

Touching pertinently but with sympathy upon topics close to the interests and ambitions of Oregon, President Taft brought surprised satisfaction to his hearers yesterday when he announced himself unalterably opposed to the removal of the Vancouver barracks to Seattle, and as unchangeably in favor of ship subsidy or other legitimate agencies tending to accelerate and add profit to trade between the Pacific coast and Philippine islands.

I spent four years in the Philippines and others have probably spent more. To go to the Philippines at one time considered a deprivation, but my experience was so pleasant that I hated to come back. To be consigned there now is not considered a bad billet."

That Secretary of War Taft acquired admiration and respect for the army and its personnel during his years in the Philippines was a characteristic of President Taft was apparent in his next assertion. He said:

Don's chief executive, and they crowded past the curb a good deal more than they should, but no officer was seen to lose his patience from any such cause. The crowds were handled courteously, yet effectively, and there was no display of cheap authority. Captain Bailey, in charge of the police, detailed for the day, won general commendation for his wisdom and effective control of his men.

President Taft and party starting from hotel to take part in the morning parade.—Photo by Angelus Studio.



ed direct from Washington, but for the most part any communication to be investigated is turned over to the superintendent of the secret service district in which it originated. Just how it may be explained is that in the secret service districts the country is divided into 15 districts, in each of which an experienced secret service man is permanently on duty as superintendent. Just as a captain of police is in charge of each precinct in a city, such a district official may have as assistants

men on the president's car throughout the journey, but they are bodyguards whose duty it is to ever remain at the side of their distinguished proteges, and they are not supposed to need to trouble themselves with any of the usual protective arrangements at any stopping place. The carrying out of the plan is left to the local police, acting under the direction of the resident district superintendent of the secret service and his aide. The resident secret service men have been with the an-

Many of the persons who are denied access to the president are comparatively harmless. Often they wish to urge some claim against the government, or seek a pension, or complain of some injustice that they believe should be righted by a word from the president. However, there is always a small number of persons who are determined to get the president's attention, and the very earnestness of their demands makes them more dangerous.

Chief of Police Cox rode at the head of the Procession.—Photo by Angelus Studio.