

Custer Co. Republican Senator Currie Generally Endorsed.

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The Demand of the "Republican" for a Western and an Eastern Man Commented upon Favorably.

The legislature convened Tuesday.

For fear the Cudahy kidnapers will not know just what the Omaha police and detectives are doing to capture them, they daily publish their exploits.

The stand Mayor Moore, of Omaha, has taken in offering a reward of \$25,000 for the arrest and conviction of the kidnapers, is highly commendable.

Secretary Meiklejohn and Congressman Mercer have left Washington, and established headquarters at Lincoln for the time being, to watch the developments in the senatorial contest. Both have aspirations in that direction.

It is a matter of consolation to the public to know that it is but one more week until the new county board will meet. Then the delinquent tax committee that has been holding down a soft snap for weeks, will be retired to private life, and the collection of taxes will be turned over to the county treasurer, where it belongs.

The legislature convened Tuesday noon, both houses were organized without a hitch. Mr. Sears, a member from Burt county, was elected speaker of the house, and John Wall, of Arcadia, clerk. In the senate Mr. Steele, of Jefferson, elected president of the senate. The contested members were allowed their seats without question.

The Sargent Era complains that Sheriff Armstrong is not living up to the promises he made him before his election. The Era says, Eli said he would slay his patronage equally between the newspapers that supported him before election, but now he does not give the Era any Sheriff notices, while the columns of the Chief and Beacon are full of them.

E. A. Cudahy has received two letters in the past week, purporting to be from the abductors of his son, which make serious threats against the Cudahy children, unless he withdraws the offer of \$25,000 reward for the arrest and conviction of the criminals. The first letter threatened to kidnap one of his girls, and the last one threatens to shoot the boy unless the reward is withdrawn. Mr. Cudahy declines to accede to their demands.

The senatorial question is still in an unsettled state, and there are no indications of its being otherwise for some time yet to come. The united opposition of railroad employes of the U. P. railroad against D. E. Thompson's candidacy, complicates matters more than ever. It is resulting in a fight between the B. & M. and U. P. roads that may defeat both Thompson and Meiklejohn, as the latter is regarded as the choice of the U. P. Should the fight be continued between the employes of the two roads, it will doubtless prevent Thompson and Meiklejohn from combining their strength, which will have a tendency to help Custer county's candidate.

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The twentieth century is now here, and no one questions it. The New Year was ushered in, in Broken Bow by the blowing of the whistle at the big mill, the only demonstration of the retiring of the old and the coming in of the new. Owing to the strict quarantine in the city, but few watch parties were held. A few of the young folks spent a pleasant time at the home of G. H. Thorpe, to appropriately celebrate the occasion. Ye scribe witnessed the event at his desk in his home writing, the same as if nothing unusual was transpiring. It was an event which but few of those now living will witness again—the beginning of another century.

Senator Currie has entered into the senatorial contest in earnest, and will put forth every possible legitimate effort to secure recognition for the western part of the state, along the lines suggested by the REPUBLICAN two weeks ago. A number of the newspapers of the Sixth congressional district have joined the REPUBLICAN in demanding recognition for the west in the election of the two United States senators. Among the number is the Valley County Times, which devoted two-thirds of a page in advocacy of the election of Senator Currie to the United States senate, along with other comments on the subject, copied the article from the REPUBLICAN in full. We are reliably informed that the republican members of the legislature from the Sixth district, and several of the Fifth district, favor the abolishing of the North and South Platte hobby, and will unite in an effort to secure one of the United States senators to be elected from western Nebraska. There are a number of the members of the legislature from the eastern part of the state who recognize the justness of the claim of the western part of the state for recognition, and will lend their support to the accomplishment of the end. What others have to say:

Why not let the live stock interests of the state be represented for one term at least in the upper house of our national law makers? Hon. F. M. Currie is the man to make the representation.—Brewster News.

Senator Currie, of Custer county, will have a good many votes for United States senator, especially from the western part of the state, and if the caucus should have a long drawn out session he would be in a position for standing a fair chance.—Gering Courier.

We heartily endorse all Bro. Barks has said in the above clipping, as Senator Currie is truly a man of the people; and the work he did in the last legislature proves him to be one who has ability to fill the office of U. S. Senator from Nebraska, one who could and would find a place in the front ranks of the law-making body.—North Loup Loyalist.

Hon. F. M. Currie is a scholar among scholars, a broad man among broad men. He is the only man who could have broken the fusion grasp on his senatorial district. Let us have him for U. S. Senator and thus secure Nebraska in the republican ranks. We urge his election, not because of local pride, but for the good of the state and country.

The more our people study Mr. Currie as a man, and our political situation, the more they will recognize the wisdom of making him their choice for U. S. Senator.—Sargent Leader.

F. M. Currie is as able a man as is to be found within the borders of the state of Nebraska, admirably fitted to prove a shining light in the chief legislative body of the nation. Should he be chosen as one of the state's representatives,

It is reported that the Chinese government has accepted the joint note of the powers.

While the populist papers of the county are boasting of the county getting out of debt under their ten years of administration, they fail to note that the county had credits enough left by the republicans when they went into power, to have paid its indebtedness. With that to their credit, it has taken the pop officials ten years to put the county on a cash basis. An ordinary school boy, with the means at his disposal that the pops have had, might have accomplished as much in half the time.

he will, from point of scholarship and education, lose nothing in comparison with any man who has ever occupied that place from our state, if, indeed, there ever has been one who had the advantage of an early education equal to his. As to his native ability, honor, party loyalty and general fitness, his public and private record best speaks.—Valley County Times.

ENTITLED TO SOMETHING HANDSOME
Let every newspaper of northwestern Nebraska come to the front and a demand be made for the recognition of this portion of Nebraska, in the way of national representation. No better man, in any respect, can be found for the place than our candidate, and he would give to the state a representation that each man might feel proud of. His record from a point of honesty and ability, would be an envious one. Let the people of the whole state know that this section wants F. M. Currie for U. S. Senator, and that the stalwart republicans who have stood in this storm-centre while the wave of populism swept past, are entitled to something handsome.—Arcadia Champion.

The sentiment favorable to the election of F. M. Currie as one of the U. S. Senators to be chosen next month, appears to be growing stronger as the time for the opening of the legislature approaches. All over the state Mr. Currie is recognized as a possibility in the coming senatorial race, and it is generally conceded that in case of a look-up among the so-called prominent candidates, he has a show of success. The eastern portion of the state does not appear to concede, however, that the western portion is entitled to one of the senators, and no delegation from Missouri river territory will accept a western man except as a compromise. The western delegates ought to stand together as one man for Mr. Currie, who can be elected if they insist upon it.—Callaway Courier.

THE MAN WE NEED.
There has never been a time in our country's history when scholarly statesmanship was more needed than at present. Political cunning and intrigue can have no place in upholding the honor of the republican party in the solution of its present problems. Men who have been trained outside of all party combinations to look fairly and intelligently upon public questions are the ones who can render the safest service to the country.

Nebraska has such men, and among them can be found no one who combines all the present requirements of statesmanship in a greater degree than Hon. F. M. Currie. He is a thorough republican, a tireless worker and a man whose ability is exhibited in stronger proportions as duties devolve upon him.

If the republican party of this state wants a man who can reflect the greatest honor upon our people and give Nebraska a proud record in congress, let the legislature elect Hon. F. M. Currie for United States Senator.—Sargent Leader.

The Nebraska Press Association will hold its annual meeting at Omaha January 22d and 23d.

The city council of Omaha has offered \$25,000 for the arrest and conviction of the kidnapers of Edward Cudahy Jr.

Three dollars a day is not to be picked up every day, and the old members of the board, with their clerks, whose time expired the first of the year, should not be censured too strongly for holding onto their job until ousted by the new board. It may be the last soft snap they will get for some time, and they propose to make the most of it.

The Past Century.
In looking backward upon the century just closed, we view with amazement and gratification the most wonderful achievements in any like period in the history of man.

The slow plodding methods used at the beginning of the century just closed, seem incredible when compared with the modern appliances of today.

The spinning wheel and hand loom used by our grandparents to furnish clothing for the family, has been supplanted with powerful machinery, that enables one mill to manufacture more cloth in a day than was possible by one person under primitive methods in a life time. The shingle, when made at all, was blocked out with a hand frow and afterwards dressed to proper proportions with a draw knife, with the manufacturer sitting astride a wooden horse. A few hundred shingles was the result of a hard day's work, where now, by the use of the machinery invented by American genius, one man can make thousands in an hour as easily as he could have made dozens in a day at the beginning of the century. The improvement in the manufacture of lumber has been equally as great.

The march of progress has been even as remarkable in methods employed in the home and on the farm. The farmer then plowed his ground with an ox and a wooden mould board plow, and dragged in his grain, after sowing it broadcast by hand, with a small tree cut from the forest. The muzzled ox plowed his corn, and with the hoe the weeds were kept down. The wheat was harvested with a hand sickle and threshed with a wooden flail, and carried to mill on horseback. The corn was gathered and cribbed by the use of a basket. A wagon was unknown, and a sled was the popular carriage on which wood was hauled to keep up the winter fire, and on which were marketed the pork or other products which the industrious farmer might chance to have for sale.

The cooking was done exclusively on the hearth of the fire place, both winter and summer, and exceedingly fortunate was the housekeeper who was provided with a crane attached to the fire grates, on which to hang her pots for cooking purposes.

The needle has been supplanted with the sewing machine, and the knitting needles have become a thing of a past. The stage coach of half a century ago has been supplanted by the steam engine and railroad, that by its system of transportation skips across the country at the speed of a mile a minute, and carries tons of merchandise from ocean to ocean at a similar rate.

The traffic on the ocean has been no less wonderful in progress. Electricity, which had not been brought under the control of man, is now one of the most useful agencies at his command. By its messages can be conveyed around the globe in a few seconds of time. Machinery is propelled by its magnetic touch, and human life may be invigorated or extinguished by its volts.

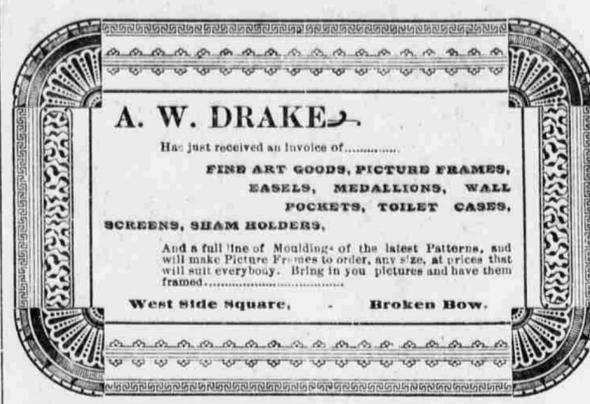
The great strides that have been made in all kinds of machinery, manufacturing, printing, music, art and science mark the closing century as the period of the most wonderful and grand achievements since Adam and Eve were placed in the garden of Eden. Think of the Webb perfecting press, the type-setting machine, the electric car, the telegraph, the woolen factories, the wheat and corn harvesters, the threshing machine, the gang plow and riding cultivator, the telephone, and a thousand other works of genius, and you get a faint idea of the world's progress during the nineteenth century.

When we look back on the great progress of the past century, and its wonderful achievements, we feel that the limit has been reached, and inventive genius cannot exceed in the present century the record of the past. While with man it may seem impossible, in the language of Christ, with God nothing is impossible. We are his creatures, and as long as it is his good pleasure to allow his children to remain on the

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earth, he will provide minds with works of usefulness, nor will he confine them to the stale rehearsal of the past. The recent discovery of the penetrative power of the X ray but meagerly indicates what is yet in the realm of science undiscovered, that would be useful to man. And who knows but that in the course of another hundred years, methods for transportation through the air may supplant the steam railway and electric cars of today, and the telegraph may be succeeded by wireless telegraphy, and by telepathy friends on opposite sides of the globe may hold conversation with each other. Such achievements would not be in greater contrast with the methods employed at the present time than are present conditions advanced over those in vogue at the beginning of the last century.

There will be some hard fights in congress on the question of the reapportionment of representation in the House and the electoral college. The plan reported to the House by the census committee had only one majority in the committee, and it is antagonized by several other methods, any one of which may be substituted for it before the measure passes the House. The Senate, too, has several schemes of its own which will be ready for exploitation as soon as the House bill reaches that chamber. This is a question of high importance to the whole country. There is a chance, indeed, that the measure may fail of passage in this congress, according to some of the Washington gossip. The House chosen in 1902 will have to be elected on some sort of an apportionment based on the census of 1900. If none is made by March 4, next congress may be called in special session to provide one.—Globe Democrat.

The coming legislature will have many problems to deal with, but nothing needs "fixing" worse than the revenue laws of Nebraska. It will be a sweet day when a farmer or stockman of western Nebraska knows he is paying taxes on his possessions at the same rates paid by the property owners of the east half of the state. There is only one way to do it—make the law so rigid that it will be as unsafe to assess at less than actual selling value as to commit any other crime.—Gering Courier.

Its amusing to hear some of the belated fusionists who have been traveling at a tortoise gait to get back into the populist party since election clamoring for a "confederence(?)" with the mid-roads. How many are there of you, hey? Oh! Quite a crowd of us. Let me see. There is Charley Beal and Emerson Purcell are one; Lish Taylor and Eli are two, and Steady is three. By the holy smoke I thought there were five of us.—The Populist.

Ignatious Donnelly, the late candidate for vice president on the populist ticket, died Tuesday morning. Heart failure was the cause. He was at his father-in-law's, in Minneapolis at the time he was stricken. He never gained consciousness from a few minutes after he was taken ill.

The Boers seem to be getting the best of the English again. They have won two victories in the past ten days, to the great surprise and chagrin of our English neighbors across the waters.

California Travel Increasing.
The increasing popularity of tourist sleeping cars for transcontinental travel is a subject of much comment among railroad men. It is said that 85 per cent of the passengers to and from California travel in tourist sleeping-cars. These cars are comfortable and not nearly so expensive as palace sleeping-cars. The Burlington railroad is doing a great deal to encourage tourist-car travel, having increased its California tourist-car service this season from once-a-week to three times a week.

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