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EX-CONGRESSMAN POLLARD ACTUALLY OUT OF THE RACE

Notifies His Fugleman in This City That Business Interests Elsewhere Prevents Him From Making the Run.

From Friday's Daily.

According to a card which appeared last evening in the Evening News of this city, ex-Congressman Pollard's official organ, that gentleman declines to enter the race for a nomination for congress from this district, leaving the field open to Wm. H. Hayward, the chairman of the Republican national committee of Nebraska City, and George E. Tobey of Lincoln. The reason assigned for this action of the former congressman is that he considers it a duty, owing to the West India Mahogany company in which he is interested, to return to Hayti and look after the property of that company in the capacity of manager. Mr. Pollard states that he was requested by a resolution adopted by the directors of the company to accept this position, and after considering the matter he has decided to accept.

Politicians generally were surprised at the announcement, as they had been led to believe the ex-congressman wanted the nomination again badly and it was the general opinion that this ambition was what had caused him to invest in the News here and seek to resurrect that paper. The general opinion of those who are familiar with the intricacies of politics is that Mr. Pollard had studied the results in the Third Missouri district, the Foss election in Massachusetts and the Havens election in New York, and that he concluded that he did not care to be the vicarious sacrifice upon the altar of Aldrichism, Cannonism and Taftism. He saw the handwriting on the wall and that the high cost of living, the broken pledges of tariff reform, the failure to prosecute the trusts and the general break-down of Republican policies meant a Democratic house at the fall elections. Mr. Pollard and Wm. H. Hayward who now looks to be without competition for the nomination, have not been the best of friends, and the belief prevails that Pollard prefers to have Hayward taken the big jump rather than himself.

In addition politicians in the state have for some time past been of the understanding that Pollard's candidacy meant that revelations would be made of the interests back of the West India company showing it to be connected with the Joe Cannon influence in congress. Whether this would have been campaign ammunition used by Hayward to defeat Pollard's aspirations, is not certain but in the event he had received the nomination the Democrats would have exploited the matter probably.

Another thing probably with influence in his withdrawal is said to have been the speech which he delivered in congress in favor of ship subsidy. This speech didn't set well with the good people of this district who are some averse to donating their good, hard earned increment to enrich some ship owners in New York and New England and it helped a whole lot toward chasing Ernest out of the capitol in 1908. As this will be one of the issues this fall it

is probable he considered it would not aid him a whole lot in the campaign. The former poet laureate of Nebraska, T. Jefferson O'Day, described this speech of Pollard's as "shaking hands with political death," which is some shake.

Congressman Pollard represented this district for two terms and aside from his intense allegiance to the eastern interests and Joe Cannon, he did about as well as any congressman the district ever had, barring W. J. Bryan. He did more for Plattsmouth than any congressman had done, securing a postoffice building for the city which was much needed. He is personally a delightful gentleman to meet and a man of considerable ability in all respects. He has many warm friends who will hear of his withdrawal with deep regret and he also has a good many political enemies who will dance with glee at his determination to get out of the fight.

Congressman Pollard's withdrawal is generally taken to indicate no serious opposition to W. H. Hayward for the nomination. George E. Tobey of Lincoln, is a candidate, but he is not seriously considered in the fight. His one issue is county option and the congressman has nothing to say on that matter, so he can be said to be without an issue. Tobey has developed near-insurgency at times in his speeches but he has never been inculcated with the real dope and it is not believed that he would prove much more of a thorn in Joe Cannon's side than Senator Burkett has been to Senator Aldrich. Tobey in fact, looks to an outsider like a pocket edition of Burkett—about "alf and alf." Hayward, also at times talked seriously of insuring but never enough to worry the leaders who are behind his candidacy. He is generally believed to be a sugar-coated pill for the First district voters and if they swallow him they will find the dose a bitter one after the coating has worn off. In fact, those who are best acquainted with him pronounce him a real stand-patter at heart and one who can be depended upon to vote with the stand-pats whenever needed. He is of that peculiar genus in politics known as an "insurgent in Nebraska and a regular at Washington."

There is a possibility that there may be another candidate from Lancaster county later—one who will be a real insurgent and who will make Mr. Hayward set up and take notice, but this is not certain. The signs seem wrong for most of the astute leaders of the party in this section and they hear strange sounds from the east which listens like a Democratic victory. Hence they do not seem overly apt to get up on the firing line. They seem to believe as Geo. D. Meiklejohn once said in this city, that the people want them "to stand up and let us see who to shoot at" and their patriotism for Joe Cannonism, ship subsidy, Aldrich-Cannon tariff and the like is not strong enough to tempt them from behind the breastworks in this year of the Lord, 1910.

Sees Former Plattsmouth People.

From Thursday's Daily.

W. E. Rosencrans, mention of whose return from Denver and other western points is made in another place, states that he saw a number of the ex-Plattsmouth boys while in Denver. He met Robt. Maury who had just arrived there and who had not yet become settled. Bob had been west at several different points and expected to remain in Denver at the time Mr. Rosencrans left. He also met Frank Benfer who is employed in an automobile garage in that city and had quite a talk with him. Benfer is looking well and seems to be doing nicely at his new job. Mr. Rosencrans also met several other former citizens of this locality while there. He is expecting to hear from the party of Plattsmouth gentlemen who went south with his son Bruce several days since and who should now be in the sunny part of Texas. He received word the other day that nine inches of rain had fallen on the good land which he has for sale in Texas, during one week. This is undoubtedly the case

as the Journal man can testify. That section has been blessed with good hard rains which have made it blossom like the rose and while the amount—nine inches—seems excessive, it did not fall in torrents but was a steady, soaking rain which did great good. This insures that section of the country plenty of good crops for the coming year at least. Mr. Rosencrans has sold over 600 acres of the land in his hands, in small tracts since he took hold of the proposition. It is located near Fairfurlias, well known as "the winter garden of America."

Robert Newell who was a suffered to a limited degree from an attack of appendicitis, is now well on the road to recovery and yesterday afternoon was able to be out and about in a buggy. Unless some unexpected setback intervenes, he will doubtless soon be quite well again. The many friends of this popular young man will be glad to learn of the happy outcome of the attack and trust that the trouble is now permanently relieved.

THE GOOD WORK HAS COMMENCED

Campaign for Better Streets is Being Partially Realized.

The campaign for good streets in Plattsmouth seems now well on the way to realization. The steady campaign which has been waged through the columns of the Journal and by the commercial club for some decent means of getting about the city, seems now on the verge of realization, and soon the Journal hopes to chronicle the fact that farmers can find their passage into the city over fine, macadamized roads while the city folks who own automobiles, buggies and carriages will have some roads on which to take pleasure rides and spend the delightful summer evenings.

Work has been in progress for several days on Chicago Avenue where County Surveyor Fred Patterson of this county, together with his cousin H. D. Patterson, county surveyor of Sarpy County, and the chairman of the committee on streets, alleys and bridges A. S. Will, have been establishing the grades and putting in stakes for the macadamizing. The work is being pushed along with all possible speed and the grade is now practically complete together with the stakes and soon the work will be commenced.

Chairman Will whose liberal proposition to the city was so gratefully received, is giving the matter his personal attention and supervision and his untiring efforts to give the people of the city good streets and roads will meet with popular approval. His proposition to furnish the big end of the work personally and thus relieve the treasury is a noble and patriotic one, and one which all agreed the city authorities should accept.

The plan is to cover Chicago avenue practically from Vine street to the Louisville road with six inches of crushed and broken rock, this rock to be spread upon a roadway some twenty or thirty feet in width, sufficient to permit the passing of teams without danger to one another. The work will take some time to accomplish as Mr. Will is of the belief that the rock should be gradually put on until a firm foundation is established and it becomes solid. It is not his idea to dump the entire six inches of rock on the roadway and leave it there to settle but to work it in so that the roadway will be a solid one and very substantial. He intends to furnish the teams and wagons for transporting the stone and to attend to the work of laying it. The city is to furnish a few laborers for the work of loading and unloading and placing the stone in place, together with such drain tile as may be necessary. Mr. Will also furnishes the teams for the grading, which may be required.

The far reaching effect of the work which Chairman Will has started in on cannot be appreciated just now but it will be seen in the fall and next spring when the rains set in. This avenue has been one of the hardest places to travel over during the past fall and winter, there being apparently no bottom to it. Later it became so rough as it dried out that travel was all but impossible over it and even now it is in a rough and broken condition making pleasure driving out of question. By next fall it will be in shape, it is hoped, so that farmers from south and west of the city will have no cause for complaint.

It is believed that this is the commencement of work on the streets and avenues which will be permanent in its nature. After the completion of the Chicago avenue project, the work will be turned to Washington avenue and that thoroughfare will be placed in shape for the transfer of freight and for travel by the farmers from west and northwest of the city. It is one of the most important thoroughfares of the city and as such, it should receive prompt care and attention. Later the theory is to extend the work to Lincoln avenue and then to the road over Wintersteen hill, Sixth street, north and south and Main street west. The other streets will also get their share of attention and it is the hope of the authorities that within a very few years Plattsmouth will have streets which will compare favorably with any in the state or in fact, anywhere.

Is Improving.

From Friday's Daily.

Mrs. H. E. Wilson was a passenger this morning for Omaha where she will spend the day. Her son Rex Wilson, is now at Haigler, Neb., where he was compelled to go by falling health. He expects to go later to Denver and other Colorado points for a stay of some time. The young man has written his mother that he is feeling much better already, although he has been in Haigler but a short time and that he is sure of being all right in a very short time, which is cheering news for her and the many good friends of the young man.

MORE TINGLING OF WEDDING BELLS

Eugene Barton of Union and Miss Stella Herpat of Atchison, Kansas, Married.

Union, Neb., April 22—(Special to the Journal.)—Eugene Barton, a son of George P. Barton of this city, was united in marriage at Atchison, Kansas, to Miss Stella Herpat of that city. The young couple arrived in this city last evening for a brief visit with the parents of the groom, before going to Lincoln where they will make their future home. The wedding came as a surprise to the many friends of the groom in this place and vicinity. He is well and favorably known along the line of the Missouri Pacific between this city and Lincoln having been employed for some time past as brakeman on the passenger train between these points and is a very worthy and able young man. He had lived in Union and its vicinity for a number of years past and numbers his friends by the score being a young man whom to know was to like. The bride is a handsome and accomplished young lady of Atchison and has a great many friends in that locality where she has lived for many years. She is a talented and bright young lady of many rare attainments. The many good friends of these excellent young people unite in the best wishes for a long and happy married life.

Departs for the Golden State.

Former County Commissioner J. C. Hays, now a resident of Pasadena, Cal., who has been spending several months in this vicinity attending to business matters and who was in the city yesterday, departed this morning for Omaha from which point he will start for his home. Mr. Hays is an enthusiastic Californian and his opinion of Nebraska weather, especially that of the past week, is not of the highest. Talking with the Journal man, he expressed himself as disgusted with the cold wave which swept over this section several days since and did such widespread damage and he also was considerably worried over the long continued dry spell in this vicinity. Mr. Hays, who farmed in this country for many years, states that he considers the season very unusual. He is also much surprised at the high price of land throughout the middle states and lays it to the great increased supply of gold in the world. To this cause he also attributes the high prices for food products and the increased cost of living, as it is termed. Mr. Hays took occasion to speak highly of the Journal's recent letters from Texas and Oklahoma, as he is especially interested in the latter state, having a son located near El Reno. He was pleased to learn conditions in that section were so good. He carried with him to California the greetings of his many friends to the Nebraskans located there.

Burlington Century Plant.

From Friday's Daily.

The century plant presented to the Burlington road some time ago by C. E. Guthman then of this city but now in Idaho, was taken from its winter quarters yesterday and brought down to its summer resting place in the little park at the foot of Main street. The big plant was stored in the shops during the winter where it is warm and went through the winter in pretty good shape, everything considered. It shows the effect of the warm atmosphere of the shops, however, the leaves being rather pale in color and looking delicate. Owing to the freak weather which is prevailing over this part of the world, it is doubtful if the plant hasn't been brought out of hiding too soon as this morning feels a good deal like another winter was on us. The plant has been owned here for some thirty or more years and is a fine specimen but that is no guarantee that the weather man won't turn his cold wave on it and put it out of business most any old time.

An automobile party of ladies came up yesterday from Murray to spend the afternoon in the city and to look after some business matters. The party consisted of Mesdames Gertrude Wiley, Julius Asch and Hattie Allison. They returned home in the late afternoon.

Ludi Was Left Behind.

The Herald had the pleasure of an unexpected but very welcome call on Wednesday from N. J. Ludi, editor and proprietor of the Wahoo Democrat. It was rather unexpected on Brother Ludi's part as well. He had attended a meeting in Cass county and was en route south on the M. P., alighting at Auburn to eat his dinner. While busily engaged in supplying the inner man he did not keep his eye on the train, which quietly departed, leaving him with several hours to devote to the absorption of the advantages of Auburn. Being a Democrat, the fact of being left did not bother him greatly, as all Democrats are of necessity philosophers.—Auburn Herald.

RATHER AN EXCITING RUNAWAY

Tongue of Wagon Drops and Mules Dash Up Main Street.

People along Main street at noon saw one of the most thrilling and spectacular runaways seen in this city for many years, and also witnessed a fine exhibition of nerve by William Spencer, a young man who was handling the runaways. The team which created all the excitement was a fine team of young mules which were hitched to the wagon. Spencer, who is a comparatively new comer in this city, having recently moved here from Cedar Creek, was engaged in weighing his wagon at the scales at Egenberger's coal yard preparatory to loading on some stuff for delivery, when the tongue of the wagon dropped down and the team suddenly started on a run up Main street. Spencer who was in the wagon, showed the splendid grit of which he is possessor and firmly grasping the lines sought to bring the scared mules to a stop. The team ran the length of Main street from the coal office at Third and Main streets to the Hotel Riley, at the corner of Sixth and Main before they were stopped, the wagon tongue bouncing about from side to side and threatening every moment to overturn the wagon and possibly injure or kill the fearless driver.

However by great, good fortune, this disaster was averted and the team came to a stop at Sixth and Main after several citizens had run to the assistance of Mr. Spencer. It was a wild and exciting race over three blocks and drew large crowds from the stores along the street. The damage done was nominal, the mules suffering several small cuts about the hoofs of the front feet and bleeding a little while the wagon suffered a broken double-tree. Spencer was uninjured, and smilingly unhooked the team from the wagon after they had stopped, seeming to consider his feat as nothing unusual. He states that the team is a fine, young team of mules and have always been gentle and ascribes the trouble to the poor wagon to which they were hitched. He is a young man and has been engaged in draying in the city for some little time, making his home here. He drove the mules to their barn, where he had their hoofs treated and he does not believe anything serious will result from their cuts.

Sentence Suspended.

Judge M. Archer last evening heard the case wherein Jas. Higley Jr., as charged with having tried to lacerate and chew up one Batman. The boy was arraigned and the facts stated to Judge Archer, who eventually find the boy \$5 and costs and suspended the sentence pending good behavior. Judge Archer was loath to impose a jail sentence on the lad on account of his years and a humanitarian desire to keep him out of bad company, hence this action. The boy was given a good lecture and also given to understand that unless he reformed and behaved himself the sentence would be put in operation and he would be compelled to serve it out. It appears that the boy's father and stepmother are in no wise to blame for his misconduct and that both of them have done everything possible to make him behave but with small success. Judge Archer intimated another appearance before him would result in a reference of the case to the county court and a probable sentence to the state reformatory.

Hi. Gruber of Murray was in the city last evening being registered at the Perkins hotel.