

JAMES WATSON PUT ON GRILL IN ELKHART TALK

Hoosier Senator Asked to Explain Notorious Packer's Speech.

COLVER FACES NOMINEE

By a Staff Correspondent.
ELKHART, Ind., Oct. 7.—Senator James E. Watson of Indiana was requested by William C. Colver, former chairman of the Federal Trade Commission, in an address here last night, to give the people of Indiana intimate details of his attack on the commission at just the time the big meat packers were under investigation.

Watson was asked if the speech he made in the Senate when he appeared and demanded to be allowed to deliver it, where and when, and when he got the material for the speech, who framed the charges he made against the commission and many particulars as to the activities of Clarence Martin, Indianapolis attorney, who was engaged by the special Senate committee which Watson had ordered to investigate the Federal Trade Commission.

Colver made his attack on Watson at the conclusion of an address to the State League of Women Voters on the high cost of living. He said he had endeavored to force Watson to prove charges he made against the commission, so that Watson had to face charges (Colver) with being a traitor, and when Watson dodged every effort, he (Colver) came to Indiana on his own expense account and without consultation with any one or any political organization, and Watson in his home State and to drive him to complete the attack he started.

COLVER WAS CHAIRMAN THEN.

Colver was chairman of the committee at the time the Senate ordered an investigation of the five big meat packers.

The investigation was made and is revealed such startling information that the packers voluntarily entered into agreements to dissolve their various holdings.

The Senate prepared legislation and was considering it when suddenly Watson arose in the Senate and made a long attack on supposed Bolsheviks existing in governmental departments.

He charged particularly that the commission was honeycombed with Bolsheviks at the time the packer investigation was made.

Watson, Republican, who was praised highly tonight by Colver, demanded that Watson prove his charges and forced, with Watson's aid, the appointment of a committee to investigate.

The investigation seems to have been started and then abandoned, as nothing has been heard of it.

The Watson speech was a sensation. Coming as it did and being so timed as to have its effect caused by the packer investigation and having been made at the time a special agent of the packers was in the gallery, an agent who was a particular friend of Watson's, and then being followed by an expose of packer inquiries of Watson, the entire matter caused the utmost attention.

ATTACKS EXCESS PROFITS TAX.

Colver in his speech attacked the excess profits tax as causing in part the high cost of living. He denounced the last Republican Congress for its failure to repeal this tax, warned the women that it is war which is the cause of the high cost of living and that success for the Republicans will mean a war with Mexico, and added that those who profit through wars are those who are fighting the League of Nations.

He said that he was the salaried representative of the coal and food companies in restraint of trade assist in adding to the high cost of living.

This statement caused him to reveal for the first time many intimate details of the big meat packer-Watson commission story.

He charged that reactionaries in the Senate of which Watson was one, organized the Senate investigation and appointed George A. Sander, a legislative agent for the packers, as secretary to the Senate, a highly important office.

"He is there now. He will stay as long as the oligarchy stays—and packer legislation sleeps," he said.

He recalled how a Republican administration had attacked meat packer control and how Senator Lodge had decried the packers.

TELLS OF WATSON'S ACTIVITY.

He then told how Watson, on Oct. 29, 1919, "first gave a speech to the newspapers and then delivered it in the Senate," in which he said he had been investigating socialism, Bolshevikism and anarchy in various Government departments, and especially in the Federal Trade Commission.

Watson demanded an investigation by a special committee. Watson added that "in no wise is this a defense of the packers."

The Senate referred the matter to a committee to whose members Senator Watson talked and finally, early in January, money was provided and the committee was appointed," said Colver. "Senator Watson was made a member of that committee. Long before this, however, Senator Clarence Martin, Indianapolis, was employed by Watson to charges. Martin was traveling about. He was under expense. He was interviewing witnesses. He was claiming to act for and by the authority of a Senate committee weeks and weeks before any such had been authorized and appointed."

Colver then went on to tell how Senator Watson was hired by the Senate committee to be in the city on investigation followed. He then added:

"I ask Senator Watson to tell the people of Indiana whether or not the speech in substantially the form in which he delivered it, did not come into his hands typewritten? If so, who gave it to him?"

"I ask Senator Watson whether or not in fact, he had, to quote his own words, 'for a week or two' been investigating?"

"If so, when, where, how?"

"If not, who did frame the charges?"

Who gave them to Watson?"

"Who employed Martin before the Senate sub-committee did and who paid his railroad fare, his hotel bills and his salary for the weeks and weeks before he was employed by the Senate committee?"

Colver then went on to tell how Watson's hand and to reveal fully the complete story of Watson's activities in connection with the celebrated speech.

Hartford City Man Takes Job in Japan

Special to The Times.
HARTFORD CITY, Ind., Oct. 7.—W. J. Williams left this city yesterday for Tokio, where he will become general manager of the largest paper mills in the Japanese Empire.

He has been in the Orient before and speaks the Japanese language.

He has been night superintendent at a plant of the Ft. Wayne Corrugated Company here.

Wicked Man!
YORK, Oct. 7.—Miss Helen Grossman is suing John Grossman for the grounds of fraud. She says when he married her he failed to disclose the fact he is an

PUSS IN BOOTS JR.

By David Cory.

"Because I have such wonderful ruby eyes," repeated the strange toad, "you remember that was the answer Puss gave him in the last story when this strange toad asked Puss why he ran away?"

"'Til tell you, if you'll promise not to hurt me, why my eyes are red as rubies and my legs yellow," and the toad jumped up and sat down on the big mushroom and crossed one leg over the other and commenced:

"Once I was a toad, I lived in Frog Land, a wise Frog King who had two sons, and not far from the Frog Pond was Toad Country, where my father was King of all the toads. Well, one

day I was hopping along, when I saw a pony, and I said to myself, 'I wonder if I can catch that pony?'"

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