

PRESIDENT MCKINLEY SPENDS A FEW PLEASANT MINUTES WITH THE OHIO SOCIETY AND THE UNION LEAGUE CLUB, BOTH OF WHICH ASSOCIATIONS GIVE A CORDIAL WELCOME TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF THE NATION



THE PRESIDENT ADDRESSES THE UNION LEAGUE CLUB



Enthusiastic Gathering of Native Sons and Daughters of the Buckeye State in Maple Room of Palace Hotel to Exchange Greetings With the President.

THE men and women who were born within the confines of the State which proudly claims William McKinley as a native son gave a reception to the President in the Palace Hotel at 3 o'clock. The Ohio Society had charge and 600 of its members and their friends saw the chief executive face and some hundreds of the more fortunate ones had the privilege of shaking his hand.

The reception was held in the main dining room. Those who held admission cards were permitted to enter, and during the Union League Club reception to the President the members of the Ohio Society collected in groups in the dining room and the conservatory, waiting for the President's arrival.

Promptly at 3 o'clock McKinley entered, escorted by James M. Gleaves, president; W. H. Jordan, first vice president; and J. W. Richards, second vice president, respectively, of the Ohio Society; Secretary Hay, Secretary Hitchcock, Secretary Wilson, Postmaster General Smith and Private Secretary Cortelyou accompanied them.

A small platform had been erected at the west end of the dining room and General Gleaves conducted the President to it and introduced him.

Gleaves Presents the President.

"Members of the Ohio Society," said General Gleaves, "it gives me great pleasure to introduce the President of the United States.

"When the applause, in which the beating together of gloved hands was conspicuous, had subsided, McKinley spoke as follows:

Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Ohio Society: It gives me very great pleasure to meet with the former citizens of Ohio, now residents of the State of California. The next best thing to being a citizen of Ohio is to be a citizen of some other State (laughter) and I am sure those of you who have made the Golden State as a place of residence can have no cause for regret. We are in the habit of saying in our State that "once a Buckeye, always a Buckeye," and that no matter where our hearts that warm love and devotion for the old State and its cherished memories.

I meet Ohio people wherever I go and the surprise to me is how we have gotten on so well when so many of you have left us.

(Laughter and applause.) And then I have states have gotten on if we hadn't loaned you to them (laughter). In every State the Ohio man has taken an honorable place, whether in business or politics, and has carried the best traditions of the old commonwealth with him. (Applause.)

A Glorious Old State.

It is a glorious old State. Glorious names are connected with it. Chase, Giddings, and bluff old Ben Wade, and Garfield, and Hayes, and Thurman, and Pendleton, and Sherman—leading statesmen of their time and generation; and then we never forget that Grant was born in Ohio (applause), he who girdled the globe with his fame as he marched in the pathway of the sun. Nor that Sherman, he who made that magnificent march from Atlanta to the sea, was born in Ohio. (Applause.) And that that gallant little Irishman, Phil Sheridan (applause), who didn't permit Jubal Early to rest in the summer of 1864 in the Shenandoah Valley and finally won that magnificent victory—that he, too, was born in Ohio. And so a long list besides that have given to us and

given to the nation splendid examples of true American patriotism and statesmanship. I am glad to be with you here to-day. I should have been glad if it had been possible to participate in the hospitality which you had so generously prepared for me. This is a poor substitute, but I want to thank you all for having given me this privilege before I leave your coast of looking into the faces of the men and women who came from our beloved State; and I wish you all well. (Enthusiastic applause.)

McKinley Shakes Hands.

At the close of his speech the President was escorted by General Gleaves and Colonel Jordan to a position in front of the platform, and with his police guard forming a passageway to prevent crowding, the Ohioans were permitted to pass and shake the hand of the President. General Gleaves introducing each of them. After some minutes of this time allotted to the reception expired and the handshaking was stopped. The police body guard closed about the President and he was escorted along hurriedly through corridors to the court, where his carriage and mounted police guard were waiting. The court and the Montgomery street entrance were lined with people and a great crowd had collected in New Montgomery street and out along Market, and the President was greeted with ringing cheers as he was driven away toward Union Square and Native Sons' Hall.

CHINESE HONOR MCKINLEY.

The President Pays a Brief Visit to the Asiatic Quarter.

President McKinley was given a warm reception by the Chinese residents of this city yesterday afternoon. After leaving the Presidio he was driven to Chinatown. In anticipation of his coming the Chinese residents, dressed in their best, stood along Dupont street ready to doff their hats as soon as the executive appeared.

As the carriage containing the President, Irving M. Scott and Chief of Police Sullivan swung into Dupont street from Pacific the Chinese, with their heads uncovered, gave three long cheers.

The President was greatly pleased with the reception and replied with a wave of his hand. The carriage was slowly driven along Dupont street to California and thence to the Palace Hotel.

All along the street the chief executive was warmly greeted by the crowds of patriotic Chinese. It was the intention of the Chinese Six Companies to give a banquet to the President, but it was abandoned at the last moment owing to the sickness of Mrs. McKinley.

VISITED THE BATTLESHIPS.

Cabinet Secretaries Who Took an Interest in the Navy.

Secretary of the Interior Hitchcock and Secretary of Agriculture Wilson paid a visit to the battleships Iowa and Wisconsin yesterday. The torpedo boat Farragut was in attendance and after the visit to Rear Admiral Casey was over she took the Secretaries aboard the Wisconsin.

Both vessels saluted with seventeen guns as the Cabinet Ministers left the vessels. The Iowa, Wisconsin and Farragut will be decorated to-day and a salute will be

fired and the fighting tops manned as the President passes on his way to Oakland. Mr. McKinley will leave the transport wharf at 1 p. m. on the revenue cutter Golden Gate and will return to the city at 4 p. m.

MRS. RUPERT BLUE THE GUEST

Ladies of Presidential Party Spend Pleasant Hour at Bryan Tea.

Mrs. Rupert Blue was the guest of honor at a delightful tea given yesterday afternoon by Mrs. Linda Bryan at her Buchanan-street home, and Mrs. Cortelyou, Mrs. Rixey and Miss Mary Barker of the Presidential party were among the fifty guests who paid their respects to the charming hostess and the lady she delighted to honor.

It was altogether an informal affair, and, like all such affairs, was a most delightful success. Mrs. Bryan received her guests, assisted by Mrs. W. D. O'Kane, Mrs. James Stewart, Miss Belle Sturdivent, Miss Gertrude Dutton, Mrs. George Bates, Miss May Reis, Miss Lilla Reis, Mrs. Joseph Austin, Miss Mrs. W. Edwards, Mrs. T. T. Down, Mrs. James W. Edwards, Mrs. Mazie Cunningham, Miss Mae Colburn, Miss Ingarde McFarland, Miss Polly Dunn, Miss Rowena Burns and Mrs. Erwin Rodolph. The hours of the tea were from 4 till 6.

Will Visit Mare Island.

VALLEJO, May 23.—Members of the Presidential party still in San Francisco will visit Mare Island Navy Yard tomorrow. A navy yard tug will bring the party to Mare Island and will return with them in the afternoon. The commandant's aid, Lieutenant Fichtler, will have the distinction of escorting the party.

If You Have Dyspepsia

Send no money, but write Dr. Shoop, Racine, Wis., box 187, for six bottles of Dr. Shoop's Restorative; express paid. If cured, pay \$5.00—if not, it is free.

RABBI LEVY CONFIRMS CLASS OF TWENTY-ONE

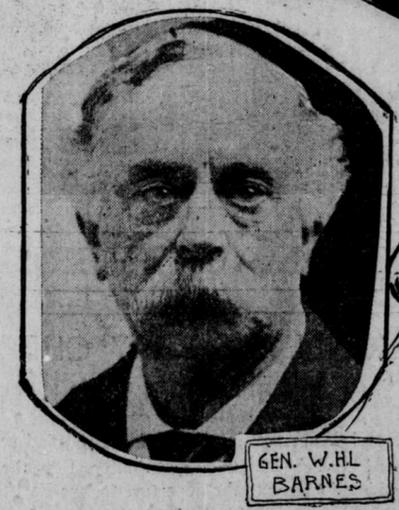
Pastor of Congregation Beth-Israel Receives Bright Children Into Jewish Faith.

A class of twenty-one children was confirmed at the Geary-street Synagogue last night by the Rev. M. S. Levy. The ceremony was a pretty one and was rendered exceptionally so by the brightness displayed by the members of the class.

The music for the ceremony was special and was under the direction of Dr. Franklin Palmer. Cantor J. Rabinowitz officiated.

Those who were admitted to the Hebrew faith are the following named: Hazel Kochman, Flora Gollaber, Sadie Friedman, Annie Milner, Annie Kushner, Louis Constant, Julian Cohen, Ida Marlock, Alma Neumann, Julia Stein, Gerie Rotholtz, Matilda Birnbaum, Ruby Friedberg, Celia Lachman, Pearl Simon, Ida Schary, Elsie Elmer, Lottie Erlich, Mabel Franklin and Jennie Cohen.

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GEN. W. H. L. BARNES

McKinley Is Given a Splendid Greeting by His Fellow Members of the Union League Club and Responds Briefly to the Eloquent Address of Welcome by General W. H. L. Barnes.

THE reception in honor of President McKinley at the Union League Club yesterday afternoon was a superb demonstration of patriotic sympathy and cordial greeting. Flags clustered at the grand chandelier, palms and baskets bearing crimson rambler roses and marigolds comprised the decoration. An orchestra discoursed music as the guests assembled.

Before the hour appointed for the President to arrive the main reception room was thronged with representative citizens of California, merchants, farmers, lawyers, business men, Federal, State and municipal officers.

Secretary of State John Hay entered

the club a few minutes before the President arrived. He was announced by George D. Clarke, president of the league, and was greeted by a round of applause. Secretary Hay bowed in recognition of the compliment.

President McKinley Arrives.

A few minutes after 2:30 p. m. vigorous hand-clapping at the main entrance indicated the arrival of the President. The illustrious guest was received by George D. Clarke, A. G. Booth, Joseph S. Spear Jr. and Joseph Simonson and accompanied to the platform on the New Montgomery street side of the reception room by General W. H. L. Barnes and Irving M. Scott. A few minutes later E. H. Hitchcock, Secretary of the Interior, was escorted to the platform by A. G. Booth.

When the guests were seated George D. Clarke signaled for attention. He spoke a few words, saying the President was now in his political home.

General Barnes Introduced.

"He has been a member of the club ten years, and I know of no one better able to welcome him than our fellow member, General Barnes."

When the prolonged applause which hailed President McKinley's introduction had subsided General W. H. L. Barnes began his address.

The felicity of General Barnes' speech of introduction was only surpassed by the lustre of its polished eloquence. The orator was exceedingly felicitous in the selection of words to express the league's sense of affection and respect for the

illustrious guest. General Barnes reviewed the character and attributes of the American as a soldier and civilizing agent. The measure of prosperity at home and prestige abroad achieved under the administration of President McKinley was described in sentences that challenged the re-establishment of national unity, and glowing pictures were drawn of the President's tour in the South and the tributes of affection bestowed upon the chief magistrate by the people of the United States. The history of expansion New England along its course westward and southward, across the mountains, and