, Cass, Otoe and Nemaha.
Third—Lancaster.
Fourth—Douglas.
Fifth—Saunders, Butler, Polk and Hamilton.
Sixth—Dodge, Colfax, Platte, Nance and Merrick.
Seventh—Seward, York, Saline, Fillmore, Thayer and Jefferson.
Eighth—Washington, Burt, Cuming, Stanton, Wayne, Cedar, Dixon, Dakota and Thurston.
Ninth—Madison, Pierce, Knox, Antelope and Boone.
Tenth—Clay, Nuckolls, Adams, Webster, Franklin, Kearney and Harlan.
Eleventh — Buffalo, Hall, Sherman, Greeley, Valley, Wheeler, Garfield and Howard.
Twelfth—Custer, Loup, Blaine, Thomas, Logan, McPherson, Hooker and Grant.
Thirteenth—Dawson, Lincoln, Box Butte, Keith, Deuel, Cheyenne, Scotts Bluff, Banner and Kimball.
Fourteenth — Phelps, Casper, Furnas, Frontier, Red Willow, Hayes, Chase, Hitchcock, Dundy and Perkins.
Fifteenth—Holt, Boyd, Keya Paha, Rock, Brown, Cherry, Sheridan, Dawes and Sioux.

Bills Already Introduced.

Up to date 448 bills have been introduced in the legislature and of this number two have been passed by both houses and signed by the governor, while about a score have been indefinitely postponed. Half a dozen bills have been passed by the house that have not yet reached first reading in the senate, which has passed only two or three unimportant measures. The general file in both branches is beginning to groan under the heavy weight of bills recommended for passage, however, and it is expected that many measures will be put through the legislative hopper during the next week's session.

The Lancaster county delegation will make strenuous efforts to secure the passage of house roll 70, introduced by Representative Mockett, and providing an appropriation for purchasing the old Western Normal college building at Hawthorne, a Lincoln suburb. The building was put up at a cost of about $75,000 and was occupied for several years by the Western Normal college, which was operated under the direction and management of William Croan and William Kinsley. The school failed and for five years the building has been unoccupied.

SENATE WILL TAKE ITS PART

Decides to Join in the Inquiry Into Allegations of Corrupt Practices.

LINCOLN, Jan. 26.—(Special.)—Immediately after the senate had convened this morning the clerk of the house was announced, who read a message from that body stating that a committee of five had been appointed by the speaker of the house to investigate charges that certain senatorial candidates were issuing railway passes and in other ways trying to influence members of the legislature to vote for them. The committee was instructed to summon persons or papers needed for evidence and to ascertain if any members of the legislature had accepted such favors. No action was taken on the communication at the time, but just before adjournment, upon a motion by Martin of Richardson, a like committee was appointed from the senate to confer with the house committee. The senate committee is composed of Harlan of York, Owens of Dawson, McCargar of Saline, Ransom of Douglas and Ziegler of Cedar.

The committee on agriculture reported senate file 71, a bill relating to the death of animals from disease, with some amendments, for passage, whereupon it was placed on general file.

The committee on miscellaneous subjects reported senate file 89, which provides for the purchase of lands by cemetery associations, favorably, and recommended that it pass. The bill was introduced by Senator Baldrige.

Senate file 52, a bill by Owens of Dawson, requiring that county treasurers have a seal, was reported for indefinite postponement, but on account of the absence of Mr. Owens the report was withdrawn until some time when the author of the measure is present.

Other bills reported upon favorably and placed on general file were senate files 35, 89, 49, 74, 75, 31, 41, 23 and 27, while 29, a curative act by Newell, was recommended for indefinite postponement.

A number of new bills were introduced and a number were up for second reading.

A communication was received from the State Board of Agriculture, recommending a change in the VanBoskirk fish and game bill, which would prohibit the killing of quail in Nebraska for a period of five years. The board also recommended that the legislature take some action, if possible, to prevent the spread of disease among animals resulting from eating cornstalks.

The senate, after going into joint convention, adjourned until 11 o'clock Monday forenoon.

Bills on First Reading.

The following senate files were introduced today:

S. F. 180, by Miller—Relating to the levy collection and expenditure of road taxes by townships, and to amend section 58 of chapter xviii of article iv of the Compiled Statutes of 1899.

S. F. 181, by Allen—To regulate the manufacture of and traffic in cigarettes and paper for cigarette making, to provide for the licensing thereof and fixing penalties for violating the provisions thereof.

S. F. 182, by Lyman—To provide the mode of ascertaining the population of counties as a basis for fixing salaries of county officers.

S. F. 183, by Oleson—To apportion the state into judicial districts and for the appointment and election of officers thereof.

S. F. 184, by Ransom—To amend section 3 of chapter iii of the Compiled Statutes of 1899, relating to the form of ballots where amendments are to be voted upon.

S. F. 185, by Paschal—To amend sections 1, 2 and 3 of chapter xlviii of the session laws of 1889, defining the liability of fire insurance companies in certain cases and extending the valued policy law to personal property.

S. F. 186, by Paschal—To require persons, partnerships or corporations owning and having laid tracks, switches, turnouts or other appliances in the streets or avenues of any city in this state to take up any unused portions thereof and forfeit all rights in the unused streets, and providing for a remedy for a failure to comply therewith.

S. F. 187, by Oleson—To amend section 152 of article i of chapter lxxvii, entitled "Revenue," of the Compiled Statutes of 1899, relating to a license for peddlers of jewelry, patent medicines, etc.

HOUSE PASSES ONE MEASURE

Bill to Prohibit Sale of Cigarettes Sent Along Its Way by Large Majority.

LINCOLN, Jan. 26.—(Special.)—In the course of three hours' work the house this morning passed one bill and placed seven more on the general file, to be taken up for final reading and passage next Monday morning. The bill that was put through today was introduced by Murray and is known as "the anti-cigarette bill." It was generally supposed that the bill passed the house last week, but it was discovered today that the measure was simply recommended for passage and placed on the general file. Under the head of third reading the bill was brought up in the house this morning and passed by an overwhelming vote, only three members voting in the negative.

The house was called to order at 9 o'clock and the first business transacted after the usual formalities was the consideration of reports of standing committees. On the recommendation of the latter the following bills were placed in the general file with the recommendation that they be passed:

H. R. 70, by Mockett—Authorizing the purchase of the old Western Normal college building at Hawthorne, a suburb of Lincoln, and providing for the establishment of a state normal school therein and appropriating $55,000 therefor.

H. R. 111, by Armstrong—Providing for an appropriation of $75,000 for the construction of a combined library, chapel and gymnasium building for the State Normal school at Peru.

H. R. 121, by Gawne—Providing for the establishment of a state normal school at Central City and appropriating $60,000 therefor.

H. R. 122, by Broderick—Providing for the establishment of two state normal schools in the western half of Nebraska, to be located on opposite sides of the Platte river, exact places to be determined by a joint committee appointed by the speaker of the house and the lieutenant governor, and appropriating $50,000 for the construction and establishment. The bill also requires the schools to be located only where at least fifteen acres are donated.

In Committee of the Whole.

On motion of Zimmerer the house resolved itself into a committee of the whole and Hamilton took the chair on invitation of the speaker. The following bills were recommended for passage:

H. R. 46, by Loomis—Making the warden of the state penitentiary the public executioner and relieving county sheriffs from the duty of carrying out death penalties.

H. R. 41, by Murray—Fixing dates for periodical meetings of county commissioners.

H. R. 38, by Fuller—Requiring the destruction of weeds on public highways by the owners of abutting property.

Chairman Whitmore submitted the report of the committee on privileges and elections, recommending that Representatives Johnson and Hunt, fusion members from Douglas county, be allowed to retain their seats. The report was adopted without debate or opposition in the roll call.

Speaker Sears announced the appointment of the following committee to investigate charges against senatorial candidates: Wilkinson, Hall, Tweed, Laflin, Pelsiger.

At noon the house went into joint session with the senate and at its conclusion adjourned to 11 o'clock Monday morning.

Bills on First Reading.

The following were introduced and read the first time:

H. R. 255, by Ollis—Relating to the shipment of live stock and fixing maximum rates to be charged and declaring what shall be reasonable charges; to provide for transportation of owner or agent in charge of stock; to provide that the attorney general and county attorneys of this state shall prosecute actions for the violation of this act.

H. R. 256, by Uhl—To amend section 801a of the Code of Civil Procedure. Relating to proceedings for the adoption of children.

H. R. 257, by Uhl—To provide for the admission of crippled and diseased children into the House for the Friendless in the state of Nebraska.

H. R. 258, by McCarthy (by request)—To amend sections 8, 9, 18 and 21 of chapter x, entitled "Bonds and oaths official," statutes for 1899. Authorizing officials holding offices under the constitution to furnish surety company bonds signed by one such company.

H. R. 259, by Jouvenat (by request)—To provide for the gathering and compilation of statistics, providing penalties and repealing section 7 of chapter xxxix of the Compiled Statutes of Nebraska for 1899, entitled "Industrial Statistics." Requiring assessors to gather such information and fixing as penalty for failure a fine of from $10 to $100.

H. R. 260, by Fowler—To amend sections 119 and 126, article i, chapter lxxvii, Statutes for 1899. Relating to the sale of land for taxes.

H. R. 261, by Mockett—To amend section 9 of article vi of chapter iv of the Statutes for 1899. Relating to qualifications for barber's license. Requires a one-year's course in a barber school, two years' service as apprentice or two years' service as barber in other states and payment of $5 license fee.

FROM MANITOBA TO THE GULF

Hastings Men Feel Encouraged Over Prospects of Nebraska & Gulf Railroad.

HASTINGS, Neb., Jan. 26.—(Special.)—A railroad project has been under way in this city for a year past which it is calculated will be of great benefit to the people of the great corn and wheat belt of the north and the cotton producing country of the south.

The proposed line is the Nebraska & Gulf railroad, organized under the laws of the state of Nebraska.

The plan of the promoters of this road is to build and equip a first-class line from Manitoba to the Gulf of Mexico, the southern terminus to be Port Arthur, Galveston, or both of these points. The road, so far as at present surveyed, starts from near Running Water, S. D., and extends south in an almost direct line, the present terminus being near Concordia, Kan.

The continued line will touch many of the most important points south, aside from opening up much comparatively new territory.

This line will give to the raisers of wheat, corn and live stock upon the great plains of Kansas, Nebraska and the Dakotas the advantage of several hundreds of miles shorter rail haul of their products to tidewater.

It will open to the northwest the vast coal fields of the south, together with its great resources in lumber and ores and its tropical fruits and manufactured products.

By reason of the short haul to tidewater for export, it is estimated that the farmer will receive a better price for all products of the soil and for fatted flocks and herds.

Marked encouragement has been extended to the promoters of this road all along the proposed line so far as the survey has progressed.

The stockholders of the company have just met and elected a full board of directors and officials for the ensuing year, and the reports of the outgoing board as to the progress made during its term of office was encouraging.

Several propositions have been advanced by prominent eastern capitalists to finance the line, but the directors are not ready for this.

Right of way and townsite locations have been secured and working maps, charts and profiles have been completed by the engineer for over 100 miles of the line, together with estimates of complete construction and equipment.

The following are some of the officials and promoters of the road: J. B. Keedle, C. E. Higinbotham, H. S. Dungan, T. J. Creeth, Hon. Nils Anderson, C. W. Stewart, J. D. Mines and others.

Present indications are that this road through Nebraska and Kansas will be completed and in operation within the next two years and its further extension, north and south, will be pushed with vigor.

ARE TO BE TRIED SEPARATELY

Three Men Accused of Snyder Holdup to Get Individual Hearings—Rhea's Father's Efforts.

FREMONT, Neb., Jan. 26.—(Special.)—Judge Hollenbeck called the district court docket this morning for the purpose of setting cases for trial at the next term of the court, which convenes February 13. There were eleven civil and four criminal cases marked for trial. Among the civil cases are Kavich against the Union Pacific Railroad company, and Wilson, administrator, against the same defendant, which are actions brought for the injuries to Leah Kavich and the death of J. Wilson, alleged to have been caused by the negligence of the company in running one of its trains, which struck a wagon containing three people, on the Nye avenue crossing of the railroad in this city last August.

Three of the criminal cases are those against Rhea, Gardner and Darrell, charged with the murder of Herman Zahn at Snyder. They will be tried separately and will be taken up the second week of the term. Rhea's father, William Klein, has been here the greater part of the week, making preparations for his son's defense, and has employed Frank Dolezal to assist Messrs. Loomis and Maynard. He declines to talk much about his son's case. He says that the boy has been absent from home over four years. From words that he has dropped now and then it appears that he has been following race horses a good share of the time, though never having steady employment as a jockey with any particular man or firm, only getting a mount once in a while. He appears wholly unconcerned about his fate and is, according to Sheriff Kreader, a model prisoner.

Fees More Than Salaries.

WEST POINT, Neb., Jan. 26.—(Special.)—The annual settlement of the Board of Supervisors with the various county officers reveals a flourishing condition of affairs in this county. The office of county clerk realized sufficient fees to enable the incumbent to cover $13.43 back into the county treasury. The county judge's fees exceeded his salary by $207.20, a remarkably good showing, as that office for many years previous to the incumbency of Judge Krake never paid the statutory salary to the official. The office of clerk of the district court shows a very gratifying result. The fees received during the last year were nearly $300 in excess of the year previous. The total receipts of the county treasurer for the year were $123,689.

York's Sewer Suit.

YORK, Neb., Jan. 26.—(Special.)—For the last three days the hearing for an injunction restraining the city of York from using its new sewerage system has been in progress in district court here before Judge S. Sornberger. The sewerage of the city of York empties into Beaver creek and owners of land through which Beaver creek flows near York are asking for a perpetual injunction restraining the city from using the sewer. The case is being hotly contested and expert witnesses from abroad are here giving testimony, among them being City Engineer Rosewater of Omaha.

Lived Under Four Crowns.

NIOBRARA, Neb., Jan. 26.—(Special.)—Niobrara has an aged woman who lived in England under three sovereigns—George IV, William IV and Victoria. Mrs. Sarah McCulla, aged 83, remembers the coronation of William IV and during that of Queen Victoria she carried her first baby in her arms in the city of Preston, Lancaster. She says the queen's first reform was to put a stop to the abuse of child labor. She relates vividly the two celebrations. Though at an advanced age she is still an interesting and entertaining conversationalist.

New Routes Out of Lyons.

LYONS, Neb., Jan. 26.—(Special.)—C. E. Lewellyn of the rural postal service was here today and established two routes out of here. One includes about seven square miles of territory lying east of this city, and the other route established lies northwest of here. With this route in operation east of here there will be three routes in this county, the others being the one east out of Tekamah and the one west out of Decatur.

York Formally Welcomes Armours.

YORK, Neb., Jan. 26.—(Special.)—There has been a rumor that objections will be made to Armour & Co. building a large cold storage butter, egg and poultry house in North York. The business men held a meeting this afternoon at the city hall, which was largely attended. At the meeting there was a unanimous sentiment in favor of Armour building the proposed house, and resolutions were passed extending the company a cordial invitation to do so.

McBride is Released.

BEATRICE, Neb., Jan. 26.—(Special Telegram.)—Eli McBride, arrested yesterday at Graff, Neb., on the charge of selling a horse hired from John Hale of Virginia and brought here for arraignment, was released from custody this morning, the case having been settled out of the court by compromise. McBride was discharged.

Mail Carrier is Hurt.

HASTINGS, Neb., Jan. 26.—(Special.)—Jesse Stevens, who carries the east end rural mail route, met with a serious accident. His team ran away and he was thrown from his wagon to the ground. He struck on his head and received concussion of the brain, from which he is still suffering.

Alleges Non-Support.

HASTINGS, Neb., Jan. 26.—(Special.)—Mrs. Josephine Pishna has brought suit in the district court for a divorce from her husband, Frank Pishna, on the grounds of non-support. The plaintiff also prays for alimony.

Take About All Alex Had.

BEATRICE, Neb., Jan. 26.—(Special Telegram.)—Burglars raided the rooms of Alex Smith over his restaurant on lower Court street last night. They took about all of Smith's valuables, a new overcoat, a grip, shoes and $10 in cash.

Mrs. John Reimers Entertains.

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., Jan. 26.—(Special.)—The spacious home of Mrs. John Reimers was thrown open yesterday for an afternoon party complimentary to her daughter, Mrs. Weitzer of Rocky Ford, Colo. Novel entertainment was provided and an elaborate luncheon served. Mrs. Reimers was assisted by Mrs. Oscar Reimers.

GOOD FELLOWS AT NORFOLK

Elks Take Possession Long Enough to Dine and Install a New Lodge.

NORFOLK, Neb., Jan. 26.—(Special Telegram.)—For several days there have been rumors afloat that tonight Norfolk would see a "hot time." It is here. The town is in the hands of the Elks. They have it by a large and noisy majority and will hold it from the setting of the sun to the rising thereof, and then some.

Every incoming train today brought delegations of visiting Elks or candidates seeking to know the mysteries of Elkdom. The far-off town of Chadron is represented by several candidates and many towns between have one or more on the list, while the near towns in every direction are well represented. In all, there will be about 120 candidates. Omaha lodge No. 39 sent a delegation eighty strong, while Sioux City and Lincoln were well represented. The visiting delegations were met at the train by the band and almost the entire populace, and escorted amid a shower of fireworks to the Oxnard hotel, where they took supper, plying their knives and forks to the tune of "A Hot Time." About 9 o'clock they again formed and marched to the Masonic banquet hall, where the initiatory work was conferred by the Omaha lodge team, consisting of the following officers: Grand District Deputy W. D. Taylor, Grand Exalted Ruler Lysle Abbott, Grand Loyal Knight Frank Crawford, Grand Lecturing Knight L. C. Gibson, Grand Leading Knight George P. Cronk, Grand Secretary James R. Dewar, Grand Treasurer A. E. Touzlin, Grand Esquire Frank Furay.

After conferring the order the following were installed officers of Norfolk lodge No. 653: George H. Spear, exalted ruler; C. H. Reynolds, esteemed leading knight; Isaac Powers, esteemed loyal knight; John A. Eberhard, esteemed lecturer knight; C. E. Greene, esquire; Otto Tappert, tyler; E. H. Tracy, secretary; W. H. Bucholz, treasurer; George A. Brooks, trustee for three years; W. N. Huse, trustee for two years; Ed Wallerstedt, trustee for one year; Rev. John S. C. Welles, chaplain; George A. Davenport, inner guard; Rev. E. A. Osborn, organist.

After the installation all repaired to the Pacific hotel and partook of a sumptuous banquet, where George A. Brooks of Bazile Mills presided and Edward Burnham of Tilden was toastmaster. Dr. A. Bear of Norfolk toasted "Our Guests" and was responded to by James Manahan of Lincoln. "The Elks" was responded to by George P. Cronk of Omaha; "Charity and Justice," by George Eberly of Stanton; "The Moral Power of Elkdom," by Lysle Abbott of Omaha. R. R. Dickson responded to "Social Sessions."

Will Always Bear the Mark.

FREMONT, Neb., Jan. 26.—(Special.)—A year and a half old son of Herman Grenlef, a farmer residing about eight miles from the city, stuck his hand into a pail of boiling lard this morning and was seriously scalded. He will probably be able to have full use of the fingers and wrist, but will be scarred for life.

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Fine Quality Irish Pattern Table Cloths

2x2 yards ..... $2.00 each
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3-4x3-4 Napkins to match ..... $3.00 dozen

Napkins

Good all linen Dice Napkins ..... $1.00 doz.
$2.00 Bleached Napkins at ..... $1.45 doz.
$2.25 Bleached Napkins at ..... $1.69 doz.
$2.50 Bleached Napkins at ..... $1.98 doz.
$3.00 Bleached Napkins at ..... $2.48 doz.
$5.00 Bleached Napkins at ..... $3.50 doz.

Towels

15c Bath Towels at 10c
35c Bath Towels at 22c
40c Bath Towels at ..... 25c each
16 2-3c Linen Towels at 12½c
30c Linen Towels at 19c
35c Linen Towels at 25c
39c Linen Towels at ..... 29c each

Bed Spreads

Largest size Crochet Spreads 98c
Best quality Fringed Spreads $1.50
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Ready-Made Pillow Cases

42x36-in., regular 15c kind, at 11c each
45x36-in., regular 16 2-3c kind, at 12½c ea.
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Monday morning we shall offer in cloak department 50 Man Tailored Suits at $5.00 each.

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