THOUSANDS CHEER WHEN PRESIDENT HINTS THAT HE MAY BE A CANDIDATE

Declares That There May Come a Time When the People Will Have to Judge If He is Right. Calls Republican Party a Back Number-Defends Administration's Mexican Policy. Warns Democrats Not to Break Solidarity of The Party-Expresses Hope That Time May Come When the United States Can Be Instrumental in Restoring Peace.

(By Associated Press.)
INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Jan. 8.—President Wilson in a Jackson Day speech terpreted as a hint that he might be a candidate for the presidency again in 1916. The audience of more than 4,00 people rose to their feet and cheered until the President called for quiet.

The president had been discussing the interest possible opportunity.

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ment and principles of the American people, he added that he would not be fit to stay where he was if he did not understand them.

"There may come a time," he declared, "when the American people will have to judge whether I know what I am talking about or not."

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am talking about or not."

There was a slight pause and then the crowd began cheering. Realizing the construction which had been put on his words, the president held up his mind for silence and said:

"I did not mean to air up anything. That was merely preparatory to saying that at least two more years I am free to think I know the American people."

A Democratic Year. Previously the president had at-tacked the Republican party, defend-ed the record of his administration on the Mexican policy, the tariff, and cur-rency, and declared that a careful examination of the returns from the the Mexican policy, the tariff, and currency, and declared that a careful to say that I draw more inspiration to say that I draw more inspiration from you than I do from them. Should Think of Home.

"They, like myself, are only servants of the people of the United States. Our sinews consist in your sympathy and support, and our renewal comes from contact with you and with the strong measurement.

Act. Wilson gravely spoke warning to Dettoesats not to break up the solidarity of the party. He declared those who did would gain an unantable healther for themselves.

Taggart, he left at 6:45 for Washing-

A federal employment bureau and ed by the president were the two questions taken up in his address. It was understood tonight that he would

al thousand persons. When he reach-ed his private car afterwards he was tired out. He confided to friends that he was greatly pleased with his reception. The president plans to take up the same subjects he discussed today in the series of speeches he will make on his return trip from San Francisco in the spring.

President's Speech.

The president said in part:
"Governor Ralston, Ladies and Gentlemen: You have given me a most royai welcome, for which I thank you from the bottom of my heart. It is rather lonely living in Washington. I have been confined for two years at hard labor and even now I feel that I am simply out on parole. You notice that one of the most distinguished members of the United States senate is here to see that I go back. And yet with sincere apologies to the senate and house of representatives I want

People Want Ship Bill.

The president criticised Republican senators opposing the government ship purchase bill, whom he characterized will strong movements of public opinion in this country. That is the reason why is the reason who is country. That is the reason why is the said the Republican party has not had a new idea in 30 years, and that "the said the Republican party has not had a new idea in 30 years, and that "the the publicans do not know how to do anything but sit on the lid." He added that the country wants the ship burchase bill enacted into law and "will have it."

Subtain of the Team. ed gentleman of my acquaintance and beg that you will keep your moral

owder dry.

Jackson Was a Forthright Man.

"But I have come here on Jackson those who did would gain an unan-viable position for themselves.

"If a man won't play on a team he must get off the team," he said, and later spoke of himself as the "captain of the Democratic team for the pres-ent."

Day. If there are Republicans pres-ent I hope they will feel the compelling influences of such a day. There was nothing mild about Andrew Jackson; that is the reason I spoke of the 'com-pelling influences of the day.' Andrew Jackson was a forthright man who be-

publican party. I do not have to prove Progressives at Home in Democratic Ranks.

The president went on to say that there are more progressives in the Democratic party than there are in the Republican party and that, therefore, the independent voter finds a great deal more company in the Democratic ranks than in the Republican ranks.
"I say a great deal more," he added,
"because there are Democrats who
are sitting on the breeching-strap; there are Democrats who are holding back; there are Democrats who are nervous. I dare say they were born with that temperament. And I respect the conservative temper. I claim to be an animated conservative myself." . . "All the forces of America are forces in action or else they were

rces of inertion."
"What I want to point out to you, and I believe that this is what the whole country is beginning to perceive is this, that there is a larger body of men in the regular ranks of ranks of the Republican party. How-can you be otherwise, gentlemen? The Democratic party and only the Demo-cratic party, has carried out the policies which the progressive people this country have desired. There not a single great act of this present great congress which has not been carried out in obedience to the public

opinion of America. First January Without Money String-

"Let me instance a single thing: 1 want to ask the business men here present if this is not the first January in their recollection that did not bring money stringency for the time being, because of the necessity of paying out great sums of money by way of dividends and other settlements which asked the bankers if that happened this year, and they say, 'No, it did not happen; it could not happen under the coderal reserve act. We have emancipated the credits of this country. "I have taken a long time, ladies and gentlemen, to select the federal

choose men and be sure that I had chosen men who would be really ser-viceable to the business men of this country, great as well as small, the rank and the file. These things have been done and will never be undone. They were talked about and talked about with futility until a Democratic congress attempted and achieved

Democrats Still on Trial.

"But the Democratic party is not to suppose that it is done with the busi-ness. The Democratic party is still ness. The Democratic party is still on trial. . . . This country is not going to use any party that can not do continuous and consistent team work. If any group of men should dare to break the solidarity of the Democratic team for any purpose or from any motive, theirs will be a most unenviable notoriety and a responsibility which will bring deep bitter-ness to them. The only party that is serviceable to a nation is a party that can hold absolutely together and march with the discipline and with the zest of a conquering host.

"I am not saying these things be-cause I doubt that the Democratic party will be able to do these things, but because I believe that as leader for the time being of that party I can promise the country that it will do these things.

Compliments Indiana Senators.

ness. I challenge them to show their and into all those questions of forrights to stand in the way of the re-lease of American products to the rest of the world. Who commissioned them, a minority, a lessening minority? . . . Their credentials as friends of business and friends of America will be badly discredited if

they succeed. Voice of America Should be Under-

"If I were speaking from a selfish partisan point of view, I could wish nothing better than that they could show their true colors as partisans and succeed. But I am not quite so malevolent as that. . . . I would rather pray for them than abuse them. But the great voice of America ought to make them understand what they and they are seeing to it that the Jack-

et is not only kept tight, but is rivet-

to serve business in this country, and its future program is a program of the Democratic party who believe in the progressives policies of our day and mean to see them carried forward and perpetuated than there is in the stopped and an economic control was to do the country harm shall be stopped and an economic control which was intolerable shall be brok-en up. We have emancipated America, but America must do something

with her freedom. Great Bills Pending.

"There are great bills pending in the United States senate just now that have been passed by the house of representatives, which are intended as constructive measures in behalf of business-one great measure which will make available the enor-mous water powers of this country for the industry of it; another bill which will unlock the resources of the public domain which the Republi-cans desire to have locked up so that

great conservation bill is to carry out for the first time in the history of the United States a system by which the great resources of this country can be used instead of being set aside so that no man can get at them. I shall watch with a great deal of business try to do to those bills.

"Do not misunderstand me. There are some men on that side of the these things and are standing valiantly by them, but they are a small minority. The majority that is standing by them is on our side of the cham-ber and they are the friends of Amer-

Should Help Working Men.

"But there are other things which we have to do. Sometimes when I look abroad, my friends, and see the great mass of struggling humanity on this continent, it goes very much to my heart to see how many men are at a disadvantage and are without guides and helpers. Don't you think it would be a pretty good idea for the Democratic party to undertake a systematic method of helping the systematic method of helping the working men of America? There is a very simple way in which they can help the working men. If you were simply to establish a great federal employment bureau it would do a vast deal; by the federal agencies which spread over this country men could be directed to those ports of the country, to those undertakings, to those tasks, where they could find profitable employment. The labor of this country needs to be guided from opportunity to opportunity. We proved portunity to opportunity. We proved it the other day. "We were told that in two States in

the union 30,000 men were needed to gather the crops. We suggested in a cabinet meeting that the department goes while I am president, nobody

particle of the first of the press.

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eign combinations which affect inter-national trade between Europe and the United States. It has the full pow-ers which will guide congress in the scientific treatment of questions of international trade. .

Democrats Are Acting.
"At every turn the things that the progressive Republicans have proposed that were practicable, the Democrats either have done or are immedlately proposing to do. If that is not our bill of particulars to satisfy the independent voters of the country, I would like to have one produced. would like to have one produced. There are things that the progressive program contained which we, being constitutional lawyers, happened to know can not be done by the congress of the United State. . . . But so far as they cancan be done by State legislatures, I for one, speaking for one Democrat, am heartly in favor of their being done. . . ."

The president said that just before he left Washington he went over the figures from the last election and that, while these figures are as yet incomplete, they show that the Democrats, reckoning State by State, would, if it had been a presidential year, have had a majority of 80 in the electoral col-

"Fortunately or unfortunately, this is not a presidential year; but the thing is significant to me for this rea-

Independent Voter the Boss.

"A great many people have been speaking of the Democratic party as speaking of the Democratic party as a minority party. Well, if it is, it is not so much of a minority party as the Benublican, and as between the the Republican, and as between the minorities I think we can claim to belong to the larger minority. The moral of that is merely what I have already been pointing out to you, that neither party in its regular membership has a majority. Ido not want to make the independent voter too proud of himself, but I have got to admit that he is our boss; and I am bound to admit that the things that he wants are, so far as I have seen them mentioned, things that I want.
"I am not an independent voter, but

hope I can claim to be an independnt person, and I want to say this distinctly, I do not love any party any than it continues to serve the immediate and pressing needs

voter in this country a Democrat. It is a little cold and lonely out where he is, because though he hold the balance of power, he is not the majority, and I want him to come in where it is warm.

The Mexican Situation.

"Now there is one thing I have got a great enthusiasm about, I might say a reckless enthusiasm, and that is human liberty. The governor has just now spoken about watchful waiting in Mexico. I want to say a word about Mexico, or not so much about Mexico as about our attitude towards Mexi-co. I hold it as a fundamental principle, and so do you, that every pco-ple has the right to determine its they go about the business. The country is theirs. The government is theirs. The liberty, if they can get it,

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Business Conditions. "I have been talking with business

business except a state of mind.

Commenting upon the motto of the Commenting upon the motio of the Indianapolis chamber of commerce, "Think of the dame-virushit destruction or commerce, "Think of the dame-virushit destruction or commerce it too or co now is to believe in that future. He said that he could assure his hearers

"We are so much the friends of business that we were for a little time the
enemies of those who were trying to
control business. I say for a little
time because we are now reconciled
time because we are now reconciled
They have graciously admitThey have graciously admitThey have graciously admitto them. They have graciously admit-ted that we had a right to do what we did do, and they have very handsomely said that they were going to play the game.

"I believe, I always believed, that American business men were absolutely sound at heart, but men immersed in business do a lot of things that opportunity offers to do which in other circumstances they would not do; and I have thought all along that all that

world will sometime turn to America and say: 'You were right and we were wrong. You kept your heads when we lost ours. You tried to keep the "I have been talking with business men recently about the present state of mind of American business. There is nothing the matter with American sier in the content of the your self possessis nothing the matter with American sier in the content of strength, thay we set form to you for counsel and for ascistance? "Think of the deep-we will destruc-

the time when we shall be called bless-ed among the nations, because we succored the nations of the world in

as one of those who spoke for the Democratic party that it is perfectly safe to believe in the future.

"We are so much the friends of business that we were for a little time the casilation of character, and I know the soil lity of character, and I know the nemies of those who were trying to ca, who try to serve her people, are likely to be also what America herself from the first intended to be, the servant of mankind."

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