

Who Will Make Nebraska's Laws.

legislature will convene at Lincoln at noon Tuesday, January 5. For the first time in the history of the people's independent organization that party is to be in control of both branches of the legislature and the executive department at the same time Eix year ago the independents controlled the legislature, with a democratic governor in the executive chair. Four years ago the populists had a bare majority in the house and partial control of the senate. Two years ago both senate and house were con trollet by the republicans, while a populist occupied the governor's office. At the coming session, however, the fusionists will be in complete control of two of the co-ordinate branches of the state government. As a result of fusion the two branches

of the legislature will be made up of members who are officially classified by the returns tabulated at the office of the secretary of state as follows: Senate-Fusionists, 17; republicans, 8; populists, 7; democrats, 1. House-Fusionists, 40; republicans 32: populists, 23: democrats, 5. The agricultural intrests of the state have

the preponderance of influence in both J. W. Johnson, branches. According to their occupations the new lawmakers are classified as follows: The senate will be made up of thirteen farmers, six lawyers, four physicians, three merchants, two editors, one druggist, one coal dealer, one school teacher one real estate agent and one banker. The house will be composed of seventy-five farmers, cleven merchants, five lawyers, two editors, one teacher, one clergyman, one blacksmith, one nurseryman, one creamery manager, one druggist and one tombstone maker. The proportion of members with previous legislative experience is small. As a body of representative men from all walks of life the new lawmakers would seem by a perusal of their biographies to compare fa-

vorably with their predecessors.

The Bee presents in the following columns a brief biographical sketch of each member of the senate and house. The sketches will be perused with interest, for the reason that the coming session is confidently expected to do much for the future welfare and prosperity of Nebraska,

SENATE. C. W. Real of Custer.

C. W. Beal of Broken Bow will be Cus ter county's senator at the coming session He is not without legislative experience, having served as a member of the house in the erasion four years ago. He was born on a farm in Adrian county, Missouri, on April 25, 1850. He received a common

school education and remained on the farm until he was 21 years old. At that age he entered college at Hillsdale, Mich., remaining in that institution until he graduated with honors four years later. After receiving his diploma he came to Nebraska, locating at Broken Bow. For three years he taught in the public schools and then assumed official charge of the Custer County Beacon, published at Broken Bow and recognized as one of the leading and most influential populist newspapers in the braska in 1888 Politically and their when he moved to Davenport, Ia. to accept a position in a lumber yard. The same year he located on a farm near Council Binfs, Ia. his brother, E. L. Beal, owning a half interest. Senator Beal was married to Miss Kate Willis, an estimable young woman of Broken Bow, on January 1, of the present

S. T. Caldwell of Nuckolls.

father to Macoupin county, which at that time was a new county. He was 10 years old before he was able to go to school and then only in the winter months; but by the time he was 17 he had mastered arithmetic and algebra and was far enough advanced to enter college, but as all other boys were enlisting in the army, he could not resist ud so enlisted in company H. One Hun dred and Forty-fourth Volunteer infantry in the fall of 1864, and served until the war ended and returned to Jersey county in 1865, where he lived until 1869. In that year he moved to Montgomery county, where he married. On July 8, 1872, he located in Nuckolls county, Nebraska, where he has since resided. He cast his first vote for Abraham Lincoln while in the army. He was elected to the legislature in the fall of 1876; was in the senatorial contest of 1877; was a supporter of Clinton Briggs for United States senator until the anti-Hitchcock mem bers of the legislature caucused and de-cided to support Hon. Alvin Saunders. He was appointed state oil inspector and organized that office. He was re-appointed at the expiration of the first term and served antil Governor Boyd appointed his successor He has been an active worker in the republican party for twenty-five years.

J. S. Canaday of Kearney. J. S. Canaday of Kcarney county will go to the senate in the interests of the Twenty eighth district, which comprises the cour fles of Kearney, Pholps and Harlan. M is a populist and was elected on the fusion ticket. He resides at Minden.

J. B. Connway of York. J. B. Coraway, senator-elect from the 17, 1840, and he lived the earlier part of his life in the Euckeye state. When the war of the rebellion called the union armies into the field Mr. Conaway enlisted in the Fifth Independent battalien. Onto yolunteer cavairy. He veteraned and helped to recruit the Thirteenth regiment of Ohio cavalry, and in the service he won a captain's commission. After the end of the war he had a thorough training in Hopedale college. He then took up the study of medicine and graduated first at the E. M. Institute in Cincinnati, and then at Rush Medical college at Chicago. He has been a resident of York many years and is looked upon as one of the leading spirits in the affairs of that city. Two years ago he served the people of his county in the lower branch of the legislature, and at the

recent election was returned to the senate.

Dr. William H. Dearing was born in Cass county, Illinois, January 19, 1859; removed to Warren c. by lows in 1874, where he received his artication. He studied medicine, and graduated from the medical department of the State University of Iowa In 1882, practiced his profession until 1892, when he was elected cierk of the district court of Case county, in which office he served four years, being defeated by a small plurality for the same office in 1895. He is a prominent member of the Modern Woodmen of America, Loyal Mystic legion and other fraternal insurance orders; is a Mason of high degree and a Knight of Pythias. He is married man and has a fainly consisting of himself, wife, two boys and a daugnter. He has for many years been a prominent democrat, and as an organizer and an effective campaigner is well known in the state. His competitor in the late election was Hon. John A. Davies of Plattemouth, one of the strongest republicans in Nebraska, whom he deleated by a vote of 2,579

J. H. Dundas of Nemaha

J. H. Dundas, senator-elect from the Sec-ond district of Nebraska, was born near Chicago, but has resided in Nemaha county for the past thirty-three years. He was one of the earliest students at the State Normal chool, and for some time thereafter followed he calling of a teacher. Having graduated from a business college, he compiled copy-righted and had published a work of ready reference called "Every Man's Account

The Twenty-fifth session of the Nebraska | Book," which still meets with an extensive | district, comprising the counties of Wash- | about eight years ago. He was married in

Mr. Dundas was elected to the senate at the recent election over his immemorial antagonist, Church Howe, and enjoys the distinction of being the only man who has ever beaten Mr. Howe for that office.

J. H. Evans of Douglas. John H. Evans, republican senator-elect from Douglas county, is one of the leading business men of the city and has been identifled with its growth for nearly twenty years. He was born in Wales and came to this country with his parents in 1866. They located at Racine, Wis., where for several years he was engaged with his father in the tanning business. After the Chicago fire they went to Kansas, but soon after, in 1878, Mr. Evans came to Omaha and en-gaged at once in the laundry business, which he afterward built up to mammoth propor-tions. The firm name was originally Wil-kins & Evans, and this was the first steam laundry west of Chicago. Mr. Evans still retains the ownership of the laundry and is also president of the Bank of Commerce. He has never been a candidate for office be-fore except last fall, when he was elected

T. F. Farrell of Merrick.

to fill out the unexpired legislative term of

Thomas F. Farrell of Chapman, senator-elect from the Eighteenth district, comprising the counties of Polk, Merrick and Names, was born in Canada, December 25, 1859. He came to Nebraska in 1871 and settled upon a homestead near Chapman, Merrick county, where he has resided ever since. Being a farmer, he has taken an active interest in all matters pertaining in agriculture. Politically he was always a democrat until the birth of the people's independent party and has been one of the leaders of that organization in Merrick county. In 1892 he was the populist candidate for elerk of Merrick county and ran ahead of his ticket. He was elected to the senate on the fusion ticket by the largest plurality ever given a candidate in his district.

F. Q. Feltz of Kelth.

F. Q. Feltz, senator elect from the big Thirtieth dietrict, comprising the counties of Dawson, Lincoln, Keith, Cheyenne, Logan and the unorganized territory west of Blatne and Logan, was born in Washington county, Iowa, February 8, 1852. He made that county his home for many years. After re-ceiving an academic education he read law and was admitted to practice at the bar in September, 1878. For six years he practice! his profession at Red Oak, In., and then re-moved to Ogalalla. He made his home in the latter city until two years ago, when he moved to a large ranch, where he now re-

Nick Fritz of Thurston.

Nick Fritz, who was elected on the fusion ticket to the state senate from the Eighth district, was born in Central Germany in 1847. At the age of 20 he came to America and located near Eric, Pa., where he worked on a farm for a year and a half, when he n the paper, braska in 1886. Politically Mr. Fritz has paper, always been a democrat—not merely in name, but a worker who is always found with his shoulder to the wheel on election day. In 1889 he was the democratic nominee for treasurer of Thurston county, but was defeated by eighty majority. In 1891 he defeated his successful opponent by a small Smith T. Caldwell was born in Jersey majority—at both of these elections he had county, Illinois, October 1 1845. In 1852.

Just after the election, he moved with his against. In 1893 he was re-elected by 200 majority, carrying every precinct county except one, where he was three votes. In 1894 he defeated Mell C. Jay for representative in the Sixteenth district by 150 majority and was, excepting Howard of Sarpy county and Van Housen of Colfax county, the only democrat elected without endotsement.

J. M. Gondring of Platte.

John M. Gondring, senator-elect from the Twelfth district, was born at Chicago, Ill., September 1, 1856. Soon after his birth he moved with his parents to Porter county, Indiana, and was there reared on a farn and which county was his home until he came west. During his youth he attended the public schools and worked on the farm, and then entered the Northern Indiana Normal school at Valparaiso, Ind., graduated in the scientific course, after bleb he engaged in teaching for a time. In 1881 he entered the law department of id school and graduated in the same course n 1883, and soon after was admitted to the bar in Indiana. He came to Nebraska in 1884, and settled in Platte county, and has resided and practiced law in that county ever since. In 1886 he was elected to the office of county attorney of said county, which office he held for four terms. He is democrat and received the unanimous omination of his party for the office of state senator, and was endorsed later by the populists' at their convention, and was populists' at their convention, and was elected by a large majority, defeating Sidney C. Gray, a republican. Mr. Gondring has a family consisting of a wife and five children.

L. M. Graham of Frontier.

Loyal M Graham of Stockville is the sen ator from the Twenty-ninth district. This includes Furnas, Red Willow, Hitchcock, Dundy, Gosper, Frontier, Chase and Hayes counties. Mr. Graham was born in Butler county, Pennsylvania, November 29, 1860. When he was 6 years old he moved with his lived the usual life of a farmer's boy, alternately working on the farm and attending school until he was 14 years old. He then school until he was 14 years old. He then attorney of Boone county, being elected by attended school at Milan, Ill., two years and a similar period at the High school at Hoperature, 1892, to Miss Rose Brady of Albion He completed his education by a five-year classical course at Lenox college During all this time he had supported him-self and paid for his education by his own efforts. He came to Cass county, Nebraska, 1884, where he taught school one winter He then went to Frontier county, where he took up a homestead and aside from taking care of his farm he was for several years principal of the schools in Western and Swanton. At the election of 1890 he was elected county attorney, holding the office for two terms. Since then he has been engaged in the practice of law and in over seeing his farm. He is a populat in poli-tics and has been for some time chairman of the county central committee of that party. He was married to Misa Carrie A. Taylor of Bennett, in 1887.

O. Grothan of Howard.

The Seventeenth senatorial district, which includes Hall and Howard counties, is represented by C. Grothan of St. Paul. Dr. rezented by O. Grothan of St. Grothan came to Nebraska in 1872 with his mother, who settled in Howard county. He was then 12 years old and attended school until 1876, when he started in life as a clerk in a store. He remained there for three years and then went to Europe, where he spent three years in completing his edu-He returned to this country with the intention of studying medicine, but was obliged to relinquish his ambition on account a year in eastern colleges and hospitals. Since then he has been engaged in practice

college course at Berea, O.

At the age of 29 he entered the employ high training in the field of pharmacy made the venture a success from the start. A number of his remedies became so popular among his home people that several Blair citizens determined to give them a wider sale, and to this end the Haller Proprietary. company was organized in 1890, and Mr. Haller was elected its president.

He has served three terms as mayor of the city of Blair, and also served six terms as councilman. Mr. Haller has served two terms in the house (sessions of 1892 and 1894) as representative from the Thirteenth district, comprising Washington, his home county. He is a member of the Masonia fraternity, and to which order he is strongly attached.

J. W. Henpy of Sherman.

J. W. Heapy, senator-elect for the Six-teenth senatorial district of Nebraska, was born on November 27, 1854, in the county of Huron, province of Ontario, Canada, what was at that time known as the backwoods of upper Canada. His father being a farmer his early life was spent upon the farm; his education was confined to that of an ordinary country district school. At the age of 17 he commenced to work at the carpenter trade, and followed that occupation till his 23d year, when he married the second eldest daughter of John Hill, a prominent and prosperous farmer of Grey township, Ontario, and almost immediately removed to the state of Nebraska, located in Sherman county, and has been engaged in farming and stock raising upon the same farm since. By strict attention to matters of business and by using economy he has succeeded in establishing for himself and family a comfortable home, and has the entire confidence and respect of the people of his county and district.

E. E. Howell of Douglas. Edward E. Howell, the only democrat

elected to the state senate from Douglas county, has been a resident of Omaha for in 1860, but came to Omaha when he was over thirty years. He was born in Canada a very small boy. He received a public school education and started in life by driv-ing a meat wagon. In 1875 his father esfrom his fellow councilmen of his fairness

county, was born in Marion county, Ohio, January 1, 1850. He received a common school education in his native state and when 18 years old removed with his parents to LaGrange, county, Indiana, where he began to make his own way by working as a farm hand. In April, 1872, he was married to Miss Martha Coney and immediately thereafter went into farming for himself on a piece of rented ground. In 1879 he re ing over the country in a covered wagon He settled in Inland township, Clay county where he purchased eighty acres of school land. He has remained there since with his family, which now consists of a wife and five children, and has engaged in farming and the manufacture of sorghum molasses. In politics Mr. Johnson voted the republican ticket until 1882, when he joined the democratic party. Since that time he has suported both the democratic and independent parties, and has received some honors at their hands. In 1888 he was a candidate for representative on the democratic ticket. In 1892 he was elected to the state senate

fusion ticket and served in the twentythird session of the state legislature J. D. Lee of Keyn Paha. J. D. Lee of Lynch is the senator-elect from the Thirteenth district, which com-prises Holt, Garfield and Wheeler counties and the unorganized territory north of Holt and Keya Paha. He was born in Jacksonville, Va., in 1865 and as his father was a minister his early training was largely of a theological character. He came to Nebraska when he was 17 years old and remained until 1886, when he went to South Dakota, where be stayed for four years. He then returned to this state, where he has since been engaged in farming. He has never held public office, but has been active in the organization and support of the farmers' alliance.

M. W. McGan of Boone. M. W. McGan of Albion was elected sen-ator from the Ninth district, which includes Antelope, Boone and Greeley counties, Mr. McGan is of Irish parentage and was born August 23, 1863, on a farm near Macomb, McDonough county, Ill. His early education was received at a private school in Macomb and he then remained on the farm until 1886, when he began reading law and paid his expenses by teaching school during the winter. He was admitted to the bar at Mt. Vernon in 1889 and soon after came west and located in the city where he now re-sides. He has served two terms as county

C. T. Muffly of Madison. Charles T. Muffly was born in Easton. Pa., on the 24th day of January, 1828. His father was of German origin, his nother of the Philadelphia Quaker stock. When he was about 4 years old his parents moved up into Central county. Pennsylvania, where he attended such schools as that county then afforded, about three months each year. When 15 years old he was apprenticed to learn the tallor trade. He completed his apprenticeship in Lock Haven, Clinton county, in the spring of 1846. In May, 1848, he went west, landed in Freeof precarious health. He went into bust. Clinton county, in the spring of 1846. In ness, but after a couple of years left it to May, 1848, he went west, landed in Freefollow his first choice. He graduated into port, Stephenson county, Ill., in June, in his profession after three years' study and which county he lived twenty years. In the practiced until 1893, when he left to spen1 spring of 1852 he made a trip across the plains to California, returning via the isthmus in 1854. When he first came to Illinois in 1848 he soon found that the trade

as he can appreciate Nebraska sunshine.

sale. He was engaged in mercantile business in Sheridan, now Auburn, for a little over three years, and in 1884 entered upon the profession of journalism, which still occupies a large share of his attention.

Mr. Dundas was elected to the senate at the recent election over his immemorial the recent election over his immemorial. Illinois infantry, and served as a private to the close of the war, after which he came At the age of 29 he entered the employ of J. H. Cooper of Burlington. Wis., a physician and pharmacist of high repute, and after four years' service he accepted a clerkship with a leading drug firm of Atlantic, Ia. Later he was induced to take charge of the drug business of Dr. Baker of Des Moines. Ia., and from which place he come to Blair, Neb., in 1871, and embarked in business for himself. His thorough training in the field of pharmacy made.

To the close of the war, after which he came home and engaged in farming. In 1868 he sold out in Illinois and moved to Hardin county, Iowa, and again engaged in farming. In 1868 he sold out in Illinois and moved to Montagomery county, Iowa, and again engaged in farming. In 1868 he sold out in Illinois and moved to Montagomery county, Iowa, and again engaged in farming.

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G. A. Murphy of Gage.

George Arthur Murphy, senator-elect from the Twenty-first senatorial district, is a resident of Beatrice, Neb., is a law yer by profession, and is just closing his term as the prosecuting attorney of Gage county, to which he was elected in 1894.

He was born December 25, 1860 in
Starke county, Indiana. His parents, Joseph and Nancy M. Murphy, were formerly
recidents of Ohio, and removed to Indiana few years previous to his birth, Mr. Murphy was reared on a farm, and received the limited advantages furnished by the country schools of his neighbor-heed in his endeavors to procure an educa-

At 17 he commenced teaching in the com non schools of his native county, and by this means earned a competency to take ; collegiate course at the Northern Indiana college, which he completed August 6, 1881. receiving his degree on that date. He read law in Chicago and northern Indiana for two years following his graduation, and was admitted to the bar at Valparaiso, Ind., in 1853. He at once located at Knox, Ind., the county seat of his pative county, and began the practice of his profession. He was chosen deputy prosecuting attorney of that county in 1884, and in 1886 was nomi-nated by the republicans of the Nint's sena-torial district at South Bend, Ind., for state senator of that district, comprising the counties of Starke and St. Joseph. The great manufacturing city of South Bend, Ind., was in his district. Mr. Murphy was the youngest man ever nominated in that state for state senator. The district was

democratic, but Mr. Murphy ran for in advance of his ticket, though his opponent was declared elected. His opponent was was declared elected. His opponent was Hon. T. E. Howard, the present chief justice of the supreme court of Indiana. In November, 1888, Mr. Murphy removed to Nebraska and located at Beatrice, where ing a meat wagon. In 1875 his father established the firm of Howell & Co., of which his son assumed control when he became of age. Mr. Howell has served two terms in the city council. He was first elected in 1890 and was re-elected two years after, 1890 and 1890 an age. Mr. Howell has served the city council. He was first elected in 1890 and was re-elected two years after, in 1893 he was elected president of the council and a handsome diamond stud, which he held for three years. During the still wears, was a token of appreciation from his fellow councilmen of his fairness as a presiding officer.

A. R. Talbot, state senator-elect, is a lawyer, being the senior member of the firm of Talbot, Bryan & Allen of Lincoln. He was born on April 11, 1859, in Warrea county, Illinole, and is 37 years of age. The dent of the board, but he resigned it on account of press of other duties. In 1894

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Otto Mutz of Keyn Paha.

Otto Mutz of Keya Paha will represent an trict comprising Brown, Keya Paha, Cherry. Sheridan, Dawes, Box Butte and Sioux counties. Mr. Mutz was born in Iowa orty-one years ago and came to Nebraska when but an infant 1 year old. His home for thirty years was in Cass county, but for the past nine years he has resided in Keya Paha county. He finished his education the State Normal school at Peru and for several years taught school in Cass county He has since been elected judge of Keya Paha county. He was elected on the fusion

J. M. Osborn of Pawnee.

John M. Osborn, senator from the First district, comprising Richardson and Pawnee s, was born on a farm in Green Indiana, in 1843. He enlisted in countles, the Ninety-seventh Indiana infantry in 1862 and served through the war. He was in several important battles and was wounded charge on Kenesaw mountain. gained the rank of lieutenant and was honorably discharged in June, 1865. He atended school for some time at the U. C. college at Meron, Ind., and was principal of the schools of Sullivan. In the same state, of the schools of Sullivan, in the same year he in 1867. In the fall of the same year he came to Nebraska and engaged in farming Berlin, he visited Dresden, Prague and Vienna, where he studied his profession for time. He traveled from Vienna the and school teaching in Pawnee county. He was elected county superintendent in 1803 and held the office for three successive terms. In the same year he was married Mediterranean to Cairo, Egypt, where he five girls and two boys has resulted from up the Nile in Africa, visiting many of the the union. Mr. Osborn cast his first vote native towns. From Cairo he travfor Abraham Lincoln in 1864 and contined the traveled through the Suez canal and the Red he first settled, and is regarded as one of the most successful and progressive business men in that part of the state.

Frank T. Ransom was one of the three senators elected by Douglas county. He was born at St. Joseph, Mo., and received william Miller of Burt.

William Miller of Burt.

William Miller of Oakland is the senatorelect from the Seventh district, which embraces Cuming and Burt counties. He was born in Alsace Lorraine, in 1851, and came to Canada with his parents in 1865. Shortly after their arrival in this country both of his parents died and he was thrown on his own resources. For two years he worked as a clerk in a country store, and afterward in the lumber bush. In 1871 he bought 190 acres of heavily timbered land, and two years later he married and entered on the task of clearing up his bush farm. He cleared forty-five acres in the next five years and the more and beauth 240 and was a vigorous advecate of the eighttask of clearing up his bush farm. He into great prominence in the local campaign eleared forty-five acres in the next five years and was a vigorous advocate of the eight and then moved to this state and bought 240 acres of raw material in Burt county. There he still remains and proposes to stay as long in his profession.

W. E. Ritchie of Seward. The Nineteenth senatorial district is represented by W. E. Ritchie of Ulysses. The resented by W. E. Ritchie of Ulysses. The idistrict covers Butler and Seward counties. Mr. Ritchie was born at Waukegan, Ill., October 21, 1847, and moved to Nebraska in 1870. He at once settled on the homestead in Seward county on which he still lives. He is a democrat in politics and was elected to the Twenty-second legislature by that party. He was nominated for state senator in 1892 but was defined by a small senator in 1892, but was defeated by a small majority. This year he was nominated the democrats with a populist endorsem and was more successful. owns a farm of 1,040 acres in Seward county and is extensively engaged in stock raising. He is an old soldier, having served through the war as a private in company D of the

to a request for a sketch of his life he made to Cedar county, Nebraska, and located in the following reply: "In retly to your let-ter asking a short sketch of my life, I write I was born in Missouri, that hoted state, in the fall of that hated year, 1869, moved with my parents to Nebruska in 1865, have resided n the state ever since; was reared a farmer, and am still following the same vocation, and am an advocate of the free and unlimited

E. R. Spencer, one of the two senators elect from Lancaster county, was born i New York state in 1861. He received his education in Jo Dayless county, Illinois, and at the age of 17 was a teacher in the public schools. He removed to Nebraska in 1879, locating first in Richardson county. Afterward he went to the town of Firth in Lancaster county, where he engaged in the banking business. He has represented his

county in the lower house of the legislature

for the past two acasions and at the last

E. R. Spencer of Lancaster.

election was returned to the senate. one of the leading republicans of Lancaster county.

C. F. Steele of Jefferson. Jefferson county's senator at the coming session of the legislature will be C. F. Steele, an extensive furniture dealer of the city of Fairbury. Mr. Steele was born and reared in Illinois. In 1861, although a mere boy of 18, he enlisted in the Second Illinois cavalry and served four years and five mouths of the war, during which he saw much hard service. At the close of the war he attended school a year and a half. In 1871 he came to Nebraska, locating at Fairbury. His standing as a citizen of Jefferson county may be understood from the fact that he served four years as sheriff and later four years as county treasurer. He has al-ways been a republican,

T. P. Sykes of Adams. Tracey P. Sykes, senator-elect from Adams county, is another veteran union soldier who will help make law for his fellow Nebraskans at the coming session of the legislature. He was born in Strykersville, Wyoming county, N. Y., May 29, 1843. With his parents he removed to Henry county, Illinois, in 1850. He lived near the present city of Kewanee, III., until the breaking out of the civil war. On August 7, 1862, he enlisted in the Twenty-fourth Lilinois volunteer infantry and with his regiment was assigned to General John A. Lo-gan's division of the Seventeenth army corps. He was with his regiment during the entire Vicksburg campaign. In December, 1863, Senator Sykes was transferred to company E, Fourth regiment, veteran reserve corps, for disability, and was discharged June 24, 1865, having attained the rank of sergeant. After the close of the war he lived in Macon county, Missouri, until 1882, when he removed to Adams county, this state, and purchased the farm

1881, and entered the Union College of Law at Chicago the September following, from which institution he graduated in June, 1883. He located in Lincoln, Neb., in the practic of law that year, and has been in active practitioner ever since. For over ien years Mr. Talbot has been assistant attorney for the Missouri Pacific railway company in Nebraska: is the general attorney for the Woodmen's Accident association of Lincoln extensive territory in the senate, his dis- and is a director of the Modern Woodmen of America. In politics Mr. Talbot is a republican, and for eight years was chairman of the republican city central committee of He is an active and henorable Lincoln. gentlemen and will give to his district and the state that energy and ability that has baracterized him in his profession and private life.

> E. G. Watson of Saline. Dr. E. G. Watson, senator from Saline county, was born on a farm in Lafayette county, Wiscorsin, on the 18th day of Janu-

He received his early education in the publie schools in Wisconsin and Illinois. He taught school several terms before begin-ning the study of medicine. He graduated at Rush Medical college in 1884, and soon after located at Friend, Neb., where he en-joys a large and lucrative practice by rea-

son of his ability as a physician. In 1889 he visited Europe, traveling through Ireland, England and then to Paris to the exposition. After visiting Paris, he traveled on his journey to Berlin, where he studied medicine under some of the most celebrated physicians and surgeons of the

to Miss Mary J. Gilker and a family of climbed the pyramids. He also made a trip

A. R. Weller of Otoe. Amos R. Weiler, senator-elect from Otos county, was born on a farm in Onandaga county, New York, in 1841. At the outbreak Otoe county. He lived upon his Otoe county farm for thirteen years, when he moved into the thriving city of Syracuse. He is engaged in the merchandise business at Syracuse. Unadilla and McCook, and is also in-

was elected on the fusion ticket. REPRESENTATIVES.

Frank Alderman of Cuming. Frank Alderman, representative-elect from Cuming county, is a native of the good old Hoosier state, having been born in Elkhart county, Indiana, in 1852. He was reared and educated in Indiana, and in 1869 went to Fort Wayne, where he learned the marble and granite cutting trade. He worked as a journeyman at his trade until 1883, when he came to Nebraska and set up in business for himself at West Point. Mr. Alderman has always been an active worker in the republican party and is proud of the fact that he belongs to the laboring class.

H. T. Ankeny of Cedar.

the sparsely settled portion of the now fa-mous Logan valley. In 1874 was married to Celestia M. Tolles of Weathersfield, Vt. They have lived on a farm within one mile of where he first settled until the present time. In 1885 was elected county commisloner and served one term; made the face for state senator on people's independent oinage of gold and silver at the ratio of 16 ticket in 1894, but was defeated. Was recommended for nomination for representative by the silver conference and was nominated as a fusion populist.

J. J. Bernard of Pawnee.

Edward Island, October 3, 1852, and came to the United States when he was 18 years of age. He engaged in mining at Black Hawk, Colo, for about eight years and then began blacksmithing at Leadville. In 1884 Bernard is accounted one of the most suc-cessful and presperous farmers of the county. In 1882 Mr. Bernard was married to Miss Mattle Morrison at Monroe, Ia. He was nominated by the republicans and elected to the legislature in 1894, and his re-election this year is proof of the confidence the peo-ple of Pawnee county have in him.

O. P. Hillings of Keyn Paha.

Billings, representative-elect from the Fifty-second district, was born in lowa forty-three years ago and is a farmer and stockman by occupation. He is a self-made man in the fullest sense of the word, being left to care for himself at a very early age. He succeeded by his own efforts in getting a good education, and his varied experience in his earlier life fitted him for success in after years. In 1884 he followed the advice of Horace Greeley and came west, locating a homestead in Keya Paha county, where he still resides. He was for some time editor of the Norden Borealis, and while he made a financial success of the venture he con-cluded that the duties of a fighting editor on a frontier newspaper were too onerous to be pleasant, so he resigned and returned to his farm. In politics he was always a republican until five years ago, when he

great reader, keeps himself well posted on that as a business and concluded to try the leading questions of the day and has farming. He worked his father's farm two pronounced ideas regarding their solution.

Samuel Bowers of Howard.

Samuel Bowers, representative elect from Nebraska, where he has been engaged in Howard county, was born April 26, 1838, in stock raising and farming since. He has Green county, Pennsylvania, and is there-fore between 58 and 59 years of age. In 1859 he moved to Illinois, where he taught achool for several years. From Illinois he moved to Iowa in 1862, and after a short stay there, tried his luck as a miner in Mon-tana, but soon returned to lows, and took an active part in organizing the grange in that state in 1872-3. In 1880 Mr. Bowers removed to Howard county, and has lived there ever since, and has become one of the successful farmers of the county. Politically Mr. Bowers has always taken a radical part as a democrat until the organization of the populist party, since which time he has been one of the intong pillars of that party in Howard county, and at the his republican competitor.

E. J. Burkett of Lancaster. E. J. Burkett, one of the members of the house from the City of Lincoln, is one of the youngest members of that body. He was born December 1, 1867, in Mills county, Iowa, being the oldest of a family of nine children. He had the benefits of a common school course and completed his education by a five years' term at Tabor college, Tabor, la., graduating from that institution in 1890. Coming to Nebraska, right after graduation, In September,

Frank Burman of Douglas. Assurance Company of Chicago.

J. H. Butler of Douglas.

John H. Butler, representative-elect from Douglas county, was born in Iowa fifty-four years ago, and has been a resident of Omaha for thirty years. He was one of the first to answer Lincoln's call for volunteers and served until after the end of the war in the terested in the wholesale grocery firm of Bradley, De Graff & Co., at Nebraska City. Fifth Iowa volunteers. He was several times wounded. Once his jaw was nearly away, but it still remains in fairly Once his jaw was nearly shot good working condition. He was for a long time employed as the special agent of the legal department of the city and it is said that and came to Nebraska in the fall of 1872 the success of the city in many important cases was largely due to his thorough ac-

H. D. Byram of Burt. representative

Henry D. Byram, relect from the Twelfth representa-Wall in Janesville, early boyhood was spent upon the farm, attending the district school during the winter ing. season. With his family he removed to Newark, N. J., in the spring of 1864, with the intention of going to California, but upon beth, oJe Davies county, III., April 22, 1847, were received from California and the fam-and lived at or near the above place until 10 lly decided to remain in the east. In No-years of age, and then moved with parents to De Witt, Clinton county, I-L. at which lived to Janesville where the attract his mother than the serious illness of their arrival in Newark discouraging reports were received from California and the famyears of age, and then moved with parents vember of the same year, however, the famtio De Witt, Clinton county, Is., at which ify returned to Janesville, where the elder place he lived two years, and attended school; Byram purchased a farm and went to work then removed to a farm three miles out of 10 make a home. In August, 1876, the elder town and lived there seven years, attending Byram sold his farm in Iowa and Henry district school during the winter months; at started west to seek his fortune. His first Omaha and engaged in the live stock comthe age of 19 attended a higher school two stop was at Humboldt. Next, where he works. district school during the winter months; at the age of 19 attended a higher months; at the age of 19 attended

gon, Arizona, California, and led a roaming life for several years. On August 10, 1881, Mr. Byram was married to Miss Hattie Arnold at Humboldt, Nev., and at the time of his marriage was one of the managers of the Humboldt house. In December, 1881, Mr. Byram gave up his position at the Humboldt house and accepted

a position as locomotive fireman on the Can-tral Pacific railway, which occupation he followed until March, 1884, when he was severely hurt in an accident. Having de-cided to quit railroading, Mr. and Mrs. Byram concluded to come to Nebraska, and as several relatives of Mr. Byram then lived James J. Bernard, representative-elect at Decatur, they concluded to make that rom Pawnee county, was born on Prince place their objective point and have been dward island, October 3, 1852, and came residents of that town ever since.

B. W. Campbell of Clay.

Barton W. Campbell, representative-elect from Clay county, Nebraska, was born May 27, 1838, on a farm in Scott county, Illinois, began blacksmithing at Leadville. In 1854
he removed to Pawnee county, Nebraska, settling in the western part
of the county, where he engaged in
farming and cattle feeding. The farm
has grown to a full section in size and Mr.

Beganard is accounted one of the most sucmenced farming on his own account. On October 8, 1862, he was married to Miss Mary Cooper, the daughter of a neighboring farmer, which has proved to have been a fortunate and happy union.

In the year 1865 they moved to Macon, then a small targe or the Illinois Control than a small targe or the Illinois Control

then a small town on the Illinois Central railroad, and became engaged and interested in the general merchandise business. Here he remained for fifteen years so engaged, and in 1884 came with his family to Clay county, Nebraska, renting a farm the town of Clay Center, upon which he resided for three years; being a successful farmer, he soon purchased the 160 acres upon which he now resides, one mile wast of Clay Center, and has by degrees added to his possessions until at present he owns 400 acres of beautiful land, all of which he operates. Mr. Campbell had always been a staunch republican until the organization of the populist party in Nebraska, which he joined, and has been one of the most able nen connected with their organization in that county.

J. H. Casebeer of Gage.

James H. Casebeer of Gage county is a republican and a newspaper man. He was born in Flatrock, O., December 12, 1859, and republican until five years ago, when he enlisted under the populist banner. He has never held an office, and hig entry into legislative life at the state capital this winter will be his first political experience.

Palmer Blake of Johnson.

Palmer Blake, Johnson county's representative-elect, is a native of Vermout and was born in East Brookfield, Orange county, June 1, 1835. His early life was passed on a farm. He was a regular attendant of the district school during his boyhood days and later attended one term at Chelsea academy, and one term at Newborry seminary. When 19 years old he went to Rock Island, III., and attended one term at Chelsea academy, and one term at Newborry seminary. When 19 years old he went to Rock Island, Ill., and entered the employ of Wait & Co., commission merchants, as clerk, remaining there for a little more than a year, when he moved to Garden Grove, Decatur county, Ia., and engaged in farming. It was there that he was united in marriage to Miss F. Angie was united in marriage to Miss F. Angie

years and then concluded he wanted a home of his own. He was married in July, 1877

stock raising and farming since. always been a staunch republican. Paul F. Clark of Lancaster. Paul F. Clark was born at Green Lake, Wis., July 14, 1861. He attended the public schools until 15 years of age and came to Nebraska in 1880, settling with his widowed mother in Platte county. In the fall of 1882, at the age of 21, he matriculated at the University of Nebraska, graduating with the class of '87. Soon afterward, Mr. Clark entered the law office of Webster and Stewart of Lincoln, and was admitted to the Lancaster county bar in 1888, since which

time he has been a practicing attorney at this year. Even while a university student late election received a large majority over Mr. Clark took an interest in politics, but has been actively affiliated with the repub-lican party in Lancaster for the past four or five years, having been chairman of the county republican committee in 1895. Mr. Clark has magnetic personality and is con-

sidered a shrewd politician. R. A. Clark of Richardson

Ralph Almond Clark of Stella, Neb., who will represent the people of Richardson county in the lower house, was born December 3, 1866, in Covington, Ky. His father is a Connecticut Yankee, who allied himself he was principal of the High school at Leigh | with a better half from among the chivalhe rous and noted families of West entered the law department of the Nebraska Mr. Clark's boyhood was filled up with the State university, completing the full two ordinary escapades of American youth. At years course in 1895. In 1891 he was the age of 6 years he entered the public married, his wife being formerly Miss Fannie
Wright of Glenwood, Ia. Mr. Hurkett is now
a practicing attorney at the Capital City.

Brand Brands Bran passed the competitive examination for West the union. Mr. Osborn cast his first vote for Abraham Lincoln in 1864 and continued to vote with the republican party until 1873, when he joined the greenback movement. He was nominated for the legislature in 1878, but was defeated in the election. He now owns a fine farm of 649 acres, where left through the world in one year and he first settled, and is regarded as one of six days.

Frank Burman, representative-elect from Douglas county, was born in Sweden August 2, 1856. He attended public and high cone and graduating sevent in he entered Yale college, doing two years in one and graduating sevent in he entered Yale college, doing two years in one and graduating sevent in he entered Yale college, doing two years in one and graduating sevent in he entered the law department of three days a graduate of the Agricultural college he served two years as occan to San Francisco, completing his opening the entered the law department of Harvard he entered the law department of Harvard be earned a scholarship of \$400, the first settled, and is regarded as one of six days. Frank Burman, representative-elect from Point, but failing to obtain the appointment, to America in 1881. From that year until 1889 he occupied his time in Wyoming and Idaho, working at the carpenter trade, mining and prespecting. In June, 1889, he located in Omaha and went to work for the Union Pacific Railroad company as clerk, which position he held until 1892, when he of the rebellion on 1861 he enlisted in the one Hundred and Eighty-Fifth New York ing and general agent for the Glens-Falls ocratic party and was unanimously chosen in real estate, loan and grain buriness. He and Agricultural Fire Insurance companies. by the democratic county convention of Richardson, held at Falls City, as a candi-Volunteer infantry, and served until the close of the war. He came to Nebraska in 1869 and settled in Syracuse precinct, populists and was elected by a very creditable majority.

W. G. Colr of Kearney. William J. Coir was born in 1849 on a farm in Columbiana county, Ohio, of Irish parentage. He attended school in winter, working in summer, and has a fair educa-tion. At the close of the war he moved with an older brother to Monroe county, Iowa, where he remained one year, then removing to Ringgold county, lows, where he bought a farm and improved it. He sgain sold out sided for twelve years. He was m in 1873 to Miss M. J. Dunisp of Mt Ia. In the year 1882 he again sold his farm and engaged in the mercantile business, in which he remained one year, but owing to the ill health of his wife he a change, which he did in 1884, locating in Kearney county. He is at present

ing. Levi Cox of Douglas, Levi Cox, one of Douglas county's repre-sentatives, was born in Plano, Ill., in 1848, and moved to Nebraska in 1878, locating