

GIVES PLANS OF ROOSEVELT

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In the power of the people of the country—Mr. Roosevelt feels that he has earned the right to put in a portion of his time in the sport which most appeals to him. He proposes to spend two years away from the United States for two reasons. Rest and recreation in hunting and scientific research are only the minor ones. He intends to put himself beyond the reach of those persons whom, he believes, would inevitably seek, if he were within reach, to use his influence with the administration of President William H. Taft. Mr. Roosevelt is, of course, aware of the manner in which the charge has been circulated that Mr. Taft would be only a Roosevelt man as President, and whatever Mr. Taft as President, might do, it would be ascribed to Mr. Roosevelt's influence. It is because of this situation that Mr. Roosevelt decided to take himself out of the country, where it would be impossible for anyone to repeat any such charge against President Taft. Mr. Roosevelt has well selected a place where his seclusion in this respect is secure, for hardly could a more inaccessible locality be found. In this connection, Mr. Roosevelt, some months before the Republican National Convention had nominated Mr. Taft to the Presidency, made a statement in which he said: "If Mr. Taft is nominated and elected President, which would be very gratifying, it would make impossible any criticism, if I were abroad, to the effect that I was dictating to him and being followed, or that I had dictated and had been turned down in any suggestions."

In travelling abroad Mr. Roosevelt will not make any such tour as did General Grant after retiring from the Presidency. General Grant was received in State by Emperors and Kings wherever he went on his tour around the world. He was feted as no other American ever has been. Mr. Roosevelt will avoid all that, it being his desire to travel as a plain American citizen, and spending a good part of his time in the pursuit of game; he will put himself out of the way of social entertainment.

No Slaughter Planned.

It is Mr. Roosevelt's desire that his African hunting expedition shall not be looked upon as one with sport as a main object. A limited number of specimens of mammals and birds will be killed for the uses of the United States National Museum. Other killing will be confined to the limits of the necessary food supply of the camp. In his trip Mr. Roosevelt hopes to secure for scientific purposes two adult specimens, one of each sex, and a specimen of their young, of animals he is likely to meet on the Dark Continent. For the ordinary needs of the museum the President and the naturalists and director of the Smithsonian Institution, whom he has consulted, think these will be sufficient, but whether they are sufficient or not these are all he has in mind to kill; no matter how plentiful the game may be. It is the known wish of the President that the expedition into Africa shall be made with the privacy that marks, or should mark, any other scientific expedition. Mr. Roosevelt wants an outing and a chance to a moderate amount of shooting, with a first view to getting results that will be of some benefit to science. While a number of the American newspapers would like to send correspondents with Mr. Roosevelt, it is needless to say that no newspaper representatives will accompany the party.

Far In Dark Continent.

Upon reaching Kilindini, April 21, the party will spend a short time in Mombasa and then proceed by train on the Uganda Railway to Nairobi, the capital of Ukamba province and headquarters of the administration of British East Africa Protectorate, a city of 13,514 inhabitants, of whom 579 are Europeans. Nairobi will be used as the headquarters and base of supplies and from there trip will be made into the country thereabouts which abounds with animals of all kinds. It is in this section that Mr. Roosevelt hopes to do most of his hunting and collecting. Trips, extending from a week to a month in length, will be made in all directions. Supplies and camping outfit will be carried by natives and camps established at various points on the trips. It has been decided that snowcapped Mount Kenia, 18,000 feet high, an extinct volcano near

Nairobi, to the north of Nairobi, will be the objective point of one of these trips. On Mount Kenia, at a point part way up, one of the field naturalists probably will be stationed for some time in order to collect specimens of all kinds there. The smaller mammals will be caught in traps, an elaborate outfit of which is being taken by the expedition. In fact, these form the heaviest part of the equipment. The supplies of the party are packed in tin-lined boxes. These boxes when they have been emptied will be used as packing cases for the various specimens. When the specimens have been prepared they will be carefully packed in the boxes and shipped to Nairobi, where they will be forwarded to the United States. One of the taxidermists will always be with Mr. Roosevelt, and as soon as any big game is shot by him it will be skinned and prepared on the spot.

Mr. Roosevelt will be greatly disappointed if he fails to kill several specimens of the White Rhinoceros. This is the same as the square-mouthed rhinoceros and is the nearest living ally to the type of the extinct Tichorine or woolly rhinoceros which lived in England at the close of the Glacial period.

Takes Big Guns.

Of the greatest importance is the battery of guns which Mr. Roosevelt will carry along with him. Since it became known that he intended to make a hunting expedition into Africa many of his friends have presented him with guns. But he did not select any of these to take with him on his trip. Instead, he had made specially for him by one of the best American gun manufacturers four different types of rifles, each having a special use. The first of these is a powerful rifle of .405 calibre, carrying a 300-grain bullet, and is intended for the very largest type of African game such as the rhinoceros, hippopotamus and elephant. Smokeless powder is used and its power can be measured by the fact that the bullet at the time of impact has an energy of 3,500-foot pounds. The second rifle is known as the new 30 United States Government rimless cartridge type carrying a 220-grain bullet and is fitted to kill very large game at a range of from 500 to 1,000 yards. This will be the lion gun. The third rifle is an extra light weapon, carrying a 45.70 cartridge, with its most effective range at 5 yards. It is of .405 calibre. This is the weapon Mr. Roosevelt used considerably in his excursions for big game in Western United States. The fourth rifle is a .400 gun for moderate sized game, carrying a smokeless powder cartridge with a bullet of 170 grains. It also is of a very high power type and has been used by the President on some of his trips. The other members of the party also will be armed with similar guns and will carry revolvers. The principal weapon which will be carried by the naturalists will be a 12-bore gun.

His Versatility.

The versatility of Mr. Roosevelt will be shown by the fact that he will speak German in his address before the students of the University of Berlin, French in his lecture at the Sorbonne, and English in delivering the Romanes Lecture at Oxford. It is expected that this feature of his visit to the capitals of the three leading nations of Europe will attract a great deal of attention. Holland, being the home of his ancestors in Europe, it is considered not improbable that he will go there for a short visit, when he undoubtedly would speak in the tongue of his forefathers. Mr. Roosevelt's versatility in language is quite well known in this country, but it will receive still higher commendation when he makes his addresses abroad in the languages of the country he visits.

One point of particular interest in London which, no doubt, Mr. and Mrs. Roosevelt will visit, is St. George's church where they were married in 1886. It is likely that they will be in London on the twenty-fourth anniversary of the wedding.

Will Write Story.

One of the objects of Mr. Roosevelt in taking this trip is for the purpose of collecting material for writing several books regarding his experiences. During last summer he contracted with Charles Scribner's Sons, of New York, giving that firm all the rights for the serial and book-form publication of whatever he might write on his visit to Africa. It is said that the contract price agreed upon is \$1 per word, but this never has been verified. His contract with the Scribner firm will in no way interfere with a contract—signed last October to become an associate editor of "The Outlook" magazine.

SUMMERS TRIES TO GET AWAY

Former Gardiner Preacher Attempts to Break Jail at Throckmorton, Tex.

THROCKMORTON, Tex., Feb. 23.—The Throckmorton Times says: The Rev. George Clark Summers, who is in jail here charged with obtaining money under false pretenses, made an unsuccessful attempt to effect his escape. Deputy Sheriff Odell, who lives in the residence part of the jail, carried Summers his breakfast and by request of the prisoner, Odell let him out of the cage and locked the door leading out of that apartment, and hanging the keys on the stair railing some ten feet from the door while he went below for a bucket of water. Summers by splitting up some boxing used for kindling and splicing them together had prepared a pole long enough to reach the key and while Odell was gone he succeeded in securing them. When Odell returned he was locked out and the preacher denied having the keys and insisted that he, Odell, had dropped them in the cistern while drawing the water. Odell had a key that would unlock the door; he put the Rev. Gentleman in a dark cell and made a search for the keys, and after an hour's search he found them in the fire place buried in trash. He will be watched closely from now on.

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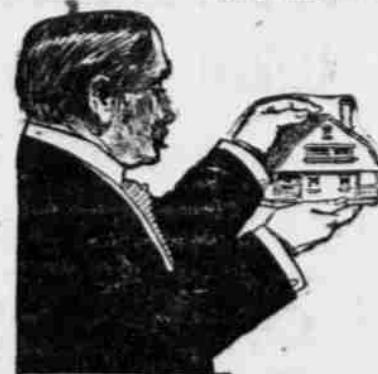
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