

# FAREWELL TO EVANS

### Admiral Declares Country Needs More Battleships and Fewer Statesmen—Surprises Banqueters by Sudden Appearance.

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
San Francisco, May 9.—"Fewer statesmen and more battleships," as Rear Admiral Evans pithily put it in his address at the fleet banquet last night, will be the slogan of the Pacific coast in its fight for better naval protection. The admiral hit the nail squarely on the head from the Pacific coast point of view, and that he had struck a popular chord was attested by the tremendous cheering that greeted his remarks.

In private and in occasional interview the admiral has freely expressed himself on the needs of the navy, but his unqualified statement of last night, put as bluntly as a blunt man could put it, left no doubt in the minds of his hearers that the famous sailor wants the American navy to be the greatest in the world. He stands squarely with the president on the question of four battleships a year, or even more, until there are not less than 43.

The admiral's dramatic appearance in the magnificent banquet-room of the St. Francis was fitting climax to three days of stirring events. Only a select few knew that he would come to the banquet-room and they guarded their secret well. The setting was spectacular in the extreme. Speeches had been made, but the admiral, when he came, surprised the guests, who were in a state of psychological moment Mayor Taylor arose and exclaimed:

**Drink to His Health.**  
"Before Admiral Evans goes to bed, let us drink his health!"

Instantly the banqueters jumped to their feet, glasses aloft, the wide doors of the banquet-room were thrown open and the admiral was wheeled into the room by his faithful son, Lieutenant Frank Evans, an army of admirals, and the admiral smiled a happy smile, and then one of the banqueters shouted:

**Three Cheers for Fighting Bob Evans!**

The roar that followed rang throughout the hotel. The admiral was wheeled between the two long tables, the guests standing with outstretched hands. Mayor Taylor, who had been sitting by the admiral, grasped him with both hands, and then, turning to the banqueters, exclaimed in ringing tones:

"Ab, this is indeed a crown upon our feet! Gentlemen, I present Admiral Evans!"

The admiral rose up in his chair with an effort, and after looking over the guests and smiling pleasantly, he said:

"If you gentlemen will kindly be seated I will talk a little." Cheers and laughter followed. The admiral regret that he was unable to join in the festivities, he continued:

**Prepared to Fight.**

"The people ask me why the fleet is here. My answer is: It is here because I was told to bring it here. I do not think I am violating the secrets of the government when I tell you that when I started out on a purely peaceable cruise, but that I must be prepared to fight if necessary."

The admiral spoke of the great improvement in the navy and then took up the matter of the armor belts. Henry Reuter, who started the armor belt agitation, was among the guests and to him the admiral directed his remarks. "I know Reuter is here tonight," he said, "but I don't agree with him. There is no greater fallacy than that of insufficiency of the armor belt. The real fact is that the man who shoots straight wins, no matter whether there is an armor belt of wood, leather or anything else."

The speaker hesitated a moment, the muscles of his jaws bulged, his eyes flashed and then, like little thunderbolts came the words:

**More Battleships.**

"If we want to preserve the peace of the world we must have plenty of battleships and fewer statesmen."

Following several minutes followed and when the admiral could be heard again he said: "Give us the ships and the guns and we'll do what you want us to do."

After telling his audience that he had no words to express his gratitude for the reception accorded him, his face assumed an expression of sadness, his voice fell and with a wave of the hand he said: "And now, gentlemen, good night and good by."

A number of the officers went when their beloved commander uttered his farewell and Admiral Thomas, who succeeded to the command of the fleet today, turned away to hide his emotion.

Again smiling, the admiral was hurriedly wheeled away and the doors closed behind him.

The other speakers of the evening were Mayor Taylor, Secretary Metcalf, Governor Gillet, Rear-Admiral Thomas, and Governor Sheldon of Nebraska.

The admiral remained in his room all day, resting for the long journey across the continent. He was somewhat

what exhausted by the first brief visit to the banquet last night and for a time today it was thought that he would be unable to start for the east before tomorrow, but he convinced Surgeon MacDonald that he was strong enough to start this evening.

**Flag Hauled Down.**

Although the admiral's leave-taking from the ships was attended even without his own presence on his flagging when his flag was hauled down and his successor took charge, he cannot prevent the officers and men of his fleet from bidding him a rousing good-bye. When his carriage arrives at the Ferry building this evening to take the boat for the Oakland wharf, he will be met by thousands of enlisted men on shore-leave and bidden farewell. The sailors worship the "Old Man" as they call him, and their good-bye will be as rousing as they can make it.

At Oakland a great number of the fleet, who can be relied upon to give their admiral a great send-off, will be met by about 300 officers of the fleet, who can be relied upon to give their admiral a great send-off.

The trip to the east will be made over the Southern Pacific, Union Pacific and the Chicago-Northwestern to Chicago, where either the Pennsylvania or Baltimore & Ohio will be taken for Washington.

Admiral Evans was not present when Thomas took command, for Surgeon MacDonald deemed it inadvisable for him to make the trip to the Connecticut coast, where the Evans family were also averse to the admiral going out, as they felt that the hauling down of his flag and the realization that he was out of active service forever would be keenly felt.

# TOO EASY NOW TO TINKER LAWS

### Blue Mountain Grange Says So, and Proposes Raising Vote Limit.

(Special Dispatch to the Journal.)  
La Grande, Or., May 9.—The following resolution was passed unanimously by Blue Mountain grange, No. 846, at its last regular meeting:

"Whereas, We regard the initiative and referendum as a reserve power to be used with discretion;

"Whereas, We would regard it serious to lose the initiative and referendum, and we regard it dangerous to retain it in its present form, for it is misused;

"(1) Many measures are initiated, measures affecting local or private interests, and concerning which the general public is not informed and is not directly interested;

"(2) Constitutional amendments are frequently made to bring uncertainty over the people, amendments threatening the business stability of the state and creating a feeling of uncertainty as to business relations and conditions; and

"Whereas, We believe adequate remedy should be found in making it more difficult for such initiative and referendum action to be enacted into law; therefore, be it

Resolved, by Blue Mountain grange, No. 846, That we urge the state grange of Oregon to take action to amend the initiative and referendum to the constitution of Oregon along the following lines:

"1. Any measure, not a constitutional amendment, referred to the people by initiative petition shall take effect only if a majority of the votes cast at the election is in favor of it.

"2. Any measure referred to the people by referendum petition shall be considered rejected and void when rejected (instead of by a majority of the votes cast thereon) by a majority of all the votes cast at the election.

"3. Any constitutional amendment, whether referred to the people by initiative petition or by legislative assembly, shall take effect and become the law when ratified (instead of by a majority of the votes cast thereon) by 60 per cent of all the votes cast at the election and not otherwise."

# ENGLISHMEN WANT TO SEE "MERRY WIDOW"

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
London, May 9.—Remarkable scenes are being witnessed at the Prince of Wales theatre, Birmingham, where "The Merry Widow" is making a big hit. On one occasion when those who had paid early door prices entered the theatre they found that there was very little accommodation, and their dissatisfaction took a very aggressive form. They broke down the barriers and occupied some of the seats which had been reserved, and after considerable confusion the rightful owners of the seats appropriated were fixed up with chairs. About 1,500 people were turned away from the theatre on that night, after they had clamored for admission, although "standing room only" was shouted continuously.

# CUBANS INCENSED AT PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT

Havana, May 9.—The Diario de la Marina says in a late editorial: "It is worthy of note that in their messages of New Year salutation to the people of this island the president of the United States and his secretary of war did not allude to the worth while to once mention the independence of this people."

# NAME HAYWOOD FOR PRESIDENT

Believed That Famous Federationist Will Be Socialist Candidate.

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Chicago, May 9.—Socialists who are gathering here today to attend their national convention, which opens tomorrow, seem to agree that William Haywood, prominently identified with the Western Federation of Miners, has the best chance of becoming the party's choice for president of the United States.

The rank and file of the party strongly favor his nomination, while some of the members who are known as conservatives are opposed to him. It is said that Eugene V. Debs, suggesting Haywood as a candidate while the latter was still in jail in Boise awaiting trial on the charge of being implicated in the assassination of former Governor Steunenberg. Every state and territory will have delegates in the convention. The party received 406,236 votes in the election when Debs ran for president on the Socialist ticket.

# LAY CORNER-STONE OF NEW BUILDING

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Washington, May 9.—All arrangements for the laying of the cornerstone of the new building of the bureau of American republics on Monday have been completed. President Roosevelt, Billy Root, Andrew Carnegie, who donated \$750,000 for the structure, and Brazilian Ambassador Nabuco will deliver addresses.

# New Notaries.

(Special Dispatch to the Journal.)  
Salem, May 9.—Commissions as notaries public have been issued as follows: G. W. Cruse, Lebanon; L. E. Hall, Newberg; G. H. Reed, John W. Cook, Las Langley and Dave E. Bloch, Portland.

# NEW KNOCK BY CAKE MEN

### Alleging That Statement No. 1 Is a Dead Issue—Figures as Well as Public Demonstrations for Chamberlain to the Contrary.

By Don F. Steffs.  
Pendleton, Or., May 8.—In a desperate effort to bolster up Cake's wavering and inane stand on statement No. 1, and to undermine as much as possible the constantly growing strength of Governor Chamberlain in his race for United States senator, some Umatilla county Republicans have come forward with the astounding assertion that statement No. 1 is no longer an issue of the present campaign.

Ex-Governor T. T. Geer at present editor of the Pendleton Tribune, in explaining this view, stated that he used in behalf of Cake in Umatilla county, said yesterday:

"Statement No. 1 is a dead issue. It was thrashed out before this, during the primaries. It is no longer a part of this campaign. If I were in Mr. Cake's shoes I'd refuse to say anything about it. As a matter of fact, it would disembowel the Republican party of this state to urge the people to elect only statement No. 1 men to the legislature."

**Cake Simply Fooled Them.**  
Cake's weakness in the circles of his own party is clearly shown in the quoted words of the ex-governor, who has more or less to say at present relative to the who and the what of the Republican party in Pendleton and vicinity. Editor Geer's attitude toward statement No. 1, however, is the general sentiment of machine Republicans and attempts will be made to inject it into the voters of Umatilla county from now until the June election.

As a result of these efforts to bury a principle and issue of more than vital importance to the people, Cake will be seriously crippled by his own supporters here. No matter what position he assumes when he reaches Pendleton, it will be impossible for him to make his platform dovetail with the assertions advanced by his alleged adherents. Outside a select circle it is held that he fooled the people when he drew their votes through a rigid declaration of his faith in statement No. 1, and then tossed it aside; and now, locally, the machine is again attempting to delude the people by asserting that statement No. 1 has been discarded altogether.

**A Scheme That Will Recoll.**  
The argument advanced by Editor Geer and the clique he represents, is daily working to the disadvantage of the Republican candidate. In the meantime, Governor Chamberlain's increasing strength is shown many times a day in the large and demonstrative gatherings which give him added momentum. It is held that he has won the support of the people which he had during his campaign two years ago, and that his popularity and support, their increased size and attendant enthusiasm at the present time show plainly the attitude of the people toward a candidate who has defined his policies, and has worked for them.

**Figures That Give the Lie.**  
On the other hand, the flimsy assertion that statement No. 1 has been discarded as an issue is not borne out by the record of the recent election in Umatilla county. There were three candidates on the Republican ticket for representative from this district—Barrett, Mann and Steen. It was necessary to nominate two. Barrett stood for statement No. 1. Mann clung to statement No. 2. Steen went before the people unpledged. Barrett received the highest vote and Mann was second, while Steen was overwhelmingly defeated. Yet the machine centered every effort to swing the nominations for Steen and Mann. Had there been two statement No. 1 men in the field it is certain that both would have been placed safely at the top.

**Pretty Mess to Clear Up.**  
In the face of this comes the declaration that statement No. 1 has been abandoned and is a dead issue, so far as it concerns the present campaign between Cake and Chamberlain. Cake's supporters were disappointed when he appeared here prior to the primaries. He straddled every issue and was solid on none. It will be interesting to note what feeling he excites when he comes again and attempts to lift himself out of the quagmire in which he has been placed by members of his own party.

Governor Chamberlain's tour of yesterday touring the eastern part of Umatilla county in an automobile. He spoke at Adams, Athena, Weston, Mayton, Freewater and other points along the way, and received the same hearty greeting that had been accorded him in both Union and Baker counties. His enthusiastic receptions have become characteristic of his campaign. The crowds which heard his addresses yesterday drained the surrounding country of its population.

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### THE TRANSFER SYSTEM.

Before the various consolidations which resulted in the placing of the street railways here under one management, transfers were given only between lines of the same company. The person whose residence and place of business were upon lines belonging to the same company was fortunate; if this were not the case, it cost 10 cents or more each day to get down town and the same amount to return.

With the consolidation of the companies the transfer system has been constantly extended. There are at present 33 transfer points, while the "privileges of transfer," that is, the number of lines to which transfers may be had at these points, equals 759. The number of transfers used by the people of Portland has constantly increased, but actual figures are available only for the past two years, which are as follows:  
1906—11,827,148.  
1907—13,230,815.

That is to say, about 25 per cent of all passengers take transfers. VALUE OF THIS PRIVILEGE IN DOLLARS AND CENTS. Let us see what this means, first to the Portland public; then to the company.

Without the transfer system it would have cost the people here about \$1,250,000 more than they have paid in the last two years. This is a maximum figure and assumes that as many people would have ridden without the transfer privilege as with it, but cut this figure in two or even three parts, and the saving will still be immense.

Again, if the charge for transfers were 3 cents, as is the case for instance in Philadelphia, it would have cost the people of this city over \$750,000 in the last two years for transfers alone.

It is often asked what benefit the people received from the consolidation of the street railways. The immense saving shown above is a complete answer to that question.

### 14 MILES FOR ONE TRANSFER.

Now let us see what this means to the company. Twenty-five per cent of all passengers carried ride on transfers; that is to say, the company receives an average of 3 1/2 cents per passenger. In some cases you can ride 14 miles on this fare. Out of this 3 1/2 cents the company must pay all taxes, licenses and operating expenses, keep its portion of the streets in repair, maintain its system and pay the interest on its bonded debt.

These figures are convincing. They show two things: First, the advantage to the people and the burden to the company of the transfer privilege; second, the liberal opportunity afforded for its use.

### RESTRICTIONS TO USE OF TRANSFERS.

It is only fair, however, that people should not ride twice for one fare, and reasonable regulations are necessary to prevent this. The regulations provide that the passenger shall ask for a transfer at the time of payment of his fare; also that the transfer shall not be good on lines returning in the same general direction from which the passenger started.

From the above it will be seen that the only restrictions on the transfer privilege are such as are necessary for our own protection to prevent those economically inclined from getting a return trip at our expense.

No fair-minded man can say that such restrictions are unreasonable. We know, however, that every arrangement is subject to improvements, and we have men at work constantly studying the transfer system.

It is our business and intention to give you the best streetcar service that can be had, and we point to these figures as proof of what we have done in this most important particular. What we ask you to do is to read your transfer.

If it is not good on a certain line, do not blindly censure us; think out the reason for yourself, and you will find, we hope, that in every case the reason is not an arbitrary one, but a matter of necessity for self-protection.

# Florence Central Gold Mine ANNOUNCEMENT

For more than a week we have been selling for 3 cents each shares in the Florence Central Mining Company; each of these shares are well worth 20 cents. They cover not only a lease on the Florence, greatest gold mine in the world, but likewise FOUR other claims, finely located and with splendid prospects. Though of so much greater value, we are glad we sold this stock at so small a price, because it inaugurated a new deal in mine promotion, and demonstrated the feasibility of dealing squarely with the public—letting it in on the "ground floor," instead of conferring that privilege on a few pet friends. But this promotion stock will all be subscribed by tomorrow (Sunday) evening, and on Monday, May 11, no shares of this company will be sold at less than 10 cents, 25 per cent down and 25 per cent per month. And even at this price they will not long be on the market. We expect to raise to 50 cents per share within 60 days. Indeed, we may not sell at less than par, if at all, by that time. Our deal with the Chedd people, enabling us to crosscut from the 250-foot level at once, may make

On Sunday, therefore, this office will be open from 9 a. m. until 8 p. m., and all stock sold prior to the latter hour will be at 3 cents per share, but never thereafter will that price prevail.

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# Oregon Life Officially Examined

Extracts from Report of Official Examination of Oregon Life Insurance Company made under direction of F. W. Benson, Secretary of State. The full report is on file in the State Department at Salem; a copy of it can be examined at the office of Oregon Life, Corbett Building, Portland, Oregon.

**CAPITAL STOCK**—The dividends on the Capital Stock are restricted to (7) per centum. The Capital Stock is in reality a Guarantee Fund. Excess earnings are the absolute property of the Policyholders. After March 1, 1911, the Capital Stock may be retired on an equitable basis. This provision is worthy of commendation.

**BY-LAWS**—The By-Laws have been investigated in detail. They are very complete, and provide with care how the Company's business shall be conducted.

**ACCOUNTS**—The accounts of the Company were found well kept.

**SALARIES**—Salaries and expenses, including commissions, are moderate and the office managed with economy.

**BONDS**—The Company has adopted the amortization method of valuing bonds. This method is scientific and logical.

**MORTGAGES**—The papers in connection with loans, including insurance, were examined in detail and found in legal form.

**SURPLUS**—The surplus of the Company was found substantially correct.

**MANAGER'S CONTRACT**—Your examiner does not hesitate to express an opinion that said contract is a most valuable one to the Company, and in no respect jeopardizes the interests of the Policyholders.

**RATES and POLICIES**—The Company issues the usual forms of Life and Endowment Policies, without resort to any of the schemes usually undertaken by new companies, such as "Special" contracts of one form or another, the sale of stock in the Company, or a subsidiary company, in connection with insurance, etc. The policy forms appear equitable and liberal.

**RISKS**—The excellent character of the risks taken is shown by the fact that only one death loss for \$1,000 has yet been experienced, and by the small lapse ratio.

**GENERAL METHODS**—No criticism is made on the methods of the Company, which are worthy of approval. No evidence was found that any stockholder or any officer was endeavoring to use the institution for selfish ends, and the rights of Policyholders have been equitably preserved.