

## Tariff Law Should Be Rewritten, Davis Says

### Democratic Candidate Says He Will Make Changes in Law if Given Democratic Congress.

#### PRESENT BILL IS "BITTERLY WRONG"

#### Those Who Profit by Law Are Enjoying Unjust Action, Mr. Davis Declares in Message.

New York, Oct. 30.—The third statement of the series prepared by John W. Davis, Democratic candidate for President, for the purpose of summing up outstanding campaign issues, was made public today. It was confined exclusively to a discussion of the Fordney-McCumber tariff bill, which the candidate has declared will be re-written if he is elected and is given the support of a Democratic Congress. Renewing his promise for lower schedules, Mr. Davis made it clear that he harbored no resentment toward legitimate business, fairly conducted, but would "withdraw the invitation extended in the form of exorbitant rates of duty to profit through monopolistic control of production, markets and prices."

The statement follows in part: "I believe that the Fordney-McCumber bill is bitterly wrong. Those who profit by it are enjoying an unjust exaction. The owners of a few industries may enjoy undue prosperity, but the public at large must pay the bill, and I do not believe there can be permanent prosperity unless our system of taxation, both direct and indirect, is for the benefit of all the people, and not for a favored few."

"The Democratic Underwood-Simmons bill was the only tariff since the Civil War to be passed without suspicion of unfairness or partiality. Under it industry flourished and employment grew. The country enjoyed an era of prosperity unexcelled in all its history. There were 14 per cent. more men employed in August, 1914, under the Underwood tariff than there were employed in July, 1924, under the Fordney bill."

## EXPORTS AND IMPORTS BOTH SHOW INCREASE

Exports of Merchandise From Country Last Month Totalled \$425,635,576.

Washington, Oct. 30.—Exports of merchandise from the United States last month totalled \$425,635,576 against \$381,433,870 for the corresponding month last year, an increase of \$44,202,006, the Department of Commerce announced today.

Imports for last month totalled \$289,125,817 against \$233,645,280, an increase of \$55,480,437.

## MAN HELD IN PRISON TAKES HIS OWN LIFE

Body of Frank Thomas Found Hanging From Cell Roof by Suspenders.

Belydrev, N. J., Oct. 30.—The body of Frank Thomas, held in jail here as a material witness in the slaying of his wife, Mrs. Grace Thomas, was found hanging in his cell in the Warren county jail here today by Warden Hault.

He had hanged himself by his suspenders. The body of his wife was found in an abandoned iron mine near Oxford on Tuesday.

## Funeral of Mrs. D. B. Morrison.

The funeral of Mrs. D. B. Morrison, beloved woman of the city who died Tuesday night at her home here, was held this morning at 11 o'clock at the Morrison home on West Depot street. The services were attended by hundreds of friends of the deceased and members of her family many of those present being forced to stand in the yard and on the porch while the services were being held.

The services at the home and grave were conducted by Rev. J. C. Rowan, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of which Mrs. Morrison had been a member for many years. Music at the services was furnished by the choir of the Church.

Floral tributes from persons in all walks of life in Concord were banked high in the room where the services were held. The grave was completely covered by the flowers, sent as last tokens of love and respect by persons who had known and loved Mrs. Morrison.

The pall bearers were John J. Barnhardt, W. G. Caswell, J. Y. Pharr, C. F. Ritchie, F. C. Niblock and C. A. Cannon.

## Death Penalty in Switzerland.

Berne, Switzerland, Oct. 30.—The death penalty was inflicted yesterday in Switzerland for the first time in 22 years. At Altdorf, capital of the canton of Uri, Clement Bernert was guillotined for the murder of a young girl who surprised him while in the act of burglary.

## Splendid Progress Made in Hotel Preliminary Work

Splendid progress is being made in the preliminary work before the campaign which is to bring to Concord her new modern hotel. It was announced at campaign headquarters today that the campaign group of which E. L. Hicks is manager was completed. This is the first group to have secured its full quota of salesmen. There are twelve of these sales groups, the members of which will shortly give to citizens of Concord and vicinity an opportunity to invest in this splendid community project. A. G. Odell, the general sales-man-

## For Governor



The late Governor William E. Ross of Wyoming may be succeeded in January by his widow, Mrs. Nellie Taylor Ross. The Democratic State Convention insisted upon nominating her, though she had declined the honor. She says she will make no

## NEW YORK SWINGS TO JOHN W. DAVIS

4,000 Speakers on Streets—Organization Making Greatest Drive for Presidential Nominee in Its History.

New York, Oct. 28.—The John W. Davis campaign in New York state began to take on a new quality today.

George W. Olvaney, leader of Tammany Hall, today reported to Mr. Davis that the political swing in his direction has started and that since Davis' appearance in New York last Saturday it steadily has been gathering momentum.

To keep this advance going old-time Tammany men said this organization was making the greatest effort that it ever had put forth on behalf of any Presidential candidate. Word was sent to the Davis headquarters that in the last two days there have been approximately 4,000 Tammany speakers on the street corners and in the club houses talking Davis and Smith.

Labor Turns to Davis.

The principal reason for the new atmosphere that exists in regard to the Davis movement in New York lies in reports which have been brought into Tammany Hall by the district leaders that the La Follette strength is on the wane. They have reported it reached its crest about two weeks ago and that since then thousands of labor men who were in it have been swinging over to Davis.

Every effort is being made to augment this swing. Mr. Olvaney gave orders today that at the expense of Tammany Hall there should be published in every newspaper in the city, of whatever language, an advertisement setting forth the details of Mr. Davis' own labor record, which the Tammany leader declared to be of a nature to make it acceptable to every labor leader in the city.

This is only one part of the movement. Today and this evening 13 automobiles left Tammany Hall, each with six speakers. Many of them went into the districts where La Follette is strongest. Seven trucks were sent out with motion pictures booming Smith and Davis. In addition to this, all-day meetings were in progress in two or three different halls.

Mr. Olvaney is withholding his official prediction until a day or two before election, but there was no doubt of the new air of optimism which pervades everything he said today.

Word was sent to New York, for instance, from Leader Corning, of Albany county, that Davis would carry that county by 5,000. Four years ago Harding carried Albany by 20,000. This report is supplemented by one from Norman E. Mack, national committeeman, who visited Davis headquarters and told them Mr. Coolidge would run far behind Republican expectations.

The Tammany people who were not quite sure a few weeks ago that Davis would carry New York City have now revised their figures to give him a record-breaking plurality within the metropolis.

## KLANSMEN GATHERING IN GREENSBORO NOW

Parade, Barbecue and Initiation to Be Features of State Gathering.

Greensboro, Oct. 30.—One of the first delegations to arrive here for the Ku Klux Klan celebration which is to be staged here this afternoon and night was from Fayetteville, which arrived at an early hour this morning in four automobiles, and it was stated that over 300 were expected to attend from that city, the remaining number being expected late today.

A parade through the central business section of the city, a public initiation of about 500 candidates, and a barbecue will be the high spots of the celebration. Reports from outlying towns say that automobile travel toward Greensboro has been unusually heavy during the morning.

Death of Mrs. Isaac H. Waddell.

Mrs. Martha A. Waddell, wife of Isaac H. Waddell, died Wednesday morning at 7:30 o'clock at the State Hospital in Morganton. The body was brought to Concord Wednesday night. Mrs. Waddell had been ill for five years. She was born in Union county and was 69 years of age. She leaves her husband and three sons and four daughters, namely: Mrs. Nelie Moore, of Concord; Mrs. Sandy Miller, of No. 2 township; Mrs. Manly Morris, of Concord and Mrs. Astor Porter, of Concord; James Waddell, Blanch and Gibson Waddell, all of Concord.

The funeral service will be conducted at McKinnon Presbyterian Church, of which Mrs. Waddell was a member, this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock by Rev. C. C. Myers, and the interment will take place at Oakwood cemetery.

The winter golf season in Florida will be inaugurated with a tournament at Daytona, beginning November 24.

## Water Transportation Gives Cheaper Freight Rates, Is Shown

Raleigh, N. C., Oct. 30.—Dr. E. C. Branson of the Port Commission Bill Campaign headquarters has made public a number of letters from various chambers of commerce and traffic bureaus of the cities of South in which each claim that water transportation has given that section cheaper rail freight rates. The letters were replies to questionnaires sent out by the Winston-Salem Port Terminals Campaign Committee.

"Steamboats operating between Augusta and Savannah have been the means of Augusta securing cheaper freight rates and her water transportation has been and will continue to be of tremendous benefit to the city of Augusta. The city council now has under consideration the expenditure of \$135,000 for a new boat to operate on the Savannah river from here to Savannah and the United States government is making a survey of the river with a view of spending \$2,000,000 for the deepening of channel."—The Augusta Board of Commerce, S. L. Hart, secretary and treasurer.

Thomas D. Guthrie, manager of the Jacksonville Traffic Bureau writes: "The effect of water transportation at Jacksonville since the first railroads were built, has been that the carriers have recognized steamer competition, actual and potential, and have maintained rates which have been based upon that competition. Under the law they have the right to do this, after authority is granted by the Interstate Commerce Commission, in those instances in which they desire to meet the competition and file application for relief, without maintaining the same relatively low rates to intermediate points."

According to R. C. Cobb, traffic manager of the Mobile Chamber of Commerce, "we have water service via the

Federal Barge Line via the river and Sound to Mobile as a rule, are the same as Orleans and generally 20 per cent. less than all rail rates. We also have service between Mobile and Atlanta, Chattanooga, Birmingham and other southern inland points via the same route (the Mississippi-Warrior Service) which are also 20 per cent. less than all rail rates.

"There are several packet boats between Mobile and landings on the Alabama and Tombigbee rivers and the rates are generally less than the all rail rates."

"The Warrior river flows within about 15 miles of Birmingham and we have erected at what is known as 'Birmingham port' up-to-the-minute facilities" writes L. C. Ban, secretary-manager of the Birmingham chamber of commerce. "Nearly all of our heavy inbound groceries as well as our outbound manufactured commodities are shipped via Birmingham port to Mobile and New Orleans and points west thereof. The freight rate via that route is 80 per cent. of the rail rate."

The Tampa Board of Trade asserts through its traffic manager, C. S. Hoskins: "Water competition has brought us cheaper transportation, not only by water lines which serve the port, but it has been the means of depressing the all-rail rates as well. For instance, rates generally to all points in the peninsula of Florida are made combination on Jacksonville, the proportional rates are the same as the locals except in the case of Tampa. The first class local rate from Jacksonville to Tampa is \$1.15 per 100 pounds, whereas on through shipments via Jacksonville we pay only 70 cents per 100 pounds south of Jacksonville. The difference on other classes and commodities is in proportion."

## CONSERVATIVES ARE GOING BACK BY THE VOTERS OF BRITAIN

### People of Great Britain Put Crushing End to First Labor Government in Yesterday's Election.

#### LABOR PARTY IS IN BACKGROUND

#### Holds Weakest Place It Has Held Since Realignment of Political Parties More Than Ninety Years Ago.

London, Oct. 30 (By the Associated Press).—The people of Great Britain have put a crushing end to their first experiment with a labor government by restoring the conservative party to power in parliament with one of the strongest majorities recorded during the last century.

In this sweeping political change the labor party has sunk to the weakest position it has experienced since the realignment of British political parties more than 90 years ago, at the time of the reform bill.

When 545 out of the 615 seats in the House of Commons accounted for at 4 o'clock this afternoon, the liberals had won only 37, and the conservatives had already captured 303 and were increasing their lead constantly. Labor had won 137 seats and was thus assured of being the official opposition party in the new parliament.

Attorney General Patrick Hastings, whose conduct of the Campbell prosecution was the indirect cause of the downfall of the labor government, retained his seat at Walsend.

Unlike the labor government, which has just fallen, the conservatives will be able to rule as well as to govern, and perhaps thus to stay fixed in the governmental saddle for the full legal parliamentary lifetime of five years if they want to, so strong is the tide that has carried them to triumph.

There was no extensive part of the country in which the conservatives did not increase their strength. They recaptured long lost seats in cities and rural districts alike.

Labor held tight its grip upon most of the congested areas in the great urban centers such as Glasgow and London, but even some of these shifted from socialism to conservatism.

Labor has lost many seats, but it remains to be seen whether it has lost ground with the electorate.

MacDonald Speaks.

Cardiff, Wales, Oct. 30 (By the Associated Press).—Prime Minister MacDonald, stopping here on his way to London, declared in reply to calls for a speech that defeat sometimes was the finest thing that could happen to any party. He asserted that with the present state of trade and the general outlook he did not envy the conservatives their job.

MacDonald Re-elected to Parliament.

Aberavon, England, Oct. 30 (By the Associated Press).—Prime Minister Ramsay MacDonald was re-elected to Parliament yesterday.

## HARVEY IS KIWANIAN'S NEW DISTRICT GOVERNOR

Elected to Succeed Mr. Adams Who Resigned Due to Removal to Atlanta.

Spartanburg, S. C., Oct. 29.—At the opening session of the Carolina district convention of Kiwanians this afternoon, District Governor Harry T. Adams, of Raleigh, N. C., announced his resignation because of his removal to Atlanta, Ga., and C. Felix Harvey, of Kingston, N. C., one of the lieutenant governors, was elected to fill out the term which expires January 1.

Norman Y. Chambliss, of Rocky Mount, N. C., was elected to succeed Mr. Harvey and will serve until January 1. Officers will be elected at the district convention.

Three hundred and fifty Kiwanians and their wives were registered at 2 o'clock this afternoon when the convention held its first session. The morning was given over to registration, trustees' meetings, committee reports and miscellaneous business.

## DROPS OF WATER OVER 10 MILLION YEARS OLD

Liquid Long Preserved in Quartz to Be Exhibited in Chicago.

Chicago, Oct. 30.—Drops of water more than 10,000,000 years old, preserved in quartz since an age before life began to appear on earth, will be exhibited in the Field Museum here.

The water was obtained in South America by O. C. Farrington, head of who found it imprisoned in a crystal quartz taken from rock formations at Bon Jesus dos Meiras, Bahi, Brazil. The estimate of its age was based on the fact that the rock formation were of the Archean age, asserted by some scientists to have existed 550,000,000 years ago. The water is clear and sparkling in its crystal container.

## Five Are Killed in Explosion on Train

Winnipeg, Oct. 29.—Officials of the Canadian Pacific railway here believe that the explosion aboard a train at Vancouver today in which five persons were killed and more than a dozen injured, was the result of a death plot against Peter Veregia, leader of the Doukhobour colony in British Columbia. Mr. Veregia was killed.

## Damage Estimated at \$10,000 Caused by Fire Discovered This Morning

Fire this morning at 10:45 o'clock caused damage estimated at \$10,000 in Kannapolis and also led to an injury to Ralph Housel, who had an arm broken when he fell from the wall of the building in which the flames were raging for awhile.

The fire is believed to have started in the dry cleaning establishment of R. G. McGuirt and greatest damage was caused to that building. Quite a bit of clothing was in the cleaning establishment at the time but they were all removed. Damage to the pressing and cleaning establishment was estimated at \$7,000 of which amount \$2,500 was covered by insurance.

Other damage was due to water in the store rooms adjoining. Though the flames were stubborn and hard to reach the firemen soon had the blaze under control.

## With Our Advertisers.

Goodyear tires, Moors paints and varnishes and Majestic ranges at the York & Wadsworth Co.

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Cut the high cost of living with a Globe range. Sold here by the Bell & Harris Furniture Co.

You will find the certificates of deposit of the Citizens Bank and Trust Company an excellent investment.

## Funeral of Mrs. Hodgson Saturday.

Plandome, N. Y., Oct. 30.—Funeral services for Mrs. Frances Hodgson Burnett, aged 75, world famed novelist who died at her home here yesterday, will be held Saturday.

## WHAT SMITTY'S WEATHER CAT SAYS

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