

ROOSEVELT ASSAILS
RULE OF DEMOCRATS

Pinch of Poverty Felt, Tariff a Failure, and Trusts Are Unchecked, He Declares.

NEW YORK, May 31.—The small business man, the farmer, and the industrial wage worker are all suffering because of the conditions brought about by the Democratic Administration, according to a vigorous statement by Colonel Roosevelt, given out after his departure for Europe yesterday.

Charging the present Administration with failure to satisfactorily adjust either the trusts or the tariff question, Roosevelt said: "The cost of living has not been reduced. The pinch of poverty is felt in many a household. It has been shown that the reduction of the tariff in no shape or way helps toward relieving it."

New York is to have the hardest labor of the colonel when he returns from Spain. "I believe the time has come to clean house in New York," he declared, in assailing the Murphy and Barnes machines.

Will Enter Fight on Return. In his statement Roosevelt said: "Since my return from Spain I have received hundreds of telegrams and letters from all over the country requesting statements from me on the political situation. It has been utterly impossible to reply to these communications, first, because of lack of time, and second, because it must be remembered that I have been out of the country for nearly eight months and have been home only ten days, and therefore have not been able to acquire the necessary information that will enable me to respond intelligently to many of the inquiries made of me."

"When I return from abroad I shall at once take up actively the political situation. It goes without saying that I intend to do the utmost of my ability to do all that I can for the principles for which I have contended and for the men throughout the country who have stood so valiantly in the fight that the Progressive party is waging and has waged for these principles."

There is widespread apprehension among our people. The pinch of poverty is felt in many a household. We cannot ignore the conditions which have brought about this state of things. The cost of living has not been reduced. Not the slightest progress has been made in solving the trust question. It has been shown that the reduction of the tariff in no shape or way helps toward this solution.

Sees Business in Jeopardy. The economic conditions are such that business is in jeopardy, and that the small business man, the farmer, and the industrial wage worker are all suffering because of these conditions. The result simply is that the only wise and sane propositions, and the only propositions which represent a constructive mental progressivism and the resolute purpose to secure good results, instead of fine phrases, were the principles enunciated in the Progressive platform in connection with the trusts and the tariff alike.

Attacks New York Machines. The people of this State—the honest people, the good citizens who wish clean and efficient government, no matter what their party affiliations may be—are growing bitterly indignant with the way of the Murphy and Barnes machines in the government of this State.

"There is not a State in which the evils of bipartisan boss rule are more concretely illustrated than right here. Under such rule, it is absolutely impossible to get decent and effective government. It is impossible to get fair treatment for the honest business man, for the honest wage earner or for the honest farmer."

From the highways and highways toward each branch of the government has been administered primarily with a view to the political advantage, and often with a view to the personal enrichment of different political leaders. No advantage whatever the people at large can possibly come by keeping this system and substituting under-bosses of Mr. Barnes or under-bosses of Mr. Murphy as the beneficiaries of the system. I believe the time has come to clean house in New York.

"And I believe that all right-minded people ought to act together, without regard to their different party differences, in a determined effort to accomplish this task and to destroy the machine and baleful influence of both the Barnes machine and the Murphy machine in this State."

WEATHER REPORT. The forecast for the District of Columbia—Generally fair tonight and Monday; light to moderate variable winds.

Maryland—Generally fair tonight and Monday; light to moderate variable winds.

Virginia—Generally fair tonight and Monday; light to moderate variable winds.

Delaware—Generally fair tonight and Monday; light to moderate variable winds.

Blame Collier For
Heavy Loss of Life

Captain Kendall and Others, at Inquest, Declare Disaster Would Have Been Lessened Had Boat Kept Bow in Liner's Side and Have Stood By to Rescue.

RIMOUSKI, Quebec, May 31.—That the loss of life in the collision of the collier Storstad and the Empress of Ireland would have been greatly lessened had the collier kept her bow in the hole she made in the Ireland's side was the opinion of Capt. Henry George Kendall, of the ill-fated ship, and others at the coroner's inquest here yesterday.

Captain Kendall gave an exhaustive story of the catastrophe. He declared that he had taken all possible precautions against a collision. He said his ship had been stopped and he gave the requisite signals when the collier was still two miles away.

"But the Storstad," he said, "kept on through the fog, which settled down after the two vessels sighted each other, and she rammed the Empress of Ireland while the latter was virtually motionless."

PULLED INTO BOAT. Referring to his own escape, Captain Kendall said: "After telling the chief officer to get the boats out as quickly as possible, only a short time elapsed until the ship turned over and foundered. I was shot into the sea myself, from the bridge, and taken down with the suction. The next thing I remember was seizing a piece of grating. How long it was on it I do not know, but I heard some men shout from a lifeboat: 'There is the captain! Let us save him!'"

"They got to me and pulled me in the boat, which already had about thirty persons in it. I did my best with the people in the boat to assist in saving them, but they were all around the side in the water, with ropes around their waists, hanging on."

"Seeing that we could not possibly save any more, we pulled to the Storstad, which was then about a mile and a half away, then got all these people put on board the Storstad, then left her with six of the crew and went back and tried to save more. When we got there everybody had gone. We searched around and could not see anybody alive, so then we returned to the Storstad."

"What was the cause of the collision?" asked Coroner Pinault. "The Storstad running into the Empress, which was stopped," answered Captain Kendall.

Asked Collier to Stand By. "I shouted five times; I also shouted 'keep ahead,'" said Captain Kendall, "and if he did not hear that he should have done it, as a seaman should have known that."

"There was wind," he said. "When he backed away I shouted to him to stand by. I did not hear any explosion, but when a ship goes down like that there is bound to be a great deal of air, and the air pressure causes that."

"How many boats were on the Empress?" "Between thirty and forty. There were boats for everybody. She had boats for more than 2,000 people."

Chief Engineer Sampson, who remained in the engine room until the three were drowned and the lights extinguished, was too ill to appear, and his testimony was taken at his bedside.

"I was in the engine room until the lights went out and there was no more steam," he said. "I had great difficulty in reaching the deck, owing to the great list of the ship. No sooner had I got on deck when the boats of the Storstad which had broken loose swept down on top of us and carried us under water. When I came to the surface I found myself under a lifeboat and entangled in wreckage. I was finally pulled into one of the boats, and the next thing I remember was being pulled into the collier about a mile and a half away."

Collier Is Blamed. "I saw no reason why the collier did not keep much closer than she did, if she had, there would have been many lives saved. I am also of the opinion that had she stuck to us we should have reached the shore."

Lost Dog Responds To Call in German. WILKESBARRE, May 31.—Nero, a black and white dog, which escaped from an express messenger here while en route to the kennels of H. H. Throop, of Scranton, who imported it from Switzerland, and who has been captured and turned over to its owner after the animal lived in the woods for a period of two weeks.

The dog can understand no English, and when Raymond Mulhern and Joseph McNally found it in the woods they were unable to get near it because of the savageness Nero displayed. The dog was found that his dog had been located, and he came here with Rudolph Hurn, who trained the dog in Switzerland, but who now has charge of the Troop kennels.

Hurn talked to the dog in German and the animal came running to him, throwing its paws against his body and licking Hurn's face and hands in glee.

ANNUAL CADET DRILL
TO OPEN TOMORROW

Awarding of Flag Tuesday Will Be One of Big Events of High School Year.

It will be "files on parade" for the Washington High School cadets tomorrow, when the annual competitive company drill will be started at National Park.

Western will be the first school upon the field, with companies L and H, Companies K, D and C, of McKinley Manual Training School, will follow in the order given. Tuesday afternoon Company L, A and B, of Central; Company F, of Eastern; and Companies G and E, of Business, will take the field.

The winning company will be announced Tuesday, when the entire regiment will be lined up, while the judges advance with the flag trophy to be borne away by the winners. This is the greatest moment of the drill for the company is not known.

One of Year's Big Events. The annual drill is one of the greatest competitive events of the high school year, and a win is the occasion for joyful celebration.

That there is unusual interest in the event this year not only by pupils and parents, but by the public at large is evidenced by the demand for seats. It is expected that the great stands at national park will be packed both days.

On Tuesday afternoon the drill will be commenced at 3 o'clock, to give time for the judges' consideration and awarding of the trophy to the winning company.

Extra Awards to Be Made. For the first time the second and third companies are to be announced this year. Heretofore, but the flag

COLOMBIAN HOUSE
PASSES ON TREATY

Minister Thompson Reports on Action There—Fight in Senate on It Seems Certain.

The State Department was advised today by Minister Thaddeus A. Thompson, at Bogota, that the lower house of the Colombian congress has passed the recently negotiated treaty with the United States to its first reading, and had referred it to a committee with instructions to report in three days.

Secretary Bryan is waiting for favorable action by the Colombian congress before presenting the treaty to the United States Senate for ratification. He has announced, however, that the treaty will not go to the Senate until the tolls question has been disposed of.

"Although the official text of the treaty has not been made public, unofficial reports that it carries provisions for the payment of \$25,000,000 to Colombia, and an apology by this country for the part taken in the reparation of Panama, have raised a storm that indicates a hot fight when the matter gets to the Senate."

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R. B. M'CLURE KILLS
HIMSELF AT HOME

Coroner Declines to Say Whether Death Was Suicide—Had Been a Publisher.

YONKERS, N. Y., May 31.—Robert Bruce McClure, former proprietor of the McClure Newspaper Syndicate and a brother of Col. S. S. McClure, killed himself Friday night with a shotgun in his home, 15 Glenbrook place, Park Hill.

The police and the coroner withheld the fact of his death until last evening. The coroner refuses all information about the case, and declined to say whether death was suicidal or accidental.

The family sent out word that Mr. McClure killed himself accidentally while cleaning a shotgun. It is said he left two letters explaining his act, but Coroner Dunn refuses to let them be seen in the manner of Mr. McClure's death.

Mr. McClure was one of four brothers, the others of whom are Col. S. S. McClure, president of the S. S. McClure Company, which publishes McClure's Magazine; T. C. McClure, and John Robert Bruce McClure was the youngest. He was born in London, and his mother brought the family to the United States in 1868, when he was one year old.

He joined S. S. McClure in business early in life, and the two formed the McClure Newspaper Syndicate. Robert Bruce McClure purchased the news syndicate from S. S. McClure and separated from him in 1902, when he went to take charge of the book publishing end of the McClure-Phillips Publishing Company.

He continued in charge of this end of the business until 1908, when Doubleday, Page & Co. bought it. Then Robert Bruce McClure purchased the news syndicate from S. S. McClure and separated from him in 1902, when he went to take charge of the book publishing end of the McClure-Phillips Publishing Company.

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