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SPREAD OF RATE REGULATION.

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WHEN OUT OF TOWN.

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There seems to be other leaks at the county jail beside the gas leaks.

Now let our Nebraska senators trumpet Senator Dolliver's speech with their votes.

The last day for the filing of candidates' declaration papers is upon us. What an aggregation the voters will have to pick from.

The court house watchman who was caught asleep when the fire broke out must have been asleep again when the prisoners broke out.

Since a Paris Journal has discovered that Germany is ready to invade France, both President Castro and the sultan of Morocco can rest easier.

Where were the four jailers the taxpayers of Douglas county are paying for when those prisoners butted an escape hole through a brick wall without let or hindrance?

Mr. Vanderbilt is doubtless finding it easier to answer charges of careless automobile driving in Italy than to prepare a showing for a railroad investigation in the United States.

The latest expert comment on the Chinese situation is that the natives are fighting mad because they have to pay their bills. But this condition of mind is not always limited to China.

There is no dearth of candidates in Nebraska for that federal judgeship plum. What is lacking is the additional judgeship district, which must be created before the plum can be picked.

Packers must have based their belief that Mr. Garfield would protect them in the fact that he altered his report at their suggestion; but it is not always safe to count on repetition of favors.

When Mr. Rockefeller decides to emerge from obscurity he might double turn a few pennies by selling tickets of hiding to a number of other distinguished citizens longing for relief from the limelight.

Mississippi, with its overwhelming democratic majority, has defeated a child labor bill, and now democratic representatives at Washington will have to put in extra time boasting the love of their party for humanity.

The smooth way in which the senate committee killed the Philippine tariff bill should be pleasing to senators who want to make both friends and opponents of the bill feel they would have voted as they would have wished.

That congressional committee which is to investigate the status of female labor will probably find that few present day women are toiling any harder than the grandmothers who weaved the cloth for most of the wearing apparel used in this country before the civil war.

Why not lay out the entire public domain in western Nebraska into a forest reserve, so that the cattle barons may have perpetual free pasture for their cattle and relief from United States grand juries? That would be better than leasing the land and paying half a cent an acre a year and no taxes.

Wonder how much more of a showing the Methodists would have made in hustling subscriptions for their building fund if they had had the help of the Young Men's Christian association clerk, with its \$1,000 ticks? The Methodists, however, are to be credited with settling a pretty good pit for themselves.

LABOR LEGISLATION.

A number of bills are before congress which represent the demands of organized labor. Some of these measures are of vital concern to the vested interests and large employers of labor. Among them is a bill to regulate the granting of restraining orders, which provides that in the event of strikes or other labor troubles no injunction or other temporary restraining order shall be granted except upon due notice to the opposite party by the court in term.

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Beware of Ballot Box Burglars.

The unexpected does not often happen. It was to have been expected that G. M. Hitchcock, who booted Charles H. Brown and supported William J. Broatch for mayor during the anti-Catholic crusade would now give Broatch all the aid and comfort he is capable of giving through the World-Herald. Evidence of this political affinity have not been wanting in the years that have passed, and are cropping out again in the present municipal campaign. The last issue of the World-Herald contains the following:

Pinching the Octopuses.

After long litigation the supreme court of Texas has decided that the contracts between certain express companies and railroads in that state are in violation of the anti-trust law and that the offenders must pay fines aggregating \$5,250,000. For several years Texas has kept steadily at the head of the parade in the matter of less satisfactory results to the people of that state.

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