

DANIELS SPEAKS TO ROTARY CLUB

Former Secretary of Navy Given Ovation at Luncheon of Organization.

Tuesday's luncheon of the Rotary Club was in honor of Bill Perlestein, general manager of the Little-Long Company, who is to leave Charlotte January 1st to become associated with the Roylan-Pierce company with which he was formerly associated. To show his appreciation of his past membership in the organization here and to honor him at the same time, its regret over his early departure, Mr. Perlestein was given the task of preparing the program. The introduction of Hon. Thomas Daniels, former secretary of the navy and now editor of The News and Observer, was the climax of a series of features at the meeting which was far beyond the pale of the average luncheon.

Nathan Pease, in behalf of the club, expressed the organization's feeling of regret and loss that such a valuable member of the club as Mr. Perlestein had been shown himself to be was to leave the city and Mr. Pease said that not only will Rotary be a loser, but the entire citizenship of Charlotte will find it difficult to fill the place as a citizen and as one interested in all forms of social uplift and as a merchant of sound ideals will be difficult to fill.

Responding, Mr. Perlestein declared that his departure from Charlotte where he has made a host of friends and a place where he had discovered that home-coming abundance on every hand was temporary with the sunshine of the fact that he was going back to a city where he would find associates in a Rotary Club who would make him again feel at home in Raleigh, although the favors he had been shown here and the untiring kindnesses extended him would remain in his memory as a fragment of his past.

MANY GUESTS PRESENT

Mr. Perlestein had as his guests at the luncheon the entire board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce, as well as officers of the organization, the directors of the Charlotte Merchants Association and officers, a list of 30 guests, Mr. Perlestein being a member of the directors of both these organizations.

Other guests introduced during the luncheon included the attendance at the meeting to one of the largest ever held in the history of the club.

W. N. Neal sang two solos that enhanced the musical features of the day, with an escort of club members sang a series of membership in the club with their faces sticking through a hole in paper on the stage.

The Chamber of Commerce assembly was also decorated for the special meeting, the decorations having been in charge of Mr. Perlestein who was responsible for the staging of the entire affair.

Mr. Daniels was presented to the speaker by W. C. Dowd who said that the newspaper men of the country would be coming into their own and that the present President of the United States came from the ranks of the newspaper. "The only reason we are so completely buffed up," said Mr. Daniels, "is because so long as the editor is not representing this country in the Court of St. James holds his position, the editorial ranks of the United States will suffer a thorn in the side."

Mr. Dowd declared that the speaker of the day belonged formerly to a National Administration that would not care and fairly taken care by its members and that when we have a little further away from the politics of political bias and partisanship, Woodrow Wilson will stand out as the one President who had more to do and who did it better than any other in the history of this republic.

Mr. Dowd paid Mr. Daniels a glowing tribute in remarking that these newspaper historians would finally give him credit as having loyally upheld the cause of his great chief and in having instituted such reforms in the Nation as will stand the test of all time and experience.

The suggestion of the 5-5-3 ratio for naval disarmament is merely one start in the right direction toward giving the world the sort of disarmament which it must have if the Washington conference is finally to triumph, and these shall come out of it what the civilized kindred of the earth are awaiting for," Mr. Daniels declared in an address which had to do largely with the Washington conference.

He said that infinitely more than this world have to be done, that the conference so far has merely scratched the surface of its task and that larger matters yet must be faced.

"More submarines are to be allowed to the victor nations under any agreement reached so far in the conference than Germany boasted at any time of its naval strength," Mr. Daniels declared.

We are witnessing a situation in the world that suggests what really is the task of the conference. Today more than 6,000,000 men are under arms, the greatest number ever assembled in uniform at any time in the history of the world except when the war was at its zenith, and yet out of the conference has come not a word leading to the disbanding of armies.

This is the time of the year when we are chanting the carols of peace, and an opportunity is being presented to the conference just at this moment to give the world on Christmas the decisions, such decisions, as we mean that the world will actually have peace now, not at some distant time in the history of humanity."

Mr. Daniels was given an ovation as he was introduced and when he closed his 25-minute talk.

INDUSTRIAL BANK ON SOUTH CHURCH

The Industrial and Investment Bank of Charlotte, will be opened about January 1 in the Galloway building, on South Church street, adjacent to the office of The News Publishing Company.

A meeting of the stockholders will be held Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the directors' room of the Industrial National Bank when officers of the new bank will be elected.

The new institution has been organized to do a general industrial banking business and has an authorized capital stock of \$2,000,000. It is understood that it will begin business with a paid-in capital of \$200,000.

The bank will enter the local field through the efforts of some of the leading financial and business men of the city. Its stockholders number more than 100 of the prominent leaders in the industrial and professional life of the city.

TO SCRAP 300 BOATS.

Report News, Va., Dec. 20.—A New York concern has been awarded a contract for dismantling two shipyard wooden steamers as an experimental work and expects to scrap 300 of the craft. Work of scrapping the steamers will begin the first of the year.

SALE OF PICTURE HOUSES.

Columbia, S. C., Dec. 20.—Announcement was made here today of the purchase of five of Columbia's largest picture houses by the Southern Picture House, operators of a chain of picture houses in the South.

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