

# WALKER WESTON BEATS HIS RECORD

### Clips Over 27 Hours Off Time From Portland, Maine, to Chicago.

## READY TO WALK BACK

### Veteran Pedestrian Is Escorted Through Windy City's Streets by Cheering Crowds—Finishes in Fine Physical Condition.

CHICAGO, Nov. 27.—Twenty-seven hours and 25 minutes were clipped by Edward Payson Weston from the record for pedestrianism between Portland, Me., and Chicago, established by himself 40 years ago, when today he ended his second trip on foot between the two cities. Weston's actual time, exclusive of Sundays, on the present trip, was 24 days, 19 hours and 15 minutes. In 1867 he consumed 25 days, 22 hours and 40 minutes for the same trip. His mileage, according to his mapped route, was 1294 miles, but the spectators on the automobile which followed him registered 1375 miles. The difference was due to the fact that on several occasions Weston took wrong roads and thus lost distance.

The veteran walker showed few effects of his long tramp tonight. Immediately after reaching the Illinois Athletic Club, where he was entertained on the conclusion of his trip, he was examined by a physician, who pronounced him physically sound. The chief change noted was a loss of 17 pounds in weight. Today he weighed 147 pounds. When he left Portland he weighed 164. His longest day's walk on the present trip was 50.3 miles, while on the former journey the best day was only 52. Weston crossed the state line into Chicago at 1:05 o'clock this morning.

Weston left the Chicago Beach Hotel, seven miles south of the business district, at 9:52 this morning to walk to the postoffice. He reached Drexel boulevard and Fifty-first street at 1:12 and struck out around a fast gait. The boulevard was packed with a cheering crowd and all along his line of march the pedestrian was attended by a noisy following. The big crowd was joyful. "Marching Through Georgia," was sung throughout the way in South Chicago. The attention he was receiving, or, more properly, rather scornful of it as putting further difficulties and distractions in the way of an already fatigued man.

"Within a week I shall be ready to repeat this walk," he said, "and I am ready to challenge the world for such a walk. I mean I would like to meet a walker from some foreign country, especially from England, France or Germany. The foreign countries do not produce athletes like those found in the United States."

Weston finished his triumphal march from the Chicago Beach Hotel through the South Side boulevards with admiring crowds always around and following him. While the trip ended at the Federal building, a simple unfortunate circumstance and Weston's pride, led to a change of the reception plans at the last moment. At the Federal building, Weston, flushed with victory, approached the Jackson Boulevard entrance, one used only by employees. At this door a uniformed official directed Weston to one of the other entrances, notwithstanding that Mayor Russe, Postmaster Campbell and other city and Federal officers were within awaiting his arrival.

## TAFT ON TRIP WESTWARD

### Will Extend Visit to St. Petersburg One Day.

PETROPAVLOSK, Asiatic Russia, Nov. 27.—The train bearing Secretary of War William H. Taft and party over the Trans-Siberian Railroad from Vladivostok to Moscow, arrived here today. All the members of the party are well and the train is keeping to its schedule.

Secretary Taft has been officially requested to remain one day more in St. Petersburg, and he has agreed to do so. Consequently he will leave Moscow next Sunday night instead of Monday night, as at first planned.

## REJECTS BRYAN PLEDGE

### Murphy Says Hagan Did Not Speak for Tammany Hall.

NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—Charles F. Murphy, leader of Tammany Hall, declared today that James J. Hagan had no authority to pledge Tammany Hall's support to William J. Bryan for the Democratic nomination for the Presidency as he did at the Bryan dinner in Washington last night. When Mr. Murphy's attention was called to Mr. Hagan's action he said:

"Hagan spoke for Hagan, not for Tammany Hall. No one is authorized to pledge the Tammany delegation. If Mr. Bryan is the nominee of the Democratic party for President, Tammany will support him loyally, but we are not pledging ourselves to any candidate at this time."

## TRAIN SEIZED BY TRAMPS

### Vagrants Ride by Force From Mendota to Visalia.

FRESNO, Cal., Nov. 27.—Sixty tramps seized a Southern Pacific train at Mendota, where the railway crosses the river, and compelled the train crew to give them a ride to Fresno. At Fresno they seized another freight train, which was outbound, and compelled the trainmen to take them along. Word was telephoned ahead and at Visalia 20 officers were awaiting the train, and succeeded in arresting 48 of the tramps. The men declare they are millhands out of employment.

## ACTION STAGGERS COURT

### Partizans Followed Around Sheriff Summoning Jurors for Powers.

GEORGETOWN, Ky., Nov. 27.—In violation as to the summoning of the

Grant County venire, on which was based the defense's challenge for dismissing the last division of the venire, occupied the forenoon session of the Caleb Powers trial. The defense offered to withdraw its motion to set aside the second division, and over the objection of the commonwealth the court sustained the motion. This cleared the atmosphere somewhat. Judge Morris expresses surprise at today's revelations. He said it was unprecedented in any court in the land for a Sheriff to be followed by a gang of partizans purporting to represent two political parties. He said:

"Had the court been apprised of this at the time the party went into Grant County, I would have ordered the arrest of all of them."

The court then ruled that all the names of both venires be put in a box and a jury drawn from the whole lot. When court adjourned tonight, eight jurors had been accepted. Altogether 75 men were examined for jury service today, most of them being disqualified for possessing conscientious scruples against capital punishment.

## SPENCER FAVORS NEW JAIL

### INSPECTOR TURNS DOWN OLD STRUCTURES.

### Advices Separate Buildings for Municipal Court, Emergency Hospital and Lockup.

Building Inspector Spencer has recommended to the Council committee on ways and means that the city purchase a site and erect a modern four-story fireproof building for jail, municipal court and emergency hospital purposes rather than to invest in an old building and undertake to remodel it. Mr. Spencer estimates that the cost of the ground and a building such as the needs of the city require would not cost to exceed \$140,000.

This report was made by the Building Inspector after he had made an investigation of the different properties that had been offered to the city. The Haseltine and Tourney buildings and that at the corner of Second and Salmon, which were the most favorably considered of the sites proposed, were examined thoroughly by the official, and his findings are included in his report to the ways and means committee, and in which he says:

The three-story building located on the northeast corner of Second and Salmon streets and offered for \$95,000 would have to be practically rebuilt. It is impracticable, as the alterations would be quite an expense, and all stories above the second are carried on stud partitions.

With regard to the building known as the Haseltine building, located on the northwest corner of Second and Pine streets, at a figure of \$140,000, I beg to state that the building is a strong and well constructed, and that alterations could be made fitting it for a jail at a cost of \$30,000 or \$40,000, and the purpose for which it is intended, can be made to a sum not to exceed \$100,000, and would be a credit to the city. A three-story fireproof or reinforced concrete building suited to the purpose of a jail could be erected at a cost of about \$50,000, if such an economy were absolutely necessary.

This report was not received from the Building Inspector in time for the ways and means committee to submit any report at the meeting of the Council yesterday. Before the next meeting of the Council the committee expects to be able to make some definite recommendations on which immediate action can be taken, and a communication to the Council yesterday Mayor Lane called its attention to the imperative need for providing better and larger accommodations for the City Jail, which is frequently so badly crowded that every morning so many of the men gathered in by the police the night before have to be turned loose without any trial, and before an opportunity is given to establish the identity of some who may be considered suspicious characters.

## MAKES MOVE FOR ECONOMY

### Councilman Belding Denounces Waste at Garbage Crematory.

It is proposed by Councilman Belding to require the city's garbage crematory to contribute in a small way to the revenues of the city. At the Council meeting yesterday he demanded an explanation of what was being done with the hides of the dead animals that are delivered at the crematory.

"When the Council last September granted the management of the crematory another team and wagon, together with the services of a man at \$75 a month," said Mr. Belding, "it was with the understanding that this additional laborer should devote his time to removing the hides of these animals, which hides were to be sold and the proceeds returned to the City Treasury. I am in possession of figures from the City Treasurer showing that between July 1 last and November 25 the receipts from the



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source have been but \$2.25, representing the sale of three horse hides and one cow hide, while the superintendent reports he has on hand the hides of two cows. I find further that between September 21 and November 25, this year, according to the figures of the management of the crematory, the services of this man and team have delivered at the crematory 29 dead animals, for which the city received \$1 each or a total of \$29, for hauling them from the city to the garbage plant, but there is no record that these hides were saved or any attempt made to save the hides of more than three horses and as many cows.

"Unless the conditions under which this additional equipment was voted to the garbage crematory are lived up to, it seems to me that the team should be transferred to the street-cleaning department, where it could render the city useful service. With a man at \$75 a month and an estimated expense of \$20 a month for horse feed, this team is costing the city about \$95 a month where it is now located, and is certainly a losing proposition."

Mayor Lane assured Mr. Belding that he would look into this complaint at once and see that the city got its due.

## AT THE HOTELS.

The Portland—Irving M. Seller, San Francisco; M. Hogle and wife, Victoria, B. C.; A. Merson, Marchand, 22 G. Melbury, New York; H. H. Sherwood, San Francisco; J. E. Stone, Grand Bond; Mrs. S. San Francisco; D. H. Shannon, New York; W. E. Brothers, Jr., New York; N. L. Walker, San Francisco; E. A. Lord and wife, San Francisco; E. A. Lord and wife, San Francisco; Carl Sobaki, Seattle; Dowager, San Francisco; Mrs. C. H. Clemens, Detroit; John R. Howell, San Francisco; Mrs. K. Corvallis; E. E. Tallant and wife, Astoria; S. Springer, Chicago; Del Gerde, Oregon City; E. B. Tongue, Hillsboro; F. Silverstone, Chicago; J. G. Edwards, Hay Creek; H. T. Pottigebach, Astoria; J. H. Buel, Astoria; S. H. Friedman, Eugene; J. H. Buel, Chicago; A. Hampton, Eugene; L. Mitchell, Chico; James C. Foster, Eugene; Mcintosh, Miss Lucia Campbell, Eugene; Walter A. Fischer, Los Angeles; Mrs. Thomas F. Hicks, Hillsboro; Mrs. and wife, Denver; H. H. Stuart, Forest Grove; H. Hicks, Hillsboro; Mrs. E. Sherman and wife, New York; Mrs. Thomas F. Manning, Cleveland, O.; A. P. Madine, San Francisco; Miss E. T. Rowe, El Paso, Tex.; E. U. Egan, San Francisco.

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