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Mark Hanna Dead.

Senator Marcus Alonzo Hanna died at the National capital Monday evening, after an illness of nearly two months from typhoid fever.

Mark Hanna was one of the Nation's great men, and during the past four or five years became extremely popular with the masses. He was a very successful business man, and retained to the last the warm friendship and admiration of his employees, numbering several thousand men. As chairman of the Republican National Committee he figured prominently in the Presidential campaigns of 1896 and 1900, and was largely responsible for the election of his warm personal friend the late President McKinley. During the first-mentioned campaign Democratic orators and newspapers, aided by Homer Davenport, the famous cartoonist, succeeded in creating a wide-spread erroneous impression of Mr. Hanna, but he lived it down, and today many of his leading political opponents regard his death as a National loss.

Mark Hanna will be remembered not as a great statesman, but as a strong character and "a man for a' that and a' that."

There are a scattered few, however, who have expressed opinions of the dead Senator not at all flattering. For instance—

Oregon's noble governor says of Senator Hanna:

"It is doubtful, however, even if he had been spared beyond the limit of a long life, whether he could have accomplished enough of good to outweigh the evil influence of his example in two great political campaigns. Never in the history of this country did any man ever raise such a campaign fund or spend it so lavishly and corruptly as did he in the campaigns of 1896 and 1900. For the first time in history, through his efforts, great manufacturing industries and employers of labor coerced employees into voting a party ticket through fear of discharge, or because of threats of the closing of factories."

How parrot-like!—just like an echo from the Democratic stump in 1896. It is a statement without a tinge of truth, and entirely worthy of the brilliant gentleman whom the chronic dissenters in the Republican ranks helped the Democrats to elect as governor of the state. "The evil influence" of Mr. Hanna's example will be felt and appreciated by the American people for years to come, even as it has been felt and appreciated since the gloom and doubt were dispelled by the Republican victory in 1896. Workingmen of the nation who remember the last Democratic administration will not forget the great change wrought by that victory. They are today prosperous and contented and ready to be "coerced" again.

In this connection it is in order to note, also, the paradoxical tribute to Senator Hanna by the editor of the Oregonian, viz:

"The qualities which made and explain Marcus A. Hanna are business talent, unswerving fidelity and an unselfish disposition. His commercial successes were won in open fights with strenuous competition. His aptitude for organization and for assiduous execution was unusual, he was capable of great devotion to objects of his interest and affection, and his loyalty to things once espoused never wavered. It is the measure of his greatness in these respects that he undoubtedly reached as high a level of achievement and reputation as a man can reach whose philosophy of life is material, who apprehends men and affairs keenly but who apprehends principles not at all."

In plainer English, it would seem, the editor of the Oregonian would refer to the lamented Senator as a pretty good man, but without "principle." Well, that is about as kind treatment as any dead man ever received from the pen of Harvey Scott. He could easily have made it much worse.

Inquiring Californian—No, there has not been anything like a drouth in Oregon during the present month.

Doesn't it beat all how the Republicans of Multnomah county love Roosevelt? Such harmony is unnatural, abnormal and alarming. It probably isn't possible for it to spread into municipal and state politics.

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The signs of the times point to a warm contest in the next Congressional convention in this district. At present the leading candidates seem to be Congressman Hermann, Hon. L. T. Harris of Lane and Hon. George Brownell of Clackamas. There is a rumor afloat that Congressman Hermann has not decided to again become a candidate. Claude Gateb, Marion county's favorite son, is also reported out of the race, and Percy Kelly of Linn, is a doubtful starter. One thing is certain: The choice of the convention will be a good man.

A few more Russian war vessels knocked out by the Japs, a rumored unimportant land fight in which the Japs got licked, and all kinds of reports about the movements of the armies and navies of the warring nations constitute the very unsatisfactory budget of doings in the Far East this week. The press censors over there are evidently working the blue pencil over-time.

A Chicago poet brought a libel suit against a New York editor and was promptly and properly turned down by the court. The editor, it seems, had merely exercised his American privilege of joshing the rhymemaker—a temptation which is practically irresistible. The poet who really means it should be suppressed.

Senator Fairbanks of Indiana will undoubtedly be the next candidate for Vice President on the ticket with Roosevelt. The brilliant and brainy Hoosier is all right in every way, and his state will recognize the compliment with a rousing majority for the Republican standard-bearers.

Astronomers tell us that the coming 17th of March, St. Patrick's day, will be celebrated by an eclipse of the sun, and there will be another on September 9—followed by the total eclipse of the Democratic party in November. Wait for 'em.

If all reports of the trouble in the Far East are not entirely reliable, the war correspondents at least know what the majority of newspaper readers enjoy. The Japanese coloring gives general satisfaction.

It was left for Jeff Myers, the leading Democrat of Oregon, to spring Harvey Scott as a candidate for Vice President on the Republican ticket. The humor of this famous strawberry blonde is irresistible.

W. R. Hearst, the somewhat noted Democratic yellow newspaperist, is making a strong bid for the Democratic nomination for the Presidency.

Russia is said to be real mad at Us. The bear will be able to keep busy without monkeying with Uncle Sam.



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Milton A. Beem, H. E. No. 15224 for the lots 4 and 5, section 31, township 12 s., r. 9 w.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:
C. J. Smith and D. F. Smith both of Tidewater, Oregon, William R. Wakefield of Waldport, Or., and R. H. Howell, Toledo, Or.
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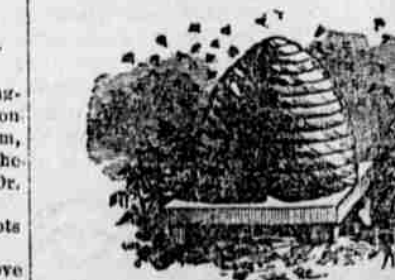
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