JUSTICE HUGHES CANDIDATE WITH NO REAL POLICY

NEW YORK, Aug. 2.—The New York World's editorial on Justice Hughes' speech follows:

A candidate without a policy. Mr. Hughes' speech of acceptance is the public confession of a candidate who is without an issue and without a policy. Half of it is devoted to an attack upon the foreign policy of President Wilson, but Mr. Hughes does not say what he would have done that Mr. Wilson left undone, or what he would left undone that Mr. Wilson did.

A fourth of it is devoted to preparedness and to censuring the president for calling out the National Guard. But here, again, Mr. Hughes refrains from telling the American people how he would have obtained a larger measure of preparedness than the president has wrung from congress, or how he would have dealt with conditions on the Mexican border without calling out the National Guard.

What Forms Would He Take?

Mr. Hughes' Mexican policy is to be one of firmness and consistency, through which, alone, we can promote an enduring friendship. But what form are the firmness and consistency to take? War? Intervention? Candidates can talk about firmness and consistency in foreign affairs, but presidents must deal in concrete matters. They must decide definitely to do this thing or that thing. There must not be any wavering, even at the risk of making mistakes.

In spite of Mr. Hughes' long and bitter indictment of the president's course in Mexico, he, himself, has nothing affirmative to offer.

The Republican candidate follows the same prosecuting attorney tactics in dealing with the president's European policy.

Hughes Plan Vague.

"A firm American policy" is the thing that was needed, but again, what does Mr. Hughes mean by a firm American policy? Mr. Wilson has guided the country through a great crisis, through a period which Mr. Hughes, himself, describes as "perhaps more critical than any period since the civil war." Without surrendering a single American right, he has kept the country out of war and compelled the most powerful military government known to history to conform its military policies to American demands. Now comes Mr. Hughes, as the arch critic of that president, to say that the president was all wrong in the way he did it, whatever the results may be.

Would He Have Gone to War?

Would Mr. Hughes have gone to war over the Lusitania or would he have sought first to exhaust all the resources of diplomacy? If he would have gone to war, he does not say so. If he would have at first exhausted the resources of diplomacy in what respects would he have handled the case more wisely and more patriotically than President Wilson handled it? Here, again, Mr. Hughes confesses by his silence.

Perhaps nothing more characteristic of Mr. Hughes' speech than his treatment of American conspiracies.

"We denounce all plots and conspiracies in the interest of another foreign nation" and then he proceeds to hold the administration responsible for them.

Silent About One Plot.

"It was its duty to stop them," as if the administration had not secured dozens of indictments and a score of convictions. But there is one plot and conspiracy about which Mr. Hughes is discreetly silent. We refer to the German plot to make him president of the United States because President Wilson refused to permit the German government to dictate the foreign policies of the United States. Mr. Hughes' speech will be searched in vain for a solitary word, a solitary syllable, repudiating this infamous attempt of a foreign monarchy to control the political affairs of the United States by punishing a president, who has offended it, and rewarding a candidate who tacitly invites the support of the hyphenated. Mr. Hughes' "dominant Americanism" halts when it contemplates the political possibilities of the German vote.

No Substance to Speech.

Mr. Hughes' speech is all sound and reverberation. There is no substance to it, and there is no substance to it, because Mr. Hughes, great lawyer that he is, could not present a case. As a party candidate, he can criticise the president and find fault with the administration, but in spite of his high ability he can frame no substitute policy of his own upon which he would dare to go before the American people. All of his speech is destructive, none of it is constructive. The Progressive voter will read it in vain for a word of hope or encouragement. It is the partisan utterance of a partisan vote, that can see nothing in government except physical possession of the federal patronage and the protection of property and privilege. It might have been delivered by William Barnes, or Boies Penrose, or Joseph G. Cannon, or any other stand-pat Republican.

Tariff Is His Only Conviction.

It is only when Mr. Hughes begins to argue in behalf of a Republican tariff that he becomes positive and vehement and appears to have convictions of his own. Mr. Hughes puts his denunciation of President Wilson into the scale against the record of President Wilson's record of splendid achievement and asks the American people to choose. There ought not to be the shade of a possibility of doubt as to their decision.

The World recently expressed the opinion that no civilized country in the world would be insane enough at a time like this to overturn such a government as President Wilson has given to the United States and embark on a sea of experiment. That conviction is strengthened ten-fold by Mr. Hughes' speech. No intelligent man could, by any process of the human mind, find in it one logical reason for putting Woodrow Wilson out of the presidency and putting Mr. Hughes in.

Mr. Hughes has spoken and his speech is an unanswerable argument for the re-election of President Wilson.

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MEDIATORS TRY TO END GARMENT WORKERS' STRIKE

NEW YORK, Aug. 2.—Three mediators appointed by the United States department of labor will confer here today with manufacturers of women's garments and with leaders of the union of their employes in an attempt to end the strike of 45,000 makers of women's clothes, which has been in progress for 14 weeks. If the mediators fail to bring about an agreement, it is understood they will start an investigation of the women's garment industry.

The strike was complicated today by the manufacturers of men's clothes, who locked out 15,000 workers and who planned to close more shops today, increasing the number of idle garment workers to 30,000.

There are reports that the union of workers on men's garments will call a general strike of 60,000 men. This action would bring the total number of strikers on men and women's garments in this city to 100,000 persons.

Fully $100,000,000 in orders for women's clothes are waiting to be filled when the shops reopen. Manufacturers of men's clothing said that orders for $150,000,000 worth of men's clothing had been placed for the fall season and that the orders cannot be filled if the lockout leads to a general strike.

LACK OF FUNDS TO END I. W. W. STRIKE

DULUTH, Minn., Aug. 2.—Lack of funds may end the strike on the Minnesota Iron Range and defeat the Industrial Workers of the World, according to Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, I. W. W. leader. Admitting that the miners are feeling the pinch of penury, Miss Flynn frankly stated today that her chief purpose in remaining in Duluth was to canvass laboring men here for funds and to solicit aid from unions and labor organizations in other cities by mail.

Miss Flynn stated that more than 800 families on the range are dependent on others for support.

GERMANY CONTINUES LEGAL FIGHT FOR APPAM

NORFALK, Va., Aug. 2.—Prince von Hatzfeldt, counselor of the German embassy at Washington, came to Norfolk today for a conference with local counsel in the Appam case.

Prince von Hatzfeldt said Germany would continue to fight for the possession of the Appam, which the federal district court has awarded to the English owners.

Theda Bara at the Page Theatre

The new film drama, "The Eternal Sapho," in which William Fox again presents Theda Bara as a star, opens with unusual dash and go. And it holds the interest from the first reel to the last in a thrilling story which begins in the underworld and ends in what is called high society. The very first scene has some action in it which immediately attracts and holds the audience's attention.

DANES MAY NOT SELL ISLANDS

LONDON, Aug. 2.—Messages received here today from Copenhagen say the Danish authorities have not confirmed the reports of the sale of the Danish West Indies to the United States. The newspaper Politiken says the rigsdag will hold a secret session on Friday when the government will answer questions on the subject. The newspaper Koebenhaven has started a campaign against the sale of the islands. The Danish officials are all reticent and censorship on messages is being maintained.

An official statement was made at Washington on July 25 that negotiations for the purchase of the Danish West Indies by the United States from Denmark for $25,000,000 had virtually been completed.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Woodson and family of Heppner, Ore., are spending the day in Medford. They are en route from Heppner to Crescent City, having stopped at Crater Lake on the way. Mr. Woodson is a prominent attorney of Heppner.

STRIP PEARY OF UNEARNED HONORS

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2.—Representative Helgeson of North Dakota introduced a resolution today, declaring that Rear Admiral Peary's claim to discovery of the North Pole had not been substantiated, and proposing that congress repeal its act of 1911, promoting the explorer and tendering him the thanks of congress.

MEXICAN BANDITS ROUTED BY TROOPS

LAREDO, Tex., Aug. 2.—Two hundred bandits attacked a northbound National Line train at Gonzales Junction, Mexico, on the afternoon of July 28 and in an engagement which followed, 75 constitutionalist soldiers, seven bandits and nine soldiers were killed, according to a reliable report received today at Nuevo Laredo. The bandits were dispersed.

WHEAT SOARS ON REPORT OF RUST AND SHORT CROP

CHICAGO, Aug. 2.—Jumps of more than 4½ cents a bushel in the value of wheat took place today as a result of word that black rust damage in Manitoba amounted to a calamity and that the injury to the crop in the Dakotas and Minnesotas appeared to be still on the increase. Estimates were current that the prospective yield of wheat in the United States had fallen off 87,000,000 bushels as compared with the outlook on July 1.

Buying here was on a broad scale and included much purchasing for European account. Before midday, September, the principal option, had risen to $1.28 3-4, as against $1.24 1-8 to 1-4 at yesterday's close.

Advances in prices became of sensational extent in the later trading. The chief reason was that black rust was said to have spread in Canada and to be dangerously threatening in Saskatchewan after having wrought havoc in Manitoba. September wheat here finally touched $1.31 3-8 a clear ascent of 7 1-4 above yesterday's finish. Today's close was exciting, with September at $1.30 5-8, a gain during the session of 6 3-8 a bushel.

M'CLURE'S TROUBLES DUE TO PASSPORTS

LONDON, Aug. 2.—S. S. McClure, the American publisher, who was ordered to return to the United States when he arrived in Liverpool last week on the American line steamship Philadelphia, is spending the interval in London. The Philadelphia will not sail until tomorrow, owing to the necessity of cleaning her.

Mr. McClure said his difficulties with the British authorities arose over his passport being made out for Switzerland as well as for France and England and it was suggested that he might go to Germany after visiting other countries. When this was pointed out to him he volunteered to return to America on the Philadelphia. He is being allowed to move without restrictions.

WILSON REFUSES TO CHANGE POSITION UPON SUFFRAGE

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2—President Wilson has not changed his position that the woman suffrage question should be dealt with by the states, it was announced today at the white house. The statement was brought forth by the announcement yesterday of Charles E. Hughes, the republican nominee, that he favored an amendment to the federal constitution, giving the vote to women.

A delegation of suffragists saw the president yesterday and afterward indicated they believed he would make a new statement on the question before the convention of the National Women Suffrage Association in September. At that time the policy to be pursued in the presidential campaign will be determined by the national suffrage organization. Today Secretary Tumulty discussed the situation with the president and afterward announced that Mr. Wilson's position on the subject was unchanged. This position, as outlined several times to suffragist delegations within the last three years, is that while he favors votes for women, he is opposed to federal action.

The president voted for woman suffrage in New Jersey last year.

It was indicated that today's announcement was final.

PROGRESSIVES GATHER IN NATIONAL MEET

INDIANAPOLIS, Aug. 2—Progressive national leaders began to arrive in Indianapolis today to attend the conference to be held tomorrow to determine the future policies of the party. According to men prominent in the party in Indiana, three possible proposals may be considered. One of them is to name a presidential candidate, the second is to allow all progressives freedom to vote for any candidate they desire on the national ticket, and the third is said to be a possible attempt to have President Wilson endorsed. Not more than 40 or 50 progressives are expected at the conference, it was said here.

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