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## South in Saddle Now Rides the Whole Nation

Nearly All the Important Committees in Both Senate and House are Controlled By the Members From the South.

Washington, Sept. 16.—“The irony of fate was never so apparent as in the workings of the democratic party. Had any one been found so bold as to have ventured a prophecy that the time would come when the union soldier would see the entire government which he saved under full control of the states which attempted to destroy it, he would have been regarded a candidate for the asylum,” declared Representative Simeon D. Floss of Ohio, chairman of the publicity committee of the national republican congressional committee, in a statement here today.

“That time is now reached. The south rides at the head of the procession. The president and his family are southern in birth and sympathies.

### Control by South Absolute.

“His cabinet is also southern, the five controlling heads are from states that have less than one-fifth of the population and bear less than one-half of the taxation.

“The senate, in leadership and working committees, is southern. The house, from speaker to doorkeeper, is southern. Seventeen out of eighteen great committees are headed by southern men, as follows:

- “Ways and Means—Kitchin, North Carolina.
- “Appropriations—Fitzgerald, New York.
- “Banking and Currency—Glass, Virginia.
- “Interstate and Foreign Commerce—Adamson, Georgia.
- “Rivers and Harbors—Sparkman, Florida.
- “Merchant and Marine—Alexander, Missouri.
- “Agriculture—Layer, South Carolina.
- “Foreign Affairs—Flood, Virginia.
- “Military Affairs—Hay, Virginia.
- “Naval Affairs—Padgett, Tennessee.
- “Postoffice—Moon, Tennessee.
- “Indians—Stephens, Texas.
- “Insular Affairs—Jones, Virginia.
- “Railways and Canals—Dies, Texas.
- “Public Buildings—Clark, Florida.
- “Roads—Shackelford, Missouri.
- “Rules—Henry, Texas.

### Fix Public Policy.

“Here are eighteen committees whose heads represent nine states—one northern and eight southern. Of these the ways and means, judiciary, banking and currency, interstate and foreign commerce, foreign affairs, merchant marine, insular affairs and rules all have to do with governmental attitude on questions of policy

determining. The heads of these come from southern states—North Carolina, Virginia, Georgia, Missouri and Texas. These states determine the government's attitude in policy.

### When Guard is Called.

“When the country needs defense who responds?

“August 1, 1916, militia on border,	
From New York .....	16,000
From Massachusetts .....	7,000
From Pennsylvania .....	9,000
From Illinois .....	11,000
From South Carolina .....	3,000
From North Carolina, the home of house leader and head of Navy department .....	none
From Georgia, the home of the the senate leader .....	none
From Florida, the home of the chairman of rivers and harbors, and public buildings committees .....	none
From Kentucky .....	none
From Tennessee .....	none
From Arkansas .....	none
From Mississippi, the home of chairman of flood control .....	none
From Alabama, the home of the Underwood bill .....	none
From Louisiana .....	500

### House Cuts Out Loyalty.

“It will be galling to the union soldiers to know that on March 1, of this year, this democratic house by a vote of 74 to 58 rejected the element of loyalty as essential to collect southern claims against the government arising out of the war. A motion was then made to recommit the bill with instructions to include loyalty as essential to a claim.

“This was carried by a vote of 183 to 170. Every republican save one from Tennessee, and one from Virginia, voted for it. Every southern man voted against it and a few northern democrats, including McGillicuddy, of the Second district of Maine. Vote is recorded August record page 3,877 of the present session.

“The committee which has charge of these claims is under control of a member from Texas.

“The south governs, appropriates and spends.

“The north obeys, pays, and defends.

“This is the irony of fate fifty years after. It is the meaning of democratic control.”

We wish to thank our subscribers who have promptly renewed their subscriptions. Glad you are pleased with The Monitor.

### SOUTHERN WOMAN FOILED AT NEW YORK MEETING

New York, September 13.—To be both a Southerner and a delegate to the opening rally of the Women's City Committee of the Hughes Alliance in the college room of the Hotel Astor Monday afternoon proved to be too much for Mrs. Leon M. Polachek. When she entered the hall to assist in the welcome to 2,000 women who had joined the alliance she observed three Colored women, representing an organization of 300 members.

She promptly left the room and in the hall told whoever cared to listen that her mother was Julia Lee, a great granddaughter of Robert E. Lee, so she couldn't possibly stay with Negro delegates. Some one persuaded her to try it for a minute, anyhow, and she went back in the meeting room, but presently she hurried out again, exclaiming:

“No, I can't stand it. I'm not going to sit with Negroes. It's all right for them to do political work, and they can have their own organization and meet in their own clubrooms. I like them and they respect me. I have an old nurse I think the world of, but I'm not going to sit with them.

“The Lord made the black man and He made the white man,” remarked Mrs. E. S. Merry. “The war is over and settled now I'm from Maine and I'm proud of it I'm a Jim Blaine girl and I don't mind Negro delegates.”

But Mrs. Polachek insisted that she did until Miss Alice Carpenter, who presided at the meeting, hurried into the hall, exclaiming:

“Not a word of this must be reported. Not a word. Why I don't even know that this woman is a member.”

“Yes, I am a member,” insisted the descendant of General Lee, “but I'm not going to sit with niggers.”

Mrs. Polachek didn't, but the meeting went on.

### AK-SAR-BEN'S PARADE WILL BE HISTORICAL

The Historical parade, to be given by Ak-Sar-Ben this year, will surpass any previous effort of its kind. This parade will show every step in the development of Nebraska from its territorial days to its present days of prosperity and influence.

There will be more than forty groups, and sub groups of about fifteen each, dealing with various phases of Nebraska life. These floats will be horse and oxen drawn.

The oxen are being brought from all parts of the United States where such means of transportation is still in vogue. President Buckingham has just received his first consignment of oxen which came from Canada.

Nebraska's fiftieth anniversary of statehood is to be fittingly celebrated and Ak-Sar-Ben is to be congratulated on the elevating and educational exhibition it is preparing for the pleasure and education of the millions of subjects of King Samson.

### Colored Democrats Criticize Wilson

Meet at Buffalo and Condemn Segregation and Failure to Appoint Negroes to Office.

Buffalo, N. Y.—The anti-Negro policy of President Wilson and the Democratic Administration at Washington was strongly denounced at a meeting of Colored Democrats held here last week. Resolutions were passed condemning the segregation of Negroes in Governmental departments and the failure of President Wilson to appoint competent Colored men to prominent positions.

Although the meeting was well attended, representatives being present from the various sections of the State, there was no enthusiasm. Everybody admitted that President Wilson's unfriendly attitude toward the Negro had not made him supporters among the Colored voters of the country. Despite the discouraging prospects ahead, however, the Colored Democrats of New York State plan to conduct a vigorous campaign this fall.

At last week's meeting an organization was formed, to be known as the Colored Democratic League of New York State, and the following officers were chosen to serve for two years: James A. Ross, Buffalo, chairman; the Rev. J. R. White, New York, vice-chairman; John Morris, New York, treasurer; E. W. Duke, Buffalo, secretary; John McNeil, New York, assistant secretary; F. C. Morton, New York, chairman Advisory Committee; Rufus L. Perry, Brooklyn, chairman Executive Committee; W. Derror, Buffalo, chairman of Committee on Organization; W. F. White, Rochester, chairman of Field Agents; S. Lark, Brooklyn, chairman Speakers' Bureau; Charles W. Lett, New York, sergeant-at-arms.

The speakers openly confessed that prospects for a Democratic victory were not as bright as four years ago, and that hundreds of Colored voters who were enthusiastic Wilson men in 1912 are today opposed to his election.

### VOTERS IN ARKANSAS FORM HUGHES LEAGUE

Little Rock, Ark.—Colored voters are called to form a Hughes and Fairbanks League by Dr. R. A. Williams, J. R. Booker and Scipio A. Jones, who have issued a circular announcing a meeting to be held here Tuesday, September 26, in the Masonic Temple, at noon. The call is the result of an effort to fight that element of the party which fosters lily-whiteism at the Negro Republicans' expense.

### WOMEN CONDEMN UNIONS EXCLUDING COLORED ARTISANS

Paterson, N. J., Sept. 14.—At its annual session here last week, the New Jersey Federation of Colored Women's Clubs condemned the labor unions for the exclusion of colored artisans.