

"Teddy" Offered His Roughriders for Mexican War

Letter to Lodge Reveals Origin of Plan for Cowboy Cavalry.

(Most of Theodore Roosevelt's time for several years was spent on his Dakota ranches, whence he wrote regularly to his friend, Henry Cabot Lodge.)

Elkhorn Ranch, Medora, Dakota, April 16, 1886.

Dear Cabot:

I got the three horse thieves in fine style. My two main men and I ran down the river three days in our boat and then came on their camp by surprise. As they knew there was no other boat on the river but the one they had taken and as they had not thought of our building another they were taken completely unawares, one with his rifle on the ground, and the others with their hands on their shoulders; so there was no fight, nor any need of pluck on our part.

We simply crept noiselessly up and rising when only a few yards distant covered them with the cocked rifles while I told them to throw up their hands. They saw that we had the drop on them completely and I guess they also saw that we surely meant shooting if they hesitated, and so their hands went up at once. We kept them with us nearly a week, being caught in an ice jam; then we came to a ranch where I got a wagon, and I sent my two men on down stream with the boat, while I took the three captives overland, a two days journey, to a town where I could give them to the sheriff. I was pretty sleepy when I got there as I had to keep awake at night a good deal in guarding, and we had gotten out of food, and the cold had been intense. I am as brown and as tough as a hickory nut now.

Yours always, T. R. Elkhorn Ranch, Medora, Dakota, May 21, '86.

Dear Cabot:

This spring I have done enough antelope shooting to keep the ranch in venison. Really, I enjoy this life with books, guns and horses, and this free, open air existence, it would be singular if I did not.

Give my best love to Nannie, Goodbye, old fellow.

Yours always, T. R. Elkhorn Ranch, Medora, Dakota, June 7, '86.

Dear Cabot:

I have been on the roundup for a fortnight, almost steadily. When we started, there were 60 men in the saddle who splashed across the shallow ford of the river; every one a bold rider, and everyone on a good horse. It has been great fun; but hard work—14 to 16 hours every day. Breakfast comes at three; and I am pretty sleepy all the time.

Give my best love to Nannie. Of course if there is any earthly thing I can do to help you in your campaign I will be only too glad to do it.

Yours always, THEODORE ROOSEVELT. \*In my campaign for Congress—H. C. L.

Sagamore Hill, Oct. 17, '86.

Dear Cabot:

Just two hours after writing you my last card, I was visited by a succession of the influential republicans of the city to entreat me to take the nomination for mayor. With the most genuine reluctance I finally accepted it. It is, of course, a perfectly hopeless contest, the chance for success being so very small that it may be left out of account. But they want to get a united republican party in this city and to make a good record before the people; I am at the head of an unexceptionable ticket. They seem to think that my name would be the strongest they could get, and were most urgent for me to run; and I did not well see how I could refuse.

If I make a good run it will not hurt me; but it will if I make a bad one, as is very likely. Many of the decent republicans are panicky over George's whose canvass is not at all dangerous, being mainly wind; if the panic grows thousands of my supporters will go to Hewitt's, for fear George may be elected—a perfectly groundless emotion. The Evening Post is for Hewitt, and is harping vigorously on the string. So it is quite on the cards that I will be most hopelessly defeated. All that I hope for, at the best, is to make a good run and get out the republican vote; you see I have over 40,000 majority against me. If I could have kept out, I would never have been in the contest.

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Just a line to make a request. I have written on to Secretary En-

Today

Welcome, Mr. President! To Him That Hath. Born in It, Buried in It. Pneumococcus Says 'Come.' By ARTHUR BRISBANE.

To Calvin Coolidge, inaugurated today, welcome to the presidency of the United States, on your own hook, with a vote and a plurality bigger than any other president ever got.

The people know that your one desire is to serve them faithfully. They believe that you will be successful in your effort to increase prosperity, and opportunity, and demonstrate the soundness of the theory underlying this government, that the people are able to govern themselves.

"To him that hath." This is written in Los Angeles, looking over the city from the top of the Ambassador hotel.

S. W. Strauss, who owns the Ambassador here, in New York and in Atlantic City, and has done more with any other American to make up for the building shortage, is a good judge of real estate.

He says: "California has not even begun to move. Newspapers talk about 'the second million in Los Angeles population.' That second million will be here and the third million on the way before the people realize it. A city situated as this is, grows like a rolling snowball.

"Everything fundamental that a state could need was here from the beginning—climate, location, fertility. The two things needed, population and capital, are pouring in

dicot offering to try to raise some companies of horse riflemen out here in the event of trouble with Mexico. Will you telegraph me at once if war becomes inevitable? Out here things are so much behind hand that I might not hear the news for a week. I haven't the least idea there will be any trouble, but as my chance of doing anything in the future worth doing seems to grow continually smaller I intend to grasp at every opportunity that turns up.

I think there is some good fighting stuff among these harrum-scarum roughriders out here; whether I can bring it out is another matter.

Always yours, THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

Sagamore Hill, Oct. 19, '86.

Dear Cabot:

I won in my primary contest, I was asked to take part in the Maine and Ohio campaigns; but could not, for I have an awful amount of work to do here.

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from all parts of the United States.

"To him that hath shall be given." When you have nearly everything, the rest is given to you. Today the federal government starts spending six and a half millions improving the Los Angeles harbor, which you are proudly told, already has a traffic second only to New York among the harbors of the United States.

Far more important than anything the government, or the east could do are the things that the people of California are now doing for themselves. The Imperial Valley this year will produce \$13,000,000 worth of long staple cotton, as good as any grown in Egypt. The next step will be to make that cotton into cloth on here, instead of shipping it to eastern mills and eastern workers.

An intense effort is made to build up industry, all sorts of manufacturers here. The people of California realize that apart from the prosperous few, the thing that new citizens look for is a chance to make a living.

California's population will increase from 4,000,000 to 20,000,000 long before this century ends. And California is determined to find useful, profitable occupation for the new millions.

Ebert, Germany's dead president, will be buried as a Roman Catholic, the rites of the church performed by Father Mass of Heidelberg. Ebert spent his life as a socialist, he and his fellows rather hostile to religion as "a power seeking to make workmen contented and obedient in their miserable condition."

But born in the Catholic church, he will be buried in it. Death, when it comes, is a strange, overwhelming thing, and the average mind turns eagerly to some power that says with confidence, "Leave all to me."

William Andrews Clark, formerly senator from Montana, now lying dead in his magnificent New York palace, began with nothing in the usual way, and got many millions. He could say to others, "Come and go." They went and came as he bade them.

Thousands worked for him, including many politicians. He had money, and that is power.

But all the money and power, all the doctors, with all their advice, will not free the richest man when the deadly microscopic pneumococcus appears.

That infinitesimal pneumonia germ has no millions of dollars, no bank account. But when it says "Come," the richest man must follow.

Warning to rich and poor, keep up your vitality with sunshine, sleep, wise eating, peace of mind. Only wisdom will fight the germ; money will not do it.

Harry S. Sinclair knows about oil, and says the supply will not last. The ordinary man, told that 300,000,000 barrels are stored above ground, asks, "Why worry?" Mr. Sinclair says this country will use up the 300,000,000 barrels in 130 days.

It is fortunate that President Coolidge is interested in oil conservatism. Scientists employed by the

nation should seek out new oil deposits, to be protected for national use.

Unless vast deposits are found, gasoline will soon climb to 50 cents a gallon and higher, and some other power for engines must be discovered. It is a great opportunity for an inventor to build a light, efficient electric battery.

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101 Facts About Omaha

47. Omaha's steam power capacity is estimated 115,000-horse power.

48. Omaha's power rates are lower than those of other cities of the same class.

49. Omaha has 1,400 retail stores which do an annual business of approximately \$157,000,000.

50. Omaha has 200 restaurants serving 75,000 persons daily.

51. Omaha has 37 public grade schools and five high schools, representing an investment of \$18,000,000.

52. Omaha completed the construction of its fifth school in 1924, which was built at a cost of \$750,000, and bonds have been voted to construct another new high school and several

new grade schools at a total cost of \$2,500,000.

53. Omaha's Technical High school is the finest of its kind in the country. It was built at a cost of \$3,500,000 and has an enrollment of 3,500.

54. Creighton university, located at Omaha, is one of the most complete educational institutions in the country with an enrollment of 3,500.

55. The University of Omaha, a co-educational school, has an enrollment of 800 students in its several colleges and departments.

56. The medical college of the University of Nebraska is located at Omaha, and is one of the best-equipped of the university's colleges, with a hospital of 150 beds.

57. Omaha has 29 parochial grade schools, five parochial high schools, four academies and colleges, a theological seminary, three private schools for girls, and four business schools, with a total enrollment of more than 10,000 students and 275 teachers.

58. Omaha's public library system includes a \$1,000,000 downtown building, four branch libraries and fourteen stations, three high school and thirty-seven grade school libraries.

59. Only 1.8 per cent of Omaha's residents are illiterate.

60. A museum and art gallery is maintained on one floor of the public library, and a new \$3,000,000 museum and arts building is promised for the near future.

61. There are 50,551 homes in Omaha and 55 per cent of them are owned by the occupants.

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