

WOMEN LIONIZE M'KELVIE WHEN HE TALKS HERE

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in the suffrage states," said the governor.

Problem to Be Solved.

The public schools, and the churches in a measure, will solve the Americanization problem, according to the governor's belief. "The schools offer us the avenue to instruct foreigners in the English language and in the principles of government for which our country stands," he said.

"It's our own fault that we ever had a foreign question to meet at the outbreak of the war. On the principle that our government stood for liberty, we gave too much liberty to foreigners within our state to perpetuate their own tongue, schools and customs.

"When we went out to get votes we never spoke of getting the loyal American vote. We spoke of getting the German vote or the Swedish vote. That was our big mistake."

Pleads for Tolerance.

The governor pleaded for tolerance. "The foreign-born population contributed splendidly to war funds and came forward in fine shape. You can't expect them to change overnight when for many years we made no effort to change them."

The governor said he had no apprehension on the score of the parochial school legislation. "We have a conservative, intelligent lot of men in the state legislature and I have no doubt of the fairness of any legislative action they take," he said.

"The right of anyone to worship as he chooses will not be abridged, though it is highly desirable that English should have some part in all religious services which are now being held in some other tongue. English should be the basis of in-

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Explains the Code.

The governor followed up his talk on "Americanization" with a full description of the civil administrative code proposed by him for carrying on the business of Nebraska. "No man could give an adequate account of himself in office with the antiquated methods of doing business handed him in the Nebraska state. With the proposed new system it wouldn't matter who was elected governor. Holding office is an empty honor to a successful business man unless he can give real service and have a successful administration. No salary is adequate to the position, therefore I recommend the new code as the best business policy to adopt. It will equalize tax burdens."

The governor said he looked for improved health and happiness through the efforts of the welfare division proposed in the new civil code.

"We have grasped with bare hands the problems which formerly we discussed with bated breath. This department will be strong enough to apply the lessons learned in the army on the social question," he said.

Omaha Officials Refuse to Claim Stray Balloon

St. Joseph, Mo., Feb. 17.—A balloon, supposed to be from Fort Omaha, Neb., landed on the shore of Lake Contrary, five miles southwest of here early today. Half an hour later it arose and proceeded in a southerly direction. Only one man was seen in the basket.

Authorities at Fort Omaha were unable to account for the balloon reported at St. Joseph "early today." Captain Goodale started on a balloon flight from Fort Omaha yesterday morning, but as there was little wind blowing they say it would be impossible for him to have arrived at St. Joseph in such a short time.

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For Tolerance.

"We must insist that no language be allowed either in public or private schools but the English language. We should be tolerant in dealing with the condition," continued the governor. He called attention to the liberal contributions on the part of many of these peoples to help win the war against Germany, and declared they were good citizens, who were victims of a system which by mistake had been allowed to prevail. The governor declared that the legislature would do no injustice in dealing with the situation when it insisted on private schools operating under the same standard as that fixed for public schools.

Great Opportunity Here.

Another thing we have come to appreciate as a result of the war, he said, was the opportunity of America. The only other country in the world which could compare with this in natural resources was Russia, which he held up as an example of inactivity.

"Russia did not rise to an appreciation of her opportunities," he declared. "The sad state of affairs prevailing today in that stricken country and directly due to bolshevism. There are those who predict that we will be threatened by the same curse. There are those who have visions of danger on this side of the Atlantic from the red flag. I do not believe it."

"The great majority of our people will never be brought to endorse a propaganda that destroys opportunity. The perpetuation of our strength, the realization of our hopes and purposes are centered in opportunity unencumbered."

Soldiers Will Act.
"The doctrine of destruction will never be accepted in this land of great opportunities."

"I do not believe the 4,000,000 soldiers who wear the uniform and who have seen the fruits, who know from actual contact the awful results from the practice of this poison doctrine, will tolerate this

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Character of man who cries out against...

"Rotary changes the lives of men from selfishness to service," declared Mr. Hoffman, who spoke instead of Edward R. Kelsey, vice president of the National Association of Rotary clubs, who was unable to fill his engagement. He paid a tribute to the Rotary club of the country for their contributions to the war funds and read a communication from W. G. McAdoo, former secretary of the treasury, lauding the organizations of the country for their generosity and activity.

Mr. Hoffman referred to a common misconception, which he said prevails among many, that Rotary was instituted to the cause of the laboring man. "Rotary says the banker is no better than the laborer," he declared.

The conference will adjourn at 4:45 o'clock this afternoon following the selection of the next meeting place.

Strader New Governor.

Charles Strader, secretary of the Lincoln Rotary club, was elected governor of the 16th district clubs. The election was held at the conclusion of the afternoon session, the program for which carried addresses by Luther Brewer, Cedar Rapids; Gus Hostetter, Des Moines; Ora S. Goodrich, Omaha; Harry M. Gage, Huron, S. D.; and Cyrus D. Williamson, Burlington, Ia., appears to be in the lead as the place for holding the next convention.

"Education of Rotarians in Rotary," was the subject of Mr. Brewer's address. "Abraham Lincoln was a believer in the principle of Rotary," he said, "and gave expression to his views when he asserted that one should pluck every thistle he encounters in his pathway and plant in its stead a flower. This illustrates the principle of service. I believe the future success of business concerns will be measured by the character of service it renders to its employees as well as its customers. This state of affairs will have been realized only through the proper education of the units which make up business organizations and industrial enterprises."

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Rapid Strides of Progress.

Mr. Hostetter selected for his subject, "Membership Classification," and spoke of the changes which had come to pass with the rapid strides of progress during recent years. "A short while back no one would have conceived of a mother sending her boy in the army, a package of cigars, nor a minister of the gospel arranging a dance for a young man with a girl whom the young man had never seen before. Yet these very things, which have come to pass, are indicative of progress and I believe are a form of true service."

Mr. Gage spoke on "Social and Educational Helpfulness of Rotary Conventions."

Mr. Goodrich encouraged a free for all discussion as to the best day of the week on which to hold club meetings, and whether it is better to feature the club programs with out-of-town speakers, or to depend on local members for discussions. Preference was given to the opinion that about one-third of the addresses at the club luncheons should be by invited guests, not identified with the local clubs. It was contended that at least two-thirds of the speeches should be by members.

Three hundred Rotarians from Iowa, South Dakota and Nebraska registered for the opening business session.

The Burlington delegates wore wide ribbons a yard long, announcing "Burlington for 1920." Large placards with the same announcement were hung in the meeting hall. Indications are that the next convention will go to Burlington.

Harley G. Moorhead gave the address of welcome. H. Minkel of Fort Dodge, Ia., responded. Reports of Rotary activities in war work, Boy Scout, community effort, road building, to providing eye glasses and dental treatments for poor school children were given by delegation chairmen at the morning session.

George Burt, chairman of the Lincoln delegation, made a public apology for the failure of two of his delegation to attend.

Bryan and Pershing Busy.
"They wanted to come but both of them were too busy today," he said. The Rotarians referred to were General John Pershing and William Jennings Bryan. Lincoln claims to be the 14th Rotary club organized in the world.

John W. Welch, president of the Omaha Rotary club, presided at the luncheon in the Fontenelle. A separate luncheon for visiting women was given in the parlors. Typical Rotary singing enlivened the noon hour. The Omaha Printing company issued a souvenir songbook with Rotary songs, one of them "Rotary, My Rotary," sung to the tune of "Maryland, My Maryland."

David A. Smith and A. C. Wherry of Salt Lake City, Utah, came on to boost the 1919 international convention which will be held in their city.

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Most Denver Schools Are Reopened Despite Strike

Denver, Colo., Feb. 17.—All but nine of the 25 public schools of Denver, closed last week because of a strike of the stationary engineers, were re-opened today, although the school board has not granted the strikers' demands.

Deny Report That Spanish King Will Visit America

Paris, Feb. 17.—Reports that King Alfonso of Spain is planning a visit to Argentina and Brazil is denied by Premier Romanones, according to the Diario Universal at Madrid.

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but when once committed, he is anxious to put it through. I believe that the attitude of the farmer and his ideas of peace, will cause him to take a conservative course. I think there is less cause now for militarism than there was 40 years ago, and it seems to me that the perils are passing, and that in the course of five or 10 years they will have entirely passed. I believe that the farmer will stand for reasonable preparedness.

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