ANGEL ATTACKS SMITH CAMPAIGN

Yale President Accuses Democrats of Appeal to Prejudice in Bigotry and Wet Issues.

CONTRASTS HOOVER STAND

He Charges Eleventh Hour Effort to Stampede Voters by "Lashing Feelings Into Fury."

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Nov. 3— Sharp criticism of the "atrocious" appeal of Governor Smith to prejudice, "consistently and increasingly playing up religious intolerance, hoping to stoke the flames and lash into a fury just before election day," was voiced by President James Rowland Angell of Yale University in a statement today.

"Any material item on which the people are asked to approve must be based on thorough study of all the facts and not upon the easy, oft-repeated suggestions of any one man," he said, in urging upon voters the need to be guided by the "real" issues of the campaign rather than those which have been "inserted" by orators.

Declaring that when the nominations were made he felt that both candidates measured up to the traditions and requirements of the republ- ian party, but that since then he had altered his views, he charged that Governor Smith had used his campaign, especially toward the end, to appeal to the party faithful and the true Tammany resort to inventive "tricks." The many apparent discrepancies and with the same disregard of inaccuracy in statement and fairness to opponents which betrays the imperfect politician, but which cannot be said for the loyal public in the abiding confidence of thoughtful and clear-thinking people.

This reflects the contrast afforded by Mr. Hoover's campaign methods and the arts of the orators added.

Accusing the Democratic leaders of "fearful, with besetting distrust of the issues of religious intolerance and prohibition, "nether of which is actually involved in the elections," Dr. Angell continued:

"No one resents more than I do the un-American appeal to religious bigotry, and both Mr. Hoover and Mr. Smith have stated in the most distinctness that they desire no votes which are cast on that score.

But the Democratic orators, in this part of the country at least, are consistently and increasingly playing up religious intolerance, hoping to stoke the flames into a fury just before election day, or in the interest of both the fair-minded non-Catholic voters, who is indignant that the Democratic candidate should suffer for his religious convictions, and also the good Roman Catholic citizen's loyalty to his Church is stirred by these alleged attacks upon it.

In all fairness that if men are to be told they must not vote against Smith on religious grounds, it is only fair and equally outspoken and consistent that they must not vote for him on that account. But of such advice from Democratic orators we have heard nothing.

I shall be greatly surprised if for every vote cast against Smith on this ground there be not at least one, and possibly two, cast for him.

It is an unhappy and unfair thing to inject into the campaign, but it is grossly unfair that it should be employed for the benefit of one candidate when the other has done all that any honest man can to dissociate himself from it.

Furthermore, it is atrocious that, as a desperate, eleventh-hour review for gathering votes, deep religious hatreds should be fomented by respon- sible leaders, as is now being done by many Democratic speakers—hatreds that will inevitably smolder and menace the friendly relations of our people to one another and ultimately poison the very springs of our national loyalty.

Agreeing with Charles E. Hughes that Governor Smith's anti-prohibition campaign is a "sham battle," Dr. Angell declared that though with Governor Smith elected liquor might be "cheaper, better and easier to obtain," it would not be secured more legally than at present because the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment in any near future was "literally impossible" and no modification of the Volstead act was possible.

The election of an "active enemy" of the dry law, he further contended, would result in an "intolerable exaggeration of the present enforcement difficulties" and the corruption which has heretofore sprung would be as mere child's play to that which would inevitably ensue.

"Even the most violent enemies of prohibition may well bear this consider- ation in mind before they cast their ballot for Smith," Dr. Angell said, "whether to represent emotions over the invasion of personal liberty, or as a means of start- ing an organized movement for the repeal of the Eighteenth Amend- ment."