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Subscribed in my presence and swarn to be-fore me this 24 day of January Nov. 1897. N. P. FEIT. Seal. Notary Public. Illinois is noted for hotly fought sen-

atorial contests anyway.

The Douglas county contest has already taken up \$2,000 worth of the time of the legislature.

Of course there is no politics whatever in the pilgrimages of any of the politlelans to Canton.

The legislature has only sixty days to sit and the first ten days of the session should be no more wasted than the ened and all loopholes for farming out manufacturing industries, why may we last ten days of the session.

This week the reform legislature should get squarely down to business. What is wanted is action, action, action, and not words, words, words,

Send each of your friends a copy of the Transmississippi Exposition number of The Bee. It will tell them all about the great exposition project and enlist their good will and support in its behalf.

How much longer are the people of Nebraska to be kept in ignorance as to tentiary. That example had a most remunerative employment to all the the condition of the state treasury? Why should not the list of depositories and of the government, amounts on deposit in each be made public?

all at once as does the house instead letting things right themselves. of a third every two years the proportion of new members and re-elections would not be very different between the two houses.

Republicans in the present legislature may find themselves too few to accomplish much in the way of positive legislation, but there are enough of them to keep the majority on its mettle and afford a heap of entertainment to all con-

If there is any tinkering to be done with the state depository law, let the tinkering be in the direction of strengthening and improving it and not to weaken it by increasing the number of loop holes by which its provisions may be evaded.

The United States purchased the whole of Louisiana territory in 1803 for a trifle fer \$200,000,000 for Cuba does not seem to support the argument that prices of last few years.

Various Jacksonian societies will not contemplated display is not in accordreasons only less valid.

well take to the woods.

to a commission consisting of three cabinet officers. If this is true, Huntington's advocacy ought to be in itself Eric canal will be of very material ben-

Strange that the gas inspector should find so much fault with the gasoline lamp service but has never a word about the gas lamps or electric lamps. It was once the practice to make deductions for time that electric lamps failed to burn. but no city official has seen an electric light go out in months, if not years.

Secretary Carlisle makes the an nouncement that the new Omaha federal building will be ready for occupancy for the local postoffice by June 30 next. Secretary Carlisle made several guesses as to the probable deficit in the national revenues under the Wilzon bill and he is entitled to several guesses as to the completion of the Omaha public building.

It is intimated in certain quarters known for reliability that President Mc-Kinley intends to leave the decision of local federal appointments exclusively to the republican senators and representatives from the different states. The strangest part of the situation is that most of the republican congressmen rival. elect do not know whether to lament or to rejoice over the information.

HOW REPUBLICANS SHOULD ACT. The republican minority in the legislature may not be in position to shape legislation on important questions that affect the welfare of the people of Nebruska, but it should not on that account pursue a policy of factious opposition to every measure proposed by the ma-Jority. On the contrary, republican members should give cordial and active support to every bill and proposition that has for its object the promotion of the public good, the protection of the taxpayers or the prevention of corrupt practices by public officials.

gata by obstructing legislation demanded by the people, and its repreits representatives, even though in the more than in 1895, minority, should be at all times ready | These figures are in the highest deto further every rational reform that gree gratifying and encouraging and it the condition of the masses. The way they furnish evidence that this country dog-in-the-manger.

LEGISLATING MEN INTO HONESTY. Two years ago the World-Herald advoated the repeal of the state depository law and was criticised for the suggestion. 19,755 finances must have convinced a great many trade is the large movement of cotton. by a sensible statute.-World-Herald.

know that they can do so with im- greatly augment this trade. multy.

by sending the ringleaders to the peni- will start up all the industries and give

it will grapple with the treasury problem velopment in all directions. If the United States senate changed by taking positive action and not by

FAVOR A SHIP CANAL

vestigate as to the practicability of constructing a ship canal from the great will be assured. altes to the seaboard, has submitted to Secretary Olney a report favorable to such a waterway. The report has not yet been transmitted to congress, but it is said to be an unqualitied indorsement of the ship canal project between the United States and Canada, names twenty-six to thirty feet as the minimum depth in order to accommodate ocean steamers and recommends an appropriation of \$250,000 for a preliminary survey.

To the west this is a matter of very great interest. A ship canal connecting the great lakes with the scaboard would probably soive the transportation probover \$15,000,000. The proposition to of lem between the west and the east, which is even now troubling northwestern millers and producers. These have everything have fallen greatly in the organized a movement to fight the eastern trunk line railway combination. The Consolidated Canal and Lake company has been incorporated in New York, the participate in the approaching inaugura- millers of the northwest being the movtion ceremonies. One reason is that the ing spirits, and with the deepening of the Eric canal this company will inauguance with their austere ideas of Jack- rate an active competition with the railsonian simplicity. And there are other roads. Boats are to be constructed which can be sent through from Duluth to New York with unbroken cargoes of There has been a well founded sus- flour. Docks have already been leased piclon hitherto that the Omaha city in the latter city and extensive warecouncil enjoyed a practical monopoly of houses are to be built. Mr. Pillsbury, combinations. If outside bidders on the great Minneapolis miller, says that municipal bonds are going to usurp this the deepening of the Erie canal, with exclusive prerogative, taxpayers may as the great lakes, will put the northwest in a position where no combination of railroad companies can oppress the pro-It is reported now that Huntington is ducers of that section. "With the deepthe man behind the scheme to refer the ening of the Eric canal," said Mr. Pills-Pacific railroad debt settlement question bury, "we can snap our fingers at railroad combinations." Unquestionably the deepening of the

almost enough to condemn the plan in efft to the producers of the northwest. but it is not entirely certain that it will make them absolutely independent of the rallroads. A ship canal such as is proposed assuredly would. The competition of such a waterway would, at least durdoubtedly ships would be built to carry these products direct to Europe from the millions of dollars annually in the pockalso enable them to compete under more favorable conditions in the world's marportation, we should not have much to fear from competitors for the European | favoring its ratification, unless some vito hold our own against any commercial

The project is one of great magnitude.

ion of time when western interests will be will confirme to be

THE GROWING TRADE BALANCE.

The west continues to be a large contributor to the growing foreign trade balance and it would seem that this see The republican party has nothing to tion must soon begin to realize the imsonably to be expected from the large ford to commit the party to any policy exports of breadstuffs were nearly \$9. that would encourage official dishonesty | 000,000 greater in value than for Deor shield corrupt men from the conse- comber, 1895, and the movement shows nuences of their acts. The republican no abatement. Our total exports of do-

promises to improve our system of gov. Is the opinion of those who are well inernment or contribute toward bettering formed regarding the foreign trade that for the party to regain supremacy is to is to continue to furnish other nations show that it deserves public confidence, with its food and with its cheaper There is nothing to be gained by playing clothing material. The short crop in most of the wheat-growing countries assures a demand for all of that grain we have to spare for foreign consump tion, while at the same time there is an enlarged demand for other products. But recent developments in the state's Another notable feature in the export people that these finances would be in better. In the last four months of 1896 we sent condition if the depository law was replaced cotton to Europe valued at nearly \$40. 000,000 more than that which was ex-The trouble has not been with the law ported for the corresponding season of but with the men who purposely per- the preceding year. And this demand verted the law for private gain and the for our cotton is not only likely to be failure of the law officers to prosecute maintained, but increased, for there is speculators in public moneys and em- promise that we shall in the near fubegziers of public funds. No law will ture have an enormous cotton trade in enforce itself, and all the barriers de- Japan. A steamship line, mainly for vised by lawmakers will not prevent the purpose of carrying American cotlawbreakers from misappropriating ton to the Japanese manufacturers, is money in their hands so long as they projected and when established will

With these favorable conditions in our The depository law may be defective foreign trade and the promise of legisand the weak spots should be strength- lation that will put new life into our state and county funds should be closed. not anticipate a return of prosperity in The most effective way to put an end to the near future? A country that exagainst the violators of the law and a year and has a balance to its credit places were found to be in collusion with prosperity the country has experienced the big fair. illicit whisky distillers, the late General in the past. The purchasing power of Bristow, then secretary of the treasury, our own people must be increased. This plugged up the crooked stills effectively will be accomplished by a policy that wholesome effect upon all departments labor of the country. There is need to stimulate the enterprise of the people, If the reform legislature is truly bent to make opportunity for the safe investon making a record for genuine reform ment of capital and to encourage de-

The outlook is favorable. We shall continue to sell our products abroad, probably in increasing quantity. There is no danger of currency disturbance. The commission appointed by the pres- A republican tariff, if it become law, ident, under authority of congress, to in- will revive our manufacturing indus-With these conditions prosperity

THE SENATE AND THE TREATY. The indications are that when the arbitration treaty is taken up for consideration in the senate it will encounter strong opposition. It is believed that a majority of the senators favor prompt ratification, of course after such careful discussion as so important a treaty number, openly actuated by partisan motives, will make a strenuous fight to delay ratification and if possible have a year ago. the treaty rejected and these are said to be industriously working to get the me-third minority vote necessary for this purpose. There are others who honestly think that the interests of the United States are not fully conserved in this convention and will urge modifications in its terms and wording be-

fore voting for ratification. It is of course desirable and neces sary that the treaty be given most care ful and thorough consideration. It is not to be assumed off-hand that it cannot be improved. In the exercise of their onstitutional duty senators are bound to give it their most intelligent attention and to study its terms with deliberate care. But this should be done free from any partisan feeling or any senti ment of hostility to the president and the secretary of state. Senators should enter upon the consideration of this extremely important matter in a broad and statesmanlike spirit and with a full recognition of its far-reaching significance. There is a strong anti-administration sentiment in the senate, but it will be a lasting reproach to that body if this should be allowed to defeat the treatyif for no better reason than dislike of the president and secretary of state this effort to make more secure the friendly relations between the Englishspeaking nations, which has received the commendation of nearly the entire civilized world, should fail.

Undoubtedly there are democrats whose bitterness toward the administraing the period of navigation, or eight or | tion will impel them to vote against nine months of the year, compel the rail- ratification, even at the risk of defying roads to reduce transportation charges public sentiment. It is to be hoped, howto the lowest practicable point and no ever, that these senators will not be combination of the roads would avail to able to get any allies among repubprevent this. With such a waterway licans. It is to be hoped that no repubfloer, grain and other commodities lican senator will permit partisan feelshipped at the lake ports would go unling to exert any influence in determining broken through to the seaboard and un- his duty in this matter. It is said that opposition to ratification may be strength ened by the fact that Senator Sherman, ports of shipment. It would mean many having decided to take the portfolio of secretary of state, would probably prefer ets of western producers and it would that no action be tricen in order that the republicans may complete the negotiations. It is sufficient to say in regard to kets. When products could be sent to this suggestion that Senator Sherman notable in the history of the nation. Europe at one-half, or perhaps less than has expressed his commendation of the one-half, of the present cost of trans- treaty and there is every reason to expect that he will be found among those markets. We should certainly be able in flaw in the treaty should be disclosed. Senator Sherman is too great and patriotic a statesman to permit partisanship to influence his course in such The construction of the proposed canal a case and he would indignantly resent

would cost hundreds of millions of dol- the intimigration that he could desire to PRESS COMMENT ON THE MESSAGE.

lars. That the enterprise will encounter make capital for blusself at the expense.

Albien News: Governor Helesophia invigorous opposition is assured. The east of another evan though that other is a ern railroads will antagonize it and the political exponent. The distinguished great expenditure involved will induce statesman has always been content to one to oppose it. But it is only a ques rest upon list own achievements and

prevail in their demand for a ship canal | Two-thirds of the senate is necessary cancelling the great lakes with the for the railfleation of a treaty. Ther seems to be reason to apprehend that the arbitration treaty will not be ratified by the senate of the present congress.

Our amiable contemporary, the World Herald, prints a learned editorial disquisition on one page advising the legislature how it should proceed in reeasting the congressional districts of sentatives in the legislature cannot af- exports of its products. Last month the the state, and on another page it prints under approving headlines a statement by Judge Maxwell, in which he says "The congressional districts cannot be altered until after the census of 1900, as party has always pointed with pride to mestic merchandise in 1896 were valued all such changes must be made at times its record as the party of progress, and at over \$986,000,000, or \$179,000,000 designated by the constitution and at no other time," What the editor of the World-Herald does not know about constitutional law would fill several vol-

The constitution of Nebraska provides for legislative reapportionment at the legislative session the year following each federal and state census commeration "and at no other time." There has been no state census enumer ation for 1895 and it is therefore impossible to attempt a redistricting now without disregarding the constitution, which every member of the legislature has sworn to uphold and to obey. "At no other time" cannot be construed to mean at this time.

The Chicago city council, in its impetuous crusade against the theater hat, has passed an ordinance providing a fine of \$3 to be assessed against the wearer for every conviction of the misdemeanor of wearing a hat in the theater. Here in Omaha women of breeding take off their bats without compulsion at the play, but there are other theater nuisances, of which both men and women are guilty, which might as properly receive the attention of legislative bodies.

The joy caused by the award of the contract for the interior finishing of the new federal building to an Omaha con tractor is not lessened by the knowledge existing abuses, however, is for the at- ports lits products to the amount of that it will take several months to comtorney general to institute proceedings nearly, a thousand millions of dollars plete the work. This was to be expected. But if the whole sewerage sys bring them to an accounting civilly and in the foreign trade of one-third that tem of the business district must be re ciminally. One or two examples of this amount is certainly not impoverished, vised before the building can be plumbed kind will do more than all legislation. Still something more is needed for the the Postoffice department is not likely to Years ago, when federal officers in high | realization of that high measure of | move into its new quarters in time for

Senator Welcott has been regaled with a good dinner by the secretary of the American legation in London and he has been taffled by the first lord of the British treasury, whose diplomacy prompted him to say he agrees with him. but for all that England shifts the burden and responsibility for an international monetary conference on the French and the Germans without com-'mitting itself to anything.

Where Arbitration is Needed.

Mr. Olney will score another diplomatic

Nebraska News from Afar Governor Holcomb of Nebraska is already planning to capture the populist nomination or president in 1900. The Nebraska popu lists seem to regard that nomination as a

part of their state property. A Long Felt Want Supplied.

It is asserted that Secretary Olney has serted in the diplomatic regulations a new should receive, but it is certain that a section forbidding political speeches by diplomatic representatives, with a view o checking the loquacity of Mr. Bayard, This is a sharper censure than that of the house

The Record for One Day.

The Nebraska legislature did not do much on its first half day, was devoted to a discussion which resulted in the allowance to each member of five 2 cent stamps and five 1-cent stamps daily with the provision that each must buy hi Then the body moved to a corridor, where it was photographed.

Cotton Has the Call. Philadelphia Record.

The value of the leading exports of domestic products for 1896 was as follows: It will be seen that cotton still maintains its place at the head of the list of agricultural exports. The total value of the exports of the same products for 1895 was about \$100,000,000 less than in 1896.

SHERMAN AS PREMIER.

Indianapolis News: It is now stated that Senator Sherman will accept the office of secretary of state. It seems that Mr. Hanna been conducting a campaign of educa-

Globe-Democrat: There are two good rea sons for congratulating Mr. McKinley on the selection of John Sherman for secretary of state. In the first place, it will particularly please the republicans; and, in the place, it will particularly displease the popocrats. Minneapolis Journal: Mr. Sherman will en-

ter upon his duffes probably with the Cuban question still hovering over use like a storm cloud. His opportunity to show his diplo-matic skill and zeal for the protection of American interests on foreign soil will soon come. Americans love firmness and aggression which is tempered by reason, in dealing with foreign complications. They like a man f nerve. Mr. Sherman may prove to be all Sioux City Journal: No other American

statesman since Alexander Hamilton, the first secretary of the treasury, has equalled the feats of financiering which John Sher man accomplished in the senate and in the cabinet in the splendid series of measures culminating in the resumption of specie pay-ments in 1879, The selection of John Sherman for a high place in the cabinet will go far to contribute to the success of Major McKinley's administration.

Chicago Inter Ocean: Senator Sherman has always been regarded as a student of and authority on financial questions, but for years he has been chairman of the senate committee on foreign affairs, and is a master of all subjects pertaining to the State depart-The announcement that he will be chief of McKinley's cabinet will give the keenest pleasure to all republicans, and will be received as a guaranty that the cabinet of the next president will be one of the most Kansas City Journal: In all of his forty-

two years of public life the Ohio senator has proven himself a patriot who ever had he best welfare of his country at heart, and as shown statesmanship of the highest or-And it is not to be doubted that his dministration of the State department would effect as much luster upon his career as any of his brilliant services in the past. Mr. McKinley and the whole country are to be ongratulated if John Sherman becomes secretary of state in the next administration.

Albion News: Governor Holcomb's inaugural address was an exhaustive treatise on every subject of state government and us a conservative and able address. Saline County Gazette: Governor Holomb's message comes very near covering

be whole ground. Taken as a whole it is n able measage and worthy the consideraion of every one, Schuyler Herald: Governor Holcomb has shown himself to be sound on the leading issues of the day, and if the members of the legislature follow his advice they can-

ot go far wrong. omb's annual message he showed himself o be about as long winded as his excelney, the stuffed prophet. But notwithstandng this, he made some very good suggesons for a populist.

Hastings Republican: Governor Holeamb be congratulated upon that portion his message in which he deals with the and private credit of the state. dvice is, to a great degree, timely and wactical, and will receive general approval. Oakland Republican: Governor Holcomb ias issued his annual message to the legisature, and it is longer than W. V. Allen's amous fourteen-hour speech, covering three pages of a newspaper, but that does not cuep it from containing some very good uggestions and valuable information. Hit m again, Silan; you're hot stuff. Red Cloud Argus: Governor Holcomb's

ecommendation that the control of the various state institutions should be vested in the chief executive is a sound one, and will appeal to the good judgment of the people of the state. Much needless friction. oyance and expense in the management these institutions would be avoided were they under the control of one responsible Blair Pilot: Governor Holcomb's message receive it back many fold.

is one built on depth as well as length. It a a document of great importance and cerainly reflects credit on our state executive. The governor takes his stand alongside of enator Allen in his defense of the credit of the state of Nebraska. Now, if our legis-lators will take their respective places alongside of Governor Holcomb, then Nebraska sed have no cause to be ashamed of the

Hastings Democrat: Governor Holcomb's message is the strongest state paper ever is-sued from the capitol. He talks as if he now what was demanded at this time. tions should be followed to the letter the legislature. Ten thousand conies of the message should be printed and circulated at whatever cost. The facts contained in the message should be emblazoned upon every banner to let the world know that Nebraska can be depended upon to take

Wayne Herald: Governor Helcomb's essage gives an exhaustive review of the vorkings of the different state institutions. t is to a large degree a commendable mes-age, advocating the amendment to and pasage of such laws as will prove beneficial the state. While the message would have unded much better coming from Governor MacColl, nevertheless there is little in the nessage with which fault can be found or which will have a tendency to drive capital om the state.

North Bend Argus: Governor Holcomb's to the legislature is an able and traightforward document, setting forth the pecially is that part of the message reating to the state treasurer's office of pe-uliar interest to the taxpayers of Nebraska. That the state should have an outstanding indebtedness of over \$2,000,000 and money accumulating in the treasurer's hands is not a business principle. The message takes up every interest of the state, and deals with the questions in a straightforward man-

Blair Courier: Have you read the message of Governor Holcomb? Every man in the state of Nebraska should read it if he has to set up all night to do so. It is a mas-terly document and its lofty tone emenates straight from the great and good heart of the Dest governor Nebraska has ever Needed measures and retorms are abmeasures and retorms are ably discussed and defended and our legislature will do well to incorporate every mention of the governor's into wise and judicious laws ere their sixty days are past, when, cordance with the reform spirit that animates them, they should adjourn. Stromsburg News: Governor Holcomb's

victory if he can bring about friendly relamessage was a long one, but dealt with the in a statesmanlike manner. It clearly sets forth the questions at issue as the governo sees them, and from an honest and unpreju diced mind. The recommendations of the governor are in the main well-timed. There s work enough outlined in it, if well performed, to keep the legislature busy the balance of the session. He recommends nothing but what is in the interests of the people and state as a whole. This message will go down in Nebraska history as has no

Wakefield Republican: The biennial message of Governor Holcomb, which, by the use of a copious supply of midnight oil we managed to peruse, places the possessor of the supposedly unimportant office of assessor in a more unenviable position than the politician with five offices and twenty-five promises on hand. Upon the assessor rests he responsibility of so rating the valuation of property as to produce a sufficient amount revenue to keep the wheels of county and state governments in motion. The peohem; their work necessitates an increase of taxes and the assessor is compelled to tion. Then when election day rolls around plies and in permanent investments, the people get sweet revenge by defeating sands of people who visit the exposition him with an avalanche of votes.

Norfolk News: Taken upon the whole Governor Holcomb's message to the legislature is an exceptionally able document. takes up every question of vital interest to the state, in detail, and, although treated from a populist standpoint, their discussion seems conservative, fair and honest. Many of the measures which he recommends for nsideration will receive the hearty approval of all citizens without regard to p litical belief. His statement that there will e no legislation hostile to property interests nor any attempt made to permit the repudiation of honest debts will tend to be ferent states making appropriations for making appropriations for making appropriations. of beneat to the state, and in the main-ing exhibits and building suitable buildings tenance of a position of honesty the governor Nebraska cannot afford to be behind in the will have the substantial backing of all fair minded people.

Ponca Journal: The annual message overnor Holcomb was presented to the legislature last Thursday a week ago eared in the newspaper reports of Fri-The governor advises, doubtless to the best of his judgment, in the way of further-ing the credit and welfare of the state, out his judgment on the beet sugar bount out his judgment on the beet sugar bounty is considered incorrect by a large number in all parties. He opposes a bounty, but praises the industry. Such policy, however, will not promote the industry, for capitalists don't have to invest immense sums here and won't do it without some inducements. While the bounty contributes to upbuilding of the interest of the capitalit also helps the farmer, diversifying his resources and making profits more cer-tain. We may assail the capitalists because of their greed and monopolistic proclivities, but we thereby only prevent investments and curtail the resources of the state. Tecumseh Chieftain: Governor H made some most excellent suggestions Governor Holcom

nessage to the legislature and it is to be apped that body will heed and act on them. To be sure there was a shading of partisan-ship running through the document, but that is always to be expected. The good points the message must not be overlooked on at account. The governor's criticisms of he management of the state treasurer's fice are merited and just. Hundreds of hat account. office are merited and just. Hundreds of thousands of dollars have been allowed t pile up in the general and other funds whe here were unpaid warrants outstanding, and rawing interest, in quantities sufficient to utilize all the moneys in the treasury and more to. Another good point the governor nakes is that with reference to the methods of assessment now in vogue throughout the system of listing the valuation of the counties and state is a travesty on justice. It puts a premium on lying and the more the individual assersor shirks his sworn duty the more probable is his re-election. This assessment business, as it exists at present. a miserably inefficient and the legislature hight certainty to do something to improve to make it obligatory that all property shall be assessed at full valuation and then the other reforms will follow. These are a few of the points touched on in the governor message that demand attention from the that demand attention from the legislature.

ENDORSE THE EXPOSITION.

front with a liberal appropriation. Kem's hostility to the proposition will have very little weight with the business body of our legislators, who will readily comprehend the ot go far wrong.

North Bend Republican: In Governor Hol- ful exposition within her borders.

> Perkins County Herald-Sentinel: When the legislature gets down to business one of the lirst things it should do is to make sultable appropriation for the Transmissis hepi Exposition to be held at Omaha in 1838 Congress has promised a donation of not less than \$200,000 for a government exhibit, and mivate subscriptions to the amount of \$400 the exposition along. Now let Nebraska come forward with a sultable amount and it will be an assured sucand it will be an assured suc-cess. The magnitude of the undertaking can scarcely be comprehended, but when the people of Omaha undertake anything they generally make a success of it, and with the assistance of every Nebraskan it will be one of the most wenderful developments of western progress of the rims. By all means let us lend a helping hand and make the exposition a success.

> Codar Bluffs Standard: The Transmississippl Exposition must be made a success. Every citizen should stand up for Nebraska and lend his aid to make it a success. The present legislature would do a wise thing in making a reasonable appropriation to further this aplendid enterprise. The state will

Platte County Times: Senator Allen in-troduced a bill Thursday to increase the amount appropriated for the government exhibit at the Omaha exposition from \$150,000 to \$200,000; also to increase the amount ap propriated for governmenit buildings \$50,000 to \$75,000. We hope the bill will pass. The government should set a comnendable example for the states in the transmississippi country. And now let own legislature come to the front b handsomely. All Nebraska is interested. Curtis Courier: Time makes all things

hat have for a series of years tended to sloud the natural and acquired advantage of the great commonwealth of Nebraska are slowly but surely being dissipated, and the light of a new cra is already begin-ning to dawn upon our fair state. By reasen of the quick, perceptive faculties of the strong commercial combine of our expandng cities. Omaha and Lincoln, coupled with he alert and active delegation in congress, stupendous developing factor, which a est seemingly only existed as a mythical uncertainty, has finally assumed form and forceful dimensions which even today in it infantile days gives promise of becoming second "Atlas," whose mission shall only cease when the state of Nebreska shall have gathered a garland of deserved honors such as any state in our proud galaxy of stars might well feel proud to secure. Local sub-scriptions amounting to \$400,000 have already been pledged, while congress has signified its willingness to appropriate nearly \$250,000 more to equip the governmental exhibi which is to stand with the interstate dis plays. The people of Nebraska should now be fully alive to the golden opportunity thus presented. Our people, one and all should by a universal consensus of action by both word and deed, aim to make the present occasion the one great future develop. ing impetus which shall bring men an money for years to come into the state to participate in the general prosperity sur o follow such a showing as Nebraska can without beasting, make before the world. The state legislature, rising to the true dignity that such an unbounded opportunity presents to materially enhance all our commercial, industrial and agricultural interests, should stand ready to liberally endow the executive board with authority and a gener ous appropriation to assist the great work along. Westward the course of empire takes its way, and ere long the clanging bells of time shall proclaim that Nebraska is not only the geographical center of the United States, but the center as well of all that

Exeter Democrat: The Transmississippl Ex osition is the biggest advertisement ias ever been attempted for Nebraska, as vell as for the states beyond the Rockies, t is not a visionary, skyrocket scheme, but a cell planned and well matured effort to give the widest possible publicity to the advan-tages offered in this section to capitalists nd homeseekers who have money with which buy land and engage in industrial enter

A moderate estimate places the number of cople who will visit the fair at from 2,0 00 to 3,000,000. The lowest amount which ese people will spend at the exposition \$10 per capita. That means from \$20,000,00 30,000,000 passing into Nebraska through the gates of the exposition. But \$10 is a very low estimate. Thousands will remain througeut the fair, each of whom will spend from \$2 to \$5 a day, and thousand oon thousands will pass through Omaha to the Rockies and the Pacific comple elect extravagant officials to represent to compute that the fair will bring about the circulation of \$100,000,000 in the trans mississippi country, which will be expended rovide for the same by an increased valua- for transportation, in the purchase of sup-Thou not stop at Omaha, but, having traveled that far, will venture beyond and take in such parts of the country as afford the most attractive field, measured by the exhibits at the fair. Stand up for Nebraska by booming the Transmississippi Exposition.

Chappell Register: The Transmississipp exposition at Omaha next to the Centen the biggest and most important thing of th kind ever held in the United States, if no in the world. It means a whole lot to Ne matter, and the present legislature will b asked to appropriate a suitable amount, in keeping with the state and the importance she will gain by being honored with the ex-position. The legislature should be liberal in this respect and help make this the greatest exposition ever held. Other states will watch with interest what this state does in this respect, and their part in the fair will be governed by the action of Nebraska. Do the right thing by all means.

Holdrege Citizen: The Transmississipp Exposition project is now under full sw and every loyal Nebraskan should take hole and assist the people of Omaha in their effort to make it a success. Hurrah for th exhibition! If it is a big success, as it ought to be, it will result in being a big blessing for Nebraska. Let every Nebraskan do his part, and then those who live in the other western states will be willing to join in the procession and make the thing hum.

Ashland Gazette: The promoters of the Transmississippi Exposition, to be held in Omaha in the summer of 1898, are at work with commendable energy to make it a success. It is announced that \$400,000 of capital stock has already been subscribed, and con-gress has appropriated \$200,000 toward the capitalization of the enterprise. Back these auspicious beginnings, and more Back o portant than the money so far contributed lies the fact that the exposition is to be a comprehensive exhibit of the natural re-sources of the most fertile agricultural region in the world, as well as of the inesti-mable mineral wealth that lies stored away in the deposits of the Rocky mountains, his region lies an empire of wealth human progress vaster than any that the world has ever known, and the pre-eminent service that the exposition will render will be set forth in a clearer light the possibilities of this empire, so far existing as it were in embryo. It ought to at once enlist the active co-operation of every citizen of the ransmississippi region, and especially of very Nebraskan, and a united effort should made to make this a fitting climax to the ries of intenstate exhibits have in ecent years given such a wonderful impetus

Wisner Chronicle: The legislature should not pursue a niggardly, penny-wise-and-pound-focilsh policy in dealing with the

Transmississippi Exposition appropriation Litchfield Mirror: One of the important class that can possibly be conceived to place duties of the state legislature in to make a Nobraska and her wonderful progress and Mberal appropriation for the Transmissis still more marvelous possibilities before the slppi Exposition. Already subscriptions have world, finally eliminating from the minds of been taken amounting to over \$100,000, and the people the false ideas prevailing con-congress has piedged not less than \$200,000 cerning the state. It is the opportunity of a for a government exhibit. The various transfor a government exhibit. The various transmississippi state are looking for Nebrasica
the state to make the exposition a revelation to every visitor that will far exceed
tion to every visitor that will far exceed s to the his most sauguine expectations. It is for Kenn's the benefit of the entire state to do this and every dollar Judiciously contributed cess will come back increased many fold.

> Alma Record: The Transmississippi Exposition, to be held in Omnha between the 1st day of June and the 1st day of November, 1898, will be the nearest approach to the great World's fair that the people of this country will have an opportunity to see Very few people realize this important, if not somewhat extraordinary, statement. Twenty states and four territories are embraced in what is known to be the transmis sissippi region, including every such of land that lies west of the Mississippi river. This vast territory covers an area upwards of 2,500,000 acres of land and hearly 25,000,000 of people. It is an undeniable fact that the people of this western country possess more "get there" qualities than those of the eastern portion of the United States. What they lack in capital they make up in "push," but the big Omaha show is not going to lack in either of these prime necessities. It must be remembered that the western exhibits at Chicago attracted wider comment than the exhibits of the east, and this being primarily a western exhibit by western peo ple, their efforts will be better directed guided by the experience of their former at-tempt. Nebraskans in particular ought to be especially interested, because the Transmississippi Exposition will attract hundreds of thousands of people to this state, who will spend millions of money. This certain fact has been demonstrated by expositions everywhere and does not require argument at this time.

Hickman Republican: The Transmissippl Exposition, which is to be held at Omaha in 1898, promises to be one of the greatest expositions the United States ever had, at least the largest ever held in the west. Every exposition held in the United States has been a benefit to its surrounding coun try. Millions of dollars will be expended in the erection of buildings. The purchase of products from the farm will give to the producers of the soil an interest in the enterprise, and every citizen of Nebraska should work to the success of the great centennial

Edgar Post: The next really great show will be the Transmississippi Exposition to be held in Omaha from June to November, It will not be confined to exhibits from the transmississippi states, although these of themselves would make a wonderful show, but it will be truly international in character and second only to the great World's fair of 1893.

Neligh Tribune; Omaha will undoubtedly ask the legislature to sealed in making the Transmississippi Exposition a success. The Tribune believes the exposition will be of great benefit to the state as well as to Omaha, and, for this reason, will be glad to see our legislators extend to it every reasonable opening and such recentary sonable encouragement, and such pecuniary aid, not inconsistent with our financial con-dition, as the importance of the enterprise warrants.

Humphrey Democrat: The Transmissisdppi Exposition is a matter of some conention at present as to whether the legis-ature should make an appropriation for Nebraska's exhibit or not, and if so, how much? We believe that this is a matter of state pride and the more liberally dealt with the more it will redound to the credit of our state. We would not countenance extravagance, but we ought to use every follar advantageously that can be spared from the state stocking. The cho the men to expend the appropriation is a much more important matter than the amount of any appropriation made. With much more important matter this administration, however, there is no likelihood of a repetition of the methods used in the Nebraska World's fair exhibit

Superior Daily Journal: And now that the Nebraska legislature is in seasion, one of the things by which that body can best serve the state in restoring confidence and giving an impetus to the state's growth and consequent prosperity, is to pass without any unnecessary delay a bill making a libera appropriation for the holding of a Transmis ssippi and International Exposition at Omaha in 1898. Three hundred thousand



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