

## Sen. Massey Scores Hit With Tonopah Voters

### With Congressman E. E. Roberts Addresses Monster Meeting

#### JUNIOR UNITED STATES SENATOR DELIVERS A MASTERLY ADDRESS

##### Nevada Theatre Is Packed and Frequent Enthusiastic Bursts Greet the National Candidates

United States Senator W. A. Massey and Congressman E. E. Roberts addressed a monster meeting in this city at the Nevada theater Saturday night and from the nature of the spontaneous applause and the remarks to be heard later it is evident that both candidates will receive the majority of the votes cast in Tonopah on election day.

During Saturday Senator Massey and Congressman Roberts spent their time greeting the voters personally. They came in contact with hundreds and in every instance favorable comment was to be heard from the voter. That Senator Massey is quite a fable and makes solid friends with his whole souled manner was freely demonstrated by his actions. His sincerity was expressed in his every conversation and it was his manner of bearing and talking that won him favor.

The meeting at the Nevada theater lasted for about two hours. Hon. P. M. Bowler officiated as chairman and after a few brief introductory remarks introduced Senator Massey. The senator discussed the leading questions of the day. He was frequently interrupted by the applause of the audience, but along toward the close of his address the crowd followed his every word with interest and for a period of 25 minutes the stillness was not broken. At his conclusion the rafters of the building rang with the plaudits of the listeners.

The address was not one of the cut and dried variety, but was of interest to every person in the hall. Frequently the senator would indulge in a witticism and a good natured laugh always followed one of his mirthful remarks. This was especially true when he referred to the time he was employed in the mines at Tuscarora and was compelled to actively operate a muck stick or else be buried in the dirt as it emerged from a chute.

Senator Massey espied former State Senator T. J. Bell seated in the audience and during the commencement of his address he referred to the fact that in 1890 he received his first introduction to political life when he served in the lower house of the state legislature with Senator Bell, who at that time was speaker of the house.

In conclusion Senator Massey stated that he had no word of trade or abuse to say regarding his opponents. "If you feel that I am entitled to your suffrage, I ask for your vote. I ask you, when you go to the polls on November 5, to cast your ballot as your conscience dictates. By doing so you will have performed your duty," declared Senator Massey, as he concluded his address.

Congressman Roberts was tendered an ovation as he arose to speak. Two years ago Roberts received the highest vote of any candidate on the state or national ticket and he still retains his popularity. He gave a strict accounting of his actions at the nation's capital during the last two years, showing that he had carried out every promise made to the voters of the state during his former campaign. Two years ago Mr. Roberts declared he favored a change of the house rules that would remove the power from the speaker, as was exercised by "Uncle Joe Cannon. The change was made, declared the congressman, and now the power rests with Representative Underwood, who was more of a czar than was Cannon. To secure the passage of a bill through the lower house it was first necessary to have the approval of Underwood. Without the approval of the Alabama congressman it was impossible to have a measure favor-

ably considered. The meeting broke up with three rousing cheers for both Massey and Roberts. After the meeting the two gentlemen spent several hours in further greeting the people of Tonopah. They left yesterday morning for Manhattan and Round Mountain, where they spent the day getting acquainted. At Manhattan both were tendered a rousing reception and assurances were made to the visitors that they would carry the district by a substantial majority.

#### PRESIDENT ELY OF WATER COMPANY ON THE STAND

##### PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION WILL NOT COMPLETE LABORS UNTIL WEEK END

Upon the reconvening this morning of the public utility commission of Nevada, sitting at present at the courthouse to investigate the affairs of the water, electric and sewer companies of this city, the examination of President Ely of the water company of Tonopah was resumed. The commission expects to conclude its work in Tonopah by the end of this week.

## FRED SKINNER ESCAPES FROM STATE PRISON

### Nye County Murderer Is Now At Large

#### DEMOCRATS TO HOLD BIG RALLY THIS EVENING

##### KEY PITTMAN AND OTHERS TO ADDRESS PEOPLE AT THE NEVADA THEATER

The first democratic gun of the season will be fired in Tonopah tonight with the arrival of Key Pittman, democratic nominee for the United States senate. Mr. Pittman will address the voters of this district on the issues of the day. In addition several other speakers will deliver addresses. The meeting will be held in the Nevada theater and is scheduled to start at 8 o'clock.

Mr. Pittman arrived from Reno this morning, having spent the last week in the northern section of the state in the interest of his candidacy.

The meeting this evening will be more in the form of a rally. The Tonopah military band has been engaged for the occasion and music will be furnished both on the street and also at the theater.

Charles Biskley, the Philadelphia, Pa., attorney who is at present a visitor to Tonopah, Bob Govan of the Mizpah hotel and Ben Edwards leave tomorrow morning for a several days' hunting and fishing outing at Fish Lake.

#### THOUSANDS TEXTILE WORKERS GO OUT ON GENERAL STRIKE

SALEM, Mass., Sept. 30.—Thousands of visitors from Lawrence, Haverhill and Lynn are on the streets here waving red flags. Many gathered at the courthouse. The state police is guarding the entrances. Admission is by card. The Ettor counsel is confident of an acquittal.

SALEM, Mass., Sept. 30.—Serious rioting occurred at 6 o'clock this morning, the police clashing with the Ettor-Giovannitti strikers. Dozers are in the hospitals with broken heads. The police station is jammed with men and women prisoners. The rioting started at dawn when the workers approached the Wood and Ayer mills. The officers swung their night sticks and wagon tongues. Many of the strikers and police were beaten insensibly. One striker was arrested in a dying condition. Five women are in jail. All the prisoners were brought into court, handcuffed, and were locked in an iron bound cage in the center of the room.

LYNN, Mass., Sept. 30.—One thousand Industrialists struck today in a silent protest of the Ettor-Giovannitti trial.

#### NEW YORK DEMOCRATS ON VERGE OF SPLIT

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Sept. 30.—It seems certain that Murphy will drop Dix. A belligerent atmosphere is everywhere predicted and the convention will be stormy. The Dixites denounce Wilson for his public criticism of Dix. The convention opens at noon tomorrow.

#### BRYAN RETURNS TO HOME STATE BY TOMORROW

CHEYENNE, Sept. 30.—Bryan speaks here tonight and in Nebraska tomorrow.

#### YAKIS ARE ON THE WARPATH IN SONORA

DOUGLAS, Ariz., Sept. 30.—Sonora refugees say that thousands of Yaqis are on the warpath near Guaymas and that all roads in northern Sonora are unsafe. The rebel depredations have made thousands homeless and a famine is threatened. Horses are turned loose to eat the crops. Many rebels are here, believed to be trying to get arms and ammunition.

#### ELY MINERS AND SMELTERMEN WILL STRIKE TOMORROW

##### WILL WALK OUT UNLESS MINE OPERATORS RECOGNIZE UNION AND GRANT INCREASE

ELY, Nev., Sept. 30.—It is announced the union smeltermen and miners will strike tomorrow unless the operators recognize the Western Federation and grant 50 cents a day increase.

#### Utah Operators Confer

SALT LAKE, Sept. 30.—There are no developments in the strike. The Utah Copper officials are conferring to determine whether to resume immediately. Bingham is quiet. The miners are determined they will not resume unless the union is recognized and the wage demands are met.

#### SENATE COMMITTEE HAS STARTED PROBE INTO ALL CONTRIBUTIONS CAMPAIGN FUNDS IN PAST YEARS

WASHINGTON, Sept. 30.—The most sweeping investigation of "big business" in politics ever held in the United States was begun today by a special senate committee. Financial and political giants of the nation are awaiting witness stand ordeals.

How far has "big business" gone in influencing legislation in both the senate and house?

What senators and representatives have been in intimate correspondence with "trust" heads?

How much money have gigantic corporations given to influence nominations and elections?

These are some of the principal questions to be brought out by scores of witnesses ordered to appear before the committee.

The investigation today is being conducted by a select committee of five senators under authority of the so-called "Penrose resolution" passed by the senate last August just before congress adjourned. Senator Clapp, the Minnesota progressive, is chairman. Other committeemen are Senators Oliver (rep., Pa.), Jones (rep., Wash.), Pomerene (dem., O.), and Paynter (dem., Ky.).

Senator La Follette of Wisconsin widened the scope of the probe begun today by succeeding, during the ante-adjournment fight last August, in directing that the committee inquire into all correspondence affecting legislation between senators and representatives. The original resolution of Senator Penrose contemplated merely an inquiry into the amount of money contributed to campaign funds by corporations and financial leaders.

Awaiting examination regarding campaign contributions are Col.

Roosevelt, George B. Cortelyou, Geo. W. Perkins, Cornelius N. Bliss Jr., Senator Dixon, Roosevelt's campaign manager; Treasurer Sheldon of the national republican committee, and ante-convention campaign managers of Governor Woodrow Wilson, Speaker Clark, Representative Oscar Underwood, Governor Harmon of Ohio, and other candidates at the recent party conventions.

Colonel Roosevelt is scheduled to testify tomorrow. He is to reply to charges of Senator Penrose and John D. Archbold, manager of Standard Oil, that the "oil trust" contributed \$125,000 to Roosevelt's campaign coffers in 1904. Archbold recently testified that he gave that sum and that Roosevelt, when president, "persecuted" the Standard Oil company with department of justice prosecutions because an additional \$150,000 contribution was refused former Treasurer Cornelius N. Bliss of the republican national committee.

Senator Penrose's alleged relations with Standard Oil are also under fire. William R. Hearst is expected to produce sheaves of letters, said to have been stolen from Archbold's private letter files, between Penrose and Archbold regarding legislation and campaign affairs.

Who contributed to democratic and republican campaign funds as far back as 1900 will be probed by the committee. Colonel Roosevelt is the special target of some of those behind the investigation. Senator La Follette also promises a complete expose of his financial backing last fall and winter.

What diplomats have contributed to campaign funds is another phase of the investigation.

How much "Brother Charley" Taft aided financially in President Taft's election and nomination four years ago is still another proposed feature of the investigation.

J. Pierpont Morgan, Col. Colt of the "rubber trust," and other Wall street powers have been mentioned as probable witnesses of the committee. Testimony of William Rockefeller and directors of Standard Oil regarding campaign gifts is also desired by the committee.

It is proposed to hold all the meetings in Washington, although it is possible the committee may go to New York to examine several witnesses.

Technically, the testimony is desired to secure "official" information for framing a corrupt practices act in congress, but campaign thunder is the immediate product of the investigation.

Before the hearing started this morning the room was jammed. Clapp, Pomerene and Oliver conferred and decided to devote five hours daily to the probe, which will probably require five weeks.

Clapp examined Bliss, who produced his father's records of 1904 report to Chairman New of Indiana. The report contained no receipt from Archbold. He read a letter his father wrote to New saying: "I've refused to make the accounts public because the contributors have the same right to the privacy of the gifts as they have to the secrecy of the ballot. The campaign was conducted on a high plane."

The letter says the receipts of the campaign were \$2,800,000, besides the \$107,000 left from the 1900 campaign. The expenditures were \$2,693,000. He said he had not conversed with his father regarding the campaign contributions and had heard no mention of Rogers and Archbold in connection with the 1904 campaign.

Asked what had become of the books, Bliss said:

"Father, knowing he was about to die, had them destroyed. He did not want them to become the subject of a political controversy."

#### COLORED WOMAN EXPIRES FROM HEART FAILURE

##### DIES SUDDENLY YESTERDAY AT HER HOME ON CENTRAL STREET

Justice of the Peace Atkinson, as ex-officio coroner, is this afternoon conducting an inquest into the death of Mrs. Leona Jenkins, colored, 35 years old, a habitue of the local restricted district, who expired suddenly yesterday at her home on Central street near the Pullman saloon.

Dr. O'Neal, who had been treating the woman for some time past for heart trouble, was summoned by her early yesterday morning. Responding, the physician found the woman in a critical condition and gave her a heart stimulant. She, however, died suddenly about 2 o'clock in the afternoon. An effort to locate her relatives is being made.

#### IRRIGATION CONGRESS OPENS AT SALT LAKE

SALT LAKE, Sept. 30.—The twentieth irrigation congress opened today. Thousands of delegates and visitors are here. The session will last four days.

#### Short Circuits Electric Fence Early Sunday Morning and Continues to Elude Posses

##### Special to the Bonanza

RENO, Sept. 30.—Fred R. Skinner, serving 50 years in the state prison for murder, made his escape from that institution Sunday morning and is still at large, notwithstanding that posses are scouring the country in every direction.

Skinner was confined in the condemned cell and escaping made his way to the electrical fence. He short circuited the current and then made his escape. His absence was discovered shortly afterwards and the alarm was sounded, but so far the searchers have been unable to secure any trace of the missing convict.

Skinner was convicted in the local court about three years ago for the murder of Mona Bell, a woman with whom he was living, at Rhyolite. At the first trial he was sentenced to serve a life imprisonment in the state prison. He was granted a second trial and the jury returned a verdict of murder in the second degree. In pronouncing sentence Judge Averill sentenced the defendant to 50 years in the state prison, the maximum penalty being invoked.

The real name of the murdered woman was Elizabeth Heskith and it was brought out during the trial that Skinner had deserted his own wife and induced the Heskith woman to leave her husband and accompany him. The woman led a life of shame after taking up with Skinner.

At the trial Skinner claimed that the woman had first shot him and he took her life in order to save his own. He told several conflicting stories immediately after the shooting.

At both trials difficulty was experienced in securing juries to try the prisoner. Feeling was intense against Skinner in both Tonopah and Rhyolite. During the progress of the cases and also after Skinner was sentenced to the penitentiary it was remarked that should Skinner ever secure his liberty he would attempt to secure the life of several people who were instrumental in his arrest and conviction. That this fear is still in evidence by those who have cause to know that Skinner might attempt to secure revenge was demonstrated today by statements from several Tonopah residents.

During the progress of both trials the real wife of Skinner mortgaged her home in Colorado to secure funds for the defense of her husband. She also worked at various Tonopah homes to support herself while attending the trials. Later she moved to Carson to be near her husband. Less than two years ago she secured a divorce and shortly afterwards married a Carson resident.

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