GOVERNOR OF CONNECTICUT FOR WHIPPING

Baldwin Urges Summary Punishment for Men Convicted of Heinous Crime

RICHMOND, Va., Dec. 2.—Governor Simeon E. Baldwin of Connecticut was greeted with a storm of applause at the governors' conference here today when he vigorously advocated the establishment of the whipping-post to punish men convicted of heinous crime.

Flogging, in some cases, for children; the whipping-post for violators of certain laws, and sterilization of assailants of women, were advocated by Governor Baldwin. In his speech Governor Baldwin declared that he was more in sympathy with the "classical school of penology" than the "new or noisier one, mainly made up of sentimental humanitarians or theoretical psychologists."

The former school, he said, maintains that criminals should ordinarily be punished by subjection to some form of suffering; the other that they should ordinarily not be made to suffer for their misdeeds except as nature forces it upon them through the mind, but that their treatment by the state should be aimed primarily at their moral improvement.

Governor Baldwin's address followed an address by Governor Shafroth of Colorado, in which Governor Shafroth advocated lenient but certain punishment to criminals and cited his own state as an example where this system had worked well.

Many Governors Present.

Nineteen governors were present today at the opening session of the fifth annual governors' conference. Governor Norris of Montana responded to the welcoming address by Governor Mann of Virginia and the conference took up details of organization.

The governors present were O'Neill of Alabama, Donaghey of Arkansas, Shafroth of Colorado, Baldwin of Connecticut, Gilchrist of Florida, Brown of Georgia, Hawley of Idaho, Plaisted of Montana, Oddie of Nevada, Dix of New York, Kitchin of North Carolina, Harmon of Ohio, Blease of South Carolina, Spry of Utah, Mann of Virginia, McGovern of Wisconsin and Carey of Wyoming.

Blease Encourages Lynch Law.

In the name of the state of South Carolina, Governor Blease served notice today that lynchers of negro assailants of white women in his state would go unpunished.

Governor Blease warmly defended his use of pardoning power as well as declaring that in twenty-two months he had pardoned or paroled approximately 400 persons and that he hoped the number at the end of the second term would be 500.

"I have said all over South Carolina and I say it again, now," he declared, "that I will never order out the militia to shoot down their neighbors and protect a black brute who commits the nameless crime against a white woman.

Only Get the Right Man.

"Therefore, in South Carolina, let it be understood, that when a negro assaults a white woman all that is needed is that they get the right man, and they who get him will neither need nor receive a trial."

Governor Blease justified the use he had made of his pardoning power, he said, by conditions he had found in penal institutions in the state.

Blease Repeats Statements.

RICHMOND, Va., Dec. 5.—Many women in attendance on the governors' conference today hurriedly left the hall when Governor Cole L. Blease of South Carolina, for the second time defending his doctrine of lynching negroes guilty of criminal assault, shouted the words: "To —— with the constitution."

This sentiment was in response to a question by Governor Joseph N. Carey of Wyoming, who desired to know if Governor Blease had not taken an oath to uphold the constitution and laws of his state, and if these laws did not protect colored men as well as white men.

"I will answer that question," replied the South Carolinan, "and I hope the newspaper men will get me right, for in my campaign in South Carolina they found that I am a fighter—and a cold-blooded fighter. When the constitution steps between me and the defense of the virtue of the white women of my state I will resign my commission and tear it up and throw it to the breezes. I have therefore said, 'To —— with the constitution.'"

When women, some of them wives and daughters of governors, left the hall on hearing this, Governor Blease subsided.

Blease Is Rebuked.

Governor Gilchrist of Florida answered Governor Blease.

"The first thing," he said, "which indicates a manly man or a womanly woman is thoughtful consideration for other people."

Later Governor Shafroth of Colorado referred to the lynch law doctrine.

"One mob can do more injury to society," he said, "than twenty murderers, because a lynching permeates the entire community and produces anarchy. The influence of mob rule is most reprehensible. When laws are made it should be the duty of a governor to enforce them, whether he approves of them or not. When the law prescribes hanging for an offense and a man is found guilty, he should be hanged, whether white or black, and there is no excuse for mob law. I conceive it to be our duty as governors to declare for law and order."

Papers read by Governors Oddie of Nevada and Hawley of Idaho on uniformity in divorce laws, were under consideration when Governor Blease spoke. He defended the position of South Carolina where no divorce is permitted for any cause. He reverted again to his pardon record, boasting that he had pardoned and paroled more negroes than all other governors of his state combined since 1876.

Announcing that there has not been a lynching in North Carolina in six years, Governor Kitchin of that state said the sentiment for standing by the laws daily gains strength. He believed there should be convictions in nearly every case when there is a lynching.

Governor Mann of Virginia added that he would call out every soldier in the state, if necessary, to protect a man under arrest and give him a fair trial.

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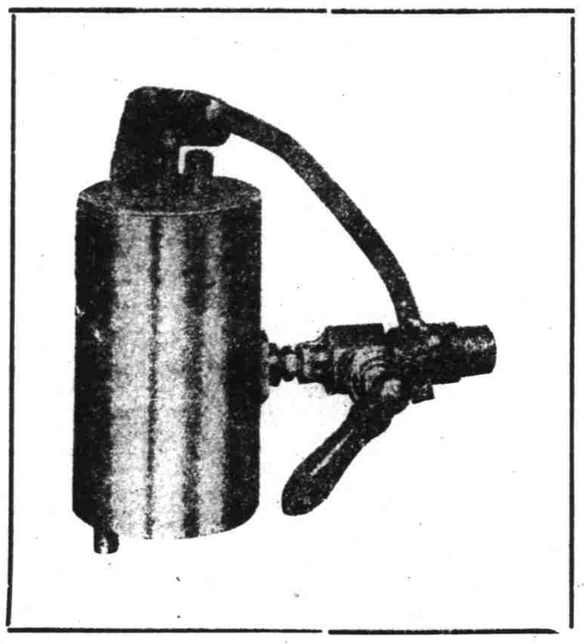

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MR. TAFT—A LONE MAN.

One of the pathetic matters of record is the attitude manifested toward President Taft during his recent campaign for the presidency by the members of his own cabinet.

Secretary Knox was in Japan until right at the end of the campaign, when he returned and made a couple of perfunctory speeches on the Pacific coast. Secretary Fisher was in Hawaii until the last three weeks of the campaign. He gave $500 to the party's campaign fund, though he is reputed to be a rich man. Secretary MacVeagh stayed at his summer home in New Hampshire during the whole of the campaign. Secretary Wickersham was away from the scene of action and Secretary Myer was somewhere at the rear. Secretary Stimson agreed with the national committee to make two speeches, very deliberately, and to call it square at that. Secretary Wilson and Secretary Nagel are said to have been somewhere close to the president during most of the time. But Mr. Taft did the greatest part of his fighting alone and unadvised or ill-advised.

Yet the cabinet officers are said to be making a virtue of "loyalty" in staying on their jobs, now that Mr. Taft is defeated! Others are quitting the ship that's going down, but they are standing with the captain. Treasurer Lee McClung has quit. Charles Page Ryan, ambassador to Japan, has quit. Others are about to send their resignations to the president, and he has announced his purpose to fill the vacancies they leave. But the cabinet stands loyal—after the engagement, while the ship sinks and they keep one eye on the lifeboats they've picked!

Former Congressman Charles F. Scott, editor of the Iola (Kansas) Register, once mentioned for a place in Mr. Taft's cabinet, takes a vigorous whack at the cabinet's heads.

"They ought to have been fired for disloyalty the morning after election day," says he. "It's ice, not red blood, that runs in their veins."

A MARINE HOSPITAL NEEDED AT PANAMA.

On the completion of the Panama canal, there will be a readjustment of routes of commerce and travel, which will radiate from the canal to all parts of the world. The western coast of Central and South America will then constitute a definite sanitary menace to the United States. Close contact by ship with the ports where yellow fever, cholera and small pox are always present, not to mention a host of other infectious diseases, will expose our Atlantic and gulf ports to the constant peril of epidemic invasion. It will probably fall to the public health service to provide against this new danger.

The present quarantine service embraces a chain of fifty-three stations encircling the United States, New York being the only important port not covered by the federal service. The public health service also includes Porto Rico and Hawaii in its quarantine protection, and the quarantine of the canal zone. The maritime traffic which will converge at the canal zone will bring with it large numbers of sailors of all the nations, including the United States, and a medical relief station will be necessary.—Boston Advertiser.

TO CAMP ON TRAIL OF HAWAIIAN SNAIL.

In the hope of unearthing new facts concerning the origin of the various species of Hawaiian tree snails, the Academy of Natural Sciences is fitting out an expedition to be headed by Dr. H. A. Pilsbry, curator of the academy's museum. Doctor Pilsbry will start for Hawaii January 1, and will conduct his investigations in the mountain valleys and the volcanic regions of the island.

Doctor Pilsbry is an authority on snails and is the author of "The Manual of Conchology." It is expected that the expedition will spend several months in collecting data.—Philadelphia North American.

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