

GREAT THROG GREET'S COLONEL AT THE STATION

Roosevelt Party Reaches Chicago
Shortly Before Four O'clock
Over Lake Shore.

CROWD GATHERS EARLY
Long Before Noon People Began to
Seek Vantage Points.

HURRIED TO HIS HEADQUARTERS
Crowd Cheers, but He is Rushed to
Waiting Automobile.

BORAH STARTS DEMONSTRATION
Idaho Senator, in Speech at Hotel,
Makes Many Threats.

COLONEL WILL TAKE CHARGE
Former President Assumes Personal
Direction of His Campaign as
Soon as He Reaches the
Convention City.

CHICAGO, June 15.—Colonel Roosevelt arrived at the La Salle street station at 3:57 p. m. He was greeted with cheers by the many who crowded the station and was whisked into a waiting automobile and hurried to the Roosevelt headquarters.

The preliminary demonstrations for Roosevelt began early in the afternoon. The first spark was kindled by Senator Borah of Idaho, who addressed a multitude of Roosevelt delegates in the Florence room of the Congress hotel and in an eloquent speech flatly declared that the only salvation of the republican party was Theodore Roosevelt.

Senator Borah, introduced to the delegates by William Flinn of Pittsburgh, was physically captured by the cheering enthusiasts and lifted to the chairman's table. Standing there the senator, who has been chosen as the candidate of the Roosevelt forces for temporary chairman, made his position in this contest as clear as day.

"No matter what this national committee does," the senator declared, "the republican party is going to be saved."

"This is not going to be another 'Titanic wreck,' as some of the Taft leaders seem to think. They have an idea that they can get out in the boats and we will sink. They are greatly mistaken. We are going to hit the national committee iceberg head-on and the republican party is not going to be scuttled."

Throughout the day discussion of the former president's sudden trip to Oyster Bay to Chicago held the foreground to the practical exclusion of other pre-convention activity.

As the hour for the arrival of the Roosevelt train came near, interest and excitement in many quarters became intense. A number of hours before the train was scheduled to enter the La Salle street station, hundreds of people had gathered at that point, determined to hold their vantage ground until they had seen Colonel Roosevelt. In the waiting throng were many delegates to the convention.

But these were not the only ones on hand to greet the former president. Bat Masterson, one-time resident of the Black Hills, South Dakota, and now of New York, together with a number of his friends and a crowd of western admirers of Colonel Roosevelt who reached Chicago last night, impatiently awaited the train from the east.

All indications pointed to a lively demonstration by the Roosevelt adherents tonight. The leaders had planned the demonstration for Monday night's mass meeting at Chicago's largest theater, but it appeared impossible to restrain the enthusiastic delegations until that time.

Job Cut Out for Teddy.

The entire republican convention struggle will center about Colonel Roosevelt from the moment he alights from his train here late this afternoon. It will be his power of political manipulation

The Weather

Official Forecast—
For Omaha, Council Bluffs and Vicinity—Fair tonight and Sunday; cooler Sunday.

Hour.	Temperature.
5 a. m.	64
6 a. m.	65
7 a. m.	66
8 a. m.	69
9 a. m.	71
10 a. m.	73
11 a. m.	75
12 m.	77
1 p. m.	78
2 p. m.	77
3 p. m.	75

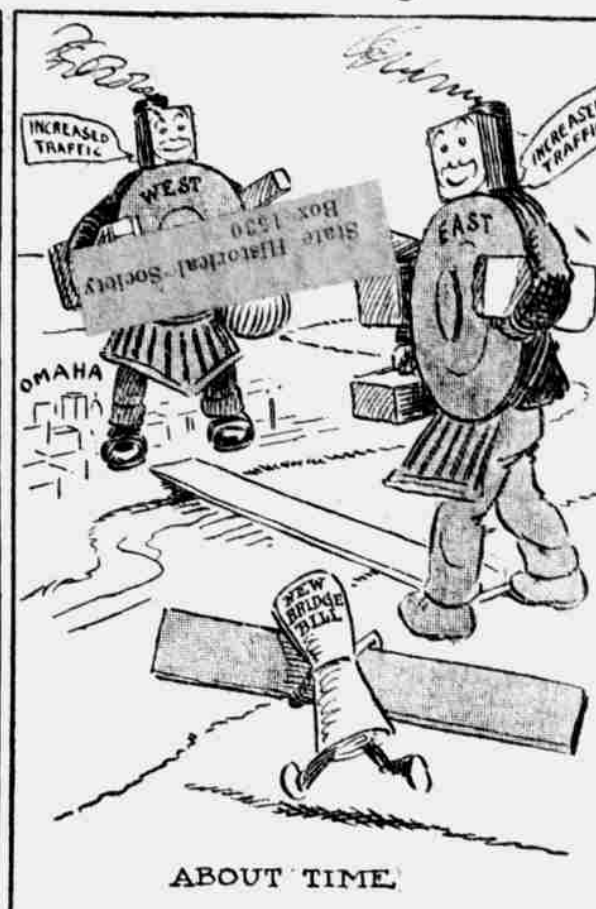
Local Weather Record.
1912. 1911. 1910. 1909.
Lowest last night..... 64 67 65 57
Precipitation..... .00 .00 .00 .00
Normal temperature for today, 72 degrees.
Deficiency in precipitation since March 1, 2.88 inches.
Deficiency corresponding period in 1911, 4.64 inches.
Deficiency corresponding period in 1910, 5.41 inches.

Weather in the Grain Belt.
Some light and scattered showers occurred in Nebraska within the last twenty-four hours, but good rains were not seen in all other portions of the corn and wheat belt. Falls of one inch or more occurred at points in the Dakotas, Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, Illinois, Indiana and Ohio. Rains continue this morning in the upper valleys and northwest. The weather is unsettled in the east and rains have fallen throughout that portion within the last twenty-four hours and are falling this morning at Pittsburgh, Baltimore and Washington. No important change in temperature has occurred east of the mountains since the preceding report, but a change to cooler is shown in the north and mountain region and the out-look is for cooler in this vicinity Sunday, with fair weather tonight and Sunday.
L. A. WELSH, Local Forecaster.

Coming and Going in Omaha



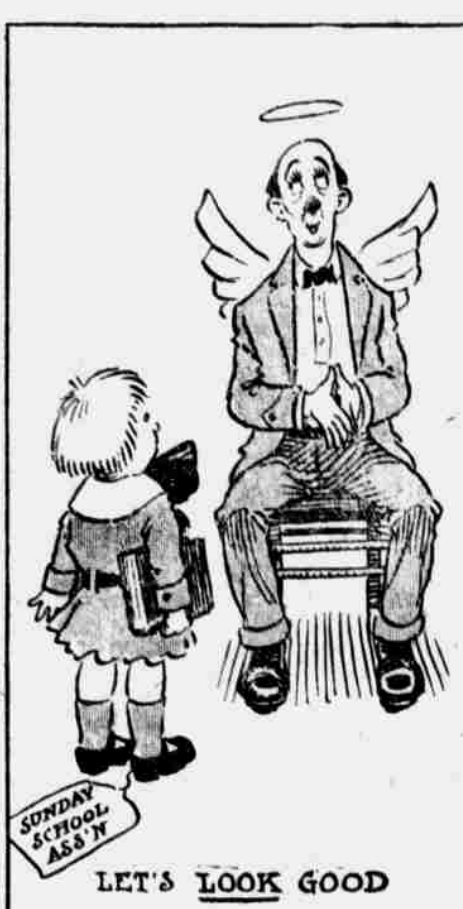
TYING THE DOG LOOSE



ABOUT TIME



THREE BLOCKS FOR NOTHING



LET'S LOOK GOOD

Leaders of the Great Battle

Personal Characteristics of the Men Who Have Fought Out the Contests Before the Republican National Committee at Chicago.

BY VICTOR ROSEWATER.

Editor of The Bee and Chairman Republican National Committee.
CHICAGO, June 15.—(Special Telegram.)—In view of the universal interest focused on the impending national convention soon to be staged at the Coliseum I take it that a special interest attaches to the personalities of the prominent figures looming up in the political turmoil whose names are appearing for today to day in all the accounts of the proceedings. There are two big political camps here, passing over the two smaller ones without disrespect, the one marshaling the Taft forces, and the other the Roosevelt phalanx. In between the lines are many men of more or less distinction, and it seems strangely peculiar that I should know most of them by long acquaintance, and many of them by intimate personal association.

Presiding over the Taft headquarters is Congressman William B. McKinley, a quiet, unostentatious, bald-headed, blue-eyed, little man, really boyish in manner. Although quite a little heavier than I am he is just my height, and I will tell you how I happened to know. One of McCutcheon's cartoons the other day portrayed a row of Taft strategists, among whom he, for some inexplicable reason, gave me a place, and depicted me as the smallest one of all. Mrs. Rosewater wanted to know if these men looked anything like that. "There may be some resemblance," I said, "but there is one gross misrepresentation. I am sure I am no shorter than Mr. McKinley. You come right down stairs with me and I'll prove it." So down we went, and I measured him, and there was not a difference of a hairbreadth. Four years ago when I was directing the publicity work for the national campaign Mr. McKinley was at the head of the congressional campaign committee, and we were frequently in touch on publicity matters. I learned then, and have had the lesson no wretchedly reinforced, that he has prodigious capacity as a political tactician, and is a man of cool, calculating judgment and good organizing ability.

The chief factotum in the Roosevelt movement, Senator Joseph M. Dixon, was four years ago conducting the speakers' bureau in rooms adjoining those where I held forth with the literary department. Senator Dixon is a native of North Carolina, whose residence in Montana has not eliminated his southern traits. He is all ways talkative, and sometimes excitable, but I do not know a man whose steady, sober judgment I would rather have. We used to consult together a great deal during the last presidential battle, and I have never been to Washington since without being cordially received by him. He is smooth shaven and dark, impressive and earnest, and, needless to add, widely acquainted and well informed.

The much-heralded contest expert, Ormsby McHarg, is another member of the staff who graced our western division headquarters four years ago. McHarg is a lawyer, who first bobbed up politically in North Dakota, where he was once a member of the legislature, which elected a United States senator who opened the door of national politics to him. He is a tall, big eyed, sharp featured fellow with iron gray hair and clear-toned, musical voice, which he raises to a high pitch when he wants to say something forcibly. He had charge of the contests in 1908 on behalf of the Taft people, and astonished the committee at that time by the masterly manner in which he had prepared them, so perfect that the opposition could scarce find a flaw. During the campaign he did what we called "scout work," broadening his familiarity with political conditions all over the country. He was made assistant secretary of commerce and labor when President Taft took office as an accommodation to Secretary Nagel, it being stipulated that he would hold but six months, although he was afterwards prevailed on to remain a little longer. I explain this because it is only fair to him that it be known that he did not expect to hold the position, and that his antagonism to the president now is not due to separation from the pay roll. It is worth noting, however, that even the best lawyer cannot make a good contest case out of nothing, and that McHarg's fall from this time is due chiefly to the fact that his cases have not had any legs to stand on.

In charge of the opposing contestants is former Senator Charles Dick of Ohio. He is a veteran in the political army. I was reading a biography of Mark Hanna the other day from which I learned that Colonel Dick was the confidential agent south and west during the preliminary campaign in 1896 to string the wires by which the delegations were to be brought in for William McKinley. He evidently did a good job then, and his experience he gained under Hanna has

PENNSYLVANIA PLATFORM GOOD

Colonel Roosevelt Says He Likes it and Recommends it to National Convention.

SAYS HE IS REGULAR

In Address at Elkhart He Says He is in Fight for Right of the People to Rule.

ELKHART, Ind., June 15.—"We're in this fight and we're in it to stay," said Colonel Roosevelt in a speech here today. He appeared on the platform in response to the cheers of a large crowd at the station. "We are in this fight for the right of the people to rule," he went on.

"That's what we want," a man in the crowd called out.

"That's what we want, I know. One man can do only a little, but that little I'll do," returned the colonel.

The platform adopted by the republican state convention in Pennsylvania may be drawn upon for suggestions in the platform which Colonel Roosevelt will submit to the republican national convention. Colonel Roosevelt gave an imitation of the platform when he finished a statement.

"Is there any state platform among those which have been adopted," he was asked, "which has met your approval in considering planks for your platform?" "Well, I have read the Pennsylvania platform," the colonel responded, "and it is mighty good." The platform adopted in Pennsylvania advocates many of the doctrines urged by Colonel Roosevelt, including a plank which represents the colonel's views on the courts.

Some of Colonel Roosevelt's lieutenants have been credited with the statement that the Roosevelt platform has been completed in the rough.

Favors Votes for Women.
The colonel has said nothing on the subject except that a declaration in favor of woman's suffrage would be included.

It was learned, however, that the platform was framed at one of the extended conferences which the colonel has held at Sagamore Hill recently, after which there came the unanimous declaration of the participants that there was nothing to say.

"Are you going to attend the convention?" Colonel Roosevelt was asked. "I don't know about that at all," he replied.

"Our opponents say they are the regular republicans," said the colonel, later. "I recognize only one form of regularity—loyalty to the masses of the party and not to the bosses."

The colonel declined to comment upon a Chicago dispatch that Charles Banks, a Roosevelt delegate from Mississippi, had written a letter to Congressman McKinley, in which he said he was returning to McKinley a sum of money sent to defray the traveling expenses of some of the delegates from Mississippi.

"Is that so? Well, well," was Colonel Roosevelt's only comment.

Additional Rewards Offered for Capture Villisca Murderer

VILLISCA, Ia., June 15.—(Special Telegram.)—John Montgomery, father of Mrs. J. B. Moore, who was murdered here Sunday night, has offered \$250 additional reward. Mrs. Moore, mother of the murdered man, has offered \$250 and Joseph Stullinger, father of the two murdered girls, offers \$500 for the apprehension and conviction of the murderer or murderers.

Smith Will Referee Fight at Las Vegas

LAS VEGAS, N. M., June 15.—E. W. Smith, a Chicago sporting writer, today was selected referee for the Johnson-Flynn championship battle here July 4. This decision was reached at a conference between Jack Johnson and Jack Curley, the latter representing Jim Flynn.

The National Capital

Saturday, June 15, 1912.

The Senate.
Took up District of Columbia legislation.

The House.
Met at 11 a. m.
Continued consideration of sundry civil appropriation bill.

TO CHANGE THE PARTY NAME

Prohibitionists to Be Known Hereafter as "Liberal Party."

LEADER IN THE MOVE IS HERE

Prominent Banker of Oregon, Brother-in-Law of C. H. Withnell, Tells of the National-Wide Plan Afoot.

George L. Cleaver, a prominent prohibitionist and banker of Oregon, brother-in-law of C. H. Withnell, city commissioner of fire protection and water supply, and the prohibitionist nominee for congress from the Second district of Oregon, is in Omaha. He will lead a fight before the national prohibitionist convention at Atlantic City July 10 to have the name of the party changed from prohibition to the "liberal party."

Mr. Cleaver has been communicating with national leaders of the prohibition party and they are co-operating with him in the move to change the name. Eugene W. Chaffin, once candidate for president; Frank B. Stevenson, associate editor of the American Advance, the prohibitionists' official paper, and D. R. Sheen, candidate for governor of Illinois a year ago, have given their approval to the move and advised Mr. Cleaver to keep up the agitation, as his suggestions are all worthy of serious consideration.

In addition to changing the name of the party Mr. Cleaver will submit a progressive platform which he will seek to have adopted. This platform will urge the following:

Laws to destroy the beverage liquor traffic.

Gradual abolition of the protective tariff.

Government ownership of trunk lines of railroads and express companies.

A monetary system in the interest of the people.

The ballot for all American citizens who can read and write English.

Direct election of all state and national officers.

Initiative and referendum and a restricted recall.

International peace through arbitration boards.

Uniform marriage and divorce laws, one moral standard.

Recognition of labor as the foundation of all wealth.

"The movement to change the name of the prohibition party and adopt a broad business platform is being made by the state and national leaders in the party," said Mr. Cleaver. "We intend to nominate the strongest men possible and ask for the support of the voters on what we believe is a liberal, business and progressive platform."

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COLONEL'S MEN WRITE PROTEST

Number of His Followers Could Letter to Chairman Rooseveltwater Making Demands.

COMMITTEE'S ACTION DENOUNCED

It Charges Presiding Officers with Assassinating Republican Party and Contains a Threat to Bolt.

CHICAGO, June 15.—Demanding that the republican national committee rescind "its fraudulent actions" in unseating delegates, or bear the "responsibility of assassinating" the republican party, leaders of the Roosevelt forces including the governors of states who urged Mr. Roosevelt to run for the nomination, today sent the following letter of protest to acting Chairman Rooseveltwater:

"Representing as we do the republicans of our respective states or delegations duly elected to the national republican convention we thus advise you, in order that hereafter the matter may be one of record, that you are prostituting your position, violating every tenet of fair dealing and decency, and assassinating the republican party.

"You are perpetrating gross frauds and disfranchising republicans of the different states. You are engaged in a deliberate attempt to thwart the will of the rank and file of the republican party and thus convert the party of progress into one of reaction.

"You know this, we know it, the nation knows it. We, in our individual capacity and the republicans whom we represent will not tolerate or submit to your illegal, outrageous and larcenous acts.

"We demand that you reconsider your unlawful actions thus far taken, that you cease your assault upon the integrity of the republican party, and that you perform your functions in republican fashion with fairness and with honesty.

"Unless you rescind your fraudulent decisions upon you shall rest the responsibility for the attempts to assassinate the republican party, and for all time to come you will have the contempt and excommunication of all liberty-loving, square-thinking and reputable citizens. Signed,

HIRAM W. JOHNSON, Governor of California.

WILLIAM E. GLADSTONE, Delegate-at-Large, West Virginia.

GORDON D. WHITING, National Committeeman-elect from New Jersey.

ROBERT R. MCORMICK, Illinois.

A. L. GARFORD, Ohio.

EDWARD O. CARRINGTON, Maryland.

MARION BUTLER, North Carolina.

WILLIAM FLINN, Delegate from Pennsylvania.

DWIGHT B. HEARD, Arizona.

W. B. STUBBS, Governor of Kansas.

S. S. MCINCH, North Carolina.

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