

ment building in token that President Roosevelt had pressed the golden button which was to call the energies of the Exposition into being. But the wait was in vain, and after a time Mr. Goode was handed a telegram announcing the fact that the President had pressed the key, and it was discovered that the chimes had failed to ring. Mr. Goode stepped to the front again and with upraised hand announced that the Fair was open.

Cannon Commands Attention.

A large part of the crowd rose and started to leave the grounds when Mr. Cannon came to the edge of the rostrum and in his peculiar way commanded the people to "sit down." They paused, a laugh swept over the audience and every person settled himself once more to hear the remainder of the speech promised them a few minutes before. He commenced to speak, and the band stationed in the Sunken Garden, back of the audience broke forth in the strains of "America." The speaker raised his hands and the audience rose and with uncovered heads waited until the hymn had been finished. Then Mr. Cannon commenced again, when another band started to play "The Star-Spangled Banner." Again the orator raised his hand, and the audience waited silently.

Again Mr. Cannon started to speak, raising his hands above his head shouted to the audience:

"Ladies and gentlemen, I am going to talk to this crowd a little while, if it takes all day."

The audience, captured by the magnetism of the speaker, roared back its approval of his perseverance, while Mr. Cannon continued:

His Speech Begins.

Now, then, in five minutes I could say but little of that period of our history that covers the Lewis and Clark expedition and up to the present time. It is a history of the achievements of our people since the time of that expedition would make a thing of it. Now, in the minute or two that I talk, without taking issue with any of the brethren who have preceded me, I want to begin by way of editing their speeches, when they spoke of Jefferson, of Lewis and Clark, they only used those names to describe the relation of the people of the United States through the three generations since Lewis and Clark started across the continent. Our Government of the people, composed of white, red, yellow and black, Washington did not lead, Lincoln did not lead, McKinley did not lead, Roosevelt does not lead the people. Whether five millions in number or eighty millions in number, the people of the United States lead, and those who from time to time are temporarily clothed with power follow.

Pioneer in the Vanguard.

The Louisiana Purchase? Yes they bulled better than his rifle, with his buckskin clothes and coonskin cap to whom it was due. It was due to him to lead the people, by being able to go down the Mississippi and out of it into the Gulf of Mexico, and to make the imperative demand that we should have such. And Jefferson, after months and months of delay, sent Lewis and Clark to negotiate the treaty which gave us what is now New Orleans and the right to pass up the river. Napoleon forced upon Spain, upon them and upon Congress the Louisiana Territory, and the people leading said, "Amen!"

Credit for Appropriations.

Well, you have got your Exposition, and I am glad to see it. So far as the Government appropriation for it is concerned, I know a little about it. (Laughter.) But you are entitled to a great deal of credit, and to more credit than any other member of the Congress, because he worked hard for you people. But do you know what you are more indebted than to anything else? It is the dedication which was headed by Mr. Scott and which created such a favorable sentiment toward the undertaking. After several conferences about the Exposition appropriation and while talking with the committee, I said: "Yes, Taylor, when you stand up, I guess I will have to recognize you, and I guess the House will pass the bill on its merits and order shall be as in regard to the law." And that's the whole story.

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gives an '83 when '83 was fixed for the hour. I know of no painting, of no work of art, of no song or story that tells of the conquest of that great country that lies between the Alleghenies and the shores of the Pacific like the plain picture that hangs to the west wall of the capital in Washington. It probably has but little artistic merit, but it tells a story that goes to the heart and a story of every man and woman who were part and parcel of the great emigration as it moved along the coast and to the Pacific Coast. Many of you have never looked upon it, but in that picture is to be seen the woman sitting in the wagon with the child in her arms, the pioneer with his rifle and dog, here and there a wagon broken down; on the mountain peak the boy, fair-haired and hopeful, looking toward the sea; the newly made grave of the child or aged pioneer—but the story is all told. If I talked to you ten minutes, I could not tell you more than what I have called attention to in that great picture.

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OPENING OF THE BIG EXPOSITION

Crowds Gather at Lakeview Terrace for the Exercises.

GREETING FROM ROOSEVELT

Vice-President Fairbanks, Speaker Cannon and the Exposition Officials and Others Address the Multitude.

Fairbanks Strenuous Day

Applause for Fairbanks.

Hush Comes Over the Assemblage.

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Master who made the great work of man possible. Following the invocation, Innes' Band burst into the beautiful strains of "Imperial Oregon," a fitting march dedicated to Lewis and Clark and the history of the Pacific Coast.

President Goode then delivered his formal address on the Exposition, told of its inception, its development, aims and purposes. The enthusiasm manifested on the part of the thousands gathered around him was a fitting reward for the countless days of effort he has expended in the consummation of his plans for the success of the great institution of which he is the active head.

After the band had raced through "My Old Kentucky Home" in a manner that would have aroused the curiosity of the author of that popular selection, President Goode introduced Governor Chamberlain, who, in one of his characteristic addresses, welcomed the people in the name of the State of Oregon. The remarks of the state's Chief Executive were received with considerable enthusiasm, and as he released his grip from the two-by-four that served as a railing for the platform, and stepped to his seat, he was loudly cheered.

Jefferson Myers' Address. After another selection by the band, President Jefferson Myers, of the State Commission, took the platform, and the organization of which he is the head, and the results that had been accomplished in making the state participation in the Exposition successful.

Myers spoke of the work of the Legislature in creating the Commission, and how the money appropriated had been expended. Following Mr. Myers, Mayor Williams greeted the many people present, and extended a welcome to them on the part of the city of Portland. Judge Williams traced the position of the North Pacific Coast states on the commercial map of the world, and especially in relation to the Orient and South America. As the venerable statesman took his seat, he was applauded from every hand.

Senator Clarence D. Clark, of Wyoming, and Representative J. A. Tawney spoke on the part of the Government had taken in the Fair, and the history of the appropriation made by Congress. After Representative Tawney had concluded his remarks, President Goode introduced Vice-President Fairbanks.

As the second highest executive of the land stepped to the front of the platform the people present rose from their seats, and applauded vigorously. Mr. Fairbanks bowed, and with a slight gesture of his hand, began to speak. He told of the great Lewis and Clark expedition and how much it had done for the country. He dwelt particularly on the benefit derived from the Exposition, and the worth the present Fair would be to Portland. He also spoke of the Hawaiian Islands, the Philippines and the importance of the Panama Canal in opening to the Pacific Coast ports new fields of trade.

After the handclapping for the Vice-President's speech had subsided, Chairman Taylor, of the Government Board, told of the interest that had been taken in the Exposition by President Roosevelt, and how he had been sent by the Nation's chief executive to participate in the opening exercises of the Lewis and Clark Centennial.

Then, amid a burst of applause, the familiar figure of Speaker Cannon stepped forward. He waved his hand for silence, and announced that the President was waiting in the White House, with his saddle horse tethered at the door, ready to press the golden key to open the Fair.

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world," said Mr. Goode, and as the applause died away, he read the following message, and his reply thereto:

I congratulate you and those associated with you in commemorating this occasion. I hope and trust that the great enterprise you have undertaken will be a fitting memorial to the sturdy explorers who in the service of their country faced the perils and hardships of a vast unknown territory. I send greetings to the representatives of foreign countries who are participating with us in celebrating the 100th anniversary of the event which meant so much for the expansion of our country to the Northwest.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT. In response to your telegraphic signal, the Lewis and Clark Centennial Exposition has been delighted to be in the presence of a vast assemblage of distinguished and enthusiastic spectators from all parts of the globe. The Exposition management desires me to express our heartiest appreciation of the honor conferred by the Chief Executive of the whole Nation in formally inaugurating this centennial celebration on the important historic achievement which resulted in our great country's remarkable continental development.

Then, amid the booming of the cannon in the centennial salute, and the blaze of the bugles as they sounded across the water, the band played the "Star-Spangled Banner." Speaker Cannon tried to get in a word edgewise, but was unable to keep the people in their seats until after the music had ceased.

Finally there was silence, except for the continued booming of the artillery, and Mr. Cannon finished his speech, which was well received by the audience.

Vice-Presidential Salute. As the ceremonies finished, the Vice-President and other officials turned and faced down the terrace at the back of the pavilion toward the Government building across the lake. Drawn up on the roadways and extending down to the water's edge, were rank after rank of soldiers, with gleaming guns and sabres, which reflected the rays of the afternoon sun like blinding gold.

Then every arm was lifted in the Vice-Presidential salute, and amid the peal of the bugles the officials made their way to the New York building.

FAIRBANKS STRENUOUS DAY. (Continued From Page 13.)

ing and Tacoma where they will visit during Saturday and Sunday, all gathering in Seattle on Sunday night in time to board the steamer for Alaska, where a couple of weeks will be spent in travel through the territory's most interesting districts. On the return a portion of the party will visit Portland once more before returning to the East by the Northern Pacific and Yellowstone Park route.

It is the plan of the majority of the Senate Committee to leave Saturday night for California for a week's visit during which time San Francisco and Los Angeles will be visited. When the visit is concluded the greater number will return to Portland for a short stay before going to Washington, or the homes of the different members of the party.

Vice-President Fairbanks and his party, the greater number of the Senate Committee, and several of the House Committee will be the guests of the Open River Association at the opening of the Portage road at Celilo on Saturday. The party will leave the city in the morning on a special train which is scheduled to reach the Dalles at 11 o'clock. After the brief ceremonies of the dedication the guests will be placed aboard the Spencer for a trip down the Columbia to Portland, it being the intention of the Association to reach the city by 7 o'clock. This arrangement will make it possible for those attending the exercises at the Dalles to take their trains for the East that night.

Trains Bring Crowds. All the incoming transportation lines entering Portland were taxed to their fullest capacity yesterday, while those outgoing were comparatively empty. It is problematical how many visitors were attracted to Portland on the opening day of the Exposition, but from the best sources obtainable it is believed that fully 20,000 outsiders were here. This estimate is based upon figures given out at the central office of the various transportation companies, but does not include late afternoon arrivals.

WELCOME BY GOODE

President of Exposition Greeted the Visitors.

CENTURY ONE OF PROGRESS

Centennial Celebration Constitutes Supreme Effort of People of Northwest to Recognize Services of Lewis and Clark.

The distinguished guests and all who passed through the gates yesterday to witness the opening of the Exposition were warmly welcomed in the address of President H. W. Goode, of the Exposition Corporation. President Goode's speech was the first address of the day. He said:

The States of the Pacific border today give hearty welcome to the world to share with them the celebration upon the triumphant achievements on these shores by aggressive American civilization and the signal victories of peaceful conquest.

With the opening of the Exposition today are consummated the efforts that have been put forth within the brief space of two years to commemorate a century of progress since the explorers commissioned by President Jefferson showed the way to this land. Our centennial celebration constitutes the supreme effort of the people of the Pacific Northwest, and more particularly the Oregon Country, striving to recognize the services performed by Lewis and Clark.

We celebrate today in connection with our sister states of the West the acquisition of the Oregon Country to the Union. As the acquisition of this country was the greatest expansion of our National domain and the only section secured to us by right of discovery, so too, this centennial is the greatest undertaking of the people, in keeping with the confident prophecy of her