

QUESTIONS OF FEDERAL BUREAUCRATIC ADMINISTRATION GOVERNMENT

CHARLES E. HUGHES, FORMERLY ACCEPTING NOMINATION, SCORES HIS FOREIGN POLICY

Diplomatic Appointments, Nominee Says, Weakened the United States Position Abroad; Bungled in Mexico and in Legislative Affairs.

After Senator Harding, who was chairman of the republican national convention, had notified Charles E. Hughes, his nomination for the presidency, the nominee gave his address, which soundly scored the democratic administration. The address follows:

Senator Harding, Members of the Nominating Committee, and Fellow Citizens:

This occasion is more than a mere ceremony of notification. We are here to indulge in formal expressions. We come to state in a plain and direct manner our faith, our purpose and our pleasure in the nomination. It is a happy augury that the gathering is a happy reunion. It means the strength of reunion. It means that the party of Lincoln is restored, and that the republic is the unity of a common perception of paramount national needs. It means that we are neither deceived nor beguiled by abnormal conditions. We know that we are in a crisis, and perhaps more critical than any period since the Civil war. We need a dominant sense of national unity; the exaltation of the best constructive powers; the vigor and successfulness of a quickened America. We desire that the republican party as a great liberal party shall be the agency of national achievement, the guaranty of the true expression of dominant Americanism. What do I mean by that? I mean America conscious of power, awake to obligations, in the respect, prepared for every emergency, devoted to the ideals of peace, instinct with the spirit of human brotherhood, safeguarding both individual opportunity and the national interest, maintaining a well ordered constitutional system adapted to local self government without the sacrifice of essential liberties, appreciating the necessity of stability, expert knowledge and thorough organization as the indispensable conditions of security and progress; a country loved by its citizens, a patriotic fervor permitting no division in their allegiance and no rivals in their affection—I mean America first and foremost, the spirit that I respond to your first words.

Foreign Regulations—Appointments.

Our foreign relations have assumed grave importance in the past few years. The conduct of diplomatic intercourse is in the keeping of the executive. It rests chiefly with him whether we show competency or incompetency; whether the national honor shall be maintained; whether our prestige and influence shall be enhanced or diminished; whether the record of the administration? The first duty of the executive was to command the respect of the world by the personification of the department and our representation abroad. The party exigency could excuse the non-performance of those obvious obligations. Still, after making every allowance for the exigency of the party appointments, it is apparent that this obligation was not performed. At the very beginning of the present administration, when the duties of diplomat intercourse there should have been conspicuous strength and expertise, we had weakness and inexperience. Instead of assuring respect we invited distrust and contempt and speculation as to our capacity for firmness and decision, thus entailing many difficulties which have not been met. We have not had the most friendly relations with our neighbors, notably in Latin-America, where such a course was particularly reprehensible and where the maintenance of the most friendly relations were the most important special trust in the interest of the people, that trust was shockingly betrayed in order to satisfy "deserving" democrats. We have not given the administration's disregard of its responsibilities with respect to our representation in diplomacy is an open book and the specifications may be read in the record. It is a dismal record to those who believe in Americanism. Take, for example, the withdrawal of Ambassador Herrick from France. There he stood, in the midst of alarms, the very embodiment of courage, of poise, of executive capacity, unswerving and beloved. No diplomat ever won more completely the affections of a foreign people; and there was no better fortune for the country than to have at the capital of any of the belligerent nations a representative thus esteemed. Yet, the administration permitted itself to supersede him. The point is not that the man was ambassador Herrick or that the nation was France, but that we invited the attention of the world to the ineffectual yielding of nations interested to partisan expediency. We have a lamentable sacrifice of international respect. If we would have the esteem of foreign nations, we must deserve it. We must show our regard for special knowledge and experience. I propose that we shall make the agencies of our diplomatic intercourse, in every nation, worthy of the American name.

be examined without a profound sense of humiliation. "When the administration came into power, Huerta was exercising authority in Mexico, and was certainly in fact the head of the government of Mexico. Whether or not he should be recognized was a question to be determined in the exercise of a sound discretion, but acting to correct principles. The president was entitled to be assured that there was at least a de facto government; that international obligations would be performed; that the lives and property of American citizens would be protected; that the government would be proper protection. To attempt, however, to force a domestic concern of Mexico was simply intervention, not less so because disclaimed. The height of folly was to attempt to force a domestic concern of Mexico, which could only evoke bitterness and contempt, which would fail to pacify the country and to assure peace and prosperity under a stable government. If crimes were committed, we do not palliate them. We make no defense of Huerta. But the administration had nothing to do with the murder of Huerta. If in fact he represented the government of Mexico, we shall never worthily prosecute our unselfish aim, to secure the tranquility and order of the country. So far as the character of Huerta is concerned, the hollowess of pretensions on this score is revealed by the administration's subsequent patronage of Huerta (whose qualifications as an assassin are indisputable), whom apparently the administration was ready to recognize had he achieved his end and fulfilled what then seemed to be its hope.

The question was not as to the non-recognition of Huerta. The administration did not refuse to recognize Huerta, who was recognized by Great Britain, Germany, France, Russia, Spain and Japan. The administration undertook a hazardous policy of recognizing Huerta, even to deny Huerta the right to be a candidate for the office of president at the election of the administration. The administration's wilderment must be the Mexicans have regarded our assertion of their right to manage their own affairs. In the spring of 1914 occurred the incident of the Tampico. Men from one of our ships had been discharged with an apology. But our admiral demanded a salute, which was refused, whereupon the admiral demanded Congress asking authority to use the armed forces of the United States. Without waiting for the passage of the resolution, the admiral's demand appeared that a ship load of ammunition for Huerta was about to enter that port. There was a natural objection to this demand and a battle occurred in which 100 Mexicans were killed. This course was war. Our dead soldiers were praised for dying like heroes in the defense of our country. The ship with ammunition was not allowed to land at Vera Cruz and its cargo landed at another port and its cargo shipped to Huerta without interference. The admiral's demand was admitted by a cabinet officer. We are now informed that "we did not go to Vera Cruz to force Huerta to withdraw the flag, but to show Mexico that we were in earnest in our demand that Huerta must go. That is, we seized the opportunity to dispose of the question of the salute was a mere pretext.

"Meanwhile, the administration uttered a demand to perform its obvious duty to insure protection for the lives and property of our citizens. It is most unworthy to slur those who have been in Mexico in order to escape a condemnation for the performance of this duty. There can be no such escape, for we have no debate, and there can be no debate, as to the responsibility of the administration for the words of the Democratic platform of 1912: 'The constitutional rights of American citizens should protect them on our borders, and go with them throughout the world, and American citizen representing or having property in Mexico is entitled to the same protection and full protection of the United States government both for himself and his property.' The bitter hatred aroused by the course of the administration multiplied outrages, while our failure to afford protection to our citizens evoked the scorn and contempt of Mexicans. Consider the ignominious incident at Tampico in connection with the capture of Vera Cruz. In the midst of the greatest danger to the hundreds of Americans congregated at Tampico, our ships, which were in the harbor, were withdrawn and our citizens were saved only in the intervention of German officers, and were taken away by British and German ships.

The official action of the secretary of the navy is an extraordinary commentary. Our ships, it seems, had been ordered to Vera Cruz; but, as it appeared that they were not needed, the order was rescinded. Then, as it was told, our admiral was faced with this remarkable dilemma. If he attempted to go up the river at Tampico and take our citizens on board, the word of 'aggressive action,' as the secretary called it, would have spread to the surrounding country and it was almost certain that reprisals on American citizens would have followed and lives would have been lost. We had incensed the Mexicans that we could not rescue our own citizens at Tampico, save at the risk of the murder of others. We must take Vera Cruz to get Huerta out of office and trust to the Mexicans to get our own citizens out of peril. What a travesty of international policy!

"Destroying the government of Huerta, we left Mexico to the ravages of

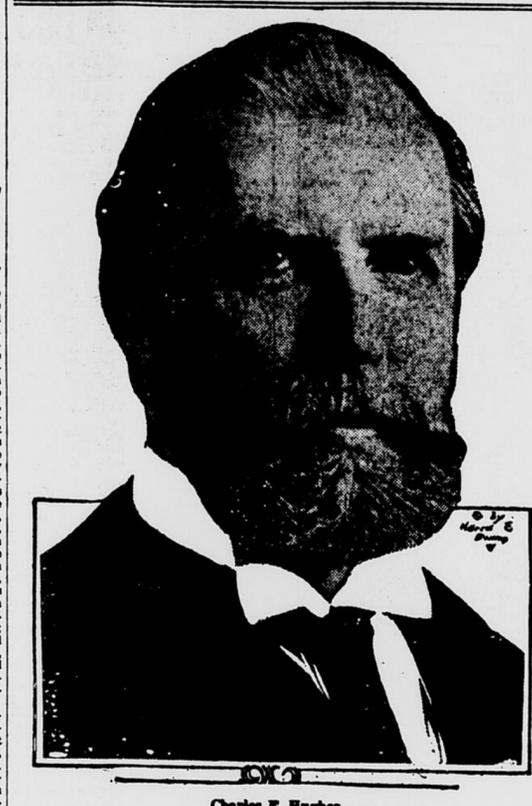
revolution. I shall not attempt to narrate the sickening history of the barbarities committed, of the carnival murder and loot. We were then told that Mexico was entitled to split as much blood as she pleased to settle her affairs. The administration vacillated with respect to the embargo on the export of arms and munitions to Mexico. Under the resolution of 1912, President Taft had laid such an embargo. In August, 1913, President Wilson stated that he seemed it his duty to see that neither side in the struggle in Mexico should receive any assistance from this side of the border, and that the export of all arms and munitions to Mexico was absolutely forbidden. But in February, 1914, the embargo was lifted. In April, 1914, the embargo was restored. In June, 1914, the embargo was again lifted. The embargo did not apply to American shipments through Mexican ports, and ammunition for Carranza was subsequently landed at Tampico. In September, 1914, the embargo was restored on exports across the border; thereupon military supplies reached both Villa and Carranza. In October, the embargo was again lifted on all exports of arms except to the agents of Carranza. There was an utter absence of consistent policy.

For a time we bestowed friendly words on Carranza, not on the ground that he had a constitutional government, but that it was a de facto government. Our intention was to secure protection to American property and interests in the note of the secretary of state of June 20, 1916, in which he thus described the conditions then existing in Mexico during the past three years: "For three years the Mexican republic has been torn with civil strife; the lives of Americans and other aliens have been sacrificed; vast properties developed by American capital and enterprise have been destroyed or rendered non-productive; bandits have been terrorizing the territory contiguous to the United States and to seize without punishment the property of American citizens; the lives of citizens of the United States who ventured to remain in Mexican territory or to return there to protect their interests have been taken, in some cases, barbarously. The country has been a scene of lawlessness and violence which have prevailed."

The Santa Ynez massacre, the raid at Columbus, the bloodshed at Carrizal, are fresh in your minds. "After the Columbus raid we started a 'punitive' expedition. We sent a thin line of troops hundreds of miles into Mexico, between two lines of railway, neither of which we were allowed to use, and which we did not feel at liberty to occupy. We were refused permission to enter the territory. Though thus restricted, the enterprise was still regarded by the Mexicans as a menace, and our troops faced hostile forces and it is not surprising that our men fell at Carrizal. What other result could be expected? We were virtually ordered to withdraw, and without honor. The anti-patriotic propaganda has been withdrawing, and we are now endeavoring to safeguard our own territory. The entire national guard has been our own and many thousands of our peaceful employments and hurried to the Mexican border. The administration was to seize and punish the anti-patriotic propaganda. It has not punished anyone; we went in only to retire, and future movements are apparently to be determined by the anti-patriotic propaganda.

"The nation has a policy of aggression toward Mexico. We have no desire for any part of her territory. We wish her to have peace, stability and prosperity. We have no desire to aid her in binding up her wounds in relieving her from starvation and distress, and in giving her in every way the benefit of our friendship. The disinterested friendship that we created this administration has created difficulties which we shall have to surmount. We shall have to overcome the anti-patriotic propaganda by that conduct and to develop general respect and confidence. We shall have to adopt a new policy, a policy of peace, and to preserve it through our friendship. We demand from Mexico the protection of the lives and the property of our citizens and the security of our borders. Much will be gained if Mexico is convinced that we contemplate no meddlesome interference with what she believes to be her own affairs. We propose to insist in a firm and dignified manner upon the performance of international obligations. To a stable government, appropriately discharging its international duties, we should give ungrudging support. A short period of firm, consistent and friendly dealing will accomplish more than many years of vacillation and European war. Maintenance of American Rights.

"In this land of composite population, drawing its strength from every race, the national security demands that there shall be no paucity of American rights. The greater the danger of divisive influences, the greater the necessity for the unity of force of a just, strong and patriotic procession. We countenance no overt policies, no intrigues, no secret schemes. We countenance no overtly, whole-heartedly for the United States. That is the rallying point for all Americans. That is my position. I stand for the unflinching maintenance of all American rights on land and sea. "We have had a clear and definite mission as a great neutral nation. It was for us to maintain the integrity of international law; to vindicate our rights as neutrals; to protect the lives of our citizens, their property and their interests from the ravages of the war; to stand for the upholding of the principles of moral leadership in the maintenance and vindication of the rights of nations in connection with the safeguarding of American rights. But this has not been secured. We have had brave words in a series of notes, but despite our protests the lives of Americans have been destroyed. What does it avail to use some of the strongest words known to diplomacy if we are unable to bring in recruits for the most part, raw and untrained. Only a small percentage of the regiments



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words that count. The chief function of diplomacy is prevention but in this our diplomacy failed, doubtless because of its impaire credit and the manifest lack of disposition to back words with action. Had this government, by the use of both informal and formal diplomatic opportunities, not been so unscrupulous, and yet, not in doubt that when we said 'strict accountability' we meant precisely what we said, and that we should unhesitatingly vindicate that position, I am confident that there would have been no destruction of American lives by the sinking of the Lusitania. There had ample notice; in fact, published in the newspapers, and yet, the situation and we did not require specific notice. Instead of whittling away our formal statements by equivocal conversations, we needed the straight, direct and decisive representations which every diplomat and foreign office would understand. I believe that in this way we should have been able to prevent the assault on American lives. Moreover, a firm American policy would have been strongly supported by our people and the opportunity for the development of bitter feelings would have been vastly reduced.

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"I do not put life and property on the same footing, but the administration has not only been remiss with respect to the protection of American lives; it has been remiss with respect to the protection of American property and American commerce. It has failed to preserve all plots and conspiracies in the interest of any foreign nation. Utterly intolerable is the use of our soil for alien intrigues. Every American citizen should be made aware of the danger of this kind of thing, and we should be prompt, vigorous and adequate measures to prevent such plots and conspiracies. We have no ulterior purposes, and the knowledge of our people should be made aware of the danger of this kind of thing, and we should be prompt, vigorous and adequate measures to prevent such plots and conspiracies. We have no ulterior purposes, and the knowledge of our people should be made aware of the danger of this kind of thing, and we should be prompt, vigorous and adequate measures to prevent such plots and conspiracies.

"We are a peace-loving people, but we live in a world of arms. We have no thought of aggression, and we desire to preserve our domestic ideals without the wastes of strife. So devoted are we to these ideals, so intent upon our normal development that we are alarmed by the slightest danger of militarism in this country. Adequate preparation is not militarism. It is the essential assurance of security; it is a necessary safeguard of peace. "It is apparent that we are shockingly unprepared. There is no room for controversy, and we should be object lesson on the Mexican border. All our available regular troops (less, I believe than 40,000) are organized in the regular army, and have been insufficient the entire national guard has been ordered out; that is, we are summing practically all our movable military resources in view of the warnings of the past three years, it is inexcusable that we should find ourselves in this plight. 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