

HUGHES REPLIES TO BOASTS OF DEMOS

Nominee Refers to "Wilson Day" as "Little Festival of Self-Glorification."

FOR "BIRTH OF FREEDOM"

Columbus, O., Oct. 31.—Charles E. Hughes last night replied to President Wilson's speech at Shadow Lawn Saturday. Mr. Hughes referred to the occasion as "a little festival of self-glorification" among "our opponents" in which they celebrated the birth of freedom and described themselves as the generous forces of the age and world.

"The eulogy needed one further touch," Mr. Hughes declared, "and that was to celebrate the policy that led to the slaughter at Vera Cruz and Carrizal."

The Underwood and Adamson bills were characterized as being in the "whimsical domain of topsy-turvydom" and "may be hailed as the guardians of American enterprise and American labor."

Slippery Footing. "And it is a very slippery footing," he added.

Mr. Hughes declared his opponents were a little out of their "reckoning" in claiming that "business had been relieved of a nervous fear of the courts" that what business really feared was "vague legislation," "two-faced laws," government by "hold up" and an "administration which treats business men as suspicious characters."

The nominee was due to address his audience here at 8 o'clock. Instead he began his address at 9:45. A long torchlight parade which he reviewed and crowds of republicans from every section of Ohio, which choked the streets between his hotel and Memorial hall, caused the long delay.

The last of the audience had been in their seats, waiting, two and one-half hours before he began to speak. The early arrivals had been sitting nearly four hours.

Thousands of persons, who could not gain entrance to the hall, were addressed outside in overflow meetings, by other speakers.

The crowd which witnessed the parade packed the greater portion of Capitol Square, opposite the hotel where Mr. Hughes was staying. The nominee reviewed the parade for an hour and a half and left it still passing. For four blocks between the hall and the hotel the crowd was so dense that Mr. Hughes' car had to creep at a snail's pace.

Stopped in Jam.

About a block from the hall it came to a stop in the jam, surrounded by thousands of persons who called on him for a speech. He finally arose. "I would like to speak to you," he said, "but I cannot do so. The crowd in the hall has been waiting a long time and my voice is poor."

They cheered this and the police finally extricated his car from the throngs. With a squad of policemen leading the way, the car finally reached the hall.

As in previous speeches today in Ohio, Mr. Hughes made the tariff his chief theme tonight. In replying to statements of President Wilson's speech, Mr. Hughes said:

"The other day our opponents had a little festival of self-glorification. They conferred upon themselves the highest honors they could bestow. They celebrated the birth of freedom. They had emancipated, they said, pretty much everything and everybody. Finding no lesser praise to be adequate they finally described themselves as the generous forces of the age and of the world."

Humanity Will Be Roused.

"For these, they say, will be thrown back in discouragement and confusion in the event of their defeat. They say, in effect, that if a majority of my fellow countrymen elect me, humanity will be routed."

"This delicate tribute to my own endeavors I keenly appreciate. The eulogy needed only one further touch, and that was to celebrate the policy that led to the slaughter at Vera Cruz and Carrizal. These, I suppose, would be regarded by the generous forces of the age as peace parties; and in the same whimsical domain of topsy-turvydom the Underwood and Adamson bills may be hailed as the guardians of American enterprise and of American labor."

"We are told that the business and the life of the country have been put upon a new footing. This is true. And it is a very slippery footing."

What Business Fears.

"We were told that business had been relieved from a nervous fear of the courts. I think our opponents are a little out of their reckoning. It is not fear of the courts that makes honest business nervous, but fear of vague legislation; of two-faced laws passed by compromising lawmakers intended to mean one thing to one group and quite another to another group, leaving to the courts the difficulties of interpretation—after election; it is the dread of vindictive governmental administration; of an administration which treats business men as suspicious characters; of government by hold up; of the placing of our highest departments on a basis of mere partisan expediency; of effort

to secure the votes of this or that group at the expense of the principles of our institutions. "It is these which give rise to the anxiety of honest business men and not the terror of the institutions which administer justice and maintain the stability of the country. It is no time to cast slurs at the courts. We want to perfect legal procedure; but let us not put upon our tribunal either the burden of administration or vague legislation."

Tribute to McKinley.

In opening his speech Mr. Hughes paid a tribute to William McKinley. "I have been standing," he said, "for a long time reviewing a great parade in a place eloquent with the memories of the martyred McKinley, soldier, representative, governor, president, a gentle husband, a great statesman and a true-hearted friend."

"I could not but recall the time when the prestige of the nation was very high; its international influence very great, and the demonstration of the passing throng was significant to my mind of a dominant patriotic sentiment which is to show the deep feeling of this country that the rights of American citizens must be safeguarded throughout the world, and the honor of the American name established."

Sure Pathway to Honor.

"A vote for me does not mean a vote for war, but it does mean a vote for maintaining of American rights throughout the world. "Therein, I think, lies the sure pathway to national honor, moral influence, international prestige and of a lasting security."

After reiterating his views on the tariff Mr. Hughes said:

"As I look upon the America of the future the question is not at all what office you hold. There are some people who think that it is a great thing to hold high office. I have held some high offices and I have been in a position to observe affairs, and I tell you that the office means the burden of responsibility—every moment—and there is no satisfaction, so far as I can see in having anything to do with public office except with the idea that you are helping things ahead and dealing with things that are of some service and of some benefit to your fellow man. That is all there is to public service."

The nominee again assailed the administration for the enactment of the Adamson law.

"The great object," he said, "is to get things settled right and you can not get things settled right unless you attend to them in the right way."

"I say that if there is any grievance, whether it affects labor or capital that comes before me in the event of my election, I propose to get the very best tariff and to understand it as well as it may be understood."

Protective Tariff His Theme.

Mr. Hughes went through industrial cities of Ohio today, making the protective tariff his chief theme of discussion. Before audiences at East Liverpool, Wellsville, Steubenville, Mingo Junction, Dennison, Zanesville and here tonight the nominee declared that America was not prepared to meet the commercial competition of an energized Europe after the war and that American industry will suffer in those days were it not protected.

Mr. Hughes was received by audiences which cheered him frequently. At East Liverpool first stop of the day, he spoke in the open air, his voice combating the noise of the street traffic, before an audience that could hear only a part of what he said. At Wellsville scores of railroad employees in their overalls crowded around the rear platform of his car and applauded his brief address. At Mingo Junction the whistles of the big steel plant and many locomotives in the yards proclaimed his arrival and hundreds of workers clamored over the high fence to hear him. They applauded him frequently. Many were turned away from the hall at Zanesville, where Mr. Hughes

spoke, and the hall, was crowded with an audience that interrupted him from time to time to cheer and to voice its own comments on what he said. These were of a friendly nature except once when a group of men cheered for President Wilson. That was after Mr. Hughes had declared, "We cannot afford to open our markets to the products of underpaid labor of Europe and let our men walk the streets in idleness."

After the Wilson cheer had subsided, Mr. Hughes continued:

"This is not an idle dream, because you know, and those of you who are excited to some manifestation of exuberant opposition may have reason to know, if foreign competition was to be met with what it is to walk the streets looking for work."

Cites Hurley's Statement.

In his East Liverpool speech Mr. Hughes touched upon statements in President Wilson's Cincinnati address. He declared that the \$2,000,000,000 increase in American exports represented "almost exclusively" the demand of Europe for American goods created by the war. The nominee also cited a recent statement attributed to Chairman Hurley of the Federal Trade commission, to uphold the contention that America is not prepared to meet the competition of European nations after the war.

"Let me tell you this," he told the crowd at Steubenville, "the iron and steel manufacturing establishments of Europe scarcely have been touched by the war. On the contrary, the war itself has caused great increase in the efficiency and productivity of those establishments. Further than that the raw materials used in iron and steel manufacture have not been touched by the war."

Ready To Produce.

"These they are; they have got their raw materials, they have their manufacturing plants; they have their men, and they are ready to produce. When the war ends there is going to be the most efficient production in this trade, not only here but throughout the world, and not only will American labor lose the opportunities that it now has, created by the war, but it will have to compete with the lower paid labor of Europe."

"It is no time for men to go through the country saying America is ready. It is not ready. America has got its Underwood bill and it has not in the ranks of its opponents any disposition to change it. They have got their doctrine to which they have adhered for generations. They say we will give you a tariff commission. I believe in a tariff commission. We want the facts, but they talk about the tariff commission as though it were a legislative body, as though it had some authority to pass tariff bills. They know very well that they will sit in congress receiving the reports of the tariff commission and giving such attention to them as they may desire."

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majority in congress that believes in protecting American industry, and I cannot conceive of a people so absolutely lost to common sense as to suppose that in Ohio and in a place like this, you would ever put a majority in power that believed in the principle of the Underwood bill.

"What an extraordinary thing it is," he said, "that this country which, through the protective principle, has built these great industries, should think for a moment of an abandonment of that principle when all the other great nations of the world are adopting it."

"There are some people who seem to think that if you are going to build a house you can have windows and doors, and various things pertaining to the upper stories, and get along without any foundation at all. Now, I am not interested in that kind of architecture."

Foundation Necessary.

"If you are going to have a parlor in which you can entertain your friends, and a dining room in which you can sit down to a good square meal, and a bay-window which will command a beautiful outlook on the world, you have got to have a foundation for your house."

"And the foundation in American life is a chance to work; the foundation in American life is a chance to have plants that are busy; the foundation in American life is to get behind American enterprise and make it hum so long as it is honest and straight and fair. That is what I stand for."

Wilson Independent

League Spends \$31,030

Washington, Oct. 30.—The Woodrow Wilson Independent League received contributions in the presidential campaign aggregating \$34,667 and has expended thus far \$31,030, according to the report of its treasurer, Henry Bruere of New York, filed today with the clerk of the house.

There were 436 contributors. Among them were Jacob H. Schiff, \$5,000; Representative William Kent, California, \$4,000; Charles B. Crane, \$2,000; Mrs. Charles R. Crane, \$1,000; George Eustis, Newport, R. I., \$1,000, and Mrs. Joseph Fels, New York, \$1,000. The democratic national committee contributed to the league \$15,500.

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Huge crane used in conveying material to the men was used in rescuing them after an alarm had been sounded that brought a number of ambulances and patrol wagons with policemen.

Fairbanks' Mother Expires Suddenly

Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 31.—Mrs. Mary Fairbanks, mother of former Vice President Charles Warren Fairbanks, died suddenly here at his home last night. Mr. Fairbanks, who is campaigning in Illinois, is expected home tomorrow.

Mrs. Fairbanks, who was 87 years of age, had been enjoying good health and took a long motor ride this afternoon. Late tonight she became suddenly ill and died shortly after her maid had summoned members of the household. She had a home at San Diego, Cal., but divided

her time with her son here. She is survived by four sons and a daughter, Charles Warren Fairbanks of this city; W. D. Fairbanks and Luther M. Fairbanks of Louisville; Newton Fairbanks and Mrs. M. L. Milligan of Springfield, O.

Crash Kills Engineer. Quincy, Ill., Oct. 21.—Joseph Fresso of Quincy, Ill., engineer on the Louisiana branch of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad, was killed tonight in a wreck at Hull, Ill., when the passenger train he was pulling was run into by an eastbound freight on the Wabash at a grade crossing. No passengers were injured.

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