

The Webster County Argus.—E. U. Overman, who announces himself in this issue as a candidate for the nomination as district judge at the hands of the republicans at the primary election to be held September 3d, was born in Hancock county, Illinois, in 1862. He attended Hedding college, at Abingdon, earning, by hard labor, the means to secure his education. He began the practice of law at Oquawka, and was soon elected county attorney in Henderson county, in which capacity he served the state of Illinois for six years. He removed to Webster county in 1898, and was elected county attorney in 1900, and re-elected by an increased majority in 1902. Mr. Overman is a gentleman of commanding presence, popular manners, winning address, and he stands in front rank in his profession here. He will doubtless receive the undivided support of the republicans of this county for the nomination, and would assuredly command a large independent vote at the election.

Commercial Advertiser, Red Cloud, Webster county.—In another place in today's Commercial Advertiser we have the pleasure of publishing the announcement card of Elmer U. Overman of this city, who therein announces himself to the public as a candidate for judge of the district court for the Tenth judicial district, comprising Adams, Webster, Franklin, Harlan, Phelps and Kearney counties. He has practiced law for more than seventeen years, and his practice, while extensive in this locality, has also been extensive in and out of the state. He has been very successful in his business career. He has also filled the office of county attorney in this state and in Illinois, and is, in every way eminently qualified to hold the important position. He has not been mixed up with railroads and corporations, and upon the whole, is a clean, able lawyer, such a one as is needed upon the bench, a man who will be fair and impartial in his rulings, if nominated and elected. We believe the people want that kind of a man, and in Mr. Overman they would find that kind. We hope to see him nominated and elected.

The Red Cloud Chief, Webster county.—The Chief is pleased to announce in this issue to the voters of the Tenth judicial district of Nebraska that E. U. Overman of Red Cloud will be a candidate for district judge. The Chief can heartily commend Mr. Overman to the voters of the district for their favorable action at the primaries in September, knowing as we do his worthiness and qualifications. For seventeen years he has been an able and honorable practitioner enjoying the full confidence of his clients and an extensive practice such as few lawyers enjoy in this part of the state. Never depending for success on what is called by lawyers, "sharp practice," but being well learned and possessing a fine legal mind, he has demonstrated that he possesses the analytical and judicial mind required by a man to fit him for the high position of district judge. His splendid record as county attorney of this county for two terms, during which time he successfully conducted some of the most important civil and criminal cases the county has ever had, brought the people of this county to regard him as a lawyer of great skill and ability. He stands in this county above suspicion as a gentleman of highest character. He is absolutely free from corporation influence. No man or set of men or corporation of any kind on earth has any strings on him.

The Red Cloud Nation, Webster county (fusion).—Attorney E. U. Overman of this city is a candidate for the nomination for district judge before the republican voters in September. It is Webster county's turn at the bench, and the Nation would be pleased to see a Webster county man get the office, even though he be a republican. Mr. Overman made Webster county a good county attorney for four years, and, no doubt, would fill the office of district judge of this Tenth judicial district with credit to himself and the district. If the Nation were a republican it would be pleased to support him. The only fault we can find with him is his political views. The republicans can do no better than nominate him.

The Guide Rock Signal, Webster county (ind.).—E. U. Overman, a talented Webster county attorney, aspires to the office of judge of the Tenth judicial district. He announces his candidacy elsewhere in this paper. He is the first aspiring candidate of either party to recognize the Signal as a profitable advertising medium.

The Bladen Enterprise, Webster county (ind.).—We publish this week the announcement of E. U. Overman for district judge at the coming primaries in September. Mr. Overman has been in the law profession for a good many years and will, no doubt, give entire satisfaction as judge should he be elected.

The Blue Hill Leader, Webster county (ind.).—E. U. Overman of Red Cloud announces his candidacy for the nomination to the office of judge of this judicial district on the republican ticket in this issue. Mr. Overman was here last week and also in Franklin county looking over the political field preparatory to making his announcement for the nomination to that office, and he believes his chances for securing the nomination are very good. Mr. Overman has practiced at the bar for sixteen years, spending ten years of that time in Red Cloud, and is accounted a first class lawyer.

The Wilcox Banner, Franklin county.—Mr. E. U. Overman of Red Cloud, Nebraska, was here Wednesday meeting the people of Wilcox. Mr. Overman is the republican candidate for the nomination of district judge at the coming primary and his formal announcement will appear in the next issue of our paper. Mr. Overman has practiced ten years in Webster county, serving four years as county attorney, and has gained some little distinction as a criminal lawyer. He practiced law seven years in Illinois before coming here, so has had the experience necessary to make him judicial timber. He is a man of good appearance and made a very favorable impression on those he met while here.

The Alma Record, Harlan county.—E. U. Overman, the popular candidate for judge of the Tenth district on the republican ticket, was in Alma from Red Cloud Friday visiting relatives.



ELMER U. OVERMAN

Red Cloud, Webster County, Nebraska

Candidate for District Judge Tenth Judicial District

Comprising the Counties of Webster,
Franklin, Harlan, Adams,
Kearney, Phelps.

Primaries September 3d, 1907.

What the Press of the Tenth Judicial District say of E. U. Overman as a Candidate for District Judge.

The Red Cloud Chief, Webster county.—Elsewhere in this issue Mr. John M. Chaffin has an article setting forth the qualifications requisite for a district judge. We can heartily recommend the article to our readers, believing as we do that Webster county's candidate, Mr. E. U. Overman, fulfils the requirements as set forth in Mr. Chaffin's article, and a few others he does not mention, among them a keen perception of the points in a case at law and the brain to give an accurate summary of the case.

Campbell Citizen, Franklin county (ind.).—Elsewhere we publish this week the announcement of E. U. Overman of Red Cloud as a candidate for district judge on the republican ticket. Mr. Overman is one of the older members of the Webster county bar, is a man of exceptionally clean personal habits, a good lawyer, a republican, and does not ride on a Burlington pass. This makes him a strong candidate in all sections of the district.

The Hildreth Telescope, Franklin county.—E. U. Overman of Red Cloud, Webster county, was in town yesterday in the interests of his candidacy for the republican nomination for judge of the Tenth judicial district, and his announcement may be found elsewhere in this issue. Mr. Overman is a very pleasant gentleman, an able lawyer, having practiced in this district for the past seventeen years. That he is popular at home is attested by the fact that he was elected and re-elected county attorney of Webster county on the republican ticket in the palmy days of the populist party when their majority was anywhere from three hundred to five hundred. Mr. Overman has many friends in Franklin county who would be pleased to see him land the prize if our own candidate, Mr. W. C. Dorsey, who is certainly entitled to our first consideration, is unable to do so.

The Upland Eagle, Franklin county.—The Eagle office received a call the other day from Mr. E. U. Overman of Red Cloud. This gentleman needs no introduction to the people of this part of Nebraska. He came to Upland to announce himself as a candidate for the office of district judge, and with his many years of active and successful legal practice he would be well fitted for that place. He has been at Red Cloud for the past ten years, and before that had a large practice for seven years in Illinois. He has been county attorney for two terms, and made a state reputation by prosecuting the celebrated Barker case.

Franklin County Tribune.—E. U. Overman of Red Cloud was in the city last week for a short time. He seems to be a very capable man and one who could well carry the dignity of the office to which he aspires, that of district judge. Mr. Overman has lived in Red Cloud for a good many years, and has a goodly number of friends in Franklin county. Should he succeed over his competitors at the primaries, the opposing candidate will have difficulty in overcoming Mr. Overman's popularity.

The Independent Herald, Bertrand, Phelps county.—Mr. E. U. Overman of Red Cloud, whose announcement appears this week, is a stranger in this part of the district, but he comes with highest recommendations from the people and newspapers of his home town and county. He has practiced law for seventeen years and built up a successful practice. He was prosecuting attorney of Webster county for four years. He stands high morally and in personal worth, and the claim is made for him that he is entirely free from corporation taint or influence. Mr. Overman was in Bertrand Wednesday and favorably impressed those who met him as a worthy aspirant for district judge.

Campbell Citizen, Franklin County.—E. U. Overman of Red Cloud was here Friday looking after his candidacy for district judge, and incidentally making for himself both friends and votes. Mr. Overman has resided in Red Cloud many years—so many, in fact, that the best and the worst of him cannot fail to be an open page to his neighbors, from whom, it is known, nothing of moment can be long hidden. At home, Mr. Overman's following is unanimous, loyal, and enthusiastic, and these facts speak in his favor more eloquently than any other argument that could be brought to bear. This local popularity is well illustrated by a glance at the official abstract of the vote of Webster county for the years 1900 and 1902, on both of which occasions he was a candidate for the office of county attorney. In 1900 he was the only republican carrying the county, which he did by 170 votes plurality, the balance of the ticket being defeated 33 to 148. In 1902 Mr. Overman again topped the ticket, his plurality being 297, while the balance of his running mates averaged barely 150. This is a showing of which any man has a license to feel proud, and one which should have a good bit of influence in the present race—especially in localities where the merits of the several candidates are judged largely by hearsay evidence. One thing is certain: no republican candidate for judicial honors this fall has Mr. Overman surpassed in the undivided loyalty of his home following.

The Franklin Sentinel, Franklin county.—E. U. Overman, an attorney from Red Cloud, was in the city Friday for the purpose of inserting his card in the Sentinel as a candidate for district judge and further to personally canvass our voters in his behalf. Mr. Overman has practiced law for seventeen years, has filled the office of county attorney in Illinois and also in his own, Webster, county, this state. He impressed us as a gentleman of high character. Franklin county, however, has a candidate of her own in the person of W. C. Dorsey, who, we think, will command the major strength of the party here, though we doubt not it would go loyally to our Webster county brother were he the sole valley aspirant.

The Rogan Journal, Harlan county.—E. U. Overman of Red Cloud was in this city Wednesday visiting old friends. Mr. Overman is running for the office of district judge in this, the Tenth district, and, regardless of politics, we think he would be a good man for the office, owing to the fact that he is a strictly moral man and free from corporation influence, and his record in past and present life speaks for itself, he having graduated from Hedding college and practiced seven years in Illinois; practiced last ten years in Nebraska; county attorney of Webster county four years, during which time he prosecuted the famous Barker murder case.

The Stamford Post, Harlan county.—On another page is the announcement of Hon. E. U. Overman of Red Cloud, a candidate for the republican nomination for district judge to succeed Judge Adams, who is not a candidate for re-election. Mr. Overman has practiced law for seventeen years, and by hard work has won the distinction of being one of the leading members of the bar in southern Nebraska. The only office he ever held was that of county attorney, in which capacity he served Webster county for four years. The first time he was a candidate for this office he was elected by a majority of two hundred, in spite of the fact that Webster county was at that time a fusion county. Two years later he was re-elected by a greatly increased majority. He is now the unanimous choice of the people of that county for district judge. Mr. Overman is a well educated man, broad minded, ripe in experience, and it requires only a brief acquaintance to convince one that he possesses the integrity and backbone indispensable to a jurist. His private life is clean and his morals above reproach. The Post believes the people of the district will never have just cause for complaint if he is chosen for judge.

The Harlan County Ranger.—E. U. Overman, a Red Cloud attorney, who has announced himself as a candidate at the primaries for the republican nomination for the office of district judge, was in Republican City last Friday. Mr. Overman has practiced law for more than seventeen years, is regarded as an able and honorable practitioner and enjoys an extensive practice. He was county attorney of Webster county for two terms. In speaking of Mr. Overman the Red Cloud Chief says: "His splendid record as county attorney of this county for two years, during which time he successfully conducted some of the most important civil and criminal cases the county has ever had, brought the people of this county to regard him as a lawyer of great skill and ability."

The Alma Record, Harlan county.—The judicial campaign in the Tenth district is feeling the effect of the calorific in the atmosphere and republican candidates for Judge Adams' judicial shoes are getting busy and warm under the legal collar and champ at the political bit. Another aspirant for judicial preferment in the saddle at the post, groomed to the last touch of legal finish, is E. U. Overman, a leading light at the bar of the Tenth district. Mr. Overman has served two terms as prosecuting attorney of Webster county, and is favorably recognized as an anti-corporation lawyer. The Red Cloud entry for the judicial quarter stretch is well mounted with legal acumen, an impartial judicial mind and is an able jurist. The Webster county attorney has deposited his entry fee for the primary handicap on the Tenth judicial race course to make the dash on the third of September for the judicial purse—the republican nomination for judge of the Tenth judicial district to succeed Judge E. L. Adams, who is ruled out and scratched. The ante-primary betting in the Record pool room is even money on Hague, Dorsey and Overman for the nomination. Mr. Overman invested in a judicial tip and deposited five dollars with the Record bookmaker. The Red Cloud jurist's card appears at the head of the editorial column.