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## PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT

**The Man Who Now Becomes the Chief Executive of the Nation—Striking Personalities Which Have Made Him a Unique Character in National Politics—He Believes In the Strenuous Life.**

Theodore Roosevelt, the new president of the United States, is one of the most remarkable men in this country. His career, which from the outset has been a most "strenuous" one, may be divided into nine phases or stages, leading up to the tenth as president, upon the duties of which he is just entering.

In nine different roles he has given evidence of the attributes that make him today perhaps the most talked of man of forty-three in the world.

Of aristocratic birth, a member of a family distinguished for valor, patriotism and culture for many generations, young Roosevelt first stood for public favor when he appeared as a candidate for assemblyman in his native city, New York. He was then just out of college, 1879, and was twenty-one years of age.

and who had Dewey, in whom he recognized the right man for the place, appointed to command the eastern squadron. And naval officers agree that the remarkable skill in marksmanship displayed by the American gunners was due to his foresight. He saw the necessity of practice, and he thought it the best kind of economy to burn up ammunition in acquiring skill.

A characteristic story, of the truth of which there is no doubt, is told regarding Roosevelt's insistence on practice in the navy. Shortly after his appointment he asked for an appropriation of \$80,000 for the navy. The appropriation was made, and a few months later he asked for another appropriation, this time of \$300,000. When asked by the proper authorities



MISS ALICE ROOSEVELT, President's eldest daughter.

What had become of the first appropriation, he replied, "Every cent of it was spent for powder and shot, and every bit of powder and shot has been fired." When he was asked what he was going to do with the \$300,000, he replied, "Use every ounce of that, too, within the next thirty days in practice shooting." When the Maine was blown up, Mr. Roosevelt had no doubt that war would follow and that shortly, and his energies were bent with redoubled force to giving the navy ready. When war did finally break out, Mr. Roosevelt was for rushing matters, for taking Havana at once and dictating terms from there.

### ROOSEVELT'S ROUGH RIDERS.

Naturally enough, Roosevelt would not be content to sit behind a desk while there was fighting going on. He submitted his resignation to the president on April 15 and tried to get an appointment upon General Lee's staff. Then came the rough rider idea, the seventh phase of Roosevelt's career, hardly thought of before it was realized.

"Roosevelt's rough riders"—something in the alliteration of the name struck the popular fancy, and the regiment became famous before it was organized. Roosevelt had had some military experience as a captain in the Eighth regiment, but not enough, in his estimation, to fit him to command a regiment in time of war, and he modestly took the second place and was content to learn from his friend, Dr. Wood.

It is hardly necessary to recount the history of the rough riders from the time they were organized in San Antonio, Tex., until they were mustered out at Camp Wikoff—to recall the jungle fight of Las Guasimas and the bloody charge at San Juan Hill. But the tale is still on every one's lips. But it is worth while to recall the remarkable influence Roosevelt's personality had over his men, an influence that welded a thousand or more independent cow-punchers, ranchers and athletes into a fighting machine. "You've got to perform without flinching whatever duty is assigned you regardless of the difficulty or danger attending it. No matter what comes you mustn't squeak." These words of Roosevelt's became almost a religion with his men. "To do anything without flinching and not to squeak" was their aim, and to hear the colonel say "Bully!" was reward enough.

### GOVERNOR, VICE PRESIDENT, PRESIDENT.

Colonel Roosevelt returned to the United States to find that he was already talked of as the next governor of New York. But his regiment, which he had "breathed and eaten with for three months," was still on his mind, and he had no time for anything but it.



QUENTIN ROOSEVELT, President's youngest son.

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ing him along inevitably and irresistibly.

The eighth stage of Roosevelt's career began with his assumption of the office of governor of New York state and the ninth with his inauguration as vice president of the United States March 4, 1901.

A tenth phase is just opening for him as the chief executive of the greatest nation in the world.

President Roosevelt's ancestry and his rearing and education, coupled with an excessively aggressive nature, manifested unmistakably even in his very early youth, seemed to preface for him a more than ordinary career.

### ROOSEVELT'S ANCESTRY.

Theodore Roosevelt was born Oct. 27, 1858, in his father's house, 28 East Twentieth street, in New York city. In that quiet region around Gramercy park, the home of many families bearing names held in high honor and esteem, there was none bearing a name more highly honored and esteemed than the family into which Theodore Roosevelt was born. For six generations his forbears had been prominent as citizens of New York and distinguished in the councils of the city. His father, James J. Roosevelt, was alderman in 1828, 1829 and 1830, assemblyman from 1835 to 1840, congressman from 1841 to 1849, and supreme court justice from 1854 to 1860; his grandfather, James Roosevelt, who was a merchant, was assemblyman in 1793-97 and alderman in 1800; his great-grandfather, Cornelius C. Roosevelt, likewise a merchant, was alderman from 1785 to 1801; his great-great-grandfather, Cornelius Roosevelt, was alderman from 1759 to 1794; his great-great-great-grandfather, John Roosevelt, also a merchant, was alderman from 1748 to 1767, and his great-great-great-great-grandfather, Nicholas Roosevelt, was alderman of New York city in 1740-41.

Such was the life of the sturdy Dutch ancestors from whom Theodore Roosevelt inherited his name. But, although his name is Holland Dutch, Scotch, Irish and French Huguenot blood mingle in his veins in equal measure with that of his Dutch ancestors and accounts to no small extent for the personal qualities of the man, his energy

and perseverance, his impulsive, not to say fiery, temperament and his vigorous mode of expression. With the impetus of family and the favorable material conditions in which he found himself as well as by the force of his own personality, Roosevelt might have advanced rapidly in any path he chose, whether it led toward brilliant social success or the making of a large fortune. That he chose a career of public service is characteristic of the man, and more so in that he saw in the course he had marked out for himself small chance of pecuniary remuneration and a struggle for principle that might jeopardize those rewards that are the politician's. Once decided he never swayed from his course. For three years of his life he has been before the public eye as an aggressive political force.

### THE ROOSEVELT HOMESTEAD.

Vice President Roosevelt's homestead near Oyster Bay, N. Y., is an ideal country seat, and the Roosevelt family is a very old one in the neighborhood. The house is large, homelike and country, quite unpretentious. It crowns the very topmost peak of Sagamore hill.

The approach to the house, through forest and meadow, is beautiful and refreshing in the extreme. But it is not until after one reaches the top of Sagamore hill that the full beauty of the magnificent panorama is revealed.

The view of the bay, the headlands, with the Long Island sound and the Connecticut river, for miles and miles, resting against the deep blue of the sea, is so restful, so altogether lovely, that it cannot soon fade from the memory.

The library, which is a splendid room directly off the main hall, contains a vast number of books. The interior is one of enchantment to the genuine book lover. A big open fireplace stretches across one end of the room. Above it is a magnificent display of the heads of deer, rams, antelopes, mountain sheep and other trophies of Colonel Roosevelt's skill as a hunter.

The floors are covered with rugs made of the skins of lions, bears, buffaloes and panthers, all victims of the vice president's gun. In fact the whole house is adorned with trophies of the chase.



MRS. THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

entertained formally, preferring to keep open house.

When they first went to Washington, it was quite a break to leave all those New York friends, but it was not long before Mrs. Roosevelt, as well as her husband had formed a circle of new acquaintances, and their home in Washington was the center of much that was delightful and interesting.

When Mr. Roosevelt decided to come back to New York again, Mrs. Roosevelt felt badly at breaking up her life in Washington, but, as usual, said nothing and allowed herself to be carried away by her husband's enthusiasm over his new field of work and came back to New York and took up her life where she had left it before. As is well known, the life here was short, and back again they went to Washington.

But during all these changes and changes the quiet routine of Mrs. Roosevelt's life, if it could be a routine at all, went on, and with the exception that the plan itself was altered, there was no difference made. Every summer has been spent at Oyster Bay, where the life led is entirely an outdoor one. Mrs. Roosevelt there, as elsewhere, superintends the education of her children. She does not instruct them herself, but she makes a point of

Here it is that most of his books and articles, of which he has written many, were brought into being.

Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt is the most enthusiastic admirer and ardent helper of her husband in his political career. She is absorbed heart and soul in her husband's success, as she has been from the time they first knew each other as children. Mrs. Roosevelt, who before her marriage was Miss Edith Carow, possesses great intelligence, a remarkably fine education and a wonderful power of educating herself and at the same time exerting a great influence. She is very pretty, slight, of medium height and has dark brown eyes and hair. She has not gone much into society since her marriage, as she has been more or less an invalid, and she has devoted herself entirely to her children and her home. She has five children of her own, and there is also a daughter by Mr. Roosevelt's first wife, a girl of seventeen, to whom Mrs. Roosevelt is the most devoted of mothers.

### MRS. ROOSEVELT AND THE CHILDREN.

Mrs. Roosevelt was a playmate of Mr. Roosevelt's sisters and of Mr. Roosevelt himself when they were children. They went to the same dancing class, were identified with the same set in society, and there were a great many people who predicted that as these children grew up they would marry. However, as is well known, Mr. Roosevelt's first wife was Miss Lee of Boston, and at the time of that marriage Miss Carow was abroad, where she remained for some time. Mr. Roosevelt met her in Europe after his wife's death, and their engagement was not announced for some months. When it was announced, the congratulations were most sincere from every one who knew them and realized how well suited they were to one another.

Like her husband, Mrs. Roosevelt is an enthusiastic reader, but also keeps well up on all the topics of the day. She is a good French scholar and also speaks German. During the years spent in Europe she traveled everywhere and always kept up her studies. The Roosevelts heretofore have seldom



ROOSEVELT LEADING HIS ROUGH RIDERS.

going into their lessons always once a week. If they are at school, she goes to the school and stays through the day, in order to know just what the children are studying.

The Roosevelt children are Alice, seventeen years old; Theodore, Jr., fourteen; Kermit, twelve; Ethel, ten; Archibald, seven, and Quentin, four. They are all bright and interesting, and, as the boys are full of pranks as possible and have none of the exclusiveness so common to children reared in affluence, it is likely that the grounds of the White House will be much more lively than they have been for a generation.

The romping, outdoor life which these children have hitherto enjoyed at Oyster Bay during nearly eight months of each year has had the effect of making athletes of them all. Teddy Junior is said to be an excellent boxer, a good runner and jumper, a first class swimmer and a magnificent horseman. Indeed all the children ride well, for their father has always held that horseback riding is the most healthful exercise in the world. The children have taken to it so naturally that a visitor who saw them some time ago at their favorite mounts laughingly remarked to the colonel that if he should ever conclude to raise another regiment of rough riders he will be able to get several recruits without leaving his own premises. Teddy Junior is so striking a counterpart in miniature of his father that his identity is clear to persons meeting him for the first time at places where they would naturally not expect to see him. His mental habits and his impulsive manner are also those of his father, who, by the way, is regarded by the youngster as the greatest man in the world. His sole expressed ambition is that he may live to be as good a man as his paternal ancestor.

The proudest boast of many southern statesmen that their women folks do not aspire to the suffrage proved a not apt one in the recent Virginia constitutional convention when the following preamble and resolution were introduced by a delegate at the request of "an estimable lady of southwest Virginia":

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—Cincinnati Enquirer.

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PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT.

Even his opponents admit that he was a zealous servant of his own party—an unwavering Republican. He was then, as now, athletic and remarkable for his boundless energy, his interest in people and things and his unflinching enthusiasm.

The second stage of Mr. Roosevelt's public career was that in which he announced himself as candidate for mayor of New York.

It was very characteristic that he should, with his belief in himself, consider the office of mayor one which he was equipped to fill, but magnanimously declined. He was consulted to-day he would argue with his friends that his defeat in this race was beneficial to him. Defeated as candidate for mayor, Mr. Roosevelt next appears as a national civil service commissioner, and here again his party found him staid, unflinching, capable and efficient.

This appointment was made in 1886 by President Harrison when Roosevelt was a trifle over thirty. Two years later, in 1888 (the fourth stage of Mr. Roosevelt's remarkable life), he appears as a hunter of big game.

When Theodore Roosevelt concluded to hunt grizzly bears, he naturally decided to do so in his own considered proper costume, and it is most interesting to see the dramatic instinct again dominating. The pictures of Mr. Roosevelt taken in his costume as a hunter show him holding his rifle, loaded with many bullets. The leather breeches, with their picturesque adornment of fringe; the hunting shirt of leather, embroidered supposedly by Indians; the scarlet silk handkerchief, ivory handled revolver, the knife thrust into the cartridge belt, are all the fitting paraphernalia of the cowboy's hero.

### ROOSEVELT AS A HUNTER.

When Roosevelt, dressed in his gaudy and personally selected hunting costume, made his appearance among the untrammelled citizens around Little Missouri river, he was looked upon as a tenderfoot of a very elementary brand. The toughs who proposed to show him a thing or two arranged among themselves, in their own expressive language, "to take some of the frills out of the New York tenderfoot."

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