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JOHN ADDISON PORTER DYING Suffering From an Incurable Disease at His Connecticut Home.

UNITED STATES ARMY. Gradual Reduction in the Forces of Occupation. NEW YORK, Oct. 26.—The Republican National Committee issued a statement today regarding the United States Army which says:

THE NEXT HOUSE. Babcock Says Republicans Will Have Majority of at Least 17. CHICAGO, Oct. 26.—Congressman J. W. Babcock, chairman of the Republican Congressional Committee, asserted tonight that his party would have a majority of not less than 17 in the next House of Representatives.

TEDDY AT HOME Flattering Reception Given Him in New York. CONCLUSION OF HIS TOUR Streets Rang With Republican Shouts of Welcome.

MONSTER MADISON SQUARE MEETING Manhattan's Enthusiasm Was Unbounded—Roosevelt's Speech in the Garden—Other Speakers.

NEW YORK, Oct. 26.—This city overflowed with Republican enthusiasm tonight on the occasion of the reception arranged for Governor Roosevelt. Beginning with the arrival at the Grand Central Station on the minute of the schedule time, 5:30 o'clock, until long toward midnight, when the Rough Rider Governor went, tired and weary, to his state home for the night, there was such a series of receptions, such a burning of fireworks, such electrical displays and such volumes of eloquence as are seldom seen in New York.

The doors of Madison Square Garden were opened at 6 o'clock. The big amphitheater was surrounded by policemen drawn up in single file on the curb, while inside the building were scores of bluecoats. Outside the Garden, waiting for the opening of the doors, was an orderly crowd. There was no rushing or confusion. Inside were two regimental bands, one at each end of the Garden. They continuously played, alternating during the three hours' wait. Popular airs were played more and more loudly cheered. Frequently campaign songs were sung by three quartettes.

The decorations were profuse, the Stars and Stripes prominent. The speaker's stand was draped with burning and directly beneath the front rail was the coat of arms of the state. Serving a double purpose of decoration and a sounding-board were huge spots of yellow and white bunting, which completely covered the iron girders. In every seat was a small American flag to which was fastened a button of Governor Roosevelt in his Rough Rider uniform. Most of the seats were occupied by appointees.

The groups of paraders began to reach the Garden at 7:30 o'clock. Each contingent arrived there was more cheering and more burning of Greek fire and rockets. There were some little accidents caused by the excitement. A young man from one attraction to another, but nothing serious was reported in this line. Every invention in the pyrotechnical line was utilized to the reduction of the troops in the crowd by storm. Great sets of pictures of the "Full Dinner Pail" and representations of President McKinley and Governor Roosevelt were cheered vigorously. The Democratic mottoes were kept ringing in his Rough Rider uniform. Most of the seats were occupied by appointees.

The Governor's Arrival. Governor Roosevelt came out of the hotel at 7:30 o'clock and got into his carriage. He was recognized at once and until he got into the Garden, and for minutes afterward he was cheered and cheered. He stood nearly all the way to the Garden and bowed to this crowd. The Governor reached Madison Square Garden at 7:38 o'clock. The cheering outside made this fact known to those within and there were excited cries of "Here he comes!" and "Here he comes!"

General Francis V. Greene, the chairman, tried to get order, but the crowd cheered the leader. The Governor stood quietly beside the chair of the speaker. The applause lasted nine minutes. General Greene introduced the Governor as the strong advocate of the Administration's policy in the Philippines. Another orator followed as the Governor raised his hand to command attention. He began his address with the words: "My fellow Americans, He referred to Mr. Bryan's visit to the city and the reception prepared by Tammany Hall and the audience groaned and hissed. "Good for you, Teddy; soak it to 'em," yelled a man high up. Many like expressions came from other parts of the Garden. His reference to Mr. Croker's famous remark about "working for his own pocket all the time" brought forth the cry: "You're all right, Teddy."

Governor Roosevelt ridiculed Mr. Bryan's attitude on every public question. "I'll tell you, give him the mischief," cleared a man. The audience kept up an incessant cheering. The famous baseball crank, who is known as "Well, Well," had a seat upstairs and of course he was much in evidence. When the Governor took up militarism he caused much laughter when he told of the "danger of 66-100 of a man to every 1000 of our population." Roosevelt's speech. Governor Roosevelt began his address by saying he was proud to be on the platform with Secretary Fairchild, for he said: "Wherever I have been in this campaign I have had with me men after man, who, though a life-long Democrat, declined to serve his party when that party fell under the leadership that was false to all earlier tradition of the party; when the party fell under leadership that sought to lead it into the path of National honor at home and abroad, and old soldiers like General Dyer, of Wisconsin, gallant Dan Sickles, and Frank Slogel, here in New York, and the no less gallant opponents who were the gray like General Buckner and General Duke, because the Spanish War stamped out the last lingering vestige of division in this country and left us in fact, as well as in name, a re-united Nation. And the valiant gray naturally come with us which we stand for the honor of our party against the degradation of the flag abroad."

DEMOCRAT ON BRYAN Hon. W. M. Colvig Addresses a Big Meeting. WHY HE WILL VOTE FOR W'KINLEY He Cannot Act With a Party That Attacks the Administration and the Flag.

In his speech at the Tabernacle last evening, Hon. W. M. Colvig, a lifelong Democrat, and a supporter of Bryan in 1896, enunciated in a clear, dispassionate way the reason that forced him to abandon the Democratic party in the present campaign. Chief among these was the expansion question, which was the immediate cause of his leaving his party.



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Before the rally, the Rough Riders' Club, greatly strengthened by new accessions to their ranks, paraded with torches and full dinner-pails, the insignia of prosperity. The Tabernacle was crowded, and the speakers and singers were all given ovations. The Portland Ladies' Quartette, composed of Mrs. Albert Sheldon and Miss Susie Gambell, soprano, and Miss Minnie Pryor and Mrs. Walter Reed, alto, opened and closed the meeting with popular songs, and were accorded prolonged and enthusiastic applause. F. W. Mulkey presided and introduced the speaker of the evening.

"Four years ago I favored W. J. Bryan. He was a young man that flashed upon the people of the country like a meteor. He came from Illinois, the home of Abraham Lincoln. People were not so well acquainted with him then as now. "Mr. Pierce, the Democratic candidate for Presidential Elector, came to me and said, 'I'm sorry you have heaped "Sow, I don't like the word "imperialism." I hold the same ideas as I ever held. When the Democrats, Adlai Stevenson with them, in 1896, were making a campaign on the ground that the war was a failure, New Mexico, Arizona, Texas and California, Democrat then, I resolved never to ally myself with a party that declared a war this Nation carries on in a failure, that favors taking down the American flag from any place where American valor has carried it. I am not a Democrat of that kind."

"But you set yourself up against the brains of the whole Democratic party," said Mr. Pierce. "My brains are my own," I answered. There are Democrats who hate to leave their party, and I respect their opinions, but there are 80,000,000 people in this country that do not want an emperor for a ruler nor an imperial Government. There is no danger of imperialism. "Mr. Pierce then said, 'You will live to see the day, when your hair is silvered with gray, when the liberties of the people are taken away by pirates, and we will be told to bow our necks to the yoke of the oppressor.' "I answered that he made me lose faith in the American people, in American manhood, to think that even for a minute such a direful state of affairs could exist."

"And I told him a story of two men riding in a railroad coach. One asked the other where he was going. He answered, 'They are taking me to the insane asylum. Four years ago this free-silver issue sprang up. I thought about it and studied about it. I could not think of anything else. Finally, my mind broke down. The year taking me to the asylum for treatment.' "Why," said the second man, 'they're taking me there, too. This fear of failure of imperialism has done it. I could think of nothing else. I couldn't sleep

STRANDED MINERS Five Hundred Return From Nome on Transport Lawton. BROUGHT OUT BY GOVERNMENT Thirty-three of Crew of Wrecked Steamer Oriatic Among Passengers—Other Alaska Vessels.

SEATTLE, Oct. 26.—The United States transport Lawton arrived in port this afternoon from Cape Nome with over 500 stranded miners, brought down at the expense of the Government. One man, James O'Brien, died at sea just as the Lawton was arriving at Dutch Harbor. He was about 50 years of age, and from papers found on his person it is thought that he was a seaman. Two others, J. Carpenter and W. Bauer, lost their reason in the north, and will be placed in the insane asylum at St. Paul, in this state.

Thirty-three of the crew of the wrecked steamer Oriatic were also on the Lawton. They report that the steamer is a complete wreck. The wreckage of the steamer was sold at public auction, September 29. A detachment of 20 soldiers came down on the Lawton to preserve order among the passengers. The report of the steamer's wreck was received at Nome October 15. The Oregon, with Deputy United Marshals detailed to arrest Receiver Alexander McKimble, was sent to Nome the same night. The Roanoke, Cleveland and Oregon were at Nome when the Lawton sailed. The Robert Dollar was sent to Dutch Harbor, and also the Valencia.

INDIANS NOT DESTITUTE. Report Concerning Alaska Tribes Not True—General News. VICTORIA, B. C., Oct. 26.—Captain Kilgour, of the revenue cutter Plym, which arrived here today from a cruise along the Alaska coast, says that the reports of destitution among the Indians of Fox Island are not true. The men raising blue foxes on these islands are meeting with success, but not those who are trying to breed silver foxes. The catch of sea otter has been better than for years, one Alaskan commercial company having 15 skins worth about \$1000 each.

Storm on Gulf of Georgia. VANCOUVER, Oct. 26.—A storm which raged over the northern part of the Gulf of Georgia, Wednesday night and Thursday did considerable damage to steamers and wharves. The Comox, which arrived tonight, brought news that the Comet and Brunette, two large tugs, lost both their bows at Governor Point, which is 90-miles from Vancouver. They had three crews and large booms of logs, all of which were broken to pieces. The fishing-boats were picked up, the occupants of which had been drowned, as the sails of the boats were still out, though under the water, for the small boats had capsized. Other smaller damage is reported.

Deaths in Alaska. SEATTLE, Oct. 26.—The wife of Martin Stone, mate of the steamer Sifton, who was drowned in Thirty-Mile River October 5, has been brought here. Alex Noble, son of the Lighthouse Inspector of the Province of Ontario, died in Dawson on October 11 of inflammation of the bowels, after an illness of four days. James Egnall, Hudson's Bay factor at Fort MacLeod, Liard River, was shot, presumably accidentally, three weeks ago.

Big Strike on Goring Creek. SEATTLE, Oct. 26.—Advice just received from Dawson City gives news of a big strike which has been made on Goring Creek. The best pay is 15 cents to the pan. The whole creek is staked. SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT NEWS. Political. Roosevelt concluded his tour with a monster meeting in Madison-Square Garden, New York, Page 1. Bryan concluded his New Jersey tour. Page 2. Senator Hanna is making railroad men in Chicago. Page 3. Chicago Republicans today will have a parade 60 miles long. Page 3. Bryan is to make 23 speeches in New York City tonight. Page 3. China. Diagnosed Chinese officials committed suicide. Page 10. Russia, France, Japan and America do not agree to the Anglo-German compact. Page 10. Foreign. Boers made an unsuccessful attempt to capture Jacobabad. Page 2. Stern establishes his capital in the Free State. Page 2. Domestic. Charles M. Hays was selected as president of the Southern Railway. Page 2. A First National Bank official tells how Alvin's delinquency was discovered. Page 3. A suit for breach of promise was begun against Senator Sullivan, of Mississippi. Page 5. Pacific Coast. Transport Lawton arrived at Seattle yesterday with over 500 stranded Nome miners. Page 1. Transportation company estimates Oregon hop crop for 1900 at 50,000 bales; prunes, 250 carloads. Page 4. Second Division, Oregon Naval Reserves, will be mustered out. Page 4. Oregon horses are without peer for cavalry service in the Philippines. Page 4. Idaho Republicans are making great gains in former Democratic strongholds. Page 4. Local. Two Sollows boys set fire to their parental home just for fun. Page 12. Hon. William M. Colvig tells a large audience why he left the Democratic party. Page 1. A. O. U. W. celebrates their thirty-second anniversary tonight. Page 7. Financial status and relations of the Oregon & California Railroad. Page 8.