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OFF FOR THE GOLDEN GATE

The President Begins His Swing Around the Circle

CROWDS AT THE START

Large and Distinguished Party of Travelers

MOST ELEGANT TRAIN

The Interior a Bower of Roses—Great Enthusiasm Shown by Spectators at the Moment of Starting—Alexandria Fails to Warm up to the Occasion—University of Virginia Students Draw the President Out for a Talk

Washington, April 29.—The President and those who are to accompany him on the trip across the continent left the Pennsylvania Railroad station this morning at 10:22 o'clock in the magnificent special train of Pullman cars over the Northern Railway.

No former morning or day could have been so desired, and the President, Mrs. McKinley and all were in the most enthusiastic spirits in anticipation of their trip.

People began to gather at the depot at an early hour, and before 10 o'clock the sidewalks near the entrances were entirely filled. The depot policemen kept a passage way from the B street door to the train opening, but with the exception of that every inch of space in all the waiting rooms was taken up by a throng of curious and interested people.

The Presidential train was backed into the station about 10 o'clock, and its coming was hailed with applause and a murmur of approval from the crowd. It made a splendid appearance, with its highly varnished sides and its shining brass trimmings.

The President's car was at the end of the train, and through every window could be seen large clusters of roses, wreaths of flowers and decorations in green. Parties stationed at the car steps flanked entrance to the curious hundreds that sought to obtain a view of the interior. The fragrance of the flowers was perceptible even from the outside. The dining car, too, which was just ahead of the President's car, was filled with flowers, and every window contained a cut-glass vase filled with American Beauty roses. Here and there in the other cars were bouquets of flowers. The members of the party were not over prompt, and it was 10:15 o'clock when they began to arrive. Most of the Cabinet officers were accompanied by their families and by friends who came to bid them good bye.

The Presidential party did not arrive at the station until about 10:25. The President, as he stepped from the carriage and helped Mrs. McKinley to alight, received an ovation. The crowd raised a vocal greeting that made the rafters of the station building ring. He passed through an avenue of cheering, hand-clapping and hat-waving citizens, who were glad to show their unfeigned pleasure in greeting him and bidding him good-bye on his journey. After the President had arrived there were still a few members of the party to come. The President went immediately into his car, where he found a large number of personal friends waiting to greet him. The members of the party were crowded with people who wished to give him their best wishes for the journey.

All the time flowers were arriving. Messenger boys came with immense armfuls of roses, with stems reaching to the top of the train after bouquet came, and boxes after boxes of fragrant blossoms that were packed with no room for the passengers. Every member of the party was at the train at the hour of starting.

With heavy puffs the engine started, and the train slowly rolled out of the depot. Secretary Wilson, Secretary Hitchcock and Postmaster General Smith stood on the rear platform. Just a few moments before the last car turned the curve that would take it out of sight from the crowd, the President stepped through the door to the back railing of his platform. He removed his hat and bowed in response to his salute hats in the crowd and the crowd cheered. The morning's enthusiasm reached its climax just at that point. The shout that went up was heartfelt and sincere.

The First Stop
Alexandria, April 29.—The Presidential train reached Alexandria at 10:42 not over 200 people at the Southern Railway station, and there was no demonstration as the train came to a standstill. As the President appeared on the platform of his private car, accompanied by Secretary Cortelyou, several persons in the crowd lifted their hats. Mr. McKim responded by saluting and bowing pleasantly. He remained on the train for several minutes, and then returned to his car. Five minutes after the arrival of the train, at 10:47 o'clock,

pulled out of the station and started on its long run of ninety miles without a stop to Charlottesville.

Talk to University Boys
Charlottesville, April 29.—The President's train stopped for three minutes at Manassas, and then continued to Charlottesville, the seat of the University of Virginia. Here was a good-sized crowd, including a large number of students from the university, who gave the President a cordial reception. The President said:

"My fellow citizens, it gives me very great pleasure to receive the greeting of the people of Charlottesville and the cheers of the young men of the University of Virginia. Your institution is linked with great names and great deeds, and has influenced both. What an array of immortal names Virginia holds in her keeping to remind us of lofty patriotism, broad statesmanship and noble achievements."

"To no other state of the American Union belongs such history to preserve and cherish and such examples to inspire and emulate. May the young men of the state of Virginia prove worthy sons of their noble ancestors and contribute in the future as they did in the past to the well being and honor and glory of the republic."

"Let me assure you, young gentlemen, that the present and future hold rich rewards for good scholarship, high character and noble endeavor, and the wish which I leave with you is that of these you may have your full share."

The President's remarks were received with frequent and prolonged applause.

A Happy Hit at Lynchburg
Lynchburg, Va., April 29.—Senator Daniel and several thousand of his fellow townsmen received the Presidential party at Lynchburg with enthusiasm. Here the President made a happy speech calling for peace after peal of laughter from the crowd by his humorous references to the time when he was a union soldier on the battlefields of Virginia. He said his welcome was less cordial in the vicinity of Lynchburg than it was today.

There was a circus in Lynchburg this afternoon, but Senator Daniel told the President that the crowd was not at the circus but at the railroad station. "Well, that may be due to natural causes," replied Mr. McKinley, "usually the people prefer a free show to a fifty cent show."

The President was introduced by Mr. Daniel and spoke from the rear platform of his car. "I am very glad, not only to meet the people of the city of Lynchburg, but to be presented by your distinguished Senator. (Applause.) It is a matter of no public interest, but only one of my personal recollections that the first time I ever tried to come to Lynchburg I did not succeed. (Laughter.) I came here with a number of other gentlemen who sought entrance, but the gates were closed. (Laughter.) We could not open them and you would not. (Laughter.) and so we departed to seek another host, if not more hospitable, less formidable than the one that greeted us here. (Laughter.) It is a happy time for me to come Lynchburg now; the war over, no exchange of greetings with shot and shell as then, but with the friendly regard and good will which subsists between all sections of our common country." (Great applause.)

Seen From the Car Windows
Wytheville, April 29.—At 11 o'clock tonight President McKinley had passed over 375 miles of his tour to the Pacific coast and had vividly recalled some of the most notable scenes and incidents of his earlier career. From the windows of his private car he could see more than one of the historic battlefields of the civil war, and the train passed within a short distance of the old home of Madison and Jefferson and very near the present residence of the daughter of President Tyler. The large towns and the country side turned out to greet him. He made several speeches congratulating and felicitating the citizens of Virginia on the effacement of sectional distast. The weather was of the finest and the valleys of the Roanoke and New River and the fields of Manassas and Charlottesville were bathed in warm sunshine all day. The Virginians gave the President a hospitable welcome. Even at Alexandria, only seven miles from Washington, where the special train stopped for five minutes, there was a large turning out of the population.

Great Crowd at Roanoke
Bristol, Tenn., April 29.—A number of short stops were made during the day at which no speeches were made, but where the president shook hands with a few of the people from the platform of his car.

There was a large crowd at Culpeper, the home of the Hon. Alfred J. Stoffer. At Roanoke the president said in part: "My fellow citizens, I am informed, and I do not wonder at it, that your committee which was to extend to me a welcome to Roanoke has been lost in this great crowd. But there can be no warmer or more sympathetic welcome than greets me from the hearts of your people. I congratulate you and I congratulate myself upon the glorious country in which we live, and that once more and forever we are devoted to the same cause and to the same flag. (Great applause) I congratulate the citizens of this city

upon its marvellous growth and progress. Twenty years ago you had less, I am told, than a thousand people in this community. You have more than twenty thousand now, and I think if a census was taken today you would have a much greater number than that. (Applause.)

"What we want to do now is to be prudent in our prosperity, save while we can and be strong if the storm should come (and they do now and then). Whenever it comes let us be fortified by the practice of economy while we are all so well employed." (Applause.)

The president and his party will arrive at Memphis tomorrow afternoon at 4:30 and will remain there over night. This is one of the objective points of the tour, and an elaborate program has been arranged by the citizens. Both the president and Mrs. McKinley are in the best of health and spirits.

Bank Officers Arrested
Seattle, April 29.—Frank Olsen, cashier, and J. S. Stangroom, bookkeeper, of the defunct Scandinavian American Bank of New Whatcom, have been arrested on warrants charging them with receiving deposits after the failure of that institution. Stangroom is now exchange teller of a Seattle bank and lives here. Olsen was formerly secretary of the board of public works here and a prominent politician and newspaper man. He says the arrests are the result of a mistake and that the receiver of the bank has acted hastily.

Japan Buys Bombay Cotton
Tocoma, April 29.—The steamship Copack brings news that the shipments of raw cotton from the United States to the Orient will be greatly affected by immense purchases of Bombay cotton just made by the cotton spinners union, embracing the largest cotton manufacturers of Japan. Their agents have bought 250,000 bales to be shipped within the next few months. Of this quantity the Nippon Yusen Kaisha will carry 100,000 bales at 12 rupees a ton. Many manufacturers intend to mix Bombay with American cotton, while others will use the former exclusively. It is laid down in Japan cheaper than American.

BABY FORGOTTEN

Little One Left to Perish in a Fire

EVERYBODY IN A PANIC

Department Store and Several Other Buildings Succumb to Flames—Many Made Homeless

Pittsburg, April 29.—Fire at the corner of Carson and Seventeenth streets, south side, today resulted in the loss of one life, a property loss estimated at \$250,000, consumed over a dozen buildings and rendered a score of families homeless.

The flames were discovered in the basement of the four story department store of George E. Lorch & Brother, and in a very short time the entire building was burning furiously. It was in ruins within thirty minutes.

A panic ensued among the customers and employes, which resulted in what seemed at first an unfounded report that eight persons had perished. This was proved untrue after the fire had been controlled, the only fatality being the burning to death of Mrs. Kate Donley's 24-year-old child.

When the fire broke out Mrs. Donley and child were on the fourth floor of the Lorch building. In her haste to escape, the mother fell down the stairway and was rendered unconscious. In the excitement the child was either forgotten or burned before aid could reach it.

A shower of burning timbers were thrown from the Lorch building, carrying destruction in all directions. E. & A. Ernweh's clothing store, on the opposite side of the street, was the first to catch, but was not entirely destroyed. The grocery of P. McGrath, next door to Lorch, was entirely consumed, followed quickly by the drug store of J. P. Stenger and several other buildings. The confectionery store of John Nelson and the saloon of P. Donohue were the next to succumb, and in quick succession followed the store of Mrs. McIntosh, the produce store of Samuel Weissman and four dwellings adjoining. A double brick dwelling owned by Mrs. Miller, was badly damaged and a number of smaller houses in Sixteenth street were made wrecks, either in the whole or part.

Department Notes
Washington, April 29.—Special.—Mr. Thomas Evans of Wilmington was admitted today to practice before the Supreme Court.

The Fourth National Bank of Philadelphia was today approved as reserve agent for the First National Bank of Weldon, N. C.

A new post office has been established at Lenoir, Moore county, with R. B. Reynolds as postmaster; at Pike, Robeson county, with Murdock McLeod as postmaster.

SPRINTING GAME

Portsmouth Players Outrun the Senators

MADE LOTS OF FUN

Both Sides Almost Run Their Legs Off—Wilmington Beats Newport News--

Norfolk Wins Again

Games Yesterday
Portsmouth 17, Raleigh 13.
Newport News 4, Wilmington 9.
Norfolk 3, Richmond 1.

Norfolk 3—Richmond 1
Norfolk, Va., April 29.—Special.—Norfolk defeated Richmond here to-day in a game that was full of hair raising and heart burning situations from beginning to end. The chief cause of the visitors losing was their ragged fielding at times, though Norfolk played with a confidence that would be hard to shake. After the game a slight altercation occurred between Catcher Armstrong and Umpire Clark, in which the latter was struck. Fines imposed upon the player by the umpire led to the trouble, which was not serious. The score:

R.H.E.
Norfolk 0 11 0 100 * 3 8 1
Richmond 0 0 0 0 0 10 10 5
Batteries—Wolfe and Armstrong; Bishop and Manners.

Portsmouth 17—Raleigh 13
Portsmouth, Va., April 29.—Special.—Portsmouth defeated Raleigh in a veritable slugfest. The North Carolina team used three pitchers in a vain endeavor to check the terrific batting of the locals. Kemmer made out of six tries at the bat a home run two two base hits and one single. Raleigh's batted well, and touched up Lipp for twelve hits, two being three-baggers and four being doubles.

PORTSMOUTH.
AB. R. H. PO. A. E.
Weaver, 2b 5 1 1 0 5 0
Gates, 3b 5 2 3 0 2 0
Kemmer, 1b 6 3 4 12 0 1
Murray, c 6 3 1 4 0 1
Knox, s 2 3 1 2 5 1
Westlake, c 5 1 0 6 1 0
Swander, 1 f 5 3 2 1 0 0
Martin, r f 6 1 3 1 0 0
Lipp, p 6 1 4 1 0 0
Totals 46 17 20 27 11 2

RALEIGH.
Stanley, c f 4 1 1 0 5 1
Henninger, 2b 2 1 3 2 1
Kelly, s 0 2 3 1 1
Atz, 3b 5 0 1 0 5 1
Hauptman, r f 5 0 1 0 1 1
Meade, s 4 1 1 4 0 0
Sherman, 1 f 5 1 1 1 0 1
LeGrande, c 2 3 0 0 0
Leonard, p 0 0 1 0 1 0
Weeks, p 2 0 0 1 0 0
Person, p 2 1 0 1 1 0
Totals 40 8 12 27 11 7

By innings:
R.H.E.
Portsmouth 6 4 0 14 0 11—17 20 17
Raleigh 2 0 0 0 0 3 3 0—8 12 7
Summary:
Earned runs, Portsmouth, 8; Raleigh, 3. Two-base hits, Weaver, Gates, Kemmer, 2; Meade, LeGrande, 2; Atz, three-base hit, Martin, 2; Henninger, 2; Home run, Kemmer. Stolen bases, Swander, Henninger. Double plays, Meade (unassisted). Bases on balls, Lipp, 2; Leonard, 2; Weeks, 3; Person, 1. Struck out, Lipp, 5; Weeks, 1; Person, 4. Wild pitches, Leonard, 1; Weeks, 1. Passed balls, LeGrande, 1. Time, 1:50. Umpires, O'Brien and Bowden.

Newport News 4—Wilmington 9
Newport News, Va., April 29.—The Wilmingtons made their first appearance of the season here this afternoon and defeated the home team by a score of 9 to 4. The exhibition put up by the locals was the poorest they have ever given and their fielding errors and errors of judgment threw the game away after it had been won. Allen pitched good ball and Stagle pitched better ball than the score shows. Most of the eleven hits recorded against him came after there had been a chance to retire the side and at least three of these hits were of the very fluky order that would have been handled easily but for mistakes as to who should handle them. Crockett got a home run by driving the ball through a hole in the right field fence.

The score:
R. H. E.
Newport News 1 0 0 3 0 0 0 4 9 5
Wilmington 0 0 3 0 3 0 0 11 1
Batteries: Slagle and Foster; Allen and Thacker. Umpire, Staley.

Standing of Clubs
W. L. Pct.
Norfolk 8 2 .800
Wilmington 7 5 .583
Raleigh 6 6 .500
Newport News 5 7 .417
Portsmouth 5 7 .417
Richmond 3 8 .273

Today's Games
Raleigh at Portsmouth.
Richmond at Norfolk.
Wilmington at Newport News.

THE NATIONAL LEAGUE
New York 13—Philadelphia 14
Philadelphia, April 29.—In one of the most loosely played games ever seen at the local grounds the Phillies defeated New York today 14 to 13. The Phillies threw their game away by costly er-

rors, but eventually won by tremendous hitting. Attendance 1,308.

The score:
R. H. E.
New York 3 2 0 2 4 11 0 0—13 16 3
Philadelphia 2 0 2 5 3 0 0 2 *—14 14 7
Batteries—Fisher and Bowerman; Dunn and Jacklisch. Umpire—O'Day.

Boston 12—Brooklyn 8
New York, April 29.—In the ninth and tenth innings today the Bostonians made a single, two doubles and a triple, while the champions made six bad errors. These things enabled the visitors to pull out a poorly played game. McCreery played a wonderful game in centre field, accepting nine chances, several of which were difficult.

The score:
R. H. E.
Boston 0 0 2 2 1 0 0 3 4—12 8 9
Brooklyn 1 2 2 0 3 0 0 0—8 10 7
Batteries—Dineen and Kittridge; McCann and McGuire. Umpire—Colgan.

St. Louis 12—Pittsburg 14
Pittsburg, April 29.—Pittsburg knocked Breitenstein out today and led by a score of 14 to 4 at the end of the eighth inning. In the ninth St. Louis did some terrific batting, and the hits of Burkett, Donovan, McGann, Wallace, Chiles and Kruger and two errors scoring eight runs.

The score:
R. H. E.
St. Louis 0 0 2 1 0 0 0 1 8—12 16 4
Pittsburg 3 0 2 0 8 0 1 0—14 14 7
Batteries—Breitenstein and Schriver; Leever and O'Connor. Umpire—Dwyer.

Cincinnati 6—Chicago 9
Chicago, April 29.—Chicago bunched hits in the fifth inning, and at the same time Pitcher McFadden, of the Cincinnati, bunched bases on balls, handing out four passes. The combination gave Chicago six runs. Three more came in the seventh through timely hitting, and Cincinnati was hopelessly beaten.

The score:
R. H. E.
Cincinnati 0 0 0 0 0 0 3 3—6 11 1
Chicago 0 0 0 0 6 0 3 0—9 9 3
Batteries—McFadden and Peitz; Hughes and Kling. Umpire—Emstie.

American League Games
At Philadelphia R.H.E.
Boston 1 2 0 1 0 0 1 0—3 12 3
Philadelphia 0 2 1 0 0 3 2 0—8 13 4
Batteries—Cuppy and Criger; Barnhard and Powers. Umpire—Haskell.

At Cleveland: R.H.E.
Milwaukee 0 1 0 2 0 0 0 0—3 8 2
Cleveland 0 0 0 1 0 0 3 0—4 9 4
Batteries—Hawley and Weyhing; Hofer and Yeager. Umpires—Mannassau and Sheridan.

At Washington: R.H.E.
Baltimore 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0—3 5 3
Washington 1 0 0 1 1 2 0 0—5 9 3
Batteries—McGinnity and Robinson; Carrick and Clark. Umpire—Cantillon.

At Chicago: R.H.E.
Detroit 0 0 0 0 0 3 0 0—3 6 3
Chicago 1 0 0 0 0 0 1 0—2 7 1
Batteries—Owases and Buelow; Patterson and Sullivan. Umpire—Connelly.

FIGHT WITH CHINESE

German Troops Taken by Surprise in a Mountain Pass

Berlin, April 29.—According to dispatches received here from Peking the members of the German contingent which took part in the recent expedition against the Chinese troops under General Liu had an exciting experience. The Lokalanzeiger prints a graphic account of the fight between Chinese and Germans on the borders of the province of Shansi.

The newspaper correspondent says the column under Colonel Hoffmeister hoisted their flag over the Kuangung pass amid the most enthusiastic cheers for the kaiser and fatherland. The moment when this enthusiastic demonstration was in progress the Chinese who had concealed themselves in the mountain pass, opened a hot fire and rolled immense rocks down the sides of the mountain on the Germans who scrambled up the incline. Colonel Hoffmeister sprained his foot in the rush and was rendered practically helpless by the untimely accident.

When the Germans gained the summit where the Chinese had made their attack the Celestials fled in great disorder. The German mountain battery sent 26 shells into the column of the retreating Chinese before they could get out of range.

After the engagement in the passes, the four German columns proceeded to the Great Wall and in a short time destroyed the fortifications at the entrance gates.

After this, the retreat was commenced and was carried out under great difficulties. The wounded members of the expedition were carried on stretchers until the troops emerged from the mountainous district in Hunchin. The long march down the mountains was accomplished during a scorching heat that tried the men severely. They showed excellent spirit, however, and were very much elated over the successful result of their clash with the Chinese forces.

THE REPORT IS IN

Sub-text Book Commission's Recommendations

IS A GUARDED SECRET

Commission Cost \$1,700--

Bills Included per diem, Board, Laundry and all Minor Expenses

The Sub-Text Book Commission which was appointed to examine and report upon the text books that are to be used in the public schools of the State for the next five years has completed its report.

The report is sealed and its contents carefully guarded against publicity. It will be filed this morning with the governor and it is probable that it will be opened by the State Text Book Commission, which is to finally pass upon it either Wednesday or Thursday.

The sub-commission met here, March 26th. The act creating the Text Book Commission provides that the sub-commission shall not receive compensator for more than 30 days. There are ten members of the sub-commission and they drew their per diem and expenses yesterday. Each member averaged an expense and per diem account of \$175. The vouchers from the auditor's office in favor of the sub-commission were held up in the treasurer's office, by reason of the fact that it was not generally understood that the members received pay for actual expenses. The law says the members "shall be paid a per diem of \$4 per day, during the time they are actually engaged, and in addition shall be repaid all money actually expended by them in the payment of necessary expenses, to be paid out of the public school fund." The law requires a sworn itemized statement. With this understanding the vouchers were honored.

The members drew the per diem of \$4 a day and board and lodging "to and from the depot, "postage," "telegram" and other small items. The sessions of the sub-commission cost about \$1,750, and then the members worked three days without compensation.

The members of the sub-commission are: J. Y. Joyner of Greensboro, C. G. Vardell of Red Springs, J. A. Butler of Statesville, J. I. Foust of Goldsboro, C. C. Wright of Brevard, John C. Scarborough of Murfreesboro, J. L. Kesler of Raleigh, R. L. Flowers of Durham, J. D. Hodges of Davie.

The State Text Book Commission, which will open the report of the sub-commission and finally decide upon the text books that are to be adopted, consists of Governor Aycock, Lieutenant Governor Turner, Secretary of State Grimes, Treasurer Lacy, Auditor Dixon, Superintendent of Public Instruction Toon and Attorney General Gilmer. The text books, which the commission will adopt, are to be used for five years in all the public schools of the State, and it shall be unlawful for any teacher to use books other than those adopted.

The uniform series of books, which are to be adopted, shall include the following branches: Orthography, defining, reading, writing, drawing, arithmetic, geography, grammar, language lessons, history of North Carolina, containing the Constitution of North Carolina; History of the United States, containing the Constitution of the United States; physiology, hygiene, nature and effect of alcoholic drinks and narcotics, elements of civil government, elements of agriculture, theory and practice of teaching.

The sub-commission's report deals with the merits of the books, irrespective of the price, taking into consideration the subject matter, the printing of the books, their material and their mechanical qualities and their general suitability and desirability for the purposes for which they are desired. The sub-commission is required to point out the merits and demerits of each book, and indicating what books they recommend for adoption first, what book is then second choice, and their third choice, and so on. If the commission thinks any book submitted is inferior it shall so report. They shall also make such recommendations as they deem advisable. The report is not to be opened by any member of the Text Book Commission until there is a full meeting.

What a "Call" Is
Washington, April 20.—The United States Supreme Court today decided in the case brought by ex-Congressman Stephen B. White of Brooklyn that a "call," as the word is used in the stock exchange, is an agreement to sell, and therefore subject to taxation at the rate of two cents per \$100 under the war revenue law.

Col. Skinner Visits Senator Pritchard
(Salisbury Sun.)
Col. Harry Skinner, who has been up the Western road for the past two days (presumably on a visit to Senator Pritchard, with reference to the Eastern district attorneyship), was in Salisbury last night. A Sun reporter could get nothing further from Colonel Skinner than that he had been west on private business.

Express Robber Arrested
Savannah, Ga., April 29.—One of the men who robbed the express car of a Central railroad passenger train yesterday morning was arrested today in a Macon prison. He confessed and named a former Central railroad brakeman as his accomplice. The man arrested was formerly a sergeant of the Jacksonville, Fla., police force.

Struck by a Fast Train
Ithaca, N. Y., April 29.—Mrs. Sarah Halsey and her sister, Miss Bowly, of North Hector, started for a drive this morning, taking the road which crosses the Lehigh Valley tracks, a short distance north of Hector station. As they reached the crossing a westbound fast freight approached, but the two women, unconscious of their danger, drove directly in front of the locomotive, which struck the carriage with full force, hurling its occupants twenty feet. Mrs. Halsey was instantly killed, and Miss Bowly lived an hour only.

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