WILSON ASKS ACTION ON RAILROAD LAWS

President in Address Puts Completion of Labor Legislation to Front.

PROGRAMME IS OUTLINED

Power Commerce Commission to Advance Rates to Meet Wage Requirements Regarded as Indisputably Clear.

POINTS IN PRESIDENT'S AD-DRESS TO CONGRESS.

Early consideration urged of remaining measures of "settle-ment and regulation" of difficul-ties between railroads and broth-

Increase of Interstate Com-merce Commission's membership, provision for public investigation and assessment of industrial dis-putes and grant of power to President to control railroads in National emergency again to National emergency again to-

Senate urged to act on follow-ng measures, which have passed Foreign trade combinations. Greater freedom for Porto Ri-

Corrupt practices act.
Attention of Congress called to necessity for vocational educa-

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5 .- The text of President Wilson's address to Con-

"Gentlemen of the Congress-In fulfilling at this time the duty laid upor me by the Constitution of communicat ing to you from time to time information of the state of the Union and rec ommending to your consideration such legislative measures as may be judged necessary and expedient, I shall continue the practice, which I hope has been acceptable to you, of leaving to the reports of the several heads of the executive departments the elaboration of the detailed needs of the public serv-ice and confine myself to those matters of more general public policy with which it seems necessary and feasible

to deal at the present session of the Congress. "I realize the limitations of time under which you will necessarily act at this session and shall make my sug-gestions as few as possible; but there were some things left undone at the last session which there will now be time to complete and which it seems cessary in the interest of the public

Railway Labor Legislation Urged.

"In the first place, it seems to me imperatively necessary that the earliest possible consideration and action should be accorded the remaining measures of the programme of settlement and regulation which I had occasion to recommend to you at the close of your last session in view of the pub-

"I then recommended:
"First, immediate provision for the enlargement and administrative reorganization of the Interstate Commerce Commission along the lines embodied principle that the concerted action of of Representatives and now awaiting action by the Senate, in order that the Commission may be enabled to deal with the many great and various duties tunity to acquaint itself with the merits

action, practically impossible.

"Second, the establishment of an eight-hour day as the legal basis alike of work and of wages in the employment of all railway employes who are actually engaged in the work of operating trains in interstate transportation.

"Third, the authorization of the ap-pointment by the President of a small body of men to observe the actual re-sults in experience of the adoption of the eight-hour day in railway trans-portation alike for the men and for the

"Fourth, explicit approval by the Congress of the consideration by the Interstate Commerce Commission of an increase of freight rates to meet such additional expenditures by the rail-roads as may have been rendered necessary by the adoption of the eight-hour day and which have not been off-set by administrative readjustments and economies, should the facts disclosed justify the increase.

Compulsory Investigation Advocated. "Fifth, an amendment of the existing Federal statute which provides for the mediation, conciliation and arbitra-tion of such controversies as the pres-ent by adding to it a provision that, in case the methods of accommodation now provided for should fall, a full public investigation of the merits of every such dispute shall be instituted

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than the immediate enactment of the other measures to which I refer; because at least two years will elapse be fore another election in which Federal offices are to be filled; but it would greatly relieve the public mind if this important matter were dealt with while the circumstances and the dangers to the public morals of the present method this formula, and hand it to them, and you will have been the means of saving some your afferer perhaps from total deafness. Recent experiments have proved conclusively that Catarrhal Deafness, head noises.

Recent experiments have proved conclusively that Catarrhal Deafness, head noises, etc. were the direct cause of constitutional disease, and that salves, sprays, inhalers. etc., were the direct cause of constitutional disease, and that salves, sprays, inhalers, etc., merely temporize with the complaint and seidem, if ever, effect a permanent cure. This being so, much time and money has been spent of late by a noted specialist in perfecting a pure, gentle, yet effective tonic that would quickly dispel all traces of the catarrhal poison from the system. The effective prescription which was eventually fective prescription which was eventually formulated, and which has aroused the belief that deafness will soon be extinct, is given below in understandable form, so that anyone can treat themselves in their own because with a constant of the contract of

home at little expense home at little expense.
Secure from Your druggist 1 oz Parmint
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this home and add to it 14 pint of hot water
and 4 oz. of granulated sugar; stir until
dissolved. Take one tablespeonful four

insolved. Take one tablespoonful four insection. The first dose should begin to relieve the istressing head noises, headache, duliness, loudy thaking, etc., while the hearing rapidly returns as the system is invigorated by the tonic action of the treatment. Loss of mell and mucus dropping in the back of sile are often entirely overcome by this effications treatment. Nearly innest per cent of all ear troubles are directly caused by catarrh therefore, there must be many people whose hearing can be restored by this simple home treatment.

Every person who is troubled with head noises, catarrhal deafness, or catarrh in any form, should give this prescription a trial.

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and completed before a strike or lockout may lawfully be attempted.
"And, sixth, the lodgement in the
hands of the Executive of the power,
in case of military necessity, to take
control of such portlons and such rolling stock of the railways of the country as may be required for military use
and to operate them for military purposes, with authority to draft into the
military service of the United States
such train crews and administrative officials as the circumstances require for

ficials as the circumstances require for their safe and efficient use. "The second and third of these rec-ommendations the Congress immediate-The second and third of these recommendations the Congress immediately acted on; it established the eighthour day as the legal basis of work and wages in train service and it authorized the appointment of a commission to observe and report upon the practical results, deeming these the measures most immediately needed; but it postponed action upon the other suggestions until an opportunity should be offered for a more deliberate consideration of them. The fourth recommendation I do not deem it necessary to renew. The power of the Interstate Commerce Commission to grant an increase of rates on the ground referred to is indisputably clear and a recommendation by the Congress with regard to such a matter might seem to draw in question the scope of the Commission's authority or its inclination to do justice when there is no reason to doubt either.

Other Recommendations Renewed.

"The other suggestions—the increase n the Interstate Commerce Commismembership and in its failities for performing its manifold duies, the provision for full public inestigation and assessment of indusperate the railways when necessary n time of war or other public neces-ity—I now very earnestly renew. "The necessity for such legislation

s manifest and pressing. Those who have entrusted us with the responsi-bility and duty of serving and saferuarding them in such matters would ind it hard, I believe, to excuse a fail-are to act upon these grave matters r any unnecessaray postponement of

ction upon them.
"Not only does the Interstate Com-"Not only does the Interstate Com-merce Commission now find it practi-cally impossible, with its present mem-bership and organization, to perform its great functions promptly and thoroughly, but it is not unlikely that it may presently be found advisable to add to its duties still others equally heavy and exacting. It must first be perfected as an administrative instru-

The country cannot and should not "The country cannot and should not consent to remain any longer exposed to profound industrial disturbances for lack of additional means of arbitration and concillation which the Congress can easily and promptly supply. And all will agree that there must be no doubt as to the power of the Executive to make immediate and unintermatical transfer of the supplementation. rupted use of the railroads for the con-centration of the military forces of the Nation wherever they are needed and

Nation wherever they are needed and whenever they are needed.

"This is a programme of regulation, prevention and administrative efficiency which argues its own case in the mere statement of it. With regard to one of its items, the increase in the efficiency of the Interstate Commerce Commission, the House of Representatives has already acted; its action preeds only the computatives of the needs only the concurrence of the

Industrial Process Must Not Stop. "I would hesitate to recommend, and dare say the Congress would hesitate to act upon the suggestion should I to act upon the suggestion should I make it, that any man in any occupation should be obliged by law to continue in any employment which he desired to leave. To pass a law which forbade or prevented the individual workman to leave his work before receiving the approval of society in doing so would be to adopt a new principle into our jurisprudence which I take it for granted we are not precasion to recommend to you at the close of your last session in view of the public dangers disclosed by the unaccommodated difficulties which then existed and which still unhappily continue to exist, between the railroads of the country and their locomotive engineers, conductors and trainmen.

"I then recommended:

powerful bodies of men shall not be permitted to stop the industrial procnow devolving upon it with a prompt-ness and thoroughness which are, with its present constitution and means of action, practically impossible.

of the case as between employe and employer, time to form its opinion upon an impartial statement of the merits, and opportunity to consider all practicable means of conciliation or arbitration. I can see nothing in that proposition but the justifiable safe-guarding by society of the necessary processes of its very life. There is nothing arbitrary or unjust in it un-less it be arbitrarily and unjustly done. It can and should be done with a full and scrupulous regard for the interests and liberties of all concerned as well as for the permanent interests of so clety itself.

> Three Important Bills Awalt Senate. "Three matters of capital importance await the action of the Senate which have already been acted upon by the House of Representatives: The bill which seeks to extend greater freedom of combination to those engaged in promoting the foreign commerce of the

promoting the foreign commerce of the country than is now thought by some to be legal under the terms of the laws against monopoly; the bill amending the present organic law of Porto Rico; and the bill proposing a more thorough and systematic regulation of the expenditure of money in elections, commonly called the corrupt practices act. I need not labor my advice that these measures be enacted into law. Their urgency lies in the manifest circumstances which render their adoption at this time not only opportune but necessary. Even delay would seriously jeopard the interests of the country and of the Government.

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"Immediate passage of the bill to regulate the expenditure of money in elections may seem to be less necessary than the immediate enactment of the

can be frankly studied in the light of present experience; and a delay would have the further very serious disadvantage of postponing action until another election was at hand and some special object connected with it might be thought to be in the mind of those who urged it. Action can be taken now with facts for guidance and without suspicion of partisan purpose.

"I shall not argue at length the desirability of giving a freer hand in the matter of combined and concerted effort to those who shall undertake the essential enterprise of building up

effort to those who shall undertake the essential enterprise of building up our export trade. That enterprise will presently, will immediately assume, has indeed already assumed, a magnitude unprecedented in our experience. We have not the necessary instrumentali-ties for its prosecution; it is deemed to be doubtful whether they could be created upon an adequate scale under

Overtures for Complete Reunion of Party Forces Are Made to Republicans.

VOICE IN AFFAIRS ASKED

Permanent Progressive Advance Through Democratic Party Is Declared Impossible-First Step Is Outlined.

CHICAGO, Dec. 5 .- Overtures to the Republicans for a voice in the management of party affairs in return for Progressive support were made today in a statement which followed a conference of C. H. Rowell, of California; trial disputes, and the grant to the Gifford Pinchot, Raymond Robins. Executive of the power to control and James R. Garfield, William A. White Gifford and Harold L. Ickes.

> Permanent progressive hrough the Democratic party is imossible, the statement says, in anouncing that a National conference of Progressives and Progressive-Republicans is to be called within four months in the hope of bringing about re-organization of the Republican party. The first step toward providing Progressive representation in the party, it was suggested, could best be brought bout by giving the present Republican ampaign committee the functions of

the executive committee. the executive committee.

"The result of the election has shown that the only hope of victory for any political party in America lies in securing and retaining the support of the Progressive voters," the statement says.

"In spite of certain Progressive achievements, the merit of which we do not question, it is clear to us that permanent progressive advance through the Demogratic party is impossible.

the Democratic party is impossible. "We welcome the enactment of Progressive measures by any party. we are firm in the conviction that in the existing two-party system con-structive progressivism may best be achieved through the Republican party. But to gain either of these ends, the Republican party must be thoroughly Progressivized in organization, leader-ship and principles. ship and principles.

Conference to Be Called.

"We propose to join with other Progressives in calling a National confer ence of Progressives and Progressive Republicans to be held during the next four months. Such a conference might well take steps toward reformulating

Progressive principles and considering how to put them into effect. "An immediate practical step toward Progressive representation would be to give the present campaign committee in the party organization the functions of the executive committee of the party. This committee consists of 10 regular Republicans and six former Progressives. This would give the Pro-gressives votes as well as voices in the party council. A demand from the proposed conference for such represenproposed conference for such represen-tation in the Republican organization could not be ignored by any who are seriously desirous of party success and nothing less than this could be accept-ed as a first step toward securing the confidence of the Progressive voters of the country. the country.

Progressives Not Penitents. "We believe the Republican party can get the Progressive votes and the Progressive voters through the Republican party can best secure the meas-ures of political reform and social jus-tice to which they are devoted. But to obtain this, there must be some guar antee that Progressive support before election will insure Progressive influ-

lican policies after election.
"The Progressives are not suppliants nor penitents. They are American citizens seeking justice and are ready to fight for it. The only harmony that is desirable or possible is the harmony of justice."

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MINT FACING SUSPENSION Relief by Congress for Philadelphia Plant Is Asked.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—The Phila-delphia mint will be forced to suspend coinage at the busiest period of the year unless Congress provides imme-diate relief. Acting Secretary Newton of the Treasury Department, so advised f the Treasury Department, so advised longress today and submitted a deficy estimate.

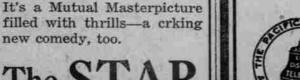
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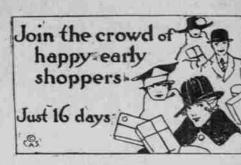


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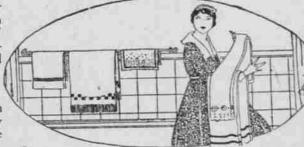
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