

After the Battle of the Corporation Candidate

BEFORE THE BATTLE. The Reckless Wreckers Run Riot and Jubilate Over the Defection of Rosewater and The Bee.

Freemont Tribune: And Majors will be elected.

Chadron Journal: Will The Bee get into line or will it make Majors' election doubly certain by continuing its support?

Sioux City Evening Times: After all, what matters it for the republican ticket in Nebraska, one vote more or less in Omaha.

Newport Republican: The influence of The Bee against Majors' election is an advantage over his competitors for gubernatorial honors which is decidedly unfair.

Bloomington Journal: The Hon. Thomas Majors, acting governor of Nebraska, still stays by the boys, "Thomas" is still working with the boys and don't you think "Rosie," the dwarfed editor of The Bee, can hurt him.

Exchange: St. Joe shirt manufacturing company telegraphed to Omaha as soon as Tom Majors was nominated for governor to get a sample of the kind of shirt he wore, in order to manufacture a lot for the Nebraska trade.

Bloomington Echo: It was undoubtedly the greatest state convention ever held in Nebraska, and the ticket placed before the people will receive the united support of almost every republican in the state except the hoodlum editor of The Bee.

Friend Telegraph: Mr. Rosewater asks for suggestions as to the best method of defeating Tom Majors, and we hasten to reply: If Mr. Rosewater would turn in and support him it would mean better doing the business than anything that could be done.

Pierce Call: Tom Majors is the strongest man in the state politically and will be elected by 20,000 plurality. Rosewater has hoisted "True republicans should say Amen! Let him be elected." The vindictive, would-be dictator and reprobate should have left the party four years ago.

Plattsmouth News: Had The Bee begun its anti-Majors campaign a month ago it might have accomplished something. At this time, however, the Majors boom has passed the critical period and his star is clearly in the ascendant. Majors will be the next governor of Nebraska.

Tecumseh Chief: Tom Majors' election to the gubernatorial chair is already practically assured. The almost unanimous endorsement of the republican party, the Rosewater defection, leaves no doubt as to the final result. From now on till November the majority will just grow a little from day to day.

Ord Quiz: The Bee fought Tom Majors election two years ago and Majors was elected by the largest vote on the ticket. The Bee is now fighting against him and will fight him if nominated. Majors will therefore be elected again. Republicans have no fear for anything this fall—not even for beatings.

Red Cloud Chief: E. Rosewater of The Omaha Bee, immediately after the nomination of Tom Majors for governor by the republican state convention, sent in his resignation as national committee man. He is John S. Thurston was appointed to fill the vacancy. Rosewater has made the mistake of his life. He should have kept still if he did not like Majors.

York Times: In resigning from the republican central committee Mr. Rosewater did not resign in consequence of the fact that he will be the same politically that he has been. He was only clearing the decks for action and the republican party will keep a steady fire on Tom Majors until they elect him. This is a republican year and the Times believes Mr. Majors will be the next governor in spite of the opposition of The Omaha Bee.

Syracuse Journal: Next to the nomination of Majors the resignation of Rosewater as national committee man is the most important event of the convention. The delight of the convention was unbounded, and Rosewater was regarded and effectually buried so far as the republican party in Nebraska is concerned. Peace to his ashes.

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Madison Reporter: Rosewater strictly in it.

Albion News: "I did it, with my little hatchet."—Edward Rosewater.

South Auburn Herald: Rosewater made a great fight against corporate domination.

Plainview News: Rosewater and his wasp are still doing business at the old stand.

Pierce Leader: Rosewater of The Bee is undoubtedly the happiest man in the state, as everything went his way.

Freemont Tribune: The democrats didn't elect Holcomb; it was the disgruntled republicans who made him governor.

Hodge Progress: Wonder how the republicans who have been saying Rosewater didn't have any influence feel now.

Ord Quiz: The Bee will claim the victory and there is no doubt but that it was the feather that broke the camel's back.

Valley Enterprise: When a republican landside fails to elect a governor there is something wrong. The votes tell the tale.

Loup City Times: We are informed prior to election that Majors would run ahead of "his ticket." He evidently had no ticket.

Plattsmouth Journal: Mr. Rosewater has shown his party that he is a necessity to its success and that it cannot elect yellow dogs against his protest.

Pender Times: Tom Majors told the people of Pender that he intended to get 20,000 plurality. Tom was talking through his hat. Let's see, Rosewater is a little less, is he?

Father Post: Will the republicans now claim that they prefer The Bee to be against them? The pops are pretty generally satisfied that The Bee pulled Holcomb through.

McCook Tribune: It is but fair to Edward Rosewater of The Omaha Bee to state that certain politicians will hereafter entertain a higher respect for his pen and paper, if not for his personality.

Father Journal: The justification of the hour is marred by the defeat of Tom Majors. The feeling is shared by many democrats. This is not a victory for populism so much as for Rosewater.

Lincoln News: The returns indicate that any candidate who goes into a campaign in Nebraska doubly handicapped by the opposition of The Bee and the support of the Journal cannot expect to win triumphantly.

Larned (Kan.) Optic: The result in Nebraska is a vindication for Rosewater of The Omaha Bee, and is not regarded as a demopop victory, as the legislature is republican and will select a republican United States senator.

Sterling Sun: "Democrats have no cause to, and but few feet do rejoice over the election of a pop governor in Nebraska. It is no credit nor gain to their own party. Rosewater and his republican followers must bear the blame for Holcomb's election."

Neligh Leader: Holcomb's election was made possible only by republicans refusing to endorse Majors.

Republicans lay the defeat of Majors to the support given him by Tom Castor and the democratic office holders.

Tecumseh Chief: The defeat of Majors for governor does not indicate by any means that Nebraska is anything else but a republican state. Majors' defeat was the result of the party's own fault and does not indicate any increased strength of the populist party.

Crawford Gazette: The agony is over, and yet is only just about to commence. Latest reports indicate that the soup is thickening around Tom Majors. For shame, Nebraskans! Would you permit one little man, among thousands (E. R. of the B.), to dictate to you against the promptings of your own conscience, whom you shall elect and whom you shall defeat? You have done it. And now the state will be ruled by a populist governor, by a man who may be "clean and honest," but who is, nevertheless, standing on a platform built by anarchists. You have done it, and now you must grin and bear the punishment.

Aurora Sun: Holcomb is elected, and the state has saved itself the disgrace of electing to office that subservient tool of the corporations and political trickster, Tom Majors. There was not money and transportation enough in the state to seat him in the governor's chair.

Wahoo Era: Despite the combined influence of corporation hoodlums and office holders, Judge Silas A. Holcomb was elected governor of Nebraska. In this we rejoice. We are glad that he will spare no pains to unlearn rascality and head of devilment whenever possible. Hurrah for Holcomb.

Silver Creek Times: In view of the great republican victories in Nebraska and throughout the country, taken in connection with the defeat of Majors, the Times feels piously inclined and disposed to sing "Praise God from whom all blessings flow," as being the only thing that properly fits the situation.

Lincoln News: Briefly stated, the reason why Tom Majors was defeated was because, from the very inception of the campaign his candidacy and his record had to be weighed with either Lorenza Crouse, Jack MacColl or A. E. Cady the entire ticket would have been elected by 15,000 to 25,000 plurality.

Minden Courier: We hope to hear no more of the silly nonsense about The Bee having no influence and that the opposition of The Bee was equivalent to an election. Rosewater has fought the republican party and its many annexes almost entirely alone and won. He has defeated a political shyster and elected an honorable man to office. For this he is reviled.

Nebraska City News: The defeat of Tom Majors—if he is defeated—is a personal victory for Edward Rosewater and over which he cannot expect to win triumphantly.

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and untrammelled voters of all parties, who had achieved a victory over the corporations of the state. He defended Rosewater in a manner which elicited repeated applause, he stated that the smoke of battle had cleared away and proposed that his guests now smoke the pipe of peace. And all smothered and intimidated voters, but despite their desperate and reprehensible methods they are crushed beneath an avalanche of ballots and the chariot wheels of honest public sentiment.

Silver Creek Times: Majors said the charges against him were tried when he ran for lieutenant governor and in a plurality of 2,000, and again when he got a plurality of 18,000, and that they were then again on trial. How does he like the verdict? It looks as though the court had reversed itself. But not so. In the first instance he was tried by the politicians; this time the rank and file of the party got in their work.

Lincoln News: The defeat of Tom Majors for governor will not hurt the republican party at all; as a matter of fact it will make it stronger and better, more compact than ever. It demonstrates that the republican party is capable of purging itself of all corrupting influences and of all unworthy men who seek through it to secure positions of trust and honor for which their previous associations and acts do not commend them. The probabilities now are that the leading man on the republican state ticket will have from 15,000 to 20,000 plurality, while Majors will run behind him from 20,000 to 25,000 votes. This indicates more clearly how thoroughly capable the republican party is of redressing wrongs committed upon it, wrongs of the magnitude that have been committed in this state, when the railroads ravished the party and foisted upon it a man who was not the party's choice, and who has been repudiated at the polls. It was the rank and file of the party that did it. Scarcely one of the many old-time enemies of Majors among the leaders and those who laid aside his personal animosity and took account of the interests of the state cannot lay the blame on a treacherous among them. The lesson is so plain that we do not think the next state convention will permit itself to be captured by a gang of pass-givers and office-seekers. The republican party has control of every department of the state government excepting the executive, and if it now redeems the pledges upon which it was returned to power in the state it can make its position secure for all time. There was never a better and more wholesome code of principles enunciated than those contained in the republican platform, and a liberal living up to them will insure the continued success of the party.

The Lesson of Nebraska.
Cedar Rapids (Ia.) Gazette.
Whether or not Tom Majors is seated as governor of Nebraska, the fact remains that it was the rank and file of the election. The verdict of the people of this state is against him, which is of more importance than the verdict of holding office. The people, not the men in office, are the government. If the people are true to their own interests, the republic will secure the state as minor republics will afford it a sure foundation. Tom Majors has not been one of the exponents of corruption influence in politics. Had he not been supported by corporation democrats his defeat would have been so emphatic that a contest would not have been necessary. In Iowa, the republican leaders in both parties in Nebraska who would sell the state and barter popular rule to the railroads for personal gain. They compose a class as dangerous to America as armed insurrectionists, and it is a misfortune that any newspaper can be so blinded by partisanship as to support such candidates. The fight against Rosewater, the editor of The Omaha Bee against Majors and the faction he represents is one of the most remarkable of our own times. The republican party of western Iowa were against him. He had little aid from the profession in his own state. But the gallant work he has done proves him to be a man in whom patriotism and ability are abundantly present. Had he defeated Majors in an ordinary year, the glory would have been great, but to turn back the republican valanche, to command it to stand still on the boundary lines of Dakota, Kansas, Colorado and Iowa, while he destroys Majors, is certainly remarkable. Rosewater deserves the praise of all patriotic Americans, and especially does he deserve the thanks of Nebraskans, in whose behalf he made his unparalleled campaign.

Down in the Mouth.
Blair Pilot.
The gang had their laugh yesterday. Tom Majors was elected and the rings all over Nebraska are laughing. If you don't believe it look at their faces in this county today.

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