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GRILK GIVEN ENDORSEMENT BY ROOSEVELT

FORMER PRESIDENT IN IOWA SPEECH SUSTAINS REPUBLICAN POLICIES; GIVEN DEMONSTRATION AT DAVENPORT.

CROWDS CHEER FOR THE NOTED VISITOR

AFTER RECEPTION AT TRAIN ROOSEVELT BREAKFASTS WITH MISS ALICE FRENCH; IN DES MOINES TONIGHT.

Davenport, Nov. 4.—(Special.)—Ex-President Roosevelt arrived in Davenport this morning over the Rock Island. As soon as the train pulled into the station the great crowd began cheering and Roosevelt came from his car. After shaking hands with Congressman Dawson, Charles Grilk and others, Mr. Roosevelt gave the signal that he was ready to leave. "How are you feeling this morning?" said one of the party. "Bully," was the response. A moment later he was on the back platform of the car and before the large crowd and soon afterward he was escorted to the automobile of Col. George French, who was his host this morning. The crowd pushed forward but the police finally were able to keep them back. There were only four occupants of Colonel Roosevelt's car from Chicago. They were Harold J. Howland of the Outlook, Hal S. Ray, assistant general passenger agent of the Rock Island, Mr. Pentec, a newspaper man, and F. W. Roffler of Davenport, trainmaster of the Illinois division of the Rock Island, Chicago and New York newspaper men occupied a separate car on the train. Roosevelt was taken immediately to the home of Miss Alice French, better known as "Octave Thayer," where she gave him what she called an informal political breakfast. Those present aside from the members of the family, were Alfred Miller of Davenport, ex-Congressman Joe R. Lane, Congressman Albert F. Dawson and Charles Grilk, present candidate for congress and Joseph L. Hecht.

Roosevelt Talks for Grilk
As Colonel Roosevelt mounted the bayonet in Central park to address the crowd for Charles Grilk, candidate for congress, he was greeted with a storm of applause which lasted ten minutes. After fifteen minutes he waved his hat and proceeding to the speaker's stand, mounted the stand prepared for the newspaper men, where he could be more plainly seen and heard.

Following brief speeches by Representative Dawson and Mr. Grilk, Col. Roosevelt was introduced. He defended the republican party principle of protection, and declared the opposition's desire was to abandon a principle that had proven beneficial to the entire country. Roosevelt discussed all the national issues of the campaign, upholding the party's position. Col. Roosevelt said in part:
"I came here in behalf of Charles Grilk, candidate for congress, because I know he stands for what I stand. Our opponents are totally disorganized and disunited. Some of them are free traders, others are for a tariff for revenue only and still others are protectionists. All republicans believe in one principle—that of protection. They may have disagreed in the past as to the application of that principle, but now we are a unit pledged to a scientific revision of the tariff by a commission appointed for that purpose."
"The republicans stand for the principle of the tariff, which is right, but will abandon the method of administration, which we have found wrong. Our opponents have abandoned the principle which is right and come to the ideal which is wrong. We will elect republicans to congress who will act in accordance with our interests and if they do not, we will drive them out of public life."

COLLINS WINS WIFE.
Manager Mack of Athletics Beats Eddie to the Alter and Now Second Backer Pays the Freight.

Philadelphia, Nov. 4.—Eddie Collins, second baseman of the champion Athletics, was married yesterday, and by waiting so long left a bet to Connie Mack, who was married a week ago. The bride of Collins is Miss Mabel Harriet Doane of Clifton Heights. Collins met his bride through Connie Mack. She is an ardent baseball fan and attended nearly every local game, accompanied by Mack's bride. The acquaintance ripened into love, then came the bet.

Population of Oshkosh.
Washington, D. C., Nov. 4.—The population of Winnebago county, Wis., including the city of Oshkosh, is 61,449, an increase of 8,224.

Assassination of King Alfonso is The Latest Rumor

London, Nov. 4.—A rumor from Paris that King Alfonso of Spain had been assassinated was circulated through the stock exchange at the opening today, but it was considered to be on a par with recent stories of the revolution in Spain. The result of all inquiries was to discredit the story.

INDICTMENTS IN ALASKAN CASES

SIX ACCUSED OF ILLEGALLY ACQUIRING 20,000 ACRES OF COAL LAND.

Spokane, Wash., Nov. 4.—Federal indictments charging conspiracy to defraud the government out of more than 20,000 acres of Alaska coal lands valued at \$200,000, were returned by the federal grand jury here against six men who control three groups of coal lands in the Kayak mining district in Alaska. Each group represents 131 claims of 160 acres each.

Those indicted are: Raymond Brown and William L. Dunn of Spokane; Charles M. Doughton, formerly of Spokane, now of Seattle, former Mayor Harry White of Seattle, now living in Los Angeles; Charles A. McKenzie of Seattle, and American Sugar Beet company and former Mayor Harry White of Seattle.

The indictments charge that the six men had agreements with the claimants whereby they were to have a half interest in the claims, which would give them more than they were legally entitled to.
Among those who were assignees of one or more of the claims were former governor John H. McGray of Washington; Governor James N. Gilllet of California; Congressman McLaughlin of California; Henry T. Oxnard of New York and California, president of the American Sugar Beet company, and former Mayor Harry White of Seattle.
Of the six men indicted in Spokane for alleged conspiracy to defraud the government of Alaska coal lands, one is in Seattle, Charles A. McKenzie, a real estate and loan agent. His cousin, Donald A. McKenzie, is now in Washington, D. C., where he is well known for his activities in Alaskan affairs.
The claims were known as the M. A. Green group. Surgeon General Walter Wyman of the public health and marine hospital service is a claimant in this group.

It is rumored here that the government proposes to cancel all the coal land findings in Alaska and release land estimated to be worth one billion dollars.

CONFIRMS BRADY'S STORY

Connecticut Man Declares Zalvada Blew Up the Warship in Harbor of Havana.

Meriden, Conn., Nov. 4.—Former State Senator Francis Atwater of this city, who was publishing a newspaper at Havana at the time the Maine was blown up backed up the statement of Capt. Brady, made yesterday at Kansas City that the ship had been blown up from the outside and that the government knew the details of the happening years ago.

Mr. Atwater says he sent a cablegram to this country on Nov. 4, 1899, telling of Zalvada's destruction of the warship and his accomplices.
The information, according to Mr. Atwater, was given him by a detective who told him also that Zalvada had been poisoned and that one of his accomplices stood ready to confess the full details of the plot.

At that time all the information obtainable, according to Mr. Atwater, was sent to the then secretary of war, but while the letter was acknowledged, no further notice was taken of it.

MOTHERS TO COME IN 1912

MRS. A. W. SLAUGHT CAPTURES BIG MEETING FOR THE CITY.

Thought the efforts of Mrs. A. W. Slaughter, who represented the Ottumwa Mothers club at the biennial convention of the state association in Des Moines, Ottumwa secures the next meeting of the mothers. Mrs. Slaughter has advised Secretary J. N. Weidenfelder of the fact. The matter was left with the executive board of the Iowa Congress of Mothers, and through the influence wielded by Mrs. Slaughter, the committee voted for Ottumwa over Cedar Falls, which proved the next most enthusiastic competitor. Ottumwa won out by a vote of fourteen to eight.
The success of Mrs. Slaughter is indeed commendable. She was a splendid ambassador of Ottumwa, and through her the committee was given assurance that the mothers of the state would be royally treated during their next biennial meeting here in 1912.

HAYS FAVORS VOCATIONAL SCHOOL WORK

ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE BELIEVES IT MORE PROFITABLE THAN CULTURAL INSTRUCTION.

Des Moines, Nov. 4.—Consolidated village and rural schools are the greatest factors in the establishment of virtue, morality and high ideals of every day life in this country, according to Assistant Secretary of Agriculture Hays, who addressed the Iowa State Teachers' convention here today. Hays contended that as the whole educational and moral structure of the country rested in the final analysis of the country's rural life, the development of practical education in the rural districts was quickest and surest means of raising the general standards of intelligence, morality and competence in the United States. He urged practical training in the vocations the pupils expect to enter as far more profitable than general cultural instruction.

Riggs' Annual Address.
Hon. John F. Riggs, state superintendent of public instruction in his annual address to the state teachers' association here today said in part:

The problem of waste in education must ever engage the most earnest attention of all persons in any way interested in school affairs. It is a problem evened out, but always new and one that is particularly urgent in Iowa at the present hour. It is fitting therefore, that we consider for a few minutes some of the means of reducing waste and of increasing efficiency in our schools.

The most effective and economical school work requires that three fundamental conditions be met.

First—There must be physical equipment fully adequate to meet the needs of all the children in all the activities of the school.

Second—There must be children in sufficient numbers to make possible suitable classifications, and they must be regular in their attendance.

Third—There must be teachers of culture and character and professional spirit and whose love of the work and of the children is constant and consuming.

The Schools in Iowa.

With more than \$27,000,000 invested in school buildings and grounds it would seem that Iowa has gone far toward meeting the physical demands of the schools; and in the more populous school corporations of the state this is in a large measure true. But while there have arisen in many of our towns and cities school buildings of architectural beauty, with commodious, well ventilated, and well lighted rooms and with equipment for the most effective study of all subjects pursued, in many other towns and cities the generosity of the taxpayers has stopped short of providing sufficient funds for the proper completion and adequate equipment of the school buildings erected, on the theory doubtless that a room, a seat and a book are the only real needs of the child at school. Then we have our twelve thousand and more one room rural school houses dotting the state from border to border, some of them thanks to the liberality of enlightened progressive communities, are buildings of architectural beauty, which provide superior comforts to and conveniences for the children. Others are severely crude, a survival from a past generation, while still others are a by-word and a reproach to any self respecting community.

So while we have \$27,000,000 invested in our school buildings and grounds, we have done well only in spots and doubtless the intelligent expenditure of another \$27,000,000 will be required before all our children have the benefits of a suitable physical school environment.

Comparatively few communities have awakened to the real demands of the twentieth century school. Buildings, commodious, evenly heated, properly lighted, perfectly ventilated, artistically finished and equipped for the teaching of manual as well as for the traditional school subjects, and set amidst trees and flowers and with ample premises for play grounds and school gardens—this is the ideal for the physical side of the twentieth century school.

The Rural School.

More than 2,000 rural schools in Iowa never enroll more than ten pupils to the school in a given term and many of them less than five. While of all the rural schools in the state, less than 3,000, or about 25 per cent of the whole, enroll more than twenty pupils to the school in any given term. While this condition shall prevail, unrest and dissatisfaction will continue and large expenditures on school houses and grounds and other equipment will be grudgingly made, and there will continue to be small opportunity for organizing the pupils for effective work in all the activities possible.

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GOV. CARROLL DRAWING BIG IOWA CROWDS

TENTH AND ELEVENTH DISTRICT VOTERS TURN OUT IN FORCE TO HEAR EXECUTIVE; SENATOR CRAWFORD ALSO HEARD.

Sioux City, Nov. 4.—(Special.)—Eleventh district republicans rallied around the standard of the governor here last night in a monster meeting at the auditorium giving to the state's chief executive a testimony of confidence and honor seldom seen in the state. The hall was filled with voters who cheered the many telling points of the speech. Tenth and eleventh district republicans, according to inquiries made at every station from Waverly to Sioux City will stand solidly by the governor. If the normal republican vote is polled in Iowa the normal republican majority will be rolled up for Governor Carroll. The danger is that the vets will not get out. The meeting here was addressed by Governor Carroll and United States Senator Crawford of South Dakota.

Senator Crawford discussed the new tariff law which he said was the best of any tariff law. "Lay it alongside of its predecessor and it is as much better than that law than that law was better than its predecessor," he said. He favored a nonpartisan expert tariff commission and added "This tariff law is a step in progress because it is a step towards the tariff board." His denunciation of the new law was loudly cheered. Senator Crawford said that the new tariff law is "the best thing for all the states because it is the best thing for the American people and American industry."

HYMN STARTS AUTO RACE

Dramatic Scene Enacted at Atlanta Speedway in Memory of Al Livingstone.

Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 4.—A drama new to American automobile racing was enacted at the Atlanta speedway just before the start of the 100 mile race yesterday. With the strains of "Nearer My God to Thee" floating from the grandstand band, nine big racing machines lined up at the starting wire, their engines still for fifteen minutes, while the drivers with bared heads waited for the last prayer to be said in another part of the city at the funeral of Al Livingstone, who was to have started in the 100-mile race, but who was killed in practice here two days ago. After the hymn there was a long silence and the big race was on. Joe Dawson (Marmon) jumped into the lead and held it for ninety-eight miles, when he was nearly two minutes ahead of the official American record for 100 miles for Class B cars. Then his shaft broke and he stopped for repairs.

Gelaw (Fal) won; Knight (Westcott) was second, and Dawson third. Time, 1:26:17.62.

CHINESE CLIP OFF QUEUES.

Consul General at San Francisco and His Staff Obey the Imperial Edict.

San Francisco, Nov. 4.—In compliance with an imperial edict, Consul General Li Young Yew and the entire staff of the local consulate have appeared without queues and attired as Americans, causing a mild sensation in the Oriental quarter.

CHAMPION HORSESHOER.

Joseph Wilson of Fort Dodge Gives Successful Demonstration of Prowess.

Fort Dodge, Nov. 4.—Although it took six hours to put four shoes on one horse yesterday afternoon, Joseph E. Wilson, a local blacksmith who has recently opened a shop of his own after being employed in local shops for a couple of years, won for himself the title of king of horseshoers of Webster county. The animal belonged to Thos. Wilcox, residing near Badger, and has the reputation of having cleaned out every blacksmith shop it has ever entered, with the exception of that yesterday, and has never before had a shoe put on without being hoisted in a swing and being securely tied.

Oskaloosa Traction Bonds Sold.
Oskaloosa, Nov. 4.—Announcement has been made here that \$500,000 of the bonds of the Iowa Traction Co., had been sold and as soon as preliminary arrangements can be made the work of building at Oskaloosa and Tama interurban will be started.

The first link to be built is that between Montezuma and Malcolm. The new road will be 65 miles long and serve a population of over 50,000. It will be a standard electric road, built for freight as well as passenger traffic. George E. Woodhouse is president of the company and general manager.

Bridge Over the Iowa.
Iowa City, Nov. 4.—A contract was awarded the Iowa Bridge company of Des Moines, yesterday, to erect a steel bridge, to cost \$3,900, over the Iowa river, near Lone Tree. Louisiana county's board of supervisors agreed to pay \$3,000 and the Johnson county board will provide the remainder. The bridge links the two counties. It will be 291 feet long.

American Gunboat Has Guns Trained on Home of Dictator in Honduras

New Orleans, Nov. 4.—The United States gunboat Princeton, at anchor off Amapala, Honduras, is cleared for action, and its guns are trained upon the governor's residence, now occupied by General Valladares, leader of the revolt against the Davila government, according to a special cable to the Picoayune from San Salvador. The dispatch states that Valladares yesterday insulted the American consul agent at Amapala, George Schmuck, and threatened to shoot up his residence. Immediately upon being notified of this, Commander Hayes of the Princeton prepared his ship for action, and sent word to Valladares that if the foreigners were molested he would shoot the governor's palace full of holes.

SMITH GIVEN \$500 VERDICT

PLAINTIFF IN SCANDAL SUIT VICTOR AFTER TWO DAYS TRIAL FOR DAMAGES.

A verdict for \$500 in favor of C. H. Smith was found last night by the jury in the Smith-Suechting case that has been on trial for the past two days. The case reached the jury last evening about 6 o'clock and a verdict was reached about 3 o'clock this morning. The court ordered a sealed verdict and this was read in court this morning. The case was one in which Smith alleged he was maligned by Suechting, whom he claimed accused him of theft and of immoral practices. The suit was based on slander and damages in the sum of \$10,000 were sought.

All of the jurors were excused by the court this morning until Wednesday morning. The court then assigned the state cases as follows:

Monday, November 21
State vs. Anna Cook, charged with prostitution.

State vs. Clara McConaha, charged with prostitution.

State vs. Mart Albertson, appeal.

State vs. W. Buchanan, appeal.

State vs. J. Gason, larceny from person.

Tuesday, November 22
State vs. Friedman, operating gift enterprise.

City of Ottumwa vs. P. P. Phillips, appeal.

City of Ottumwa vs. H. Blount, appeal.

City of Ottumwa vs. Ward Williams, appeal.

The case of Thomas Teesdale vs. Ottumwa Mill & Construction Co. was disposed of this morning through default. Judgment was given for the sum of \$131.15 with interest at six per cent from August 22, 1910.

HUGH J. GRANT DIES SUDDENLY

Former Mayor of New York Succumbs to Heart Disease at His Residence.

New York, Nov. 4.—Hugh J. Grant, twice mayor of New York, died of heart disease last night at his residence, 20 East Seventy-second street. When he came home from his office Mr. Grant complained of feeling ill, but he said he thought the distress speedily would pass away. Instead it grew worse.

FRANK J. GOULD WED ABROAD?

Edinburgh Newspaper Says the Rich American Married Edith Kelly, Actress, in That City, Oct. 29.

Edinburgh, Scotland, Nov. 4.—F. J. Gould and Edith Kelly, an actress, were married in this city on Oct. 29, according to the Scotsman. The paper says the ceremony was of the Scottish procedure, a simple declaration before witnesses and the sheriff.

End of Striking.

Chicago, Nov. 4.—Following the settlement of the garment workers' strike with two firms, the situation was quiet today. The police are still on guard, but pickets were not in evidence, nor were the usual crowds about the shops. A settlement is believed to be in sight.

Dubuque Hotel Man Dead.

Dubuque, Nov. 4.—(Special.)—A telegram received here today announces the death at Macon, Ga., of Frank Turpin, proprietor of the Julien hotel in this city. The news came as a shock as it was not known that he was ill.

Jacksonville \$54,000 Short.
Jacksonville, Ill., Nov. 4.—Experts reported to the city council today that there is due the city \$54,000 from former city officials who were in office during the last fiscal year.

Young Girl Automobile Victim.
Akron, O., Nov. 4.—Helen Starr, aged 18, was killed and Laura Wald, aged 15, was fatally hurt by being run down by an automobile here today.

Chinese Parliament in 1913.
Peking, Nov. 4.—An official decree was issued today announcing that an imperial parliament, the first in the history of China, will be convoked in 1913.

Twelve Killed in Explosion.
Birmingham, Nov. 4.—A gas explosion occurred in the mines of the Yolande coal company after midnight last night and five men were killed.

CHICAGO WANTS "BILLY" SUNDAY

NOTED EVANGELIST AND OTHERS TO AID IN CHICAGO MEETING TOMORROW NIGHT.

Chicago, Nov. 4.—A meeting such as has not been witnessed in Chicago since the days of Moody and Sankey, a meeting in which the most noted evangelists of the country will join their powers in a climax of the Chapman-Alexander evangelistic crusade, is planned for the great north side tabernacle tomorrow night. It is certain that Chapman, Harry Monroe, founder of the "Midnight mission," and Melvin Trotter, the grand Rapids orator, will be present. It is probable that "Billy" Sunday also will attend.

Evangelist Sunday passed through Chicago Wednesday on his way to Watertown after closing a great series of meetings at Newcastle, Pa. He accepted an invitation to join in the great religious demonstration provisionally. E. G. Chapman of the Laymen's Evangelistic council opened up further negotiations with Sunday by telegraph yesterday and last night it was practically assured that the noted evangelist will come to Chicago tomorrow.

Choirs of City to Unite.

For the big meeting the united choirs of the city's churches will join forces under the leadership of Mr. Alexander. A delegation of men from the Pacific Garden mission will attend and will transform the assembly into a practical experience meeting, each man being a reformed drunkard. Delegations from the different sectional meetings which are being held all over Chicago as a part of the evangelistic campaign will also be present.

The great meeting will form the climax of the north side campaign. A week from Monday the big tabernacle will be deserted and Chapman and Alexander will begin the final lap of the crusade. They will move to Austin, where a great meeting house similar to the north side structure has been erected. The Austin structure will seat between 6,000 and 8,000 persons and will be a more finished building than the rough north side edifice.

INDICT ROCK ISLAND MAYOR

Mr. Caskrin, Also Chief of Police is Charged With False Imprisonment.

Moline, Ill., Nov. 4.—George W. McCaskrin, mayor and chief of police of Rock Island, and recent independent candidate for governor of Illinois, was indicted by the Rock Island grand jury which returned its report late yesterday afternoon. The charge against Mayor McCaskrin is false imprisonment and grows out of the recent Rock Island gambling raids by the Law and Order league of Rock Island county.

It is charged that McCaskrin, as chief of police, held Samuel Taylor, a wealthy retired farmer of Taylorville, Ill., and a member of the league, without allowing him a chance to obtain bail. Taylor, in company with Constable Schmidt and Attorney Hauberg of Moline, were arrested on a charge of malicious mischief for participating in the raids.

BURGLARIES AT SIGOURNEY

RESIDENCES OF F. A. SHIFFER, F. YERFER AND GEORGE F. JAMES ENTERED.

Sigourney, Nov. 4.—(Special.)—Three Sigourney homes were burglarized last night. The home of F. A. Shiffer was entered and silverware and two gold watches were stolen. At the F. F. Yerfer home a watch and \$20 in money was secured. A gold watch, some silverware and between \$17 and 20 in money was taken from the residence of George F. James. All the homes were entered by the front doors by means of a skeleton key. None of the parties saw the burglars in their homes and the thefts were not discovered until this morning. The only clue was the skeleton key, which was left in the front door of the James home.

Killed in Mine at Boone.
Boone, Nov. 4.—(Special.)—A miner from California, whose name is unknown was killed by a fall of slate in the Ogden mine yesterday.

BIG AUDIENCE HEARS KENDALL IN GREAT TALK

ELCUMMINT CONGRESSMAN FROM THE SIXTH DISTRICT GREETED BY AN IMMENSE ASSEMBLAGE AND MUCH ENTHUSIASM.

MAKES SPLENDID POLITICAL SPEECH

TELLS VOTERS WHY THEY SHOULD SUPPORT THE REPUBLICAN PARTY—RELATES ENACTMENTS OF LAST CONGRESS.

Hon. N. E. Kendall, the sixth district congressman, was last night greeted with a larger crowd and a more enthusiastic assemblage at the Grand opera house than any other speaker, republican or democrat, appearing here this campaign. The great audience was keyed to an enthusiastic pitch and the eloquent speech of the brilliant statesman was punctuated not infrequently by bursts of applause. The audience impressed Congressman Kendall and they were in turn deeply impressed by the words of the speaker. Every syllable of his splendid speech was worth while. He devoted his attention to the issues which every voter will ratify or reject next Tuesday, and he gave reason after reason why their vote should be in favor of the continuing of the republican party in rule. Chairman Lew H. Young was particularly pleased with the immense audience last night and the manner in which the very able address of Congressman Kendall was received. It impressed the county chairman as meaning a grand republican victory next Tuesday.

Previous to the meeting the Fifty-fourth regiment band gave a short program on the down town streets, and on the stage of the Grand. The South Ottumwa band paraded the South Side of the river at the same time. A. W. Enoch was chairman of the meeting. He introduced Mr. Kendall and later presented several of the county candidates to the audience.

Mr. Enoch's Introduction.

Mr. Enoch prefaced his introduction of the speaker with a few words of praise for the Fifty-fourth regiment band, which he characterized as the finest musical organization in the state. Mr. Enoch explained briefly what the present campaign meant, emphasizing the fact that the republican party was in the fight for principles that made for a continuance of the present prosperous times, against the opposition, which stood for the reverse. He recalled the campaigns of other years, particularly that of 1896, when the gold standard advocates won out over the bimetallicists. Mr. Enoch declared that it paid to be honest with the people and he declared in no uncertain tones that the republican party had always been honest. "We are now facing the great industrial and financial problem," said he, "and the republican party will face these great questions in the same fearless manner that it has always done. Our democratic friends say we are divided on the issues, but next Tuesday will find us a unit at the polls to vote for the return of the republican candidates to the office they aspire to. In these days of the job looking for the man instead of the man looking for the job, we republicans are standing together and we will demonstrate this next Tuesday."

In introducing Mr. Kendall, Mr. Enoch referred to the congressman as a man who has served the sixth district conscientiously in the national house, and he declared that the prosperity of the country depended upon a republican congress.

Sees a Great Victory.

At the outset, Mr. Kendall expressed his appreciation of the immense audience. "This magnificent audience," said he, "certifies that the grand old state of Iowa will elect Frank Carroll by a majority of no less than 80,000. It is evident that we will remove the county of Wapello from the doubtful column and take possession of the temple of justice from top to bottom."

Mr. Kendall then delved into a brief history of the two great parties, both of which are more than fifty years old. Referring to the state of Iowa, the speaker said its soil was the richest the sun shines on, its climate conditions not excelled anywhere in the world, and its farmers were declared to be the best agriculturists in the country. In demonstrating the superiority of Iowa and her farmers over eastern states, he related a portion of a conversation he had with an eastern agriculturist, who thought that eighteen acres of corn made a bumper crop. "This man was harboring the delusion that he was a farmer," said

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