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tion to threaten, initiate or withhold prosecution is not tolerable under free institutions. Much more to the point is the attitude of the present administration, which has given it to be understood that prosecutions of all and sundry will be maintained in accordance with the judgment of the supreme court in the great cases under the Sherman statute now pending."

The tobacco cases were argued before the supreme court for three days beginning January 4, 1910. The Standard Oil case was argued for three days beginning March 15, 1910. The usual time of four hours a day for three successive days was allowed in each case because of its great importance and the number of eminent lawyers engaged on both sides of the controversy. The death of Justice Brewer, who sat on the bench during the arguments, made it impossible or inexpedient for the court to come to a decision in either case and a rehearing of both causes was announced.

The two cases were returned to the docket subject to call and will come up during the week beginning

Monday, November 14, 1910. A date will then be set for hearing arguments. No prediction can be made as to the precise time when the rehearing will be had, but it is expected to come early in December, or be thrown over until after the holiday recess.

The Standard Oil case comes up on appeal from the Eighth circuit, where the government won its contention and the lower court issued a decree of dissolution. The Standard Oil company took the appeal. Otherwise it must immediately have ceased existence as a combination and returned its stock to the various component concerns. Affirmation of the opinion ordered by the circuit court will mean the dissolution of the oil trust.

The supreme court will assemble for the autumn term Monday, October 10. The filing of briefs in the trust suits may be made any time between that date and November 14, but neither case will be taken up. They will simply lie on the docket until November 14, when a date for hearing arguments will be announced.

chose to manage our campaign—he by the character of his nominee, Thomas Taggart, and I by the character of Mr. Cortelyou.

"The assertion that Mr. Cortelyou had any knowledge gained while in any official position whereby he was enabled to secure and did secure any contributions from any corporation is a falsehood. The assertion that there has been any blackmail, direct or indirect, by Mr. Cortelyou or by me is a falsehood. The assertion that there has been made in behalf of and by authorization of Mr. Cortelyou or by any one else any pledge or promise or that there has been any understanding as to future immunities or benefits in recognition of any contribution from any source is a wicked falsehood.

"That Mr. Parker should desire to avoid the discussion of principles I can well understand, for it is but the bare truth to say that he has not attacked us on any matter of principle or upon any action of the government save after first mis-stating that principle or that action. But I can not understand how any honorable man, a candidate for the highest office in the gift of the people, can take refuge, not merely in personalities, but in such base and unworthy personalities.

"If I deemed it necessary to support my flat denial by any evidence I would ask all men of common sense to ponder well what has been done in this campaign by Mr. Cortelyou and to compare it with what Mr. Parker himself did when he was managing Mr. Hill's campaign for governor, and to compare what has been done as regards the great corporations and money interests in this administration with what was done under the last democratic administration while Mr. Olney was attorney general; I would ask all honest men whether they seriously deem it possible that the course this administration has taken in every matter from the Northern Securities suit to the settlement of the anthracite coal strike is compatible with any theory of public behavior save the theory of doing exact justice to all men without fear and without favoritism; I would ask all honest and fair-minded men to remember that the agents through whom I have worked are Mr. Knox and Mr. Moody in the department of justice; Mr. Cortelyou in the department of commerce and labor, and Mr. Garfield in the bureau of corporations, and that no such act of infamy as Mr. Parker charges could have been done without all these men being parties to it.

"The statements made by Mr. Parker are unqualified and atrociously false. As Mr. Cortelyou has said to me more than once during this cam-

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Mr. Roosevelt to Judge Parker

A Los Angeles, Calif., reader of The Commoner writes: "I take the liberty of addressing you on political matters at this time, and to enclose certain articles which I hope may be of service to you and to our party. I inclose two or three copies of Roosevelt's statement of November 4, 1904, which was published that day and the next day in all of the papers in the country, and which you and I and all know was a monstrous falsehood, but which seems to me has been strangely neglected by our people during later campaigns and especially by our papers."

(From Los Angeles Herald of November 5, 1904; written November 4, 1904, and published all over the United States on November 4 and 5, 1904.)

ROOSEVELT'S STATEMENT

Mr. Roosevelt's statement as given out tonight is as follows:

White House, Washington, November 4, 1904.—Certain slanderous accusations as to Mr. Cortelyou and myself have been repeated time and again by Judge Parker, the candidate of his party for the office of president. He neither has produced nor can produce any proof of the truth of the charges, yet he has not withdrawn them, and as his position gives them wide currency I speak now lest the silence of self-respect be misunderstood. Mr. Parker's charges are in effect that the president of the United States and Mr. Cortelyou, formerly Mr. Cleveland's executive clerk, then Mr. McKinley's and my secretary, then secretary of commerce and labor and now chairman of the republican national committee, have been in a conspiracy to blackmail the corporations, Mr. Cortelyou using his knowledge gained while he was secretary of commerce and labor to extort money from the corporations, and I, the president, having appointed him for this special purpose.

"That the graveness of these charges lies in the assertion that the corporations have been blackmailed into contributing and in the implication, which in one or two of Mr. Parker's speeches has taken the form practically of an assertion, that they have been promised certain immunities or favors, or have been assured that they would receive some kind of improper consideration in view of their contributions.

"That contributions have been made to the republican committee, as

contributions have been made to the democratic committee, is not the question at issue. Mr. Parker's assertion is in effect that such contributions have been made for improper motives, either in consequence of threats or in consequence of improper promises, direct or indirect, on the part of the recipients. Mr. Parker knows best whether this is true of the contributions to his campaign fund, which have come through his trusted friends and advisers who represent the great corporate interests that stand behind him. But there is not a particle of truth in the statements as regards anything that has come on in the management of the republican campaign.

"Mr. Parker's accusations against Mr. Cortelyou and myself are monstrous. If true they would brand both of us forever with infamy, and, for inasmuch as they are false, heavy must be the condemnation of the man making them. I chose Mr. Cortelyou as chairman of the national committee after failing successfully to persuade Elihu Root, W. Murray Crane and Cornelius N. Bliss to accept the position. I chose him with extreme reluctance because I could ill spare him from the cabinet. But I felt that he possessed the high integrity which I demanded in the man who was to manage my campaign. I am content that Mr. Parker or I should be judged by the public on the characters of the two men we

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