TESTIMONY IS CONFLICTING

EVIDENCE THAT WIRES WERE NOT HEAVILY CHARGED.

JURY ADJOURNS TILL MONDAY

Coroner's Inquest at Omaha Productive of Much Testimony That Does Not Tend to Place the Blame.

OMAHA, Aug. 12.—(Special.)—After hearing a number of witnesses this morning the coroner's jury in e t gating the cause and the place to fix b ame for the death of the four Omaha firemen, took an adjournment until Monday morning at 9 o'clock.

During the morning session Carl Giles, electrician in charge of the dynamo and electric light circuits at the light company's electric plant, was called to the stand. He said that he went at noon and made a test of the circuits every two hours thereafter. He made a test at 4 o'clock on Wednesday, and everything was all right. He was also certain that the arc circuit on wire No. 6 was not turned on, and that the opera house circuit on wires 4 and 5 was not on at 6 o'clock, the time of the accident.

Lieutenant Joseph D. Sullivan of hook and ladder company No. 1 testified that the captain of that company was off that day, and he was in command of the company at the Mercer fire. He detailed all proceedings up to the time he started to raise the ladder at the direction of Chief Redell. He said that in raising the ladder it struck against the wires, the latter being about fourteen inches apart, while the ladder was nearly double that width. He sent Truckman White up on the ladder to spread the wires, and the ladder was raised without difficulty to a perpendicular position. It touched a wire on each side until it was swung around toward the building, when he said it stood edgewise between the wires and did not touch at all. He was not certain whether the latter later touched wire No. 6 or No. 5 when itw as lowered at an angle toward the building, but thought it might have done so He said it was not lowered more than ten degrees, just enough to enable the men to work more easily in carrying up the line of hose. Sullivan said that when orders were received to lower the ladder after the fire was out, the turntable was swung back again so that the ladder touched the wires on both sides and No. 6 caught on the ladder. The lieutenant sent up Livingston to release it and heard Brinkman of the light company say that the wire was dead Livingston released the wire, and started down. Witness did not see Livingston reach the bottom, as he kept watching the wires. Sullivan added he was certain that the ladder was touching only Nos. 6 and 7 when the shock came He saw the men s iffen back, hanging on the cranks, and Livingston, who had taken hold of the front crank, murmured, "Pull me away, pull me away." Witness said al the men gave utterances to a long drawn-out "O-h-h," as the current s ruck them, something between a sigh and a groan. He was unable to grasp Livingston with his hands, as they were still sore from the burns received at Allen Bros' fire, and he threw his arms round Livingston's body to pull him away. As he did so he received a shock that threw him to the ground. When he arose, Livington sa d "Get a rope," and witness ran to the basket on the truck to get one, but as he reached out to get a rope he received another shock from the truck. When he got back Livingston and Farmer had fallen, and shortly afterward the others fell, Giseke being the last to go down All this occupied but a few seconds. Witness said he assisted in caring for the dead and injured Later the ladder was lowered, Lineman Brinkman ascending the arch pole and holding the wires away from the ladder until it was lowered. He said that the truck carried a pair of cut ers, but that he knew it was dangerous to cut a wire and drop an end if there were people below. He knew that the wire should be cut at both poles to be safe. Witness said the truck carried three pairs of cutters up to three years ago, but since then had carried but one, the same as the other trucks. He said he knew the wires were not crossed, as he was looking directly at them and was paying particular attention to them.

At the conclusion of his testimony the jury was taken down to view the alley, and also to see the electric light plant and truck.

According to the testimony as it now stands, the ladder had three low voltage wires on one side, carrying a comparatively harmless current of from 104 to 208 volts and on the other three dead wires with no crosses anywhere.

To Fight the Standard Oil.

Attorney General Smyth this afternoon filed papers in the district court of Douglas county, invoking the anti-trust law passed by the legislature in 1897 to compel the Standard Oil company of Indiana to cease doing business in Nebraska. The petition is a very lengthy one and deals with the history of the formation of the trust, giving a copy of the original trust agreement, together with a list of the minor companies that united to form the trust. It details the nature of the business transacted and explains how the trust is alleged to violate the law. The petition contends that the purpose of this trust is to create and carry out restrictions in trade, to increase or diminish the price of petrolium and its products and to prevent competition in the manufacture, sale and purchase of the commodity. It is alleged that the defendant company is bound by its trust agreement not to sell the product below a certain figure and that it is engaged in a conspiracy against trade and business in violation of the laws of Nebraska. It is asked that service may be had on any other of the companies concerned in the trust and that they, as well as the defendant company, be prohibited from doing business in Nebraska.

Speaking of his intention to enforce the law, Attorney General Smyth said this morning: "If there is a trust doing business in this state when I go out of this office it won't be my fault. I have found, however, that in some cases it is almost impossible to secure the evidence on which to bring an action. There are several concerns that I believe to be trusts, but I have been unable to get hold of the evidence that will establish the fact. I wish that every citizen of Nebraska who knows of any evidence against any trust would let me know of it at once. I have been so constantly occupied with other matters that it was impossible for me to spare the time and attention necessary for this. I have had a large number of very important cases to attend to. The Bartley cases in Douglas and Lancaster counties, for instance, have occupied me exclusively since May 1. I had expected to be able to reach the insurance case, in which the validity of the anti-trust law is fairly at issue, in June, but the delay in the trial prevented it. I now hope to be able to proceed with the hearing of both the insurance and the stock yards cases on their merits at the October term of United States court at Lincoln."

Mr. Smyth denied that his action in bringing the suit at this time had the least political significance, but it is understood that the party managers have urged upon him the expediency of beginning suit at the present time that his action may be used in the campaign to secure votes for the fusionist candidate for supreme judge. The legislature of 1897 instructed Mr. Smyth specifically to proceed at once against what was then termed the elevator trust. Up to this time he has never taken any action in the matter, but has ignored the bill containing the instructions.

Fire at South Omaha.

Fire this morning destroyed the big fertilizing plant of the Swift packing company at South Omaha, causing a loss of perhaps $15,000. The fire originated presumably from spontaneous combustion. While the fire was confined wholly to the fertilizing building, it threatened for a time a serious conflagration, involving the safety of the whole plant. Chief Smith and the entire city fire department responded promptly and the stock yards and packing house fire departments were promptly on hand. General Manager Kenyon and Superintendent Paxton of the stock yards company General Superintendent Howe of Armour's and General Manager Noyes of Hammond's were on the ground shortly after the fire companies arrived. Nine streams played upon the burning building for a time and it was 6:30 o'clock before it was known for a certainty that the fire was under control. It was intended for a time to call an Omaha fire engine but the work of the local fire companies rendered that unnecessary. On the third floor, which was entirely burned, there was a large quantity of sacked blood and other valuable stores of that department. About 50 per cent of the second floor was destroyed. The first floor was damaged only by water. The walls are standing unimpaired. The machinery and fixtures were nearly destroyed.

The fertilizing building has been causing much trouble recently on account of fire, it having called out the department half a dozen times during the last three weeks. General Superintendent E. C. Price is in Hot Springs, at the present time. His private secretary, Mr. Clements, says that while every precaution was taken it would naturally be expected that the fertilizer would be more susceptible to the fiery element than any other building of the plant. The building was of brick, three stories high, eighty-six long, and seventy-eight feet wide

Omaha in Brief.

George Parks, an Omaha contractor, has been awarded the contract for erecting the new packing plant of the Cudahy company at Kansas City.

The Douglas county democratic convention to elect delegates to the state and judicial conventions is called to meet at 513-15-17 North Sixteenth street (Osthoff's hall) Monday, August 21, at 2 p. m.

Seth Mobley of Grand Island, one of the oldest newspaper men in the state, spent today in Omaha. He is shaping his affairs preparatory to leaving for Manila, where he will engage in the newspaper business.

Ed Callahan, the man who was shot by Saloon Keeper John Shanahan, was reported dying this afternoon. He has made a full statement of the circumstances attending the shooting to Deputy County Attorney Grossman.

Captain Wood of the quartermaster's department, yesterday purchased eight carloads of horses at the South Omaha stock yards, and spent the day today at the yards adding to his purchases. The horses are for the use of the army.

Justice Foster has dismissed the case in which Walter Jones of Waterloo charged Hudson Feather with undue intimacy with his wife. Jones' wife asserted that he was cruel to her, explained that consequently she took her boy and went to live with Feather.

J. H Cole, chief of police of Clinton, Ia., was in the city last week looking for two fifteen-year-old boys who are charged with robbing their fathers of $100. Last night Officers Savage and Dunn picked the two young offenders up at Fifteenth and Douglas streets and brought them to jail. They will be held until sent for by the Iowa authorities.

E. H. Hemming, the newspaper reporter who was arrested August 6 charged with obtaining money under false pretenses, was arrested again this morning and arraigned in police court. Mrs. Jennie Robb is the complaining witness in this case also. She charges that the defendant obtained from her the sum of $50, ostensibly for the purpose of paying it to some South Omaha newspapers to keep them from publishing a certain letter, but she charges that he converted the money to his own use. Hemming pleaded not guilty and the case was set for Monday at 2 p. m. He was allowed to go on bail.

An auctioneer's establishment near Tenth and Harney streets was pulled today on complaint of W. S. Wampler of Marysville, Mo. The complaint alleges that he was steered into the place where a quantity of jewelry was ostensibly being knocked down below cost. A fine Boss filled watch was put up. The auctioneer called Wampler to one side and telling him that he would like the watch himself, offered to knock it down to him for $10 and then buy it back for $11. The stranger bit at once, but after he had paid down his money he says that the watch was switched for a worthless timepiece and the auctioneer refused to stick to his agreement. Wampler demanded his money back. This was refused, and Wampler caused the arrest of the proprietors, who gave their names as Dave Stine, C. B. Clavleir, H. F. Davis, J. D. Burton. Two of them were acting as auctioneers, and according to the story of Wampler, two posed as cappers.

High Wind at Wahoo.

WAHOO, Neb., Aug. 12.—(Special.)—The severest wind storm of the season struck Saunders county this afternoon about 2.30 o'clock. A very dark and threatening cloud came up from the northwest, and with it a destructive wind and a heavy rain. The rain was blown into mist like snow before the winter blizzard. Damage done to trees and crops can hardly be estimated at this time. The sorghum crop sown for forage is blown flat and a great deal of corn is down and fully one-fourth of the apple crop lies on the ground under the trees. The storm lasted nearly an hour and was the strongest straight wind in this county for many years.

ROBBERY ABOARD STEAMER

Strong Box of Koenigen Regente Looted of $20,000.

VICTORIA, B. C., Aug. 12.—The Miowera brought from Sydney news of a robbery resembling in many particulars that which occurred on the steamer Alameda, $20,000 being stolen from the Koenigen Regente. The steamer arrived at Fatavia on the 24th of last month from Holland and at once reported that a box containing 4,000 pounds in gold for the Java bank had been stolen. The box with the gold was put on board at Southampton and was deposited in the strong room, the key of which is in the custody of the captain and is kept in a chest.

The robbery was so well carried out that it was not discovered until just after the steamer left Genoa. The investigation that immediately followed brought little more to light than suspicion against some of the crew. Search for the money on the supposition that it was hidden on board proved fruitless.

FOUR MORE EMPLOYES QUIT

NO DISPOSITION TO MEND MATTERS AT BEATRICE.

ENTIRE LACK OF HARMONY

Too Frequent Changes of Institution for Feeble-Minded Has Ruined Its Efficiency—Nebraska News.

BEATRICE, Neb., Aug 12.—(Special.)—Jim Millikin, steward at the state institution, defends Dr. Lang's management of the place and says the stories which have appeared in The Journal are exaggerations. He says: "There are men I admire more than Dr. Lang and men of greater ability, but I feel called upon to deny these stories. This man Calland fraternized with the boys so much and made so much over them that they became spoiled and rendered it next to impossible to enforce any discipline. Then he was continually critising the actions of Dr. Lang, Supervisor Alvord and others and appeared dissatisfied when matters were not run to suit his eutopian ideas. There was no pitched battle Sunday nor anything approaching it. There was some trouble over the melons and one of the boys was punished by being put to scrubbing the floors. Calland neglected his work to put in his time fault finding."

The Journal correspondent related a statement made by Calland wherein he charged that Millikin kicked one of the boys who would not leave the main building and go to the cottage when told to do so. Calland's statement was that Millikin took him by the coat collar and after reaching the door gave him a kick. To this Millikin said he presumed he knew of the occurrence referred to. He said he remembered forcing the boy to leave the main building and may have given him a push. "It is necessary at times to be rather harsh with some of the boys" said Millikin, "or they would run the institution."

A prominent business man of Beatrice who has done business with the state, but who did not want to get mixed up in the present controversy, said to the writer today: "My business has called me out there frequently and I have witnessed many abuses of the children and could relate them if it were not that I had troubles of my own. One great cause of the constant trouble which has occurred there since the fusionists have been in control has been this. The mad desire of the populists for positions has resulted in constant back-biting among those who were successful. The employes will stand around in groups of varying number and criticise the superintendent and other employes. The presence of the boys made no difference with their talk. The result has been that the boys have been made discontented and has no doubt at times been the cause of insubordination among them. This bickering among the employes has been going on constantly and anyone could foresee the result. A mistake is made in anyone thinking those boys can be managed by force, but they can be gotten to do anything by coaxing and kindness."

Talking on these lines another gentleman said: "The superintendent is the only person there who has authority to punish an inmate I happen to know that when Dr. Fall was there one of the best attendants in the institution one day whipped one of the boys. The attendant had come from the Glenwood, Ia., institution with the highest recommendations Dr Fall called him into the office, where the young man made the excuse that he had lost his temper He honestly admitted that he might do so again whereupon he was given his discharge.

One cause of the trouble which is apparent to the public, has been the frequent changes in the employes. For months past parties from various parts of the state have been coming and going. Since the retirement of Dr. Armstrong as superintendent in 1897, the institution has had three different superintendents. Mr Ellis, the carpenter, who also has charge of the brush room, in defending Dr. Lang, also spoke of the fact that he himself had never had any trouble with the boys. He admitted, however, that it was because he was kind to them. He admitted also that he had heard other employes curse the boys. Speaking of Mr. Calland, Mr. Ellis said he made too much of the boys and was rapidly becoming the cause of their discontent, bringing about a condition which was damaging to the institution

A Beatrice merchant today said: "I noticed what The Journal had to say about the brush industry. Did you know that under Drs. Armstrong and Fall that department was made to pay about $1,000 a year, or more than the salary of the superintendent of this department? During the first three months of the latter's administration over $300 worth of brushes were sold. What has become of it? The boys who were fast becoming experts at brush making are now put at other jobs and the industry has been allowed to deteriorate into a mere nothing As a means of employing the minds of the boys nothing could be better"

Four more employes left the institution today They were Mrs Benson of Columbus, Mr. Nelson of Lincoln Miss Scanlan of Cortland and Miss Tscedre of Beatrice.

Beatrice in Brief.

Mrs G. C. Thomas and son, G. W., of Connecticut are visiting in the city, guests of the former's sister, Mrs. Ralph Weston and family.

Frank Kimball today bought the residence of A. G. Kelm, paying therefor the sum of $2,500. His mother is now in the east visiting and it is his intention to have the new home prepared for her as a surprise on her return.

The police this afternoon took off of the Rock Island train a man who is appearently demented. Papers on his person indicate that his name is C. P. Norton, of Carlton, Neb. A citizen who thinks he recognizes the man says he believes that Mrs. Fanny Spangler of Carlton is his daughter.

A stranger drove into the city this evening from the west and on reaching Scott street one of the horses he was driving fell dead and a few moments later its mate fell down and died. Evidently death in both cases was caused by fast driving, and the circumstances have been considered of such a suspicious nature as to warrant an investigation by the police.

One of the most threatening storms ever occurring in this vicinity, came up late this afternoon. The heavens were black and after the storm struck the city it became almost as dark as night and many people sought refuge in their cellars from what gave promise of a death dealing storm. Fortunately, however, the wind was not strong but a tremendous downpour of rain came.

Word reached here today of a serious accident which occurred yesterday near Virginia. It appears that while engaged in thrashing, the boiler to the steam engine exploded. Roy Sherman, who was feeding the machine, and Joe Lawson, the engineer, it is reported, were seriously, if not fatally, injured, and seven other were more or less injured. Accurate particulars are not yet obtainable, but Roy Wiswell, who was in today from Virginia says that when the explosion occurred the horses in use all ran away, and a fire which started consumed everything that would burn which was in reach of the place.

BODY RETURNED FOR BURIAL

Hastings Parents Mourn the Death of a Daughter.

HASTINGS, Neb., Aug. 12.—(Special.)—Mr. and Mrs. A. E Lytle arrived this morning from Boulder, Colo., with the body of their daughter, Grace, whose death from consumption occurred at that place Thursday evening. The funeral will take place tomorrow from the family residence, 524 East Second street, and the services will be conducted by Rev. John Power of the Episcopal church. The deceased was only fifteen years of age She was taken to Colorado two months ago by her mother in the hope that a change of climate would stay the ravages of the dread disease with which she was afflicted.

Queen City Briefs.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bragg have returned home. Mr. Bragg, who is a traveling man, was thrown from a railroad train at Falls City several weeks ago and it was thought for a time his injuries might prove fatal He is recovering slowly, but it will be some time before he regains his former good health.

The work of the different committees for the street fair and carnival is moving along smoothly. The ladies who have charge of the floral parade are working hard to make this one of the most successful features of the fair. The program committee have fixed Monday afternoon for the floral parade, to be followed in the evening by a grand masquerade ball. Tuesday afternoon will occur the street parade and allegorical history of the United States, in which the advancement of the country from the time of its discovery to the present will be pictured, by representation of prominent character and important events connected with its history The costuming will be in charge of Mr. Fred Leiden of Omaha, who has charge of the big events of this character of recent years in Omaha, Milwaukee, Kansas City, St. Joseph and St. Louis Contracts for the arches and for three band stands have been let The civic parade committee in arranging prizes will have between $300 and $500 in cash for distribution besides a scholarship at Hastings college and at the business college

The Salem Chautauqua

SALEM, Neb, Aug 11—(Special)—Bright, beautiful weather has come, and the crowds are increasing Yesterday was the big day when George Gordon addressed the people on "The Last Days of the Confederacy." Wednesday Dr Eaton and George W Bain spoke on the subject The Old Man and the New Woman," and drew the crowds The telescope on the campus was a popular center and many for the first time saw Jupiter's moons A telegram from Dr Hadley announced that he would not be able to fulfil his engagement, as he was watching by the dying bed of a daughter Mr Gilliey of Boston, in his impersonations, is growing in popularity with each performance. Miss Ora Tourtelotte of Lincoln is also winning great favor. The managers consider themselves very fortunate in securing Mr. Bain in place of Dr Hadley

SALEM, Neb., Aug. 12—(Special)—The weather is all that can be desired. The day opened with the usual band concert and chorus, led by Professor Armadoc. A Demorest medal contest at 11 o'clock declared Miss Ruth Cooper of Table Rock in winner. A touching scene concluded General Gordon's lecture on "Last Days of the Confederacy," in which veterans north and south united in singing "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" The audience was treated to "A Trip Through the Philippines," illustrated by spectroscope. Colonel Bain takes Dr Hadley's place tomorrow Dr Eaton's telescope is pointed nightly at Jupiter, Saturn and the moon.

Saunders County Fusionists.

WAHOO, Neb, Aug. 12—(Special)—The populists and democrats held their county conventions in this city yesterday. Go-between committees were appointed and everything went smoothly until it came to the nomination for district clerk Both parties wanted it, but the democrats finally gave over to the populists and the county ticket is as follows. J L Coleman, treasurer J. H. Barry, county judge; A. B Chapek, county clerk, J. H. Crawford, district clerk, C F. Johnson, county commissioner—all populists, F W Farris, sheriff, J M Galloway, county superintendent—democrats Each party has a candidate for district judge. They are S H. Sorenborger, populist, and B F Good, democrat, and each goes to the judicial convention at David City August 11 with the unanimous indorsement of his party convention.

M. W. A. Picnic at Ohiowa.

OHIOWA, Neb., Aug. 12—(Special.)—The Woodman picnic, held at this place Thursday, attracted a crowd of several thousand and the visitors were unanimous in their expressions of satisfaction with the program The poet-philosopher Dr Bixby, addressed a large audience of admirers in the afternoon, and the inimitable Kentucky Colonels gave one of their unique concerts in the pavilion in the evening The picnic was planned by business men and in every detail betokened executive ability on the part of the management.

Democrats Hold Primaries.

EAGLE, Neb, Aug. 12—(Special)—The democrats of Tipton precinct held their primaries last night at Mayor Vennor's office for the purpose of electing delegates to the county convention at Greenwood August 17 G W Venner was elected chairman and D. F. Venner secretary The following delegates were elected. Thad Adams, E. D Carr, P J Connor, G W Venner, William Pennington, P F Venner and C C Price. Charlie Venner was elected central committeeman

Creamery at Hay Springs Closes.

HAY SPRINGS, Neb, Aug 12—(Special.)—The creamery at this place closed its doors Friday afternoon The attachments amounting to $800 the assets are about $200 August 15 would have been pay day to the farmers who have been furnishing the milk Consequently they will lose about $1,600, this being the monthly payroll The farmers feel very indignant over the matter, as they think it was a scheme to beat them, as also the business men of the town, who paid for the building and part of the machinery

Booming Volunteers for Office.

GENEVA, Neb, Aug 12.—(Special)—The populists of this county are booming Charles Smrha of company G, for county superintendent of public instruction Mr Smrha was a successful teacher before taking a position as clerk of the county court which position he left and joined the company when called to Lincoln The republicans will even up by nominating Major Fred A. Williams for the office of Clerk of the district court.

Good Rains at Utica.

UTICA, Neb, Aug 12.—(Special)—A heavy wind, rain and hail storm visited this section this afternoon, but so far as heard from no damage has been done. This is the third rain here this week and assures a bountiful corn crop.

James R. Boone, one of the pioneer settlers of East York county, died at his home, two miles west of Utica, Friday morning. Mr. Boone was both deaf and and dumb and leaves a wife and two children to mourn his departure. The remains were interred in the Utica cemetery Saturday afternoon.

At the populist precinct caucus to be held here Thursday evening, a quorum could not be had and each delegate to the county convention today is self-appointed. Fusion in this locality is not making much headway and it is predicted that the vote cast by the office-seeking trust this fall will be far short of any cast in years.

Badly Kicked by a Horse.

TEKAMAH, Neb., Aug. 12.—(Special.)—Charlie Shaw, the twelve-year-old son of James G. Shaw, was severely kicked by a colt. He was passing the colt on the street and struck it with his hand. He was struck in the eye and did not recover consciousness for twenty-four hours. It is thought he will recover without any serious results.

Another proposition will be submitted to the city council next Monday night to vote on railroad bonds for the new Sioux City & Omaha road.

Farmers of this section who have threshed their wheat complain that the yield is very small. It is claimed that the heads did not fill well.

Money was sent to San Francisco today to purchase of Uncle Sam the accoutrements of the Tekamah members of the First Nebraska

Long Pine Chautauqua.

LONG PINE, Neb., Aug 12—(Special)—The Long Pine Chautauqua opened today with the largest attendance for many years About fifty tents and cottages are occupied and space for many more has been engaged. The management has worked hard for the benefit of this meeting and all indications are that it will be the best ever held. Rev. P. H. Eighmy delivered the opening address, after which the audience was entertained with a criterioscope performance. Governor Northcott will probably not be present Woodman day because of the pressure of his official duties, but a number of other prominent Woodmen will be here. A number of the most prominent editors in the state will be present press day. Excursion rates are in force from Norfolk, Chadron and all intermediate points

Sioux County Populists.

HARRISON, Neb., Aug. 12.—(Special)—The populists of Sioux county met in convention here today and elected the following delegation to the different conventions: State, L. C. Lewis, J. C Alexander, M J. Weber, John Moseley, Fifteenth judicial, A. H. Rosenberg. Grant Guthrie, L. L. Wilson; Sixth congressional, W J. A. Baum, Henry Parks, Charles U Grove. The delegates are uninstructed, but are known to favor Holcomb for supreme judge and H G. Stuart for congress. The convention adjourned until September 30, when candidates for county officers will be nominated.

Injured by Boiler Explosion.

TECUMSEH, Neb, Aug. 12.—(Special.)—In a boiler explosion of a traction engine used with a threshing machine, Thursday Ray Sherman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Abe Sherman of Tecumseh was seriously injured. The outfit was at work near Virginia, Pawnee county, and young Sherman was struck in the forehead by a small piece of the flying machinery Two or three other men were injured and two or three horses killed.

Polk County Teachers.

OSCEOLA, Neb., Aug. 12.—(Special.)—Osceola has had an unusual number of attractions the past week. The drawing card was the meeting of the Polk county teachers' institute, that drew a crowd of sixty. There has been an excellent corps of instructors, W S Heitzman and Miss Haas of Fremont. Next Tuesday evening State Superintendent Jackson of Lincoln will be the lecturer The first week the institute has been a great success.

Victim of Paralytic Stroke Dies.

FRIEND, Neb, Aug 12—(Special)—Frank Thompson who was stricken with paralysis last fall while attending the trans-Mississippi exposition, died last night

Later advices from the storm district east of town shows that there are eleven windmills blown down, and that a stack of oats of Mr N. C Nelson was struck and burned by lightning

Call for Judicial Convention.

TECUMSEH, Neb., Aug. 12—(Special)—The First district democratic judicial convention has been called to meet in Tecumseh Friday, August 25 A candidate for district judge is to be nominated. The several counties are entitled to representation as follows Gage 23, Richardson 23, Nemaha 16, Jefferson 16, Johnson 10, Pawnee 10, total, 98.

CROPS IN THE NORTHWEST

Recent Rains Helping the Corn in Cedar County.

RANDOLPH, Neb, Aug 11—(Special)—To the Editor of The State Journal This week has been continuously very warm, and had not two recent rains fallen our corn must have suffered, but to all appearances it is all right and doing remarkably well. Our expectations of a month ago of a large spring wheat crop are cut down one-half by hot weather three or four weeks ago We now expect not over ten bushels per acre Grass is very good Oats and barley also very good, and all in shock or stack, but mostly shock. There has been no rain this week and help sufficient to save the small grain Northeast Nebraska bids fair to have an exceptionally productive year Cattle, hogs and vegetable are doing well.

I am recently up from the flooded district on the Brazos valley in southern Texas. That broad, fertile and extensively cultivated valley from near Waco down, or three hundred miles, is swept clean of all crops The colored renters in the valley have lost all The large sugar plantations in the Sugar Bowl, in Ft Bend and Brazonia counties, for 100 miles, are badly damaged and will lose this year's crop On the adjacent prairies in the coast region, or for eighty miles, the water spread out from thirty to forty miles, but did but partial injury, as the water was not deep and little current came out of the valley. My cotton in my orchards in Ft Bend and Brazonia counties will lose some of the lower bolls, but the plants are doing well. My fruit trees are not hurt The sediment on the grass being alkali, was likely to be injurious to stock, but on July 26 and 27 a twelve-inch rain completely washed it off and grass is doing well. As the growing season lasts into December many kinds of vegetables and forage plants can be grown in the bottoms and the work of repairing the flood damage will give the colored people work

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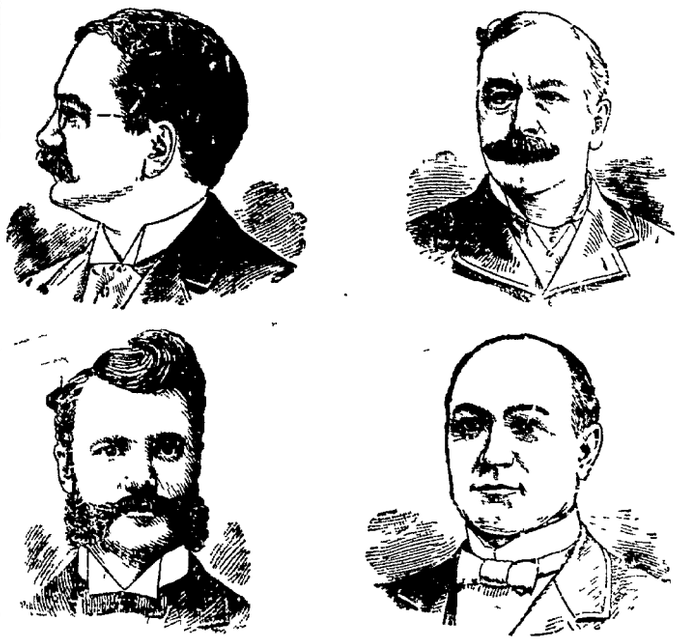

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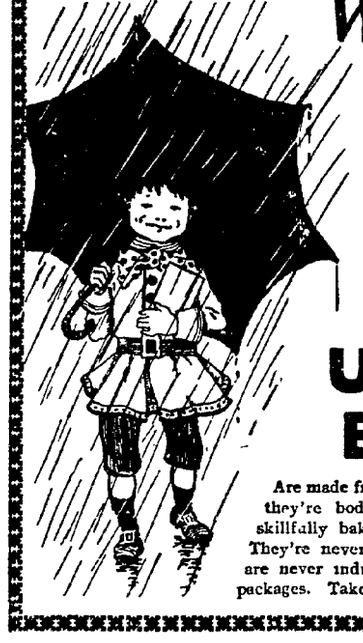

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