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KEYNOTE SPEECHES.

The keynote speech, long recognized  
as an institution in American politics,  
has well-nigh become obsolete. This  
is true for the very good reason that  
there is no particular purpose for a  
keynote to serve after the band has  
already started up the music.

The origin of the keynote speech  
is obscured in a haze of uncertainty.  
It is a relic of the days when machine  
politicians decided not only the  
candidates but the policies of the party  
to which they belonged and when the  
main duty of the rank and file was to  
vote right on election day. In that  
period of blessed memory it was ad-  
visable, on the assembling of state and  
national conventions, that some  
chosen representative of the ruling  
classes should announce with a fan-  
fare of rhetoric the lines upon which  
the campaign about to begin would  
be fought. The keynote of a past  
political generation was a peroration  
of much consequence, for it was his  
swelling oratory that gave out to the  
people the first definite information  
as to what it was all about.

But the silent revolution that has  
been in progress in American politics  
for the last decade has decidedly less-  
ened the importance of the keynote  
speech. The men who cast the votes  
have taken it upon themselves to say  
what the issues of the campaign shall  
be, and those issues are pretty sharp-  
ly defined before the convention  
which gives them official sanction is  
called to order. The main function  
of the keynote of the present day is  
to say, in as well-rounded phrases  
as he may command, what everybody  
already knows.

The addresses delivered on the open-  
ing of the republican and progres-  
sive conventions in Chicago, Wednes-  
day, are cases in point, and that which  
will be delivered in St. Louis next  
Wednesday no doubt will still further  
emphasize the point that is here  
made. It is unfair to the keynoteer to  
take his effort as an evidence of the  
decadence of American oratory. Platitudes  
are the only material at his  
command, and platitudes do not lend  
themselves to real oratory.

For instance, in the speeches of  
both Chairman Harding and Chairman  
Robins at Chicago, Wednesday, only  
the briefest and most casual mention  
was made of the tariff, the time-hon-  
ored issue of American politics. What  
was the use of laying stress on the  
tariff when nobody was thinking or  
caring about the tariff? Prepared-  
ness and the ways and means of  
bringing it about, and the foreign pol-  
icy that should be pursued by the  
administration claimed almost ex-  
clusive attention. These are the  
things that are most conspicuously  
in the mind of the average American citi-  
zen and the only things that he cares  
to argue about at the present time.

As a sort of political phonograph,  
reflecting the voice of the people of  
his party, the keynoteer still has his  
uses. As a creator of any original  
ideas he is almost as extinct as the  
dodo.

THE REPUBLICAN SITUATION.

What effect the conference be-  
tween representatives of the progres-  
sive and republican conventions will  
have on the general republican situa-  
tion, and especially on the chances of  
Justice Hughes for the nomination, is  
a matter that will speedily be deter-  
mined, but that at this moment can  
not be forecasted. That it will have  
a far-reaching effect on the chances  
at the polls of whatever candidate is  
nominated is practically certain.

It is altogether likely that Hughes  
will suffer as a result of the confer-  
ence—in any event, it is difficult to  
see how he can be benefited. The  
progressives are frankly for Roose-  
velt and nobody else. They have  
nothing to give in a trade except  
pledges of support in the election.  
They are asking everything—that is,  
they are asking for Roosevelt, and  
that to them is everything. It is safe  
to say that if a trade is made it will  
be a one-sided affair with the cream  
going to the progressives and the  
skim milk to the anti-Roosevelt rep-  
ublicans.

undable candidate for the republican  
nomination. Naturally, Hughes must  
be gotten out of the way if the pro-  
gressive conferees are to gain their  
main object. The colonel himself has  
expressed his disapproval of the su-  
preme court justice as a "pussy-foot,"  
and it is safe to say that there will  
be no conference agreement on Hughes.

The possibility of a dark horse  
again looms up as a feature of this  
phase of the situation. The republi-  
can convention may refuse flatly to  
take Roosevelt but may agree to let  
him name the man to be chosen in his  
place. If this comes about it is safe  
to say that the nominee will be some  
man little considered in previous con-  
sideration of candidates.

But it is not like the colonel or his  
followers to see any possibility of an-  
other than Roosevelt at the head of  
the ticket. Modesty has never been a  
falling of the creator of the Ananias  
club. The prospect that the progres-  
sive conferees will assume an attitude  
of "Roosevelt or bust" and that they  
will not listen to the mention of any  
other candidate, is strong.

At any rate, the conference be-  
tween representatives of the two par-  
ties brings about complications that  
will be watched with the greatest in-  
terest by all observers of the political  
situation.

The theory that the precipitation  
of the battle by Germany was with  
a view to increasing confidence at  
home and inspiring the troops in the  
trenches with renewed courage and  
spirit has much to support it; for it  
is not easy to see why the Germans  
should have risked so much and have  
sustained such great losses without  
some definite object in view which is  
not apparent from the results that  
were achieved.

THE LAW'S TOLL.

This morning, in Deming, two of  
the members of the Mexican raiding  
party that attacked the town of Co-  
lumbus on the morning of March 9  
will forfeit their lives for their partici-  
pation in that atrocity. Five of their  
fellows are in Santa Fe under sentence  
of death with only the possibility of  
executive clemency between them and  
the hangman's noose. In Grant county  
there are two prisoners condemned  
to death; in Dona Ana county, one,  
and in Bernalillo county one.

Nine lives to be claimed by the ex-  
ecutioner in expiation of crimes com-  
mitted in the state of New Mexico  
alone—until this morning eleven. It  
is a grisly record, but not one for  
which the people of the state need  
hang their heads in shame. Crimes  
of violence are peculiar to no locality,  
to no section of the United States. It  
is distinctly to the credit of New Mex-  
ico that the blot of lynching has not  
stained her record—also that her  
judges and juries have been fearless  
in carrying out the law and have had  
no squeamishness about imposing the  
extreme penalty when the facts  
seemed to warrant it. Capital punish-  
ment in the concrete is not pleasant  
to contemplate, but when it is needed  
as a deterrent to crime there should  
be no mawkish sentimentality to  
stand in the way of its imposition.

If the taking of these eleven lives  
is necessary in order to make New  
Mexico a safer and a better place to  
live, all good citizens may thank the  
men who had the courage to do their  
duty as instruments of the law to that  
grievous end. The effect can not  
fail to be a strengthening of the con-  
fidence of the people in the orderly  
processes of the law. Better eleven  
executions on one grim scaffold than  
that there should be a single lynching  
to shame the people of New Mexico.

With characteristic modesty, the  
colonel positively refuses to go to the  
republican convention unless he is in-  
vited. Perhaps he remembers the  
time he went four years ago.

THE GREAT SEA FIGHT.

It will be many years, perhaps, be-  
fore the real facts of the great naval  
battle between the English and Ger-  
mans in the North sea are known.  
The truth regarding that engagement  
is a matter for the historian of a fu-  
ture generation.

Only a few outstanding facts re-  
garding the greatest of all sea fights  
can be stated at this time. That Eng-  
land suffered some loss of prestige by  
reason of the heavy losses sustained  
can not be denied. That the control  
of the sea has in no wise been al-  
tered is equally certain, as is also the  
fact that Germany paid a high price  
for whatever advantage she gained.  
But the details of the engagement and  
the exact losses suffered by both sides  
are matters that are so obscured by  
official deception at the present time  
that no reliable statement can be  
made regarding them.

An Indiana man is reported to have  
become unconscious while beating  
raags. Some men never know when  
they have enough.

With Scissors and Paste

POLITICS AND THE H. C. OF I.  
(Thomas P. Logan in Leslie's.)  
In the democratic national platform  
of 1912, the statement is made that  
"the high cost of living is a serious  
problem in every American home";  
that the republican party attempts to  
escape from responsibility by denying  
that the high cost of living is due to  
a protective tariff, and that the dem-  
ocratic party definitely charges that  
"excessive prices result in a large mea-  
sure from the tariff laws enacted and  
maintained by the republican party  
and from trusts and commercial con-  
spiracies fostered and encouraged by  
such laws."  
This was an honest statement and  
it is with all sincerity the platform as-  
serted that "no substantial relief can  
be secured for the people until import  
duties on the necessities of life are  
materially reduced and these crim-



nal conspiracies broken up." The  
party had a chance to redeem its  
promises. It went further than a  
mere tariff for revenue only. It  
plunged into free trade, admitting  
more than two-thirds of all imports  
from abroad without the payment of  
any duty.  
The results is that the imports are  
greater today than ever before in the  
history of the country. Even many  
of the products entering free of duty  
are higher now than ever before. Ev-  
erything used by the household costs  
today more than before the tariff was  
reduced. Furniture costs more, and  
so does food, clothing, and everything  
else. Of course, economists really  
knew that the protective tariff was  
not responsible for the high cost of  
living, any more than the free trade  
tariff is responsible for it at the pres-  
ent time. Republicans would have  
just as much reason for charging the  
high cost of living against President  
Wilson as Mr. Wilson had in charging  
it against the republican party in 1912.  
But why not take the tariff out of  
what, as Mr. Wilson suggests?

Notes of Interest  
From State Museum

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE TO MORNING JOURNAL  
Santa Fe, June 8.—Mr. and Mrs.  
Harold H. Brook, of Los Alamos  
ranch, today became members of the  
Santa Fe Society of the Archaeological  
Institute of America.

The American Museum Journal,  
which was received by the museum  
library today, is of more than usual in-  
terest because of the variety of its  
contents and beauty of its colored and  
half-tone illustrations. A rather thrill-  
ing story is that by Russell J. Cole,  
"My Fight with the Devil Fish," while  
of extraordinary scientific interest is  
"The White and Sleeping Sickness,"  
and "Hereditarily and Sex." A color plate  
of Assyrian and Babylonian seals on  
precious and semi-precious stones is  
fine. Rather significant, too, is  
the announcement that J. P. Morgan, Jr.,  
has financed a five-year campaign to  
excavate the great ruins on the farm of  
H. D. Abrams, of Artee, San Juan  
county, a work that will rival the ex-  
cavation of the Pecos ruins of the  
museum by Dr. A. V. Kidder for An-  
dover. The Artee ruin is in excellent  
condition, some of the walls still be-  
ing two stories high and some of the  
cedar ceiling supports still in place.  
Besides the large ruin there are five  
lesser ruins. N. C. Nelson, assisted by  
Earl Morris, formerly of the School  
of American Archaeology, will be in  
charge of the work.

A STATE GIVES A PARTY.

Indiana is this year enjoying a  
statewide observance of the 100th an-  
niversary of its admission into the  
union. Local and county celebrations,  
featured by out-of-door pageants, will  
be held all over the state from May  
to October, culminating in the great  
state celebration to be held in Indian-  
apolis during the first half of Octo-  
ber.

Special emphasis is being placed on  
the homecoming idea. George Ad-  
being chairman of the committee  
which has for its purpose the luring  
of a goodly number of the 750,000 ex-  
patriate Hoosiers back to old Indiana.  
As an enticement, he has compiled,  
under the auspices of the Indiana his-  
torical commission, which is directing  
the centennial observance, a series of  
loosely greetings and invitations,  
contributed by Governor Ralston,  
Vice President Marshall, former Vice  
President Fairbanks and a galaxy of  
Indiana literary celebrities, including  
James Whitcomb Riley, Booth Tark-  
ington, Meredith Nicholson, the  
country contributor, Gene Stratton  
Porter, Kin Hubbard, William Dudley  
Foulke and others of hardly less note,  
and to mention Mr. Ad- himself, who  
adds the P. S., meaning "please start."

METHODIST CHURCH  
ISSUES DIRECTORY

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE TO MORNING JOURNAL  
Alamogordo, N. M., June 8.—The  
First Methodist church at Alamogordo  
has issued a church directory which  
contains the names of the entire  
membership of the church be-  
sides reviewing the history of the  
church, the Woman's Missionary soci-  
ety, the Epworth league, and the  
Sunday school. The church at present  
has 163 members.  
The church was organized in 1858  
and in 1859 the first church building  
was erected. This structure burned  
down in 1911 and a short time after-  
ward work was commenced on the  
building which is still being used by  
the Methodist congregation on the

corner of Texas avenue and Ninth  
street.  
The Epworth league was organized  
in 1899. It was disbanded in 1911  
and reorganized in 1914, since which  
time it has been active. The Sunday  
school was organized in 1899 and has  
been active. The Sunday school was  
organized in 1899 and has had a con-  
tinuous run since its organization.  
The church since its organization  
has had nine bishops, seven presiding  
elders and thirteen pastors. Fred B.  
Faust is pastor of the church at the  
present time. He was appointed to  
this charge in October, 1915.

Senator Fall in Chicago.  
—Santa Fe, June 8.—A dispatch from  
Chicago says: "Senator Albert Bacon  
Fall of New Mexico arrived in Chic-  
ago to insist that the resolutions com-  
mittee favor intervention in Mexico to  
bring order out of the chaos now ex-  
isting there. The senator expects to  
be a member of the committee and  
to present in person his arguments in  
favor of intervention. "The Wilson-  
Mexican policy," said Mr. Fall, "is ab-  
solutely indefensible. The United  
States must clean up Mexico sooner  
or later, and the republican party  
should offer to do the job for Mexico's  
good and for this country's good."

HOW TO GET RID OF A COLD.

Summer colds are serious. Read  
how C. E. Summers, Holdrege, Neb.,  
got rid of his: "I contracted a severe  
cough and cold and could hardly  
sleep. I got a bottle of Foley's Honey  
and Tar and the very first dose re-  
lieved me. I took a second dose be-  
fore going to bed and can truthfully  
say I did not cough all night. By us-  
ing as directed the next two days my  
cough was entirely cured and I give  
Foley's Honey and Tar full credit for  
my speedy recovery." Foley's always  
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ous tissues of the body which causes so much  
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