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## WILSON'S SERVICE TO AMERICAN FARMERS

Remarkable Record Set Forth in Letter by the President on Signing Bill.

### NEW LAWS; NEW OUTLOOK

Farm Loan Act, Federal Reserve Bank, Provisions for Warehouse and Marketing Facilities Are Part of Program Executed by Democrats.

No administration has ever done so much to advance the agriculture interests of the United States as that of President Wilson. The record is set forth clearly and effectively in a letter written by the President to Congressman A. F. Lever, Chairman of the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives, as follows:

#### THE WHITE HOUSE

Washington

August 11, 1916.

My dear Mr. Lever:

It has given me much satisfaction to approve today the bill making appropriations for the Department of Agriculture for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1917, and for other purposes, because the bill not only makes very generous provision for the improvement of farm production in the nation and for investigations and demonstrations in the field of the marketing of farm crops and of the organization of rural life, but also contains three well conceived measures designed to improve market practices and the storage and financing of staple crops. As the passage of this bill marks the practical completion of an important part of the program for the betterment of rural life which was mapped out at the beginning of the administration, I feel that I cannot let the occasion pass without conveying to you and your associates in both houses my appreciation of the service rendered to the nation in strengthening of great agricultural foundations.

The record, legislative as well as administrative, is a remarkable one. It speaks for itself and needs only to be read.

1. Appreciation of the importance of agriculture has been shown through greatly and intelligently increased appropriations for its support.

2. Particular pains have been taken to foster production by every promising means, and careful thought has been given especially to the matter of increasing the meat supply of the nation.

3. Greatly increased provision has been made, through the enactment of the Co-operative Agricultural Extension Act, for conveying agricultural information to farmers and for inducing them to apply it. This piece of legislation is one of the most significant and far reaching measures for co-operation between the States and the Federal Government. This is a highly important and significant principle. When the Act is in full operation there will be expanded annually

### LATEST PHOTOGRAPH OF PRESIDENT WILSON



under its terms, from Federal and State sources alone, a total of over \$5,000,000 in the direct education of the farmer; and this amount is being and will be increasingly supplemented by contributions from local sources. It will permit the placing in each of the 2,850 rural counties of the nation two farm demonstrators and specialists who will assist the demonstrators in the more difficult problems confronting them.

4. Systematic provision for the first time has been made for the solution of problems in that important part of agriculture which concerns distribution—marketing, rural finance, and rural organization.

5. Provision was made promptly for the creation of an Office of Markets and Rural Organization and the appropriations for this Office, including those for enforcing new laws designed to promote better marketing. There have been increased to \$1,000,000. The more difficult problems of marketing are being investigated and plans are in operation for furnishing assistance to producers of perishables through a market news service. A similar service for live stock interests will be inaugurated during the year.

6. The problems of securing the uniform grading of staple crops of regulating dealings and traffic in them, of developing a better system of warehouses, and of providing more available collateral for farm loans has been successfully dealt with.

7. Under the Cotton Futures Act standards for cotton have been established, the operations of the futures exchanges have been put under supervision, and the sale of cotton has been placed on a firmer basis.

8. The United States Grain Standards Act will secure uniformity in the grading of grain, enable the farmer to obtain fairer prices for his product, and afford him an incentive to raise better grades of grain.

9. The United States Warehouse Act will enable the Department of Agriculture to license bonded warehouses in the various States. It will lead to the development of better storage facilities for staple crops and will make possible the issuance of reliable warehouse receipts which will be widely and easily negotiable.

10. Of no less importance for agriculture and for the national development is the Federal Aid Road Act. This measure will conduce to the establishment of more effective highway machinery in each State, strongly increasing the development of better roads, and will, through the use of better roads, result in larger production and better marketing, promote a fuller and more attractive rural life, and greatly to the convenience and economic welfare of all the people and strengthen the national foundations. The Act embodies sound principles of road legislation and will safeguard the expenditure of the funds arising under the Act not only, but will also result in the more efficient use of the large additional sums made available by States and localities.

11. The Federal Reserve Act benefits the farmer, as it does all the other people of the nation, by guaranteeing better banking—regarding the credit structure of the country, and preventing panics. It takes particular note of the special needs of the farmer by making larger provision for loans through national banks on farm mortgages and by giving farm paper a maturity period of six months.

12. It was essential, however, that banking machinery be devised which would reach intimately into the rural districts, that it should operate on terms suited to the farmer's needs, and should be under sympathetic management. The need was for machinery which would introduce business methods into farm finance, bring order out of chaos, reduce the cost of handling farm loans, place upon the market mortgages which would be a safe investment for private funds, attract to agricultural operations a fair share of the capital of the nation, and lead to a reinvestment of interest. These needs and these needs have been met by the enactment of the Federal Farm Loan Act.

I am glad to have had an opportunity to take part in the creation of this long program, which I believe will result in making agriculture more profitable and country life more comfortable and attractive, and, therefore, in saving the retention to rural districts of an efficient and contented population.

Faithfully yours,  
WOODROW WILSON.  
Hon. A. F. Lever, Chairman,  
Committee on Agriculture,  
House of Representatives.

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HIS PLATFORM

## SECTIONALISM CRY REACTS ON HUGHES

G. O. P. Candidate Is Hocked by Record of His Own Party in Congress.

### LAWS ENACTED ARE FOR ALL

On Its Achievements Administration Invites Judgment as to Whether Its Work is Sectional in Its Scope and Purpose.

Charles E. Hughes has raised the cry of sectionalism, complaining to his Western audiences because the important Committee Chairmanships in the House and Senate have been filled—his being due to seniority promotion—by Southern members.

"During the last year of Republican control there was not a committee chairmanship from the South," replies Congressman James B. Aswell in his speech reported in the Congressional Record. "Was that sectionalism or blind, ignorant partisanship?" he asks.

"Let the people decide," he suggests, "whether the following great measures enacted by this so-called South-controlled Congress are sectional or national."

"The Underwood Tariff Law, just to the consumer as against the special privileged class, followed by a non-partisan tariff commission removing the tariff question from politics.

"The Income Tax Law, casting the rich to pay their just proportion of the expenses of the Government.

"The Rural Credits Law, the first legislation solely for the farmers.

"The establishment of rural routes, the extension of the parcel post, and better mail service for our rural population.

"The Good Roads Law for all sections and for all our people.

"Farm extension laws, including Smith-Lever Act, grain and cotton standards, marketing cotton futures, and so forth.

"The Federal Reserve Act, giving a stable currency and preventing financial panics—the greatest act ever passed in the history of our Government.

"Conservation acts for the people as against special interests.

"Anti-trust laws and arbitration laws, preventing special-interest control.

"Shipping act for open markets for our products and commercial mastery of the seas.

"Federal Trade Commission Act, protecting the individual as against the vested interests.

"The Seaman's Law for the workmen and public safety.

"Legislation supporting the President in keeping us out of the European war while maintaining peace with honor to the American flag.

"Mr. Speaker, for the sake of the great dignity of the high office he seeks and in the name of common decency, let Mr. Justice Hughes say, and name the sectional measures in the above list and mention those he would repeal!"

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FOR SERVICES RENDERED NOT PROMISES BROKEN  
"I do not doubt that the people of the United States will wish the Democratic party to continue in control of the government. They are not in the habit of rejecting those who have actually served them for those who are making doubtful and celestial promises of service. Least of all are they likely to reject those who promise to do better for those who have actually rendered them very service."  
From President Wilson's Speech of Acceptance.

To Carry a Cold in One Day  
LATEST PHOTOGRAPH OF PRESIDENT WILSON  
See the "Iron Claw" at the Pastime Theatre tonight (Friday)

## ALL ARE ASKED TO BOOST WILSON CAMPAIGN FUND

Democratic Managers Must Depend Entirely on Popular Contributions

HOW GREATLY DO YOU VALUE PEACE PROSPERITY

This Paper Authorized by National Committee to Receive Subscriptions to Fund

The Farmville Enterprise today opens its columns for the receipt of contributions to Woodrow Wilson's campaign fund.

Under authorization by the Democratic National Committee, the Farmville Enterprise will undertake to raise a fund to assist in meeting the expenses of the campaign. Contributions, large and small, will be welcome, and will be acknowledged in the columns of this newspaper. Each contributor also will receive from Wilbur W. Marsh, Treasurer of the National Committee, a handsome lithographed receipt.

For the expenses of its national campaign the Democratic party is dependent entirely upon popular contributions. The party does not expect and will not take money for its campaign fund from persons or corporations with sinister purposes. It abhors the practice of catering

to the vested interests, and seeks its support from the multitude. Four years ago 89,854 individual contributions were received. The managers of Mr. Wilson's campaign want to raise that figure to more than 100,000 this year.

It was the money of the people that paid the expenses of electing Mr. Wilson in 1912. It is the people who have been served during the three and a half years of his administration.

It is your battle. Peace, prosperity, justice and honor. These are the blessings that Woodrow Wilson has won for you; these are the blessings that are at stake. How greatly do you value them? How much does faithful service mean to you? The Farmville Enterprise gives you an opportunity to answer. Send or bring your contribution to this office. It will be acknowledged promptly.

### CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sunday School Communion and Preaching next Sunday morning, but no service Sunday night. Don't forget, but keep it ever before you, our meeting will begin the second Sunday in October and continue for two weeks. Mr. J. M. Perry, of Kinston, will be the musical director for the meeting. W. P. Jordan, Pastor.

### Stop! Look! Listen!

A series of meetings at the Baptist church, beginning Sunday, Sept. 17 at 11 o'clock.  
Evangelist (Eph. 4:11) L. C. Wolfe of Muskogee, Okla. is to do the preaching, and his singer W. E. Rodgers will have charge of the singing.  
Come and hear them. Good preaching, good singing, and a cordial welcome awaits you. Falsens 1221.  
JONES E. KIRK, Pastor

## WILSON A PROGRESSIVE BEFORE PARTY WAS BORN

Eighteen months before the birth of the Progressive Party, Woodrow Wilson, then Governor of New Jersey, gave this definition of a Progressive and so classified himself in an address before the Kansas Society of New York, January 22, 1913:

"By 'radical' I understand one who goes too far; by 'conservative' one who does not go far enough; by 'reactionary' one who swings as all I suppose I must be a Progressive, which I take to be one who insists on recognizing new facts, adjusting policies to facts and circumstances as they arise."

Under Democratic influences during the six-year period since standstillism was overthrown in the House of Representatives in 1913, ninety per cent of the program of reform advocated by the Progressive Party has been enacted into law. "Invisible government," which is now making desperate efforts to "come back" has been driven from power under President Wilson's administration and will have no place in Washington so long as he is in the White House.

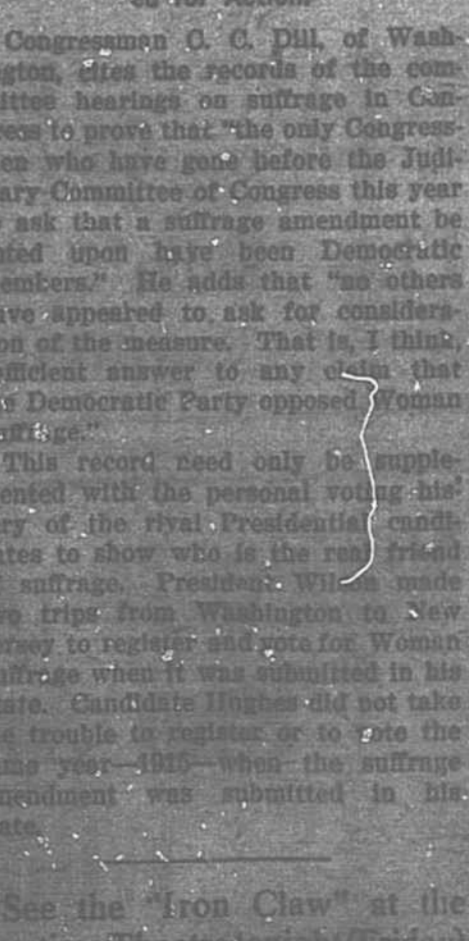
### MEXICO IS COMING BACK

Saved From Conquest, It is Working Out Its Own Destiny.  
Encouraging news continues to come from Mexico. And the tirades of President Wilson's critics grow tamer all the while. Mexico has seen much misfortune, has borne many trials, has experienced many tragedies, but there is a buoyancy to the present situation that gives cheer to friends of that long-suffering republic.  
Americans, coming from that country, bring optimistic assurances. They declare that there is much better government here than for many years. That Carranza's money is increasing in value, that business is picking up and that law is being respected.  
The New York Evening Sun, a Republican newspaper, which usually criticizes everything President Wilson does is compelled to recognize the fact that Carranza is a man of great ability and that the history of Carranza's rule is a record of progress.

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PARTY SUFFRAGE RECORDS  
Only Democratic Congressmen Appeal for Action.  
Congressman O. C. Dill, of Washington, files the records of the committee hearings on suffrage in Congress to prove that "the only Congressmen who have gone before the Judiciary Committee of Congress this year to ask that a suffrage amendment be voted upon have been Democratic members." He adds that "no others have appeared to ask for consideration of the measure. That is, I think, sufficient answer to any claim that the Democratic Party opposed 'oman Suffrage.'"

This record need only be supplemented with the personal voting history of the rival Presidential candidates to show who is the real friend of suffrage. President Wilson made two trips from Washington to New Jersey to register the vote for Woman Suffrage when it was submitted in his State. Candidate Hughes did not take the trouble to register or to vote the same year—1915—when the suffrage amendment was submitted in his state.

### VICE-PRESIDENT MARSHALL FROM LATEST PHOTOGRAPH



## OUR MEXICAN POLICY BASED ON HUMANITY

How the President Has Upheld a Small Nation's Right to Control Its Affairs.

### RESISTED WAR PRESSURE

Determined That America's Stellar Republic Shall Be Permitted to Work Out Its Problem of Freedom and Self-Government.

"President Wilson's faith in democracy, and the unselfishness of the United States in international dealings, have been strikingly expressed in his Mexican policy."

"The President's demand for Mexico is—Justice."

"The larger phases of the relations of the United States with Mexico during President Wilson's Administration, as well as an interesting and complete narrative of events are presented authoritatively in the Mexican Chapter of the Democratic National Text Book, from which these quotations are made."

"Two considerations have animated the President in the formulation of his Mexican policy and have compelled his adherence to it throughout his Administration, namely:

"The firm conviction that all nations, both the weak and the powerful, have the inalienable right to control their internal affairs.

"The belief, established upon the history of the world, that Mexico will never become a peaceful and law-abiding neighbor of the United States until she has been permitted to achieve a permanent and basic settlement of her troubles without outside interference."

"The Mexican problem in its present form has existed for the American Government ever since our frontier was extended to the Rio Grande. When the people maintained the peace it was because they were forced to do so, and not because justice reigned in the land. Thus it was that the history of Mexico, like the history of every other nation, is a record of progress."

"There was a powerful pressure for war—a terrible war—by a well-armed powerful nation against an unarmed, bankrupt people exhausted by five years of civil strife, but who still retained enough of patriotic feeling to rally them against an invader. It was the old question whether the United States should impose a 'peace on Mexico; whether, for the sake of the interests of a few of its citizens, it should permanently suppress Mexico's approaching toward freedom and self-government."

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