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Henry D. Estabrook Flays Wilson-La Follette, Act Urging the Upbuilding of a Merchant Marine in Preference to the Proposed Government Owned Vessels—Strong Plea for Protective Tariff.

Detroit, Mich., Jan. 20.—Henry D. Estabrook of New York, who was the principal speaker at the annual meeting of the Lake Carriers' Association at the Statler Hotel here tonight, denounced the Wilson-La Follette Seamen's Act as the stupidest piece of legislation in the history of the country and demanded its repeal. Mr. Estabrook also urged the upbuilding of a merchant marine and assailed the proposition that the government own merchant vessels.

"Time was," said Mr. Estabrook, "when the American flag covered the seven seas, and the ocean highways, which are always paved and cost nothing for repairs, were as much ours as England's. Now the ship that flies our flag is a lonesome spectacle—an object of derision—and such few ships as we have the Wilson-La Follette Act will soon put out of commission."

**Presidential Candidate.**  
Unusual interest attached to the address by Mr. Estabrook inasmuch as he is being prominently mentioned as a candidate for the Republican nomination for president of the United States. His candidacy is being urged in re-



HENRY D. ESTABROOK.

sponse to a widespread demand for new leadership in the G. O. P. Political developments of the last few weeks all point to the nomination by the Republicans next June at Chicago of a compromise candidate—one who can make a real "Get-Together" appeal to all elements of the party.

Mr. Estabrook occupies a strategic position politically, as is pointed out, for the reason that he is a Western man, although his home is now in New York. He came from Nebraska originally and spent several years in Chicago before moving to New York, where he attained prominence in the practice of law during the last decade. He has been prominently before the public for twenty years, although not as an office seeker, and has never been in any way involved in the factional divisions and quarrels that have proved so disastrous to the Republicans since 1912. His friends argue that any man who voted either for Taft or for Roosevelt four years ago would support Estabrook loyally and enthusiastically, whereas to nominate a candidate who was actively identified with the Taft forces on the one hand or the Roosevelt people on the other would be to invite a repetition of the debacle of 1912.

**A Great Campaigner.**  
Estabrook is one of the greatest campaigners the country has produced. He has made a number of notable addresses in this state, and his speeches in Michigan in support of McKinley in 1896 are still remembered and quoted. In his address tonight Mr. Estabrook also touched upon the tariff problem and anti-business legislation and administration. He is a protectionist of the McKinley school and makes a particularly strong appeal to the American farmer and laborer on this subject.

"The American farmer should not be compelled to sell his products in a free trade market and buy in a protected market, and yet that is just what such legislation as Canadian Reciprocity and the present Democratic Tariff Law compel him to do," said Mr. Estabrook, and again: "From whatsoever angle you approach it, the question works out to the same result; free trade in this country benefits the rich and robs the laborer, and the laborer ought to know it by this time. I do not believe that our normal prosperity will ever be restored until our tariffs are restored or more scientifically graduated."

Mr. Estabrook is being urged by many influential Michigan Republicans to enter the presidential primary in this State. Without doubt he would make a strong bid for the Michigan delegation.

## Outline of Credit System.

While agitation in support of such a system is keen in Ohio and some other states, Michigan's farmers are just beginning to line up in support of it. A bill is under discussion at Washington which provides for a comprehensive farm mortgage credit system under the control and supervision of a land bank board of five members to be appointed by the president with the approval of the senate. Under the plan suggested by the committee having the bill in charge, the country is to be divided into twelve districts, each with a regional bank having a capital stock of five hundred thousand dollars to be issued in shares of ten dollars for purchase by the public. Stock not taken in ninety days by private capital or by local organizations, according to the contemplated bill, will be subscribed by the Federal government. Business would be done directly between the regional banks and local bodies which farmers would be authorized to organize in the form of co-operative farm loan associations or joint stock banks, charter for which would be passed on by the land bank board. Applications for loans approved by the local organization would be recommended to the regional bank of the district.

**Chance for the Farmer.**  
Many of the farmers' organizations could quickly be organized into proper co-operative bodies for the handling of this business and from several sections of the state comes the information that they are already becoming active in support of the plan, for it promises aid to agricultural interests of the state, similar subsidiary methods having been heretofore applied to the advancement of every other enterprise in the state, in some form or other.

First among the Michigan districts to show organized support of the Farm Credit System is the upper section of the lower peninsula. The farmers of Emmet county and adjoining territory have already raised their voice. Concerning the farm credit plan, M. M. Burnham, of Petoskey, one of the leaders on farm development work in that section of the state and an authority on things agricultural, says in the Pellston Journal in substance:

"In this political year some discussion of the farmers' interests in the coming campaign seems in order, to the end that they may not be overlooked in our state and national platforms. It is most certain that other classes will be so engaged in looking after their own special interests that they will give little thought to the unorganized farmers. There are few men who are broad enough in mind and heart to grasp the larger views of human affairs and who rejoice in devoting their efforts to the general good of all. Many Michigan farmers, as the spring approaches, have not sufficient cash to make the best of their opportunities. Many find themselves without funds to make improvements which would add many-fold to their profits, and still others have no what they absolutely require in the way of seed for proper cropping. This does not apply to tenant farmers alone, for many owners forego a season of distress if nothing new is instituted to relieve them and enable them to produce at least the usual crops. Even those who have enough are not prepared for a "rainy day" as it were. Sickness in the family would mean ruin unless they could borrow money on reasonable terms. Invariably the hardest pressed and most needy is driven to seek aid from the private money-lender at high interest rates. Such a hazard means ruin ultimately. These farmers need state aid. They need a system of credit which will extend over a period of long enough time to permit them to get on their feet and to build up their lands to a profit-making basis, and at the same time to be beyond the reach of that type of money-lender who gains riches through the borrower's inability to meet his obligations promptly.

"Every farmer has a right to a hand in political platform making and the selection of the candidates so that their welfare may not be neglected. There are probably many good men in Michigan who are qualified to serve the whole people, but since it is not always the man who seeks office the most industriously that makes the most efficient executive of a state, I am in favor of a strong Farm Credits advocate. In my mind the name of one man looms large in point of public service and constructive administration. While I am not acquainted with the man, nor have I ever seen him, yet for various accounts and reports of quick action and devotion to the service of the people in the relief of the famishing Belgians as chairman of the Michigan Committee for the Relief of Belgium, of the human sympathy shown in leading the movement to furnish labor and food for the thousands of unemployed in Detroit last winter; of the organizing ability shown in helping the beet sugar farmers to put their industry on a profitable basis and place Michigan in the forefront as a sugar producing state; of his efforts to unite capital and labor through profit-sharing partnership methods, which, according to advanced thought is the practical solution of one of the gravest economic problems that confronts the American people; of the constructive genius displayed as president of the Detroit Board of Commerce, recognized to be the most progressive civic institution in the most prosperous city in the United States; of his activities as head of the World Court Peace movement in Michigan. I am led to believe he is the best man to whom we may look for safe leadership and concrete results."

"The European conflict has established the United States in the front rank among the nations of the world. Our obligations to our forefathers and our duty to future generations demand that we assure the leadership. The safety of our institutions and the needs of humanity demand the services of men who bring things to pass, men who have met and who can meet the issues they encounter. Michigan needs such a man as governor, the firm belief that he can and will serve the farmers with the same intelligence and judgment that he has shown in the past, I am in favor of Charles B. Warren for governor of Michigan."

## THE HUMBLE TO BE EXALTED

Philippians 2:1-11—February 15.  
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"For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that ye through His poverty might become rich."—2 Cor. 8:9.

**T**HE Epistle to the Philippians has been styled an epistle of joy—so richly did the Apostle's heart respond to the faithfulness of the brethren at Philippi. He would have them know that he appreciated their love, and that such love should abound toward all. His joy would be filled full in proportion as he could realize that the brethren had the mind of Christ. He exhorted, therefore, that they remember the conditions on which such character could be developed.

Nothing should be done through strife or vain-glory. All their conduct should be marked by lowliness, humility and willingness to discern the good qualities of others—noting wherein others were superior to themselves. They should be ever on the alert to appreciate true quality and character wherever found—looking for noble qualities in others, and generously hoping that these existed even when not discerned, considering the interests of the Lord's cause, and ignoring self-will and pride. They should not look merely at their own interests, but also upon those of others—the rights of others, their ability. This, the Apostle assures us, is a mark of the Holy Spirit.

This mind, this disposition, was fully exemplified in Jesus, declares St. Paul, in His prehuman condition, when in a form of God, a spirit being, Jesus was humble. He did not meditate a usurpation of Divine authority to exalt Himself, as did Satan. He had no thought of robbing the Divine glory and honor by putting Himself upon an equality with God the Father. On the contrary, He had the same spirit then as afterwards, when He said, "Not My will, but Thine, be done"; and again, "My Father is greater than all."—Luke 22:42; John 10:29; 14:28.

The Master always had this disposition of reverence for the Father and of full confidence in Him. Hence, when the time came for the Father to send a Savior into the world, first to redeem it and later on to become its King and Deliverer, the proposal to render this great service to God and to men was proffered to the Logos—"the Only Begotten of the Father"—who promptly accepted it. This involved a great humiliation—a leaving of the dignity of the chiefest place on the spirit plane to become a human being, "the Man Christ Jesus"—not a sinful man, but a perfect one, in the image of God, as was Adam originally.—John 1:14; 1 Timothy 2:5; Heb. 7:26.

"The Man Christ Jesus."  
After Jesus by a change of nature found Himself a man amongst men. He still preserved the same loyalty to the Father. In all His earthly experiences the Master was faithful, loyal to God, loyal to His Covenant, loyal to the principles of righteousness. Of Him it is written, "Thou hast loved righteousness and hated iniquity; therefore God, even Thy God, hath anointed Thee with the oil of gladness above Thy fellows." (Psalm 45:7.) The oil of gladness represented our Lord's holy joy which sustained Him during this period when He made Himself of no reputation and became poor indeed—finally losing even His life—all in loyalty to the Father's will and the Program marked out in the Bible.

His final cry on Calvary was, "It is finished." All that the Father had given Him to do in the way of sacrifice had been accomplished. Then it was the Father's turn to act, to fulfill His good promises to His faithful Son.

The Apostle tells us of this, saying, "Him hath God highly exalted, and given a name which is above every name"—a title, a distinction, a place, above all others.

He was received into glory; and all the angels of God worshiped Him whom the Father had thus exalted to His own right hand, giving Him, in addition to what He had resigned, glory and immortality—the Divine nature.

But still more glory is yet to come to the great Redeemer. Those who crucified Him, yea, all mankind, for whom He tasted death, are yet to be made aware of His great sacrifice on their behalf and of the high exaltation which came to Him as a result. He is to be the world's King of Glory, and is to reign for a thousand years. As Verse 10 declares, eventually every knee shall bow and every tongue acknowledge Him. All others not willing thus to recognize and obey are to be destroyed from amongst the people as "natural brute beasts." (2 Peter 2:12; Jude 10; Acts 3:22.) All this will be directly to the Father's glory; for the entire Plan of Salvation is of the Father and through the Son.—1 Corinthians 8:6.

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State of Michigan, the Circuit Court for the County of Shiawassee, in Chancery.  
Arthur Utter, Complainant,  
vs.  
Elizabeth Utter, Defendant.

Suit pending in the Circuit Court for the County of Shiawassee, in Chancery, at the City of Corunna in said County on the 10th day of January, A. D. 1916.

In this cause it appearing from affidavits on file that the defendant Elizabeth Utter is a resident of this state, that her home was in the City of Grand Rapids, this state, that process for her appearance has been duly issued, to-wit on the 14th day of December 1915; that the same could not be served by reason of her absence from or concealment within this state, or by reason of her continued absence from her place of residence.

On motion of Leon F. Miner complainant's solicitor, it is ordered that the said Defendant, Elizabeth Utter, cause her appearance to be entered herein, within three months from the date of this order and in case of her appearance that she cause her answer to the complainant's bill of complaint to be filed, and a copy thereof to be served on said complainant's solicitor within twenty days after service on her of a copy of said bill and notice of this order; and that in default thereof, said bill be taken as confessed by the said Defendant.

And it is further ordered, that within twenty days the said complainant cause a notice of this order to be published in the Owosso Times a newspaper printed, published and circulating in said county, and that such publication be continued therein at least once in each week for six weeks in succession, or that he cause a copy of this order to be personally served on said defendant at least twenty days before the time above prescribed for her appearance.

SELDEN S. MINER,  
Circuit Judge.

LEON F. MINER,  
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Please state the dates on which the various thirteen original states ratified the constitution.

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