

ROOSEVELT FLAYS POLICY MEXICO

Effect of Vacillation and Timidity Is Shown by Defiance of Our Demands.

OTHER FOREIGNERS SAFE

Colonel Says Mr. Wilson Has Accomplished Nothing but to Increase Hatred—Mexico Itself Is Ruined as Result.

PHOENIX, Ariz., Oct. 21.—Colonel Theodore Roosevelt reached his Westmost point in the present campaign today, delivered a speech, in which he arraigned the present Administration, and repeated his recent declaration...

Colonel Roosevelt's auditors were crowded into a vacant city block for the election of Judge Joseph H. Kibbey, former Territorial Governor, and now Republican candidate for United States Senator.

Colonel Roosevelt is to leave early tomorrow for Albuquerque, N. M. President Wilson Blamed.

Colonel Roosevelt asserted that the policy of President Wilson was responsible for the condition in Mexico, which he depicted as a starving, anarchistic, typhus-ridden and bankrupt nation.

"No indictment by me of Mr. Wilson's policy could be as strong as that furnished by himself," Colonel Roosevelt said. "He has sinned heavily against Mexico. He has sinned against humanity. He has sinned most heavily against the United States."

"Thanks to Mr. Wilson," he continued, "the Mexican bandits regard Americans and the Chinese as equally safe to murder."

"In Mexico, when the revolution raged headway, there were many foreigners. There were English, Japanese, Americans, Spaniards and Chinese. Mexico was afraid of and respected Germany, England, Japan and France. She neither feared nor respected the United States or China, and she did not believe that Spain at the moment could act against her."

"Americans Picked for Slaughter." "In consequence it appears that during these disturbances as far as can be gathered, the border offers the clearest possible illustration of what happens to any nation whose government behaves with the vacillation and timidity shown by Mr. Wilson in our foreign affairs wherever he has to deal with any foe of whom he is in the slightest degree afraid."

"The Germans are not only safe, but at Tokio, for instance, enjoy special privileges. The Japanese enjoy the same consideration. But according to the best information at our disposal, the Mexicans have killed over 300 Chinese, over 500 Americans, and over a couple hundred of Spaniards. The Mexicans class the Germans and the English as belonging to nations able to protect the lives of their citizens; whereas, thanks to Mr. Wilson, they regard the Americans and the Chinese as equally safe to murder, outrage and plunder."

"Thanks to President Wilson and the professional pacifists, it is safe for Mexican bandits to murder Americans and Chinese and take their property, and the murderers and bandits are encouraged by the acts and utterances of the President, his cabinet, his states and his authorized agents. Remember also that these bandits are the worst of the decent citizens of Mexico who have been the people most damaged by President Wilson's policy of lame submission to infamy. What President Wilson's motives are it is hard to guess."

"Policy Ascribed to Fear." "As reported in the press, not a few of Mr. Wilson's own supporters take the ground that he acts in this manner because he is influenced by downright fear. On August 8, last, it was announced in the press that Frank B. Vrooman, Democratic National Committee man, of Colorado, stated at Denver that President Wilson had wisely avoided war with Mexico because there are 400,000 Japanese soldiers in Mexico and because both Germany and Japan are planning to overthrow the Monroe Doctrine and, therefore, war with Mexico would mean war with both these countries."

"Mr. Vrooman's premises are unsound. There is slight reason to believe that there are as many as 4000 Japanese of military age in Mexico. But his statement, if correctly reported (and it has not been contradicted), is a frank admission and assertion of his belief, the belief of one of President Wilson's close political advisers and supporters, that President Wilson is afraid to interfere in Mexico because he is afraid of Germany and Japan stop us when we try to exact atonement for the murder of American citizens and the destruction of American property."

"Remember always, that the infamies that have been committed in Mexico have been expiated by the President Wilson himself through his Secretary of State on the June 20, last. President Wilson, in the course of his efforts to shield the network of conspirators and Carranza in the interest of certain owners of Mexican properties. He made these deliberate charges on March 20, last. Senator Fall promptly challenged President Wilson to name these alleged conspirators and also challenged him to make public the documents in the State Department."

and all that he has denied or palliated. The facts therein set forth furnish a complete and irrefutable condemnation of his own policy toward Mexico and toward Carranza.

Americans Barbarously Murdered. "The authoritative statement issued by Mr. Wilson through his Secretary of State, sets forth that for three years there has been continuous bloodshed and disorder in Mexico; that Americans have been barbarously murdered and vast properties developed by American capital destroyed; that the murderers have not been brought to justice; that during the past nine months there have been constant invasions, depredations and murders on American soil by Mexican bandits; that American soldiers have been killed, American ranches raided, American railway trains wrecked and plundered and American towns destroyed; and that Carranza's soldiers and adherents took part in the looting, burning and killing; that the murders were characterized by ruthless brutality and barbarous mutilations; that some of the leaders in these atrocities have not only received commendation but encouragement and aid from Carranza's government; that during this time there was instance after instance of the barbarous slaughter of unoffending Americans in Mexico itself, in addition to the heinous crimes committed in murdering, burning and plundering on American soil; that Carranza's generals made no effort to stop the crimes, and that Carranza himself either was unable or else considered it undesirable to punish the criminals; that Carranza gave neither co-operation nor assistance to the American troops which pursued the bandits; that, on the contrary, Carranza's adherents halted the American pursuit at Parral and became the protectors of Villa and his bandits; and that Carranza's government has shown that it does not intend nor desire that the outlaws, bandits and criminals who have been guilty of these murders and outrages shall be punished, but that they are dispersed, either by American troops or by Mexican troops."

Lossing's Exact Words Used. "In the above statement I have used the exact words of Mr. Wilson's secretary, merely condensing the statement and keeping exactly its sense. I have made no word not contained in the statement. No indictment by me of Mr. Wilson's policy could be as strong as that furnished by himself. Immediately afterward occurred the treacherous murder of our troops at Carrizal. Then Mr. Wilson became frightened, bowed in abject submission and, kissing the hands that were red with the blood of American men and women, and inasmuch as he dared not hold Carranza responsible, began in unmanly fashion to scold Carranza's wretched American victims."

"Mr. Wilson and his followers are fond of asking when we criticize his action: 'What would you have done?' Either one of two courses could properly have been followed. It would have been defensible to have recognized Huerta, in view of the fact that other great powers had recognized him; and, of course, it was quite indefensible to refuse to recognize him and yet recognize Benavides in Peru and Carranza in Mexico. In such event, we would have held Carranza to strict responsibility by acts for restoring order in Mexico and for protecting American life and property."

Wilson's Words Fit Case. "This course would have been defensible. Personally, it seems to me that we would have done better to have done exactly what Huerta did, said he would do, but did not do. He said to Congress on August 27, 1913: 'I should let everyone who assumes to exercise authority in any part of Mexico know in the most inequivalent way that we vigilantly watch the fortunes of those Americans who cannot get away and shall hold those responsible for their sufferings and losses to a definite reckoning. One can be and will be put beyond the possibility of a misunderstanding.' On the same day he sent to the American Consul-General and Consul agents in Mexico two telegrams instructing them to notify all officials, military or civil, exercising authority that they were to be held strictly responsible for any harm done to Americans or for injury to their property. These were excellent words! They were as good as the words in the Democratic platform four years ago and now, to the effect that all American citizens at home and abroad, must be protected in their rights and no wrongs permitted against their persons or property. The trouble is that neither the promises of President Wilson nor the pledges in the Democratic platform were worth the paper on which they were written, nor the breath expended in uttering them. President Wilson has seen the Mexicans during these three and a half years become socially, politically and morally bankrupt. He has not helped Mexico. He has ruined Mexico. The nation is creeping over the great plainations. The cattle on the great ranges have been wantonly and wastefully slaughtered. The thoroughbred stock farms have been broken up and the stock has been destroyed. Irrigation plants have been burnt, rolling stock and locomotives broken up and beyond repair. Mines furnished employment to scores of thousands are standing idle. The national treasury has been emptied. A paper currency, debased and worthless has been substituted for the nation's money. All the means of an orderly economic life has been destroyed. An epidemic of typhus rages that twice has menaced the health of our border cities. The country no longer produces foodstuffs. Actual starvation is upon the people. Sixty thousand white men, who were one of the great civilizing and developing forces of Mexico, are in the Mexican Prosperity Destroyed."

"The jungle, the desert and a cruel primitive savagery hold sway. Carranza's government is but a shell of authority, based on murder and robbery, limited to a few of the larger cities and railroad lines in antagonism to every other authority. Carranza's government can rest. The absolute refusal of the outside world to lend it money is evidence of the low credit in which it is held. Carranza's government is a mockery on Mr. Wilson's folly in assailing the American miners, ranchers, workingmen, investors and business men, who alone rendered possible a healthy prosperity in Mexico."

"In the message above referred to, President Wilson stated that it was our duty to discharge the trust that the great powers of the world had placed in our hands with reference to Mexico. But he has done nothing to discharge this trust. He has sent our sailors and soldiers to invade Mexican soil. These men have shot down Mexicans and have themselves been killed. But nothing has resulted, except to increase the hatred of Mexicans for Americans. He has continually professed that he would not intervene in Mexico, and yet he has intervened continually in every way, from diplomacy to war, but always with futility and always with timidity. He has sinned heavily against Mexico. He has sinned against humanity. He has sinned most heavily against the United States. He has allowed Mexico to drift into bloody anarchy. Mexico needs peace and security. He can give peace and security to Mexico, but only if we show courage and resolution. If we fail, then some foreign power will invade Mexico and use it as a base for Mexico its servant, to our own irreparable damage. Mr. Wilson is inviting this disaster."

Aviator Killed in Oklahoma. HUGO, Okla., Oct. 21.—E. C. Christy, of San Francisco, a member of the Aero Club of America, died here late today from injuries sustained when an airplane in which he was flying turned over in the air and plunged to the ground. Christy was pinned beneath the wreckage. Read The Oregonian classified ads.

CALIFORNIA BETTING ON STATE'S ELECTION

Governor Johnson Picked to Win Senatorship by Majority of 100,000.

REPUBLICAN MARGIN LARGE

Southern Part of State Especially Is Strong—Socialist Candidate Makes Good Impression—Voters' Minds Made Up.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 21.—Betting odds in an election may mean little or nothing. Occasionally they are regarded as a barometer of public opinion. That has not ordinarily been the case in San Francisco, where the people seem to be, generally speaking, of a speculative turn of mind. Therefore it may be of some interest, though of no practical value, to know of the bets that are offered in this city. From a local establishment where such wagers are usually made has come the following information of cash that has been left to be bet.

Even money that Hughes will carry California. Even money that Johnson will defeat Patton (Democratic nominee) for the Senate by 100,000 votes. Even money that President Wilson carries of 299 Wilson adherents were four to one that amendment No. 1 (which would bar even the manufacture of wine and other liquors, in strict total prohibition) will be defeated. As to amendment No. 2, which would wipe out the saloons and bars the sale of drinks in restaurants and clubs, the man who was quoting these prices said he had nothing to offer.

Men who write the political news for the San Francisco papers are inclined to admit there is an apparent veering in favor of Wilson. "I still believe," said one of these men who is known for his conservatism, "that Hughes will carry the state. California is altogether too overwhelmingly Republican for Wilson to win unless there is a split in the party, as was the case four years ago. However, there is always the chance that we may be fooled by conditions in San Francisco. This city, thanks in large part to the Union labor vote, is strong for the President. We don't know quite as much concerning the rest of the state, save for talks with campaigners and we are forced to take hearsay evidence. In the South, I think, will uphold Hughes in better shape than has been expected, that may turn the balance in his favor."

While San Francisco's greeting to the Hughes women's special train that departed for the Southland that same evening was hardly as reassuring as might have been desired from a Republican viewpoint, neither was there the rioting that some of the people had been led to expect. In the neighborhood of 200 Wilson adherents gathered at the ferry depot to meet the Hughes women, but the police were not required to make any arrests and there was little more than good-natured rivalry. The Wilson supporters were armed with banners declaring their loyalty and with other placards that spoke of the "billion dollar special" that was presumably conveying these women speakers. But the Hughes women bearded the Wilsonites in their den. Two of the more courageous women, who were among the Wilsonites, silenced them at least to the extent of winning attention and had their say. They pointed out the unlikelihood of a dollar charge, and showed that 14 in the party were women who are earning their own living.

Debate Regarded as Draw. They concluded their brief stay here with a meeting at Scottish Rite Auditorium. Among the notables on the platform were Chester A. Rowell, the Fresno editor, who has been an aide of Lieutenant Governor Johnson, Mrs. Hoebel Hearst, mother of William Randolph Hearst, Mrs. M. J. McLaughlin, wife of the Representative in Congress from this district, and others who have taken a prominent part in political affairs. The judgment of the crowds was that the debate between the visitors and the San Francisco women was a draw. In this regard it is worthy of comment that so strong has been the criticism against the association of women of wealth with the enterprise that the

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Easterners went so far as to call off the proposed trip to Los Angeles with them of Mrs. William H. Crocker. It had been arranged that Mrs. Crocker, whose husband is a National Committeeman, would join the party, using for the occasion the private car San Emilio, owned by Will Tevis. Then something struck a snag. Several hours of excited conferences followed and the affair was peacefully and happily concluded when Mrs. Crocker herself said over the telephone: "Withdraw my request to accompany women's Hughes special party, as I have no desire to oppose the slightest objection on the part of any of the Eastern visitors."

The private car was then attached to the car and Mrs. Crocker, her two charming daughters and several friends went to Los Angeles three hours ahead of the women politicians. The objection to Mrs. Crocker came from the Eastern women who are members of the party. It was not personal.

Benson Makes Good Impression. Allan Benson, Socialist candidate for President, visited San Francisco in the closing days of last week and those who listened to his speeches declared that Benson made a good impression. "Withdraw my request to accompany women's Hughes special party, as I have no desire to oppose the slightest objection on the part of any of the Eastern visitors."

There is no overwearing interest in the Presidential election," he said. "Most of the voters have made up their minds whether they are for Wilson or for Hughes, and all the talkers in the country couldn't turn them over." Governor Johnson is still campaigning the state and will continue to make nightly speeches until election day. Just at present he is touring the San Joaquin Valley in an automobile, as has been his custom. The surprise-

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SPLIT IN FAIR PROPOSED

Curry County Talks of Having Its Own Show at Port Orford.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Oct. 21.—(Special.)—A report from Curry County indicated that the people of that district are thinking seriously of seceding from participation heretofore in the Coos Curry annual fair at Myrtle Point and are considering promoting a Curry County fair for 1917, with headquarters at Port Orford.

Since the Coos County fair grounds were built at Myrtle Point all the fairs in this section of the coast have been held there and the state appropriations for the two counties have been spent there. Port Orford now proposes to construct a race course and a baseball ground and stage the first Curry County fair in history at that place in 1917, and there are several available tracts The land about Port Orford is level upon which fair grounds could be built.

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