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Mr. A. Peffer, former populist United States senator from Kansas, died of apoplexy at Grenola, Kan. He was eighty-one years of age.

Colonel Roosevelt spoke in Michigan alleging that while there were three tickets in the field, there were

only two sides to the campaign, and that the republicans and democrats joined hands in the attempt to belittle the third party.

The "solid south" may be broken in Louisiana, according to claims of the Roosevelt forces, who charge that the democrats failed to file within the specified time candidates for electors in three districts of that state.

The three American marines and bluejackets killed at Leon, Nicaragua, were shot down by drunken rebels after the town had been officially surrendered.

William F. McCombs, democratic national chairman, returned to his desk at national headquarters and stated that he would within a week be able to give his full attention to the campaign.

The lawyer for the defense in the alleged "dynamite conspiracy" case on trial at Indianapolis declared that only three men had engaged in dynamiting and that these had pleaded guilty.

Judge M. T. Bryan was announced for senator in Tennessee to succeed Newell Sanders.

Governor Woodrow Wilson, in his speeches at Topeka, Kan., and Kansas City, Mo., replied to Colonel Roosevelt's request that the democratic nominee "prove or retract the declaration that the United States Steel trust is behind the third party programme for regulating trusts," by reiterating his statement that the trust is "behind the third party program in thought."

A Podgoritz, Montenegro cablegram, carried by the Associated Press, says: The Montenegrin army opened war against Turkey by attacking a strong Turkish position opposite Podgoritz. Prince Peter, the youngest son of King Nicholas, fired the first shot. This was the signal for firing all along the line, and an artillery duel ensued. Within twenty-one minutes five Turkish guns were silenced and the Turks retreated from their first position on Mount Planinitza. By noon the Turks had evacuated the mountain.

Podgoritz is the headquarters of the Montenegrin forces and amid the enthusiastic cheering of the people, King Nicholas, with Prince Mirko, his second son and staff, rode early to the mountains to survey the positions. The Montenegrin guns had been placed the night before and strong detachments of men were held in reserve should the Turkish forces prove larger than the scouts' reports indicated.

Punctually at 8 o'clock the first shot was directed at the Turkish position on the hills opposite by Prince Peter, who is captain of artillery. At the booming of the gun the band in the Montenegrin headquarters struck up the royal hymn.

That the Montenegrin fire was effective was proved by the quick retreat of the Turks. After they evacuated the mountain a general advance of Montenegrin infantry was ordered. Covered by a concentrated artillery fire the infantry moved toward the strongly fortified Turkish positions in Detchich mountains, which command the road to Scutari. At 2 o'clock the Turks landed troops on the shore of Lake Scutari near the Montenegrin frontier. A general en-

agement followed and was still in progress at 5 o'clock in the afternoon over an extensive front.

Crown Prince Danilo, who is commander-in-chief has just ridden in with Prince Peter from the battlefield to the king's headquarters for fresh instructions.

H. H. Kohlsaat, owned of the Chicago Record-Herald has purchased the Chicago Inter-Ocean.

Jules Lombard, formerly of Omaha, and famous as a singer of "The Battle Hymn of Republic" at the beginning of the war, is dead.

A London cablegram, carried by the Associated Press, says: Montenegro claims the first victory in the Balkan war by the capture of the strong Turkish position on Detchich mountain whose commander surrendered with the bulk of his force. Montenegrins also crossed the frontier near Berena, and, according to the Turkish account, have been repulsed. The situation meanwhile is as puzzling as before. No declaration of war has been issued by the other allied Balkan states, and there is no news yet of their ministers having left Constantinople. It can not therefore be definitely said whether Montenegro has acted independently, with the motive of forcing a conflict so as to render the powers' efforts to preserve peace nugatory or in accordance with a strategic plan arranged by the Balkan coalition.

Mr. Roosevelt, speaking at Oshkosh, Wis., attacked Senator La Follette, saying: "It has been a matter of regret to me that Senator La Follette, who has done so much for the progressive cause, has felt that because his antagonism to me he must range himself against the progressive movement in this campaign, thereby giving his old time enemies, the reactionaries, a much needed support which they have acknowledged by the first praise they have given him in twenty years. It has been asserted that I did not take sides with the La Follette people in their campaign in Wisconsin in 1904. This is an error."

Colonel Roosevelt then read from a letter he wrote to George B. Cortelyou, then chairman of the republican national committee, during the 1904 campaign, in which he said that no favoritism must be shown to the "stalwarts" in Wisconsin. In his speech and writings he said he had praised Senator La Follette's work, and he added until he became a candidate last year the senator had never spoken of him publicly save on terms of approval. He quoted Senator La Follette as saying in a speech in April, 1907, that Colonel Roosevelt could have another term. From the senator's speech in the senate of July last the colonel read several extracts in which Mr. La Follette commended him highly.

"These were the views," Colonel Roosevelt continued, "that Senator La Follette held of my administration during the time that my administration was in power and while he was a senator of the United States. These are the views that he expressed in the senate after my administration had closed, and but little more than a year ago. I am still the same man that I was in 1907 and in 1911. I have not changed. If I deserved the praise that the senator gave me, praise that I very deeply appreciated and for which I was very sincerely grateful, I deserve no less now."

A Harrisburg, Pa., dispatch says: Republicans and progressives got together and cleared up the presidential electoral situation. The twenty-seven men on the republican ticket

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