

# John Sharpe Williams Tells Legislation Democrats Will Support

By Associated Press.  
Washington, D. C., March 27.—Representative John Sharpe Williams, of Mississippi, as leader of the minority in the House of Representatives, last night issued to the press a written statement defining precisely the attitude of the democratic party in the House toward legislation urged by President Roosevelt in his message at Congress at the present session.

The statement describes what republican legislation the democrats will support, what they will oppose, and what concessions they demand on the part of the majority as the price of refraining from an organized filibuster throughout the remainder of the session.

Mr. Williams opened his statement by saying: "Some things in the president's recent message are so immediately important to the interests of the entire country as to pass the bounds of partisanship and to make it excusable, if not necessary for me to say something concerning them with the view of assuring the president himself and reasonably inclined republican members of the House and the country of the support and endorsement, or the opposition of the democratic minority. In so far as the things urged by the president are good things I would like the country to know that all he has to do is to deliver 20 or 25 republican House votes in favor of them. These, combined with the solid democratic votes, will put them through."

Mr. Williams notes the following measures as ones which will "command virtually the solid democratic vote within constitutional limits."

To compel publication of campaign contributions.

Prohibition of child labor in the District of Columbia and the Territories.

An employer's liability law, drawn to conform to the recent decision of the supreme court.

Federal liability to government employees.

A law to prohibit the issuance of injunctions without notice to the party enjoined.

Removal of the tariff on wood pulp and printing paper.

Imposition of a federal charge for every water power right granted on a navigable stream.

Those principles and measures urged by the president with which Mr. Williams, as minority leader, takes issue are enumerated as follows:

The penalizing of the boycott.

The right of the attorney general to nominate receivers when a common carrier is thrown into the hands of a receiver.

The modification of the Sherman anti-trust law so as to permit within limitation the maintenance of trusts and the making of trade agreements between combinations of capital.

The appointment of a commission to prepare data for a revision of the tariff.

Mr. Williams frankly states that he does not know whether a majority of the minority favors the creation of a permanent waterways commission.

Referring to the president's declaration that child labor ought to be prohibited throughout the nation, and his recommendation that "at least a model child labor bill should be passed for the District of Columbia," Mr. Williams says:

"It is a sad commentary upon this utterance of his that while the federal courts have held that a boycott is a combination in restraint of trade and therefore illegal, they have virtually upheld the employer in his assertion of a right to blacklist; because one federal court went so far as to say that because the employer had a right to discharge without giving any notice at all, therefore, he had a right to discharge because the discharged man was a member of a labor union. It is a poor rule that does not work both ways. Another decision of a federal court—the decision by Judge Gould—has gone so far as to say that a labor man's newspaper should not publish the name of a firm under the heading 'we don't patronize.' A man has a right to patronize or not to patronize anybody, according to his own sweet will, and he therefore has the right to publish those whom he does not patronize."

The president's recommendation of a law to place wood pulp on the free list, "with a corresponding reduction upon paper made from wool pulp, when they come from any country that does not put an export duty upon them," meets with Mr. Williams' approval, "except that it does not go quite far enough. Not only ought wood pulp to be placed upon the free list," he says, "but print paper ought to be placed there also. The publishers will not be very much benefited by the placing of wood pulp upon the free list if there be only a slight reduction of the duty upon print papers."

"There are other things in the president's message," says Mr. Williams, "which one might naturally expect, considering his education in the line of Hamiltonism and his tendencies toward federalism, cannot meet with democratic approval. One is his idea that the attorney general, representing the government, should have the right to nominate receivers when a common carrier is thrown into the hands of a receiver. That right ought to rest in a court—not in the executive."

"The president's utterances concerning the anti-trust law are an indication of his inability to see that which will appear plain to a democratic mind, to-wit: That anything approximating a private monopoly is intolerable and unendurable in a free government. His attempt and that of others to classify trusts as good trusts and bad trusts is abhorrent. There can be no such thing as a good trust. There may be some time a good trust magnate who uses his powers benevolently, but the power is too much fraught with danger to be vested in a few men. We ought simply to provide that organization of labor and of workmen for the purpose of securing shorter hours of labor or higher pay or more equitable treatment, shall not be construed to fall within the inhibition of any existing law."

"The president's idea of letting the substance part of the anti-trust law remain as it is, but giving to some branch of the executive government authority to determine when a trust is a good trust and when it is a bad one—in effect to license one and to restrain another—is so very vicious in its ultimate effect if adopted, that it would seem that no friend of a well ordered government could stand for it."

"As to the president's proposition for tariff revision by consideration at the hands of a commission composed of members of the House and Senate and so-called 'experts,' it is both cumbersome and useless. The very best possible tariff commission is a commission consisting of the representatives of the people selected by the people in the interest of the people. Even that body has too many men selected by private interests in the interest of private interests. If the republican party cannot furnish a ways and means committee with

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### Mi-Careme Carnival in Paris.

Paris, March 26.—All Paris turned out today for the festivities in connection with the annual Mi-Careme carnival. The spectacular procession and the public decorations were fully as gorgeous as in any previous year. Mlle. Fernando Morin, the young market woman who was honored this year with the election of queen of the carnival, was received by President and Mme. Fallieres at the Elysee with the customary elaborate ceremonies. It is no empty honor to be queen of the market women and laundresses. Mlle. Morin received from the president of the republic a handsome jeweled brooch and a Paris municipality presented her with a diamond bracelet. The various articles that went to make up her magnificent "coronation" costume were contributed by leading modistes and shopkeepers.

### Michigan Y. M. C. A. Convention.

Bay City, Mich., March 27.—For the next three days delegates to the 36th annual convention of the Young Men's Christian Associations of Michigan will be in session in this city. Each local association has sent from half a dozen to a score of delegates, so that the gathering is the largest the organization ever has held in this state. The program arranged for the convention offers numerous attractions. The leading pulpits of the city will be occupied Sunday by the best speakers at the command of the convention.

### Intercollegiate Conference.

Milwaukee, Wis., March 26.—Many noted educators of the Middle West gathered in Milwaukee today for the annual intercollegiate conference to discuss problems of common interest. Prominent among those present were President McClellan of Knox College, President Eaton of Beloit college, President Van Hise of the University of Wisconsin, President Perry of Marietta college, and President Graham Taylor of Chicago Theological seminary.

"They say very few authors sleep more than seven hours a day." "But think how much slumber they furnish other people."—The Herald and Presbyter.

The actor who leaves footprints in the sands of time isn't the one who walks home.

### Tobacco Men Talk.

Special to The News.  
Mt. Airy, N. C., March 26.—A large number of tobacco growers tell your correspondent that the 1908 tobacco crop will bring only about half as much as the 1907 crop. Asked why they believed this the answer is that by the time the crop is ready for market, the presidential election will be over and it will be four years before the next great campaign and the trust will not care after next November what the people think about low prices. There may be more in this than one would think. Time will tell whether or not this prophecy is true.

### Y. M. C. A. Convention.

Columbia, S. C., March 27.—The 5th annual interstate convention of the Y. M. C. A. of North and South Carolina opened here today with a full representation of delegates. The formal opening this afternoon was preceded by a conference of student delegates this morning. Governor Ansel, Bishop Guerry of Charleston, Robert Glasgow, Jr., of Charlotte, and President Scherer of Newberry College, are among the notables on the program for the afternoon and evening sessions. The convention will remain in session over Saturday and Sunday.

The man who can talk to himself while shaving doesn't miss the barber.

The egotist is fond of capital 'I's, but he can't always capitalize them.

Some people would be too superstitious to walk under the ladder of fame.

### Anglo-Chinese Trade Journal.

Indicative of the British efforts to extend commerce in China, Consul-General Amos P. Wilder, of Hongkong, advises that a London trade journal has established a new publication, printed at Shanghai in the Chinese language. It is devoted entirely to the furtherance of trade between the United Kingdom and the Chinese Empire. The company already publishes a similar paper devoted to the Anglo-Japanese trade.

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