

RAID ROAR OF CANNON AND MULTITUDE'S YELLS ROOSEVELT COMES HOME

SHIERS OF STEAMBOAT WHISKEYS MAKE PANDEMONIUM AS EX-PRESIDENT COMES UP THE BAY, AND TEARS FILL HIS EYES WHEN BANDS PLAY "HOME, SWEET HOME."

More Tumult as He Moves Along River in Water Parade, and His Ride Up Broadway is Between Two Lines of Humanity Five Miles Long—Beautiful Weather Lasts Just Long Enough to Show "Roosevelt Luck."—Is Little Changed From the Man Who Sailed For Africa Fifteen Months Ago.

Theodore Roosevelt set his foot on American soil once more Saturday. Tears dimmed the eyes of the former President as he stepped on the bulkhead of Pier 4 at the Battery, while the roar of thousands of voices and the shrieks of hundreds of steamboat whistles drowned out the soft strains of "Home, Sweet Home." The center of attraction in a water pageant that swept up the bay from Quarantine to Fourteenth street and then down the North River again to the Battery, Colonel Roosevelt later rode behind his own group of riders through five miles of people, cheering in one continuous roar, that reached from Battery Park to Central Park Plaza.

Fully a million and a half in the crowd. Fully a million and a half persons stood and waited for the moment when, in ship or in carriage, the returning Roosevelt should come within their field of vision, and when he did, the noise broke loose. Bands blared, cannon crashed and sirens screamed, but above their din rose the steady, continuous thunder of human welcome.

"Oh, you Roosevelt!" "Good old Teddy!" rang the five-mile chorus, and through it all he rode bareheaded, flushed with the pride of hero-worship, bowing to right and left, picking out here and there some enthusiast for special notice, a wave of the hand or wide smile.

Theodore Roosevelt in little changed from the man who sailed for Africa fifteen months ago. A little more gray in the hair, a little more firmness in the muscle-forming strenuousness of his big game hunting.

But the flat-topped head was flung back as defiantly as when of old he faced an audience, the glistening teeth flashed as brightly under the gold rimmed glasses, the blue gray eyes smiled out with the same magnetic brilliancy, and the stubby, sun-scorched fingers gripped the hand-shake with all the tenacity of yore.

Ideal weather marked the passing of the show. "Roosevelt luck," his admirers called it, and not until the parade had disbanded and Rough Riders and Spanish War Veterans had dispersed did the sky open its flood gates and drench the streets with a furious downpour. The hero of the day was caught in the storm and wet to the skin before he could reach shelter.

Colonel Roosevelt sped fast through the city when the exercises of the day had ended. Last night he slept in his home at Oyster Bay, but not until his progress there had been made the occasion for neighborly greetings that extended from Long Island City to his home town.

It was just 6:30 when the press tug J. K. Gilkinson sighted the incoming steamer, and a few minutes afterward a salute of twenty-one guns boomed forth from the gray battleship South Carolina. Five torpedo-boat destroyers, the Flusser, Reid, Smith, Lamson and Preston, were hovering round as a naval escort for the liner.

Decked out from stem to stern with flags of every color and nation, the Kaiserin dropped her anchor off Quarantine at 7:55. Another salute for Colonel Roosevelt had boomed from the muzzles of Fort Wadsworth, and he stood gazing till the last flicker of smoke had died away.

As Health Officer Doty boarded the liner Col. Roosevelt grasped his hand and exclaimed: "Hello Doty! This is like the old Albany days."

A few minutes afterward he was welcomed by William Loeb, his former secretary, now Collector of the Port, and Adjutant General Verbeck, sent by Governor Hughes with a special greeting.

FARMERS' UNION

Beaufort County Branch Organized Saturday—Officers Elected—Delegates Appointed to State Convention.

There was a large gathering of the farmers here last Saturday. The purpose of the meeting was, as has already been published in this paper, to set up a Farmers' County Union.

The meeting was called to order by County Organizer G. C. Hedgepeth, who introduced the State organizer, Mr. J. Z. Green, of Marshallville, N. C. Mr. Green spoke for about one hour and a half. His speech was enjoyed and highly appreciated by Beaufort county farmers.

Mr. Green discussed the history and object of the Farmers' Educational and Co-operative Union of America. During his address he promised to the farmers that they were spending \$12,000,000 per year right here in North Carolina for commercial fertilizer when by co-operating with one another and saving what they might save \$6,000,000.

The farmers of this county seem to be very much interested in the Union work and from the way they express themselves it now seems that this county will be as thoroughly organized as any other county in North Carolina. But it is only right that the farmers should be organized, and being organized they can accomplish a great deal that will promote their interests.

After Mr. Green finished speaking Mr. Hedgepeth announced that the meeting would stand adjourned for thirty minutes, at which time those who belonged to the Union would reassemble in the courthouse and set up their County Union.

Mr. W. E. F. Patrick, of Chocowinity, was elected president of the County Union. Mr. W. A. Crutch of Blount's Creek, was elected secretary and treasurer, and Mr. G. G. Mayo, of South Creek, was elected chairman of the executive committee for the County Union.

Mr. F. B. Hooker, of Aurora, was elected delegate-at-large to the State convention which convenes in Raleigh, July 19, 1910. The meeting then adjourned subject to call.

The following letters remain unopened for the week ending June 18, 1910. Gentlemen—B. Archbell, W. A. Deibaugh, Henry Goddard, Wart, Gibs, R. C. Judson, I. R. Loyd, W. H. McMaster, S. E. Peterson, Harry Newton Roberts, W. E. Shepherd, J. M. Sasser, Owen Sprull, I. H. Williams, B. G. Windham.

Ladies—Georgia A. Braddy, Miss Annie Dondy, Miss Sophia Holly, Miss Alice Johnson, Miss Annie Wallace. These letters will be sent to the dead letter office July 4, 1910, if not delivered before. In calling for the above please say advertised, giving date of list.

"Ready to Serve," Says Roosevelt

New York, June 18.—Replying to Mayor Gaynor, Colonel Roosevelt said: "I thank you, Mayor Gaynor. Through you I thank your committee, and through them I wish to thank the American people for their greeting. I am most deeply moved by the reception given me. No man could receive such a greeting without being made to feel both very proud and very humble."

"I have been away a year and a quarter from America and I have seen strange and interesting things alike in the heart of the frowning wilderness and in the capitals of the mightiest and most highly polished of civilized nations. I have thoroughly enjoyed myself, and now I am more glad than I can say to get home, to be back in my own country, back among people I love."

"I am ready to eager to do my part so far as I am able in helping solve problems which must be solved if we of this, the greatest democratic republic upon which the sun has ever shone, are to see its destinies rise to the high level of our hopes and its opportunities."

"This is the duty of every citizen, but it is peculiarly my duty, for any man who has ever been honored by being made President of the United States is thereby forever after rendered the debtor of the American people and is bound throughout his life to remember this as his prime obligation and in private life as much as an public life so to carry himself that the American people may never feel cause to regret that they once placed him at their head."

THE NEWS IS DEBTED TO MR. JOHN M. COTTON, OF BUHAYA, FOR A BASKET OF EXCELLENT PEACHES. Mr. Cotton has had a successful season with his peach crop.

and to see you. I appreciate all the committee has done. I cannot express myself with sufficient emphasis and appreciation.

A volley of cheers marked the end of the little speech and Colonel Roosevelt was hurried through the surging throng of reporters and committee men to the story of the Androscoogin. There, standing under an awning beside the lashed wheel of the vessel, he began a recitation

PAVING STREETS

Force of men Employing for the Cost and Gutter.

WORK TO BE RUSHED

Main Street to be Paved First, Work Was Commenced This Morning—City Engineer in Charge of the Excavation and Removal of Surface.

Ground was broken this morning in preparation for paving the streets. The work is under the supervision of City Engineer D. R. Packard. He began at the intersection of Main and Bonner streets with a force of 15 or 18 men, which will be increased to 40 tomorrow. The work of removing the surface will be extended eastward down Main street and then back to Market street.

Barges are expected to arrive tonight loaded with material for the curbing and gutter work. The curb and gutter will be composed of concrete moulded in position. This will mean a saving of considerable in the cost of paving, and will give the streets a smooth, even appearance which could not otherwise be obtained.

At Brown's Opera House Tonight

HIGH CLASS AND REVISED VAUDEVILLE AND GAIETY THEATER MOVING PICTURES.

Hal Mordaunt, Elinor Foster and Mile. Nennelle, The Leaders in Vaudeville, Here the Entire Week, Presenting New Acts Nightly.

The management of the Gaiety theater has succeeded in closing a deal with the above vaudeville headliners to open in this city tonight, and owing to the magnitude of the attraction it was necessary to play them in Brown's opera house so that their acts could be properly staged.

Be sure and see to the opera tonight. There will be some fine pictures shown and a prize drawing, too. The management are having additional electric fans installed, which will make this popular playhouse the coolest place in Washington each night. This week a beautiful prize will be given away. Coupons issued are good only for the one night on which they are issued. Tonight will be shown "The Minotaur," a Vitagraph production of the old Greek legend of Theseus, every boy and girl is familiar with the old legend of how Theseus killed a monster by using a ball of twine to find his way through the maze.

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FREIGHT DERAILED

Coal Car Derailed, Trains Delayed Eight Hours—No One Injured—Cause of Accident Not Known.

Saturday evening a car loaded with coal and attached to the local freight train between Washington and Raleigh was derailed, a short distance west of Wilson, on a straight track and no apparent cause for the accident was found. No one was injured. The car being a very heavy one an unusually long time was consumed in getting it back on the track.

The through express train, due here at 1:35 a. m., was delayed and did not arrive until 9:30 yesterday morning, and the Sunday excursion train from Raleigh to Morehead City scheduled to leave Chocowinity at 9:40, did not arrive until 11 o'clock.

EXAMINATION

High School Teacher's Certificate—Five Year State Teachers' Certificate—Regular County Certificate.

An examination for High School Teachers certificate and Five Year State Teachers' certificate, respectively, will be held by County Superintendent W. L. Vaughan, in Washington, on July 14 and 15, 1910. The law requires all applications for either of these certificates to be filed with the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, who, upon request, will furnish blanks for this purpose. Any information in regard to this matter can be had by writing Superintendent J. Y. Joyner, Raleigh, N. C.

The regular County Examination for teachers' certificate will be held by the Superintendent on the same dates, July 14 and 15, for both colored and white teachers. All persons wishing to be examined must be present and take the regular examination, as the law forbids private examinations except in cases of necessity.

J. Y. JOYNER, Supt. Public Instruction, W. L. VAUGHAN, County Superintendent.

THE GEM TONIGHT—WASHINGTON

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SIGNATURE OF MR. TAFT MAKES RAILROAD BILL A LAW—FINAL APPROVAL BY THE HOUSE

STATEHOOD BILL ALSO ENDORSED BY HOUSE AND LACKS ONLY PRESIDENTIAL SANCTION—TWO MOST IMPORTANT MEASURES OF ADMINISTRATION FINALLY ACTED UPON.

Arizona and New Mexico May Become States Upon Their Adopting Constitutions Acceptable to President and Congress—Railroad Bill is Substantially in Accordance With the President's Message Demanding Amendments to the Interstate Commerce Laws—Creates a Commerce Court and Broadens Scope of Jurisdiction of Interstate Commission.

Washington, June 18.—Two of the most important of the administration measures, namely the railroad and statehood bills, were acted upon finally by Congress today.

This action was taken by the House, the Senate having previously disposed of both of the measures. It was accomplished practically without debate and in record time, not even a roll-call being required in the whole procedure.

Railroad Bill First. The railroad bill was the first to receive consideration. Chairman Mann of the committee on interstate and foreign commerce, called the conference report from the Speaker's table. Brief speeches were made, among them several by Democrats in expression of their opposition to the railroad legislation as perfected in conference.

About the only exceptions are that it does not legalize holding agreements made by railroads, permit mergers or regulate the issuance of stocks and bonds. It creates a commerce court and broadens the scope of the jurisdiction by the Interstate Commerce Commission as regards regulations and practices by railroads. It also brings telegraph, telephone and cable companies within that jurisdiction.

Supervision is given to the commission over increases of rates, and this section as well as one making provision for the investigation of the

stock and bond question will go into effect immediately upon the bills being signed. Other provisions, and they are extensive, will take effect within sixty days from the date of approval.

Will Take Time. It cannot be stated definitely when Arizona and New Mexico will come into the Union under this legislation. It requires that the constitutions adopted by the proposed States must be ratified by Congress and approved by the President. Conceding that the statehood bill will be in force within a few days it will be necessary for the Territories to hold constitutional conventions which will require many weeks, submit the constitutions to the people of the Territories for adoption and return them to Washington. Provision is made against joint elections for the adoption of the constitution and for the nomination or election of State officers. It is impossible, therefore, to specify when the people of the two Territories will enjoy the benefits of statehood and many believe that it will not be before the presidential election of 1912.

President Signs Railroad Bill. President Taft signed the railroad bill at 10:15 o'clock, shortly after his return from Pennsylvania. His measure, as had the statehood bill, had been passed by the House and sent immediately to the White House. The President did not sign the statehood bill.

Three Persons Reported Killed With Heavy Loss to Property—Many Narrow Escapes in Accidents on Water—Details.

New York, June 18.—On the heels of the reception to Theodore Roosevelt today came the deluge two hours after the parade that escorted him up Fifth avenue had disbanded the whole Metropolitan district was swept by the most violent storm in months. In twenty minutes .60 of an inch of rain fell while the wind at times attained a velocity of 58 miles an hour.

Three deaths were reported early tonight, four other persons are believed to have drowned in the capsizing of a fishing smack off Long Island, while scores of others had narrow escapes in accidents on the water, from lightning and in being struck by trees, cornices and heavy signs hurled to the ground by the wind.

Baseball games were abandoned and for a while panic threatened under the tents of a circus, showing in the upper part of the city.

The storm broke almost without warning, preceded by a gust of wind that uprooted trees, sent street signs flying and tore into tatters the elaborate decorations hung out in honor of Mr. Roosevelt. Then came the downpour, almost a cloud burst in violence. In a moment streets were flooded and the crowds still lingering down town were soaked and bedraggled. For an hour and a half the storm continued, causing great damage.

Passengers on excursion boats were among the worst sufferers. Several boats were hung up in Hell Gate by the storm, not daring to face such treacherous currents. From all along the water fronts came reports of scores of rowboats and sailing craft being capsized with probable loss of life. Small craft in the harbor and far out on the Long Island coast also suffered.

In Brooklyn Frank Ross, 52 years

rooted trees. Another tree in Elizabeth, Long Island, was struck by lightning and James Jocke, 76 years old, who had sought refuge in its branches with his two small sisters, was killed. Lightning was also responsible for the death of Pietro Santamurito, forty years old, an engineer of a Long Island brewery. The bolt struck one of the huge smokestacks and the engineer was buried under tons of debris. Fire that followed caused a loss of \$20,000.

OVERRULES DEMURRER OF BIG TOBACCO TRUST. Besides Jury Must Pass on Ware-Kramer Tobacco Damage Suit. Asheville, N. C., June 18.—Judge H. G. Connor, at Raleigh today overruled the demurrer of the American Tobacco Company to the bill of complaint in the suit for one and one-half million dollars damages brought against it by the Ware-Kramer Tobacco Company. In this case the plaintiff company alleges the destruction of its cigarette business at Wilson, N. C., and Norfolk, Va., through trust methods which crushed competition.

Judge Connor rules that if all the allegations of the plaintiff as set out in the bill are made good, the case is clearly one on which a jury should pass. He cites the allegations that Carter, manager for Ware-Kramer Company, was made a "decoy duck" by the American Tobacco Company in the management of the plaintiffs business, and the charges that the American Tobacco Company persistently sought to destroy the foreign business of the Ware-Kramer Company. The judge holds that all these things, if proven, would clearly constitute a violation of the anti-trust law.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. Gem Theater. Gaiety Theater. Baltimore Clothing House—Sale. J. K. Hoyt—Ladies' Hats.

HOSIERY WITH VALUE

Fast Black pure Lisle Gauze Hose, 25c., 39c. and 50c. Pure Silk Hose with Lisle Soles, \$1.25 value, 98c. Regular \$1.50 grade, \$1.25. The best Boys' and Girls' Stockings shown in town at the price—15c. Special Gauze Hose for Ladies at 12 1/2-2c. Fancy Top Sox for Children 15c. and 25c. James C. Clark Co.

CONDITIONS TO TOBACCO CROP. Raleigh, June 18.—It is estimated that the tobacco crop in North Carolina this season is 250,000 acres. The cool and wet weather has done much damage to the crop, the condition at this time compared with the average being about 85 per cent. Wiley has made considerable headway during the continued rainy season.

LARGE POTATOES. On Saturday Mr. Leon Singleton, of Bunyan, presented the editor of the News with eight Irish potatoes which weighed 7 pounds. These were the largest potatoes seen this season.