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THE GOVERNMENT AND BIG BUSINESS

President Expresses Views To Official Family HOW TO APPROACH TASK Peace and Not War, a Feeling of Friendly Conciliation Rather Than of Hostile Antagonism; Program to Stimulate Growth Business.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Jan. 13.—President Wilson today gave cabinet members his ideas on the government's relation to "big business," the field anti-trust legislation should cover in the present session of Congress and the spirit in which he believed the task should be approached.

Peace and not war, a feeling of friendly conciliation rather than of hostile antagonism and yet a constructive program that will eliminate uncertainty about the law and stimulate the growth of legitimate business—these are the fundamentals of the President's plan of action, to be embodied in the message he will read at a joint session of Congress next week. He presented the document to the cabinet today and worked all afternoon on minor changes as a result of the meeting.

Cabinet Members Speak of Message. Cabinet members at today's cabinet message as a progressive declaration that would reassure the business world of the sincere intentions of the administration to deal fairly with it.

Tomorrow the President will outline his message to the Democratic members of the Senate Committee on Interstate Commerce and the House Judiciary Committee. While the President has not yet revealed his views on detailed legislation he hopes his message will be the guiding influence that will keep the scope of activity within a well defined compass, eliminating as far as possible any suggestion of radical bills that might be misinterpreted by the outside world.

Cardinal Features of the Plan. So far as known the cardinal features of the President's plans are: 1.—Supplementing the Sherman anti-trust law to reduce the debatable areas.

2.—The prohibition of interlocking directorates. 3.—Location of individual responsibility and the fixing of personal guilt for all violations.

4.—The institution of an interstate trade commission to perform the functions of a bureau of information and to determine by its investigations whether degrees of dissolution or mandates of the court are carried out.

Legislation Necessary. The President is proceeding on the theory that legislation is necessary at this time and that there should be no delay in accomplishing these reforms. The recent action of J. P. Morgan and Company in voluntarily withdrawing from numerous directorates on account of a "change in public sentiment" is cited by administration supporters as evidence that the business world expects interlocking directorates to be dissolved.

Change in Public Opinion. In this connection President Wilson believes the whole course of public opinion has undergone a remarkable change in the last few years. He believes that private monopolies are indefensible and that trust practices certain things which ought to be prohibited.

The President is expected to recommend in his message that the law with respect to personal liability should be vigorously enforced and provision made in all legislation for individual offenses.

Interstate Trade Commission. One of the most important features of the anti-trust program is the interstate trade commission. This organization would not be vested with powers of regulation, but would be the medium through which the government would keep the business world informed and eliminate the "twilight zone" in big industry.

There have been repeated requests for information from business concerns and the need of an authoritative reservoir of information already has been demonstrated in the present administration's experience with the trust question. It is contemplated to place the Commissioner of Corporations at the head of the interstate trade commission, but to include in its membership business men who would know business methods sufficiently to conduct the necessary inquiries and furnish the desired information.

With the President's discussion of the whole subject at today's cabinet meeting, the talk of "slowing up" on the administration program and postponing trust legislation until December session of Congress, apparently disappeared in executive quarters. Administration supporters in the House and Senate will endeavor to keep the work of trust reform within certain limits and to push it forward to rapid completion.

PYTHIAN HOME COMING. Jollification Last Night in Salisbury, Many Lodges Participated. Salisbury, Jan. 13.—Pythian home coming night was observed in great style in Salisbury tonight. The two lodges in this city and the one at Spencer joined in the affair and the lodges at Statesville, Mooresville, Chimes Grove Lexington and other places were invited to send representatives who were on hand for the occasion.

Grand Chancellor J. D. Prigden, of Durham, and Grand Vice-Chancellor J. G. Baird, of Charlotte, were among the state officers present. A welcome address was made by Thos. E. Kintz, and the response was by J. C. Flint, of Concord. After the ceremony the visitors were royally entertained by the Salisbury Knights.

GENERAL OROZCO STILL IN MEXICO

He and Gen. Caraves Escaped With Cavalrymen INTEREST OF DIPLOMATS In Announcement By Huerta of Intention to Default in Payment of Interest On Mexican National Debt; Other Developments.

(By the Associated Press.) Mexico City, Jan. 13.—Generals Pascual Orozco and Marcel Caraveo, two of the Federal commanders who escaped with a band of cavalrymen after the battle of Ojinaga, reported to the government today their arrival at Cuatro Cienegas, 42 miles west of Monclova. They said that they would go to San Luis Potosi.

Views of European Diplomats. The discussion of European diplomatic relations to the security which the national will have for the enormous sums which go to make up the aggregate of the Mexican debt, external and internal. It was pointed out that in the question of Mexican finance the concerted Europeans on account of the great sums at stake, have a greater interest even than the United States. European pronouncements emanating from the constitutionalists as to their proposed repudiation of loans advanced to Huerta.

Influence of Loans in Mexico City. Influence of loans in Mexico City, all obligations incurred in time of peace will have to be fulfilled, although it is admitted that war loans advanced during the past year may not be so easy of liquidation.

Announcement. Announcement by the Huerta government of its intention to default in the payment of the semi-annual interest on the bonds of the Mexican National Bank.

Conditions at Presidio. Summarizing conditions at Presidio Coahuila.

Have made arrangements with railroad to transport all prisoners on arrival at Marfa, to Fort Bliss. Have instructed Gen. Scott to arrange destination camp. Large number of anti-Mexican prisoners counted.

Mexican Prisoners Counted. Mexican consul wants to see them if his government permits. Recommended authority to sell to give under supervision customs officials with duty paid on sale.

Transfer of Prisoners. Transfer of prisoners probably will begin in a day or two. Everything possible being done for their comfort.

Authority to sell the animals will be given subject to the provision General Bliss suggests as to the payment of duty. It is expected the Mexican government will agree to this arrangement.

NEWS FROM DUKE New Pastor of Baptist Church; Week of Prayer Observed; K. P. Officers to Be Installed.

Since the resignation of Mr. Hare as minister at the Baptist church that congregation has been on the lookout for some one to fill the place and have called Rev. S. W. Oldham, of Eureka, N. C. Oldham is a native of Harnett county and after his college course taught school for several years in the Western end of the county. He will live in Duke and give his church two Sundays in the month and the remainder of his time will be given to Spring Hill and other needy territory.

The week of January 4 to 11 was set apart by the Methodist church, South, as a special week of prayer and self denial for twenty new missionaries and sufficient funds to support them in the foreign fields. The church at Duke joined very heartily in this movement and the collection taken Sunday morning was a very liberal one.

At the regular meeting of Washington Duke Lodge, No. 145, Knights of Pythias, Friday night, Mr. C. B. Godfrey was proven in the chivalric rank of knight and Mr. N. M. Horrell was initiated in the mysteries of the rank of page. On the 16th Mr. J. T. Holland will be made an esquire. This order is arranging for a public installation of their officers on January 23.

IN RACE FOR JUDGE Spencer, Jan. 13.—T. Frank Hudson, Esq., a well known attorney of Spencer, will be a early date for Judge of Rowan County Court.

To verify a rumor that he will be in the race the newspaper man called upon Mr. Hudson in his office today and asked whether or not he will be a candidate and he stated emphatically that he will, and that in due course a formal announcement of his candidacy will be made.

NEW COMPTROLLER OF THE TREASURY

Name of Virginian Sent In To the Senate JOHN SKELTON WILLIAMS Nomination Referred To Committee On Banking and Currency—May Be Some Time Before Nomination is Confirmed—Office Had Been Vacant for Several Months.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Jan. 13.—The President sent to the Senate today the nomination of John Skelton Williams, of Virginia, to be comptroller of the currency, and ex-officio member of the Federal Reserve Board which will administer the affairs of the new currency system. The nomination was referred to the committee on banking and currency, after a brief executive session of the Senate, during which an effort was made to have it referred to the committee on finance.

Heretofore such a nomination would have been sent to the finance committee. Senator Owen the chairman, said the committee would take up the nomination in the near future. It may be some time before the nomination is confirmed.

Mr. Williams is now assistant Secretary of the Treasury in charge of the fiscal bureau and Secretary McAdoo's first assistant in matters of government finance.

The office of Comptroller of the Currency has been vacant for several months. Various reports have been afloat of opposition against the nomination of Mr. Williams. It was said that the so-called great financial interests were opposed to him.

Mr. Williams' selection was announced after a conference between President Wilson and Secretary McAdoo. It is understood that during the President's absence Mr. McAdoo had been sounding in favor of the nomination and believes it will be confirmed.

FOREIGNERS SUE LUMBER CONCERN Austrians and Russians Claim Company Was To Furnish Transportation Cost.

(Special to The News and Observer.) Asheville, Jan. 13.—A case which has attracted a great deal of attention in this city is that of twenty Austrians and Russians, but three of whom can speak English, against the Perley-Crockett Company, of Black Mountain, in which the foreigners are seeking for judgments for wages alleged to be due them. The men are said to have tramped forty miles from the camps of the company to this city, sleeping en route in wooded tracts sprinkled with snow and frozen. They have been given work by John C. Abrogast at his lumber camps at Sunburst and have been sent to their new jobs.

The evidence of the men, heard by a local magistrate, was to the effect that they were employed by an agency in Pittsburgh to come to Western North Carolina to work for the Black Mountain lumber concern. When pay day came they were advised that they would receive no money as their tramping charges had been taken out of their pay. They swore that they took the jobs with the understanding that their trips to North Carolina were to be furnished by the lumber company. The men were examined separately, from their own talk English acting as interpreters.

The company claims that the Pittsburgh employment agency which hired the men had them to sign a contract by which they agreed to have their transportation taken from their first train stop to the lumber camp. The magistrate ordered a continuance until January 31, furnishing ample time for the defense to secure the deposition of the Pittsburgh people through whom the laborers were given work.

The men presented a pitiful scene as they huddled aboard a train for Sunburst yesterday afternoon, thinly clad and shivering, without friends and speaking an unknown tongue.

MOUNT AIRY WILL SUPPORT A MISSIONARY IN CHINA. This Decision Reached As a Result of Foreign Mission Revival.

(Special to The News and Observer.) Mount Airy, Jan. 13.—As the result of a missionary revival clergy last Sunday night at Central Methodist church, this conference year, support a missionary in China. Rev. Frank Miller preached the closing sermon of the revival and made a strong appeal for foreign missions. At this service the contributions and pledges were near the goal and a house to house canvass of the membership brought the balance. This movement was in response to Southern Methodist making a call for twenty additional missionaries for foreign service. To demonstrate the growth of sentiment favoring foreign missions in this mountain section it is pointed out that Central church here, will this year pay more to the cause than this entire district paid two years ago.

NORTH CAROLINA'S GRAND LODGE NOW IN SESSION HERE

Masons Convene Their One Hundred and Twenty-Sixth GRAND MASTER MAKES HIS ANNUAL ADDRESS Shows Fine Record As To Growth, Health and Work Among the Dependents—No Deaths in Ranks Past Year—Program for Today.

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Principal recommendations contained in the message are: One mill tax for public schools. Better educational opportunities than compulsory education. Abolishment of historical commission. Work on State farms be discontinued.

Better enforcement of liquor laws. Counties pay for requisition of prisoners from other States who are returned for trial to this State.

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The Grand Secretary's report last year showed 408 active subordinate lodges. Three new lodges chartered this year and nine under suspension. Last year a very satisfactory increase. As of now we had 22,314 affiliated Masons in the State.

SPENCER HAPPENINGS Y. M. C. A. Launches Membership Campaign—Rural Mail Routes Wanted—Observe Prohibition Amendment Day.

(Special to The News and Observer.) Spencer, Jan. 13.—The Spencer Y. M. C. A. has launched a membership campaign which promises to assume large proportions before it closes on January 31st. The workers are divided into two bands, the "Reds" with W. H. Barringer as captain, and the "Blues" with J. E. Wagner as captain and W. T. Curlee as lieutenant.

A gold prize of \$10 is offered the man securing the largest number of members, and others will receive prizes in proportion to the number of new members received. The losing team will serve the winning team at a banquet at the close.

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BLEASIE BRISTLES AT HIS ENEMIES

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EFFORT TO SETTLE FARTHING ESTATE

Trustees Bring Suit Against All Creditors CITE HUNDRED TO APPEAR Before February Term of Court; Suits To Be Merged and Court to Pass On Action of Trustees as a Whole—Bull City News.

(Special to The News and Observer.) Durham, Jan. 13.—Messrs. W. P. Clements and P. H. Bykes, trustees of the estate of G. C. Farthing, have brought suit against all of the creditors of the estate in order to have some official settlement of the business transacted during the past year by the trustees. The suit is brought not for the intention of recovering anything, but merely in order to get the business of the estate in the courts for a legal and official settlement.

About a hundred people, institutions, trust companies and banks are cited to appear in this case, and all are fixed to appear before the February term of court. There are a number of suits against the trustees in which creditors claim that they are due money, the validity of which claims are known to the trustees. All of these suits will be merged and the court will pass on the action of the trustees in settling up the estate as a whole. This marks the final action in the settlement of the Farthing estate.

Trusteeship is Voluntary. The estate has never been in the hands of the court for settlement. The trusteeship is an ordinary one, in which the creditors agreed to put the estate in the hands of the trustees for final adjustment.

Fifty per cent of the debts of the estate have been paid and the trustees have some money on hand which has not yet been paid out. They think that there will be enough money in the final adjustment of the affairs of Mr. Farthing to pay off about sixty per cent of the indebtedness of the estate.

Julian S. Carr Chapter. The Julian S. Carr Chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy, have made arrangements for a large celebration next Monday afternoon, and Mr. Cameron Morrison, of Charlotte, has accepted the invitation to deliver the address on this occasion.

Suit of Rhodes Against City. Drawing was held last night to point and going over the same round a good deal of the time, this suit of G. A. Rhodes against the city of Durham progressed slowly today and late this afternoon the defense had the first adjournment.

The defense has been unable to pay off about sixty per cent of the indebtedness of the estate.

For Postmaster at Walnut Grove. Representative Steidman today recommended that the postmaster at Walnut Grove be postmaster at Walnut Grove, N. C. Charlotte and the Reserve Bank.

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Wake Forest Wins From Game Cocks Latter's Wind-Pipe Useless in Basket Ball Game; Score Fifty-four to Eight.

(Special to The News and Observer.) Wake Forest, Jan. 13.—By shooting twenty-five field goals, three fouls and one point added for the unnecessary roughness of their opponents, Wake Forest defeated the game cocks of South Carolina's 8, in the opening basketball game of the season played here tonight.

The team, as a whole, was in great form. The guards were guarding well, the forwards were shooting goals excellently, and the team was passing superbly. In fact, Coach Crozier sprung a complete surprise with his team in the opening contest. The team is faster and in much better condition than was expected they were. The game became a trifle rough, each side being equally guilty. The basket ball fans are proud of their team and are elated over its prospects for the season. Phil Usher, formerly star in athletics at Wake Forest, was in perfect condition as the referee.

MARSHAL CAN MOVE TO HIS HOME CITY

No New Developments in District Attorneyship MORE WORK ON CAPE FEAR Representative Godwin Arranges Hearing Before River and Harbors Committee for Wilmington People—N. C. News From Washington.

(By W. E. YELVERTON.) Washington, D. C., Jan. 13.—Marshal Charles A. Webb will be allowed to move his office from Greensboro to Asheville, the transfer to take place about January 27. At the same time the office of Revenue Agent Thomas W. Vanderford will be transferred from Asheville to Greensboro. This was decided today as the result of conferences of Marshal Webb and Senator Overman at the department. Though one of the conferences was with the Attorney-General, Senator Overman says he did not bring up the subject of W. C. Hammar's appointment, but will see him later about that.

The Cape Fear Improvement. The Wilmington Chamber of Commerce, not satisfied with the improvements now decided upon by the government on the Cape Fear river, has forwarded resolutions to Representative Godwin asking for more extensive improvements. Mr. Godwin will arrange a hearing for the Wilmington people before the Rivers and Harbors Committee of the House. The Wilmington people say that the \$115,000 appropriated for work on the Cape Fear at and below Wilmington is not enough to secure the completion of a 25 foot channel by June 30, 1914, and that the appropriation for this should be at least \$350,000.

A second resolution states that this is not deep enough, and asks a survey for a channel three feet deep—mean low water. A third resolution asks that an extension of the Intracoastal waterway from Beaufort to the St. Johns river, Florida, which has been favorably reported upon by government engineers, be pushed.

Connecting Canal Hearing. A hearing on the proposition for the government to buy the canal connecting Chesapeake Bay and the Delaware river will be held before the Rivers and Harbors Committee Thursday. This canal is the next link northward from the Chesapeake and Albemarle Canal in North Carolina, which was purchased by the government a short time ago. An appropriation of two and a half millions is required for this line and the purchase has been recommended by government engineers.

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