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OF IMPORTANCE TO THE PEOPLE.

Among those things which
grow in favor with the people is
a direct primary scheme. To
those who are unfamiliar with
the idea we would say that a
direct primary will eliminate a
political convention.

The men who desire to be
nominated for office must file
their intention with the officer

in the manner provided by
law. A regular primary election
is then held at which the names
of all candidates are placed on
the ballot. The voters then
choose the candidates they wish
to see elected. This is the
simplest and most direct method
of electing officers. It is the
largest and most important
reform of our time.

This idea started in the east
and has gained favor so rapidly
that practically every state in

the middle west has adopted it.
Governor La Follette, of Wiscon-
sin, one of the remarkable men
of his time, has succeeded in sec-
uring such a law for his state.
Governor Deane of Illinois has
recommended the enactment of
such a law to the legislature.

Indiana, Michigan and Ohio have
direct primary laws. Kansas will
enact one this winter and it is
about time for Nebraska to do
the same.

Representative Dodge of Dou-
glas county has introduced a pri-
mary bill in the present legisla-
ture.

This bill should be beaten. We
do not criticize the author of the
bill, nor do we desire to be under-
stood as insinuating that there is
a sinister influence behind his
measure. We do say, however,
that the bill is vicious and should
be defeated.

Mr. Dodge has provided in his
act for a direct primary on every
office in the state, county and
city, but does not provide that
the people should have the oppor-
tunity of voting on a recommen-
dation for United States Senator.
The legislature would doubtless
follow the recommendation of the
people in the election of this officer
as they will follow this year
the recommendation of the last
state convention by electing Hon.
E. J. Burkett to this office. The
people could better forego the op-
portunity of voting for the nomi-
nation of all the other offices,
than they could forego the privi-

leg of suggesting their prefer-
ences for United States Senator.

This is a nation of 80,000,000
people. Its governmental policy
is absolutely in the hands of 46
men, a majority of the United
States Senate. Good legislation
can be destroyed, vicious legisla-
tion can be created, for the weak-
ness of these many millions by
these 46 men. It is a great mis-
fortune, understanding fully the
great power of a United States
Senator, would rather have
friendly relations with such offi-
cer, than the active labor and co-
operation of all the state officers
combined. Hence, the expensive
and Godless lobby, these corpora-
tions maintain about the legis-
lators.

We know of a lawyer who hand-
led a claim for damages against a
railroad for lumber shipments.
He was compelled to go to a city
and see the General Manager of
the company and was by him re-
ferred to the chief clerk. Several
days were wasted while the
lawyer was disposing of minor
matters. The chief clerk finally
made a check of 4000.00 and
packing houses. Inform him was
received.

ED. What is the result? These
packing houses are by law com-
pelled to pay the same rate per
car of stock. But the packing
house gets a rebate by having a
damage claim allowed on every
shipment.

President Roosevelt has indi-
cated in unmistakable terms that
he wants congress to enlarge the
powers of the interstate commerce
commission. As the law now is
this commission can recommend
a change in interstate freight
rates, but is powerless to enforce
the recommendation. The presi-
dent desires to give the commis-
sion not only the power to dis-
cover a wrong but the authority
to enforce the remedy. If the
railroad can afford to rebate the
freight charges of a packing com-
pany it can afford to reduce the
farmers' car of cattle an equal
sum. President Roosevelt wants
an interstate commerce commis-
sion with sufficient power to do
this.

To six or seven such legisla-
tion he must rely on congress.
There is no officer who can be
of such great service to the
people as a United States Sena-
tor. A direct primary law elimi-
nates political conventions. Cor-
porations cannot control conven-
tions by means of passes and
similar inducements if no conven-
tions are held.

Realizing the futility of pre-
venting a direct primary law,
these corporations will seek safe-
hedge from the wreck by favoring
such a law as all officers save the
senator. The recommendation of
a man for this great office will
never be given by a majority of
the people until he has stoddard
the intelligible and declared him-
self on all current questions. He
will not be the product of politi-
cal machination. He will be
chosen by the people and not by
a few special interests.

The direct primary bill intro-
duced by Representative Dodge
should be defeated. Representa-
tive Adam McMullen of Gar-
field county has a bill that may be
introduced before this in print, that
provides for a direct primary on
all officers under the stringent
restrictions of the Wisconsin law.
It should become a law. The
representatives from Richardson
County and Senator Tucker
should support it. The people
come for Nebraska to get in
it. It is said that such a law
will produce a political revolution.

Make way for the revolution.
The Park City Journal with
salt in its hand is a true friend
to the people. It is never
enough to get the beef out of
stuff is off with the beef.

One thing sure said an old sin-
ner the other morning there
won't be any frozen water pipes
in hell. The weather has been hard
on the revivals. Pretty difficult to
stir up much anti-hy to fire
and brimstone with the mercury
two feet below zero.

Do I ever get too cold for
the boys to "hop" sleds and hunt
rabbits?
A. Peterson in Her Own House
Mrs. W. H. Layton of
Agnes Ave., Kansas City, Mo.
has for several years been trou-
bled with severe hoarseness and
at times a hard cough which she
says, "Would keep me in doses
for days. I was prescribed for by
physicians with no noticeable re-
sults. A friend gave me a bottle
of Chamberlain's Cough
Remedy with instructions to
follow the directions and I
wish to state that after the first
day I could notice a decided
change for the better, and at this
time after using it for two weeks,
I have no hesitation in saying
I realize that I am entirely cured.
This remedy is for sale by A. G.
Wanner.

The New Board!
The new board of supervisors
transacted a great deal of work
last week. Messrs Atwood, Zech-
er and Stadden take hold like
stagers. The affairs of the people
are in the hands of capable and
able men who will exercise the
utmost diligence in the prosecu-
tion of the duties of their office.

What Others Say

Burlington Route

TIME TABLE

Falls City, Neb.

Denver
Helena
Butte
Salt Lake City
Portland
San Francisco

points east and all points south.

Special Express
No. 42. Portland, Salt Lake City, Kansas City, St. Louis and all points east and south. 7:20 p.m.

Vestibule Express
No. 13. Denver and all points west and north. Daily, St. Joe, Kan. 10:00 a.m.

Vestibule Express
No. 10. St. Joe, Kan. and all points west and south. Daily, St. Joe, Kan. 4:25 p.m.

Local Accommodation
No. 115. Local accommodation between Sunday, Salina, Nebr. and Nebr. 10:07 a.m.

Missouri Pacific Railway
Time Table, Falls City, Neb.

51. Omaha and Lawrence
Express
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