

# CLAUDE PORTER SPOKE ON ISSUES

## LEADER OF DEMOCRATS IN IOWA TALKS TO OTTUMWANS FOR AN HOUR.

### QUOTED OPPOSITION

Reference to Well Known Republican Leaders Made Burden of Speech—Voice Shows Strain of Campaign.

Claude Porter, candidate for governor on the democratic ticket faced a good sized audience last night in the grand. The discussion of a few of the state and national issues made up the address of the leader of Iowa's democracy in the hour devoted to the talk. The tariff came in for little mention except in an allusion here and there in the attempt to show that a spirit of factionalism existed between the republicans allied to the Payne-Aldrich tariff bill as against the element of which Senator Cummins was said to be a leader. The attitude of the present administration toward the moneyed interests was said by the speaker to be apparent in the action of congress on the tariff when the woolen schedule was not interfered with. Much of the address was given to quoting excerpts from remarks by the late Senator Dolliver to whom the speaker paid a high compliment, of Senator Cummins, Theodore Roosevelt and President Taft. The burden of the address was made to show that the republican party leaders were tools of the moneyed interests and that these interests controlled the government. The income tax came in for its usual and the election of United States senators by the direct vote of the people was also dwelt upon at some length by the speaker. The initiative and referendum was made a topic of remarks by Mr. Porter during his speech and the enactment of laws that would make it possible for the people to do much of their own governing was advocated by the leader of Iowa democracy.

Mayer Hartman Opens Meeting. Mayor Hartman opened the meeting shortly after 8 o'clock and created some enthusiasm by referring to the chief speaker as the next governor of Iowa. In a brief introductory address he presented Senator E. G. Moon who introduced the speaker of the evening. The fifty-fourth regiment band escorted the speaker to the opera house and rendered a number of patriotic selections before the speaking program began.

Advances of America. Apologizing for the huskiness of his voice which he attributed to the rigors of a hard speaking campaign, Mr. Porter spoke of the advancement of the United States, saying that the countries of the old world number their birthdays by centuries, but that in the comparatively short life of America, it had accomplished all that the other lands had done in centuries. He referred to an address of the lamented President McKinley made the afternoon when he was stricken at Buffalo illustrative of the advance of America, saying that when General Jackson was in his campaign at New Orleans, it took two weeks to notify the general from Washington that peace had been declared. He contrasted this with the Spanish campaign saying that when the last stroke had been dealt at San Juan hill, he knew it on the second in the white house.

Alludes to Late Senator. These things were said by the speaker to remind the people that with all this wonderful advancement, additional responsibilities have come and the people are made aware that they must keep abreast with them in order to promptly cope with them. He touchingly alluded to the late Senator Dolliver and paid a tribute to his memory, saying that in his death the state and the nation had been brought to realize a personal loss. The youth of the late senator was alluded to, his early manhood days in Ft. Dodge, and the fact that the same opportunities upon which Dolliver successfully seized are present to others Iowa boys today. The allusion was illustrative of the vast possibilities in store for the young men.

Stands on Firing Line. The speaker then alluded to the presence of Senator Dolliver last summer in Des Moines where he was chairman of the republican state convention and referred to the words of the distinguished statesman that he expected to remain on the firing line in defense of the private citizen against the sordid interests that seek to usurp the entire government. The speaker said that is the duty of all. To take places on the firing line for the same purpose as expressed by the late Senator Dolliver.

Critiques Management. The speech of ex-President Roosevelt at Osawatimie, Kan., on the occasion of honoring the memory of John Brown, was alluded to by the speaker who said in part that the government both national and state must be free from the sinister influence that tends to destroy it by favoring special interests. These specially favored interests must be eliminated and driven out, said he. The remarks of President Taft at Winona, Minn., were also alluded to and there the speaker said that the president stated that the tariff bill enacted by congress was the best tariff any republican congress ever passed. He said Mr. Taft in his Winona speech declared that if an attempt had been made to change the woolen schedule, the bill would have been defeated in the committee room by the woolen interests. "Does it occur to you," said Mr. Porter, "that any party which is controlled by a few interests is doing its duty by the whole people? What party stands indicted on this charge? Has not the republican party been in control of the government for fourteen years and was it not in the power of that party to have done otherwise with these in-

terests? I believe that any republican in this audience is just as honest as I am and as sincere for good government, but I believe that the management of the republican party has passed into hands that are not fitted to properly care for it and is undeserving of the trust reposed in it."

Cites Sen. Cummins. He then referred to a speech made by Senator Cummins in Des Moines last May. He stated that the people of Iowa, without his assistance, had elected A. B. Cummins governor three times and then made him United States senator. He alluded to Senator Cummins' fight on special interests, quoting the statesman to have said, "Most republican leaders are brought up with these influences surrounding them. When every law affecting special industries is being considered the first step is not to see if it meets the approval of the people, but instead it is submitted for the approval of these captains of industry who look at it from a corporate standpoint to see if it will affect the profits earned by the multi-millionaires."

"If this be true," continued the speaker, "and the senator from Iowa makes the arraignment, is it any wonder that we should want to have the country rid of such interests. If it cannot be done by the republican party, it must be done by the party of Jefferson and Jackson—the democratic party. Do the people of Iowa want to support the leadership described by Senator Cummins? Is the governor of Iowa standing with Alexander and the leaders of the republican party and the lamented Senator Dolliver?"

Strikes at Carroll. "The democrat state central committee very respectfully invited the governor of Iowa to meet me in joint debate to discuss the issues. He will be in your city in a few days and I hope that his friends who are present this evening will tell him that I stand on the democratic platform, for he asked a few days ago what platform I stood on. Tell him that notwithstanding the condition of my voice, I stand ready to discuss national or state platforms and issues or any other issues that are germane to good government. I think it is due you that when he comes to your city, he tell you whether he follows Cummins' attitude on the Payne-Aldrich tariff or not. When we approach the polls November 8, we will be called upon to take a stand for the school of politics that represents the people or that representing the special interests."

Mr. Porter then alluded to the election of United States senators by the direct vote of the people and told of a measure to this end that was introduced in the Iowa legislature while Governor Carroll was chief executive, saying that the bill never returned from the committee to which it was assigned. He alluded to the Oregon plan and spoke at length upon it, favoring that mode of selecting United States senators. The income tax was touched upon by the speaker who told of the action of the supreme court which by a vote of 4 to 5 decided that congress had no power to pass such a measure without an amendment to the constitution. He said that twenty-one states will elect legislatures this fall and the action taken will have much to do by the making of amendments to their constitutions in the final action on the law taxing incomes and thus making the protected interests bear a greater burden of taxation than they have held up to the initiative and referendum he stated that the republicans of Illinois advocated it, as did the democrats of Iowa. Iowa democracy wishes the people to have the power in their own hands, said he, and not entirely in the hands of legislatures. He cited the recall and said if those things were on the statute books all things would be safe in the hands of the people. The expense of government was alluded to by the speaker and the army and navy was held up as a great expense not necessary to maintain on such a large scale in times of peace. He said that the four years of Roosevelt's administration cost the government more than did all the time intervening between Washington and the inauguration of Lincoln. "The modern battleship that today costs \$18,000,000," said the speaker, "would provide ten universities like Drake at Des Moines and educate 30,000 young men. The arm and \$3,000,000 sufficient for the navy during a year of the Spanish war and in 1909 it cost \$137,000,000."

He spoke of the state institutions and of how proud Iowans should be of them. He told of how the board of control became a reality and alluded to the troubles that came into the board within the past two years as due to factionalism in Iowa republican ranks. He said that these institutions should not be permitted to have politics enter their management and recommended a change of administration as a means of placing the board of control on the plane of non-partisanship intended for it. He said that every dollar invested in Iowa should be protected and that Iowa is losing instead of gaining; that its young men are leaving the farms and that the smaller cities are not developing as they should. To remedy this he recommended that a certain element be driven from power and said that he believed that if the democratic party were given the power to legislate, it would do so in a manner satisfactory to all.

"I believe," said he, "that a call has been issued to you and I, not as democrats or republicans, but as American citizens. A call to the citizenship, to the manhood and womanhood of Iowa not to die for the nation as in '61 and '98, but to live for the nation and the state, for the better home and to make it more prosperous and happy."

# The Jail Wapello County Will Have if Voters Ratify Bond Issue Recommended by Board of Supervisors



A picture of the new county jail, plans for which have been prepared by Architect G. M. Kerns of Ottumwa, is herewith published and the voters of Wapello county on election day will be given an opportunity to pass upon the action of the board of supervisors and either vote a bond issue of \$45,000 or reject the proposition. The action of the voters will make it possible either to supplant the present unsightly bastille with a jail of modern type, or the jail that has done duty practically since Ottumwa was, will be retained.

Grand Jury Recommends. The supervisors in acting on the jail matter, took considerable time and many architects were called into the competition to draw plans for the proposed structure. The thought to build a jail is not a new one, and before taking any action in the matter, the board of supervisors awaited action until sometime after the report of the grand jury which in January recommended the building of a new jail on account of the failure of the present structure to meet the demands made upon it, and because of its antiquity. The recommendation of the grand jury was for the expending of \$40,000 on the building and the board in placing the bond issue to be voted upon at \$45,000 did so to be prepared for any additional cost that might be entailed in the construction of the building, although the intent is to keep within \$40,000 if such a sum will meet the specifications accepted.

Will Be Modern. In making his drawing for the jail, Architect Kerns got away from the forbidding bastille or fortress appearance and has placed the sheriff's residence in the foreground, making the structure in keeping with the court house and an ornament to the location, whereon it will be erected. The jail proper lies to the side and rear with the jail entrance in the alley off Court street. The moral idea has been lent to the plan for the building and differing from the old type of jails, the new structure will have separate places for the young prisoner as well as the females incarcerated that neither may come in contact with the coarser type of prisoners. A place has been assigned for the insane who may be placed in the jail. The sick will also be provided for. The sanitary conditions will be the most modern and approved type and everything that goes to make the jail a modern place of detention has been provided for.

French Renaissance. The style of architecture is the French Renaissance with modern features. Bedford stone will be used and a slate roof will cover the structure. The ground dimensions over all will be 92x37x74 feet in the shape of a letter "T." Cell rooms are in the rear and a closed bridge between the courthouse and the jail will accommodate travel on two floors. Prisoners can be conducted to trial and returned to the jail without being subjected to the scrutiny of a curious public. If the bond issue is voted upon favorably by the voters of the county, the new structure will in a short time afterward be gotten underway.

MANY SUBSCRIBE TO CHURCH FUND. BOOSTERS FOR THE SWEDISH MISSION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH WERE ACTIVE. The list of donors to the fund being raised to clear the debt on the Swedish Mission Congregational church contained the names of numerous residents of the city. The list follows: J. Sundal, \$25; S. H. Harper, \$10; August Johnson, \$50; Oscar Anderson, \$25; Charles Olson, \$25; Isaac Waldo, \$25; John Anderson, \$25; J. Sundal, \$25; S. H. Harper, \$10; Charles Halberg, \$25; John Peterson, \$20; Sunday school, \$20; Aaron Anderson, \$10; Sven Eckerson, \$10; Rev. H. Ek, \$10; G. Danielson, \$10; Johnson, \$10; David Anderson, \$10; E. Thill, \$10; Frank Hasselquist, \$10; David Wilson, \$10; Gust Lund, \$10; Oscar Lundgren, \$10; Reuben Eckerson, \$10; Gust Halgren, \$10; N. Anderson (Munterville), \$10; G. Palmquist, \$10; F. Hasselquist, (Chariton), \$10; C. Kland, \$10; Dr. D. B. Lewis, \$10; W. F. Baker, \$10; W. J. Donelan, \$10; John Morrill, \$10; J. E. Sax, \$10; F. H. Swanson, \$10; S. H. Harper, \$10; Walter T. Holt, \$10; Joseph Dahn, \$10; Cash, \$8; F. E. Bridgeman, Dr. E. T. Edgerly, Theodore Stoessel, J. W. Garner, A. J. Bloom, McCarroll & Co., Ottumwa Book Co., J. R. Lane, A. W. Knock, L. L. Swenson, Iowa Steam Laundry, S. C. C. Ben & Co., W. L. Burt, Martin Hardover, H. Lindberg, J. V. Curran, Dr. C. R. Lewis, N. Friedman, W. H. Harner, Ottumwa Telephone Co., Frank Daggott, Phillips Big Store, Spillman Hardware Co., Both Bros., Oscar Green, A. G. Wallace, Hall-Erickson Furniture Co., Andrew Eckerson, Emil Ash, A. Sanders, Charles Bloom, Mabel C. Anderson, H. Leander, Mrs. Abrahamson, Avery, Mr. Nelson (Avery), Mrs. Larson, Gust T. Peterson, Mrs. F. Swenson, C. Haw, Mr. Newquist, (Munterville), Dr. E. A. Anderson (Munterville), Ernest Ackerman, Miss Esther Peterson, Miss Louisa Peterson, Carl Spaetraim, Miss Jennie Peterson, Mrs. Helma Anderson, Anton Johnson, Anna Odien, Miss Esther Anderson, Alfred Larson and Oscar Anderson (Munterville), \$5. Mrs. Newquist, \$4. Iowa Clothing Co., F. R. Crosswell, A. Odenvalder & Co., and Roseland Fuel Co., \$3.

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SEVERAL CASES WERE DISMISSED. FIRST DAY OF OCTOBER TERM IN DISTRICT COURT FEATURED BY SETTLEMENTS. The chief feature of yesterday in the district court seemed to be the settlement of cases. No less than seven cases were wiped off the docket of the term by varying terms of settlement. One divorce was granted and L. M. Darner was given the right to appoint a receiver under terms of a mortgage for the collection of rents, etc. The defendant in the Darner case was Orle La Point et al. The order granted by Judge Eichelberger specified that the receiver to be appointed by the plaintiff be bonded in the sum of \$200. Luella Drake was granted a divorce from Isaac Drake and the custody of their minor child, Ira Drake, was awarded the plaintiff. She was also given the permission to remarry within a year. The following cases were dismissed: Phoenix Trust Co. vs. C. H. Sponsler et al.; Rosa Winter et al. vs. F. L. Day et al.; J. M. Hooper vs. Sarah Hooper at cost of plaintiff; Louisa County Savings bank vs. C. A. & M. C. Smith, John Skipton vs. C. R. I. & P. R. R. Co.; J. B. Van Derlinden vs. Harry Harmon, Sheridan Beck vs. Charles Sands.

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SIGOURNEY. Rev. Charles N. Pace of Knoxville was in Sigourney Wednesday of this week to deliver his lecture on his travels abroad at the M. E. church. Capt. J. T. Parker, S. W. Bunt, D. C. Stockman and W. H. Noedham were passengers for Hedrick Friday morning to attend the Morrison funeral. Rev. Lincoln Hughes from the north part of the state will preach at the Presbyterian church next Sunday morning and evening. Fay Yarger returned from South Dakota the fore part of the week. Mr. Yarger went up to see his claim which the drew last spring. Deputy Sheriff J. J. Rathbun and wife left for Excelsior Springs, Mo., on Tuesday where they go on account of the former's health. They expect to remain several weeks. C. C. Utterback, Henry Wagner, A. M. Richmond and C. M. Wells attended Odd Fellows Grand Lodge at Cedar Rapids this week. Mrs. Poling will entertain the Jas. McElwain church next Sunday evening. Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Putnam returned from Cedar Rapids Thursday evening where Mr. Putnam had been on business. Mrs. F. L. Goeldner entertained about twenty lady friends at her home Thursday evening in honor of her friend Mrs. M. E. Foristell of Wentzville, Mo. Honor Oldest Turfman. West Union, Oct. 25.—Hunt Barnes, West Union's noted driver of fast horses, has just returned from a nine weeks' trip through northern and middle Wisconsin race circuits. At Gay's Mills on Oct. 12 Mr. Barnes celebrated his eighty-second birthday, and the horsemen gathered there gave a banquet at the Briggs house in his honor and presented Mr. Barnes with a gold headed cane. Upon it was engraved: "Presented to Hunt Barnes, the driver, given by the boys." This gift was a token of good fellowship and a recognition of the worth of the oldest driver in the United States. The donors were R. L. Parker, H. A. Rutherford, Cliff Longfield, Lee Rutherford, George Jackman, Ed. Sherman, George Carling, Howard Minshall, E. T. Briggs, William Barske, W. H. Thompson, Harry Bond, James Rabbit, E. L. Stoell, and Frank Minshall. Catch Burglar at Marshalltown. Marshalltown, Oct. 25.—(Special.)—A burglar giving his name as Harry Johnson of Rockford, Mich., was captured by the police in the Gantz Implement and automobile house early Sunday. Johnson with a companion arrived here Saturday night.