

GROWTH OF NATION

Trend of Events Toward a Centralized Government.

SAYS SHAW AT GRANT BANQUET

An Isthmian Canal and an American Merchant Marine Will Give Us the Sovereignty of the Seas.

PITTSBURG, April 26.—The sixteenth annual dinner of the American Republics Club, of this city, in commemoration of the birthday of General Ulysses S. Grant, was held at the Hotel Henry to-night, and because of the many bright oratorical stars present was one of the most brilliant of the many banquets given by this well-known organization.

Mr. Knox, after thanking the members of the club and their guests for their cordial reception, said he was the bearer of a message from President Roosevelt regretting his inability to be present. At the toastmaster's suggestion, a standing ovation was given to the president of the United States, who was followed by a silent toast to the great General in commemoration of whose birth the celebration was held.

Congressman responded to the toast: "Grant." His eulogy was received with rapt attention, and at its conclusion Mr. Knox introduced L. M. Shaw, Secretary of the Treasury, whose response to the toast, "The Government Evolution," was greeted with applause.

Secretary Shaw traced the development of the country from colonial days down to the present time, showing as he went that "the trend of thought has been ever toward a centralized government." He continued: "There is now pending in the United States Courts a suit begun by a representative of the Executive Department of this country to enjoin a great corporation, organized under the laws of a certain state, from owning, holding and voting the capital stock and controlling the policy of a certain transportation company in a distant portion of the country. Without opinion as to probable results, it is interesting to note that the most pronounced disciples of state sovereignty complain not of this action and utter no criticism than that it should have been commenced earlier.

Note the demand for National regulation of railroads, of express companies, of telegraph companies, of the laws of trusts. Note the demand for uniformity in labor laws, divorce laws, interest and taxation laws. The trend of events and the trend of thought seem to be still toward a greater and more centralized government. "As after the Civil War the Nation entered upon an extensive policy of internationalism, it will be necessary, as long as necessary, transcontinental lines of railway and permanently continuing the subsidizing of rivers and harbors, so after this later war a similar policy of external improvement. Not as the crown fees, but as ships sail, it is nearer Liverpool than to San Francisco via Cape Horn than from New York to the same port via the Southern extremity. Start two ships of equal speed from Liverpool going to our Pacific Coast, one through the Suez Canal and the other by Cape Horn, and two vessels of the same speed from New York, one going westward and the other eastward, and both English vessels will reach their destination before either of ours. Cut the Isthmian Canal and it is nearer from New York to Hong Kong via Nicaragua than from Liverpool to the same point via Suez.

"Gentlemen, we must have the largest merchant fleet ever kitted by ocean breezes, and these carriers of international commerce will reach their destination by American yards, by American labor. They are to be manned by American sailors; fired by American coal or more powerful than they are to float the Stars and Stripes. Whether this will be accomplished through direct aid or by American patriotism and by American energy, I cannot say. Whether this consummation shall be contributed by statesmen or achieved by financiers is immaterial, compared with the importance of the thing itself. American wealth, American energy, American industry, which are ours; the Philippine Islands, which are ours; plus the Isthmian Canal, which we shall surely construct; plus a merchant marine, which we will surely build, will transfer the sovereignty of the Pacific Ocean from the Union Jack to the Stars and Stripes."

It was nearly midnight when H. C. Payne, Postmaster-General, arose to speak on "The Men of Our Times."

The time having approached so closely to Sunday, Mr. Payne made appropriate excuses, and, after wishing "America," the banqueters adjourned.

CELEBRATED AT GALENA.

William J. Calhoun, of Chicago, Was the Orator.

GALENA, Ill., April 26.—The 80th anniversary of the birthday of Ulysses S. Grant was celebrated in this city today under the auspices of the Grant Birthdays Association, of Galena. The program for the tenth observance of the day, the orator of the day at the first celebration, in 1883, was William McKinley, followed in succeeding years by orators of National reputation, including Luther Mills, of Chicago; Theodore Roosevelt, Charles Emory Smith and others.

The speaker of the day, Hon. William J. Calhoun, arrived from Chicago early after noon, accompanied by many distinguished visitors, who joined with thousands from this and adjoining counties in the celebration. Special trains were run from various points, bringing in numerous visitors to swell the throng. The commemorative exercises were held in Turner Hall, and Mr. Calhoun's address was warmly received.

A Brookline Dinner.

NEW YORK, April 26.—General Grant's birthday was celebrated in Brookline to-night with a dinner given by the Grant Post, G. A. R., of the United States Club, Senator Burton, of Kansas, was the chief speaker, responding to the toast, "Grant as a Friend."

Effect of Colombia War.

COLON, April 26.—The Cartagena papers publish the text of a decree recently issued in Bogota, the preamble of which asserts that the prolongation of the war in Colombia is responsible for the serious disorganization of the public service of the country. All heads of departments are, therefore, required by the decree to remodel their offices on business lines. News from the interior continues favorable to the government.

Boost for Albuquerque.

TOPEKA, Kan., April 26.—The Santa Fe Railroad has offered the new hotel at Albuquerque to the Seventh-Day Adventists, with the understanding that they will establish therein a sanitarium to be operated on the same principles as the one in Battle Creek, Mich. The hotel at Albuquerque has not been completed.

SALT LAKE-LOS ANGELES.

Work Will Be Pushed on the Oregon Short Line's Extension.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., April 26.—As a result of E. H. Harriman's visit to Salt Lake, and his inquiry into the cause of delay in work on the Oregon Short Line's extension to Los Angeles, it is now given that all obstacles to construction have been removed and the new railroad between this city and Salt Lake will be completed and in operation before the end of the present year.

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BORDER STATES HISTORY

PART THEY PLAYED DURING THE CIVIL WAR.

Champ Clark's Speech at a Grant Birthday Celebration at New York.

NEW YORK, April 26.—The anniversary of General Grant's birthday was celebrated to-night by the members and guests of the Grant Monument Association with a banquet given at the Waldorf-Astoria. Prominent military men and National politicians from all sections of the country were present.

General G. M. Dodge was toastmaster. At the guests' table were General Dodge, Senator Burton, of Michigan; Congressman Watrow, of Indiana; Congressman Champ Clark, of Missouri; General Thomas H. Hubbard, of New York; General Anson G. Mook, Major-General John Brooke, Major-General O. O. Howard, Rev. Dr. Robert S. MacArthur, Colonel A. L. Mills, Major-General James R. Wilson, Governor William H. Taft, of the

der mill of the Shenandoah Powder Company at Krebs Station, about four miles from here, five men were instantly killed by the exploding of a plant which blew to pieces. The dead are: Irvin Wolf, Amos T. Yarnell, W. J. Lindermuth, Elmer Stauffer, John Rupert. All the men employed about the magazine were killed. Not a trace of any of the bodies has been found, with the exception of Wolf, whose remains were picked up some distance from the scene of the explosion.

INDICTED FOR CONSPIRACY

Jury-Bribing Scandal in the Chicago Transfer Warfare.

CHICAGO, April 26.—Indictments for conspiracy in relation to the jury-bribing scandal in the transfer warfare, in Justice Wood's court against the Union Traction Company were returned against seven men today in Judge Dunn's court. Among the more prominent names whose true bills were voted are Patrick H. O'Donnell, public administrator and attorney of the traction company, and James Brady, his law partner. Other names indicted are John O'Donnell, brother of Patrick O'Donnell, and special agent in the traction case; Sam T. Lawrence, member of the board of directors, who transferred suit in favor of the traction company in three minutes; Herbert Rothery, a vestriener, called for jury service in Justice Wood's court; William Gallagher, a promoter, and C. S. Simons, an alleged "go-between" in the selection of jurors.

Bills were returned against the following for conspiracy, although they are not named as defendants and will only serve as state witnesses: Homer Michaels, W. F. Sheridan and Clark Poirer, jurors, and Walter C. Jones, Constable.

WRECKING OF A BANK.

Frank C. Pingree Testifies at the Examination of the Andrews.

DETROIT, April 26.—Frank C. Pingree, president of the wrecked City Savings Bank, was called to the witness stand today at the examination of Frank C. and Henry R. Andrews, vice-president and cashier of the bank, who were charged with causing its ruin. Mr. Pingree testified that last July the directors discovered that the bank was holding \$100,000 of the Andrews' paper which they had not approved. Pingree said he talked the discovery over with Frank C. Andrews, and told him that if the bank was going to be robbed he (Pingree) did not intend to do anything to do with it, but would resign.

"Andrews," said Mr. Pingree, "said he would not take the presidency if I would resign. He said he would resign if I would, and if I wanted the bank to go down all I had to do was to resign."

After a heated argument, Andrews finally agreed to sell his real estate and straighten out the affairs. Mr. Pingree said that Andrews told him they could sell the City Savings Bank by Fall, as there were two banks that wanted to buy it.

ATTEMPT TO WRECK A TUNNEL.

Evidence of Dynamite's Work at Niagara Falls.

NIAGARA FALLS, April 26.—As the night shift went to work last evening in the tunnel of the Canadian Power Company, discovery was made of an attempt to wreck the tunnel. The dynamite in number, working 100 feet below the surface of the earth. The shaft leading down to the tunnel is 100 feet deep. From the bottom of the shaft the dynamite was placed between two boxes of dynamite, letting 75 pounds of the material down to the cap. Had the explosion occurred the tunnel would have been destroyed. No motive can be ascertained for the plot.

IRONWORKERS CELEBRATE

Committee Reports Will Be Made to the Convention Monday.

WHEELING, W. Va., April 26.—Notwithstanding an overcast sky, cooler weather and occasional showers, the ironworkers of the tri-state radius came to Wheeling this morning by thousands. Following a parade the crowds assembled at Wheeling Park, where addresses were made by Governor White, of West Virginia, President Shaffer, and Assistant Secretary Tighe, of the Amalgamated Association, and others.

No session of the association was held today, but it was not without a strong fight for the adoption of the minority report, which takes no exception to the scales in themselves, but registers constitutional objections. The Federation of Labor's representative, H. P. Flynn, will not be accorded the support of the convention for making an attack on Shaffer and his associates, but will support Gompers. It is said Gompers will make a public statement through the press of his attitude during the 1921 strike.

Employers Gain Victory.

SOUTH BEND, Ind., April 26.—The strike in the works of the Singer Manufacturing Company, which has been on for several weeks, is over, the company having gained victory. The men, numbering 170, will go to work Monday.

Great Rainfall in Hawaii.

Total rainfall during the month of March 1920 at selected stations monthly on North Hawaii, as reported to the Weather Bureau, was as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Station Name and Total Rainfall. Includes Hilo, Waialae, Kaunama, Hilo Town, etc.

Hilo, Waialae Mill..... 50 58.18

Kaunama, Hilo Town..... 1100 53.83

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