

GOVERNOR RUSSELL GIVES HIS REASONS

In a Special Message to the Legislature. He makes Public the Evidence on Which He Suspended the Wilsons as Railroad Commissioners.

To the Senate and House of Representatives: By the Railroad Commission act of 1891, it is provided that it shall be the duty of the Governor to suspend from office any Railroad Commissioner who shall become the holder of any stock or bond of any railroad company...

Company as an eating house. The Round Knob hotel had been discontinued as an eating house for a number of years, prior to the leasing of the same to S. Otho Wilson, also a member of the Railroad Commission.

These commissioners were to pass judgment upon complaints against railroads, to fix rates upon their traffic, to assess their great properties for taxation, and thus exercise powers vitally important to these corporations.

The word "interest" in the statute, is one of the widest significance, and as here used, is broadened and enlarged in its scope by the expression "in any way."

This last provision I construe to mean that he shall be suspended if, in the opinion of the Governor, he becomes for any reason disqualified to act.

The common experience of life teaches us that the relation of mortgagor and mortgagee is one of subordination on the part of the mortgagor, and domination on the part of the mortgagee.

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