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According to the brief and bill of exceptions filed in supreme court this morning Maynard was employed as a night man at a lunch counter in Alliance. On the night of the murder he was in a saloon, where he got a \$10 bill changed into 21 bills. Someone told the proprietor of the lunch counter that Maynard was spending money freely.

LeRoy W. Barnes, the proprietor, went to the saloon and accused Maynard of robbing him. Maynard denied the accusation and a fight ensued. Barnes took the young man out of the saloon and beat him up severely. The next day he again beat him.

Ma, and finally went to the restaurant and demanded his money and receipt, which had been left at the restaurant. Barnes, so the brief said, again beat him, and during the fight Maynard pulled out a revolver and shot Barnes and killed him. He was sentenced to life imprisonment. Maynard had been in the town only six days.

Chance to Give Away Railroad.

If anyone has a railroad he wants to give away the Nebraska Railway commission can place it for him. The commission received the following letter this morning:

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Nov. 14.—Dear Friends:—I would like to have a railroad of Nebraska. Wishing you to send me one, I will close. Yours, truly,

F. TIEBBER, 419 B Carter.

The commission is not sure which road to send to the Missouri and will not make a decision at present.

Complains of Columbus Depot.

A letter was received from Edgar Howard of Columbus by the State Railway commission this afternoon complaining of the Union Pacific depot at that place. Mr. Howard informs the commission that he will not object to the publication of the letter, though he prefers personally to be left in the background. The letter is as follows:

I desire to direct your attention to a condition of affairs which merits instant attention. I am not fully persuaded regarding the course which should be followed whether complaint should be made from your commission or to the State Board of Health. I direct your attention to the fact that the Union Pacific passenger station in Columbus is a health hazard.

It is a matter of fact that the Union Pacific passenger station in Columbus is a health hazard. The accommodations are so inadequate that often one-half of the number of patrons of the road are unable to squeeze their bodies into the depot. Again,

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From noon today until 3 o'clock a score of women stood for many minutes in order to keep warm, being unable to bear the stenched air in the atmosphere within the building. And indeed, it was already crowded to capacity by those brave enough and strong enough to breathe the diseased atmosphere.

Further, permit me to disclaim intention to object from the Union Pacific station to the best they can with a situation which is as shameful a fact as it should be. It is not on any railway system in America.

I suggest that, without waiting for red tape communications with the business and courteous officials of the road, one or more of your commission pay an immediate visit to Columbus. If you should pay such a visit, I feel that immediately you will be able to see the conditions of the traveling public at Columbus. If only you will come to this city and view the present menace to the public health maintained by the Union Pacific company.

Office for South Omaha Man. Mr. Stapleton of South Omaha has been tendered the appointment of examiner of teachers papers for county certificates by Superintendent McBrien. An appointment is made necessary to this position, so Mr. McBrien said, by reason of the resignation of Mrs. McBrien. Mr. Stapleton is employed in the Union Stock Yards National bank at South Omaha and is a graduate of the Peru Normal school. He taught school at Vista. The salary will be agreed upon by Mr. McBrien and Mr. Stapleton, as the legislature so arranged the appropriation for the superintendent's office to that it may be used in the discretion of the superintendent.

Douglas County Late. With the exception of Douglas county all the counties have returned their election abstracts to the secretary of state, either the original or the duplicate. Some of the counties failed to furnish an original table until the canvassing board meets a week from Monday, or until the duplicates are received. Secretary of State Junkin believes some of the county clerks have placed the duplicates in the same envelope with the originals. No one, however, has authority to open the originals except the canvassing board.

Death Traceable to Robbery. Sam Westfield, colored, one of the oldest settlers in Lincoln, and well known as a restaurant keeper, died this morning. He was 72 years old and leaves a widow and one son, who attends the law university. Westfield was struck on the head and robbed of \$60 during the state fair and his death is supposed to be due in a degree to the treatment he received at that time. He was a member of the Old Settlers' association.

Big Attendance at Agricultural School. The second week of the University School of Agriculture is a surprise in the number of attendance to the officials of the school. The attendance at this time is 200. At the same time a year ago the attendance was 100. Among them are a lot of the old students, which is very gratifying to the officials. Among those registered is George N. Shorey, a graduate in 1901 of Harvard and of the Harvard law school. He is taking the course in agriculture and will be graduated next year.

Elks' Club House Dedicated. The Elks dedicated their new club house last night. Following the initiation of fourteen into the mysteries of Elksdom, the vaudeville show was pulled off. The club rooms are said to be the finest in the west. The exercises attending the opening of the building will cover a period of several nights, having begun last Friday night, when a reception was tendered, to which hundreds were invited.

Boyd Favors Guaranty Plan. Nebraska Congressman Takes Bill to Congress Covering Subject. NORFOLK, Neb., Nov. 16.—(Special.)—Congressman J. F. Boyd of the Third district of Nebraska will leave a week from Tuesday, November 25, for Washington to begin his first term as representative in the national legislature. With him he will take to Washington a bill that he has already framed, providing for a government guaranty to depositors in national banks, insuring all national bank depositors that, no matter what happens, their deposits will be safe.

The bill, as drafted, contemplates that when a national bank fails the government shall appoint a receiver as now and the depositors will immediately thereafter, or within ninety days, file claims with the treasury department as to the amount of deposit. This claim, approved by the receiver, will be paid in full by the government, so that the depositor in a very short time will realize 100 per cent on his deposits. The treasury department, to reimburse for this loss, would then, under the provisions of the bill, levy an assessment against the deposits of all national banks. Under the business transacted during the year preceding September 30, this levy upon solvent national banks would have amounted to one-fourth of 1 per cent of deposits.

In this way, each bank would practically be protected by mutual bank insurance, with the government handling the matter. Congressman Boyd thinks such a plan would increase bank deposits 2 per cent.

Liverman Gets into Trouble. TECUMSEH, Neb., Nov. 16.—(Special.)—A complicated state of affairs here promises to bring serious trouble for somebody. On Wednesday evening, October 23, Frank M. Pierce of Lincoln, deputy head consul of the Modern Woodmen, while walking down the streets of the village of Cook, north of Tekamah, was assaulted and terribly beaten. His assailant knocked him down and then jumped on him and stamped him. All this was done before the men with Mr. Pierce could interfere. Arthur H. Barnett, a liverman in the village, was arrested for the assault. He was to have been tried before a justice at Cook, but a change of venue brought the case before Justice J. A. Lawrence in Tekamah yesterday. Barnett was arraigned on the complaint and several witnesses were examined, some positively identifying him as the man who assaulted Mr. Pierce. He was found guilty and Justice Lawrence made a higher court. An appeal was made to a higher court.

Late Thursday night Barnett and a friend, Marion Dunn, also of Cook, went to Sterling and sought Justice Dick Kuhlman, making the statement that one of them wanted to plead guilty to an offense in his court. Justice Kuhlman called change of venue and Justice Lawrence yesterday. Justice J. H. Lalkicker. He was fined \$500. Just why Dunn took this action is hardly

known. However, it looks as though somebody has got to prove their guilt or stand trial for perjury. County Attorney Moore caused Dunn's arrest on a charge of perjury last evening. It is claimed the reason Barnett had a grievance against Mr. Pierce was because the latter failed to patronize his livery barn.

WANTED, STEWARD FOR INSANE Successor to H. C. Haverly Must Be Single and Experienced. HASTINGS, Neb., Nov. 16.—(Special Telegram.)—Haverly steward of the hospital for insane will retire from his place December 1 to take the management of the Beatrice hotel, and thus far no satisfactory person has been found to succeed him. Numerous applications have been made for Mr. Haverly's place, but it is understood none quite meet the requirements which call for a young man of experience and he must be unmarried. Governor Sheldon is endeavoring to adhere strictly to the rule established by Governor Dietrich, which prohibits maintaining in state institutions the families of subordinate officials.

Wedding on Stage at Wymore. WYMORE, Neb., Nov. 16.—(Special Telegram.)—With appropriate stage setting, a pretty romance of years standing culminated last evening when Will Mansberger and Miss Mabel Fletcher, members of the Kluber Dramatic company, now playing an engagement here, were married on the stage at the close of the last act of the performance in the presence of the audience.

The young people are residents of St. Joseph, where they spent their childhood days as playmates. They joined the Kluber company last August.

Advertisers Move to Hastings. HASTINGS, Neb., Nov. 16.—(Special Telegram.)—The office of the state conference of the Seventh Day Adventists has been moved from Collegeview to Hastings, and is now established in the new Nebraska conference building in College addition. The Adventists have a large sanitarium and several other buildings under construction. This week the conference opened a printing office for the publication of the official paper and other matter. All department secretaries have opened offices here.

Railroad Pays Current Taxes. HASTINGS, Neb., Nov. 16.—(Special Telegram.)—The Burlington this afternoon paid \$23,520.04 into the Adams county treasury as taxes in this county for 1907.

Nebraska News Notes. PLATTSBOROUGH—Many of the Cass county farmers finished husking their corn this week.

WEST POINT—The thermometer registered 10 degrees above zero twice during last week.

WEST POINT—The city council has passed an ordinance prohibiting piling in public places or on the sidewalks.

WEST POINT—For the first time in twelve years the Cuming county Board of Supervisors is republican by a majority of one.

GENEA—E. Elmore, agent at the Northwestern depot, dropped a 200-pound trunk on his foot, and is nursing a broken big toe.

BEATRICE—Karl Wiese, living near Home, died yesterday morning, aged 55 years. He is survived by a widow and seven children.

BEATRICE—Messrs. Steffen and Vanness have purchased building at Third and Ellis streets and will soon begin the manufacture of corn shredders.

BEATRICE—All city and farm property in Gage county disposed of by Treasurer Barnard at delinquent tax sale brought the county a record \$3,000.

NEBRASKA CITY—Sheriff-elect Fischer has announced that he will appoint as deputy Sheriff J. W. Douglas. There will be no change in the other officers.

BEATRICE—The foot ball game to have been played yesterday between the Pawnee City and Beatrice high schools was declared off because two of Pawnee City's men were disqualified.

GENEA—George R. Wendling delivered his great lecture, "The Man of Galilee," to an appreciative audience. This subject was chosen instead of the one advertised, "Robert E. Lee."

PLATTSBOROUGH—Mrs. Henry Hinz, a daughter of Mr. George Steininger, of Beatrice, died yesterday at her home. She passed away in her home yesterday. Rev. Mr. Sprengle will preach the funeral sermon Sunday afternoon.

PLATTSBOROUGH—James Yelenek of this city, who has been attending the deaf and dumb school in Omaha, is reported to be in St. Joseph's hospital in that city, quite ill with typhoid fever.

BEATRICE—The Farmers' institute will be held at Ellis and Douglas streets, speakers are C. M. Lewelling of Beaver Wolf, and W. C. Johnson of Pawnee City and ex-Governor W. A. Poynter.

NEBRASKA CITY—The candidates at the next election are now filing their expense accounts and they are ranging from \$100 to \$24. Those who spent the most money are the ones who were defeated.

NEBRASKA CITY—The report is current that Joseph Cudaby is to succeed Mr. Gregg as manager of the packing house here, but this is a non-lawyer and will quit the job because two of Pawnee City's men were disqualified.

NEBRASKA CITY—Corrigan Road, who has long been one of the leading attorneys of the southern part of the county, has been elected to the business and will quit about the first of the year. O. A. Berken is his successor.

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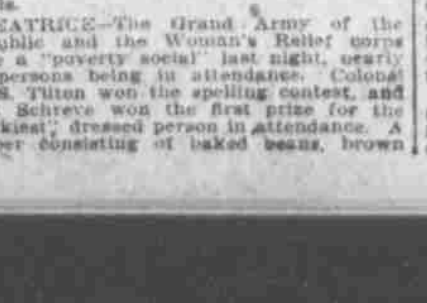
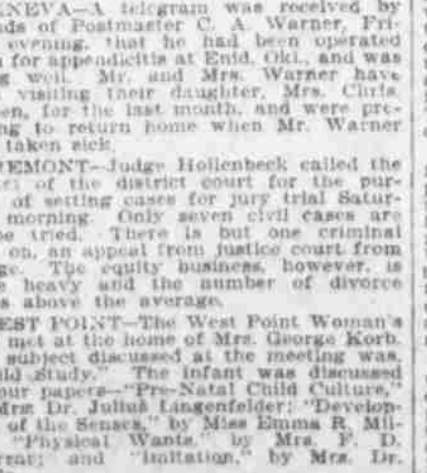
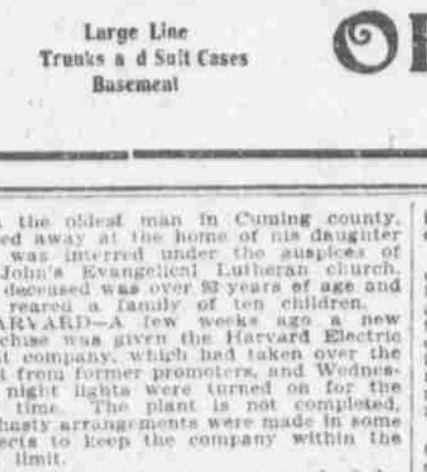
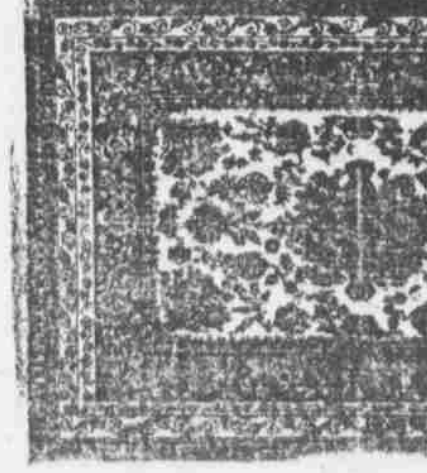
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Thanksgiving Sale Dining Room Furnishings

Furniture for the Feast Room Dining room furniture in complete suites and odd pieces; Sideboards, Buffets, China Cabinets, Tables, Serving Tables and Chairs. A sale that everyone in need of any particular piece for the dining room should attend.

A feast of bargains. Dining room furniture of the most desirable sort, in mahogany, golden oak and early English, Arts and Crafts pieces. Special preparations have been made and a great assortment assembled for this yearly event. Do not miss it.

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Persian bordered curtains on heavy rod with edge turned complete, ready to hang; per pair \$4.75. Heavy mercerized dining room portieres; reversible, with silk cord edge; per pair \$8.90.

They add much to the appearance of the dining room when the table is not set. Some plain green ones, very stylish, for \$5.75.

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For upholstering dining room chairs. The best substitute for leather made. All colors, 36-in. wide, per yard \$1.00. Guimpe to match, yard 3c. Nails or buttons to match, at dozen 3c.

Window Shades

We sell the best in all grades—see our 33c ones.

Dining Chairs

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Rugs for the Dining Room

9x12 Brussels Rugs, 16.50. Made