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hoga county: "Governor Harmon's attack on the I. and R. is no surprise. He has always been a reactionary."

Delegate Thomas G. Fitzsimons, independent, Cuyahoga county: "It comes with poor grace from a man who was elected on an I. and R. platform and used that principle to appeal to voters for support to repudiate his position after election. What guarantee have the people that he will not abandon any plank on which he may be elected president?"

Delegate J. A. Okey, democrat, Noble county: "I maintain that Governor Harmon had no right, in his address to the convention, to inject his opposition to the initiative and referendum. The governor stands not for the people, but for the special interests."

Delegate Martin Stamm, democrat, Sandusky county: "Governor Harmon is not abreast of the times. The I. and R. passed the experimental stage some time ago. Governor Harmon does not reflect the sentiment of the people of Ohio."

Delegate R. A. Beatty, democrat, Wood county: "I am astonished. I have been a strong supporter of Governor Harmon, but his position on the I. and R. reverses my position in regard to him."

Delegate D. F. Anderson, republican, Mahoning county: "Governor Harmon's attack on the I. and R. is certainly consistent with his whole professional and political life and stamps him as against anything that spells progress. It is meant for the ears of the east, and the governor had better employed the long distance telephone."

Delegate E. W. Doty, republican, Cuyahoga county: "I understand that Governor Harmon was elected on a platform indorsing the I. and R. Harmon's present stand on the I. and R. ought to help him in his fight for delegates in New York city and in other eastern places. It is not so sure to help him in other places where people, whether for the I. and R. or not, believe that governors ought not to repudiate their pre-election promises and platforms."

Delegate John Cassidy, democrat, Logan county: "The people of Ohio want the initiative and referendum and they are going to have it, notwithstanding the opposition of Governor Harmon and other reactionaries of his stripe."

Delegate W. B. Kilpatrick, democrat, Trumbull county: "It is possible Governor Harmon has never given any serious thought and attention to the great democratic questions that are now ripe in the land? It is a matter of regret to innumerable democrats that Governor Harmon still clings to conditions as they are, when he certainly appreciates—unless he sleeps—that present conditions need change."

Delegate Roscoe Mauck, republican, Gallia county: "Nobody expected anything better from Harmon."

Delegate Stephen S. Stillwell, republican, Cuyahoga county: "No real progressive will agree with Governor Harmon in his opposition to the I. and R. He shows he is absolutely out

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of touch with the needs of the people of Ohio. We elected him last year on a platform that declared for the I. and R., and now he betrays us."

Delegate L. P. Kunkle, democrat, Muskingum county: "I was elected on an I. and R. platform and I'm going to remain loyal to my pledges regardless of the opposition of Governor Harmon."

Delegate Starbuck Smith, republican, Hamilton county: "I can not agree with Governor Harmon. I would rather trust this state in the hands of citizens interested enough and intelligent enough to vote on measures proposed by petition than in the hands of a partisan political oligarchy such as has often been in control of the destinies of the people."

Delegate A. Ross Read, democrat, Summit county: "Governor Harmon's reference to the I. and R. might be construed as an attempt to cajole the progressives while giving the reactionaries full assurance of his aid and sympathy."

Delegate W. C. Davio, democrat, Cuyahoga county: "I am disgusted with Harmon's attack on the I. and R."

Delegate A. V. Donahey, democrat, Tuscarawas county: "Harmon had much better avoided the I. and R. altogether than to have said what he did."

Delegate Thomas Farrell, republican, Cuyahoga county: "Governor Harmon has demonstrated that he is opposed to the people working out their own problems. He insists on doing it for them as does Wall street."

Delegate William Halenkamp, democrat, Hamilton county: "It is ridiculous for a man in the position of the governor to say that he does not know where he stands on the I. and R. He is a reactionary through and through."

Delegate Frank Lambert, democrat, Jackson county: "The governor evidently does not understand the subject nor the sentiment of the people."

Delegate Stanley Bowdle, democrat, Hamilton county: "Conservatism wants no 'experiments.' Of course, not. Monarchism objected to democracy as an experiment. All history is but the story of the past and its efforts to hamstring the present. 'Experiment!' is its cry and has always been its cry. The initiative and referendum is no experiment. And, if it were, that is the best argument in its favor"

Delegate James M. Fluke, democrat, Ashland county: "Governor Harmon's speech on the I. and R. has the merit of frankness, and it will simplify the political situation materially. He is not a progressive and says so frankly. His speech will solidify progressive sentiment in this state, particularly the progressive sentiment for the I. and R."

Delegate H. W. Brown, republican, Highland county: "I am surprised that the governor did not suggest some substitute for the Ten Commandments. It would have been just as appropriate."

Delegate O. H. Stewart, republican, Meigs county: "The governor, of course, is talking to the nation rather than to the convention. He can not hurt the initiative and referendum. If anybody suffers it will be himself."

Delegate Robert Henderson, democrat, Champaign county: "I'm for the initiative and referendum regardless of what Governor Harmon says against it."

Delegate W. W. Farnsworth, republican, Lucas county: "The people at the polls last November declared in favor of the initiative and referendum and I think we ought to give it to them."

S. A. Hoskins, Auglaize county: "The initiative and referendum is a democratic doctrine. It has been in national and state platforms for years. I have not changed my mind and will support it in the convention."

Delegate W. R. Walker, republican, Holmes county: "I am amazed at the governor's abject groveling at the feet of the brewers' trust. His speech in part sounded like a quotation from the address of paid liquor lobbyists before the liquor traffic committee. I also disagree with him on the I. and R."

Delegate Joseph Defrees, democrat, Miami county: "I'm for Harmon for president, but if he would get closer to the people he would have a better chance to be president."

Delegate J. W. Kehoe, democrat, of Brown county: "I don't believe the governor is in touch with the people."

Delegate H. W. Peck of Hamilton county, democrat: "The speech was at least an able one."

Delegate E. T. Wagner, democrat, Preble county: "I was surprised at the attitude of the governor on the liquor question. His attitude

on the I. and R. shows that he has some leaning to the corporations."

Delegate H. W. Elson, democrat, Athens county: "I can't agree with the governor on the I. and R. It's no experiment."

Delegate S. D. Fess, Green county, republican: "It's unfortunate that the governor in speaking before the convention also took into consideration that he was a candidate for the presidency."

Delegate G. W. Miller, democrat, Crawford county: "I do not believe as Harmon does about the I. and R., but I give him credit for stating his position frankly."

Delegate George W. Harris, democrat, Hamilton county: "It was a masterly address. I agree with him on everything except the I. and R., and, as I said to him, he is the one stubborn juror on the subject."

HE KNEW WHAT HE WAS WRITING ABOUT

Angus McSween, Washington correspondent for the Philadelphia North American sent to his newspaper on the night before the democratic money caucus was held the following prophetic and instructive dispatch:

Tomorrow night the democrats of the house will decide in caucus to send the proposed investigation of centralized control of money and credit, the most important question before the American people, to the committee on banking and currency, which, it is known in advance, will refuse to investigate.

It is known that the committee will refuse to do anything that would displease the money power because, if this knowledge were not established, Floor Leader Underwood and the other house leaders who are determined to demonstrate their subserviency to the Morgan-Rockefeller interests would not think of confiding this question to that committee.

The fight in the democratic caucus promises to be spirited, but very one-sided. Chairman Henry, of the rules committee, who wants an investigation of the money power and has offered a resolution to create a special committee for the purpose, will make a hopeless effort in behalf of his resolution.

He will present to the caucus a great number of letters from responsible men, all urging that the investigation be had in the interest of independent business and industry. He will plead with his colleagues to take a courageous stand in the matter and demonstrate that the democrats are neither afraid of Wall street nor willing to do its bidding.

All his documentary evidence to prove the existence of a money trust and all his pleadings, with that of those who stand with him, will accomplish nothing. For the timid and subservient house leadership is determined there shall be no investigation, and the great majority of the democratic members, equally timid and subservient, will stand with the leaders.

As a fitting prelude to the action promised by the democratic caucus tomorrow night was a speech in the house today by Representative Vreeland of New York, in advocacy of the Aldrich plan to perpetuate centralized control of money and credit through a consolidated banking system, upon which it is proposed to confer a money monopoly. Vreeland was the vice chairman of the Aldrich monetary commission which pretended to frame the Aldrich plan, of which Aldrich himself pretended to be the author, but which, as every one should know, originated among the financial manipulators of Wall street.

Prior to that Vreeland had represented in the house the Wall street strength, which forced through the Aldrich-Vreeland emergency currency bill of 1908, and had been named by Cannon in the last congress chairman of the banking and currency committee of the house, so as to make certain the control of that committee for the benefit of the money combination. He is now the leading republican member of the committee, while Pujo, a democrat, but a Wall street democrat, is the chairman.

Vreeland spoke today for more than two hours, and the house, realizing that it may be called upon at almost any time to pass the Aldrich banking and currency bill, listened with the close attention of men who want to know just how strong a cast they can make for themselves after they have done something they must defend.

Vreeland's speech was the ordinary argument repeated over and over again in support of the Aldrich bill. He maintained that the Aldrich plan will give the country a banking and currency system that will never fail, and which, while controlled absolutely by the banks, will