

Five Minutes with Our Presidents

By JAMES MORGAN

After Woodrow Wilson had been teaching in the classroom for a quarter of a century that the president ought to be more like a prime minister, "trying to co-operate with other human beings" than "a mere department . . . halting congress from some isolated island of authority," the opportunity came to him to put his theory in practice. When congress met in extra session, a month after his inauguration, he walked in and delivered his message in person, reviving a custom which Jefferson had stopped only because he happened to have a poor voice and was an awkward speaker.

For a century presidents had been keeping away from the capitol, except when they went there for an hour to sign the bills of an expiring congress. The rest of the time they carried on a more or less secret diplomacy with the other half of the government, a mile away, as if it were some rival power in Europe.

President Wilson adopted the attitude of a sort of member at large of both houses, sauntering unheralded into the seldom used president's room, which adjoins the senate chamber, whenever he had any special business and talking things over in the open. This common sense democratic plan of leadership resulted—while it lasted—in the best exhibition of quiet, smooth team work between the executive and legislative departments that we have ever had. There was neither a quarrel nor a deadlock throughout that pre-war period.

The president succeeded, not by arousing a personal loyalty to himself, but by the force of his ideas. "I have had a majority on the floor, but," he admitted, "never a majority in the cloak room."

The quality of the product of his leadership is open to question, but the quantity represents a bigger grist than the legislative mill has ever ground out in a like space of time. Here are the outstanding items in the peace record of the Wilson administration: Tariff revision, the first income tax, the Federal Reserve act, the Federal Trade commission, the Clayton Trust Law, thirty arbitration treaties, the Seaman's act, the Farm Loan, the repeal of Panama tolls, the Shipping act, the Child Labor law, the purchase of the Danish West Indies and federal aid for good roads.

The Federal Reserve law is potentially as great a piece of constructive legislation as any that has been enacted in this country. We were absolutely without a financial system, and the money of the nation was in the irresponsible control of a few big banks in New York.

A single private citizen exercised far more power over the national currency than the national government itself. President Cleveland and J. P. Morgan were to be the protectors of the helpless treasury in 1895, and President Roosevelt turned to him to save the financial life of the country in 1907. All the while an absurd system left the great business of the country with out currency whenever it was needed, and with too much of it when the need was least.

Every attempt to remedy this situation had failed because private financial interests naturally wished to keep their control of the money. The Aldrich bill in the Taft administration proposed to give the sanction of law to this private domination, but congress refused to pass it.

The Federal Reserve act simply reversed the Aldrich plan and gave the nation, through the government, the control of its own money. It is agreed now that without the new system our finances could not have withstood the gale of war. It yet remains to be tested as a method of contracting and deflating the war-time expansion.

President Wilson was the relentless driving force that pushed through the Federal Reserve bill and the rest of

LAXITY OF OFFICIALS SCORED BY VAN NUYS

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 11.—Laxity on the part of county officials in law enforcement was scored by United States District Attorney Van Nuys in a statement regarding action by the Federal grand jury on the alleged "white mule banquet" in Kokomo last week, the W. C. T. U. and the Anti-Saloon League to demand immediate prosecution.

Mr. Van Nuys declared that the Federal grand jury is already "snowed under" with work, and that it would be impossible to take up the case during the present session of the grand jury.

Have Much to Do.

"We are in session now from 9 o'clock in the morning until 6 o'clock at night, with only an hour for lunch, and if we investigate every complaint that comes to us, we will be in session until the end of next summer," Mr. Van Nuys said.

"I can't see why county officials don't enforce the law," he said. "Half the cases that this grand jury is investigating would never have come to our attention if county officials had done their duty. We are going to try to give matters of importance first attention and this jury has some very important cases to consider."

Declines to Pointed Out.

When it was pointed out to Mr. Van Nuys that county officials themselves were said to be implicated in law violations at Kokomo, and that it was estimated by Mr. Van Nuys that a number of county officials were expected to be indicted by the Federal grand jury, Mr. Van Nuys declined to make further comment.

TODAY IS JOY DAY

AT THE

Big Auto Show

Afternoon and Night

1914—August 6, Death of Mrs. Wilson.
1915—December 18, the President Married Mrs. Edith Bolling
1916—Re-elected.

the legislative program, and he incurred the implacable hostility of powerful interests. The only other president to challenge the supremacy of this element in our politics was Roosevelt, but the harder it fought him, the closer the people as a whole drew to him.

The electric spark was omitted from President Wilson's composition, and this omission denied him a flowing communication with his fellows, a natural limitation which was confirmed by the life he had led until he was suddenly thrust into the hurly burly of politics. His aloofness chilled the emotions of the people even when their minds approved his policies and admired his abilities. Nor did he have a cabinet which could supply the lacking element of popularity.

President Wilson has been a lonely figure in the White House. He came to the presidency a stranger to public men, and no president can make new friends—real friends; he can only make sycophants. When his wife died, leaving him without a close companion in the midst of heavy cares, the hearts of the people warmed to him as at no other time, and they almost resented his remarriage because it broke that tie of sympathy between them and him.

His re-election was one of the big surprises of our presidential elections. For several hours after the polls closed he appeared to have been beaten, and Hughes went to bed with the assurance that he was president-elect.

After all the great industrial states, which had decided the elections in the past, except Ohio, had sent in reports of Republican victories, the tide was turned by the far west, which had been almost forgotten in the reckoning, but where the conservative interests had less influence. At last the returns from remote hamlets in the Sierras gave California to the president by less than 4,000 plurality. He had lost all but two of the northern states east of the Missouri, and had yet won by carrying all but two of the states west of that river, where the women voters are supposed to have rallied to him because "he kept us out of war."

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GERMANS MAN SHIPS.

VALPARAISO, Dec. 11.—A German steamer has arrived at Iquique, bringing crews to man the last of the 40 odd German vessels interned in Chilean waters during the war. Under the Inter-Allied agreement reached in London last May, the ships were to be returned to Europe for distribution among the allies.

Among the interned vessels was the Potas, of 5,040 tons, one of the largest sailing vessels afloat. She sailed recently for Europe for a full cargo of nitrate.

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special at \$3.25	special at \$3.25	All-Wool Serges, 36 inches to 58 inches, at 1.50, \$2.00, \$2.25, \$2.50, \$2.85, \$4.25, \$4.50, \$4.65, \$4.75, \$5.00, \$5.25.
Kimono Silks in the latest patterns, 36 in. wide; special. \$3.48	Dress Satins in a big variety of grades to select from—\$3.00, \$3.75, \$3.85, \$4.00, \$5.25, \$5.50, \$6.75.	Tricotine All-Wool, 48 inches to 56 inches, \$4.75 to \$7.00
Eagle's Silk Crepe Shirting in a hand-some line of patterns, 33 inches wide; special at \$2.98	Tricotelette in the season's newest shades, 36 in. wide; special. \$2.98	Coatings, all-wool, 50 inches to 58 inches, yard \$3.50 to \$9.00
Java Crepe Shirting in all the new patterns, 33 inches wide; special at \$1.98	Pongee Silks, 33 inches wide, at — \$1.48, \$1.98, \$2.25, \$2.50, \$2.75, \$3.00, \$3.25, \$3.50, \$3.75, \$4.00.	Plaids in a good line of styles, 48 inches to 54 inches; special. \$4.98

East Room Christmas Specials

GUT GLASS	Sweet Grass Baskets, \$1.00 to \$3.50.	Fancy Boxed Handkerchiefs, 3 in box, 88c to \$1.68 box.
Jugs, \$7.75, \$8.00, \$9.00.	Leather Collar Bags, \$2.25 to \$3.00.	Children's Fancy Handkerchiefs, 3 in box, 75c.
Tumblers, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.35 and \$1.50.	Bar Pins, 50c to \$5.00.	Children's Fancy Handkerchiefs, 18c each.
Sugar and Cream Sets, \$3.75, \$4.00, \$6.00, \$6.75, \$8.00 set.	Cuff Links, Lingerie Clasps, 25c to \$1.00 pair.	Ladies' Handkerchiefs, plain white and white and colored, embroidered corners; prices 10c, 15c, 20c, 25c; three for \$1.00.
Vases, \$3.00, \$3.50 and \$5.75.	Rings, \$1.00 to \$5.00.	Linen, 40c, 50c, 60c, 75c, \$1.35, \$1.75, \$2.00.
Sherbets, 75c each.	Traveling Sets, 58c to \$3.75.	IVORY
Lace Collars, 50c to \$5.00.	Ladies' Pocketbooks in black, grey and brown leather, also brown hand-tooled leather. Prices \$1.25 to \$27.00.	Combs, 30c to \$2.25.
Fancy Vest Sets, regular \$5, special \$3.98.	Beads, 25c to \$5.00.	Hair Brushes, \$1.75 to \$9.00.
Pearl Beads, \$8.50.	Saltz Sta. Sharp Pencil, gold and Silver, \$1.00 to \$4.50.	Cloth Brushes, \$2.25.
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Toilet Water, 75c to \$1.50.	Toilet Water, 75c to \$1.50.	Jewel Boxes, \$3.00 to \$5.50.
Perfumes, 25c to \$1.00 bottle.	Complete line of Dolls, 25c to \$13.50.	Hair Receivers, 98c to \$2.75.
Shaving Sets, \$3.50 to \$12.00.	Moving Eyes Dolls from 85c to \$13.50.	Powder Boxes, 98c to \$2.75.
Writing Sets, \$1.00 to \$4.50.	Stationery from 25c to \$2.48 box.	Clocks, \$2.75 to \$4.50.
Initial Handkerchiefs, 15c, 20c, 30c, 35c; three for \$1.00.	SPECIAL — Four colors to the box, 48 sheets, 48 envelopes, Linen, regular 75c; special, 69c.	Pin Cushions, \$1.18.
Initial Handkerchiefs, 15c, 20c, 30c, 35c; three for \$1.00.	Tie Racks, Book Ends, Smocking Jackets, \$10.00.	Cold Cream Jars, 30c to \$1.19.
Linen, 40c, 50c, 60c, 75c and 85c.	Cutie Knives, 85c.	Shoe Horns, 50c.
Men's Silk Handkerchiefs, 25c, 30c and 50c.	Paper Knives, 85c.	Files, 30c and 50c.
Narcissus Bulbs, in fancy box, \$1.00 to \$3.75.	Mirrors, \$3.00 to \$9.50.	Cuticle Knives, 85c.
Tie Racks, Book Ends, Smocking Jackets, \$10.00 each.	Trays, \$1.35 to \$4.00.	Mirrors, \$3.00 to \$9.50.
Linen, 40c, 50c, 60c, 75c and 85c.	Boudoir Caps from 50c to \$3.50 each.	Trays, \$1.35 to \$4.00.

ANNEX Second Floor CHRISTMAS SPECIALS

Fine Nainsook and Batiste Gowns in white and flesh, lace trimmed and hand embroidered, in both regular and extra sizes, ranging in price from \$2.50 to \$6.00.	PETTICOATS	Boudoir Slippers from \$2.00 to \$4.00.
Philipine and Porto Rican hand-made and hand-embroidered Gowns and Envelope Chemises; price ranging from \$4.50 to \$7.50 each.		Fancy Wool Motor Scarfs, prices from \$5.00 to \$11.00 each.
"Billie Burke Sleeping Garments in Windsor Crepe, white and flesh. Lingerie Cloth, Flocked Batiste, Silk Batiste and Witchery Crepe; sizes from 38 to 44; prices \$4.00 to \$9.00 each.		INFANTS' DEPARTMENT
Tell the story of the great merit and success of Hood's Sarsaparilla. It is just the medicine you need now. Hood's Pills help—fine cathartics.		Beacon Crib Blankets, Japanese Silk hand embroidered Quilts, knit Sacques and Sweaters, Hoods and Caps, Toilet Articles and Sets, Toys, Carriage Straps and Clamps, hand painted Hot Water Bags, Teething Rings and Beads, Afghan Bows, Bells, Booties, Silk and Kid Moccasins, Articles ranging in price from 35c to \$8.00.
Flesh colored and Envelope Chemises in Silk Batiste, Witchery Crepe, Crepe de chine and Wash Satin; lace, ribbon and hand embroidery decorations. Prices ranging from \$5.00 to \$20. each.	KIMONOS	Children's and Misses' Silk and Wool Dresses and navy Serge Middy Suits, sizes from 10 to 16 years; prices \$7.50 to \$25.00 each.
Fancy pink Silk Bloomers in Crepe de Chine and Wash Satin, from \$4.50 to \$6.50 each.	PETTIBOCKERS	Coats for small girls and boys—Velvet, Velour, Broadcloth, Cheviot, Melton and Chinchilla; sizes from 2 to 6 years; prices \$5.00 to \$15.00 each.
A very extensive line of silk Camisoles in white, flesh, navy, taupe, brown, black and		