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INSURANCE COMPANY CHANGE
 Negotiations Are Under Way to Sell Farmers & Merchants.
KANSAS CITY FIRM IS IN LEAD
 Historical Society Hears Folk Songs by Phonograph at Regular Meeting—Postoffice Clerks Want Day Off.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
LINCOLN, Jan. 11.—(Special).—Negotiations for the sale of the Farmers and Merchants Insurance company are now being conducted through State Auditor Harlow with a company of Kansas City capitalists. The Farmers and Merchants Insurance company was an organization affiliated with the Farmers and Merchants bank and an investigation was ordered about a week ago because of the alleged misuse of the insurance funds. The bank changed hands and some preparatory bargaining was done between C. M. Darling of Syracuse and the state auditor. The Kansas City company seems to have the better chance to conclude a deal now, however. It is called the Central Union Fire Insurance company and has a capital of \$1,000,000. Treasurer Kelly of Missouri is a backer of the institution.

Historical Society Hears Songs.
 Phonograph records of Indian folk songs were on the program of the Nebraska Historical society at the meeting today. Prof. Melvin E. Gilmore of Cotner gave the lecture that accompanied the program. Robert F. Gilder of Omaha spoke upon Nebraska as an archaeological field. Mr. Gilder told of his success in digging among buffalo wallows in various parts of the state.

The afternoon meeting was in conjunction with the Territorial Pioneer and on the program were talks and papers by James Mooney, Mrs. Kittie McGrew and Mrs. Winona S. Sawyer.
Clerks Want Month Off.
 The regular meeting of the Lincoln postoffice clerks' organization held last night was given over largely to a discussion of the much agitated plan to have a thirty-day vacation for all clerks employed in the postoffice service. Assistant Postmaster Loomis of this office has perfected a plan by which the annual appropriation made the office for the hire of substitutes is saved. The men who are on vacation divide their work up among their companions so that by doing a little extra on each route the vacation may be taken without costing the office anything. The local organization would like to see some such plan tried everywhere so that a thirty-day vacation would not be such an undertaking for the government.

Troubles of the Excise Board.
 The eye of the excise board, collectively speaking, is offended because the streets of Lincoln are desecrated with two or three signs advertising beer. Mayor Love is very strongly in favor of having the signs down, but doubts the legality of the attempt. The signs are a relic of the days when Lincoln was an unregenerate as the rest of the world. Mayor Love spoke to the board upon the plan of putting a stop to all billboard advertising of any commodity for the sake of beautifying the streets.

Superintendents Want Changes.
 The State Association of County Superintendents in session here this afternoon considered seven bills which are to be submitted to the legislature as amendments to school legislation. One provides for the levy for schools to be over 25 mills if desired. The limit is now fixed at 25 mills. One was for the appointment of deputy superintendents and another for making the salaries of superintendents proportionate to population in the counties.

POULTRY INSTITUTE AT HASTINGS
 Three Lectures to Be Delivered in Connection with Annual Show.
HASTINGS, Neb., Jan. 11.—(Special).—The first annual meeting and institute of the Nebraska branch of the American Poultry Association will be held in connection with the Nebraska State show at Hastings, Neb., January 15-20, 1911.
 The program follows:
 Tuesday Evening, 8 O'clock—Lecture: "Modern Methods of Marketing Poultry." Illustrated with lantern slides. Prof. H. C. Pierce, of the United States Department of Agriculture.
 Wednesday Evening, 8 O'clock—Lecture: "The Poultry Industry in Nebraska and How to Improve It." Hon. W. M. Maupin, retiring state labor commissioner of Nebraska.
 Thursday Afternoon, 4 O'clock—Address: "What Nebraska Poultry Have Done in the Last Twenty-five Years." Prof. W. H. Gardner of the Nebraska Agricultural college.

BROKEN BOW'S NEW COURT HOUSE
 Bond Issue Approved by Majority of Five Hundred.
BROKEN BOW, Neb., Jan. 11.—(Special).—The majority for the court house levy at the special election held throughout the county Monday is now placed at 500 and is much larger than was expected by those who favored the 4 and 3-mill levy. It was a battle between the division and the anti-division forces, and in every town where the sentiments prevailed the people be-lieved themselves and turned out almost to a man. Eliminating Broken Bow and the four division strongholds, Callaway, Oonoto, Anasley and Sargent, it is found that the county vote shows a majority of about 800 for the levy. This strongly indicates that the actual farmers in the county largely favor a new court house.

County Contracts in Madison.
MADISON, Neb., Jan. 11.—(Special).—The County Board of Commissioners met today, there being present Burr Taft and Henry Sunderman and County Clerk S. H. McFarland.
 The contract for books and stationery was awarded to the Norfolk Daily News; the contract for printed blanks of all description was given to the Madison Post, and the contract for printing the delinquent tax-list, commissioners' proceedings, all the legal notices which are at the disposal of the County Board was awarded to the Norfolk Daily News, the Battle Creek Enterprise and the Madison Star Mail jointly. The board then commenced its annual settlement with the several county officials.

Life Term for Gage County Man.
BEATRICE, Neb., Jan. 11.—(Special).—Word was received here yesterday to the effect that Whitford M. Hall, a former resident of Gage county, was recently sentenced to life imprisonment in the state penitentiary for killing George A. Crook, husband of his niece, after the two had quarreled at their home near Mankato.
 Hall was intoxicated at the time and attacked Crook when he came home in the evening from work, shooting him to death without any provocation. He was tried, found guilty of murder in the second degree and sentenced to life imprisonment in the penitentiary at Stillwater, Minn.

Nebraska
Two Children Nearly Frozen to Death
 Little Ones Become Lost on Prairie and Spend Night in Temperature Below Zero.

SUTHERLAND, Jan. 11.—(Special).—Upon opening his door to the 6-below weather one morning recently, Ed Noble, a Kinkaid settler residing near Valrang postoffice in McPherson county, was attracted by the fluttering of a garment at a corral. Investigating, he found a half-frozen child of perhaps 5 years of age and a blind pony. Though almost speechless the child made Noble understand that some one else was in the hills not far away, and, after taking the little one to his house he hurried out as a searching party of one. After traveling about a mile he came to another child of tender years, also nearly dead from exposure.
 Being forty miles from a doctor and with a storm on, the big-hearted settler hastened to apply all the remedies at his command, and by his efforts succeeded in removing a considerable amount of the frost from the bodies of the children. It was found that the children were of a family named Prossie, living in that section, and that with their pony they had started across the country to visit a relative several miles away. Becoming confused with the approach of night the little ones had lost their way, wandering about the desolate prairies all night. It is feared that serious results will follow because of the cold the children were subjected to.

City of Friend Has Heavy Loss by Fire
 Flames Sweep Streets and Destroy Business Houses Valued at Twenty Thousand.

FRIEND, Neb., Jan. 11.—(Special).—Fire at an early hour this morning destroyed that portion of the city lying east of Maple street and south from the News block to the city hall, including the buildings owned by William Rohl and occupied by Morse and Walter as a millinery store, a small wood building owned by the First Baptist church, the laundry building owned by J. H. Phillips and occupied by Webber & Engle as a feed store, the machinery house and stock of Charles Fowler and the paper, paint and oil stock and building of B. Gilmore.
 The losses are as follows:
 Walter & Morse, millinery stock valued at \$1,500; insured in the Hartford for \$300; building owned by William Rohl; damage \$1,200; no insurance.
 Wood building, owned by Baptist church; no insurance.
 Laundry building; no insurance.
 Feed store stock of Webber & Engle; stock, \$5,000; insured in the American.
 The implement house and stock of Charles Fowler, \$12,000; insured for \$5,000; \$5,000 in the German American, \$1,500 in the Northwestern National and \$1,500 in the Hartford.
 B. Gilmore, wall paper, paints and oils; valued at \$6,000; \$2,000 insurance in the National of Hartford.

Elevator Burned at Dannebrog.
ST. PAUL, Neb., Jan. 11.—(Special).—A fire destroyed the corn elevator at Dannebrog, eight miles southwest of here yesterday morning. The contents, about 6,000 bushels of grain and 500 sacks of flour were also consumed. The property is owned by J. P. Taylor of this city. The building and a portion of the contents was covered by insurance. Loss about \$10,000.

Nebraska News Notes.
BEATRICE.—The new Board of Supervisors was organized yesterday for the year by the re-election of Samuel Brown as chairman.
ALBION.—J. A. Price, a prominent attorney of Albion, whose life was despaired of last week, owing to a severe attack of appendicitis, is slowly recovering.
OSMOND.—The Modern Woodmen of America of this place held a joint installation Monday night. A supper and program furnished entertainment for about 300 people who were present.
CLAY CENTER.—The case of the State of Nebraska against Jesse McCoy, charged with having stolen a horse from a farmer near Trumbull last November, occupied the attention of the district court and jury today.
FAIRFIELD.—The Ancient Order of United Workmen and the Degree of Honor participated in a joint meeting at their hall last evening. An interesting program was rendered, after which refreshments were served.
NEBRASKA CITY.—Charles L. Courtney, aged 19, and Miss Daley Kern, aged 16, were united in marriage here last evening by Rev. F. H. Sisson of the Methodist church. The young couple will make their home at Brownville.
ALBION.—Many of the old-timers of Boone county recall that T. L. Oddie, governor-elect of Nevada, was at one time a resident of Boone county, having worked on the ranch of Joseph St. Louis in the capacity of a cowboy.
BEATRICE.—The Ancient Order of United Workmen and the Degree of Honor held joint installation of officers last evening with a large number in attendance. At the close of the business meeting an oyster supper was served.
CLAY CENTER.—A meeting of the business men of this city was held today to arrange for free mail delivery in the city. A committee was appointed to advise with the city council as to re-naming and numbering the streets and avenues.
BEATRICE.—Margaret McLellan against John L. Sisson is the title of a divorce suit filed in the district court yesterday. The couple were married in Dow City, Ia., in 1881. She makes kidnapping and desertion the grounds for the action.
BEATRICE.—At the annual meeting of the Bank of Cortland a dividend was declared and the constitution increased from \$15,000 to \$20,000. The officers are: Fred Roeding, president; W. P. Norcross, vice president; F. A. Buring, cashier.
NEBRASKA CITY.—The Otis County Corn show opened this morning in Eagle hall and the exhibits are double those of any year since the annual exhibits were given. The school exhibits are exceptionally fine and nearly all of the schools of the county are represented.
NEBRASKA CITY.—Jack King, who was charged with stealing a value from the

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Reliable Prescription for Kidneys and Bladder
 For ailing kidneys or bladder, have the following prescription mixed or buy the ingredients and mix them yourself: "Half ounce Murax compound, half ounce fluid extract Buchu, six ounces best gin." Take one or two teaspoonfuls of this mixture after meals and at bed time. One should be sure to ask for best gin when getting this prescription. Get it with the other ingredients at a reliable drug store or at any good liquor store.
 This treatment quickly cures such symptoms as backache, rheumatic pains in joints, frequent scanty or painful urination, highly colored or scalding urine, pains in groin, dull pain in back of head, dizziness, irritability, etc. These are sure signs of kidney trouble and should be attended promptly to avoid serious disease.—Adv.

Green Seal of Quality
Annual January Sales 1911

Let it not be supposed that all the best furniture is made in natural colors. Quite the contrary is the case. No furniture is more beautiful than a naturally colored table that has been stained by a skilled artisan to better its tone effect and improve its general appearance. Some of the very prettiest articles have been put through this process. There is a great distinction between staining wood to improve its tone and staining so much as to wholly obscure its natural color. Staining to improve tone is done to the best of furniture. Some of the most beautiful pieces are made through staining birch in imitation of mahogany. There is absolutely no objection to such process. Neither is there any objection to staining white gum in imitation of mahogany or black walnut. But staining a piece of curly wood, or one having a distinct or pretty tone, is not condoned by the best furniture craftsmen. In every store there are hundreds of pieces which have gone through this process that are preferred to the solid woods of the more expensive grades. It is better to have one of these stained pieces, strongly constructed, than to have a solid mahogany piece that is feebly put together. In our store all furniture is marked with a Tag Policy tag that shows just the kind of wood. If an article has a veneer, the tag says so. It is our policy to let the customer know just what he is getting. Here he cannot buy veneer for solid wood. During our January sale these tags remain on the articles, insuring protection, quality, durability and price.

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- \$32.00 Writing Desk—Mahogany finish, colonial scroll design, thick writing bed \$20.00
- \$10.00 Writing Desk—Imitation mahogany, neatly arranged pigeon holes, durable article \$8.00
- \$26.00 High Post Beds—Cream enamel on birch, full size, strong, beautiful design \$15.00
- \$32.50 Dresser—White enamel on birch, four commodious drawers, broad top \$17.50
- \$45.00 Chiffonier—Gray enamel on birch, beveled French mirror, 25x17, superior quality \$25.00
- \$27.50 Hall Tree—Mahogany finish on oak, French plate glass mirror, 40x17, high quality \$15.00
- \$4.50 Solid Mahogany Stand—A beautiful design, fascinating, high grade qualities \$2.00
- \$9.50 Sheraton Muffin Stand—Solid mahogany, has that Sheraton characteristic of being inlaid \$6.00
- \$28.75 Solid Mahogany Chair—Up-holstered in green denim, an especially good article \$14.50
- \$17.00 Solid Mahogany Rocker—Loose plush seat, beautiful and strong in every essential \$12.00
- \$41.00 Solid Mahogany Chair—Loose cushion, almost a "Sleepy Hollow," exceptional quality \$20.50
- \$25.00 Sewing Table—Solid mahogany, an article of extreme beauty, 36x17 top \$12.50
- \$21.50 Solid Mahogany Table—Strongly constructed and beautifully finished, durable \$14.00
- \$21.00 Denim Covered Couch—Lined with Tennessee cedar, 6 feet long, swell constructed \$18.00
- \$6.00 Brass Costumers—Three strong hooks, durable and attractive, 68 inches high \$5.00
- \$50.00 Ladies' Easy Chair—Soft leather seat and back, heavy mahogany frame \$25.00
- \$5.00 Child's Dresser—White enamel, three neat and spacious drawers, broad top \$2.50
- \$18.00 Solid Oak Typewriter Desk—Brass ferrules, strongly built, 54 inches long, 30 inches high \$16.50
- \$48.00 Fumed Oak Clock—A handsome article, strongly built, accurate and decorative \$32.00
- \$8.25 Chair—Imported cane back and seat, mahogany veneered frame, high quality \$4.00
- \$13.50 Arm Chairs—Seven oaks, genuine Spanish leather seat, broad back, strongly built \$8.00
- \$40.00 Dining Table—Solid quartered oak, 8 foot extension, Colonial platform base \$25.00
- \$15.75 Golden Oak Buffet—Solidly constructed, French-beveled glass mirror 36x10, top 45x20 \$14.00
- \$30.00 Golden Oak Buffet—Handsome article, plush silver drawers, top, 44x18; beveled mirror, 40x10 \$25.00
- \$24.00 Solid Oak Buffet—Strongly built, artistic, top, 40x18; French glass mirror, 36x6 \$20.00

- \$17.50 Mahogany Chairs—Dull, soft leather seat, durable, skillfully put together \$15.00
- \$4.25 Solid Oak Chairs—Dull leather seats, very pretty, strong, high class \$3.75
- \$14.00 Side Table—Golden oak, beautiful and serviceable; top, 36x18; distinctive character \$12.50
- \$1.25 Elm Dining Chairs—These are marked by strong construction and artistic design \$1.10
- \$29.00 Top Post Beds—Mahogany finish, superior furniture in every detail, 3/4 and full sizes \$16.50
- \$25.00 Top Post Beds—Mahogany finish, full and 3/4 sizes, excellent quality, strong \$20.00
- \$78.00 Mahogany Settee—Green denim upholstering, best possible construction, handsome, decorative \$35.00
- \$27.50 Solid Mahogany Chair—Green denim, luxurious seat, distinctive, firm construction \$15.00
- \$48.50 Solid Mahogany Writing Desk—Three large drawers, handsome, superior article \$28.00
- \$2.50 Shirt Waist Box—Matting covered, bamboo trimmed, 40x18 inside, 15 inches high, strong \$1.88
- \$18.75 Cedar Chest—Genuine Tennessee cedar, 48x22 inside, 15 inches high, large heavy trap \$14.07
- \$30.00 Mirror—Gold or poplar frame, beveled French glass, 20x13; artistic, serviceable \$15.00
- \$31.50 Writing Desk—Beautiful circassian walnut veneer, thick writing bed, neatly arranged \$20.00
- \$39.00 Chiffonier—Mahogany veneer, six commodious drawers; swing mirror, 21x17, handsome \$25.00
- \$45.00 Mahogany Bed—It combines durability and beauty in all details, artistic \$27.50
- \$68.00 Davenport—Genuine leather, comfortable and strong, graceful and refined in design \$40.00
- \$21.00 Library Table—Beautiful golden oak; top, 40x28; an exceptional table, rather massive \$17.00
- \$44.00 Cellarette—Pretty mahogany veneer, 48 inches high, commodious apartments, very fine article \$25.00
- \$14.50 Golden Oak Cellarette—Neatly arranged as to all details, and well equipped \$10.00
- \$11.75 Nested Tables—Solid oak, the three tables inside are suspended, solid, durable \$10.00
- \$58.00 China Cabinet—Attractive fumed oak, 42 inches wide, four strong and spacious shelves \$50.00
- \$21.00 Solid Mahogany Rocker—Denim seat, strong runners, very comfortable \$13.50
- \$21.00 Solid Mahogany Chair—Heavy plush seat, thick legs, very beautiful design \$10.00
- \$58.00 Winged Chair—Solid mahogany, high, broad back, deeply padded, superior quality \$29.00
- \$3.85 Medicine Cabinet—Solid oak, highly finished, an artistic design, serviceable, strong \$3.00
- \$45.00 Hepplewhite Chair—Solid mahogany, characterized by straight-forward construction \$25.00

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