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Events of Interest from the Seat of Government by the
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WAR MEASURES MONOPOLIZE ATTENTION

The "jig" appears to be up, so far as any new legislation is concerned at the present session of Congress. As soon as the House turned the food control and revenue bills over to the Senate, the members of the lower body began to disappear from the Capital and knowledge of the absence of a quorum was prevented only by a system of the House "shutting its eyes" and refusing to permit any roll calls. The constitution provides that the House may not adjourn longer than three days at a time, without the consent of the Senate, and it followed that the limit of time was used, thereby depriving the country of the sessions of the House more than a few minutes twice a week, at which periods the body came together in a formal manner only to adjourn again. The greatest of internal problems do not appear to be considered of importance in this mad world of war. Rivers, harbors, public buildings, good roads, tariff fixing, and the railroads have apparently all gone on the "waiting list" so far as legislation is concerned. The situation with reference to the railroads is peculiar. The roads have been regulated in forty-seven varieties of ways by as many states; and just prior to the war the President and Congress decided to have a joint legislative committee investigate the entire railroad situation and make a report. Senator Newlands headed the committee, and Representative Adamson, responsible for the so-called "Adamson law," became vice-chairman of the committee as he headed the House division of the Committee. A number of hearings were held, at which railroad authorities, and others, including William Jennings Bryan, gave their testimony. The point was developed that the sentiment in favor of government-owned railroads, even with men like Mr. Bryan, had become a discarded theory. It also became plain, in the hearings, that the more thoughtful authorities of the country had arrived at the conclusion that there must be a centralized control of the roads; and the drift of the hearings favored lessening the power of the states over the roads, while at the same time strengthening and enlarging the scope of the Federal Government's grip on the situation. Partial relief in the complex railroad situation has been afforded by the recent decision of the Interstate Commerce Commission in raising freight rates in certain instances. But with Congress preparing to adjourn, and the whole machinery of Government monopolized with war measures, there seems little probability that there will be any attempt of the solution of many serious problems presented by railroad and other internal conditions.

The Steel Robbers

The small concern that soaks the public treasury for a small amount needs only to be caught to be recognized as a grafter. The greatest commodity used in the war is steel, and every one knows that the United States and the world has been compelled to throw up its hands and surrender time and again, to the steel trust. America's greatest millionaires and plutocrats have come up out of the tremendous profits of the steel business. And yet the etiquette of the American people is to omit the term "big grafter," when referring to the steel industry, if any complaint is made it is against "big business."

Time and time again the steel barons have been "caught" by officials of the United States Gov-

ernment. Joseph Daniels, as Secretary of the Navy, was one of the first members of the present Administration, to tell the steel robbers that they must leave Uncle Sam a little piece of the money in the United States treasury. When Daniels became insistent there suddenly broke out in the press in different parts of the country a well-planned campaign of ridicule. The American people were told that there was something wrong with Mr. Daniels' sky piece. It was intimated that he was weak-minded. In any event, he ought to resign, or be thrown out of the Cabinet. But Daniels struck, and he began dictating terms to the steel trust. There appeared page advertisements signed by the steel companies, in the papers throughout the country offering to reduce the price of armor and steel to the government. In the end Daniels made contracts for the Navy at prices dictated by himself. About that time the abuse of Daniels ceased; and to-day he is a bulwark of strength in the Administration. But while the attacks on Daniels ceased, the attempts to get deeper in the treasury continued. There followed the attempt to hold up the new ship-building plan, and load on the biggest price for steel in history. The steel barons repeated their oil performance of offering to let the Government set its price. And every time the steel robbers let the Government "fix its price," they simply checked public criticism, and started working the very same day to put over "another one" on Uncle Sam.

The President, in his statement to the business men of the country, undoubtedly had the steel trust in mind when he used this sentence:

"I hear it insisted that more than a just price, more than a price that will sustain our industries, must be paid; that it is necessary to pay very liberal and unusual profits in order to stimulate production; that nothing but pecuniary rewards will do—rewards paid in money, not in the mere liberation of the world."

And one cannot help but feel pardonable pride in a President who backs up the above with the following comment:

"I take it for granted that those who argue thus do not stop to think what that means. Do they mean that they must be paid, must you be bribed, to make your contribution, a contribution that costs you neither a drop of blood or a tear, when the whole world is in travail and men everywhere depend upon and call you to bring them out of bondage and make the world a fit place to live in again amidst peace and justice?"

Of course there are other interests in this war working along the same lines as the steel people. This slippery, slimy bunch of grafters, will continue to make apparent concessions to the Government but in the end their purpose, and their immense profits, clearly indicate that there really exists in this nation a set of people who have been perfectly willing to bring new nations into the war, and to make the whole thing more colossal and stupendous in order that they might sell more goods.

The story of steel since the beginning of this war, is unfortunately not a mere achievement in industry. If it were, it would be wonderful. The President's words point clearly to some of the things for which steel is responsible. And again Mr. Wilson asks—doubtless meaning these same interests:

"Do you mean that you will exact a price, drive a bargain

with the men who are enduring the agony of this war on the battlefield, in the trenches, amidst the lurking dangers of the sea, or with the bereaved women and pitiful children, before you will come forward to do your duty and give some part of your life, in easy peaceful fashion, for the things we are fighting for, the things we have pledged our fortunes, our lives, our sacred honor, to vindicate and defend—liberty and justice and fair dealing and the peace of nations?"

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During the day there will be morning and afternoon sessions devoted to business, such as receiving reports and making plans for the final victorious drive. Mrs. Norman deK. Whitehouse, chairman of the New York State Woman Suffrage party, and Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, chairman of the National American Woman Suffrage association, will be among the speakers.

Labor leaders and grange leaders and prominent up state men have also signified their intention of being at this conference which will precede the final weeks of work before election.

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