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INDIANAPOLIS GIVES CHEERS FOR JOHNSON

CALIFORNIA SENATOR SAYS HE MAY BE "LITTLE AMERICAN, BUT IS ALL AMERICAN"

TAFT HONORED, NOT FOLLOWED

Says "Our Soldiers Won War for America and Not League of Nations; Taxpayers Lose Out"

Senator Hiram Johnson's speech at Indianapolis stirred the audience to a high pitch. In introducing the Senator, Henry Lane Wilson, former United States ambassador to Mexico, said:

"Like the late Colonel Theodore Roosevelt, Senator Johnson calls things by their right name."

There were cries of "You are right; you are right," when Senator Johnson insisted that American troops should immediately be brought back from Russia. He was frequently interrupted in the course of his attack on the league of nations by cheers. Senator Johnson began with this declaration: "I am here and you are here because Americanism still lives."

"President Wilson has said the league was being opposed by little Americans," he said. "I confess I am a little American, but I am all American."

"Our soldiers who won the war fought for America, for you and for me, and not for any league of nations. Friends of the league admit it is imperfect, but say we must try it because it is the only league of nations presented. Under that theory I suppose if we had but one egg, and that egg was rotten, we ought to eat it because it was the only egg we had."

He referred to the official propaganda issued by the national administration at Washington, and added: "They pick taxpayers pockets to poison the public mind."

When he asked the crowd if it favored the league there were loud shouts of "No."

The audience laughed when the speaker referred to William H. Taft as "a distinguished ex-president whom many respected but none followed."

"President Wilson adds to his fearsome harsh names, appeals to our material interests, and even taxes the two months that the league and treaty have been before the American people and senate with the high cost of living," said Senator Johnson. "He conveniently forgets the eight months he spent abroad, secretly pledging our resources and our manpower to European and Asiatic governments. The two months of discussion by our people and our senate in the open of what he discussed secretly for eight months has had, of course, no bearing upon, and the reasonable discussion in the future cannot possibly affect, the high cost of living. If any single individual can be charged with responsibility for the high cost of living that man is Woodrow Wilson."

St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 13.—Senator Hiram Johnson declared last night that the outstanding question of the league of nations controversy is whether the United States will do its duty as it sees it, or whether she will subject herself to the will of Great Britain and Japan. The senator was given an 18-minute ovation, and hundreds were turned away from the hall.

MINERS ENDORSE THE PLUMB PLAN

Cleveland, Ohio, Sept. 13.—The United Mine Workers' convention has endorsed the Plumb plan for the nationalization of the railroads. They have invited the railroad brotherhoods to join the alliance for action

FIRES KILL FISH MONTANA CREEKS

Two Years Before Creeks Can Be Restocked; Heat and Ashes Too Much for Finny Tribe

Butte, Mont., Sept. 13.—Forest fires have been responsible for the killing of many millions of fish and in some districts of Montana it will be two years before the streams will contain any large enough for the angler to bring home, according to J. H. Bronson, state superintendent of fish hatcheries, here recently from his Helena headquarters.

"The fire itself destroys the natural watersheds," said Mr. Bronson, "and the heat from the flames warms the water to such an extent that the fish which are not killed outright become diseased and later die. The ashes settle in the bottom of the streams and smother the eggs so that it will be at least two years before any fish will appear in the streams which have been directly affected by the fires."

TELLS OF FAVORITISM SHOWN IN THE ARMY

Portland, Ore., Sept. 13.—While the soldiers employed in spruce production under General Disque lived in comfort, worked only eight hours a day and drew liberal wages, the American soldiers engaged in lumber production in France worked ten hours a day in snow from three to seven feet deep, at regular army compensation, Lieutenant-Colonel George H. Kelly of Eugene testified here today. He said some of the I. W. W. agitators for eight hours, but were put on bread and water for their action.

GENERAL OREGON IS GETTING CHESTY

Nogales, Sept. 13.—General Alvaro Obregon, former minister of war under the Carranza cabinet and candidate for president next year, announced today that he would take the field against the United States, in event of armed intervention by the United States.

UNITED STATES MAY RETAIN SEIZED GERMAN LINERS

Washington, Sept. 13.—General March announced today that some of the seized German liners may be retained permanently by the United States as part of the army transport corps.

COST-PLUS PLAN COST GOVERNMENT MILLIONS

Washington, Sept. 12.—Among the many amazing facts brought out by congressional investigation committees was the recent disclosure that a shell-loading plant which was estimated to cost \$1,250,000 really cost the government \$14,000,000 and was uncompleted when the armistice was signed. Here was an increase of over 1000 per cent over the estimates—one more testimonial to the inefficiency of inexperience in the war department. Assuming that only half of the excess cost was waste, it will take the proceeds of the sales of 60,000 hundred-dollar Liberty bonds to cover the waste. The plant referred to was erected at Fort Delaware, under Secretary Baker's "cost-plus" plan. Evidently, there was plenty of the "plus" in the cost. A surprising feature of the evidence was that the department has requested an appropriation of \$185,000 for purchase of more land adjoining the property, mostly swamp.

'OUR DUTY NOT COMPLETE UNTIL TREATY IS RATIFIED'

President Says We Must Not Abandon Our Purpose—Given Great Ovation at Spokane and Tacoma—Asserts Germany Wants Us to Reject the Treaty

Tacoma, Wash., Sept. 13.—Reading part of his address to congress, asking declaration of war with Germany, President Wilson declared that the purpose therein outlined was not yet fulfilled and would not be until the treaty was ratified. He asked then for completed freedom from autocracy and guarantees for liberty everywhere.

The president said that was the program which had been adopted without respect to party, and which it now was proposed in some quarters to abandon. When he asked whether the people wanted it abandoned, there were shouts of "no, no" and a continual roar of cheering after he had finished speaking.

Spokane, Sept. 12.—In reply to objections that Great Britain would have a preponderance of voting power in the league of nations assembly, President Wilson said here today that any possible danger on that score was removed by the fact that decisions must be unanimous.

The president spoke to a crowd which filled the Spokane armory, where the 4500 seats had been distributed by lottery, and was repeatedly cheered. On his way to the armory he had ridden through a riot of cheering and flag-waving, the crowds in the downtown section surging far out beyond the curb.

Digressing to say there was an "element of bitterness in the league controversy," the president said some people seemed to think that "a man named Wilson" had originated the league. Adding that he wished he had done so, the president asserted that on the contrary the idea had

EPISTLE FROM BAGDAD PRAISES U.S. AS THE GREATEST NATION ON GLOBE

By Blanche Brace
Uncle Sam, who used to stay at home before the war and tend to his crops, is known today all the way from Peking to Bagdad, as has just been proved by a picturesque tribute to the gentleman of the high hat and the flying coat-tails, recently forwarded through the department of state to Albert Lucas, secretary of the joint distribution committee of American funds for Jewish war sufferers in New York. Felix Warburg is the chairman of this committee.

The tribute hailed from Bagdad, was accompanied by a letter from the American consul there, Oscar S. Heizer, and was all in Arabic, so that just at first it was a bit hard to tell whether Uncle Sam was being called names, or kissed on both cheeks, as the saying goes in Europe. Arabic looks astonishingly like an insult, in the original. A translation, however, proved that this was quite the reverse, and that Uncle Sam has been elected an honorary Sultan of Bagdad.

A speech made in Arabic by the Arabic teacher in the Aron-Saleh, a Jewish orphanage in Bagdad, upon the occasion of the distribution of 700 new uniforms to the orphans of that institution, by American Jewish relief agencies, referred to the Americans as "the light and the lamp of all knowledge."

"I refer especially to the American people, the defenders of right, aiders of humanity, and protectors of mankind from evil and oppression," says this address, according to the official translation as made public by the American Jewish relief committee. "America—Oh, what

GOVERNOR OLCOTT EXECUTES THREAT

Discharges Nelson From Board of Commissioners Because Nelson Employed a Slacker

Salem, Ore., Sept. 13.—Due to the refusal of Thomas Nelson, of Astoria, to dispense with the services of Hainae Fritiof Huttula, an alien, or resign from the state board of pilot commissioners as Governor Olcott had suggested, the governor notified Nelson today that he will be discharged from the board.

Huttula is employed by the fish packing company of which Nelson is manager. The American Legion demanded that he be discharged because he cancelled his application for citizenship papers during the war.

ROUMANIA TO UPHOLD NATIONAL DIGNITY

Paris, Sept. 13.—The situation between Roumania and the entente appears brighter. The Roumanian delegation has expressed its desire to safeguard their national dignity, but uphold the avowed intention to remain friendly with the entente.

SHIPBUILDERS NEXT TO BE PUT ON CARPET

San Francisco, Sept. 13.—Alleged shipbuilding frauds in the Northwest are to be probed by the department of justice, with a view of indicting the guilty persons, E. N. Blanford head of the department's investigating bureau, announced here today. The department will investigate the alleged substitution of cheap material for contract material in vessels, and other frauds.

WOULD GIVE GENERAL \$10,000 GOLD SWORD

Washington, Sept. 13.—General Pershing has re-established headquarters of the expeditionary forces at the war department, to wind up the overseas army business. The house has considered a resolution proposing a gift of a \$10,000 sword to Pershing. This is the General's 59th birthday.

TROUBLE IN CHILI

Santiago, Chill, Sept. 13.—The Chilean ministry has resigned.

GROWN MEN WITH THE BRAIN OF A CHILD

Paris, Sept. 12.—Inhabitants of the mountains of Montenegro live in ignorance of the most elementary rules of hygiene and the strangest superstitions concerning diseases still flourish among them, says a report of the mission of the American Red Cross which has just returned from that country.

The mountaineers believe that physical ailments were carried on the wings of baleful breezes and that contagious diseases were distributed during dark nights by evil spirits. Thus they slept with their windows hermetically sealed and tuberculosis reigned supreme. The peasants received the advice, suggestions and medicine of the American Red Cross without enthusiasm.

One aged man suffering from a chronic affection of the throat insisted that it was caused by his tongue being too small. He refused to make use of the antiseptic gargle supplied by the Red Cross until a doctor told him it would make his tongue grow. He was the most surprised Montenegro in the world when after a few days he was cured.

WILL BE FIGHT TO FINISH IN OLD BOSTON

STRIKING POLICEMEN WILL NOT BE REINSTATED—GOVERNOR BACKS UP CITY'S STAND

MAN KILLED, WOMAN WOUNDED

Policemen's Offer to Return Came Too Late; Authorities Preparing for the Worst

Boston, Sept. 13.—Police Commissioner Curtis announced today that the posts deserted by the striking policemen were vacant and that they would proceed to fill them.

The policemen offered to return to work after Samuel Gompers requested it yesterday, but the request to be reinstated was denied.

A woman and a man were shot this morning during an attempt of the state guards to make the loiterers move on. The man was killed and the woman wounded in the knee.

The state takes the attitude that it is a fight to the finish and the governor has endorsed the attitude of Commissioner Curtis. A general strike is threatened, and the authorities have taken steps to meet the worst.

SOLDIERS RECEPTION AGAIN POSTPONED

On account of the wet condition of the grounds at Riverside park, the reception for returned soldiers, sailors and marines which was to have been held tomorrow, has again been postponed. The committee in charge of the proposed reception are considering an indoor entertainment of some kind, as the weather at this time of year is rather uncertain.

100,000 ACRES UTAH LAND PUT ON MARKET

Salt Lake City, Sept. 13.—More than 100,000 acres of choice land lying within the boundaries of Kane county, Utah, will be thrown open to entry in the local United States land office October 15.

Announcement to this effect was made by the register of the United States land office here today.

R. R. ADMINISTRATION ACCEPTS NEW PROPOSAL

Detroit, Mich., Sept. 13.—The railroad administration will unreservedly accept the proposal of the United Brotherhood for the maintenance of way employes and railway shop laborers for a new working schedule, it was announced here today. There will be no strike.

WILL REOPEN FAMOUS CALIFORNIA MINE

Porterville, Cal., Sept. 13.—Indicating a revival of mining at White River, the once famous "Tail Hole" of bonanza days in California, Grass valley gold miners have bought the claims of Blue Mountain Mining company, situated in the White river foothills. The company has been reorganized, capitalized at \$400,000 and the new owners have announced that a large force of men will be put to work on the property at once.