

HITS SEN. PENROSE

Col. Roosevelt Denies That he Knew of Standard Oil Contribution

In Fact He Advised Mr. Cortelyou in 1904 Not to Accept Contributions From the Standard Oil Company—Wants to Testify Before Congressional Committee.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., August 22.—A severe attack on Senator Penrose, of Pennsylvania, was made tonight by Colonel Roosevelt. The Senator, he said, was like a cuttlefish which, lacking the courage to fight its enemy "squirts ink" in the hope that it may escape.

Colonel Roosevelt's speech was made in the armory, at a meeting held in connection with the jubilee of the Rev. Father Curran.

Recently," said Colonel Roosevelt, "certain definite and specific charges were made against Senator Penrose. I personally know nothing of them and had not even looked into the charges until Mr. Penrose succeeded in riveting my attention upon them. Yesterday he got up in the Senate to deny those charges and brought in hearsay charges against me.

"I call your attention to an analogue to Senator Penrose among the inferior forms of animal life—the cuttlefish. When the cuttlefish is attacked by an enemy which it lacks the courage to oppose, it squirts ink and tries to escape, trusting that the enemy will attack the ink instead of the cuttlefish. I now propose to clear away the ink and attack the cuttlefish.

The statement of Mr. Penrose was that he had heard that by my direction \$100,000 was asked for from the Standard Oil Company for my campaign and contributed, and that a further sum was asked for.

"Mr. Penrose gave this evidence on hearsay. It is a thoroughly base and contemptible thing for Mr. Penrose to repeat such evidence on hearsay."

Colonel Roosevelt then referred to letters which he gave out last night, which he sent to George B. Cortelyou, chairman of the Republican National Committee in 1904, directing that no campaign contribution be received from the Standard Oil Company.

"Any man who reads these letters," he continued, "is bound, if he is an honest man, to state that I acted in absolute good faith and that if any contribution was made by the Standard Oil Company, it was without my knowledge and in spite of my absolute prohibition.

"The proof of the pudding is in the eating. Every trust-controlled newspaper in the land is doing everything in its power to beat me. Do you think that those trust papers would be trying to beat me if I had been satisfactory to the Standard Oil Company and that crowd? They are against me because not one true, not one individual, was able to use or influence me while I was President. That is why they hate me."

Col. Roosevelt Wants to Testify.

On Saturday night Col. Roosevelt wired Senator Clapp in Washington, asking if he might appear on Monday before the Senate Investigating Committee to make a statement on his own behalf on the charge of Archbold that he understood Mr. Roosevelt knew of the Standards contribution. Mr. Roosevelt stated he would not allow Archbold's untruthful hearsay evidence go unchallenged. Senator Clapp said he could not get his committee together to hear Mr. Roosevelt, but Col. Roosevelt announced he would issue a statement anyway.

Nothing in the Accusation Against Colonel Roosevelt.

The following editorial bearing on the case is clipped from Monday's Charlotte Observer:

"In the absence of any proof that Mr. Roosevelt knew of the Archbold contribution," comments The New York Tribune, "it is not to be assumed in the face of his denials that he did know of it and that in 1904 he was and ever since he has been playing a part of elaborate and sustained hypocrisy." Furthermore, as The Tribune does not overlook, Roosevelt's letter to Treasurer Bliss now published shows an absolute refusal of Standard Oil contributions by him at the time. This is how the matter appears to a newspaper which is strongly opposed to Roosevelt but mindful of its reputation for fairness. Penrose and Archbold are not very credible witnesses, to say the least. In the nature of the case, they can speak only from hearsay, at that. They said nothing until the only man who could have confirmed or contradicted Roosevelt was dead. There is nothing whatever in the whole accusation, so far as we can see."

A Difference. Bangs: "How did old Heavysole treat you when you asked him for his daughter? Acted like a pirate, didn't he?" Batts: "Pirate! He acted like a free booter!"—Judge.

NO SUNDAY MAIL.

First and Second Class Post-offices Will Not Put Up Mail on Sunday—Congressmen Were Asleep.

No mail will be delivered or put into boxes on Sunday at any of the first and second-class postoffices throughout the United States beginning next Sunday. The National Congress, in its closing hours, passed this law as a "rider" to the post-office appropriation bill, and so far as can be learned, only one or two men, not even the Congressmen knew such a law had been passed until they read it in the newspapers. If the Congressmen were opposed to the measure, they were asleep on the job. It is reported from Washington that none of the members from this State even know how it happened.

The bill provides that no mail shall be put into lock boxes, or delivered at general delivery window or otherwise delivered from midnight Saturday night to midnight Sunday night at any first or second-class office, except special delivery letters. But the law does not affect third and fourth class offices. It is understood that no religious wave has struck the postoffice department or Congress, but the law is intended to save Uncle Sam a few dollars on Sunday work. The majority of the people believe in the observance of Sunday and would be glad if no work of any kind were done on Sunday, but many can't understand why they shouldn't be allowed to get letters from home or from their sweethearts on Sunday, unless they pay the government a bonus of ten cents for each letter, and still the telephone girls, telegraph operators and railroad men are required to work on Sunday. Some argue that everything should be closed up tight on Sunday. There should be no discrimination.

NOMINEE FOR U. S. JUDGE IS OPPOSED IN SEATTLE.

Mr. Taft's Selection for Hanford's Seat Has Corporation Record.

Seattle, Wash., Aug. 26.—State-wide indignation has resulted since the announcement that President Taft had sent the name of Clinton W. Howard of Bellingham to the Senate for confirmation as Federal Judge for the Western District of this State to succeed Cornelius H. Hanford, whose resignation was forced while undergoing impeachment preliminary investigation.

A storm of protest came in from all points of the State because of Howard's record and connections, and mass meetings have been arranged for in his home city of Bellingham to protest against the appointment. Hundreds of telegrams have been sent to Washington opposing him.

It is generally regarded that the same conditions that prevailed under Hanford will prevail during Howard's tenure of office.

Howard for years has been the chief lobbyist of Stone and Webster of New York, who have immense electric traction and lighting interests in this State. He has been constantly at the Capitol during sessions in their interests as well as those of the Great Northern Railway Company, of which he is counsel. He was involved in the scandal here a few years ago which cost Milo Root his seat on the State Supreme Court when it was shown that Chief Counsel Gordon of the Great Northern wrote a decision clearing the railway company to which Root signed his name and handed down as his own.

Howard is a brother-in-law of E. H. McCord, who received fabulous sums as a receiver and attorney for receiver in Hanford's court, as was developed during the Congressional probe here.

Considerable fear was expressed here until last week about a Federal grand jury when McCord, it is reported, openly boasted that there was no cause for worry, "the new judge will keep the grand jury in line." The announcement that his brother-in-law had been appointed after the many ugly revelations and developments of the Hanford hearing has caused even the men in charge of the Taft campaign in this State to wonder how the President was induced to name Howard.

OFFER OF REWARD FOR THE TUCKER AMENDMENT.

"Nothing was further from my mind than to bind any participant in the convention to abide by the action of the National Convention."—Extract from the letter of Committeeman Tucker to Committeeman Jenkins.

"There is an error somewhere, for I know Mr. Tucker never intended to convey any such meaning as published in the newspapers."—Extract from telegram of Committeeman Jenkins to Mr. Pearson.

Offer of regard.—I hereby offer a reward of \$50, to any person who will produce the original manuscript amendment offered by Mr. I. R. Tucker and adopted by the members of the Republican State Committee present at the meeting on the 7th instant.

RICHMOND PEARSON. Adv. 1t.

Senator Simmons talks about suing The Highlander. We wonder why he doesn't sue Governor Kitchin. Lawyers and politicians can say what they please publicly and to thousands but papers must keep quiet.—Hickory Mercury.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE.

[This column is open to our subscribers and friends to express their views on timely topics. Make letters as short as you can and to the point. The editor is not responsible for the views expressed in letters published.]

A REPLY TO MR. SPENCE.

Ore Hill Subscriber Surprised That He Should Claim Mr. Taft Duly Nominated.

Mr. Editor:—I notice a second letter in your paper from my friend, Mr. J. E. Spence, and again he asks us to believe that Mr. Taft was honestly nominated. Now, in justice to Mr. Spence, I will state that he is a fourth-class postmaster and a good friend of mine, and I am surprised that he would attempt to claim Mr. Taft was honestly nominated, for by endorsing Mr. Taft as the nominee, they would simply be upholding the thievery at Chicago, for no one denies the fact that Mr. Taft's bosses stole the nomination, lest it be a Federal officeholder. If Mr. Taft and his allies had made as great a success running the government as they have made taking the nomination from "Teddy," there would have been no use in fraud. He would have been nominated by acclamation. But he has solved no knotty problems of State or had enacted any great laws, but has merely gone through his daily routine of duties, or in other words, attended to the little things and devoted his spare time to distributing pie among the dummies down in North Carolina. But what surprises me most is the fact that he did not give the "niggers" anyway, after they had been such a great help to him, for in Mr. Taft's own words, the negro delegates at Chicago stood by him very faithful. And without his negroes he could not have been nominated.

Now, friends, I ask you in the name of justice and honesty: will you vote for a man who was nominated by a stolen delegation?

Mr. Taft and his allies stand out in a class to themselves for boldness and daring. They have never been excelled. In the face of ninety million people his bosses committed a great political theft. And now his men have the face to ask us to prove it. Do you want proof that the sun shines, or that night is not day? It is such a plain case of theft that I don't see how any honest man can endorse it, if he will only reason. Col. Roosevelt could have been nominated if he would have thirty of those fraudulent seated delegates who offered to stand by him in the nomination, but Col. Roosevelt refused their support, saying that he would not sacrifice the principles for which he was fighting, even for the nomination.

Mr. Spence charges Col. Roosevelt of being a big boss. The Colonel told the Third Party Convention to select their choice and he would cheerfully abide by their decision. Has Mr. Taft ever said as much? Colonel Roosevelt is a great leader, but he is far from a boss.

I deny that those bosses who stole the nomination are the greatest men in the Republican party, and I also deny that Mr. Taft is the nominee, but if so, then God have mercy on the Republican party, and the sooner she dies the better it will be for the people.

ROOSEVELT REPUBLICAN. Ore Hill, N. C.

That Poison Ivy.

Editor Caucasian:—In your paper of August 8th, it is said that the article I had taken issue with relative to the prescription for poison ivy was furnished by a member of the board of health, who replies that it is to be regretted that I did not state

how much time elapsed between the time I touched the ivy and the time I washed at the foot of the hill (with mud, sand and water). Just as you had prescribed. I will state that it was not exceeding fifteen minutes, and I washed well and then went on for dinner and then washed with soap and water well. This was not later than three quarters of an hour after the first wash, and in two days thereafter my hands and face were swollen to the limit.

It is a fact that ivy or poison oak does not affect some people, but I for one it really takes hold on touch. It will not do to apply water, mud and sand to flesh touched by poison ivy, for the reason this only opens the way and drives the poison into the flesh. In my opinion, to apply the water, mud and sand remedy to parts that had been touched with ivy would establish the poison in flesh that otherwise would have not been affected from the touch by the poison plant.

I see the article or prescribed remedy just as appeared in The Caucasian has also appeared in a number of other papers, and I know it will not do. Use no plain water but use some kind or any kind of alkali. Now experience teaches a dear school and I want no one to have what I have had with ivy from washing with water, mud, sand and soap.

C. L. J. Fairview, N. C.

WHAT SUFFRAGETTES CAN DO.

Darn the Government, Darn Socks and Vote on Election Day.

Minneapolis, Minn., Aug. 26.—In order to dissipate the impression that women who yearn to vote at real elections do not know the first elements of housekeeping. Minnesota suffragists will maintain a booth at the state fair, where every man, whether married or single, may have his hose darned. This was decided by the women yesterday when the following war cry was adopted: "Darn the government; darn the socks."

That's the way to the ballot box. Patch the holes in hubby's hose. March to the polls and voice our woes."

The organization has adopted the darning needle as its emblem.

Will Have Less Money if Wilson is Elected.

Union Republican.]

The Raleigh News and Observer is making a strenuous call to North Carolina Democracy to raise funds for Governor Wilson's campaign. It is the hope of that paper to raise the \$1,187.58 to \$2,000 by next Saturday. Chip in, b'hoys. You may have a spare dollar or two now, but there is no assurance that you will be so flush should Governor Wilson be elected President.

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