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SECRETARY WALLACE **DEMOLISHES DEMA-**GOGUE PROPAGANDA

ampaign of Misrepresentation and Villification in Connection With Proposed Packing House Merger Launched to Arouse Farmers Against Wallace and Administration Given Quietus by Publication

Washington, Jan. 3.—A campaign of propaganda for the purpose of misrepresenting facts and attempting to arouse criticism of the adminis-tration has been completely discred-ied by a statement issued by Secre-tary of Agriculture Wallace relative to the proposed merger of the Armour and Morris packing house corpora-tions.

For the purpose of getting for themselves considerable publicity and demagogic credit for guarding the rights of the farmer, certain rad-ical members of the Congress aided by radicals outside of Congress, have been charging Secretary Wallace and the Harding administration with ap-proving a proposed merger of Ar-mour and Company and Swift and

for a campaign of villification for the conclusion that the action he propurpose of arousing agricultural interests against the administration, both to producers of live stock and That the whole propaganda was false consumers of meat and that I would from the beginning is clearly shown. from the beginning is clearly shown not oppose it. in a formal statement which Secrein a formal statement which Secretary Wallace has issued. This statement sets forth that while the Secretary was apprized of the desire of the packing concerns to form a merger, the Secretary did not give his approval of the merger, neither did he express any opinion regarding the legality of it. His statement sets forth the fact that Mr. Armour did not even make application for an expression of opinion by the Secretary. Secretary Wallace's statement foi-Secretary Wallace's statement fol-lows in full:

"Mr. J. Ogden Armour came here and stated in an informal way that his firm had under consideration a proposal to purchase the physical assets of the pucking plants owned and operated by Morris and Company. The full details of the purchase had not been worked out, but the expected that the our paragraphs. it was expected that the purchase price would be paid part in cash, part in preferred stock, and part in stock, approximately onethird of the amount in each form. Mr. Armour submitted an extended

statement prepared by his attorney dealing with the law and facts ap-plying to the proposed transaction and containing certain arguments. This statement contains a discussion of the Packers and Stockyards Act as well as of the Sherman anti-trust law, the Clayton act and the Federal Trade Commission act, as they bear on the proposal. He submitted an-

other statement which is in fact a brief on law points. He submitted also a mass of detailed information,

"Contrary to what seems to be a general opinion, Mr. Armour did not present an application for the priv-ilege of merging these two plants. He came to me with the frank statement that by buying the business of Morris and Company he expected to be able to aid largely to the volume of business of Armour and Company, and thus effect large economies in the administration of the business. During the war when there was most

urgent demand for the largest possible amount of ment to maintain the allied forces overseas, most of the large packers made extensive additions to their plants at large expense. Under conditions which have prevail ed since the war the volume of busi ness has not been sufficient to enable preving a proposed merger of Armour and Company and Swift and Company.

It was charged that Secretary Wallace and the administration were guilty of usurping power and authority in giving their approval to this proposed merger. It was charged that the merger would be a violation of anti-trust laws and that the administration was playing into the hands of big business by giving its consent in advance to a consolidation that would be in violation of the law.

The radicals first assumed and then charged that Secretary Wallace and other administration officials were conniving with the interests that were desirous of violating the law. The radicals then proceeded to use their own assumption as a base for a campaign of villification for the purpose of arousing agricultural interests against the administration for the purpose of arousing agricultural interests that would proceeded to the conclusion that the action he proposed would in fact result in benefit to the conclusion that the action he proposed would in fact result in benefit to the conclusion that the action he proposed would in fact result in benefit to the conclusion that the action he proposed would in fact result in benefit to the conclusion that the action he proposed would in fact result in benefit them to run their plants at full capacity, and, as is the case with many other business enterprises, this has not replaced them to run their business enterprises, this has not replaced the them to run their business enterprises, this has no vother business enterprises, this has no vother business enterprises, this has not replaced the them to run their business enterprises, this has no vother business enterprises, this has no vother business enterprises, this has no verhead expense either business enterprises, this has no verhead expense either business enterprises, this has no verhead expense either business enterprises, this has no verhead expense of furnishers expenses, this has no verhead expense of furnishers expenses of Morris and Company, to business be them to run their plants at full ca-

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fore, is whether the purchase pro-posed would bring about conditions or actions which would come within the prohibitions of the act.

"From time to time unfounded statements have been made intimatstatements have been made intimating that there was disagreement between other government officials and myself with regard to this matter. On Monday, November 27, I had a conference with the President and with the Attorney General. At this conference the proposed purchase and sale was considered. There was no themselved to the thought on the part of any of us that anyone connected with the govern-ment would, or could be expected to, approve in advance such a transac-

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tion as has been proposed. Such a suggestion has had no sanction. The question discussed was whether the purchase by Armour of the plants of Morris might in and of itself consti-tute a violation of the law, or wheth-Uncle Johns Josh

WAS NEW YEARS "DAZE" FOR SOME FOLKS!



Attorney General "We constitute a considerable volume is when the law within the means of the pople and to create among the people and to create among the among the people and to create among them a suspicion of the integrity of their public officials, particularly the present administration. It is well within the bounds of truth to state that at no time in the history of this brief on law points. He submitted also a mass of detailed information, compiled mainly from public records and showing the purchase and slaughter of animals by the various packing concerns, the volume of the business of each over extended particles of time and indicating the points at which there is competition, both in packing and in the distribution of meats, between Armour and Company, and Morris and Company.

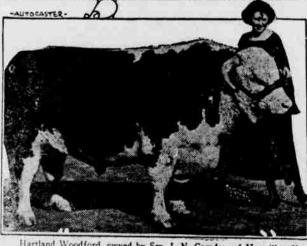
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Poem by Incle John

JANUARY.

gan with the gold era, which created demand for fast mail and particular-ly for a means of transporting treasre far in advance of any which then existed. The pony express out of Roseburg,

the pony express out of Roseburg, by which mails were carried between that point and Gardiner on the coast, where they were taken by achooner to San Francisco, contributed an epic to the history of the west long before Ben Holladay as the right hand man of Russel, Majors & Waddell organized the longer route across dell organized the longer route across plain and desert. The latter stands out in the kaleidoscopic drama of the period because of certain striking cir-cumstances. The story of the \$50,000 wager involved in the first mad race wager involved in the first mad race across the continent is still a classic. It was doubtful then whether congress would consent to granting an overland mail contract or instead would vote a subsidy of \$10,000,000 to the steamship company then operating by way of Panama, which would have meant a delay of two weeks to the people of Oregon and California. The promoters of the pony express bet that they could send a mail sack from St. Joseph to Sacramento, 1950 miles, in ten days. In the literature of close finishes there are few stories that compare with this news account THATS OVER A MONTH

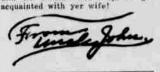
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there's a charm in Janooary, to the feller that's accustomed to her curves. With a north wind skallyhootin' and her temperature piroctin' in among a feller's sensitory nerves! And, when she fights a duel with the little jag-o-fuel, that's waitin' out-o-doors to keep ye warm. O, it takes a cheerful giver, and an optimistic liver, to demonstrate old Janooary's Awake, an' taste the real joys of life, No season more entranchi with fid-While her breath is mighty search



past 3. Will the brave rider is on hand? As yet there is no sign. With thirty min-utes to spare, Russell wants to double his bet. Then a cloud of dust is seen; it grows into a speck. The rider waves his hat. The people shout. The peny express has crossed the great American desert. Vic-tory! There are still twenty minutes to

open spaces, mostly appropriated to the uses of motion picture actors nowadays. On the eastern trip one rider missed his way in the snow of the various me of the various

air and the bales are considerably beauthout the case of the calendar year, when the crops have been harvested. The safest thing for the inexperienced is to buy only from local banks or well-known bond houses. Beware of any investment which purports to assure or make probable returns of more than 6 or 7 per cent if bonds, or 8 per cent if perfect of the farm crops work of the winter ferred stock.—The Manufacturer.

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Some may lie about it and say they are not sinners and some may lie about it and say there is no such thing as sin. But both of those statements are infallible proofs of the existence of sin and of the fact that we are all included under sin. That is democratic.

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