

**HUTCHINSON, Kan., Sept. 19.**—Col. Roosevelt spoke tonight in Convention Hall. The hall was crowded; Progressive leaders from all over Western Kansas came to discuss party plans with their national leader.

"I am back in Kansas to speak and fight for Victor Murdock and Henry Allen and the entire Progressive Party ticket," the Colonel said. "Those progressively inclined who have hoped for a measure of advance constructive legislation from the Republican Party have learned their error. Cannon and Penrose have been nominated and Bristow has been humiliated.

"On the other hand, nothing may be expected of the Democratic Party, which from its inception has been the party of incompetency. To hope for achievement from it, to delegate to it the solution of the new problems of the day with any thought of success is as idle as advancing against a modern army with flintlock muskets."

All the way across the State to Wichita the Colonel was met by cheering crowds and made half a dozen short platform speeches.

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