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## POINTS IN POLITIGS.

The meeting of the executive committee of the state republican league, held in this city Friday night of last week, was of unexpected significance in that the committee had the courage to rebuke E. Rosewater by declining to accede to his request to be sent to Cleveland as a delegate to the national convention. Mr. Rosewater has viewed with alarm the increasing dimensions of the McKinley boom, and realizing the importance of having a "pull" with the next president of the United States he was desirous of going to Cleveland as a representative of the republican party of Nebraska. Mr. Rosewater, as is well known, is on good terms with Harrison. He was sent to Europe as a representative of this government during Harrison's administration, and he also succeeded in moving the headquarters of the department of the Platte into the Bee building while Harrison was president, receiving therefor a large rent. Rosewater will have much to ask of the next republican president and he is anxious to get in on the ground floor with the man who will prove to be the successful candidate. With Harrison he is all right; by going to Ohio and hobnobbing with the great apostle of protection, he would, so he thought, be able to secure that gentleman's distinguished and favorable consideration.

So that Mr. Rosewater's request that he be named as a delegate meant a good deal to the ambitious editor. The action of the committee in administering to the would be dictator the rebuke the party should have given him years ago was a great disappointment to him, and it is significant as establishing a precedent for the republican state convention of this year and next. The sentiment of the party for five years at least has been almost unanimous in favor of a discontinuance of that policy of conciliation that has been followed for the last decade. It has even called for a severance of all ties with this man who has become notorious through his efforts to bring about republican defeat in Nebraska. But the leaders of the party, despising the man Rosewater, have been afraid of his power, and so, year after year, the party has salaamed to the joes and allowed itself to be walked over by him. The executive committee of the republican league did what the sentiment of the party has long demanded but which no previous executive body of republicans had the courage to do.

Mr. Rosewater, as was expected, bitterly resented the slight put upon him, and in an editorial in Sunday's Bee gives W. Morton Smith, the editor of THE COURIER and the writer of these lines, the credit of bringing about the rejection of his name by the committee. Mr. Rosewater does me too much honor. Fain would I enjoy the distinction of having been the means of preventing this anti-republican from attending a national convention of republicans as a representative of the party in Nebraska; but it was the committee that did it, and of the honor and credit brought upon the committee I am content with just a little bit. Rosewater accuses me of opposing him on personal grounds. He says the fact that I was not given a

position on the Bee five years ago, when the Republican collapsed in Omaha, accounts for my present attitude toward him; that I was waiting for a chance to get even. Mr. Rosewater is nothing if not a clever liar. He has not forgotten that three or four years ago, as editor of the Lincoln News, I was foolish enough to fall in with the views of leading members of the party who have, with me, since repented, and endorse the action taken by the Kearney convention conciliating him; he has not forgotten that, up to a year or so ago, before I ventured to disapprove publicly of his persistent course in contributing to republican defeat, I was on his "white list of friends"; he knows that he never gave me any cause for personal resentment and that I cherish none.

At the republican state convention in Omaha last year I was not a Major's man; but I could see no sort of justification for the exhibition of spleen made by Mr. Rosewater in resigning from the national committee. He insulted the party, and in the campaign which followed he gave no single candidate on the state ticket, cordial support, and most of them he opposed with genuine Rosewater venom. He had already fought such men as Richards, Laws and Mercer; and his course in the campaign of last year destroyed any claim he might have had as a republican. He did all he could, joining efforts with Bryan, to elect Holcomb governor. Then it was that I tired of Rosewater's dictation, and in the Call, was presumptuous enough to publish what I honestly thought. There was no getting even about it. In common with an overwhelming majority of the party I believe, after a continued course of anti-republicanism, he should be given an opportunity to re-instate himself in the party; and that until he take advantage of such opportunity, he should receive no recognition from the party and be allowed to exercise no dictation

The Cleveland convention to which the delegates named by the committee referred to, will go, will have an important bearing on the presidential situation; and as was said last week, it will probably give McKinley a big boom. There has been, of late, an opinion that McKinley is losing ground and that Harrison is gaining. That Harrison is looming up cannot be denied, but there does not seem to be any reason for saying that McKinley is losing. He has secured pledges of active support from the east and south, and in the west he is steadily growing in popularity. He is not the only prominent republican politician in Ohio, and it could hardly be expected that all party interests in that state should be subject to him. But Ohio is for McKinley for president, earnestly and enthusiastically, and his delegation in the national convention will have on it Ohio's leading republicans. The last Kansas legislature committed that state to McKinley, and Nebraska is in the McKinley column. It does not seem that it can be taken from it. After McKinley, Nebraska republicans undoubtedly favor Harrison. By the way, there is some talk of John M. Thurston as a candidate for president. It is not probable, however,

that an effort will be made to secure the Nebraska delegation for him.

Manderson will probably content himself by seeking a place in the next republican cabinet. When Manderson was appointed general solicitor of the Burlington it was generally remarked that the management of the road in this state was surprised thereat, and not altogether delighted. But the ex-senator has, apparently, had great success in his new position. A gentleman who is conversant with the details of the B. & M. management was telling me about it the other day. "The people at the headquarters building in Omaha always wanted Mr. Marquett to move to Omaha and make his office in the building," said he; "but Marquett wouldn't do it. Papers had to be sent to him every day or two, and like many lawyers Mr. Marquett was sometimes absent minded. He didn't always send the papers back promptly, and there was much inconvenience in having to do everything by correspondence. When Manderson was named he immediately asked for offices in the B. & M. building, to the relief of the management, and his experience as a senator standing him well in hand, he introduced system and order in his conduct of the company's legal business. Much inconvenience is saved, and Manderson is making himself very popular with the officers of the road."

Judge M. L. Hayward, of Nebraska City is a candidate for justice of the

supreme court, and may be a formidable aspirant. He has a good many friends in this county. It is said that Maxwell will not be a candidate.

It is not probable, however, that Judge Norval will have any serious opposition. It is thought he will be accorded the usual courtesy of a second term.

Pat Dorr is rustling around as a candidate for county clerk.

W. B. Price and Walter Leese, of the Fifth ward, want to be justice of the peace.

The fact that John C. Watson has been appointed general solicitor of the Missouri Pacific road in Nebraska, with free transportation on the road, will not necessarily cause his retirement from politics. Mr. Watson's pocketbook will not contain any more passes than it did before. As he once said, he didn't have the honor of holding the pass at Thermopalse; but he has held a good many other passes.

Sam Steele has always been of those who have opposed Rosewater cociliation. Steele, according to rumor is a candidate for district judge out in his district, which may account for his attitude at the executive committee meeting.

J. T. Mallalieu, of Kearney, was in the city the first of the week.

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