

Democratic Chief Attacks G. O. P. Administration

National Chairman Reviews Republican Rule and Compares it With Wilson's Achievements.

Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 28.—Declaring that "the time has come when patriotic citizens and democrats should indulge in plain talking," Judge Cordell Hull, chairman of the democratic national committee, tonight reviewed the republican administration since March and compared this with the "unparalleled achievement" of the democrats in the previous eight years.

The address was delivered at a dinner given by the state democratic executive committee in honor of Chairman Hull. It was accepted generally as the opening of the congressional pre-election campaign by the new chairman, who went into the public questions which he said faced the government and explained the attitude his party would take.

Further relief for farmers, adequate aid for veterans, reduction of taxes and a remedy for the situation resulting from the flood of tax exempt securities were among issues he outlined.

Friends of Ex-Soldiers. "Democrats are the loyal and consistent friends of the ex-service men," he declared. "Ever solicitous of their welfare, the democratic party, when in power, did more to advance the interests of farmers than had been done in the previous history of the nation and had planned to do much more if it had remained in power," he said.

"Urgent and deserved relief as to farm credits, better and cheaper warehousing and marketing facilities—these and like measures which should have been given to avoid and relieve the present unparalleled distress."

"The burden of our public debt should be adjusted so as not to be oppressive to the American taxpayer laboring under panic conditions. The states, rather than the federal government, should be urged to deal by a uniform policy, with the growing evil of local tax exempt securities."

Results of the last national election, he asserted, were secured by "criminal malignity and reckless falsehood" by the republican leaders.

People Suffer Losses. "It was not so much the democratic party; it was the American people who have suffered the colossal and incalculable losses that resulted from democratic defeat," he declared. "It is beyond the power of wholesale abuse, falsehood and detraction long to dim the glory of the eight years unparalleled achievement of the national democracy. The work of constructive, patriotic statesmanship accomplished by that party will stand out in clearer perspective during the coming years."

"If wholesale breach of solemn and unqualified promises to the people constituted a statutory crime," he said, "every reactionary republican leader, state and national, is guilty, under the law tonight."

"The disappointed farmer now reads the accounts of his industrial ruin by the light of his burning corn. Millions of losers are frequenting the somber news headlines and the black block. Business has discovered that it was crucified on the cross of politics."

Big Slump in Business. Under republican leadership, he said, American foreign commerce "has slumped \$6,000,000,000 in the last 12 months," and an "almost vertical slump in prices in America from 40 to 50 per cent and in purchasing power of farm products, of 60 per cent quickly followed." For two years prior to March, 1921, he said, the only remedy offered by republican leaders for post-war conditions was "an antiquated high tariff and the archaic doctrine of commercial isolation."

"The country is in sad and urgent need," he said, "of more education and more co-operation on the part of the individuals and business with respect to our public affairs. An intelligent understanding and wholehearted co-operation on their part would soon improve the government 100 per cent."

Catholic Church Permits 'Mixed Marriage' in Denver



Miss Gladys Quentell and Verner Z. Reed.

Denver, Dec. 28.—All precedent in Catholic church custom in Colorado was broken here when Verner Z. Reed, jr., and Gladys Quentell were united in marriage in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception by Rev. Father O'Dwyer.

Reed is the son of the late Verner Z. Reed, one of Denver's wealthiest men. Miss Quentell is a former resident of New York City. Young Reed is a Protestant and his bride is a member of the Catholic faith, and the so-called "mixed marriage" before the altar of a Roman Catholic church has created extensive comment.

Today's ceremony, according to prominent Catholics, marks an innovation in ecclesiastical procedure in the Catholic diocese of Colorado. It has been generally understood that no Catholic can marry one outside the faith without a special dispensation. This dispensation, it is said, has never previously permitted of the contracting parties being united within the portals of the church. A "mixed marriage" may be performed by a priest of the church in the home or in the sacristy of the church, but not before the altar, according to rules laid down by Catholic clergy.

In explaining the situation, Bishop J. Henry Tihen, D.D., of the Colorado Catholic diocese, issued the following statement: "The Reed family asked the privilege of having the ceremony performed in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, and in appreciation and gratitude I saw fit to grant the request."

"Mr. Reed is not a Catholic, and the procedure allowing the 'mixed marriage' before the altar in the cathedral is against church custom. The dispensation, however, was granted in appreciation of the great gifts given this parish by the bridegroom's father, the late Verner Z. Reed, who was not a Catholic at the time the gifts were made, although he died a member of the faith."

"We expect much from a Catholic, but from a man not a member of our church we have no right to expect anything, and Mr. Reed was lavish in his assistance to the cathedral. "The man or the community that can show no appreciation and no gratitude is, indeed, to be pitied. They are beautiful things."

Young Reed resigned from Yale university two months ago upon the announcement of his engagement to Miss Quentell.

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New York Liquor Vendor Held on Homicide Charge

Man Goes Blind, Then Dies in N. Y. Hospital From Holiday Drinks—Woman Victim Of Wound Alcohol.

New York, Dec. 28.—New York's holiday fatalities from poisonous liquor increased to four last night. One alleged vendor of the fatal liquor is being held on homicide charges.

Frank and John Tiffany, brothers, according to the story told by their widows, bought a pint of supposed whisky from John Huron in preparation for a Christmas celebration. They sampled the stuff and became sick. Frank died shortly after. John was blinded, but lingered for several hours before he died. Huron was arrested.

Edward Gillice was admitted to Bellevue hospital, yesterday afternoon, and assigned to an alcoholic ward. Becoming blind, he told of taking several holiday drinks, but expired before he could direct the police to their source.

Mrs. Ritchie Ryan died at her home, where she had been attended by a private physician. Her illness was diagnosed as wood alcohol poisoning.

Fatal Christmas Celebration. London, Ky., Dec. 28.—Three men were killed instantly and two others were seriously wounded in a pistol battle at Portersburg, Clay county, Monday night, according to friends of the victims who have arrived here from the zone of the shooting.

The dead are: Hughie Hammonds, 60; a son, Samuel Hammonds, and George York. Sol York and his nephew, Ring York, were wounded. The battle, according to witnesses, occurred in the home of Thomas Martin, where a number of men reputed to be members of the Martin-Philpot and the Bengie clans were holding a Christmas celebration.

A dispute is said to have arisen between members of the Hammonds and York families, and one of the Yorks shot Hughie Hammonds and fatally wounded his son. As Sam Hammonds fell to the floor he drew his pistol, according to witnesses, killing George York and wounding two others.

No arrests have been made. 50 Hurt in Detroit as Train Jumps Rails. Detroit, Mich., Dec. 28.—Between 40 and 50 persons were injured, some of them seriously when a south-bound Detroit United Railway limited interurban turned on its side as it rounded a curve at the southern outskirts of Lake Orion, 40 miles northwest of here, shortly before noon today. Ambulances have been sent to the scene from Flint, Mich.

U. S. Attorney at Chicago Starts Probe of Retailers. Chicago, Dec. 28.—The United States district attorney's office yesterday began investigation of retailers' associations here to find whether prices are fixed unlawfully. Department of Justice officials said that enough evidence had been gathered to make indictments of some merchants probable. The investigation was authorized by Attorney General Daugherty.

Ambassador Harvey Off For Supreme Council. London, Dec. 28.—(By A. P.)—George Harvey, the American ambassador, accompanied by Mrs. Harvey, left for Cannes, France, today. He will act as observer for the United States at the conference of the supreme council, which will open January 4.

Sinn Fein Clubs Vote Approval of Treaty. Belfast, Dec. 28.—(By A. P.)—A convention of Sinn Fein clubs of north Donegal, held at Buncrana, has adopted a resolution by unanimous vote expressing satisfaction with the Irish peace treaty as embodying the essential of Ireland's freedom.

The resolution called upon the six daily cinema members representing the district to use their influence to bring about ratification. Failure to do this, the resolution stated, would be regarded as betrayal of the best interests of the country.

Navan, County Meath, Ireland, Dec. 28.—The urban council of Navan has adopted a resolution favoring ratification of the Anglo-Irish peace treaty.

Southern California Gets Relief From Rains. San Francisco, Dec. 28.—Swollen streams, which closed highway traffic in several parts of southern California, were receding last night and reports indicate the storm had passed. Railroad traffic over the Santa Fe between San Diego and Los Angeles was resumed. Impounded waters released from the Devils Gate storm dam near Pasadena sent a head of water into the Los Angeles river which trapped seven children. They were rescued by firemen with ropes from one of the city bridges, over what is ordinarily a dry bed.

Attempt to Limit Submarines Fails

(Continued From Page One.) This rule treated as piracy. The delegates gave unanimous assent to this proposal informally, subject to further consideration of the phrasing.

A plenary session of the conference on the naval limitation plan is close at hand, a session which Mr. Balfour promised today to enlighten with further remarks on the controversy between Great Britain and France.

Summary of Developments. Summarized, the developments in the two sessions of the conference committee today were: 1. Acceptance by France of an allowance of 175,000 tons of capital ships, contingent upon agreement as to the length of the naval holiday and upon liberty of beginning replacements in 1927 instead of 1931.

2. Agreement to limit the caliber of capital ship guns to 16 inches. 3. Failure to agree on limitation of submarine and auxiliary tonnage. 4. Proposal made to limit the size of a war craft except capital ships, and to a displacement of 10,000 tons, with guns not exceeding eight inches in caliber.

5. Proposal made to allow Great Britain and the United States 80,000 tons each of airplane carriers, Japan 48,000 tons, and France and Italy 28,000 tons each. 6. Proposal made that airplane carriers be limited to a displacement of 27,000 tons, with guns not exceeding eight inches in caliber.

7. Proposal made and informally agreed to, that the use of submarines against commerce be barred, the proposal taking the form of the following resolution drafted by Eilhu Root: "The signatory powers desiring to make more effective the rules adopted by civilized nations for the protection of the lives of neutrals and non-combatants at sea in time of war, declare that among those rules the following are to be deemed established parts of international law: 1. A merchant vessel must be ordered to stop for visit and search to determine its character before it can be captured."

"A merchant vessel must not be attacked unless it refuses to stop for visit and search after warning. 2. A merchant vessel must not be destroyed unless the crew and passengers have been first placed in safety."

Submarines Not Exempt. "Belligerent submarines are not under any circumstances exempt from the universal rules, and if a submarine cannot capture a merchant vessel in conformity with these rules, the existing law of nations requires it to desist from attack and from capture and to permit the merchant vessel to proceed unmolested."

"The signatory powers invite the adherence of all other civilized powers to the foregoing statement of established law, to the end that there may be a clear public understanding throughout the world of the standards of conduct by which the public opinion of the world is to pass judgment upon future belligerents."

"The signatory powers recognize the practical impossibility of using submarines as commerce destroyers without violating the requirements universally accepted by civilized nations for the protection of the lives of neutrals and non-combatants, and to the end that the prohibition of such use shall be universally accepted as a part of the law of nations, the signatory powers propose such prohibition and invite all other nations to adhere thereto."

The signatory powers, desiring to insure the enforcement of the humane rules declared by them with respect to the prohibition of the use of submarines as commerce destroyers, declare that any persons in the service of any powers adopting these rules who shall violate any of the rules thus adopted, whether or not such person is under orders of a govern-

ment superior, shall be deemed to have violated the laws of war and shall be liable to trial and punishment as if for an act of piracy and may be brought to trial before the civil or military authorities of any such power within the jurisdiction of which he may be found."

Phone Fund Subject Of Inquiry at Lincoln. (Continued From Page One.) western operated on a flat salary plan. "Would such a plan adopted by you cut down your labor bill?" he was asked.

"I am not prepared to say," he replied. The book cost of the plant for November, on which the 4.13 per cent dividend was declared, was \$16,292,761.07. The gross revenue was \$366,471.73 and the net revenue, \$56,043.67.

Asked if among the expenses charged to Nebraska those of maintaining and operating the new building at Nineteenth and Douglas streets, Omaha, were included, Liv- ermore said "no." The other states were charged a certain per cent for rent of the building in accordance to amount of space occupied by departments handling their work. Child Asks Questions. C. F. Child of the Omaha Chamber of Commerce pointed out that when the old Nebraska Telephone company was absorbed by the Northwestern it had \$11,000,000 in stock outstanding on which the company was paying 7 per cent, against the 4.13 per cent at present.

Publishers Attacked During Tariff Hearing

(Continued From Page One.) saying he would leave that to the committee. He contended that the industry was in bad shape as a result of competition from Germany, Sweden, Norway and Finland, asserting paper made in those countries could be sold here for from \$10 to \$20 below the cost of production here.

Keep Duty on Hides. Shoe manufacturers were given to understand by Acting Chairman McCumber that hides would not be on the free list when the permanent tariff bill is reported to the senate.

Charles E. Jones of Whitman, Mass., representing the National Boot and Shoe Manufacturers' association, declared that the result of a duty on hides would be to place control of the shoe industry into the hands of the big meat packers without any benefit being derived by the cattle raisers. Senators apparently did not agree with this conclusion.

Through John S. Kent of Brockton, Mass., the manufacturers' association asked for a 15 per cent duty on shoes and boots, declaring that this was necessary to equalize difference in labor costs in the United States and foreign countries.

Members of the committee suggested that there be a duty on hides with a compensatory rate on shoes, but Mr. Jones declared there could be no compensatory duty. He asserted that with an import duty imposed foreign manufacturers could buy hides in the American market cheaper than the domestic manufacturers could and that the export business of the American manufacturers would be destroyed.

The world uses up an average of 3,000,000 needles a day.

Sad Christmas Becomes Joyful Body of 'Father' That of Stranger

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One of the daughters approached the bier to view for the last time her father. She lifted her black veil, faltered a step and then shrieked and fainted.

Packer Workmen at Ottumwa Quit Strike. Ottumwa, Ia., Dec. 28.—Officers of the local union of the Amalgamated Association of Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen of North America, called off the strike at the John Morrell Packing house late last night, following secret vote of the strikers at a meeting last night which is said to have been favorable to returning to work. The strike has been in progress 10 weeks and followed a dispute over conditions in the women's sections of the pork trimming department, augmented by an earlier reduction of guaranteed time from 40 to 32 hours a week.

\$100,000,000 Spent for Toys in U. S. During 1921. New York, Dec. 28.—More than \$100,000,000 was spent by the American people for toys and games during 1921, the National City bank has figured. The value of toys made here in 1919 was given as \$46,000,000 compared with \$14,000,000 five years previously when Germany sent America great cargoes of toys.

Capital invested in the American industry advanced from \$10,000,000 in 1914 to \$25,000,000 in 1919. Exports of American toys jumped from less than \$1,000,000 in 1913 to \$4,000,000 last year.

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Advertisement for J. H. Hansen Cadillac Co. featuring an illustration of a Cadillac car and text promoting lowered prices on quality used cars.

Advertisement for Atwood Grapefruit, featuring an illustration of a grapefruit and text describing its quality and availability.