

BARNES SAYS PARTY CREED IS VIOLATED

New York Chairman Declares Roosevelt Columbus Speech Is Not Republicanism.

PURPOSE NOW APPARENT

Indications That Visitor at White House Will Direct Charge of President Taft's Campaign in Empire State.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—His arrival apparently unexpected, except at the White House, where he dined with President Taft and Secretary Edies, William Barnes, Jr., of Albany, chairman of the New York State Republican committee, came to Washington tonight.

Before going to the White House Mr. Barnes gave out a statement assailing the recent speech made at Columbus, Ohio, by Colonel Roosevelt. Barnes made a point of the fact that his statement was issued in advance of any talk with the President.

"I want it made clear that I gave out this statement before I went to the White House," Mr. Barnes said. "The burden of the statement concerns Colonel Roosevelt's recent speech at Columbus. It follows:

"I can only say this: It has seemed to me that homogeneity of opinion within the Republican party has been threatened for a long time, and that a definition of fundamental principles was, therefore, absolutely necessary in order that the party might endure as the preservative force in the Nation's life.

Party Tenets Violated. "The speech of Mr. Roosevelt at Columbus is a violation of Republicanism. When casually read it would seem to contain a formulation of doctrine, but coupled as it immediately was with a declaration of the author's candidacy for the nomination to the Presidency, it acquired vitality, but lost that dispassionate devotion to principle which would have given it whatever quality it might have possessed.

"In other words, this exposition at Columbus was to preface a candidacy rather than to maintain a principle and a candidacy which has been by its proponent distinctly repudiated.

"This seems so clear to me that although it is impossible for me to subscribe to the doctrine of the Columbus speech, I would feel that if I were one who could subscribe to that doctrine my feet were on slippery ground.

New York Is Unswerving. "Regarding the situation in the State of New York, delegates from each Congressional district will be elected at a primary election on March 25 by direct vote of nearly 500,000 enrolled Republicans in the whole state, to the National convention to be held at Columbus, Ohio, and at the state convention to be held at Rochester on April 9 four delegates at large will be chosen by a vote of a majority of the delegates elected to the state convention at the same primary.

"There is no doubt whatsoever that the best judgment of the Republican electors of New York will be expressed at that primary, and the representative convention which will assemble at Rochester as a result of that primary will reaffirm those principles of the Republican party which have made it in the past the medium through which the thoughtful and patriotic people of the country have rested in security that their Government will be representative, far-sighted and tenacious of the rights of every individual, whether his opinions coincide with the majority or whether they do not.

"The Republicans of the State of New York can no more be swayed from their obvious duty now than they were in 1856, when that state, with others, united to hold the party firm in resistance to the crazed ideas of that hour."

TRAIN ACCIDENTS FEWER

Number Killed and Injured Less Than in Same Quarter of 1910.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—Two hundred and one persons were killed and 4283 injured in train accidents during the months of July, August and September, 1911, according to accident bulletin No. 41, issued today by the Interstate Commerce Commission. This was a decrease of 129 killed and of 281 injured as compared with the same quarter of 1910.

Accidents of other kinds on railroads at grade crossings, on tracks, bridges, etc., bring the total number of casualties up to 2738 killed and 43149 injured for the quarter, a decrease from the number in the corresponding period of the previous year.

During the quarter 121 employees of railroads were killed and 22,650 injured on railroad premises in accidents in which the movement of cars or locomotives was not involved.

Ninety-eight persons were killed and 1994 injured as the result of the operation of the interstate electric lines.

TAFT HEARS T. R. RAPPED

Senator Bailey Denounces "Third-Term" Plan, 600 Cheer.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—President Taft tonight heard Senator Bailey, of Texas, denounce Theodore Roosevelt's "third-term" ambition and saw 600 members of the University Club cheer their feet at the banquet tables and stand several minutes, applauding the utterance.

Senator Bailey declared that "if the present President is not a good enough Republican to succeed himself, he must be a good enough Democrat to do so."

He jokingly invited the President in case of failure at Chicago to enter the Democratic party.

FILM TRUST IS SUSPECTED

Department of Justice Investigates Allegations of Monopoly.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—The Department of Justice is investigating the moving-picture business to ascertain if there is a "trust."

NEW PHOTOGRAPH OF EX-PRESIDENT AND SNAPSHOT SECURED AT COLUMBUS.



Above, Theodore Roosevelt as He Posed Exclusively for the American Press Association in His Private Office in the Editorial Room of the Outlook, New York, 21 A. M., February 25.—Below, Snapshot by Ben's Photograph of the Colonel and Dr. Washington Gladden, Noted Publicist.

LEADER NOT FOUND

Roosevelt Still Without National Campaign Manager.

City of New York will begin distributing in the various Assembly and Congressional districts, probably tomorrow morning, petitions through which voters may nominate Roosevelt delegates to the state and National Republican conventions under the direct primary law.

CAMERA MEN CAUSE ANGER

Colonel Angry Enough to Fight When Picture Is Taken for Sever-

al Thousandth Time, and He Hasn't Even Changed Hat.

BOSTON, Feb. 27.—The political situation in New England was canvassed at length today by Colonel Roosevelt and the men who are leading the Roosevelt movement in the Northeastern States.

Governor Bass, of New Hampshire; Fred P. Hale, of Portland, Me., son of the ex-United States Senator, and a score of others active in politics, attended a conference at the home of Grafton Cushing, Speaker of the Massachusetts House. After Colonel Roosevelt had received reports of the probable lineup of New England's 88 delegates to the Chicago convention, he went to Cambridge to talk literature with the learned men of Harvard.

National Leader Lacking. It developed today that the Roosevelt movement is without a National leader to take active charge. Those who have consulted with Colonel Roosevelt say that he has stated that he cannot take charge of the movement. Colonel Roosevelt said today it was his intention to spend as much of his time as possible at Oyster Bay, with occasional visits to his editorial offices in New York.

Colonel Roosevelt was asked as to the truth of a report that Senator Dixon, of Montana, would be the nominee in the last elections in states now headed by Democratic executives, but which are counted as normally Republican, have declared almost unanimously for Taft.

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RAYNER ARRAYS "MAD FANCY" OF T. R.

Colonel Declared to Possess Wish to Override Courts and Congress.

FRIENDS WANT AUTOCRACY

Advocacy of Recall of Judicial Decisions, Harmless if Uttered by Mere Anarchist, Dangerous From Leader's Lips.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—Reversal of judicial decisions by popular vote, as proposed by Ex-President Roosevelt in his Columbus address last week, was denounced in the Senate today by Senator Rayner, of Maryland, as "the most dangerous doctrine ever brought forward by anyone who has the slightest regard for the stability of our institutions and whose opinion is entitled to any weight."

Senator Rayner declared that in discussing the ex-President, who again is a candidate for the Republican nomination for President, he did not speak as a partisan, because he believed the Republicans could nominate no man who would be easier to defeat.

Conception "Unique and Original." "What I desire to call attention to today," said the Senator, "is a unique and original conception which I advanced upon this occasion and which I quote literally as follows: 'The decision of a state court on a constitutional question should be subject to revision by the people of the state.'"

"If any considerable number of the people feel that the decision is in defiance of justice, they should be given the right by petition to bring before the voters at some subsequent election, special or otherwise, as might be decided and after the fullest opportunity for deliberation and debate, the question whether or not the judge's interpretation of the Constitution is to be sustained. If it is sustained, well and good. If not, then the popular verdict is to be accepted as final, the decision is to be treated as reversed and the construction of the constitution definitely decided—subject, of course, to action by the Supreme Court of the United States."

Hostility to Courts Manifested. "Mr. President, if a proposition of this sort had been advanced by an ordinary agitator, or by an anarchist, no attention would be paid to it and it would involve no actual danger to the Republic. We must realize, however, that this is the utterance of a political leader who occupies today as prominent a place before the public as anyone in the country."

"People who regard this merely as a flippant and impulsive utterance of a candidate for public office are making a grave mistake. My judgment, by the ex-President has been reflecting over this proposition for years. He has always been hostile to the decisions of the courts whenever they conflicted with his own views."

"During the whole of his administration, he had an idea lingering in his mind that it was the duty of the courts to carry out the policy of the executive branch of the Government, and this belief was connected with another idea and that was that, as President, his functions were concerned, he was absolutely supreme, unlimited by the specifications of the instrument that created them."

What to Do Is Problem. "Now what is the present situation? Mr. Roosevelt is a candidate for President of the United States. There was no need of any persuasion whatever to induce him to enter the field. There was no dragging of Cincinnati from the plow."

"I had hoped that outbreaks like this were over when Mr. Roosevelt abandoned his place a few years ago and started upon his restful and harmless expedition to the jungles of Africa. I don't know what we will do with our friends. Would it be possible, if he consents, to tender him to the new republic of China, in the event of his defeat? And I am satisfied that, even if nominated, he would be easily defeated."

"I believe that there is a large number of Mr. Roosevelt's followers in this country who would today favor vesting in him autocratic power. Our institutions underwent a radical change under his administration. He inaugurated a new era of constitutional thought."

"He is possessed with a mad fancy that this is and ought to be an Executive Government, that the powers of the Executive ought to override those of the legislative and judicial branches of the public service."

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DRAGON RIDDEN

China Russia's dragon is tyranny; China's, superstition. Each is the subject of an article, the intrinsic interest of which is unusual.

"Pictures in a Chinese Temple," by Thornton Oakley, emphasizes that side of Chinese life which is picturesque rather than progressive. But Harriet Monroe's description of "The Education of Chinese Children" shows how the picturesque is giving way to ideas and ideals from the western world. Her description of the ancient methods is all the more timely because those methods are slowly disappearing. Naturally a Chinese mother graduated from Bryn Mawr has ideas against compressing either feet or heads.

George Kennan, to whom we already owe so much of what we know about Russia, tells of the workings of the "mouse-trap," one of the methods by which the police try to throttle the enemies of the government. Kennan quotes Dumas for his description of a device not unknown outside Russia; but only so great an authority on Russian affairs as George Kennan can adequately describe the modern "mouse-trap" of that country.

In January, The Century gave the first pictures of the superb Lincoln Memorial proposed for Washington. In this number appears the first published views of Daniel Chester French's inspiring statue of Lincoln. Such features emphasize the leadership of The Century in the field of art.

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bulwark of our institutions, ready to strike it down, then it would have been better if the Constitution never had been framed.

One Dead, One Hurt in Auto Crash. NANAIMO, B. C., Feb. 27.—Frank Stubb, of Victoria, was instantly killed late last night when his new automobile, which he was showing to a party of friends, crashed into a telephone pole on the Comox road. John Wright, of Victoria, was seriously injured.

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