'Restore Clean Government' Pleads Keynoter Senator Harrison

G. O. P. Administration Bitterly Arraigned in Democratic Tocsin

Tells Convention That Republican Rule Has Been "Honeycombed With Graft and Corroded With Corruption; Butler, Stearns and Slemp Are Dubbed "G. O. P. Musketeers."

Denounces Foreign Policy of Harding and Coolidge

bankruptcy at home.

New York, June 24.-The Keynote riotous and debauched administration. address of the convention delivered by They had seen the natural resources Senator Pat Harrison of Mississippi,

men, 48 years ago in the city of St. Louis, the hosts of democracy met in convention to dedicate themselves to purging corruption from the public We meet today for a rededication to the same purpose. There was corruption then; there is a Saturnalia of corruption now. There were disgraced public officials then, arrest; but today Fall goes unmolested on his ranch in New Mexico; Daugherty sat with presidential apthe convention at Cleveland, and Daugherty's attorney was chairman of the committee created to oil the steam roller of the worst boss ridden convention of a generation. It was in that convention in 1876 that democracy turned to that superb and plank of the democratic

senators profiting secretly by their votes as lawmakers; five chairmen of the leading committees of the late house of representatives exposed in jobbery; a late secretary of the treasury forcing balances in the public accounts; a late attorney general the profits of contractors; an ambasto England censured in a dishonorable speculation; the president's private secretary barely escaping conviction upon trial for guilty complicity in frauds upon the revenue; a secretary of war impeached for high crimes and misdemeanors-the demenstration is complete that the first DEMOCRATS SOUGHT step in reform must be the people's GREATER REDUCTIONS choice of honest men from another party, lest the disease of one political organization infect the body politic and lest by making no change of men or party we get no change of measures and no real reform."

The moral is plain: the country will make its own application.

that this convention, composed of the administration the Treasury depart-At the outset let it be understood military representatives of the democracy of the nation, is no cold-storage affair. It is going to be red-hot. highly seasoned and well prepared. Treasury department would only We were not sent here under an stand for a reduction of \$390,000,000. executive order by the candidate to The democratic party gave them a notify the people. We are here by reduction of \$470,000,000. mandate of the people to name the The administration said that the candidate-the next president of the tax on candies, checks, notes, auto-

of business, big and small; it delights The democratic party said those taxes to see the reflected glory from burn- must go. ing furnaces: the contentment from The administration said that if we happy and prosperous farm homes; would increase taxes on 3,580,585 inthe crowded lobbies of counting come tax payers and reduce the taxes houses; the steady streams of heavily on 5,400, it would release money for loaded trains, and the early bustle productive enterprises and increase of mining camps. It cares not how the prosperity of all. The democratic large the scale or big the investment, party answered that indubitable facts what it is most concerned about is refuted such an argument. honesty in operation.

CALLS SPECIAL PRIVILEGE CORNERSTONE.

The cornerstone of the republican party is special privilege, and today listed for estate taxes, there was not its grip is more firmly tightened and found enough tax-free securities to its place more secure than at any cover funeral expenses. For the year time in its long history. It needs no 1921 the total net income returns cards to gain admittance to the White from business amounted to \$2,366,318, House, no password to the congressional committee rooms. Crooked business needs only to ges-

make this administration understand for reducing all taxes, but reducing

we will wage relentless war in this more money for investments in procampaign. We will not pitch our camps nor stack our arms until the American masses and honest business are freed from its strangle hold. They may direct their poisonous gases at us, but no camouflage can be contrived that will give covert and protection to the Pharisee. They can describe us as they may-hurling an-athemas will be futile-for these guarded posts of favoritism will be taken, these fortresses of special

privilege and unjust power must fall. In the guarded orchards of this administration the golden apples of special privilege have been gathered by the favored few. It is the guardian of every special interest. The mother never guarded her tender young more zealously than has this administration watched over the needs of its petted and pampered puppets.

Not only in the administration, but In the enactment of laws these interests come first. The administration's late and lamented tax proposal was grown in the Mellon patches of special privilege. Its propagation was a

work of republican art. For a while it was thought to be very beautiful, large, colorful, and juicy thing. It attracted unusual attention. The invited guests, a selected few in number, smacked their lips in anticipation of the feast. But when it was examined and its parts dissected, its rottenness was revealed. No setting was ever more adroitly staged than when this scheme of taxation first made its debut. It was billed for passage at the psychological moment. The people were stooped under a heavy load of taxation. For three long years they had felt their countr elipping through the results of a

INCOME OF \$5,000,000

American people a tariff rate on raw escape to every tax-dodging capitalist rates on countless other things were written nor a whisper uttered of the

charted courses abandoned, its lead- republican party is the ancient enemy ers corrupted. They saw a policy of of the income tax. It is contrary to passivity adding discredit abroad and reactionary republican doctrine and spirits low. Any ray of hope that touch poverty. might bring the slightest relief was ments from bankrupt courts-fore welcomed. When the secretary of the closes no mortgages and treasury offered his plan and the sales. It is collected only where pros president endorsed it, the American perity smiles and earnings abound. people did not stop to study nor tarry As a means of raising revenue it is repudiated by their party and under to think. But reason follows hys- one of our party's priceless legacies. teria, and right ultimately triumphs. land as such it shall be neither weak-What is this melon that Mellon ened nor destroyed.

Coolidge Effort Frustrated.

When the president and his secre-ductive enterprises than would have tary of the treasury, with all the the Mellon plan. the battle front of the American con- antly signing the measure declared trade.

Every person who pays an income paign to reduce the cost of living refuture than in the past. And this held in the passage of the Fordneydemocratic legislation, against which McCumber tariff law the most flagrant all the agencies of this administration repudiation of campaign pledges in all | Projected in the winter of 1922, folhave inveighed, will give a greater the history of political parties. It was reduction in taxes than would have a law that reeked with special favors. vember election, it planned with the the Mellon plan to every person Every line in it added to the living aid of an army of lame ducks, repudi whose annual income amounts to less costs of the American consumer, ated at home and fondled at Wash than \$67,000 annually.

taxpayers in America 2,580,585 will receive a greater reduction in the democratic plan than they would have received under the Mellon plan.

of the treasury. In the administration's mad effort to forestall democ racy's desire to effect greater redutions than those recommended by the public.

The administraion said that the

mobile parts, amusement places, The democratic party is the friend drafts and soft drinks should remain.

It was not reasoning they sought nor facts they desired, but more special privileges to the favored few they craved

In 1922, out of \$2,879,000,000 assets 000, and only \$47,000,000 of this amount was returned by individuals ture or special privilege to wink to 800 annually. The democratic plan them equitably on the theory of It is against this brutal thing that ability to pay, will result in releasing

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The budget law was urged ganizations to raise and distribute to instance of a democratic president cratic representative. ously to give to the needy of foreign by the democratic president only be- by 300,000. mindful of any cry of distress that was included. It was then passed by came to her from any part of the a republican congress and signed by a Yet this reactionary and constitutional language suggest-

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EMPLOYES REDUCED

tion of the number of governmental have bigger things to discuss, greater Not only did it add \$4,000,000,000 amount of annual appropriations and purposes to announce, we might claim than two and one-half billions of dollars and the number of civil employes

> Amid all this deceptive cry of econ-\$9,592,000,000 more than did the sources secretly squandered; courts unbosom the criminating secret brought ruin to the ed by the democratic president in his democratic administration during the of the land mocked, congressional against their own criminal allies. It whole five years immediately preced- committees defied; and the scales of

sought to cut? It would have given the iniquitous Schedule K of ington, to make a "quick get-away." held, not because of a republican adness through which our surplus products move. It might have visualized the Payne-Aldrich law was enacted, They sought to lay upon the American but in spite of the reers in America 51 per cent of the carrying an 11-cent duty a pound on can taxpayer an additional burden of publican administration. It was first raw wool, the whole country was \$859,000,000 to subsidize the shipping suggested by a democrat, and urged assumed the part befitting a great naaroused and drove the Taft administrust. Your democratic representably democrats. The fight was renewed tion. It might have reduced living in the cheek, more profit in the office tration from power. The defeat was tives in congress, aided by the pa- by Borah, a republican, yes, but one costs, redeemed pledges to the sol- than exhibited in the salary. decisive. Utah and Vermont were the triotic progressives, withstood their who wisely declined to become assosole republican survivors. But this mad onslaughts-for three months clated with the bankrupt republican gram, and adopted a broad and stateswas to receive a same reactionary group, under the held them at bay, and through a high- partnership in the coming campaign; manlike foreign policy, but, even inspiration of representatives of these ly organized filibuster prevented the one whose opposition to the reaction then, it would have availed it nothary control of his party has ever been ing with its carnival of corruption. The least that the American people attention. They would halt these

Cleveland convention, or in the plat- leadership, and over the most unre- expect of their public servants is quiries by hysterical common honesty. They will forgive boding predictions. tion, the sentiment was crystallized, their passivity, overlook their indis- are hurting business cretions, and, too often, forget their stroying confidence.

three years this administration has in quest of treasure than this admincontrolled the government the number istration. They were looking for of civil employes in the government gold, heaps of gold, shimmering, service and the annual appropriations gleaming gold. They did not wait to The platform of the republican have been reduced. Those reductions touch the nerves of mother earth nor drag the current's flow in their mad publican reforms. They were the nat- enthusiasm; in greedy haste they grasped the sparkling sand, then cast a republican accomplishment—the adjustment of abnormal conditions it down with curses when they found occasioned by the war. If we did not the glittering grains were not of gold. resentatives in congress, like a plague demic, and while the world looked on following the great physician of this adminis the war, not only did we reduce ap- tration in sullen silence refused to utter incapacity of reduced the national debt by more in battle or cowed in action, who, like omy let it be remembered that this seats in the United States senate republican party, during its less than placed upon the auction block and their government to take their ow That is the spirit of the republican president in the proper four years of control, has expended sold like merchandise; natural re-

restoring confidence." tigation

Corruption Called Inexcusable

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