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## **Nebraska Direct Legislation League**

The Nebraska Direct Legislation League is one league that is pulling together harmoniously. Whatever other leagues may succeed in doing or not doing, it is a safe guess that this league will succeed within the next few years in securing the enactment of a direct legislation law in this state.

The league is nonpartisan. While advocating democratic principles, the president of the league and many of its leading members are republicans. The nonpartisan feature of direct legislation is one of the best things

The Nebraska D. L. L. recently issued, through its president the following statement of its campaign plans for the immediate future:

"The Direct Legislation League will work from now on to two ends. It will try to secure favorable pledges in all the party platforms, and also from all the legislative candidates. The public interest is shown to be such that we cannot see how any party convention can justly refuse a chance to vote on the question, no matter what the individual views of party leaders may be on the merits of the question. But ORIE COPPERNOLL the work will not stop with the party platforms. For the information of voters at the primaries the league will question candidates for the legidlature. With the voters informed in advance of the position of candidates on this question there should be no difficulty, in most districts, to secure the nomination on all tickets of initiative and referendum man."

JOHN H. MOCKETT, JR., Pres-The Fremont Tribune says Whether or not the democrats declare for the initiative and referendum republicans should do so." The Omaha World-Herald says: "This newspaper would rejoice to see the initiative and referendum made a part of the platforms of both the great parties in Nebraska this year." These opinions are in line with the views expressed by many of the papers of all parties in

### **Good Backing**

The Nebraska Direct Legislation League has good backing, leading men of all political parties being affiliated with it. Following are the names of a tew of the members of the league in different parts of the state:

C. S. Allen. Lincoln, President Regents, State University, C. W. Barnes, McCook, Publisher Re-

publican. A. L. Candy, Lincoln, Prof. Mathematics, State University.
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Lincoln Frost, Lincoln, Judge District Court. Ross Hammond, Editor Fremont Tribune

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S. H. Thompson, Hastings, Superinendent Schools W. J. Taylor, Merna, Representative inth District.

Among newspapers of state-wide circulation already supporting the objects of the Nebraska D. L. L. are the World-Herald and News of Omaha, and the Journal, News, Star, and Nebraska Farmer of Lincoln. The local newspapers of the state are almost solidly in favor of direct legislation, the only exceptions, so far as we know, being a very few papers whose editors are either holding federal offices, or are applicants for such appointment, and seem to think that a standard attitude necessary to secure the empirement of the powers that be.

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