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found expression in the Nebraska club and other similar enterprises, and Mr. J. W. Johnson was credited with having done much to give this movement its first real impetus. It is gratifying to note that Mr. Johnson has since been chosen as the field marshal of the Nebraska club. There is no one in this state better fitted for this work than he, and I expect to see the new officer of the Nebraska club stand up for Nebraska in a way that will attract wide attention.

Some republicans in Nebraska are said to regard Senator Allison's presidential aspirations with favor. Allison is a good man. There are many good men whom the republicans of this state would hardly like to support for the nomination for president. The Iowa is enveloped in an atmosphere of frigidity. He has the iciness of disposition that is one of the unfortunate characteristics of Benjamin Harrison. If Allison is large hearted, frank, cordial, generous, the people of the country have been doing him an injustice. The fact that the senator has managed to find his way to the affection of Mr. Rosewater is not conclusive evidence that he ought to be supported by Nebraska republicans or that he ought to be nominated. Allison sits in retirement waiting for the people to come to him. He will not come to the people. He is not Mahomet and the people are not like the mountain. They will not go to him.

Some Nebraska republican papers are opposing the organization of McKinley clubs as impolitic. Some editors assert that the McKinley movement has its origin in the republican state league, and that Mr. Collins, the president of the league, is using his position to advance the interests of McKinley. I notice that most of the papers who object to the club idea are in close proximity to some aspiring politician who wants to go to the national convention for what there is in it. There can be no proper objection to the organization of these clubs. The sentiment of the state, so far as the republicans is concerned, is overwhelmingly for McKinley, and the clubs are designed to crystallize that sentiment. It must be remembered that the McKinley clubs are republican clubs. If McKinley is not nominated the clubs will loyally support the choice of the convention, whoever he may be. So far as Mr. Collins is concerned it has not developed that he has acted improperly. The fact that he is president of the state league ought not to necessarily stop him from exhibiting zeal for McKinley as a republican and a citizen. He has not sought to organize McKinley clubs as president of the league. He is simply one of a committee of arrangements which has no connection with the league. No man who sincerely desires to see McKinley nominated will make objection to the formation of McKinley clubs.

Ex-Senator Manderson is receiving considerable notice as a prospective candidate for president. That gentleman's popularity is evidenced in the many complimentary expressions from various parts of the country following the report that he may be a candidate. Mr. Manderson is a strong man. Like many another prophet he has received a more

flattering tribute from the people of the country, from other states, than from his own home. Jealousies and nearness sometimes prevent a great man from receiving his just due at the hands of his neighbors. Nebraskans hardly appreciate the hold which this man has on the general public. Manderson was one of the foremost men in Washington during his last six years of service in the senate. There, among the leaders of the republican party, he was regarded as himself a leader. And apart from politics he enjoyed a reputation as a man of ability and patriotism, honorable in all his dealings. Manderson never, in all his life, caused a sensation. He never uttered a word of bombast. He never acted the part of a demagogue. He was never anything but dignified and honest and conservative. His reputation did not come to him through notoriety. He is respected. People have confidence in him. It would be a fine thing to have the president of the

United States come from Nebraska. Mr. Manderson is in every way qualified for the office and he would make a good president. But it is not possible under the circumstances that exist in this year of our Lord, 1896, that the republican nominee for president will be taken from this state, and the talk that is now being indulged in is idle. It is possible that, under certain conditions, Mr. Manderson might be selected as the candidate of the republican party for vice-president.

Surely, if it is possible to obtain any honorable recognition for Mr. Manderson at the St. Louis convention the delegates from Nebraska will be glad to secure it. The real friends of the ex-senator will be entirely satisfied to leave his interests in the keeping of a delegation favorable to McKinley for president. Mr. Manderson and Major McKinley are friends and are bound together by similar political ideas. McKinley's friends are to a considerable extent, Manderson's friends. The objection to a Manderson delegation from this state is not that the people of Nebraska do not want to support Manderson. It springs from a distrust of the men who are booming Manderson. It is noticeable that the men who are opposed to McKinley are all running to the Manderson cover, and there is a suspicion that the Manderson movement, without any connivance on the

part of the ex-senator, is being advanced solely for the purpose of defeating instructions for McKinley to the end that the politicians may capture the delegation and barter its vote for offices for themselves. It has doubtless been observed that nearly every man who is urging Manderson is a candidate for a federal office. The question in Nebraska is much the same as in Wisconsin and half a dozen other states. Shall the delegation to the republican national convention be instructed for McKinley, as the choice of three fourths of the republican voters of the state, or shall it go to St. Louis uninstructed or with a straw candidate, for the politicians to use in dishonorable trading for office? Theoretically, no delegation should be instructed. But when the question resolves itself into the proposition, instructions or a disgraceful sale of the state's vote, most proper minded persons will favor instructions. The republicans of Nebraska want McKinley. The delegation representing them should go to St. Louis to carry out their wishes. Mr. Manderson is a keen and honest man, and he must certainly understand the position. I predict that he will, before the Nebraska delegates are selected, emphatically decline to be a candidate.

The News, which by the way, is one of the most able and zealous journalistic champions of McKinley in this state, says: "The fact of the matter is that

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