

## AMERICA'S DESTINY LEAGUE, SAYS COX

Erstwhile Presidential Candidate Heard From.

### PARTY POLICY UNCHANGED

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DATON, O., Jan. 25.—(By the Associated Press.)—James M. Cox, democratic candidate for president in 1920, tonight told democrats gathered here at a Jackson day banquet that their party stands just where it did "when the votes were counted" and is ready for the next fight.

"I have no doubt," he declared, "that the destiny of America nearer each day to the seat of the League of Nations at Geneva."

In his first public address since the campaign of 1920, Mr. Cox assailed the policies of the administration, condemned the work of the arms conference, and declared that America had refused to accept world peace.

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Prophecy Held Fulfilled.

"The ruins of war still mar the international landscape," he said. "Will the industry is without the aid of financial credits. Countries solvent, if not rich in natural resources, are in idleness and misery."

"The echo of the cry of America first is a mockery to the human intelligence," he said. "Unhappy experience tells us that we are a part of the world in soul."

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"And how needless it all has been! When peace came Europe needed rebuilding. America had the supplies. Europe required credit. America had a prosperity on which credit could have been given. The distress in Russia is chargeable to the terror of socialism; the distress in America to the treachery of Lodgeism."

Causes Must Be Seen.

"The first essential thing to our prosperity is the formal recognition of our government by the world. It is the cause of depression. Since it would carry acceptance of the theories of Woodrow Wilson there is hope only for the belated relief that will come from the pressure of public opinion."

"Every economist and statesman whose mental processes are free from ulterior thought admits that the house of civilization cannot be put in order without the co-operation of the nation possessing both the least of the world supply and the facilities of tremendous productivity. In the face of these fundamental truths the administration is vainly trying to bring better times by resort to the noisy methods of a circus."

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Drift Held Toward League.

"With deliberate persistence the administration at Washington for almost 12 months has faced the setting sun—yet the current of public opinion has steadily borne the tide of America eastward, eastward, nearer each day to the seat of the league of nations at Geneva."

"Of the present treaty between the United States, Great Britain, France and Japan, prudence might suggest that judgment be reserved until we know what the treaty means and the extent of Mr. Lodge's secret understandings. The president gave interpretation of the written words; Mr. Lodge instantly corrected him with the statement that the real meaning was in the unwritten word—in the understandings between the representatives. Just when nations seemed committed to open diplomacy, Mr. Lodge, in the name of America, resorted to the diplomatic methods of old."

"It is said of the treaty that it recognizes the principle of the prohibition and given protection against external aggression. On the other hand, it creates a group of nations, and this may encourage the establishment of other groups. This treaty creates division of moral purposes. The league of nations contemplates the merging of purpose. This treaty sets up a new enterprise that may lead to other like projects. The league of nations assembles all nations deserving of name. If the present pact, after mature reflection, is to be accepted by America, it should be provided that whenever America joins the league of nations then the Washington treaty shall be null and void."

Democracy's Flag Flies.

"Our faith in the official proclamations of 1920 is unaffected by the result of the election of that year. We stand in our very tracks, just where we were when the votes were counted. We have not retreated. We are ready for the next fight."

Joining with Mr. Cox in criticizing the Harding administration were Senator Harrison of Mississippi and Senator Pomeroy of Ohio and Mrs. Gertrude Breckinridge of Pittsburgh.

The record of the republican administration during the last ten months is enough to arouse the ire and cause not only a blush of shame but of resentment to those who are progressive and independent."

Senator Harrison declared that the success of the arms conference and the coming economic conference at Geneva with the continued growth of understanding between English-speaking peoples, were leading factors for the promotion of the world's future peace.

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