

Gems in Hoar's Library Tour of Vice Presidential Candidate Fairbanks Through Nebraska

Stories of Noted People

IF A MAN is to be judged by the books he reads, there can be no secret attaching to the scholarship and broadmindedness of the late George Frieble Hoar, United States senator from Massachusetts.

A newspaper correspondent, a personal friend of the senator, paid a visit to his home in Worcester, Mass., some months before his death, and described the distinguished statesman, and described the rare volumes, priceless manuscripts and other literary treasures which filled the shelves and cases.

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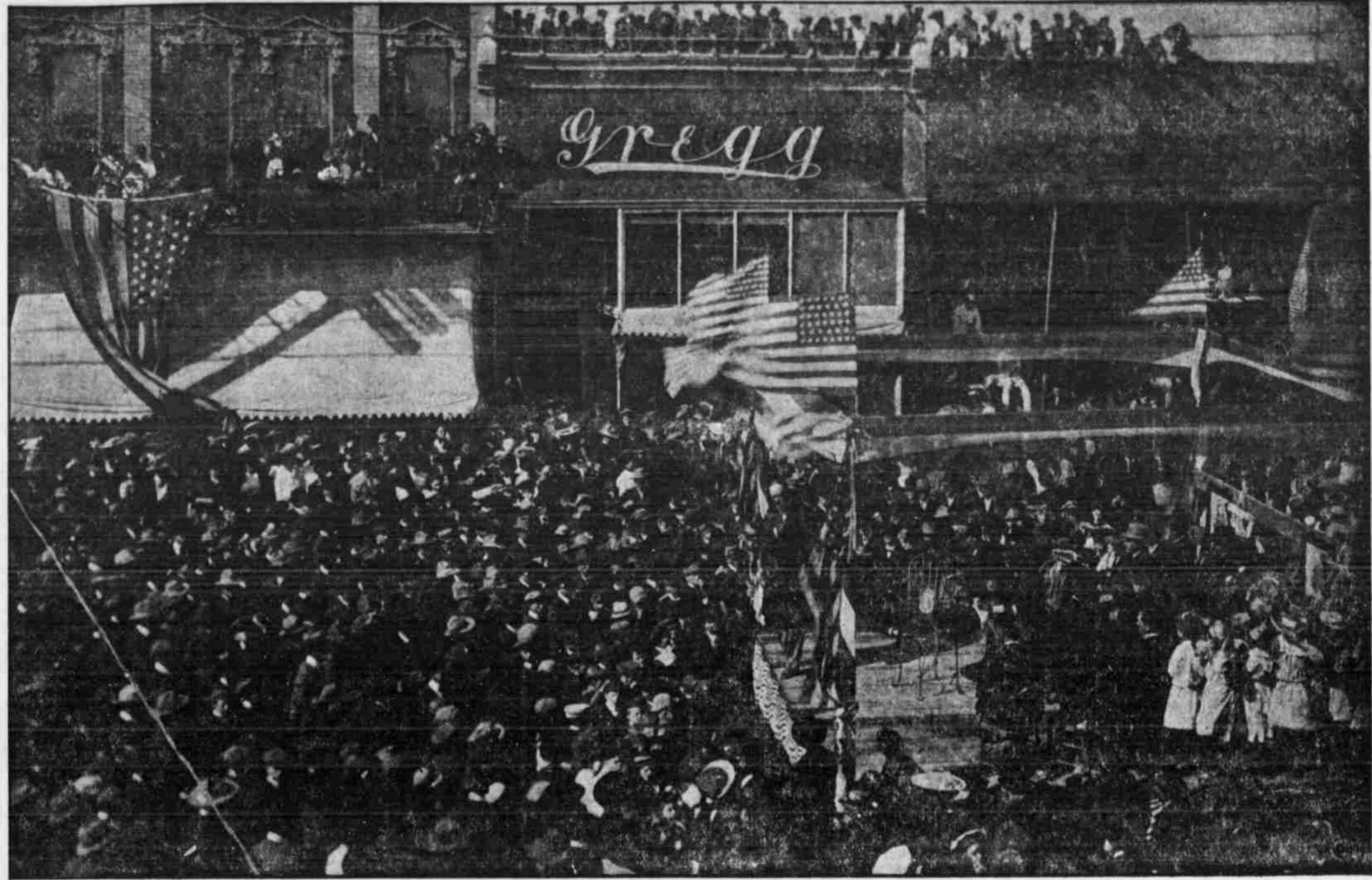
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THE DISTINGUISHED VISITOR SPEAKING AT KEARNEY—Photo by Alfred T. Anderson.

Remarkable and Rapid Progress Made in the Field of Electricity

Operating Trains by Telephone. PASSENGER efforts have been made by various companies to substitute the telephone for the telegraph in transmitting train orders.

Array of Classics. Senator Hoar said recently: "I have in general a pretty good collection of the Latin and Greek classics, of English histories—say, from the time of Henry VIII.

Wire and Wireless on the Pacific. The completion of a few days ago of the government cable between Seattle and Sitka, Alaska, and the equipment of the custom houses and revenue cutters on Puget sound with wireless telegraphy outfits for the detection of smugglers are pointed indications that the faraway Pacific coast is rapidly getting into stride with the Atlantic in the matter of modern improvements.

Rare Bibles. "These Bibles I know will interest you," and the senator handed down two well-worn volumes. "This one is a family Bible that belonged to Roger Sherman."

Signaling Under Water. By means of a series of experiments which have been conducted in Narragansett bay during the last few days it has been demonstrated that a perfect system of communication under water between submarine boats and the shore, or between a submarine boat and a man-of-war, is possible.

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Tuned Wireless Transmitter. A very long "first paper" on the methods of tuning wireless telegraph transmitters to a certain wave length without varying the length of the vertical wire is printed in a German technical journal.

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PRINCE Herbert Bismarck, whose death deprives the family dynasty of its only grown-up representative, took after his famous father in bluntness of speech.

Stillman Wouldn't Play. At the bankers' convention in New York they told this story about James Stillman, president of the National City bank.

Advice from Judge Brewer. David J. Brewer, justice of the United States supreme court, went to Kansas and entered upon the practice of law at 21.

Change of Names. Some published obituaries of the late Rev. Dr. Lorimer err in stating that he was a half brother of John H. Selwyn of theatrical fame.

General Agnus' Decoration. General Felix Agnus, who recently received the decoration of the Legion of Honor, is one of the few survivors of that picturesque troop, Durkee's zouaves, one of the first New York companies to go to the front in the Cuban government's war.

Poor Corean Pleasentary. Fifty the arrival of a pleasentary. His name is Pohn Pom Y, and he is in a peck of trouble.

Always Appreciated a Joke. Puck relates a story concerning the late Senator Alexander T. Goodwin of Utah, N. Y., who left behind him the reputation of never having been too tired nor too ill to give or take a joke.

Quick Advancement. Five years ago William D. Myers of Joplin, Mo., known among his friends as "Billy," got a job as stenographer in the offices of the Mexican Central railway at Mexico City.

A Nominee for President in Omaha

EUGENE Victor Debs has occupied a large amount of space in the public eye for a little more than ten years now, his activity as a labor leader having been such as to keep him in the front all the time.



EUGENE V. DEBS—Photo for The Bee During His Recent Visit to Omaha.

Change of Bridegrooms

Some weeks ago Annie Currick, a comely maiden, came to this country from Austria. She had been sent for by her lover, George Heing, who had been engaged to be married in the old country.