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A DAY FOR DEMOCRATS

GEN. ADLAI E. STEVENSON SPEAKS IN ASHEVILLE.

THE OCCASION ATTRACTS A GREAT CROWD.

A GOOD, SIMON-PURE DEMOCRATIC SPEECH.

Stevenson Day in Asheville dawned bright and beautiful, with the atmosphere just cool and crisp enough to make a man fell healthy, happy and contented with himself and the whole world beside.

The crowd was out early, getting ready for the procession and the speaking, and by 10 o'clock the square was crowded.

Gen. Stevenson awoke early at the Battery Park, feeling in excellent health,

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notwithstanding the vigorous hand shaking he carried on the hotel last evening for three hours with the hundreds of Democrats of Asheville and Western North Carolina who called on him.

At 10.40 o'clock a procession of mounted men, under the marshalship of Col. A. H. Baird and his aides, passed up South Main street and down Patton avenue to Grove street, where the procession began, the line of march being up Patton avenue to court place and down North Main to Farmers' warehouse.

The Procession.

The procession was headed by the Asheville Belmont band. Following this came twenty carriages, containing prominent Democrats of the State and city and ladies.

In the first carriage were Gen Stevenson, F. M. Simmons, chairman Democratic State executive committee, Julian S. Carr, president State association Democratic clubs, and Chas. T. Rawls, president Asheville Young Men's Democratic club.

Second carriage—Hon. C. A. Ewing, Hon. Paul B. Means, Maj. Chas. M. Stedman, and Hon. Wharton J. Green.

Third carriage—Joseph P. Caldwell, Hon. Fab. H. Busbee, Hon. John Manning and S. A. Ashe.

Fourth carriage—Hon. W. M. Robbins, Manton H. Luther, Josephus Daniels and Hon. John Robinson.

Fifth carriage—Hon. W. T. Crawford, Hon. Theo. F. Kluttz, Ed. Chambers Smith and W. W. Fuller.

Sixth carriage—F. D. Winston, T. W. Strange, G. Sam Bradshaw and P. M. Pearsall.

One hundred and fifty horsemen brought up the rear of the procession.

The carriages and horsemen moved down North Main to the warehouse, where all alighted and entered the building where the address of the day was to be delivered.

At the Farmers'.

At Gen. Stevenson's side, as he entered the densely crowded warehouse, marched State Chairman F. M. Simmons, and President Chas. T. Rawls, of the Asheville Young Men's Democratic club. A hearty cheer went up the very moment the eminent visitor placed his Democratic foot on the warehouse steps, and continued, growing in strength all the time, as he made his way through the opening in the crowd to the red, white and blue platform rigged up against the north wall of the newly whitewashed building.

Taking his seat in a big arm chair facing perhaps two-thirds of the three thousand people, Gen. Stevenson settled back comfortably and, leaning on his elbow, with his chin resting on his hand, made a studious survey of the faces of his first North Carolina audience. After a moment the band in the rear of the hall struck up with something popular and the audience immediately re-asserted itself in roars of vocal enthusiasm.

This lasted several moments and when it had subsided, Chairman Rawls came forward and cleared his throat with dignity. The little ripple of excitement that had followed the cheering promptly became hushed, and the crowd showed itself all attention.

Introducing the General.

Mr. Rawls looked straight to the front for a moment while the audience gave gave him a greeting that was something of an ovation in itself, and then cleared his throat once more for action. "Fellow citizens," he began as the noise subsided, "in the name of this assembled thousands, in behalf of all the good people of the Old North State and especially in behalf of the 150,000 unterrified Anglo Saxon Democrats of North Carolina"—at which point the audience once more become violently enthusiastic—"I welcome this gentleman [pointing to Gen. Stevenson] into our gates and into the land of his fathers. The Democratic clans of North Carolina are gathered here today and hail you, venerable sire [indicating the candidate and causing him to smile at the suggestion of old age] "as the chief who shall triumph over the enemies of our country who have oppressed us with iniquitous laws and who thought further to supplant with a military despotism the rule as established by our fathers." [Vociferous applause.]

"We are here," continued Mr. Rawls, "to prove in unmistakable language that by the hope of the future and the sacred memories of the past, the State of North Carolina is Democratic today; to emphasize the fact that despite traitors within and foes without her brave, loyal sons are determined that she shall stand in the vanguard of the States which give their votes to Cleveland and Stevenson."

The Chairman followed this by introducing the General as one who had always stuck up for the people and has always been a friend to the South; "and by the eternal," he added, as an after-thought, "he *shall be* the next vice-president of this country."

Gen. Stevenson.

Gen. Stevenson stood up and the crowd cheered. He looked up at a banner on which there were pictures of himself and Mr. Cleveland, and the crowd, following his eyes, went nearly wild. The General was dressed in black, wearing a frock coat, similar to Cleveland's, and the crowd noticed that his right hand sought the front of it, exactly as the ex-president's does. It's a way platform orators have perhaps. The applause that his arising created, lasted several minutes and as soon as he could make himself heard the General gave a quick glance at his wife who sat immediately behind him with Mrs. Frank Coxe, Mrs. Chas. M. Stedman, Mrs. M. E. Carter, Mrs. Thos. D. Johnston, Mrs. T. P. Branch and other ladies, and began his address.

"Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen," he said, and Mr. Stevenson lingered gallantly as his eye rested on a thousand of the fair sex who sat on either side the platform; "I appreciate more fully than words can express, the courteous terms in which your chairman has presented me to you. I appreciate the hearty greetings that you have given me and shall bear back to my home, more than a thousand miles to the Northward, a grateful memory of the heartfelt welcome that has been extended to me by the citizens of Asheville and old North Carolina. [Applause.]

"I trust you will pardon me for saying that I know something of the history of your State and her people and that the history, memories and traditions of this old Commonwealth are as dear to me as they are to yourself."

This beginning carried the speaker into the good graces of everybody in the house, and his clear, practical way of talking had caught them immediately. Leaving this line of talk he launched forth into a most interesting and convincing speech, a condensed report of which appears on the second page of today's CITIZEN.

"There is no place for the Third party in this country," the General declared in the course of his speech, and the crowd agreed with him to the letter. His words were taken up by scores of his hearers and through the cheers that were created by the remark were echoed and re-echoed till Gen. Steverson had to stretch out an arm, with index finger leveled at the crowd, and appeal for silence.

They Remembered.

Soon afterwards the speaker asked the audience, which was lending its ears to his every word, if it remembered when Z. B. Vance, as a candidate for governor, had canvassed the State from the mountains to the sea and aroused the people so as to restore Democracy to power and relegate the plunderers to private life. The answer that was shouted back would have lifted the statesman from Gombroon off his feet if he had been here coming as it did in the shape of a hearty "we do."

The declaration that 4 years of Democratic rule in the nation had brought Northern wealth and energy to the South to help develop it, instead of coming as the carpet baggers did during Republican reign went straight to the hearts of the audience and was liberally rewarded by cheers.

"Is it necessary," queried the General at another juncture, "for me to come a thousand miles from my home to beg the people of North Carolina not to fasten the shackles on themselves again?"

Recognizing instantly that he meant the Force bill the crowd gave a forbidding snort of defiance.

"Is it necessary" he added, "for me to tell you that this measure, which has been designated by a Republican senator as the most infamous measure that ever crossed the threshold of Congress, is aimed directly at you?"

The crowd thought not, as was shown by its looks of determination.

"I am here to tell you to stand by yourselves and your hearthstones" declared the General just before he sat down. "It is your battle for your constitutional rights and you must stick to it."

Gen. Stevenson sat down when he was through in the midst of the wildest cheering of the day. Some strong lunged democrat immediately proposed three cheers for the next vice-president of the United States and the way they were given showed intense satisfaction at the speech. "Dixie," by the Asheville-Belmont band served to keep the enthusiasm alive.

A Powerful Talker.

Chas. Adlai Ewing, Gen. Stevenson's cousin, from Decatur, Ill., came with the candidate as a companion, and not as a speaker, but the crowd was still hungry and he was pressed into making a speech. J. D. Murphy, chairman of the county executive committee, introduced him.

Mr. Ewing thought it hard to realize that it was necessary for men to come from Illinois to urge North Carolina to vote Democratic. He spoke for three quarters of an hour and the crowd lost not one whit of its enthusiasm. A delivery that is attractive even to magnetism and a way of presenting facts that convinces the most skeptical, gave his speech the most intense interest, and the crowd frequently interrupted with cheers.

Stevenson's iron-bound democracy was Mr. Ewing's opening theme, and he declared this feature of the candidate's personality to be nothing more nor less than natural. In his law practice Mr. Stevenson, said the speaker, would have been immeasurably more apt to succeed if he could have been a republican, but he was barred by psychological impossibility.

Hon. W. M. Robbins, of Statesville, made a short but red hot Democratic speech after Mr. Ewing had concluded.

Off for Raleigh.

Gen. Stevenson and party, together with a number of prominent Democrats who came to Asheville to meet the General, left Asheville at 5 o'clock this afternoon on a special train of cars for Raleigh where Gen. Stevenson will speak tomorrow. The train was under charge of Engineer Geo. W. Clark and Conductor L. A. Frazier.

FIVE CASES OF CHOLERA

THE SCOURGE HAS A FOOTHOLD IN NEW YORK CITY.

Two More Suspected Cases Today—The Fire Island Passengers to be Freed Soon—Reports From the Old World

NEW YORK, Sept. 15.—Official announcement was made yesterday afternoon that the dreaded Asiatic cholera had secured a foothold in New York city and that the death of five persons who had passed away between September 6th and yesterday, had proved to be due to Asiatic cholera.

Physicians of the health department have been unable to find out how the cholera was contracted in each of these cases.

President Wilson said this evening there was no occasion for excitement in the city. The health department has taken every possible measure to prevent the spread of infection.

NEW YORK, Sept. 15.—The board of health this morning issued the following bulletin: "During the past forty-eight hours there were no new or suspected cases of cholera reported to this department. The suspected cases of Charlotte Beck of 1784 Second avenue and of Peter Callahan of 318 East Forty-seventh street are under investigation."

FIRE ISLAND, N. Y., Sept. 15.—Inspection by Drs. Vought, Steward and Freeman this morning shows that all the Normannia's passengers were found in good health, slight colds being the exception. Senator McPherson and other members of the passengers' committee, requested that all be discharged tomorrow at 4 a. m., unless Dr. Jenkins or the advisory committee of the State board decides otherwise. Dr. Vought agreed to this.

HAVRE, Sept. 15.—Thirteen new cases of cholera and two deaths were reported here yesterday against eleven new cases and seven deaths Tuesday.

PARIS, Sept. 15.—Up to to 8 o'clock Wednesday night there had been eight cholera deaths in this city, with no new cases.

DIDN'T WANT IT.

The Charlotte Observer's Salisbury Man Interviews Exum.

SALISBURY, N. C., Sept. 13.—Dr. Exum, candidate for governor on the People's party ticket, passed through here last night en route for his home at Goldsboro.

He said to your correspondent: "I was forced into the candidacy for governor, I did not want it. I was never much of a politician." "You have an appointment to speak in Salisbury tomorrow. Will you be here?" was asked. "No, I won't speak tomorrow night. Mr. Butler will be here." "Doctor, it is reported that you have withdrawn, or intend withdrawing from the field." "That is not true; I have not done so yet. I have been misrepresented by every paper in the State except the paper published at High Point. Let me tell you: I used to think all I saw in a Democratic newspapaper was true, but now I don't believe a word I see in any paper."

"No, the Progressive Farmer lies, too. I will not vote for Mr. Cleveland nor Mr. Harrison. No Republican for me."

WHIPPED THEM.

The Outrage Committed by White Caps in Sevier County.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Sept. 14.—Sevier county White Caps last night took George Stevens, a farmer, his mother, his sister Lizzie, and a woman named Tilda Vest from their house, stripped them of their clothing and whipped them nearly to death. They were ordered to leave the county within two days under pain of death.

Stevens recently left his wife and children to live with the Vest woman, and this was given as the cause of the outrage.

A company of law-abiding citizens is being formed to rid the section of the White Cap gang.—N. Y. World.

BIG REPUBLICAN LOSS.

The Democrats Lose Just One Vote in Vermont.

RUTLAND, Vt., Sept. 15.—Returns of the recent election have now been received from the entire State. Fuller, Republican, for governor, has 39,190; Smalley, Democratic, 19,526; Allen, Prohibition, 1,620. Fuller's plurality 19,664 and majority 18,014. Compared with 1888 this is a Republican loss of 9,262, a Democratic loss of one and a Prohibition gain of 278.

Blaine to Speak in the West.

CINCINNATI, O., Sept. 13.—The Republican National Committee has arranged for three meetings in the West to be addressed by Mr. Blaine. Local Republicans are striving to have one of the meetings held at Music Hall in this city in October. It is their intention to have Foraker address the meeting also and contrast it with the Administration fiasco at which Whitelaw Reid was present last Saturday.

The Majority Rules.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Sept. 15.—The Prohibition State convention yesterday nominated A. B. Alexander, of Collington county, for Governor. There was a big squabble over a resolution to put a state ticket in nomination, and the resolution carried by a majority of only one.

The Right Man for the Place.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15.—Praise of Gov. Flower is heard on every hand here. "He's the kind of a man to have at the helm in trying times," was the way a government official put it, and the opinion was enthusiastically indorsed by the large number who heard it expressed.

Mrs. Harrison Some Better.

LOON LAKE, N. Y., Sept. 15.—Mrs. Harrison is reported by Dr. Gardner as being a trifle better this morning, with indication of a natural absorption of the fluid in the chest cavity.