

WILSON BLAMES INTERLOCKING DIRECTORATES AS THE CRUX OF THE TRUST SYSTEM AND FAVORS CREATION OF AN INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION TO REGULATE BIG BUSINESS

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WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—The interlocking of the personnel of directorates of great corporations, banks, railroads, industrial, commercial and public service bodies is the crux of the trust system, in the opinion of President Wilson. He made this plain today in a special address to congress in which he discussed anti-trust legislation.

Discussing evils resulting from such interlocking directorates, the president caustically attacked a group of millionaires who, by reason of enormous holdings of stock in numerous corporations constitute virtual monopolies. He virtually told congress that it should decide whether big owners of stock in corporations should be compelled to elect in which one of them they will exercise their right to vote on the conduct of affairs.

For Industrial Commission

The president declared emphatically for the creation of an industrial commission, and declared that public opinion had finally conquered Big Business so that the average business man was convinced that "the ways of liberty are also the ways of peace and also the ways of success."

He emphatically approved making guilty personal in all suits against trusts. "Every act of business is done at the command or upon the initiative of some ascertainable person or group of persons," he said, "and these should be held individually responsible, and the punishment should fall upon them, and not upon the business organization of which they make illegal use."

Dissolving Processes

"The producing industries, for example, which have passed the point up to which combination may be consistent with public interest and freedom of trade, cannot always be dissected into component units as readily as railroads and similar organizations can be. Their dissolution by ordinary legal processes may oftentimes involve financial consequences and probably overwhelm the security market and bring upon it confusion and breakdown. It ought to be an administrative commission, capable of directing and shaping such corrective processes, and not only aid the courts, but also by independent inasmuch as our object and the

spirit of our action in these matters is to meet business half way in the processes of self correction and disturb its legitimate course as little as possible, we ought to see to it, and the judgment of practical and sagacious men of affairs everywhere will applaud us if we did see to it that the penalties and punishments should fall, not upon business itself, to its confusion and interruption, but upon the individuals, who use the instrumentalities of business to do the thing which public policy and sound business practice condemn. Every active business is done at the command or upon the initiative of some ascertainable person or group of persons. These should be held individually responsible and punishment should fall upon them and not upon the organization of which they make illegal use.

Personal Punishment

"It should be one of the main ob-

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TEACHER VICTORIOUS REPULSING SUCCESSOR

ONTARIO, Cal., Jan. 20.—Routine exercises at the South Euclid school were interrupted today when Mrs. R. Y. Glidden, the principal, refused to heed an order discharging her, and repulsed a party led by Superintendent of Schools W. J. Alexander, which attempted to enter the building.

Mrs. Glidden was ordered dismissed as the result of charges she filed against Alexander. Upon the advice of Assistant County Superintendent of Schools Apperson, she defied Alexander and Mrs. M. D. Schukind, named to succeed her, when they appeared at the school flanked by a crowd of friends. The besieging party finally retired to seek legal counsel.

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GRAFT SCANDAL AT QUEBEC AIRED BY MONTREAL MAIL

MONTREAL, Que., Jan. 20.—Incredible corruption among the members of the legislature at Quebec was alleged in an article published here today by the Montreal Mail. It urged the appointment of a committee to investigate. "We know," the Mail said, "that money has been paid to members of the legislature for legislation which, on the face of it, is so subversive of the public interest as to need no more condemnation than its clauses bear. The legislation was literally smuggled through at every stage in such a way as to evade the scrutiny of the more decent elements in the two houses and the members of the press gallery."

NAT WILLS, "TRAMP COMEDIAN," ASKS ANNULMENT OF MARRIAGE



"Nat" M. Wills, known as a "tramp comedian," began an action against his wife in New York which he knows is no joke. It is founded on reasons best known to himself, but it delves into the intricacies of the Illinois laws concerning marriage, divorce and remarriage, and the purpose of it all is to obtain an annulment. Just as many would not know the comedian if he were called Louis McGroth Wills, his right name, few would place Mrs. Heloise Wills, who really is La Belle Flore.

PRISON MUTINY IN OKLAHOMA ENDS IN DEATH OF SEVEN

M'ALLISTER, Okla., Jan. 20.—With seven men in the morgue and two men and a woman in the hospital as a result of the mutiny late yesterday in the penitentiary here, a rigorous investigation was in progress today to learn how the three ringleaders of the uprising obtained the firearms with which they did such deadly work before they were themselves killed by the guards. The five hundred odd remaining prisoners were sullen and unruly. The mutiny occurred just at the end of work for the day. China Reed, Tom Lane and Claud Koontz, serving respectively two years for horsestealing, five years for forgery and forty years for manslaughter, took the opportunity to approach the door of the tailor shop, where they worked, and told Turnkey John Martin they wanted to see the parole officer. As Martin turned to open the door the men suddenly drew revolvers. Reed shot the turnkey through the cheek and then beat him down with repeated blows on the head with his pistol barrel.

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HUERTA ABANDONS PLAN OF LEADING ATTACK ON REBELS

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 20.—That President Huerta had abandoned temporarily his plan to take the field in person against the rebels was stated officially today. The change in program did not please the dictator very well, it was understood, but his cabinet insisted on it. Huerta called the members together unexpectedly about midnight to tell them that he thought he could put the rebellion down if he led his troops himself and that he proposed to do it. Without exception the ministers objected so vehemently, however, that he finally yielded, at least for the time. The main reason for his anxiety to check the rebels at this time was said to be that they are approaching Torreón, where there is stored cotton worth several millions, and he does not want it to fall into their hands. A rumor was current that the president intends to turn the government to a commission of five Mexicans, himself resigning and possibly leaving the country. Archbishop Mora today secured the release from prison of Senator Somellera, national chairman of the Catholic party, and Señor Zepeda, Somellera's partner in the ownership of the newspaper La Nación.

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FOR FIFTH TIME CONGRESS HEARS PRESIDENT TALK

Wilson Reads Message Upon Trusts Before Packed Galleries—Mann Leads Applause on Part Enlarging Duties of Interstate Commerce.

Admission Only by Tickets and Hard to Get—Bryan Escort South American Diplomats.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—For the fifth time since he was elected, President Wilson today journeyed from the white house to the capitol to address congress—this time on the subject of the trust question. Most of the cabinet members accompanied him. Admission to hear the address read was by tickets, and the tickets were exceedingly hard to obtain. Only one apiece was allowed even to congressmen and senators.

Galleries Are Packed

Nearly every member of the house was in his seat and the galleries were packed some time before the hour set for the president's appearance. Just before he stepped into the chamber, the senators, with Vice-President Marshall at their head, filed in and took seats in front.

The chief executive had been chatting in the meantime in Speaker Clark's office with the senate and house committees delegated to act as his escort. At 12:30 the speaker's gavel tapped his desk and a moment later the president walked in, accompanied by Senators Kern, Gallinger and Bacon and by Congressmen Mann, Underwood and Fitzgerald.

His voice as he read sounded full and strong, and reached every corner of the big chamber. Congressman started the first applause when the president reached the portion of his message saying that the people were ready to welcome a law giving the interstate commerce commission control of the railroads' financial policies.

Mann Leads Applause

Except for the diplomatic and executive reservations, the galleries were filled by 11 o'clock. Mrs. Wilson, with her daughters, Margaret and Eleanor, Miss Helen Bones and Dr. Grayson, arrived at 12:20. Secretary of State Bryan, also arriving somewhat late, escorted a party of South American diplomats to their seats. He was smiling, affable and evidently happy.

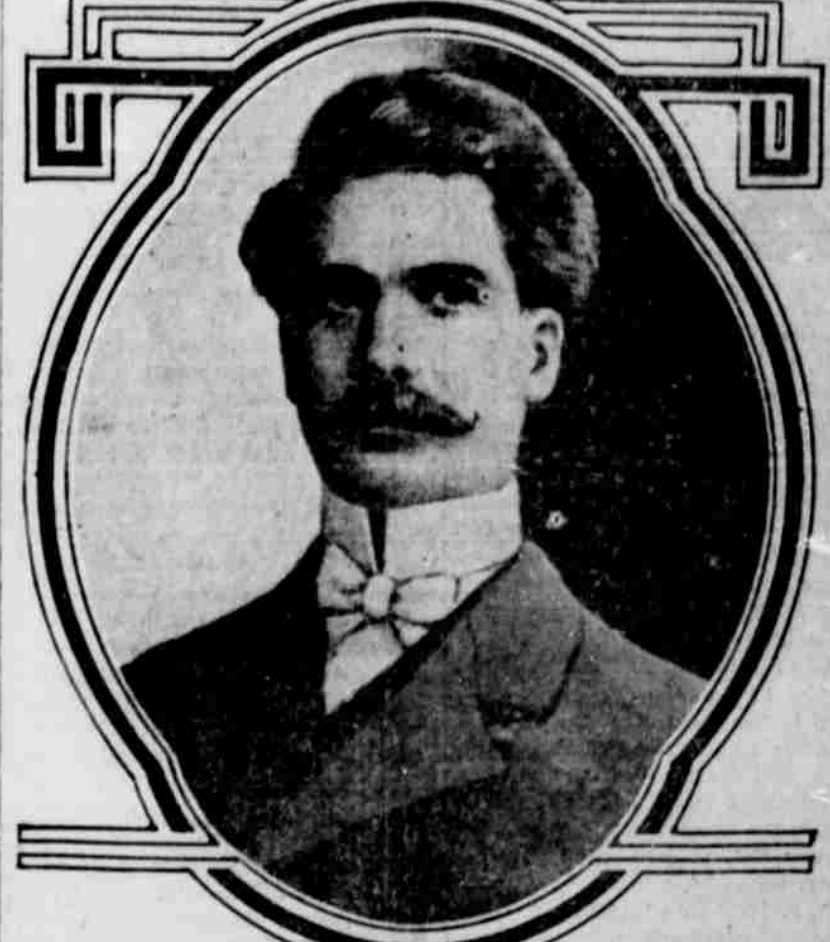
At the reading of previous messages women have been in a majority in the galleries, but today there were as many men as women present. The assertion that "guilt is personal" was also warmly applauded and the president himself was heartily cheered as he left the chamber. The senators took their departure as soon as he had gone and the house resumed its routine.

Before returning to the white house the executive visited the senate office building and inspected a comprehensive exhibition there showing Alaska's resources, industries and needs.

FOSTER ENROUTE TO MEET MISS BRADLEY

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 20.—Miss Deliah Bradley, the 16-year-old girl, who, with J. M. Foster, son of the millionaire president of the International Correspondence schools, was arrested in Mobile recently on a white slavery charge, was virtually a prisoner at the Windsor hotel here today. She is in charge of relatives. Foster is said to be speeding north to join her here.

GOVERNOR BLEASE HANDS OUT SOME KNOCK'S.



COLE L. BLEASE

Governor Cole L. Blease of South Carolina in his annual message says Secretary of the Navy Daniels of North Carolina, is "a very small man and is not of mental caliber to fill the position to which he has been appointed." Of Daniels' promise to improve the naval station at Port Royal if the sale of "blind tiger" whisky to the men in barracks is stopped, he retorts: "So far as I am concerned, I want him (Daniels) to understand that I am not asking for any of his Yankee money. . . . He can keep it in the treasury or stick it in his ears, as may best suit him."

GIRL CONFESSES STEP-FATHER SHOT MOTHER TO DEATH

GALESBURG, Ill., Jan. 20.—Confession that her stepfather, Robert Higgins, aged 26 years, shot and killed her mother at New Henderson on January 5 was made here today by Gula Flake, a 16-year-old girl. The girl declared that Higgins shot to kill after his wife discovered that he had been intimate with her daughter. She denied, however, that she and Higgins had agreed to get married after he had killed her mother. The girl showed no emotion in telling the police of the murder. "The crime has been a burden on my mind and I am glad to get relief," she said.

State's Attorney Wilson declared here that Higgins had corroborated the girl's confession. Higgins said that he and Miss Flake had arranged for him to shoot his wife with a shot gun. Neighbors, he said, rushed in after the shooting and he fought with them, pretending that he wanted to get the weapon and kill himself. Then, according to Wilson, Higgins and the girl explained to the neighbors that the gun was accidentally discharged while it was being cleaned. Later a coroner's jury rendered a verdict to the effect that Mrs. Higgins had been killed accidentally. Mrs. Higgins would have become a mother in three months.

TRAIN BANDIT ROBS UNION OFFICIALS OF PAPERS AND CASH

WHEELING, W. Va., Jan. 20.—A passenger in a sleeping car on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad's New York & St. Louis flyer, James Rodda, an official of the United Mineworkers, was robbed at the point of a pistol last night of union documents and relief funds for striking miners in the West Virginia coal fields.

The hold-up occurred near Clarksburg. The robber entered the Pullman unobserved, stepped directly up to Rodda, thrust his pistol in the latter's face and kept him covered while he forced him to turn his pockets inside out. Then he jumped from the train and disappeared.

Posses were scouring the country for him today.

Rodda asserted that he recognized the bandit as a private detective hitherto employed by West Virginia mine owners. He added that he believed the man cared less for his money than for the papers he had with him, which he described as reports concerning the West Virginia strike, which he was to have taken to the miners' convention in Indianapolis.

He was asleep in his berth when the robber entered, he said, and woke to find the latter covering him with his weapon and demanding: "Don't move; give me those reports."

None of the other passengers was molested.

CONGRESS IS PROBING FEDERAL JUDGE SPEER

MACON, Ga., Jan. 20.—A committee from the house of representatives today continued its probe here of the charges that United States Judge Speer of Georgia had used his official position unjustly and had corruptly decided cases in favor of relatives. It is also charged that Judge Speer allowed his son-in-law to take jobs about the court and that Judge Speer also was guilty of unlawful and corrupt conduct in deciding cases where his son-in-law had a contingent fee.

CONGRESS FOR SAFETY AT SEA ADJOURNS

LONDON, Jan. 20.—After the delegates had signed a convention at the foreign office here, the international conference on safety at sea adjourned today. December 14 was the date fixed for the nations represented to accept the agreement. If they do so it will become effective July 1, 1915. It provides for unsinkable ships with lateral and cross-section compartments, adequate lifeboats and wireless equipment.

HONEST, THERE ARE SOME MEN IN THIS WORLD OF OURS WHO DRESS LIKE THIS



THE SUITINGS ARE NOT SO BAD

BUT THE OVERCOATS!

ONE OF THE WAYS OF GETTING INTO THE OVERCOAT