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Have Chamberlin Fit Your Glasses and Then if They are Unsatisfactory We are Here to Make it Right

## PRESIDENT IN DENISON

Many Thousands of People From Surrounding Country Greet the Nation's Chief Executive.

### EXCURSIONS ARE CROWDED.

Not a Single Hitch Occurred to Mar the Program, Aside From the Weather—Six Hundred School Children Salute the President in a Most Pleasing and Graceful Manner.

He came, we saw, he conquered. Denison has seen the President and the President has looked upon the happy homes, the prosperous business places and the progressive people of our city and both the people and the President have pronounced themselves well pleased.

Denison rose to the occasion grandly, magnificently. Every arrangement was carried through without a flaw. Each man did his part and none but a metropolitan police force could have handled the crowd better, and no crowd could have been better natured and more orderly. Weather conditions were the worst possible during the week previous to the coming of the President and committees were discouraged indeed at the outlook. On Monday morning there was no place in the city where the crowd could have stood to have listened to the President. Then it was that the Illinois Central came to the rescue, sent a train load of gravel to fill the depot grounds. Agent McCloy was up at five o'clock in the morning and soon had a force at work making it possible for the big crowd to have standing room out of the mud and water.

Early in the morning bands and excursions began to come in. The roads were black with teams and it became apparent that Denison was to have the largest crowd in its history. Promptly at 8:30 the President's train backed to the depot and Mayor J. T. Carey and Congressman Conner entered to bid Theodore Roosevelt welcome to Denison. A moment later and the shout that went up announced that the President had made his appearance. Between the saluting lines of the excellent company of the Iowa National Guard detailed from Sac City for duty here, the President made his way to the carriage where he was seated with Secretary Loeb, Mayor Carey and Congressman Conner. The appearance of Secretary Shaw was the signal for renewed cheers and all the distinguished men of the party were warmly greeted. Under the direction of Col. Sears McHenry the carriages were quickly loaded and the line of march taken up. The President was profuse in his acknowledgements of the courtesies of the people along the route. Bands were stationed also at the principal corners and Denison's visitors rode between lines of cheering, glad-faced men and women.

The President was particularly pleased with the flag salute given him by the 600 school children, who under the skillful guidance of Superintendent Savage and the teaching corps, had been assembled in the court house square. The President noted them particularly and took special occasion to mention them most kindly in

his speech after the parade. The President was particularly interested to note the adjacent homes of Secretary Shaw and Congressman Conner and honored the spectators at these residences with special recognition.

The return to the depot was made according to the program and in a few moments the guests were seated on the speakers platform.

To the left were the members of the Grand Army and the German Veterans; to the right were numerous ladies and invited guests. In front of the stand was stationed the National Guard, and the school children who had marched to their place were accorded a reserved position. There were acres upon acres of people present, the kindest, most good natured crowd the President of any country ever smiled upon.

Congressman Conner announced that Secretary L. M. Shaw would introduce the President and when the Secretary arose to perform the pleasant duty cheer after cheer went up, showing plainly to the President the esteem in which the great Secretary of the Treasury is held by those who know him best.

The Secretary used as few words as possible and when the President arose he received an ovation which must have convinced him of the patriotism and loyalty of Iowa people and their pride in the institutions of their country, regardless of partisanship. And let us say here that throughout the President's visit, in his speech, in the utterances of others, in the arrangements and all preliminary matters there was not a trace of politics. Nothing but patriotism and love of country and good fellowship.

Just as the President arose a flight of white-winged doves—messengers of peace—were loosed in front of him. Bewildered they circled above the crowd, one dipping its wings in seeming salute to the Nation's Chief. Mr. Roosevelt's speech, was the happiest imaginable. It was filled with gems of good citizenship and we believe all who heard him will be better American citizens on account of his words of wisdom and on account of the personal contact with the great head of a great Nation. The President seemed in the happiest mood. He laughed as he talked and seemed to grasp all the good nature of the crowd and make it his own. The President spoke as follows:

#### PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

Friends—At this time, as I came into your beautiful state there have come calamities upon our people here in Iowa, and to an even greater degree in Kansas and Missouri. I see also by today's papers the awful disaster in Georgia. We have financial authority, as well as authority of common sense for the situation that the rain falls on the just and unjust alike. When the

hand of the Lord is heavy upon any body of men, the wisdom of man can do but little. Now and then in our country, from drouth, from floods, from pestilence, trouble and misfortune will come, but, Oh! my friends, as I drove through your city this morning and now as I look at you, the men and women of this state, I know that all our troubles are temporary, that misfortunes will be met and overcome, because in heart and hand the American citizen is able to win his way in the long run.

When misfortune that human wisdom cannot avoid comes, of course there will be suffering, there will be misery. Those of us who are free from it can try and must try to lighten it all we can, but we cannot help the fact that there will be suffering. Furthermore, if through our own folly we do what is wrong, if we act foolishly in matters of legislation, we shall pay the penalty. If the business word loses its head, it has lost what no law can supply, but in spite of that we shall go forward. We shall keep in the run on the plans not only of abiding, but of increasing prosperity, if we only keep our sanity as a people; if we

rejected against a course of conduct demanded by regard for the immutable law of righteousness.

The only unpleasant feature of the morning occurred when the President sought to regain his train, it was simply impossible to keep the crowd back and the President and his bodyguard and the distinguished guests had to force their way through a la foot-ball. Even then the unfailing good nature of the President did not fail, and the way he charged the crowd showed that he was a man of physical as well as mental and moral powers. After a few moments the party succeeded in reaching the train and the President stood on the rear platform waving his adieus as the train slowly left the cheering thousands at the station.

Denison managed the event as well as it could have been done in any city, the crowd was larger than the most sanguine expected and was well cared for throughout the day. Had the weather been good

honored Denison with their presence were; Secretary Leslie M. Shaw, Secretary James Wilson, Senator W. B. Allison, Senator J. P. Dolliver, Hon. E. Rosewater of the Omaha Bee, Hon. F. W. Beckman of Council Bluffs, Judge Powers, Macomber and Sallinger of Carroll, Stillman and Head of Jefferson, McCracken of Scranton, Adjutant General Byers of Des Moines, McVey of Lake City, Johnston of Rockwell City, Morling of Emmetsburg, Early of Sac, Lutz of Mapleton and others too numerous to mention. Every township and precinct of the country was represented by its distinguished and leading citizens. It was regretted by all that the party from Des Moines were detained by the flood. Especially was it regretted that Gov. A. B. Cummins was unable to be present.

#### AFTERNOON.

Good Crowd Witnesses Foot Races and Ball Game.

The weather was against outdoor sports, but the committee was determined to furnish amusement for the crowd and getting a rig they drove over to Mr. Reib's secured his consent to use the ground just west of the Illinois Central. Having gained his permission it was necessary to have the grass mowed and the different distances marked out. When this was completed it was after two o'clock and as the Denison college was for some reason not prepared with the proper facilities, the college field meet was postponed to meet at Sac City, the date to be announced later.

The free for all races were called, however, the first being a 100 yard dash. There were a number of entries, but only two men were in at the finish. J. C. Williams of Onawa, won first money \$10 and Clyde James second \$2.50.

The relay race was next called. There were eight men entered Williams, Schafford, O'Connell and Mills, winning first, \$7.00 and James, Peterson, Baker and Freed second, \$3.50.

In the boy's race, 75 yards, Clarence Searl won first, \$3.00, and Wm. Walters second, \$2.00.

The most interesting race of the day was the boys' shoe and stocking race. The boys removed their shoes and stockings and when not looking the committee mixed the shoes and stockings all together. After running the boy getting his shoes and stockings on first won the money. There was a great scramble at the finish and Jas. Schlumberger won first money and Kuehl second.

The ball game was between Le Mars and Denison. Everyone favored Le Mars at the outset, but it was to be seen that Denison was on its pins and the way they played ball was a caution, Robinault was too strong for the visitors and they could not find him, try as they might. If the ground had been in any condition at all Le Mars would not have scored. The score at the end of seven innings was 9 to 3 in Denison's favor. The Denison team has been greatly strengthened by the addition of Dr. Pomeroy, as short stop.

The drill by Company M of Sac City, was much enjoyed, and the boys were loudly applauded. The maneuvers were prompt and in step, and the firing fine.

During the day one of the boys ran a ramrod almost through his hand. The presence of the company added to the exercises of the day. They willingly volunteered to march in the mud as escort to the President.

In the evening the Germania Society gave a grand ball to which there was a big crowd 150 tickets being sold at a dollar each. The Catholic ladies also gave a dance at the old school building which was well attended.

#### NOTES OF THE DAY.

For about three minutes on Tuesday afternoon the sun broke through the clouds and showed his face after the weeks of gloom. The cheer that went up from the big crowd on Main street made one almost think the President was making a returned visit.

"It is the best natured, jolliest crowd I ever saw, and I see a crowd every day." Said the faker who ran a show here on Tuesday.

"Denison has certainly done all that could be expected under the weather conditions" was the verdict of Tom Ratchford of Vail.

"What would you have done with the crowd, had the weather been good," said D. O. Johnson, Alt of Charter Oak would have been here.

It took a four horse team to bring Clark Marshall and family over from Charter Oak.

"The President just suits me." Said John Carey, the democratic mayor of Denison. "He is common sense and as full of energy as an electric dynamo. In the carriage he kept up a running fire of conversation all the way. Judge Conner tired his best to get him to stop at Rockwell City but the President would not change his schedule. He said he hated five minutes speeches and made just as few as possible."

The college boys and the bands were the whole show after the President left. College boys are pretty good stuff and college girls are the best that ever happened.

Denison is certainly indebted to the band boys who came for their expenses only and who gave us plenty of good music throughout the day.

The confetti privilege was a good thing as usual.

Without knocking; would it not be a good thing to bar "girl shows" at future celebrations. There is always more or less kicking connected with such shows both inside the tent and out of it.

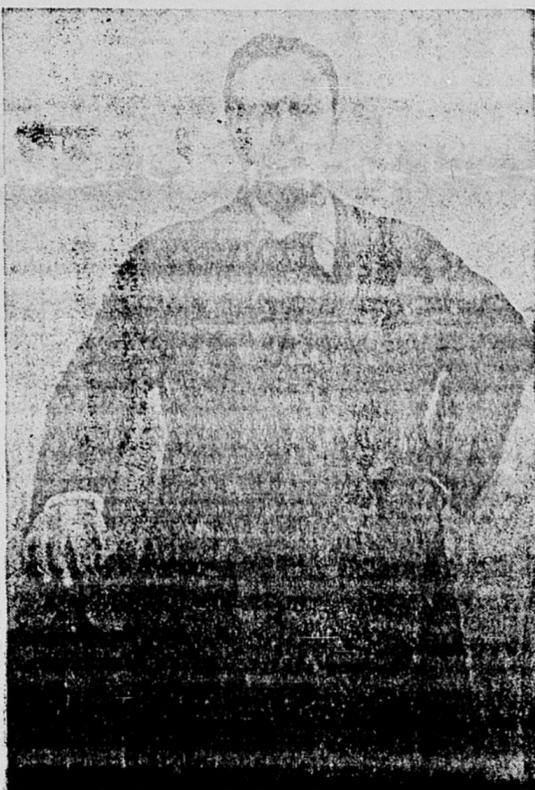
The refreshment men are wearing broad smiles today.

The President made his only "set speech" in Iowa yesterday at Denison. The President is evidently a good judge of intelligent communities.

"The President made many friends in Crawford County yesterday." Said a prominent democrat; "I am glad there is no election tomorrow."

No man who saw the President yesterday, but who felt that he was in the presence of an honest man, a man of strength of purpose and firm conviction, and a man who could and would sympathize with the common people.

J. R. Brookelaby of Vail was a Denison visitor on Roosevelt Day. He was a Masonic delegate to Grand Lodge at Waterloo and went to that place from Denison.



[By courtesy of Collier's Weekly, from a special photograph authorized by the President and Mr. Sargent.]

#### THE SARGENT PORTRAIT OF PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT.

This is a copy of the official portrait of President Roosevelt which has recently been completed by Mr. John S. Sargent. The portrait is to hang in the White House in the gallery of the presidents.

keep the qualities which made us win out in the civil war and which have brought us in triumph through other crises so far.

Some think a good deal can be done by law, a good deal can be done by honest and upright administration of the law. I think you will do me the justice to say that I do not say what I do not mean. I never said anything off the stump that I would not say on the stump, so what I say now you can take as sincere. We have in the persons of Iowa's representatives in both branches of the national congress, in Iowa's representatives in the administrative branches of the national government, men to whom I can turn, as illustrating what I mean when I say that we are helped greatly by good laws and by intelligent, fearless and honest administration of those laws. We need the ability that you in Iowa have furnished in your public servants. We need the standard of integrity that you have set in public life. We need that uprightness and fearlessness in a public servant which makes him do his duty, disregarding either the clamor of the many or the snarling of the few, which is di-

it is doubtful if Denison could have done as well, for if there were from ten to fifteen thousand in the city under the unfavorable conditions twenty-five thousand would have been a conservative estimate of the crowd had the skies have been clearer. We would respectfully inform our calous friends in these larger cities whom the President failed to honor with a visit, that in spite of the "knocking" generously afforded by the daily press, President's day in Denison was a distinguished success in every way. Special credit is due the committee men who worked hard, accepted minor positions, and did it all for the glory of their President and of their beloved city. Denison has every reason to be proud of the reception and proud of the orderly crowds of visitors who thronged here from every point of the compass. It was an Iowa crowd, and in crowds as well as in everything else, "Iowa affords the best". Among the distinguished men who