



THURSDAY EVENING, MAR. 4, 1909.

THE EXIT OF ROOSEVELT.

Theodore Roosevelt is no longer president of the United States. He resumed his position in the ranks of private citizens today when William H. Taft took the oath of office as his successor.

A majority of the people of the United States, for reasons best known to themselves, continue to place their necks under the yoke of republicanism.

The gentleman who was inducted into office today is believed by many to be superior in every way to his predecessor.

A vein of sobriety pervades his inaugural address, while some of his conclusions are believed by many to be erroneous.

Mr. Taft calls attention to the fact that the government belongs to the south as well as to the north, and his references to the south are doubtless sincere expressions of the good feeling he entertains for people in this section.

It is hoped that the new administration will return to safe and sane "policies" and that the people during the next four years will not be kept constantly in a state of alarm by their president with a "big stick."

THE SIXTIETH CONGRESS came to an end at noon today and the sixty-first will open on Monday, the 15th instant, in special session.

THE transition from one head of the government to another, without death, or insurrection, or conspiracy, is one of

the most notable political achievements of the human race. The American people have worked out a political system mapped by the framers of the constitution that has abundant capacity to resist internal and external attack, and possesses all the necessary functions of the most centralized government with an hereditary head surrounded by privileged classes.

It looks as though the ground hog has been paying possum.

From Washington.

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Sixtieth Congress.

Washington, March 4. SENATE.

Among the first to inspect the setting of the Senate chamber for the fiscal year was the decision of the 60th Congress, the outgoing of Roosevelt and the incoming of a new regime, were various members of Mr. Taft's family.

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great outburst of handclapping. They were escorted by the inaugural committee. The oath was quickly administered by Mr. Fairbanks to Vice President Sherman, while Taft and Roosevelt sat with their backs to the desk facing the Senate.

Vice President Fairbanks delivered his address in response to the resolution of thanks previously adopted and at 12:24 o'clock pronounced the Senate of the 60th Congress adjourned without delay.

A minute later Vice President Sherman called the Senate of the 61st Congress to order and Chaplain Hale offered prayer.

Vice President Sherman then delivered his address, reading from typewritten pages. The proclamation convening the Senate in special session was then read.

Senators elected to the new Congress were then sworn into office. "The chief justices will now administer the oath to the president-elect of the United States who will then deliver his inaugural address in this chamber," announced Vice President Sherman.

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Today's Telegraphic News

Washington, D. C., March 4.—When the blinds of the White House were raised this morning and President Roosevelt and President-elect Taft viewed the scene in front of them they saw a vast expanse of snow and myriads of men engaged in clearing passageway through it.

The occupants of the White House were early astir and breakfast was served at 8 o'clock. While Judge Taft took his ease and arranged certain details preliminary to the march to the Capitol President Roosevelt visited the executive office which he reached at 9:20 Secretary Garfield and Gifford Pinchot were there before him and most of the time of the president before he returned to the White House was occupied with going over certain matters with him and attending to some correspondence to Secretary Loeb.

By 9:30 a. m. most of the walks leading from the front gates to the north portico were cleared and a big force of shovellers were making rapid headway in removing the snow from the roadway. Troop A, of Cleveland, O., which is to act as the honorary escort, took its position on Pennsylvania avenue, just west of the main gate at 9:30 and the uniformed men astride their horses sat in apparent contentment in the face of a strong wind and a driving snow.

The president returned to the White House in time to receive the Congressional committee which arrived shortly before ten o'clock to escort him and the president-elect to the Senate and to greet the members of the Cabinet.

The escort, composed of four members of Troop A, with drawn sabers two before and two behind the presidential coach, were waiting at the front entrance of the presidential party when Vice President-elect Sherman and Senator Frye drove up five minutes behind the schedule time.

The wind was blowing a gale when the party entered the carriage. As President Roosevelt stepped out of the door at 10:10 a. m. he exclaimed "Good bye, Good bye to all and good luck!" He shook hands with several of his admirers who had crowded the portico. He wore an overcoat of medium weight, but President-elect Taft, who followed him, was bundled in a heavy fur coat.

Mr. Taft smiled and nodded to several greetings, but said nothing. In the first coach was the president, the president-elect, and Senators Lodge and Knox. In the second carriage was Vice President Fairbanks and Vice President-elect Sherman, escorted by Representative Burke. The members of the Cabinet occupied the other carriages.

The presidential party arrived at the Capitol at 10:45 and both President Roosevelt and President-elect Taft went once to the president's room in the rear of the Senate Chamber. The storm was still raging, but notwithstanding this a great throng of people was gathered about the Capitol building.

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Taft's inauguration.

Washington, March 4.—William Howard Taft, of Ohio, today became the twenty-seventh president of the United States, and Theodore Roosevelt, of New York, who held the office for seven and a half years at the same instant became a private citizen.

Half an hour before Mr. Taft repeated the oath of office, James Schoolcraft Sherman, of New York, was sworn in as vice-president, succeeding Charles Warren Fairbanks, of Indiana, who had presided over the Senate Chamber, in which the ceremony took place, for one term of four years.

The swearing in of the new president took place a half hour after noon in the Senate chamber in the presence of a large throng. Immediately following the ceremony, President Taft proceeded to the White House to review the military and civic parade, while ex-President Roosevelt went to the Union station, where he took a train for his old home at Oyster Bay.

Today's inaugural, fashioned to honor a man so different from the one who retires to private life, was on quieter lines than that of 1905. The wild whoop of the cowboy is missing. So is the backing "easy" that he rode up and down Pennsylvania avenue to the high delight of the boy and the consternation of the boy's parents.

Immediately after the president had taken the oath of office, administered by the chief justice of the United States, and had started from the capitol where the ceremony took place, the government's official participation in the proceedings ceased, and the inaugural committee again took command.

Many thousand people had gathered at the east front of the Capitol to witness the swearing in of the new president. The president's stand with its flanking rows of seats was built some eight feet from the level of the pavement.

The inauguration of the president is not a "national affair" at all. Except for the swearing in of the president and vice president, it is a private business concern. The chairman of the national committee, of whichever party happens to be in control, appoints the chairman of the inaugural committee, usually selecting a well-known business man of the capital.

The Virginia troops, including the company from Alexandria and the V. M. I. cadets, attracted much attention. Maj. General Ball, chief of staff of the army, as grand marshal of the parade rode at its head, closely followed by his chief of staff, Brig. Gen. John A. Johnson, and his brilliantly uniformed aides.

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In order to allow the seating of the members of the House and the other distinguished witnesses of the vice-presidential inauguration, the senators were gathered on the right side of the center aisle. Vice President Fairbanks was presiding over the body for the last time, and the business details of the closing session of the 60th Congress were hurried through in order that the more spectacular proceedings might have right of way. The committee of arrangements, consisting of Senators Knox, Lodge and Bacon and Representatives Burke, Young and Gaines, had in the meantime escorted President Roosevelt and President-elect Taft into the Capitol, through the bronze doors of the Senate wing, and the president was affixing his name to such documents as required his official sanction before the close of his administration.

In the meantime the chief justice and the associate justices of the Supreme Court filed into the Senate chamber and were seated. Then came the members of the diplomatic corps; then followed the House of Representatives, led by Speaker Cannon; then the governors of states; government officials of various rank, and the members of the Cabinet, headed by Secretary of State Bacon.

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The new vice president at once took the gavel and began his appointed duties by calling the Senate of the 61st Congress to order and requesting the chaplain, Rev. Edward Everett Hale, to offer prayer.

As soon as the chaplain had finished his invocation, Vice President Sherman began his inaugural address. At the conclusion of his address Mr. Sherman administered the oath of office to the new senators-elect. One of the old senators made a motion to adjourn, which was carried.

THE PARADE. Pennsylvania avenue was crowded with spectators to witness the parade. The windows of the buildings along the avenue were also crowded.

With colors flying, bands playing, rifles glittering, and feet keeping time to the rhythm of the drums, the great procession of military and civic power started from the capitol immediately after the new president had been made, and it was estimated that five o'clock would come and go before the last company could salute the reviewing stand at the White House.

All the old favorites were there. The cadets from West Point and Annapolis; the 3,000 sailors of the fleet, fresh from their cruise around the world; the regulars on foot and horseback; the heavy artillery, with their field guns; the regulars of mountain artillery, with their mules, each carrying a gun on his back; the White Horse cavalry band; the crack National Guards' regiments from many of the states, including Virginia.

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the parade to-day. Gen. Vaughan chief of brigade staff and Major C. L. Wright, Major B. W. General and S. L. Moskowsky, commanding the Norfolk battalion of the Fourth Virginia Regiment.

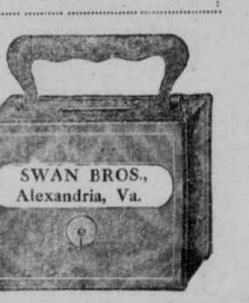
COURT OF APPEALS. The following is a summary of yesterday's proceedings in the Court of Appeals: Tilton et al. vs. Herman, treasurer, et al., further argued by the attorney-general and submitted.

On Wednesday, March 3, 1909, EDWARD CORNWELL, Funeral Friday at 3 p. m., from 916 Prince street. Interment private.

Unequaled as a Cure of Croup. "B-sides being an excellent remedy for colds and throat troubles, Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is unequalled as a cure for croup," says Harry Wilson, of Warren, O. Ind. "When given as soon as the croup cough appears, this remedy will prevent the attack. It is used successfully in many thousand of homes. For sale by W. F. Creighton & Co. and Richard Gibson.

DRY GOODS. On account of "inauguration" our store will be closed all day Thursday, March 4th, and our weekly Remnant Sale will occupy two days this week—Friday and Saturday, March 5 and 6. We have arranged splendid Remnant values for these two days, selling them as early and get some of the good bargains.

Swan Bros., King and Pitt Streets



This \$1 Steel Savings Bank to be sold Friday and Saturday during our remnant sale—only one to a customer for 25c each. Telephone or mail orders will not be received for these banks.

- 25 dozen ladies' net and chiffon collar forms, special price..... 4c
Ten pieces 5c embroidery flossing, 27 inches wide, special price..... 25c
Five dozen more ladies' large bib ging-ham aprons, special price..... 30c
Twenty pieces 35c velveting, special price..... 23c
500 yards plain and striped linen suit-ing, special price..... 9c
Fifty pieces, 12 yards by piece, long cloths, fine quality, special price..... \$1.35
Twenty pieces 25c corset cover embroidery, special price..... 17c
17 inches wide, special price..... 3c
Small lot 5c and 6c torchon insertion, special price..... 3c
Twenty pieces 8c, 10c and 1 1/2c; elony lace and insertion, special price..... 5c
Five dozen ladies' 60c belts, special price..... 3c
One dozen ladies' 25c round garters, special price..... 15c
Eight ladies 75c chiffon neck ruffs, special price..... 49c
One dozen ladies' 25c round garters, special price..... 15c
One large box \$2.25 wrapping paper, special price..... 90c
Eight 50c square quality dark one yard lengths, special price..... 27c
Nines pieces 12 1/2 white corded goods for waists, special price..... 9c
25 dozen ladies' 10c plain white mercer-ized handkerchiefs, special price..... 6c
5 dozen ladies' muslin under skirts trim-med with white Hamburg and lace, spe-cial price..... 95c
50 yards 5c Bates gingham, short lengths, special price..... 27c
10 dozen ladies' 5c muslin past-trimmed with embroidery, special price..... 7c
1,000 yards 12 1/2c Bates gingham, short lengths, special price..... 27c
1,000 yards 8c dress gingham, good quality, special price..... 6c
500 yards 12 1/2c quality dark one yard wide percales, special price..... 10c
One lot 10 and 12 1/2 one yard wide per-calines, special price..... 8c
2 1/2 pieces 12 1/2 quality dark one yard wide percales, special price..... 1c
Another lot 12 1/2 quality dark one yard wide percales, special price..... 1c
Ladies' 25c white foot-hole proof hose, Fr day and Saturday, p. m..... 22c

5c Collar Buttons - 2 for 5c

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STOP IN AFTER THE PLAY and enjoy one of our delicious suppers. The food, the service, the appointments, will round out the evening's pleasure perfectly. You'll find all the delicacies of the season, perfectly cooked and promptly served. If you are getting up a theatre party of two or more arrange for a supper here afterward. Tables will be reserved upon request.

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