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ONE YEAR OF WILSON

Yesterday, March 4, President Wilson entered into the second year of his administration. That this first year has been one of accomplishment of things promised the people during his campaign in a degree unsurpassed by any of his predecessors, all admit. It is, also true, that no president since the days of Lincoln, has wielded so large influence over congress for good, as he.

In the presidential campaign of 1908, as in the campaign of four years ago, the tariff was the paramount question. At that time both political parties promised tariff revision. The people, not yet having lost faith in the republican party and having faith in the promises of Mr. Taft that the tariff would be reduced, placed him in the White House. Mr. Taft, evidently, was honest in his intentions to make the promises made by himself and party good. He convened congress in special session, at once, for this purpose. After some four months of wrangling, a new tariff law was enacted. President Taft signed the bill and pronounced it the best tariff law ever enacted by the republican party. But when the tariff schedules went into effect, the average duty on importations proved the highest in the history of our government.

The people felt and knew that they were the victims of the most colossal bunco game of the age. The doom of the republican party was sealed as a result. Two years later the lower House of congress was turned over to the democrats and in four years both branches of congress and the presidency became democratic. Even a large majority of the republican party revolted against Taftism and the people allowed but two small states to cast their electoral vote for him, for they looked upon him as the chief bunco artist.

One of President Wilson's first official acts was to convene congress in special session which proved to be the longest special session in the history of the government. Congress was convened, primarily, to revise the tariff and no other question of importance was entertained by that body until the tariff was disposed of. When the schedules were published, the people found that many articles which were considered necessities were placed upon the free list and an average reduction of 50 percent on protected articles. Then congress tackled the currency and banking laws. The result of the deliberations is the best currency and banking system in the world, so pronounced by bankers and financiers generally.

These two principal laws are the fruits of the first year of Woodrow Wilson. That these measures have been productive of only good to the business world, is evidenced by the confidence and cheerfulness of the business interests in general.

That the promise to regulate

trusts and to provide for rural credits, yet to be fulfilled, will be made good, the people have every confidence. Right at this time, no other president in the history of our government, has so completely established himself in the confidence of the masses of the people and, the prospect is, this confidence will continue to the end of his term of office.

The only discordant feature, so far, in Mr. Wilson's conduct of the government, is his Mexican policy. A great many of the people and members of his party as well, believe the time has fully arrived when more drastic treatment than the mere bombardment with diplomatic notes, is due. Yet, as President Wilson and Secretary Bryan are in possession of all the facts relative to the trouble and, probably, know which is the best course for the government to pursue in the matter, the people are awaiting with confidence for the president and congress to guide us aright. This we know, however, that when the United States does intervene, which seems a surety for the near future, the intervention will be most vigorous, with the full force of the government employed to make short work of the affair. There is no doubt but what republican leaders are trying to force intervention, hoping that the administration will blunder, so that their party will reap political advantage therefrom. No doubt the delay is caused by a disinclination on the part of the administration to be accused of declaring war for the purpose of protecting American property interests down there. And the Mexicans, both federal and constitutionalists are misconstruing this hesitancy and American and foreign lives are sacrificed in consequence.

The entire civilized world as well as the American people can now see the necessity of intervention and the United States would now have the approbation of all, whereas the reverse would have been true had war been declared a few months ago. President McKinley pursued a like waiting policy before declaring war on Spain. The people fairly forced the declaration. President Wilson, with this precedent before him, evidently thinks a waiting policy the better, though he must now know that intervention is the only solution of the problem. However, the people are willing to abide the wisdom of President Wilson and congress in the matter, believing that whatever policy is finally adopted, the destinies of the Americans are in safe hands.

A CONSCIENTIOUS SENATOR

Because Senator Chamberlain, when the tariff bill was up, was broad minded enough to consider the United States as a whole instead of seeing the interests of a few protection beneficiaries in his own state of Oregon, he is now being bitterly assailed by those shorn interests and some Oregon newspapers. Of course he voted for the tariff bill as a whole, which includes free wool, free lumber, free pulp, etc. He, with his party went into power pledged to reduce the tariff. This result would, probably, never have been reached had Senator Chamberlain voted to retain protection for the things which effected his own state and to place the commodities of other states on the free list. He could not, consistently, refuse to vote for the tariff as a whole, even if it did remove the tariff from wool and lumber. He knew that but a small proportion, comparatively, of the people of Oregon were engaged in the production of wool and lumber and that all the people throughout the nation were consumers of both. Therefore,

in the interest of the greatest good for the greatest number he, patriotically, voted for the tariff bill.

Men who vote against Senator Chamberlain from a purely selfish motive, that is to say, because they imagine free wool and free lumber will cause a small reduction in the price of those articles and thereby effecting their pocketbooks, are not good American citizens. They are willing that all the people shall be taxed for their benefit. They are grafters, providing the graft is placed in a legalized form.

But the price of neither wool nor lumber has been reduced because they are no longer on the protected list, though they may be effected somewhat in time. It is hoped that they may be. But to censure Senator Chamberlain because he had the broadminded manhood to vote for the best interests of all the people rather than for that of a small percentage of them, is the last word in small, selfish and sordid politics. No newspaper but those which will stoop to political filth and venality, will censure an official for doing his duty in an unselfish manner.

Senator Chamberlain knew he would lose the support of the wool and lumber barons when he voted to place these articles on the free list, but this fact did not feaze him from doing his duty to the American people as a whole. He knew that in casting his vote therefor he was endangering his election at the polls next November. But, forgetting his personal interests, he stood for those of the American people.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
U. S. Land Office at Portland, Oregon

February 20, 1914

NOTICE is hereby given that Charles Francis Corgan of Foster, Oregon, who, on December 22, 1913, made Homestead Entry, No. 04042 for NE 1-4 Section 16, Township 12 South, Range 4 East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Commutation Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before the Register and Receiver, U. S. Land Office, at Portland, Oregon, on the 9th day of April, 1914.

Claimant names as witnesses:
Harry Walz, Mike Cosgrove, Hubert Rumenap, and John Roberts, all of Foster, Oregon.

H. F. HIGBY, Register

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Appointment of Executor

Notice is hereby given, that by order of the County Court of Linn County, Oregon, made on the 24th day of February, 1914, the undersigned was duly appointed and is now the duly qualified and acting Executor of the estate of C. O. Gentry, deceased, late of Linn County, Oregon.

All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same, properly verified, unto the undersigned executor at the office of Samuel M. Garland, in Lebanon, Linn County, Oregon, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice.

Dated and published the first time this 5th day of March, 1914. Last publication, April 2, 1914.

Sam'l. M. Garland,
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