

DEMANDS BETTER STATE ROAD LAW

Amount State and Federal Aid Inadequate.

Will Ask Legislature for Fifty Million Bond Issue for State Highways.

CHARLOTTE, Jan. 8.—Following a meeting of the executive committee of the Wilmington-Charlotte-Asheville Highway association held in the chamber of commerce rooms here Friday night, it was announced that Governor Bickett will be asked to call a special session of the legislature to consider state-wide bond laws...

The meeting was called, primarily, to discuss the proposed Wilmington-Charlotte-Asheville highway project, and every phase of it will be gone into carefully. The meeting was presided over by W. A. McGirl, president of the North Carolina Good Roads association...

The proposition of requesting the governor to call a special session of the legislature was by unanimous vote of the members of the committee in attendance. This action was not taken, however, until the present situation as regards the demand for improved transportation facilities in the state...

Reports from various sections of the state showed an urgent demand for a bigger and better state road law. As a concrete example of this attention was called to the fact that good roads totaling more than \$20,000,000 have been authorized during the past few months...

If the governor concedes to the wishes of those requesting the special session, it is understood that this body will be asked to authorize the issuance of \$50,000,000 of bonds, the funds to be spent during the next five years in the construction of state highways...

It was the opinion of the committee that \$50,000,000 would greatly relieve the situation and make it possible for construction of not only the main highways, but the local county roads also. As it is, the county commissioners, in some cases, find themselves confronted with the problem of spending all their money on the main highways...

Strong arguments favoring a state bond issue were made by Colonel T. L. Kirkpatrick, president of the Wilmington-Charlotte-Asheville Highway association; Dr. L. B. Morse, of Hendersonville. Others who urged more adequate state-wide legislation for hard-surfaced highways included F. G. Henderson, of Union county; Heriot Clarkson, Esq., of Charlotte, and W. A. McGirl, president of the North Carolina Good Roads association.

ADDRESS GIVEN BY MRS. OLESON

Continued From Page One gets that this democratic administration, true to its high ideals, will surround the army camps every precaution for clean living for the soldier and they will never forget that intoxicating drinks were banished from American warships.

SWIFT AND CO. EARNINGS

CHICAGO, Jan. 8.—Swift and company's total earnings for the year ending November 1, 1919, were \$27,242,730.58, according to the report submitted to the annual meeting of stockholders today by Louis L. Swift, president of the corporation.

A Sure Way To End Dandruff

There is one sure way that has never failed to remove dandruff at once, and that is to eliminate it, then destroy it entirely. To do this, just get about four ounces of plain, common liquid arvon from any drug store (this is all you will need), apply it at night when retiring, use enough to moisten the scalp and rub it in gently with the finger tips.

WILSON AND BRYAN SPLIT FEATURE OF RALLY AT CAPITAL

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would not listen to him with the thought that they were listening to a candidate. There were a dozen or more other speakers at the dinners and their views on whether the league should be made a campaign issue were often divided in favor of the President's stand Mr. Bryan's or else they did not touch on the subject at all.

The list of their speeches might easily be epitomized in this fashion: Senator Pomerene: Ratify the treaty with or without reservations. Former Secretary McAdoo: An arrangement of republican administration, but no expression about the league.

Give Bryan Credit Secretary Daniels: Mr. Bryan is entitled to credit for the league of nations treaty because his peace investigation conventions were the grand work for it. Senator Hitchcock: Honorable compromise on the league question or a finish fight.

Senator Owen: Immediate ratification. Proceed with reconstruction legislation. Chairman Cummings: "Inevitable impulses" are carrying the democratic party "each day nearer and nearer to victory."

Governor Cox: "The old guard is in control of the party (republican) which it will wreck by its greed." Governor General Palmer: "The war will not be over in fact until the issues which it has raised are passed upon by the great court of appeals in America and the judgment of the people."

Former Ambassador Gerard: "The country demands that both sides get together, that a compromise be made and peace given to the world." Democratic Speaker Clark: "Democratic accomplishments during the last six years entitle the party to a long lease of power."

Pomerene's Views. Senator Pomerene, regarded as an avowed foe of the league, declared stabilization was the question before the world; that the first step toward stabilization was ratification of the treaty and that should be ratified with without reservations. In his second speech, Senator Hitchcock referred to reports of his candidacy and remarked he was like the visitor in Scotland traveling on a third class ticket, who was required to get out of the state coach and help push it over the hill.

"It is that way with me," he declared, "for in this next fight I expect to get out and push." In discussing the law and order governor of West Virginia, Governor Cornwell, in delivering his address at the other banquet hall was given an ovation.

"You've been friendly to labor, but not to the American people who are not organized," he said amid prolonged cheering. Senator Underwood, who announced today that he was not a candidate for president, said it was wise to remember that the democratic party, through its long history, had never entered a campaign for the mere purpose of victory or for winning the spoils of office. It lived because it stood for certain fundamental principles, he asserted.

Issue is Clear "There is one issue that the democratic party will carry to the country this year," he declared. "The position of the President cannot be questioned. No man can question whether the democracy of the senate stands. The issue is clear. The President has defied it beyond cavil. "The democrats stand for reservations that do not destroy the covenant. There is but one course—take the issue to the country for another congress to determine."

The host of democrats on hand for the dinner had swamped the available accommodations of any one hotel in town and the party was divided into two dinners at two separate hotels a block apart. National Chairman Cummings presided at one and Vice-Chairman Kremer at the other. The dining rooms were packed, tickets were at a premium and there were many disappointed ones who had to content themselves with straining their ears at the doors.

Both dinners began with toasts drunk to the health of President Wilson and the great evanescing goblets of Potomac river water. At the dinner where Mr. Cummings presided, Vice-President Marshall was seated at the right and Secretary Lansing at the left. Two women, Mrs. McAdoo, of Colorado, and Mrs. Charles Tiffany, of New York, were at the speaker's table. At the dinner over which Mr. Kremer presided, Mrs. Peter Olsson, of Minnesota, sat at the speaker's table.

The same set of speakers addressed both dinners, going from one to the other in various order. At some time during the evening both parties of diners were addressed by Senator Hitchcock, Governor Cornwell, of West Virginia; Governor Cox, of Ohio; James W. Gerard, Attorney General Palmer, Mrs. Olsson, Senator Pomerene, Senator Owen and William W. Bryan. Former Secretary McAdoo, by telegram, and President Wilson's message was read to each.

Everybody at both places was buzzing with suppressed excitement to know what President Wilson and Mr. Bryan were going to say. There were rumors of a split in sentiment between the President and his former secretary of state over the peace treaty question and the air seemed to be full of electricity.

When Chairman Cummings in his opening speech, declared "tonight we invoke the militant spirit of Andrew Jackson" there was a roar of applause and cheering when he declared the democrats looked forward to the campaign of 1920 with the utmost confidence. Led by Representative Healin, of Alabama, the diners rose and cheered the chairman's reference to President Wilson's "wise leadership."

BURNING VESSEL IS SCUTTLED AT DOCK

Seacocks Opened in Effort to Save Transport St. Louis.

HOBOKEN, N. J., Jan. 8.—The former transport St. Louis was scuttled tonight by the opening of seacocks in a desperate effort to check flames which had swept the ship from the stem to stern and were still blazing after a battle by the fire fighters which lasted seven hours. A couple of hours after the fire started it was reported under control but an hour later it burst out with renewed violence and the firemen were forced to retreat before the terrific heat. At midnight the ship listed badly and settled against the Kroonland pier, being surrounded by that steamship. Every available hose from the docks and fire tugs was turned upon the Kroonland and the danger was averted, but the ship was badly scorched. It was then decided to open the seacocks on the St. Louis.

The St. Louis was moored at Pletchers docks undergoing repairs. Although 450 workmen were on the vessel when the flames were discovered, all escaped injury except two men who were killed by smoke. Under the name of the Louisville, the St. Louis carried many thousands of American soldiers to France and prior to the submarine entrance into the war she passed unscathed 24 times in the military convoys between England ports. The St. Louis also had the distinction of being the first American armed merchantman to cross the Atlantic.

NO MENTION MADE OF THIRD TERM IN WILSON'S MESSAGE

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The maintenance of the peace of the world and the effective execution of the treaty depend on the whole-hearted participation of the United States. I am not vouching as a matter of power. The point is that the United States is the only nation ready to support the treaty to guarantee the substitution of discussion for war. If we do not give our guarantee, then another attempt will be made to crush the new nations of Europe.

Not Decision of Nation "I do not believe that this is what the people of this country wish or will be satisfied with. Personally, I do not accept the action of the senate of the United States as the decision of the nation. I have no objection to the first that the overwhelming majority of the people of this country desire the ratification of the treaty, and my impression to that effect has been confirmed by the unambiguous evidence of public opinion given during my visit to 17 of the states. I have endeavored to make it plain that if the senate wishes to say that what the undoubted meaning of the league is, I shall have no objection to its doing so. I have no objection to its interpreting the treaty in a way that will give it a meaning that will be a just and equitable settlement of differences before the controversy reaches the stage of strike or lockout."

Freedom of Speech "The democratic party will distinguish between evolution and revolution, guaranteeing freedom of speech to every citizen who advocates governmental changes by constitutional methods, and at the same time prevent the use of either freedom of speech or freedom of the press for the overthrow of constitutional government."

The democratic party has for 20 years denounced monopoly as indefensible and intolerable. It does not surrender its position on this subject now when the beneficiaries of all the private monopolies are mobilizing on the banner of the republican party for a united attack upon the right of the people to own and operate all necessary monopolies in the interest of the public.

"The democratic party will continue its fight against the profiteer. A government that retreats in the protection of the use of force in the protection of his right assumes the solemn obligation to protect the disarmament of every arm uplifted for every state and every community that will give to the consumer a tribunal before which a dealer accused of profiteering can be brought for examination. The federal trade commission is a step in the right direction, but the subject is too big to be handled by the nation alone or by a national commission. The remedy must be as complete as the evil and it cannot be complete unless states and communities as well as the federal government are prepared to deal with this subject."

Prohibition Question "I assume that the party will accept prohibition as the permanent policy of the country. Three-fourths of the democrats in the senate and two-thirds of the democrats in the house voted to submit the matter to amendment and every democratic state voted for ratification—and every inconspicuous state except three. It is my conviction, therefore, that our party should stand for the moral sense of the nation. John Barleycorn is dead. The democratic party cannot allow itself to become a corpse or be a champion of an outlawed traffic."

"I assume that the party will accept woman's suffrage as also an accomplished fact. The women saved our party from defeat in the last campaign and we need their aid to cause the triumph of every righteous cause."

"We have become the world's teacher in the sciences of government and we must not hesitate to express in practice our own faith in the principles that we proclaim. Our party must respond to the call that comes from every state and from across the sea to apply to the world the principles of democracy. Faith in the people—faith in their capacity for self-government, as well as in their ability to support government, must be our party's policy now and always."

HARRY NEW NOT INSANE DR. LOUIS WEBER ASSERTS

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 8.—Harry S. New on trial charged with the murder of his fiancée, Freda Lesser, is sane and there is no evidence of any insanity, according to the testimony today of Dr. Louis Weber, the third alienist called by the state.

When court adjourned it was announced that there would be no rebuttal testimony by the prosecution and the sur-rebuttal testimony by the defense will be brief. Arguments will be begun tomorrow morning by attorneys for both sides.

Saturday Date Set for Ratification of Treaty

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PARIS, Jan. 8.—The ratification of the Versailles treaty will take place Saturday at 4 o'clock in the afternoon in the hall of the ministry of foreign affairs, when the treaty modifying the amount of tonnage originally demanded from Germany will be handed to Baron Kurt von Lermer, head of the German delegation.

The following powers that have ratified the treaty will be represented—Great Britain, France, Italy, Japan, Belgium, Bolivia, Brazil, Guatemala, Peru, Poland, Siam, Czechoslovakia and Uruguay. The president of the committee will decide tomorrow whether the ceremony of the exchange of ratification will be public and also whether the nations which have not ratified the treaty, including the United States, will be invited to the ceremony of the signature of the protocol.

BRYAN STANDS FOR A COMPROMISE ON TREATY IN SENATE

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the peace which we advocate. We have domestic problems which also offer an opportunity to render larger service and one objection to thrusting the issue of ratification before the nation that would divert attention from questions demanding immediate consideration. We are confronted with the organization of new parties, on the theory that the old parties do not meet the issues that have arisen. Our party is the one party that can qualify for the meeting of these issues. It can oppose a class party because it is not itself the party of the whole people regardless of class.

Capitalistic Party "The republican party has become a capitalistic party and has permitted tariff barons to write the tariff laws, trust magnates to direct the policy of the party on the trust question, railroad presidents to dictate its policy on the railroad question, while packing house companies and other profiteers have used it as their own. It would divide the country into class parties and by its own attitude compel the formation of a farmer's party and a laborer's party."

"The democratic party, on the contrary, stands for the protection of the rights of every class, dealing with each citizen as an individual instead of as a member of a class. It has, since it has been in power given the commercial classes an splendid currency law; it has given the farmer a farm loan law; it has given labor an eight-hour day and greater security in its rights, and has given to all the people relief from the high tariff burdens that existed before our party came into power."

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MANY PROMINENT LEADERS OF PARTY ADDRESS MEETING

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issue of the war was written by the democratic party. Upon that record we shall stand. The part which the republican leaders have chosen to play has been merely to criticize our methods, vilify our achievements, investigate our victories, and rob America and the world of their fruits. They laid at our door America's alleged unpreparedness. It may be true that in the narrow military sense we were not ready. But the war was fought not by armies, but by millions.

When the call to arms came, the young men went across the seas behind them there were mobilized the great supplying forces from capital, from labor from the soil. These were ready because their country had prepared, write the democratic party was in power, by the new system of taxation, the new system of finance, the new conditions for labor, and the new support to the farmer."

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"The outstanding feature of our six years' work is that we accomplished so much in so short a time. The democratic congress did its duty. The great democratic president, Woodrow Wilson, did his duty on the glorious record thus made we confidently appeal to the voters of the land."

James W. Gerard, former ambassador to Germany: "I have been for the league without change, but a great danger threatens Europe. Without peace the red flag will again be on the walls of the capitol of the central empires—a fire kindled that may spread over the earth. Our country senses this—it is a crisis. It demands that both sides get together in a compromise that will be made and peace given to the world—after all the reservations are in favor of America and if the other powers accept no harm can come to us by adopting them."

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son and Jackson the speaker continued: Wilson's Supremacy. "In this hour the same violence of those who think themselves born booted and spurred to ride in the backs of others is aimed at the world leader in the white house. Some republicans who think they have the right to exclusive and perpetual rule at Washington, like the admiral at the Washington navy yard, who many years ago, bequeathed the residence at the navy yard to his descendants, may forgive Woodrow Wilson everything else, but they will never forgive him his supremacy of mind, his supremacy of world opinion and his supremacy of success in waging the world war and his vision splendid of concluding a noble world peace."

These last seven years of accomplishment by the national administration will live as the golden era of American power, American wisdom, and American vision."

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fringement of the constitutional right of freedom of speech and freedom of the press in times of peace. Advocacy of doctrines or forms through the bullet is not freedom of speech—it is crime. Such crime must be prosecuted remorselessly. "Conscienceless rosters must be repealed by every lawful means. We must adhere to the democratic principle of the strictest measure of governmental non-interference in the legitimate activities of the people. "We must stand for the vigorous protection of the just rights of American citizens in every foreign land."

WALKOUT IN STEEL MILLS CALLED OFF

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would be succeeded by J. G. Brown of Everett, Washington, former president of the lumber workers union, national union and one of his chief assistants during the steel strike; Brown is to assume office February 1.

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