

THERE IN SPIRIT

Memory of Hanna Per-
vades the Convention,

YET ROOSEVELT CONTROLS

This Conflict of Regimes Is the
Most Impressive Thing.

ROOT MAKES NOTABLE SPEECH

None at Philadelphia in 1900 Equalled
It—Fairbanks' Nomination Ap-
pears Inevitable—Oregon De-
legation Has a Quiet Day.

CHICAGO, June 21.—(Staff correspond-
ence).—The most impressive thing about
this convention is the conflict between
the Hanna regime passing and the Roose-
velt regime regaining. The business of the
convention is in the hands of the new,
but the all-pervasive spirit of the assembly
is the memory of Hanna.

Behind the chairman's desk hangs the
most conspicuous object in the hall—a
portrait of Hanna in oil, which must be
some 100 feet in size. The prominence
given Mr. Hanna, overshadowing both
the living President and accepted nomi-
nee of the last convention, may set at rest
once for all the protests against McKin-
ley as Hanna's master and McKin-
ley as the subordinate.

Even in Chairman Root's speech Hanna
took evident precedence in his mind, and
in the greeting accorded by the delegates.
It is startling to reflect that this man,
who is now supreme in the affections of
the party organization, only rose to
power two campaigns ago, while veterans
of public life, like Allison, Cullom and
Platt, are expected to be pleased with
toleration in their present places.

Equally sudden is the rise of Roosevelt
as power, and equally extensive his sway.
Whether as short-lived, it would be rock-
less to prophesy.

Speech of Root the One Feature.

The one feature of the proceedings was
the notable speech of ex-Secretary Root.
He is both an orator and a speaker.
Barring a certain suspicion of cant in his
fondness for such phrases as "high
ideals," and obvious reflections of the
Rooseveltian philosophy, his matter is
pregnant and cogent. His presence is
that of the cultivated gentleman, his de-
livery is polished, and his voice has a
certain vibrant and plaintive quality of
appeal which is indispensable to the high-
est eloquence.

It was a better address than was heard
in Philadelphia in 1900. Dewey happily
characterized it as one of the few really
good speeches we are permitted to hear
in a lifetime, and Senator Cullom said, in
my presence, that it was the best speech
of the kind he had ever heard.

Throb of Sympathy for Philippines.

A peculiar throb of sympathy seemed
to sweep over the convention at Chair-
man Root's reference to the Philippines.
His services to them, and his manifest
desire that the six Philippine delegates
be given seats evoked enthusiasm. All
around that handful of applicants from
far-off Asia sat black men from the
South, and elsewhere were brown natives
of Porto Rico and swarthy sons of Ha-
waii. It seemed fitting that the party
that freed the slave should be moved
here 40 years afterward to sympathetic
and enthusiastic welcome for brown men
until lately oppressed by the hand of
Spain.

The cheers that went up from hundreds
of throats may fittingly give the lie to
those who charge the Republic with seek-
ing to despoil those whom it seeks to
save.

Fairbanks' Nomination Inevitable.

The nomination of Fairbanks seems in-
evitable, and it is unfortunate in many
ways and for many reasons. Such is his
power in Indiana that his delegation feels
constrained to insist upon his nomination,
though he exacts of its members the pub-
lic protest that he does not want it.
They are compelled to work tooth and
nail for him, soliciting all other as-
pirants to forego even the poor privi-
lege of a complimentary nominating
speech and vote, yet all the while main-
tain the fiction that the place is being
forced upon him against his will. The
humiliation is naturally resented.

Another sore spot is the expectation
that if Indiana gets the Vice-President,
she will be expected to handle her own
campaign without financial help from the
National Committee. There is little, if
any, enthusiasm for Fairbanks. The
time is not favorable to the prospect,
but to the outspoken like Roosevelt and
Cannon, Fairbanks is known in Indiana
as "Gumshoe Charlie"—a faithful, if in-
reverent, characterization of his non-
committal diplomacy.

The judgment is that Fairbanks has
not helped his chances for 1908 by his
course in this matter, and he will likely
meet no better fate than others whose
excessive caution has gained them a cer-
tain eminence, but failed to win the gen-
eral heart.

Opposition Unable to Unite.

Unfortunately there are too many other
favorites for the opposition to Fairbanks
to consolidate. Yesterday afternoon
Chairman Ayer, of the Oregon delegation,
mentioned Taft as a possibility to Payne,
of Wisconsin, who thought it a good sug-
gestion, and considerable Taft talk was
soon floating about the hotels. But any
deviation from Fairbanks only encour-
ages the Hitt, Cannon, Walbridge and
Webster people to redouble their efforts.

ALL IS HARMONY

Republicans Carry on
Work Without a Jar.

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into effect, without the usual demon-
stration usually attendant upon
political conventions, a purpose that
had been clearly defined.

HITT EXPECTED TO WITHDRAW

If He Does, Nomination of Fairbanks
Will Be Unanimous.

CHICAGO, June 21.—The Indiana dele-
gation made a tour of the different state
delegations tonight, and created consid-
erable interest in the foreign countries.
Further, there were no direct at-
tempts to make to boom the nomination
of Senator Fairbanks for Vice-President.
There is a practically unanimous belief
that the Indiana Senator is the best
candidate for the office. There has been
some communication with Representative Hitt
and he has been informed of the situa-
tion. It is believed he will authorize the
withdrawal of his name, in which case
the other names will be withdrawn, and
the nomination of Senator Fairbanks be
made unanimous. As yet, however, the
Indiana delegation has decided to support Mr. Hitt, and
he has signified his willingness to be
a candidate, the delegation will not with-
draw him without his authority.

CANNON IS ONLY MAN NAMED.

Committee on Organization Soon Se-
lects Permanent Chairman.

CHICAGO, June 21.—The committee
on permanent organization immediately fol-
lowing adjournment elected W. M. John-
son, of New Jersey, chairman, and Gov-
ernor G. H. Carter, of Hawaii, secretary.
No other name than that of Joseph G.
Cannon for permanent chairman of the
convention was presented, and he was
elected unanimously, as were all the tem-
porary officials, with the exception of the
temporary chairman. The honorary vice-
presidents nominated by the several dele-
gations were recommended as vice-presi-
dents of the convention, following which
the committee adjourned.

DANGER OF WAR.

Salvador and Guatemala Are Both
Sending Troops to Border.

MEXICO CITY, June 21.—Telegraphic
advice received here shows that there is
danger of war between the Republics of
Salvador and Guatemala, and that the
troops of the two countries are marching
to the border regions. There are also re-
ports of a coming revolution in Honduras.

Large Force Must Work Short Day.

ALTOONA, Pa., June 21.—The Pennsylv-
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working basis at the close of work today.

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An organization was perfected pre-
paratory to the adoption of a plat-
form, and the making of nominations
in the succeeding days of the conven-
tion. The quiet, unmistakable enthusi-
asm provoked by Senator Fairbanks' ar-
rival at the Coliseum and his nomi-
nation for Vice-President is but little
less assured that the nomination of
Theodore Roosevelt for President.

The keynote of the convention was
sounded by Elihu Root in his speech
as temporary chairman. His address
was a review of the accomplishments of
the present Administration and a
defense of Republican policies in gen-
eral. When that had been delivered
and the various working committees
dispatched to their labors, the busi-
ness of the day's session was com-
pleted.

Delegates Fail to Warm Up.

Another picture was presented by the
opening day so different from the cus-
tomary convention scene as to attract
marked attention. It was the failure
of the delegates and the spectators to
warm to the spirit of the occasion.
Mention of President Roosevelt was re-
sponded to with hearty, though not
prolonged applause. The lack of con-
tent eliminated the necessity for en-
thusiasm and the mild cheering and
rather listless handclapping—the greet-
ing given impartially to National fig-
ures of the party—was all, probably,
that could be expected under the cir-
cumstances. The lack of public inter-
est in the convention was evidenced
by the large number of spectators
seats vacant. Seats at former Republi-
can conventions have usually brought
a premium. Today spectators offered
them, but there were few takers, and
as the hour approached for the con-
vention to assemble they sold them for
a song. The wilderness of vacant seats
was in the gallery and on the mezza-
nine floor, where more than two-thirds
of the chairs were occupied. The first
floor was filled. The picture was
one of good order, where sergeants-at-
arms and policemen were not needed.

Decorations Are Beautiful.

From a decorative point of view, the
Coliseum was a success. The architec-
ture of the imposing structure is pecu-
liarly adapted to the interior dress
given it. Flags and bunting were used
profusely, but in good taste. Foliage
and palms softened the general color
scheme, and formed a setting for 60
large engravings of President Roose-
velt, used in festooning the National
colors above the galleries and rang-
ing entirely around the hall.

The crowning feature of the decorations
is a painting of the late Senator
Hanna, which hangs directly over the
Coliseum. Something of the magni-
tude of this painting may be realized
when it is said that its surface is as
great in square feet as the combined
surface of the 60 large pictures of the
President.

President Roosevelt, however, was
prominently shown to the delegates in
a heroic painting spectacularly un-
veiled on the chairman's platform at
the conclusion of Mr. Root's speech,
an climax that brought a prolonged
outburst of enthusiasm.

The incident, which is destined to

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RAN INTO DANGER

Fuller Escaped One
Army to Meet Another.

DESCRIBES DAYS IN PRISON

Correspondent Found Port
Arthur Full of Life.

SUPPLIES IN NO WISE SHORT

Writer, Although Blindfolded, Says
He Could See Enough of Military
Railway to Assure Him it
Could Handle Troops Fast.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., June 21.—The
News today received from Hector Ful-
ler, its special war correspondent, who
effected an entrance into Port Arthur,
where he was imprisoned five days and
then ordered from the fortress, a special
cable dated at Chefoo today, in which he
gives his experiences and observations
while in the besieged city, as follows:

"After being rowed across from the
Mauritius Islands in an open boat by two
Chinamen, I succeeded in landing at
Louisiana Bay, near Port Arthur, and sepa-
rated by a range of hills. The bay was
occupied by a Russian flotilla of four
torpedo-boats, two destroyers and two
cruisers. I landed at daybreak on the
morning of June 10 without detection.

"With the full coming of the day I
could see that every hilltop near the
shore was alive with soldiers, busily en-
gaged in strengthening the already for-
midable fortifications, which occupied
every point of vantage. It looked at first
as though it would be impossible to pass
through the lines and make my way over
the hills to Port Arthur. But by keeping
down in the narrow valleys which were
free from soldiers, I gradually made my
way into the interior of the peninsula. In
this way, after a day and night of per-
sistent and cautious effort, I at last suc-
ceeded in reaching Port Arthur.

Good Fortune Soon Deserts Him.

"After some hasty observations there,
the hazard of my position became so ob-
vious that the same day—Saturday, June
11—I set out on my return to the bay. But
the good fortune which attended me the
day before soon deserted me. I presently
came in sight of a large body of Russian
infantry, when I took refuge in a Chinese
village, where I found a hiding-place
until danger was over.

"I had not proceeded far from this vil-
lage when I came upon a small party of
sappers. In order to avoid them I made
a dash up a hill, only to run into another
regiment engaged in digging entrench-
ments. Instantly I was surrounded. There
was no possibility of escape.

"The officer in command detailed a
guard to take me to Pigeon Bay. There
I was searched. I was stripped to the
skin, and all my garments were sub-
jected to the closest scrutiny. My money
was taken and all the papers in my pos-
session were most minutely examined.
Thereupon I was blindfolded and marched
to Port Arthur.

"The route taken was over the military
road which recently has been constructed.
In spite of the bandage over my eyes, I
was able to note that the road is one of
the most admirable construction, along
which artillery could move easily and
rapidly.

Port Arthur Full of Life.

"Port Arthur was full of life and gaiety,
quite out of comparison with stories of
distress that had reached Chefoo through
Japanese sources. Indeed, nothing of this
sort was observed. There seemed to be
an abundance of supplies, and fresh sup-
plies were coming in from Chinese
sources.

"The Japanese blockade has not been
effective. The harbor entrance has been
freed of obstructions, the battleships have
been repaired, and the fortifications are
constantly being made stronger. The gar-
rison is larger than outside information
had led me to suppose. The troops are in
excellent condition, and the general
health conditions of the city are good.
There seemed to be no apprehension that
the city was likely soon to fall.

"The night I was marched into Port Ar-
thur under guard, the city was unusually
lively, as the officers were giving a ball.
Three officers were detailed to examine
me, and they made thorough work of it.
After the examination was completed, I
was lodged in prison. The prison is di-
rectly opposite Golden Hill. From the
window of my cell I had a good view of
the inner bay, and could see distinctly
the repaired battleships lying at anchor.
In the same prison were confined two
Japanese who had been captured from
the blockading expedition. Several of
these had become insane.

On Bread and Water for Two Days.

"I myself was kept on Russian black
bread and water for two days. Then I
was permitted by the authorities to pur-
chase such food as I desired.

"While I was in the prison I was sub-
jected to seven different examinations.
The thing that evidently aroused the
greatest suspicion was the passport that
had been issued to me at Tokyo. It is
pretty evident that the Russian officers
more than half suspected I was a Japa-
nese spy.

"As the result of this hearing of my
case, General Stoessel decided I was to be
allowed to leave Port Arthur on condition
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