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Daniel Drawbaugh, a pioneer electrical inventor, whose activities especially in telephone lines are well known, in the late '60s, built a clock which is now runing at Carlisle, Pa., in the office of his son, Charles H. Drawbaugh. The clock has continued to operate since 1870, except when being moved from place to place, and operates without winding. The pendulum, weighing 45 pounds, is operated by an ordinary electro magnet and a permanent magnet armature, the current in the electro magnet being reversed as it passes the armature. The battery consists of a plate of copper and another plate of iron which are buried in the earth. These plates give a small electro motive force, and enough current to keep the pendulum swinging.

Concerning certain features of Eskimo life along the north coast of Alaska, the account written by Vilhjalmar Stefansson says: "In the spring and summer ducks and geese, especially the former, are an important item of diet. They are pursued in kayaks when molting and killed with clubs, and large numbers of them are also secured by bolas throwing, for the migration route of the ducks along the coast is so definitely known that a man can stand in one place all day and rely on it that three out of every four flocks will fly within throwing distance. So thickly do the birds come that nowadays a competent man with a shotgun has been known to secure as many as 500 ducks in a day."

Young Dr. Jones had one troblesome patient, an old woman, who was practically on the free list, but who registered many protests. One day she called to scold him for not showing up when she called him the night before. "You can go to see your other patients at night," she complained, "so why can't you come when I send for you? Ain't my money as good as the money that them rich people pay you?" "I don't know, ma'am," answered the doctor, gently. "I have never seen any of yours."

Professor Hiram Bingham, head of the Yale Peruvian expedition, has returned to this country, having conducted extensive exploration work, chiefly at Manchu Picchu, the Inca city discovered on a previous exploration journey. The jungle was cleared away and more than 100 caves were discovered. Ruins of baths, houses and palaces were also laid bare, and practically the entire city uncovered.

Mrs. E. A. Ohort is "big sister" to friendless Japanese women and girls in New York. She has established a home for Japanese girls, known as the Dormitory, in One hundred and twenty-seventh street, and there takes care of scores of girls every year. Mrs. Ohori and her husband are missionaries of the Reformed Church of America. They also help supervise the Japanese Christian Women's association.

An interesting phenomenon, says a writer in American Forestry, is the escape of gas from cavities at the base of hardwood trees in the Ozarks, when the trees are cut down. "When the cavities are cut into, the gas escapes with a whistling sound, and if lighted it will burn with a faint yellow flame." Decomposition of the heart wood of the trees is supposed to cause the formation of the gas.

A professor of the Ontario Agricultural college says that the cheese industry of his province is decaying, because of the great demand for milk in the cities, which exhausts the farmers' supply and leaves them without material for cheese. Cheese lovers will hear this with some alarm. What's to prevent the greedy cities from consuming all the milk?—Springfield Republican.

The use of concrete has greatly simplified and, durability considered, correspondingly cheapened ice house construction, says an agricultural paper. A modern ice house of this kind can be built for $200. But, whether of concrete or boards, a good ice house is becoming an indispensable luxury on most farms.

The fireless cooker, so much used in the United States and in some continental countries, is for all practical purposes unknown in Liverpool district. Several efforts have been made to introduce this article and to familiarize its advantages, but thus far without success.

Colonel Goethal's private car, which he uses in his work of directing construction on the Panama canal, is an odd affair, having a powerful gas engine with hood like an automobile and a cow catcher like a locomotive.

Medical authorities have traced the turkey trot to a revival of the mediaeval dancing manias; but, as Doc Davison aptly remarks, "it's better to be crazy than stupid."—Washington Post.

According to two English investigators, heating soil by steam before planting seed increases its food value, plants raised therein blossom earlier and produce more and better fruit.

A telephone company is co-operating with the weather bureau in reporting the weather conditions at 31 points in Arizona and furnishing forecasts to its subscribers.

A census taken in the Philadelphia public schools reveals the fact that out of 2,100 pupils in one of the schools nearly 20 per cent bear the name Cohen.

M. Bourseul, who was regarded by the French as the first to develop the idea of the telephone, died recently a poor man.

A "hotel" for canaries, built by a Berlin man, has elevators, electric lights, winter garden and fountain.

The Maharajah of Mysore, India, has installed a $30,000 organ, manufactured in Ohio, in his palace.

An English inventor has a collapsible lifeboat with a rubber skin which heals itself when punctured.

The output of lead, zinc, copper, silver and iron ore of Missouri in 1912 was worth $34,958,241.

Switzerland shares with Scotland the distinction of being the best educated country in the world.

Union carpenters in Texas will establish a home for disabled and superannuated members.

In Melbourne no Sunday papers are permitted, no hotels are allowed to open their bars.

The diamond output of German South Africa is being regulated to maintain prices.

Milwaukee is to have a $4,000,000 skyscraper on the old Plankington site.

BRIDE OF LESS THAN YEAR ALMOST KILLED BY INCENDIARY FIRE

Woman Had Been Drugged and Was Unconscious—Husband Is Held on Suspicion.

Kearney, Neb., Jan. 12.—Mrs. T. J. Cahill, a bride of less than a year, who came to Arnold with her husband from St. Mary's, Kan., late last May, is in a critical condition at her home as the result of an attempt to burn her alive in her home after she had been drugged with whisky and chloroform. T. J. Cahill has been placed under arrest by H. F. Requartte, deputy fire commissioner.

Cahill is held under suspicion of having fired his home for the insurance involved and a rigid investigation is being conducted to discover how far Cahill may be involved in the attempt at murder.

The Cahill home had been fired in seven places with kerosene, and neighbors discovered the fire and rescued the young wife just in time to prevent the flames reaching her.

She was unconscious, and empty whisky and chloroform bottles were found in the room, the odor of the drug being strong. It was several hours before Mrs. Cahill was revived and she has since been hysterical.

Cahill built the house at Arnold after coming here in May and it is worth about $2,500 and said to be insured for the full amount. Requatte is reticent concerning the direct evidence against Cahill, but declares he has enough to hold him until the investigation is ended.

The woman has been unable to tell the story of how she came to be drugged of how the house came to be set afire.

ALLEGED WIFE BEATER IS HORSEWHIPPED AT LINDSAY

Lindsay, Neb., Jan. 12.—Marshal John Mrstny arrested Jim Potmisil on a charge of wife beating. He was accused of having beaten his wife in insensibility the night before at his farm home about four miles northwest of here, leaving her for dead. After regaining consciousness she dragged herself to the home of a neighbor who gave her protection. After the marshal had him in jail a mob gathered, took the prisoner away from the officer and gave him a horsewhipping.

MAGUIRE QUICKLY WEARIES OF PATRONAGE DICUSSION

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 12.—Two things hastened the return of Congressman J. A. Maguire to Washington ahead of time. He wanted to escape applicants for political jobs and he desired to be on hand at roll call. He prides himself on the fact that he has never missed a roll call and on his constant attendance at the sessions of congress. He will be a candidate to succeed himself. He is now about to enter on the sixth year of his service. As he is a a batchelor he does not allow the high cost of living to eat any big holes into his $7,500 a year stipend. Congressman Maguire is one of the very modest livers and he is reputed to have saved a good part of his salary. During his stay of six days he could talk of little but the brilliant record of the democratic party. He did not like to discuss place hunters.

ESTATE CLAIMANTS WILL NUMBER AT LEAST 125

Hastings, Neb., Jan. 12.—Judge Button has fixed February 10 as the last date for filing of heirship claims in the estate of John O'Connor, for whose $100,000 estate fully 125 persons are expected to engage in legal contest. Soon after that date Judge Button will fix the time for the hearing on these claims.

Petition in proof of heirship was filed in county court yesterday by Brown, Baxter & Van Dusen, of Omaha for John and Rudolph Olson, of St. Peter's Indian cliff of New York. The Olsons are said to be sons, only heirs and next of kin of John O'Connor. It is asserted that O'Connor, under his real name of Brady, was adopted by a Scandinavian named Olson, that he took the name Olaf Olson and under that name married Martha Johnson, a halfbreed Indian, at the parish house of St. Peter, St. Peter's Indian reserve, on February 11, 1864. The wife and two children are dead. The Olsons are farmers.

CALLS TEACHER; SHOOTS HER, THEN KILLS SELF

Madison, Wis., Jan. 12.—John Spooner, a nephew of former United States Senator John C. Spooner, late Friday afternoon shot and killed Miss Emily McConnell, 35, a school teacher in Madison for 14 years, and then turned the gun on himself, inflicting a fatal wound in the head above the right ear. Spooner was a son of Roger Spooner, a brother of John C. No reason is known for the tragedy.

Spooner is 40 years old, married and has two children. He used a 38-caliber revolver, firing two shots at Miss McConnell, both taking effect in the head. The woman died instantly. Spooner was taken to a hospital, where he died last night. He called at the Irving school, went to the room where Miss McConnell was teaching, called her into the hallway and without engaging in conversation, shot her.

TO ELEVATE STANDARDS OF AMERICAN SURGEONS

New York, Jan. 12.—Each fellow of the new American College of Surgeons, 1,060 of whom were elected by the board of regents at a meeting here yesterday, must sign a pledge. This pledge follows:

"To avoid the sins of selfishness; to shun unwarranted publicity, dishonest money seeking and commercialism as disgraceful to our profession; to refuse utterly all secret money, trades with consultants and practitioners; to teach the patient his financial duty to the physician and to urge the practitioner to obtain his reward from his patient openly."

The objects of the college, it was said, were to raise the standards of surgery in this country so that only competent men shall be allowed to practice.

PRINCETON FOOTBALL SCHEDULE ANNOUNCED

Princeton, N. J., Jan. 10.—Only one change has been made in the Princeton football schedule for 1914, according to a statement today. The new game will be with Williams college.

The list of teams which the Tigers will meet has not been made public, but it was officially said that it would be practically the same as last year, with the Harvard and Yale games at the end of the schedule.

SUPERIOR BANK DOES NOT OPEN TODAY AND DEPOSITORS ANXIOUS

Heavy Investment in Local Corporation Brings Disapproval of Department.

Superior, Neb., Jan. 10.—The First National bank of Superior did not open for business this morning, the doors being closed at the order of the comptroller of the currency, according to an announcement of President C. E. Adams. The cause of the closing of the institution is not definitely known. A meeting of directors was hastily called this morning.

The bank was believed to be in excellent financial condition and according to the last statement had a capital stock of $60,000, with surplus and profits bringing this up to $72,000. Loans were reported as $300,000 and deposits of $315,000.

Doing business in the same rooms as the First National is the First State Savings bank of Superior, in which some of the men interested in the National bank are also stockholders. Although no statement has been made by the bank examiner here, it is believed that heavy investments in a big corporation recently organized here may have some connection with the closing.

CLAIMS INSURANCE POLICY SHOULD NOT HAVE LAPSED

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 10.—A claim of $7,000 is at stake in a suit submitted today in the supreme court, from Sheridan county, where Mrs. Lucy Rye is suing the New York Life Insurance company on a policy on her husband, now deceased. During his life time Rye borrowed $1,365 on his policy, and when he failed to keep his premiums paid up the policy was cancelled. The company claims that the reserve on the policy exactly equalled the debt, and that it owes no further liability. Mrs. Rye's attorney claim that if Rye had been credited with his share in the accumulated profits—the company being a mutual one—he would have had a balance due him that would have kept his policy alive beyond the date of his death. The policy was an endowment one, and while the company admits that there was a provision for automatically continuing insurance by applying the reserve to the payment of premiums, there could be no sharing in any accumulated profits until the end of the 20-year term.

WOULD MANDAMUS CLERK ON RECALL PETITION

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 10.—The backers of the petition to recall City Commissioner King have asked the district court to mandamus the city clerk to follow what they think is the law in ascertaining wehther the petition contains a legal number of signers. The clerk, under advice of the city attorney, threw out all names that he could not find on the registry books. The petitioners say that they filed papers bearing the signature of 2,490 voters, a sufficient number under the law, but that the clerk threw out 1,310 of them, some because he could not read the names written, and others whom he decided were not shown to be qualified voters. The petitioners say he should have consulted more records than the last books of registry.

NEBRASKA STATE BANKS ARE AGAINST INHIBITION

Lincoln, Neb., aJn. 10—State banks in Nebraska will not be permitted to take stock in regional banks, for the simple reason that the law governing them does not permit of such an investment. It says: "No corporation transacting a banking business shall * * * be the purchaser or holder of shares of any corporation, unless such purchase shall be necessary to prevent loss upon a debt previously acquired." It can hold these only six months. Michigan has a similar law. Secretary Royse of the state banking board says that in view of the prohibition of the law he shall not attend the meeting of superintendents of state banks called for January 18 at Chicago. Mr. Royse says special permission will have to be given by the state legislature for such an investment.

MUTUAL COMPANIES NOT SUBJECT TO REGULATION

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 10.—The state railway commission has denied the request of four farmers living near Archer for an order requiring the Archer Independent Telephone association to give them service. The commission says the law does not give it jurisdiction over the service or charges of purely mutual companies, although it will recommend to the legislature that not even a mutual company shall be allowed to occupy territory to the exclusion of other companies and then refuse service to persons seeking it. The company refused because its lines were overloaded, and that an investment of $300 would be necessary, upon which the return would be inadequate.

YEISER MAKES ERROR IN FILING HIS NOMINATION

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 10.—John O. Yeiser of Omaha, one of the most persistent advertisers in politics, has filed with the secretary of state as a candidate for the republican nomination for governor. Yeiser sent his check to the wrong state officer, however, notwithstanding he is a lawyer, and will have to start over again.

Yeiser started in political life as a greenbacker. Then he was a populist and next a democrat. In 1912 he was a bull mooser, and won some wide advertising by filing the name of Roosevelt as a candidate for president in Nebraska.

He is at present a member of the state board of pardons, an advisory body to the governor.

PROGRESSIVES PLAN FOR CONFERENCE ON FEBRUARY 11

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 10.—The progressives of Nebraska are planning for an all day conference and banquet at Lincoln on February 11. The outside speakers probably will include Senator Beveridge, James R. Garfield and William Allen White. F. P. Corrack, state progressive chairman, has established headquarters at the Lindell hotel and will give active attention to party affairs in the state, preliminary to the next primary election.

YOUNG MEN TO OPERATE PHONE BOARDS AT NIGHT

Pittsburgh, Pa., Jan. 9.—Seventy-five young men today entered the school of instruction of the Pittsburgh and Alleghany Telephone company and within a few days will begin work as telephone operators, manning the switchboards at 9 o'clock at night. They will displace girls who are prohibited under the new child labor law from working as operators after the hour named

JURORS SELECTED FOR THIRD FLEGE HEARING

Pender, Neb., Jan. 9.—A jury has been secured in the William Flege murder trial. All of the jurymen are farmers except L. J. Jennwyne, who claims to be a carpenter and printer. Nearly all members of the jury are from the eastern side of the county there. The complete panel consists of Winfred Deen, P. J. Flarety, J. C. Conway, G. W. Barnes, J. B. McCrystal, J. D. Cain, J. D. Mount, William Geesch, Thos. Wilkinson, Alfred Jenkins, L. J. Jennewyne, W. E. Rich.

WANTS DEED CANCELLED WHEN SON TAKES WIFE

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 9.—The delicate question of whether a deed to a farm, made as a gift by a father to his son, should be set aside on demand of the father after the son had gained a wife through the fact of his ownership of the property was presented to the supreme court today in the case of John Krause vs. Paul Krause, an appeal from Jefferson county. The former, fearing that a neighbor would carry out a threat to sue him for breach of contract to buy some land, deeded the property to the son. Later he made a contract with the boy by which the latter was to pay another son $1,600 and to pay the father $10 a month as long as he lived. Now the father sues to get the land back, declaring that it was only given in trust. His attorneys told the supreme court that to permit deals like this was against public policy in that it threw most of the burden of the father's support upon the community. The wife of the son testified that she would not have married Paul at the time if his father had not told her the farm belonged to the son, but the father's attorneys say this gives her no equitable claim unless she means she would not have married him at all if he had not owned the property.

DEMENTED EMPLOYE THINKS HE OWNS RAILROAD

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 9.—E. G. O'Malley was arrested at the Burlington station while trying to compel Superintendent Bignell to turn over to him papers showing that O'Malley is the owner of the railroad. Fourteen years ago O'Malley gave these documents to Bignedd, and has never been able to get them back. He says the road was given to him because the owners were dissatisfied with the way in which the various superintendents were running it. O'Malley was sent to the asylum. He had long been an employe of the road, in its machine shops, and when taken into custody had a large amount of money in his possession. His principal complaint was that Mr. Bingnell's conduct in withholding the proofs of ownership was costing him $500,000 a year.

COUPLAND ABOUT DUE FOR VERBAL DISTURBANCE

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 9.—Regent Coupland of the state university, is shortly to be the storm center of a war of words over the fact that he got the State Farmers' congress to secure the services of six leading educators to look over the university plant and report upon the advisability of removal and concentration at the farm or downtown. Coupland is regarded by his critics as pestiferously active in support of removal, and is credited with being the man who really raised that issue in the state. The board of regents agreed among themselves that they would not, as a board, take sides on the question, and Mr. Coupland says he is doing what he is for removal in his capacity as a private citizen and not as a regent of the university. His critics also attack the character of the farmers' congress, claiming it is not composed in the main of real farmers.

ELECTION COMMISSIONER UPHELD BY COURT DECREE

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 9.—Rev. John Williams, of Omaha, lost out in the supreme court in his suit against Election Commissioner Moorhead, who had refused to allow the clerical to register unless he presented his first naturalization papers or a certified copy of them. Williams was born in England. He won in the lower court, where it was held the election commissioner was not vested with such legal discretion. The supreme court says that he is, and that while he is not a court or a judge he exercises quasi-judicial power and has a reasonable legal discretion. The law was passed in order to put an end to the looseness and fraud in Omaha, where a large foreign-born population votes. He need not take the word or oath of a voter that he has been naturalized, and has a right to insist upon his producing the papers or a legal copy thereof before allowing him to register. The court said that decisions which held that an absolute denial of right to vote to all not registered is unconstitutional are not applicable, where the commissioner may continue his investigation up to the time for voting.

PATRON HAS VOICE IN FIXING COURSE OF STUDY

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 9.—The rights of a school patron to make a reasonable selection from the course of studies prescribed by the board is upheld by the supreme court in a case from Lincoln. Eunice Kelley, aged 12, was suspended from school because her father refused to allow her to take cooking lessons. Father Kelley went to court about it. The judges hold that the power of a school board is not unlimited, and that the authority given it by law must be exercised only with due regard for the natural and legal rights of the parents of children and with a desire to further the best interests of the child. The court orders the girl reinstated, with cooking lessons omitted.

RAG DANCES ALLOWED AT ANNUAL MILITARY BALL

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 9.—The ban on rag dances, which has been in effect at the University of Nebraska, was today lifted by Miss Mary Graham, dean of women. The annual military ball, to be held Friday, is the cause of the change in the edict. The tango, the castle walk, the one-step and other novelty dances will be permitted under the condition "that they are danced right." Heretofore, nothing but the waltz, two-step and five-step have been permitted.

PARENTS STILL SEARCHING FOR MISSING GIRL

Dubuque, Ia., an. 9.—Michael Wingert, the father; William Wingert, a brother, and Ernest Lynn, a brotherin-law, who departed yesterday for Chicago in the hope of preventing the marriage of 16-year-old Teresa Wingert, have returned to Dubuque, stating that no trace of the girl and John Schmidter, her fiance, could be found. The trip was made after a telegram announcing the issuance of a marriage license had been received. The girl disappeared mysteriously from her home here on Christmas day.

BRYAN HONORED IN HIS NATIVE CITY; RETURNING TO EAST

Secretary of State Receives Many Visitors During His Stay in Lincoln.

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 8.—After speaking in several cities in the middle west and conferring with Nebraska democrats, in addition to making a hasty examination of his property interests here Secretary of State Bryan left today for Chicago, where he is to speak Thursday. He is to reach Chicago Thursday morning.

Mr. Bryan is to deliver an address at Toledo Friday, and from there will go to Jackson, Mich., and Detroit, where he is to speak. He is planning to return to Washington by January 12.

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 8.--Secretary of State W. J. Bryan put in a busy day in Lincoln yesterday concluding a round of receptions, conferences with politicians, committee meetings and luncheons with a speech last night at the annual banquet of the Lincoln club, at which he was the guest of honor.

Arriving shortly before noon from Topeka, Kan., Mr. Bryan met with the Lincoln Y. M. C. A. directors, of which board he is a member. He shook hands with a committee of six Lincoln bankers and business men who wanted to know what he thought of the desire of this city to become a regional bank center, as well as a committee from Omaha, which has the same aspirations. Later a delegation of citizens took him to the postoffice to show him first hand that it needed enlarging.

At his newspaper office Mr. Bryan was in conference for a considerable time with political leaders of the state and office seekers, who discussed the question of patronage as far as the limited time allowed them would permit. Mr. Bryan disclaimed any authority to make promises in the way of patronage so far as his home state is concerned, but with the impression prevailing among the "home folks" that his word would go a long way in the dispensing of positions. His list of callers was continuous and his time expired before all could see him.

Accompanying Mr. Bryan to Lincoln from Topeka, was E. A. King, a St. Joseph, Mo., banker, and it was stated his name was being considered for recommendation to the president as a banker member of the federal reserve board.

COURT MUST DECIDE WHICH WAS ELECTED

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 8.—Whether Charles F. Furley or E. H. Carroll is entitled to the office of commissioner for the Second district in Cedar county was the question put up to the supreme court today. Furley was elected commissioner in 1909, but defeated for re-election in 1912. The principal ground upon which he challenges Carroll's right to succeed him is that the latter failed to comply with the essentials of the law requiring candidates to file statements of expense. This is the first time in Nebraska that the court has been called upon to interpret the corrupt practices act, although it has been on the books for a dozen years.

Carroll filed a statement saying that he had spent certain small sums for automobile hire, printed cards and hotel bills. Furley insists that he failed to comply with the provisions of the law giving an itemized statement of when and to whom he made the payments; whether he promised to pay anything more than he has paid; whether any of his friends contributed to his campaign and altogether failed to set out in clear and plain language what the statute says he should have done. Carroll says that what he filed was a substantial compliance with the law.

BOARD WOULD HAVE MORE RELATIVES HOLDING OFFICE

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 8.—In the annual report of the state board of control, made to the governor, the fact is shown that it costs $50,000 for supplies for the various institutions in its charge. For the five months it has cost $711,000 for the 14 state institutions, and there remains $2,075,000 for the remaining 19 months. The state penitentiary, for which $126,000 was spent, leads the list in cost. A half million dollars was appropriated by the last legislature for the erection of new buildings. These will be constructed this year.

The board has disturbed but few of the governor's appointees at these state institutions, and in its report is inclined to find fault with the new law, which makes it impossible for more than one relative of the head of an institution to be employed. The principle of the law is improved, but it is stated that its enforcement has deprived the state of the services of very competent employes, without any resultant gain.

SUE TO RECOVER WILL OF MARTHA WASHINGTON

Fairfax, Va., Jan. 8.—State Senator R. E. Thornton announced today that acting at the request of officers of the Daughters of the American Revolution, he would ask the Virginia legislature to authorize the attorney general of the state to sue to recover the will of Martha Washington, now in the private collection of J. P. Morgan, of New York. The will disappeared from the Fairfax court house, near the Bull Run battlefield, during the civil war.

Mrs. John S. Barbour, of Falls Church, Va., a regent of the D. A. R., has placed in Senator Thornton's hands a copy of a letter she received from Belle Da Costa Green, librarian for the late J. Pierpont Morgan, declining to return the will to the archives of the court house.

Citizens, of Virginia, who have been searching for the will nearly 50 years, accidentally learned that it was in Mr. Morgan's collection, last year.

EDDIE MOY KNOCKED OUT.

Philadelphia, Jan. 7.—Johnny Kilbane, of Cleveland, featherweight champion, knocked out Eddie Moy, of Allentown, in the fifth round of a scheduled six-round boxing contest. Both boys weighed 126 pounds.

TREASURY STATEMENT.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 7.—The general stock of money in the United States on January 2, 1914, amounted to $3,775,464,096, which is about $8,000,000 more than the stock of the same article on December 7, 1913, according to the treasury's monthly statement, given out today. Of this amount nearly $2,000,000,000 was in gold coin, including bullion in the treasury, about $757,000,000 was in national bank notes and about $565,0000,000 in silver dollars. The treasury estimates the population of the continental United States at 98,181,000, and says the circulation per capita was $35.11

NEBRASKA GOSSIPS PREDICT GOVERNOR WILL NOT RETIRE

Wise Ones Say Morehead May Reconsider or Come Out for Congress.

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 7—Representative George W. Potts, one of the democratic floor leaders in the last legislative session, wants to be governor, and called on Governor Morehead yesterday to find out if the democratic way was open. He did not find out, and after the interview he told the reporters that he did not know whether he would run or not.

The gossips at the statehouse say that so much pressure has been brought to bear upon the governor in the last few weeks, that he is wavering in his previously expressed intention not to be a candidate for re-election. The same gossips have been sure right along that the governor would try to defeat Congressman Maguire in the primaries for congress. His intimate friends say that they don't believe the governor will try for a second term. When he made the announcement some time ago he said that one term would give him all the honor he sought, and the cost of maintaining an official residence made too great a hole in the pile of a man of modest fortune

CHAMPION AGAIN ASKS ABOUT CONVICT WORSHIP

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 7.—Charles Wooster, who pulled the constitution and the decisions of the supreme court upon the state board of control in a recent hearing wherein he asked for the revocation of the rule requiring convicts to attend chapel, was again a supplicant before the board. This time he wanted to know what the board was going to do with his request. He failed to find out. Around the statehouse it is understood that the board believes the rule to be a proper one, and will not change it. Mr. Wooster is a former editor and legislator who has constituted himself a champion of human and religious liberty, a convict, George St. Clair, having refused to obey the rule to attend chapel, and as a punishment spent the time others were at devotional exercises in the dark hole.

SUDDENLY STRICKEN DOWN, WRITES WILL ON HIS CUFF

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 7.—O. J. King, city commissioner, in charge of the police, is in a serious condition as a result of a paralytic stroke. He was struck down at his home just after other members of the family had gone on a visit, and he lay upon the floor, conscious most of the time, for nearly 13 hours. During that time he pulled a small book from his pocket and wrote upon it instructions to his heirs. When this fell from his hands beyond his reach, he used his cuff to complete his will. Mr. King is the commissioner against whom a recall petition has been circulated. The city officials have refused to accept the petition because half of the names thereon cannot be found in the registry of voters and a large portion are not in the city directory.

MINISTER ISSUES A WARNING AGAINST PROFESSIONALISM

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 7.—Rev. H. Chapman, of the First Baptist church, warned the ministerial association members in a speech before them that they were in danger of falling into professionalism and becoming mechanical in both their praying and their sermonizing. He approved of the movement to discard the ministerial garb, but he thought that the trend toward the secularization of the ministry was destroying its spiritual ideals and vision. He said that the test of a man's Christianity was not the number of hours he spent in the act or attitude of prayer, but how thoroughly and deeply he had cultivated a consciousness of realization of his power to spiritualize common life.

WOMEN PREFER DEATH BEFORE SHAME, SAYS BISHOP TIHEN

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 7.—"A woman may be driven to death, but never to dishonor," declared Bishop Tihen, Catholic, before the Social Service club, condemning the report of the white slave investigation committee, which said that women were driven to immoral pursuits by wage conditions. The bishop said that the way to secure better wages for women was for other women to refuse to patronize a store that did not pay living wages. He said that the patron of a store employing labor at less was a sharer in the crime of the man at the head of the firm.

WOMEN OF LYONS WILL TAKE UP SUFFRAGE WORK

Lyons, Neb., Jan. 7.—Mrs. Magdalen Munson, a prominent club woman of Kansas, and a state organizer for the Woman's Suffrage association of Nebraska, organized a woman's suffrage association here last night. Rev. Charles Wayne Ray was chairman of the meeting. Many men were present. Mrs. S. S. Brown was chosen leader and Mrs. D. M. Dennison, receiver.

JUDGE GRAVES NAMES NEW TERMS OF COURT

Pender, Neb., Jan. 7.—Judge Guy T. Graves, of this district, has handed out the following schedule for terms of court: Cedar, February 2; September 14. Cuming, March 9; November 9; Dakota, February 16; September 21. Stanton, March 2; October 5. Dixon, March 23; December 7. Thurston, April 6; October 12.

GIRL THROWN BY HORSE SUFFERS A BROKEN LEG

Pender, Neb., Jan. 7.—Miss Ruth Haniker, daughter of Mrs. Florence Hanika, living three miles east of here, was thrown from a horse and sustained a broken leg.

NOBODY WANTS CONTRACT.

Chicago, Jan. 6.—Apparently nobody wants to build Chicago's $131,000,000 subway. Yesterday was the day for opening bids, but none were received.

SIR LIONEL CARDEN WILL GO TO BRAZIL

London, Jan. 5.—Sir Lionel Carden, British minister to Mexico, is shortly to be transferred to Rio De Janerio as minister to Brazil. He was appointed to Mexico July 19, 1913 to succeed Francis William Stronge.

The successor to Lionel Carden at Mexico City will probably be Chas. Murray Marling senior councilor in the British diplomatic service now accredited to Turkey.