

GAGE OPENS THE CAMPAIGN AMID CHEERS

A Rousing Reception to the Republican Leader at Oakland.

Introduced to the Voters by Dr. George C. Pardee, the Man He Defeated at the Convention.

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The booming of cannon planted in the center of Broadway announced to Alameda County to-night that the State Republican campaign had opened. A few minutes later the music of the band and the clanging of the engine's bell proclaimed to the crowd at Seventh and Broadway that the man who had been selected to lead the Republican party of California to victory was about to be welcomed by the man and by the county whom he had so recently defeated.

It was a significant meeting, that of Henry T. Gage and George C. Pardee, and it was an object lesson to those who witnessed it. When the man from Los Angeles stepped from the train he could not have received a warmer welcome had he been returning to his own city. Mayor Thomas, George C. Pardee and W. R. Davis extended the hand of greeting while the crowd cheered.

Then the red fire burned. The band put forth a stronger effort, the cannon belched out a more energetic roar and the Pindick tried to down the shouting of the Young Men's Republican Club.

After accepting the grasp of a few score of offered hands Henry T. Gage was led to a carriage, which he occupied with his companion, Judge Frank Davis of Los Angeles, Mayor Thomas and George C. Pardee.

Proceeding by the artillery mounted on a wagon, the escort formed with the band leading and hundreds of stalwarts and young Republicans swelled the line that came after the carriages. The march included men who are not often seen in a street march and their presence was significant of the enthusiasm with which the campaign has started out.

Although only one day has elapsed since the State convention had adjourned, Oakland can always be depended upon to enthrone over Republicanism, and although the notice was so short, the size of the crowd and the intensity of the enthusiasm was no surprise to old-timers. Oakland boasts of all manner of Republican organizations, and all are ready to respond as they did tonight to such an extent that the visitors from the orange land could not conceal their surprise.

Inside the Macdonough Theater those on the platform faced tiers upon tiers of people who used all possible means of expressing approval whenever an opportunity was presented.

The decorations were confined to the national colors, and as the music of "The Star Spangled Banner" filled the big auditorium the events of the past few months were mind and doubtless many memories drifted to that scene in which many Oaklanders took part where the same inspired music was heard for the first time at Santiago and Porto Rico.

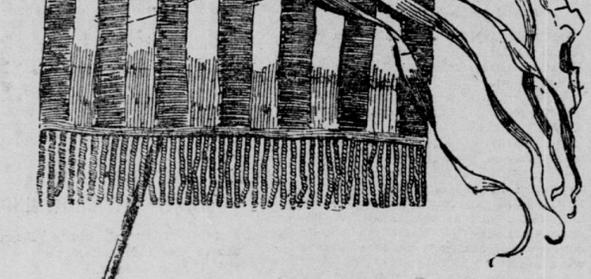
The front row of the platform might be photographed as a text for the Republican campaign in California. There sat Henry T. Gage, a stranger to Oakland, yet a man whom every Republican in Alameda County is now proud to follow. All know that but for Gage it would have been Pardee, but that memory had no effect on the crowd, and certainly appeared to have none on the man who presided over the meeting.

Next to the guest of the evening was

BANNER OF THE BANNER REPUBLICAN COUNTY. A HOT TIME IN A CAMP OF VETERANS

Congressman Eugene F. Loud Faces His Adversaries, Asking for Justice.

Annual Encampment of the Army and Navy Republican League—Gage Indorsed. Seamans Elected Commander.



The State Republican Banner Presented to the Party Ten Years Ago and Held From Election to Election by the County Giving the Greatest Republican Vote.

Delegates to the fifteenth annual encampment of the Army and Navy Republican League assembled at Alcazar Hall at 2 p. m. yesterday. The session, lasting from 2 o'clock until 6 p. m., was animated throughout and at intervals exciting. A motion to indorse Leon Jones for Sheriff of San Francisco was carried with cheers for Jones, but a motion to indorse Eugene F. Loud for Congress in the Fifth District caused a breeze of excitement and prompted Mr. Loud to assert that his name had been brought before the convention without his knowledge or consent. Sharp strife between Los Angeles and Oakland over the office of commander-in-chief resulted in another victory for the south. The honor went to W. H. Seamans, a close personal friend of Henry T. Gage, the Republican nominee for Governor.

The convention was called to order by Judge McElroy, commander-in-chief. Little time was lost in preliminaries. A committee on credentials was appointed, but the hall was so densely packed with Grand Army veterans, who had assembled either as delegates or spectators, that the committee had hard work to get out of the main hall into a smaller room. While the committee was examining the credentials presented by the various camps, the convention was enlivened by spirited speeches. The commander introduced Comrade Loud, and the representative in Congress from the Fifth responded. He observed that it would not be the truth to say that the call to speak was unexpected, as every one knew that men in public life were expected to speak on such occasions. He recalled the incidents of his youth and the great events of the war from 1861 to 1865, and paid a compliment to the civic patriotism of the veterans, who were defending the civil interests of the country as good citizens. He spoke of his own reluctance, as a public man, to advocate that the country should embark in a war with Spain. In substance he said:

"My work has not ended. The nation has entered on a new course. Graver questions now confront us than ever before in the history of our country. I dread the embarkation of the country in another war, fearing that questions of government would arise that our constitution does not provide for. We must legislate anew. New forms of government must be introduced. When the year began these questions were not considered. Away down in the hearts of the American people there is a sentiment that will not permit the surrender of anything we have fought for and conquered. I am conservative, and have been called ultra-conservative; but I realize that Porto Rico and Cuba must be governed by the strong arm of a powerful nation. In my judgment, Cuba will never pass from under the folds of the American flag.

"The conditions and elements of commercial expansion of the Atlantic coast of our country as applied to the retention of Cuba and Porto Rico apply with equal force to the Pacific coast. According to demands in reference to the Philippine Islands. A strong government is there needed so that the commerce of the Pacific will receive the advantage of the acquisition.

"Colonel George Babcock was the next speaker on the platform, and he spoke of the new page in the history of the human race, which he believed should be written in blood. He believed that the war was ordained as a step in the emancipation of the human race. Speeches were made by W. H. Seamans, General E. S. Salomon, Major E. A. Sherman, ex-Governor Gosford, Colonel Talcott and Colonel C. L. Kinley.

W. H. H. Hart told the delegates about a private interview which he had recently had with President McKinley. According to the version of the ex-Attorney General the interview lasted from midnight until 2 a. m. Schoonmaker of New Jersey was present throughout the conference. When the interview began the President expressed some doubt as to the wisdom

of returning the conquered islands of the Philippine group, but as the interview progressed new light was shed on the situation by General Hart and the New Jersey chieftain. At 2 o'clock, according to the official report of General Hart, the President threw up his hands and agreed that the Philippines should be retained if California demanded such retention. The President declared that he would do more for California than for any other State of the Union, not excepting his own State of Ohio. General Hart therefore desired the convention to express its sentiments on the question by a resolution, which resolution should be transmitted to President McKinley.

The vote was beautifully told by General Hart.

The committee on credentials was now ready to report, but some delegates belonging to the disbanded Harrison Camp desired recognition so they could vote on the question of their own admission to the convention before the consideration of the committee report. They had a hint obviously that the report did not recommend their admission. The veterans of the Harrison Camp were persistent and even noisy in their efforts to force the chairman to submit a popular vote of all those present on the issue whether they should come in or not. Apparently they were about to have their own way when C. T. Masteller produced the official records to show that no such thing existed in this world as the Harrison Camp of the Army and Navy Republican League. The camp once did exist, but in the month of March, 1897, it was disbanded from the rolls, dissolved and extinguished—its charter had been revoked and its existence terminated. The chair ruled in effect that the delegates from Harrison Camp were not officially on earth and refused to entertain a motion from the veterans to have their own way. The Harrisonians could not muster the courage to appeal from the decision.

The reading of the report of the executive committee followed. Delegates were present from the following camps: A. S. 7, 8, 14 and 15. Past officers entitled to seats were also recognized, making the total number of votes in the convention 1,000.

When the convention was duly organized ex-Governor Gosford of Los Angeles made a stirring speech, in which he said the Gage of battle has been thrown down. He remarked:

"I want to say to you old soldiers that Henry T. Gage is an honest man through and through to the core of his heart. He can neither be bought nor bullied. He is blessed with a remarkable degree of executive ability, and is so gifted with perceptive power that he can measure the character of a man as a diplomat. He is the cleanest, bravest and best candidate for Governor ever placed before the people of California. The best interests of the country demand that the Republicans should win the battle."

At this stage of the proceedings the committee on resolutions, consisting of Loud, Salomon, Babcock, Talcott and Gosford, submitted the following report, which was adopted:

Resolved, By the Army and Navy Republican League, in annual encampment assembled, that we heartily indorse the platform adopted by the Republican State convention in Sacramento, August 24, 1898.

Resolved, That we give the nominees of our party our full and unqualified support and do everything possible for the success of the Republican ticket.

Resolved, That we believe the great Republican party to be the true and tried friend of the veteran soldiers and sailors of the war for the Union.

Resolved, That we demand of the Republican party that the claims of the veteran Union soldiers and sailors for their share in the distribution of government employment be recognized.

A resolution indorsing Leon Jones for Sheriff of San Francisco and pledging veterans to support him was adopted, with three cheers for Jones.

Colonel Blackburn of the Land and Stanford Camp moved that the convention indorse Eugene F. Loud for renomination for Congress in the Fifth District.

Congressman Houghton of Oakland asked if Mr. Loud had ever raised his voice in Congress against civil service. If there is any man that ought to be opposed to civil

service it was the old soldier.

Blackburn—Comrade Loud stands by every man that carried a musket.

Voice—Congressman Loud is on record against civil service.

Comrade Houghton—if he is, the Congressional Record does not show it. I want to know if he has ever raised his voice against civil service. Better that I live, because he did not oppose civil service as applied to veterans. Better that I live, because he did not oppose civil service as applied to veterans. Better that I live, because he did not oppose civil service as applied to veterans. Better that I live, because he did not oppose civil service as applied to veterans.

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Loud—Can take care of myself. I have been in hotter places than this. All I ask of any man here or elsewhere is simple fairness. No man is my enemy because he opposes my election, but my name is not here for indorsement with my consent. When I am nominated let those who oppose me come forward. I recognize that every man has a right to criticize public servants. I never sought the indorsement of this body or any other body under God's sun, and never shall. In justice and honor to me, drop my name here. I am not ashamed of any act of mine in Congress. If the time ever comes that my name shall not accord with my own convictions of justice and duty I will retire from public life.

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RATIFY THE ACTION OF THE CONVENTION

Republicans of Tehama County Hold a Jollification Meeting at Red Bluff.

RED BLUFF, Aug. 27.—The campaign seems to have opened early here, as was evidenced by the Republican ratification held to-night at Oak and Washington streets. A large crowd was in attendance, and a band discoursed music.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Charles Willard. He introduced Charles Beckman of Sacramento, former Railroad Commissioner, who addressed the assemblage for a half-hour. The following speakers were then introduced: Order of John Clements, Herbert Gans, Maurice Connell and J. T. Matlock. Matlock was the last speaker, and reviewed the record of each candidate on the Republican State ticket. The rally closed with cheers for the Republican ticket.

SAN LEUIS OBISPO, Aug. 27.—There was great enthusiasm in this city to-night in the ratification of the Republican State ticket. Speeches were made by Benjamin Brooks, M. Warren, John A. Nelson and A. L. Johnson.

FUSION IN SANTA CRUZ.

SANTA CRUZ, Aug. 27.—The Democrats and Populists effected fusion to-day. The Populists will name candidates for Auditor, Superintendent of Schools and Coroner and the Democrats the balance of the ticket. The convention will be held on September 15.

Thirty-Fourth District.

A meeting of the Republicans of the Thirty-fourth Assembly District was held at the opera hall on Mission street last night. I. J. Truman presided. A resolution was adopted in which the action of the County Committee was criticized regarding the manner adopted by that body in selecting delegates to the State convention. The object of introducing the resolution at this time was not so much to correct past errors as to cause the County Committee against a repetition of what the club considered an unfair mode of selecting delegates.

The club was addressed by A. P. Van Duzer, Frank Zann, M. V. Taylor, Doran Nichols and E. L. Robinson.

The following members were appointed on the executive committee: Doran Nichols, John J. Moran, W. E. Bouton, M. V. Taylor, James Haslett, George C. Sargent, I. J. Truman, C. J. Peterson and Sam Booth. The enrolling committee consists of F. J. Hurst, D. C. Ray and S. H. Richards.

WILL FITTINGLY HONOR OLD AGE.



"Father" Lorenzo Waugh, Who Enjoys the Distinction of Being the Oldest Methodist Preacher in the World.

"Father" Lorenzo Waugh's four-score-and-tenth birthday is to be fittingly celebrated this evening in the Howard-street Methodist Church. The sacred edifice will be crowded with friends and admirers of the grand old man and addresses of congratulation are to be made by the pastor, Rev. J. A. B. Wilson, Senator George C. Perkins and others.

"Father" Waugh is said to be the oldest Methodist preacher in the world. Age has not dimmed his faculties, but on the contrary he is able to preach on his favorite themes with surprising ability.

He was born on the 28th day of August, 1808, near Greenbrier River, West Virginia, in what is now Pocahontas County. He is the oldest of twelve children. In his younger days he knew Daniel Webster, John Quincy Adams, Thomas H. Benton and other great men who figured in American history. He arrived in California in 1852, having come over the plains in an ox team, and on his arrival he was met by General Vallejo, who made him a present of 320 acres of land in Sonoma County. This land he afterward divided between his children, retaining forty acres for himself, which he afterward sold for \$5500.

It has always been the aged minister's boast that he never used tobacco or intoxicating liquor of any kind, and to this fact he attributes his long life. He is now residing in Los Olivos, Santa Barbara County, where he enjoys the best of health and strength.

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