DOMINIONS IGNORED

GEN. SMUTS ASSERTS BASIC REALITY OF BRITISH COMMONWEALTH

A Reuter message from Pretoria a long statement in connection with his recent speech on Dominion status at the Commercial Congress banquet at Pretoria, owing to some misunderstanding both of his atti-tude and the constitutional point

tude and the constitutional point which has been raised.

"Dominion status," he says, "is a matter which is not only fundamental for the present critical Irish negotiations but also for the future peace and welfare of the whole British Empire. It was with the larger point of view, and that only, I was concerned in making my original statement."

To make the position of Dominion status clear, General Smuts declares that it is necessary to compare

that it is necessary to compare what happened at the Peace Con-ference with what is now happening ference with what is now happening in connection with the Disarmament Conference. At Paris the Dominions had all the advantages of recognized individual status and of consultation and mutual support. "In the British Empire Delegation," he adds, "our individual standing was unquestioned, while our team work made us a really effective force. This is a great precedent, which has settled our international status and which I feel should be followed in future. "But now, at the first great

feel should be followed in future.

"But now, at the first great international Conference called after Paris, the Dominions, despite the Pacific position of three of them, have been simply ignored. At Washington there will only be the British delegation, in which the Dominions as such will not be found. Hence the Empire will not be represented there in its full authority as a group of States, and the full weight of the Empire will not be exerted."

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After denying the remarks that he desires to play a "lone hand," General Smuts-declares: "I want the Paris precedent to be followed at Washington and at every subsequent conference. I want the British Empire represented through its constituent and equal States: there is no other way of

States; there is no other way of giving it representation."

General Smuts says that he does not intend to strike a jarring note, but merely to stand up for that Dominion status "which to me and I feel sure, to the nations of the Dominions is the reality and the basic constitutional reality of our free Imperial Commonwealth."

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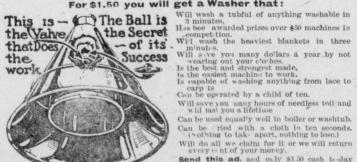
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"If we are to build up a self-sustaining agriculture here at home, the farmer must be protected from unfair competition from those countries where agriculture is still being exploited."-President Harding. The very spot chosen to deliver this speech-Minnesota-shows that Harding had the Canadian North-

W HILE ties of friendship unite Canada and the United States, the attitude of Uncle Sam is that of "Business First", and Canada cannot and should not be a state of the control of the con is that of "Business First", and Canada cannot and should not hope for any considera-tion from the United States where the interests of the farmers and business people

of that country are involved. Uncle Sam has built the Fordney Tariff directly against Canadian agriculture, and new additional Tariff proposals are now under consideration to shut out from the United States Canadian goods of every kind.

These measures are due to the insistence of the American farmer that the United States market shall be retained exclusively for him and that the influx of Canadian farm products into that country must cease. They are also due to a like insistence of United States manufacturers and workers, who have seen their country develop tremendously and grow rich under a Protective Tariff, and who believe that a still further increase in Tariff is the only means of assuring continued presperity. assuring continued prosperity.

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