

Nebraska PLAY BALL WITH FIRE WARRANTS State Treasurer and Auditor Send Them Back and Forth Just for Exercise.

FLORENCE BONDS ARE UNPAID (From a Staff Correspondent) LINCOLN, Dec. 17.—(Special Telegram.)—Every-

body knows that the governor of North Carolina said to the governor of South Carolina one day several years ago when those two met one warm August afternoon, but the topic which is now uppermost just now is what did State Auditor Billy Smith do last week when he bolted into the sanctum of the latter and deposited that bunch of warrants of the state fire commissioner.

Neither of the officials will say a word or give any information as to the conversation. When asked about it, Hall says it "doesn't make any difference what I said," while Smith grins in an embarrassing manner and acts as if he didn't want to talk about it.

The story, as it goes, is that after the supreme court decreed that Treasurer Hall should pay the warrants of the fire commissioner without any appropriation by the legislature, the auditor gathered up the warrants from their nest where they had been resting in the vault and sent them over to the treasurer by his faithful deputy, Mr. Ayers.

Now Hank is a cautious sort of individual and did not propose to be caught napping by any harmony program that might be put up and refused to counter-sign them, rather awaiting the arrival of the state treasurer and let him do the counter-signing.

In due course of time Mr. Hall came into the office and was notified that the warrants awaited his official John Hancock. Did he affix it? Not on your life.

With flashing eye and crimson cheek he seized those unholly warrants as a rat terrier would seize a festive rodent and hid himself to the private office of his brother democratic official, the state auditor, and here the story ends.

Rumor has it that when the bunch of warrants hit the desk of the auditor that they rebounded and knocked an arm off an image of Thomas Jefferson standing near by, while another rumor says that they threw their arms about each other and repeated in unison what the governor of North Carolina said to the governor of South Carolina and hid themselves to the cigar counter in the corridor and partook of good Nehawia cider.

In any event, if both officials are as backward about asking for votes at the next election as they are about talking about the warrant incident, the voters will not be bothered much by Messrs. Hall and Smith in 1916.

Nebraska Mrs. Layton Found Not Guilty of Part In Husband's Death

GERING, Neb., Dec. 17.—(Special Telegram.)—The jury in the case of Mrs. Mabel Layton, who was charged, with being accessory to the murder of her husband, Joseph Layton, brought in a verdict of not guilty today after being out twenty hours.

Testimony in the trial was concluded yesterday morning, and the arguments of counsel were begun. The state introduced a number of witnesses in addition to those who testified at the trial of Jordan, and some testimony of a sensational character was brought out which did not appear in the first hearing.

Dr. Hall Persuades State Treasurer to Honor Xmas Pay (From a Staff Correspondent) LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 17.—(Special Telegram.)—Besides being national democratic committee man for Nebraska, Dr. P. L. Hall of Lincoln, proved himself to be a pretty good Santa Claus to the state house employes this afternoon, when he visited the capital, took a Joe Stecher selector's hold on State Treasurer Hall and a Frank Gotch toe hold on State Auditor Smith and caused them both to go to the mat with both shoulders down on their order made, while the doctor was in Washington that state house employes should not receive their pay warrants before Christmas.

Whether this was due to the fact that the doctor feared a run for Christmas money by the state house employes, or whether he did not like the idea of nullifying so good an order as that put in vogue by former republicans that state house employes should be paid before Christmas, anyhow he told this state officers they were wrong in refusing pay to their employes and so, thanks to Dr. Hall, they will receive their December warrants before Christmas and the kids can have sleds and cranberry sauce.

Hamilton County To Have Revival of Business Institute AURORA, Neb., Dec. 17.—(Special.)—The business men of Aurora have decided to put on a week of community interest work next spring. During the week a short course on advertising, business efficiency and salesmanship will be given to the business men of the entire county. It is planned to make the week a revival of interest and an effort will be made to interest all of Hamilton county.

At a smoker given in the Commercial club last night, Frank F. Ringer of Lincoln, commissioner for the Nebraska Manufacturers' association, and Frank Stockdale, representative of the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World, were the speakers. Their addresses were along the line of community advancement. They urged the Aurora Commercial club to hold an annual short course in business development and business efficiency.

At the close of Stockdale's address, it was determined to devote a week next spring to the problems of community building. A big banquet of the business men will be held December 23 and the project will be boomed at that time.

Bar Will Banquet at McCook. McCOOK, Neb., Dec. 17.—(Special.)—The Bar association of the Fourteenth judicial district will hold its annual meeting and banquet in McCook next Tuesday, December 21. A program will be carried out in the afternoon session and the banquet and toast list will occupy the evening hours.

LOOKING FOR WORK Everywhere men complain about work; even boys and girls in school or business find work tedious and irksome, but it isn't the work half so much as their own lack of physical strength that makes it hard.

Rich blood, strong lungs and healthy digestion make work pleasurable in business, in school or even housework, and if those who are easily tired—who are not sick, but weak and nervous—would just take Scott's Emulsion for one month and let its pure concentrated food create richer blood to pulsate through every artery and vein—let it build a structure of healthy tissue and give you vigorous strength—you would find work easy and would look for more. Insist on Scott's.

Scott & Bovee, Bloomfield, N. J. 19-25

Nebraska HITCHCOCK MAN WINS OUT Appointment of Dan Kavanaugh Leaves Editor Crowd High and Dry.

FAIRBURY, Neb., Dec. 17.—(Special Telegram.)—Considerable rejoicing prevails in the Hitchcock faction of the democratic party at this point over the news received from Washington that Dan Kavanaugh had received the official appointment as postmaster at Fairbury.

W. F. Cram, present postmaster, strongly opposed the candidacy of Senator Hitchcock through his paper, the Fairbury Journal, and consequently the senator held unusually strong views against his appointment. Mr. Kavanaugh will take the place as soon as his bond is approved.

FOUR BONDS APPEAR AFTER THEY ARE PAID (From a Staff Correspondent) LINCOLN, Dec. 17.—(Special.)—During the administration of former State Treasurer Mortenson the state bought \$50,000 in California bonds issued by San Francisco, called the "Sea Wall" bonds. These bonds were paid off August 1, 1911, by

Nebraska Pioneer of Buffalo County Passes Away KEARNEY, Neb., Dec. 17.—(Special Telegram.)—L. A. Wright, aged 62, pioneer resident of Nebraska and Buffalo county, died at his home near Odessa late last night.

Mr. Wright suffered a paralytic stroke a year ago and has been an invalid since that time. The dead man was popularly known as "Judge" and has been a familiar figure about Kearney for years. He at one time served as justice of the peace and received his title from that service, although he was a successful farmer and was still in charge of his fine farm at the time of his death.

The funeral services will be held next Monday at the Evangelical church in Kearney.

Bishop Tihen Names Father Boll as Dean BEATRICE, Neb., Dec. 17.—(Special Telegram.)—Bishop Tihen of Lincoln, today appointed Father E. Boll of this city dean of the southeastern Lincoln district of Catholic churches, to succeed the late Father James Freeman of Wyoming. The district comprises the counties of Richardson, Pawnee, Gage, Jefferson and Thayer.

Nebraska Ford Is Captured At Grand Island, Hiding Under Hay GRAND ISLAND, Neb., Dec. 17.—(Special Telegram.)—Bert Ford, the negro who, last night, shot and killed Logan Boyd, also colored, was captured late this afternoon by Chief of Police Snodgrass, Sheriff Selvera, Deputy Corde and Jailer Brower, who were making a thorough search of all premises of negroes in the city.

He had hidden under some hay in the barn of Lou Johnson, another negro, in the northern part of the city. He exclaimed when discovered, "I'll give up. You have got me, boys," and attempted no resistance.

He was wrapped in several blankets and was evidently prepared to remain in his place of hiding until a more opportune time to escape. He had no weapon, but said he had thrown his gun away while walking along the railroad track. By avoiding his snow tracks by winking the ties, he back-tracked. He is lodged in the county jail.

Xmas Display

Suggesting Sensible Wearable Gifts for Men The kind they would choose themselves at a store where they are pleased to trade.

Stocks are overflowing Values you'll appreciate

Shirts Something he always needs. New Patterns, new Fabrics—\$1.50, \$2, \$2.50 Special Prices on Boxes of 3. \$1.50 Shirts, \$4.16 \$2.00 Shirts, \$5.50. \$2.50 Shirts, \$7.00.

Pajamas They speak of comfort and are always acceptable. Soisette, Outing, French Flannel, Silk, from \$1 to \$5. Handsomely Boxed.

Handkerchiefs In all kinds or borders and initials; many grades of fine linen. 3 for 75c. 3 for \$1.50 3 for \$1.

Hosiery In 40 different makes, including Hosi-proof and interwoven, from 25c to \$1 per pair. Special value at \$1 pair for \$1.50. Guaranteed for 6 months.

Mufflers No man's outfit is complete without one, and this winter weather they are right welcome gifts. In silk knitted or cut silk styles. Over 50 designs to select from. Prices, from \$1 to \$5. A very special value at \$1.

Leather Collar Bag From \$1 to \$5 Values You'll Readily Appreciate.

Fine Neckwear The largest stock ever in Omaha; over 2,500 designs. Every scarf of undeniable quality and beautifully boxed—50c Others at... 75c and \$1 Special imported assortment, including many fine samples of the highest grade French neckwear, from \$1.50 to \$5.

Leather Collar Bag From \$1 to \$5 Values You'll Readily Appreciate. Military Brushes \$1.75 Fit-All Toilet Cases This very useful article, so well made and so practical, is bound to make a hit.

Our Large Women's Dept's Are showing wonderful values in attractive gifts for mother and daughter.

Cross Gloves For Men, Always a Much-Prized Gift. In all wanted leathers, pointed bindings or sewings. Cadets or Regulars. Stout or slender hands. From \$1.50 to \$2.50.

Initial Belts In a Variety of Good Looking Patterns. This is a very satisfactory stock and merits your attention. From \$1.00 to \$4 Special value at \$1.50 Vestagrams to match... \$1.

Our Large Women's Dept's Are showing wonderful values in attractive gifts for mother and daughter.

BENSON & THORNE Co 1516-18-20 Farnam Street.

Special Values that make IDEAL Christmas Gifts. Buy now--PAY NEXT YEAR. The Union Outfitting Co.'s new modern building and Low Priced Location enables us to quote you LOWEST PRICES AT ALL TIMES

If You've Decided To Make the Gift for the Whole Family, a COLUMBIA GRAFONOLA You had better make your selection Saturday, because if you delay it may be too late to get the one you want. 24 latest selections and this Columbia Grafonola. This fine outfit—\$22.80 \$3 Cash, \$2 Monthly 12 latest selections and this cabinet Columbia Grafonola. The complete outfit for only \$78.90 \$1 A week puts a Columbia Grafonola in your home.

BIG TOY VALUES-- Charge Them if You Wish. TOY TIN BOILERS Well made, special, at... 9c BRASS SMOKING STANDS Just like oak. Special... 59c FOLDING LUNCH BOXES Containing 13 toys, worth alone more than price paid. Special... 23c TOY WASHBOARD AND TUB—Painted tub. Special... 9c TERRY BEARS—The kind that everyone loves. 79c SEWING MACHINES—Guaranteed to sew perfectly. Special... 75c Sewing Sets Just like... 49c BULLDO SETS For either the boy or girl, spl... 45c AUTOMATIC TRAIN AND TRUCK, with iron engine. Special... 89c

Ideal FURNITURE GIFTS Just Have It Charged. Let the gift for the little one be a Child's Crib. One like illustration, of all iron, highly white enameled, one side can be let down; worth \$7.50, special, at... \$4.95 JACOBSEN BUFFETS A splendid Christmas gift. Finished in the new fumed French bevel plate mirror, tops or twist leg; a true copy. \$30 \$19.75 Special... \$10.00 LIBRARY TABLE MAKE IDEAL GIFTS—One like illustration, but with open ends; finished in golden—worth \$10.00. Special... \$6.75 Christmas Goods Sold Out of Town on Easy Payment, Union Outfitting Co OMAHA S.E. COR. 16th & JACKSON STS. YOUR credit is good