

President Roosevelt Denounces Criticism of Public Officials.

Washington, April 16. — President Roosevelt, in his speech at the laying of the corner-stone of the office building for the house of representatives, added another number to his program of reforms by advocating the imposition of a federal inheritance tax on "swollen fortunes."

Over a century ago Washington laid the corner stone of the Capitol in what was then little more than a tract of wooded wilderness here beside the Potomac. We now find it necessary to provide by great additional buildings for the business of the government.

In Bunyan's Pilgrim Progress you may recall the description of the man with the muck-rake, the man who could look no way but downward, who muck-raked in his hand, who was offered a celestial crown for his muck-rake, but who would neither look up nor regard the crown himself the first of the floor.

Liar No Better Than Thief.

They are in the body politic, economic and social, man and evil, and there is urgent necessity for the sternest war upon them. There should be relentless exposure of and attack upon every evil man, whether politician or business man, every evil practice, whether in politics, in business or in social life.

Now, it is easy to twist out of shape what I have just said, easy to affect to misunderstand it, and if it is slurred over in repetition, not difficult really to misunderstand it. Some persons are sincerely incapable of understanding that to denounce mud-slinging does not mean the endorsement of whitewashing; and both the interested individuals who need whitewashing, and those others who practice mud-slinging, like to encourage such confusion of ideas.

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At the risk of repetition, let me say again that my plea is, not for immunity to, but for the most unsparing exposure of the politician who betrays his trust, of the big business man who makes a fortune in illegitimate or corrupt ways.

At this moment we are passing through a period of great unrest—social, political and industrial unrest. It is of the utmost importance for our future that this should prove to be not the unrest of mere rebelliousness against life, of mere dissatisfaction with the inevitable inequality of conditions, but the unrest of a resolute and eager ambition to secure the betterment of the individual and the nation.

So far as this movement of agitation throughout the country takes the form of a fierce discontent with evil, of a determination to punish the authors of evil, whether in industry or politics, the feeling is to be heartily welcomed as a sign of healthy life.

It is a prime necessity that if the present unrest is to result in permanent good the emotion shall be translated into action, and that the action shall be marked by honesty, sanity and self-restraint.

There is mighty little good in a mere spasm of reform. The reform that counts is that which comes through steady, continuous growth; violent emotionalism leads to exhaustion.

Advocates Inheritance Tax.

It is important to this people to grapple with the problems connected with the amassing of enormous fortunes, and the use of those fortunes, both corporate and individual, in business. We should discriminate in the sharpest way between fortunes well won and fortunes ill won; between those gained in an incident to performing great services to the community as a whole, and those gained in evil fashion by keeping just within the limits of mere law honesty.

Again, the national government must in some form exercise supervision over corporations engaged in interstate business—and all large corporations are engaged in interstate business—whether by license or otherwise, so as to permit us to deal with the far-reaching evils of over-capitalization.

The first requisite in the public servants who are to deal in this shape with corporations, whether as legislators or as executives, is honesty. This honesty can be no respecter of persons. There can be no such thing as unilateral honesty.

The men of wealth who today are trying to prevent the regulation and control of their business in the interest of the public by the proper government authorities will not succeed, in my judgment, in checking the progress of the movement. But if they did succeed they would find that they had sown the wind and would surely reap the whirlwind.

On the other hand, the wild preachers of unrest and discontent, the wild agitators against the entire existing order, the men who act crookedly, whether because of sinister design or from mere puzze-headedness, the men who preach destruction without proposing any substitute for what they intend to destroy, or who propose a substitute which would be far worse than the existing evils—all these men are the most dangerous opponents of reform.

ERRATIC ENGINES.

Locomotives That Act as Though They Were Bewitched.

You never see a ship launched on a Friday, and similarly a new locomotive hardly ever makes a trial trip on that day or on the 13th of the month. Even though the superintendent may jinx the superstition, yet he knows too well to set it at naught, for just as sailors consider that some ships are unlucky so do train hands credit certain locomotives with a sort of demoniacal possession.

It is certainly very strange the difference that may be observed between two locomotives built from the same plans, at the same time, of similar material. One goes on her way quietly and smoothly, never breaks down, costs little or nothing for repairs. The other causes trouble from the very first, runs off the line, kills the passengers, and generally acts as though possessed by some evil spirit.

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VESUVIUS SUBSIDES

Troops Recovering the Dead From Zone of Devastation.

Naples, April 15.—The somewhat threatening condition of Mount Vesuvius Saturday night, having subsided with the ejection of enormous clouds of sand and ashes, the elements have begun to settle slowly, again enveloping the mountain in a thick haze and cutting off the view from Naples, only the outline of the base being visible.

The gravity of the situation has now shifted to Ottajano and San Giuseppe, where the recovery of the dead from the debris goes on amid the misery of thousands of homeless refugees.

A sensational development occurred during the work of salvage at Ottajano, when the searchers unearthed two aged women, still alive but speechless, after six days entombment. They were among the hundreds who were crushed beneath the falling walls during the rain of stones and ashes last Sunday and Monday.

Eight Typhoid in Sick Room. Harrisburg, Pa., April 17. — Dr. Samuel G. Dixon, state health commissioner, impressed with the gravity of the typhoid fever situation in Pittsburg, addressed a letter to the boards of health in all towns along the Allegheny river above the intake of the Pittsburg water system which pour their sewage into the water the Pittsburg people drink.

Girl Drowned While Canoeing. Washington, April 14.—Erlie Wood, 25 years of age, was drowned in the Potomac river while canoeing with G. R. Frey, an 18-year-old student at the Georgetown University, their boat having been overturned by the swell of a passing tugboat.

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