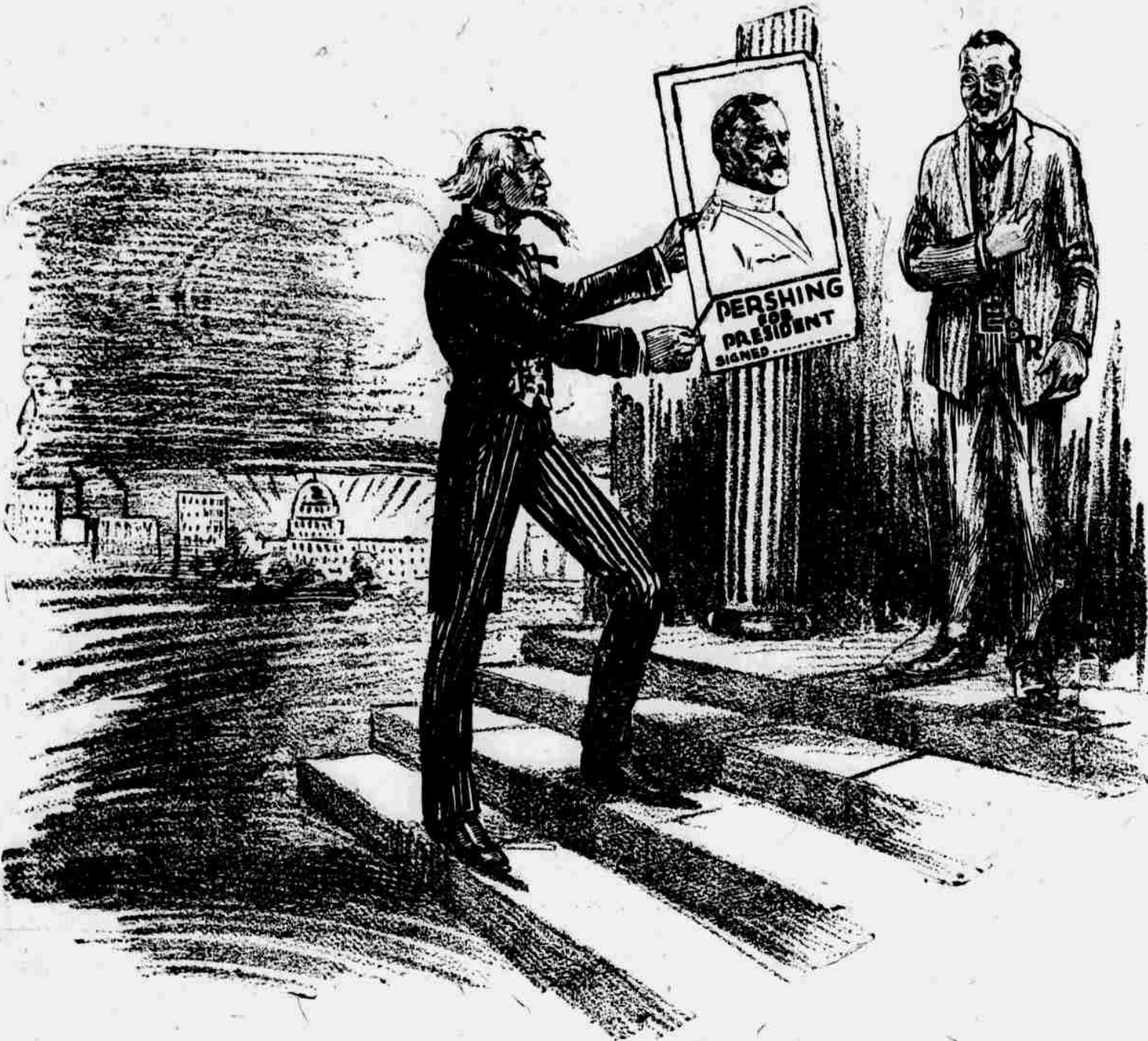


THE NATION WAITS for Nebraska's O. K.



OF ALL the many presidential candidates in the field, John J. Pershing of Nebraska is the only one who has refused the nomination from politicians—who has declined to boom himself as a candidate—who has left his hope and aspirations in the hands of his fellow citizens of this state.

Today, in spite of this, Pershing looms in the eye of every astute political observer as the nominee of the national convention in Chicago.

Only one thing is need—Nebraska's "O. K." How much it is wanted, and how thoroughly the nation will endorse it, may be judged from these few clippings selected from thousands of similar tenor, and republished here in order that Nebraska may realize the national importance of its action at the primaries April 20th.

BOTH PARTIES FOR HIM

Washington (D. C.) Post.
General John J. Pershing could not by any means be classed as a partisan, and yet there are thousands of voters in both the Republican and Democratic parties eager to support him for President. This is because they believe him safe and sane, and they argue that in command of the American army he proved his ability to satisfactorily perform the duties of chief executive.

There is not a single candidate for the Presidency in either party who would not, if he had the record and the claim to be recognized which Pershing has, be shouting his own name from every housetop in the country.

FORGING TO FRONT

New York (N. Y.) City Telegram.
In the Republican field the impression is gaining ground that Pershing is steadily forging to the front. The boom for Pershing has gained much favor in Washington during the last week, since it was ascertained that he will accept the presidential nomination if it is tendered him by the Republicans.

FEARED BY RIVALS

Columbus (Ohio) Dispatch.
Despite the fact that General Pershing says he is not a candidate for President, there are a number of political critics who act for all the world as if they were afraid he would get into the contest. They would destroy him in advance. They are not taken seriously, it is

true, by thinking people, but it is disgraceful just the same that anyone should offer criticism of the general at this time. For if ever we had a commander who seemed to attend to his own business in a businesslike way, he is the one.

PERSHING TO ACCEPT IF G. O. P. CALLS

Philadelphia (Pa.) Public Ledger.

John J. Pershing is ready to be drafted into the presidency if the people conscript him. The commander-in-chief of the American Expeditionary Forces and General of the United States army is neither an aspiring nor avowed candidate, but if vox populi talks loud enough General Pershing will respond to its call. He does not feel that any American has a right to refuse to answer such a summons once it is sounded in sincere and authentic accents. That precisely represents General Pershing's state of mind toward suggestions that he abandon soldiering for statesmanship.

Nowhere has the general been more vociferously received than when he was mingling with soldiers whom two years ago he was molding into battle winners in France. At one meeting in the Middle West where 10,000 American Expeditionary Force fellows were assembled, General Pershing was cheered for eleven solid minutes before he could begin a speech. The general's receptions are said to dissipate the theory that the country will not hear of a military candidate.

LOGICAL MAN FOR PLACE

Billings (Mont.) Gazette.
Pershing is certainly the logical man for Republicans to rally around as a presidential candidate. Too many states have favorite sons to allow any one of them to be elected, for each state will stay by its candidate as long as the others do and it is going to take a national figure to consolidate the party. Pershing is surely that.

WILL BE NOMINEE

Lyons (Colorado) Recorder.
Jack Pershing, like Abraham Lincoln, was not born with a gold spoon in his mouth, nor was he handed out the good things of life on a silver platter. At the age of 14, with the inborn desire to gain knowledge, he took a contract to make quite a quantity of fence rails near the little Missouri town where he was born, chopped down the trees, trimmed the branches and made his fifty rails a day. When not making rails, he worked as a section hand on the old Hannibal-St. Joseph Railroad, earning \$1.00 a day and boarding himself. General J. Pershing will be the Republican nominee for President at the National Convention next June in Chicago, if Republicans really mean to elect a President this fall.

Our nation needs and wants a leader that will again bring us peace, prosperity and happiness. General Pershing did more to this end than any man in the world war, and we believe he is the man most able to complete the job now in our own nation. It is our belief that General

Pershing would get as many Democrat votes as Republican.

SOLDIERS WITH HIM

Washington (D. C.) Times.
The Pershing boom throughout the country is expected to remain more or less stationary until after the test of his fitness in Nebraska. If he wins by anything near the majority that is expected, he will at once become a formidable candidate. Strength is being lent to the Pershing movement by the Nebraska Soldiers Club which has opened headquarters in Omaha. Most of the members were privates or non-commissioned officers.

That Labor will not be adverse to Pershing was indicated by his reception on his western trip.

MAN OF ALL STATES

Burley (Idaho) Bulletin.
Nebraska nominates General John J. Pershing as the next Republican candidate for President of the United States. When a man becomes as big as General Pershing has become in public opinion, and affection, he becomes a man of all the States and all the world. We know him well enough to appreciate his greatness and esteem him enough to rejoice in the world wide recognition of his greatness.

POLITICIANS WORRIED

Los Angeles (Cal.) Examiner.
Politicians have concluded that General Pershing's candidacy for the Republican nomination for President must be taken most seriously.

NEEDED IN WHITE HOUSE

Denver (Colorado) Post.
Last Saturday, in presenting a gold sword to General Pershing in Kansas City, Burris Jenkins, editor of the Kansas City Post, aptly said that if one party did not nominate General Pershing for the Presidency this summer, the other party would. Unmistakably and thoroughly, the Denver Post endorses this statement. General John J. Pershing is the man with the brains and the determination to bring victory to American Arms and we need brains and determination, law and order, in the White House.

NOT A STAGE ACTOR

Dallas (Tex.) Journal.
It may be that General Pershing cherishes no political aspirations. But to those who are versed in political history and who can claim some success in tracing the trend of public opinion to logical and unmistakable ends Pershing has stood out since his return from France as a presidential possibility. The popularity of Pershing is as unmistakable as it is moribund. An acquiescent nod of the head from Pershing would be equivalent to sticking a pin in Wood's inflated bubble.

The people demand the highest moral courage in their President—courage to brave the anger of the classes, to defy the predatory influence in protection of the masses, to shake his fist in the face of political bosses. They want no stage actor, but sincere and brave who will stand for the right in the face of everything.

A GREAT ORGANIZER

Greencastle (Pa.) Kauffman Progressive News.
The fact of being an independent Republican does not interfere with an honest expression from us as to General Pershing's ability and chance of securing the Republican nomination for President of the United States. The first noticeable, strong and predominating point or feature in his career is his ability to organize, a very necessary qualification to be President of the United States. Pershing has also a knowledge of character, which enables him to select the right man for the right place. He knows who will fill the bill and who will not, and for that reason commands the best talent for the place, which is essential to success.

PRaise FROM OTHER SIDE

Memphis (Tenn.) Appeal.
If General Pershing were a Democrat he would make a mighty fine Democratic candidate for President, regardless of the fact that he is a "professional soldier." Because a man is a soldier he should not be discriminated against; neither does a man's being a professional soldier unfit him for high civil position if he has capacity for the job. All things considered, we would rather risk a professional soldier in a position of great responsibility than a professional politician.

A MAN OF DESTINY

Washington (D. C.) Post.
In Nebraska a movement has been started for the purpose of

making General Pershing presidential nominee of that party in Chicago. It has since spread to the other states. In Denver, on the Pacific coast, in the southwest and in the south General Pershing has been acclaimed by enthusiastic audiences as the "next President of the United States."

The signs are that his name will be presented to the Chicago Convention. Many candidates there will have greater initial strength than will Pershing, but his availability is recognized even by those who are not supporting him, while there is one factor always to be considered, and that is this—the whole career of John J. Pershing shows very plainly that he is what history calls a "man of destiny." Some of the shrewdest politicians in the country believe that this same destiny will make him President.

STRONGEST CANDIDATE.

Plainville (Ill.) News.
It is our opinion that no stronger candidate for the presidency could be found in either party than General Pershing. His services to our nation have proven him a man of deepest interest in our government and one who has earned the great honor of such a position. Our nation owes him this and a great amount more, and we believe that if he aspires to the office he will receive the largest support from all parties of any man in our country today. Political differences are of little consideration now.

BIG GRASP OF AFFAIRS

Kendall (Wis.) Keystone.
The Pershing boom seems to be growing stronger. Most people regard his availability from a military standpoint. That is the source of his popularity. He is a great general. But that is not the whole measure of his fitness for the office of president.

He is one of the best educated and best informed men in America today on international questions. And his knowledge is on straight and not out on the bias. He knows the Mexican situation thoroughly and understands our relations with political questions. He is a Republican.

NOT A "KNOCKER"

Oklahoma City (Okla.) Oklahoman.

Oklahomans admire General Pershing not only because of his military genius, as demonstrated in his record overseas, but also for his qualities of heart and soul which stamp him as a man of character. He has done his duty, always, without thought of self, impelled only by the consideration of what is best for his country.

One characteristic, in particular, which endears General Pershing to Oklahomans is his generosity of spirit. Although firm in his own beliefs, he is tolerant of the opinions of others. He is remarkably free from tendencies toward jealousy and petty fault finding, in striking contrast to some others who served during the war.

The Nation wants Pershing. It wants him because he is the one candidate who is a business man, but not a rich man; a diplomat, but not an internationalist; a statesman, but not a dreamer; a fighter, but not a militarist; a leader, but not a politician. It wants him BECAUSE HE IS PERSHING.

But the Nation can do nothing until Nebraska acts. YOU—AND YOU ALONE—can place the name of Nebraska's biggest citizen in the presidential lists.

It is a great trust—the greatest which was ever placed in the hands of a state citizenry. IT IS A TRUST THAT NEBRASKA MUST NOT—THAT NEBRASKA CANNOT—BETRAY.

THE NATION WILL BE LISTENING APRIL 20 FOR YOUR ANSWER—WAITING TO LEARN WHETHER PERSHING'S OWN STATE IS FOR HIM OR AGAINST HIM. DO YOUR PART. GO TO THE POLLS ON PRIMARY DAY AND HELP PILE UP THE BIGGEST MAJORITY ON RECORD FOR—

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