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The correspondence on this roll pertains to the activities Furnas performed as Secretary of the State Board of Agriculture as he manages the Nebraska State Fairs of 1892-1897. Silas A. Holcomb, John M. Thurston, J. Sterling Morton, and other prominent Nebraskans write to Furnas about such political developments as the election of 1896, a discussion of free silver, and comments on Populism. Additional correspondence regards Furnas's appointment as Director General of the Trans-Mississippi and International Exposition of 1898, as Statistical Agent for the United States Department of Agriculture, and as Nebraska's commissioner to the Mexican Exposition of 1898.