to accommodate Secretary Bryan in ern policies I felt that so much had in reading the published reports of regarded by Assistant Secretary Wilson as sufficient to justify him in requesting to be relieved at once from

After telegraphic notice to Secretary Bryan of his intention, Mr. Wilson late yesterday afternoon dispatched a note to the White House terminating his own service and President Wilson immediately designated Second Assistant Secretary Adee to act as assistant secretary of state during Secretary of State Bryan's absence.

In a thousand-word letter to President Wilson, the former acting secretary of state set forth that when he consented to continue for a time with the new administration he did not understand there were to be any radical changes of policy for which he would be called upon to act as spokesman. The letter continued in part:

"It today becomes the duty of the acting secretary of state in dispatching instructions to the representatives of this government abroad and as the channel of communication and with the representatives of foreign governments to be spokesman of the president in regard to a near far eastern policy, which was apparently deducible from your statement issued to the press last night. Inasmuch as I find myself entirely out of harmony with this radical change of policy, as I understand it, I trust that you will sympathize with the view that it was not appropriate that I should longer retain the responsibilities of the office which I have now relinquished.

"I had no reason to suppose that the officials on duty in the department of state would learn first from the newspapers of a declaration of policy which I think shows on its face the inadequacy of a situation given to the facts and theories involved and the failure clearly to apprehend the motives leading to and the purposes of the policy superseded. I had no reason to suppose that the fate of negotiations which so long had been the study of the American foreign officers of six great powers would be abruptly determined with such quite unnecessary haste and in so unusual a manner.

"These methods, against which I respectfully protest, are the very extraordinary circumstances which I feel vitiate my understanding with Mr. Bryan and completely relieve me of any further obligation in the

premises. "The repeated utterances of the last administration must have made it perfectly clear that the motive and purpose of the policy now abandoned were first and primarily the protection of China's integrity and sovereignty, the uplift of the Chinese people, materially and governmentally, the development of China's resources and the maintenance of our traditional policy of the 'open door' of equality of opportunity for American enterprises. Precisely because of the ultimate possibility of a measure of foreign control of China's a study of other countries which have found themselves in a similar situation, it was deemed impracticable that there should be American parti-

his desire to make his personal visit been promised that the problem of Huntington Wilson's resignation and to Lincoln, Neb. This involved the governments using American bank- the reasons therefor when asked by abandonment of the reservation ers, while still scrupulously avoiding the Associated Press if he had any which he had made on a steamer sail- any material monopolistic feature, comment to make. ing for Europe last Tuesday. The might now, as before, be found one; "I can not, of course, agree with issue of the statement at the White of the most difficult occupations. I the former assistant secretary," said House defining the administration's have always thought that, in the Mr. Bryan, "in what he says conattitude regarding the Chinese loan work of advancing the national in-cerning the six-power agreement. negotiations is believed to have been | terests and promoting the welfare of | The representatives of a group of other nations, the financial force of bankers were heard and the matter the United States could be marshalled was considered by the president. in some manner to present a safely The principles involved were such united front abroad, where it would that it did not require any great be like the apex of a triangle, but length of time for the president to would have at home at its base broad understand and act upon them. equality of opportunity, both for citizens desiring to engage in these difficult and relatively rival ventures. It seems, however, that the conclusions reached are expressed upon other grounds."

President Wilson replied:

"My Dear Sir: Allow me to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of yesterday and to say that I accept your resignation as you suggest, as of the present date."

The correspondence was given out at the White House today. Mr. Wilson's letter of resignation was dated yesterday. The president's acceptance was dated today.

- MR. BRYAN ON THE RESIGNATION

proposed Chinese loan. He declared nation's attitude. also that he was unable to agree with what Former Assistant Secretary secretary, Mr. Wilson, has been very Huntington Wilson had to say con- pleasant. I have found him cour-

"The assistant secretary, Mr. Huntington Wilson, handed in his resignation when President Wilson took the oath of office, and expected to sail for Europe last Tuesday. Having to leave the city for a few days, I asked him to delay his departure until I returned. This he consented to do, but he seems to have felt that the change of policy prevented his remaining. He looked at the Chinese loan proposition from the same standpoint as Former President Taft and Former Secretary Knox did. I have no doubt that in the matter of the Chinese the late president and retiring secretary and assistant secretary did what they thought best for our country and China, but I am entirely in sympathy with the attitude of President Wilson and hearti-Following is an Associated Press ly indorse both the position taken dispatch: Des Moines, Ia., March and the language employed by him, 20 .- Secretary of State William J. and I may add that I am sure that Bryan declared tonight that he was the country will approve of the entirely in sympathy with President change in policy. I am equally con-Wilson in the latter's position on the fident that China will rejoice at our

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Governor Dunne's Speech at the Nebraska Legislature

Governor Dunne of Illinois ad- following situation, a legislature Name March 19. He spoke as follows: of seventy-five republicans, twenty-

I am pleased to accept your courteous invitation to express a few words in relation to the situation that exists in the state of Illinois.

Colonel Bryan this morning very wisely suggested, in view of the fact that the legislature of Kansas had just adjourned, that the governor of Kansas might speak to you upon what has been accomplished in the state of Kansas, leaving me to address you upon what we are trying to accomplish in the state of Illinois and very appropriately reserving to himself, for I know of no man within the limits of the United States who can handle the subject more ably than he, what ought to be accomplished by the legislatures of the different states.

I congratulate the governor of Kansas and the legislature of that state upon its efficiency and expedition in being able to report to this legislature that they have met, accomplished what they sought, and adjourned sine die. I regret to state that in the great state of Illinois we are not in this satisfactory condition. The legislature met upon the eighth finances, which may be inferred from of January. Owing to an unfair gerrymander, perpetrated by our republican friends eight years ago in the distribution and apportionment of legislative districts, we find the cipation in the rehabilitation of democrats of Illinois, in November, China's finances in order to make 1912, although they successfully sure of the present potent, friendly elected all their state ticket by majoriand disinterested influence of the ties from 125,000 for the governor United States. The only practical to 80,000 for the lowest man on the method of such participation was by ticket, have been unable to secure a the use of reliable American bankers. democratic plurality in the legisla-"In the consideration of far east- ture. We are now faced with the

dressed the Nebraska legislature composed of ninety-seven democrats, eight progressives and four socialists. Owing to an archaic and foolish provision of our constitution the vote for state officers was not canvassed until three weeks after the legislature met because, under this provision of the constitution, the vote had to be canvassed by the speaker of the lower house of the legislature. Now having a plurality of the legislature in any party, it took three weeks to elect a speaker and the duly elected democratic state officers were kept out of office, owing to this unfortunate state of affairs, until the fifth of February. The first duty, as we all know, of a legislature is to elect a United States senator. From the fifth of February down to the present time we have been engaged in a regrettable and unfortunate controversy or deadlock and down to the present time that deadlock has not been broken. We democrats have been pointing out to the legislature that the legislature has already declared in favor of the direct election of United States senators, and having declared for that nently FREE TEST TR principle they should elect two democrats to the United States senate, for including medicines, prepared for any one giving a full the reason that if the direct election the reason that if the direct election the sufferers and sending names of 2 authors the sufferers. Address FRANK WHETZEL, M. D. of United States senators had been the law of the land last November, two democrats would have certainly been chosen from Illinois to the United States senate. Morally we claim it is binding upon the legislature, although legally we must admit that we have no method of enforcing the election of these senators. After waiting three weeks and in-

> sisting upon the election of two (Continued on Page 14.)