

# WALKAWAY FOR VAN SANT

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The political situation in the G. A. R. is somewhat cleared up today and from present indications Former Gov. Van Sant of Minnesota will have a walk-away as commander-in-chief. The withdrawal of Col. Dickason of Chicago and his avowed support of Gov. Van Sant, pledging the support of his delegation for the same, was the signal for much jubilation in the Van Sant camp.

One department commander said to the "News" today:

"In my opinion Gov. Van Sant could have been elected at Toledo last year but for various reasons it was decided otherwise, but with the understanding that he would be elected in 1909 at Salt Lake City, Utah, and he will undoubtedly be elected by a big majority. I know of many delegations who are solidly for him and see no possible chance of Comrade Ketcham beating him."

At the Indiana headquarters, Mr. Ketcham was taking things easily and not worrying in the least over the campaign nor the result which comes Thursday.

"I'm not running; they're running me," said he smilingly. "Supporters? Well, I should say so. No, really, I can't tell you a thing. I look for the newspapers to tell me something. Gov. Van Sant, I know, is a very fine man. I am not so sure about myself, but I know about him."

**OPTIMISTIC VAN SANT.**

Gov. Van Sant said:

"You surely don't want me to say that the outlook is gloomy, do you? I got to say that it is bright, whether it is or not, but as a matter of fact it is. I am much pleased with the work that has been done in my behalf and feel assured of election. But, I said before, we are all good losers. They are all good men and everything will be all right no matter which way it goes."

**STEBBINS THE CHOICE.**

For the position of junior vice commander-in-chief there seems to be but one candidate in the field, and his large list of supporters see nothing else at his unanimous choice. He is J. W. Stebbins, past department commander of Virginia and North Carolina, with headquarters at the Stauffer, 150 east South Temple. The present department commander is F. M. Work, who cited this morning that his delegation to a man was for Van Sant, Stebbins, and for Atlantic City as the next meeting place. There was a candidate mentioned from Connecticut, but he has not arrived and, in all probability, will not be in the race.

Mr. Stebbins has a strong claim for the position. His department has never had but one national officer, Edgar Allen, father of the present commander-in-chief of the Sons of Veterans, Edgar Allen, Jr. The department has less than 700 members and two-thirds of them are negroes. There are 15,000 "union soldiers" graves within the limits of this department. The first monument erected after the war are on the old battlefield of Bull Run and they are still on private property.

These monuments were erected by officers and soldiers on their return from the war; within 12 miles of the city of Fredericksburg," said Mr. Stebbins.

"There were more men killed in the four years' war than old England, which seems to be the greatest fighting nation in the world, has lost in 100 years. The department feels it should have representation once in a generation, and to that end, for the second time, they have given their unanimous support and endorsement to J. W. Stebbins."

Mr. Stebbins comes of revolutionary stock, his family having furnished in the revolutionary war no less than 100 patriotic soldiers. Mr. Stebbins is the "old" of his department, though 61 years of age, and if he lives as long as his great-grandfather, he will yet live 11 years in which to serve his department.

## STILL ARRIVING IN SQUADS AND BATTALIONS



Photo By Harry Shipley.

### PRISONERS OF WAR ARE MEETING TODAY

Will Elect Officers and Discuss the  
Penrose-Dalzell Bill for Pension-  
ing Union Ex-Prisoners.

Among the big meetings held today was that of the national convention of the Union ex-Prisoners of War, which convened at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon at Federation of Labor hall. The meeting was called to order by National Commander Gen. Harry White of Pennsylvania. Adj. Gen. J. D. Walker was also present from Pittsburgh, Pa.

Among the things that will come before the convention this afternoon is the routine business of the convention and the election of officers. As to the candidates in the field for these offices, none of the members of the association were willing to say. They declared that several had announced their candidacy, but that there was no partisan feeling in the affair.

The meeting will also consider the pension bill which is known as the Penrose-Dalzell bill and is now before the house and the senate. The bill provides the allowing of \$2 a day to each prisoner for each and every day that he was confined in a Rebel prison. The bill has been before Congress for many years but the veterans are just as determined as ever to see it put through.

### "TOTALLY UNFIT FOR HUMAN FOOD"

Such is Chemist Harms' Character-  
ization of Milk from Howard's  
Dairy.

Laden with dirt and germs were the two samples of milk taken by Walter J. Frazier, city food and dairy inspector, from the Howard & Hatch dairy of Bountiful, which, it is claimed, were responsible for the death of two babies Saturday, and caused the illness of several others. Herman Harms, city chemist, finished his analysis this morning and made the following report:

"The two samples of milk marked Howard's dairy, handed me, possess disgusting, sickening odors and also show considerable sediment, rendering the milk, in my opinion, totally unfit for human food."

As soon as Mr. Frazier received the report, he immediately sent a letter to Howard & Hatch stating that they could sell no milk in Salt Lake City under present conditions. It has not been decided whether the dairymen will

## MAIN STREET A BLAZE OF LIGHTS.

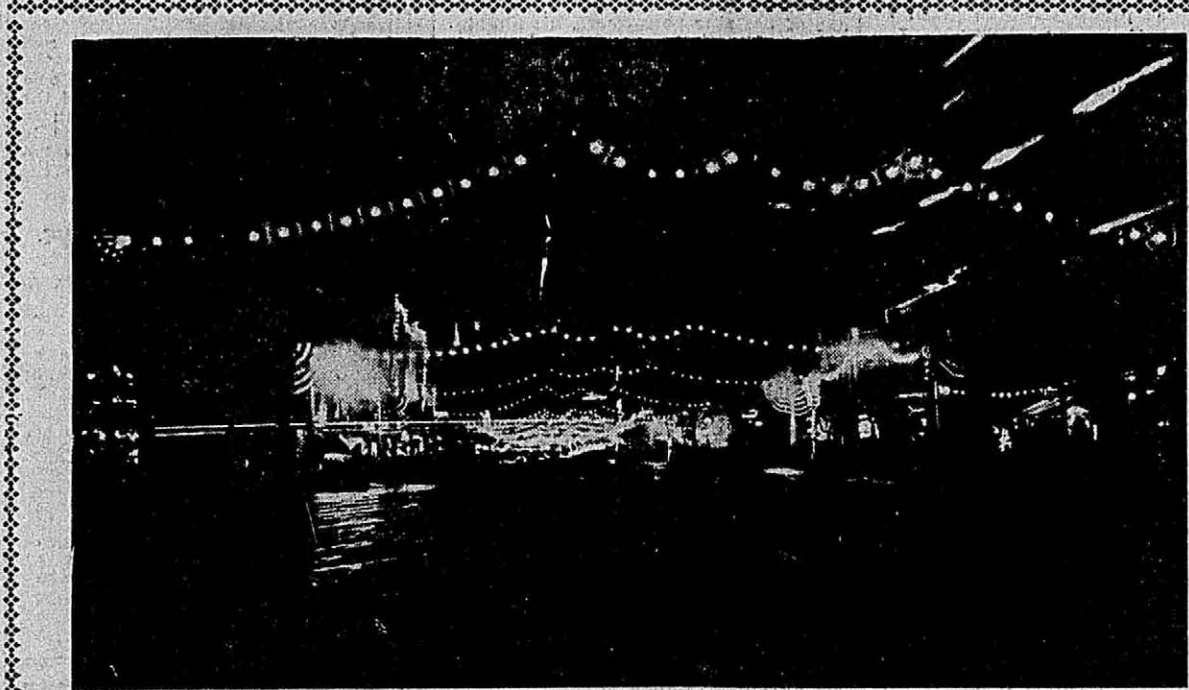


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### SEVERE DROUGHT IN EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA

Philadelphia, Aug. 10.—The drought throughout eastern Pennsylvania is becoming so severe that unless rain comes soon the crops will be ruined. Springs and wells are drying up and conditions generally are becoming alarming.

**ACTOR RICHARD GOLDEN DEAD.**

New York, Aug. 10.—Richard Golden, the actor, died suddenly today on board the houseboat Stroller in Gravesend bay, where he was the guest of John Newton Porter.

### SENATOR SMOOT RETURNS HOME

Senator Reed Smoot returned from Washington last night after strenuous work extending over five months and for the major part consuming 18 hours a day.

Senator Smoot was asked this morning regarding the pending merger between the Herald and Republican. In response he said:

"I do not know anything about it."

Regarding his appointment on the finance committee, Utah's senior senator said:

"Senator Aldrich desired me not only to take an interest in affairs pertaining to Utah but in the tariff bill as a whole. After being placed on the committee I learned the bill by heart, schedule by schedule and paragraphs one by one. I made it my business to investigate thoroughly the importations and manufacturing interests of the country and I went into the costs of foreign production as fully as possible during the time at my command."

"As it was impossible for Senator Aldrich to meet the thousands of men who were anxious to see him on the subject

### of tariff revision, that duty fell on my shoulders in a measure.

**WEST TAKEN CARE OF.**

"I believe the bill as a whole will be satisfactory to the people of this country. The west is well taken care of and only lost out on one thing, that of hides. This was on account of the extreme high prices of hides today and the greatest propaganda ever instituted on the part of the tanners, shoe manufacturers and leather men generally."

Senator Smoot went on to state that the lead schedule would be found to be eminently satisfactory.

The bill on the whole declares the senator provides for a reduction on the Dingley rates. "Take into consideration the increase of 15 per cent on champagne, high priced wines and liquors generally and \$10,000,000 on tobacco tariffs and high priced silks the balance of the schedules of the bill show a lower ad valorem rate than even the Wilson bill," he declared.

"I introduced a bill for the printing of 50,000 copies of the bill which passed the house and was signed by the president. These copies will be distributed widely throughout the country to editors and others. As soon as the public has a chance to make comparisons and is fully advised of the provisions of the bill I have not the remotest doubt but it will be approved generally."

"I have crossed the continent scores of times and I must say that the crops universally are splendid and there is every indication that the country is on the verge of a great era of

### SAYS COLORADO SENT LARGEST DELEGATION

Maj. Hooper Contends Centennial  
State Has Record for Bringing  
Crowd to Encampment.

"I believe that Colorado brought the largest delegation of any state in the Union to the convention," declared Maj. S. K. Hooper, general passenger agent of the Denver & Rio Grande, this morning. The Colorado delegation arrived Sunday night and was headed by the famous Cook's Drum corps.

"When we were at Grand Junction we had a delegation of just 563 persons. Some of these were side tracked and when we arrived in Salt Lake City the number was 788 persons. I believe that there will be more than 1,000 persons here from Colorado and it will be the largest delegation from one state."

"As near as I can figure out there will be between 12,000 and 14,000 people from the east during the encampment. I am not counting the big number that is now coming from California and the northwest. Salt Lake should entertain from 25,000 to 30,000 people during the encampment."

### WORKING AT NIGHT ON WHITE HOUSE ADDITION

Washington, Aug. 10.—Night work has been begun on the addition being built to the executive offices at the White House. Three shifts are now working and there will not be an hour's let up until the addition is completed.

In the old tennis court now being excavated one of the workmen found yesterday buried in the clay at a depth of four or five inches a tennis ball. He pocketed it as a souvenir, saying as he did so:

"It'll bet Teddy himself drove that one into the ground."

### MONSTER PARADE IN HONOR OF GOMPERS' RETURN

Washington, Aug. 10.—In honor of the return in October of Samuel Gompers, who has been in Europe studying continental labor conditions and problems, all the labor organizations of the eastern states will unite in a monster parade in this city if the plans adopted by the Central Labor union of this city at a meeting last night are carried out. Oct. 15 is the day fixed for the celebration. The labor unions of Philadelphia, Baltimore, Wilmington, Richmond and other cities will be invited to send as large delegations as possible.

The day will culminate with a meeting in convention hall.

Senator Smoot stated that he was glad to be home and get a chance to rest up after his strenuous labors. He will probably leave for his home in Provo tonight.

## TEN SPECIALS YET TO COME

Many Delegations Still on the  
Way to Salt Lake  
City.

PLENTY OF ROOM IN HOMES

Private Residences Not Yet  
Heavily Drawn Upon for  
Accommodations.

Veterans Who Were Musicians in the  
Civil War a Feature on the  
Streets Today.

With the second day of the forty-third encampment drawing to a close, 10 special trains bearing delegations and visitors to the encampment are yet due to arrive on the local railroads. There has been no difficulty whatever in providing accommodations for those who have applied, notwithstanding the fact that the hotels were filled to capacity two days before the encampment proper began. In fact, many citizens who threw their homes open to receive visitors have not been asked to take care of any visitors for the reason that not sufficient applications have been received to require all of the places at the disposal of the committee. It is not the fault of the committee, but is a matter of congratulation to know that there were more than enough quarters offered to take care of the veterans and visitors who were unable to secure quarters at the hotels.

A touching incident this morning occurred at the Commercial club rooms when the three Price brothers of this city entertained the members of the Civil War Musicians' Drum corps. The hearts of the old boys warmed at the appreciation of their efforts and several vocal selections were rendered by the members of the organization before the reception was ended. E. J. Freeman of Audubon, Ia., is president of the Veteran Drum corps, and he is now in the thirty-fourth year of his incumbency of the position. Comrade Freeman this morning stated that there were 700 members of the organization, extending from Maine to California. It is composed of veterans who were musicians in the Civil war, and they play with practically no practice. The Veteran Drum corps received an ovation not only at the Commercial club, but all along the street wherever they appeared. Sixty-seven members of the organization are registered in Salt Lake today.

This afternoon the veteran musicians are to be given a complimentary trip to Saltair.

**TOMORROW'S PARADE.**

Tomorrow the entire strength of the police department, now numbering with regular and special officers close to 160 men, will be devoted to the care of the veterans of the G. A. R. in their parade and to the safety of the public. Along Main street will be 36 uniformed patrolmen, four men stationed at each street intersection and four men on each block. There will be at least 75 detectives and plain clothes men circulating among the crowd, and during the day at least 25 men, some mounted and others on bicycles, will patrol the residence sections.

Chief Barlow has carefully planned for the disposition of the entire force during the day, and it is a case of extra time for every man. Every precaution is being taken to insure public safety, and a rigid requirement of the rules laid down will be demanded at 7 o'clock tonight the work of "fencing off" Main street the principal line of march of the parade tomorrow will begin. Main street from Seventh to Fourth South streets will be roped off with steel cables tonight. At 8 o'clock tomorrow morning the remainder of the street will be enclosed leaving only "alleyways" until the beginning of the parade, when the ropes will extend in a complete chain from the monument to Seventh South.

### LOCOMOTIVE ENGINEER WITH ENVIABLE RECORD

Elgin, Ill., Aug. 10.—James V. Wilson, who died here yesterday was the oldest railroad passenger engineer in the central states. For 53 years he was employed as an engineer by the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad, and for 14 years as master mechanic. As an engineer he traveled 2,000,000 miles, carrying 500,000 passengers, without accident.

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### TODAY'S PROGRAM.

- 2 p. m.—Automobile ride about the city for visiting members of ladies' organizations.
- 2 p. m.—Meeting of Naval Veterans' association at Federation of Labor hall.
- 2:30 p. m.—National convention of Union ex-Prisoners of War at Federation of Labor hall.
- 5 p. m.—Greetings to the G. A. R. by Governor William Spry and Mayor Bransford at the tabernacle.
- 8 p. m.—Campfires at the Assembly hall and Armory hall.
- 8:30 p. m.—Wild West show at fair grounds.
- 10 p. m.—Grand display of fireworks from Ensign peak.