



Governor Hiram W. Johnson, of California, has issued a statement announcing that he will camp on the trail of members of the legislature who were recreant to their trust. In a public statement the governor said: "There has been stubborn opposition to what we know to be the will of the people as expressed

at the polls and in the matter of legislation. The important duty, therefore, remains to inform the people how their representatives served them. I am going to make this my personal duty. Within a few weeks I shall undertake to call the roll of the legislature throughout the state. I shall go into every dis-

trict and tell the people as plainly, as frankly and as fairly as I can how these men, whom they sent to represent them, served them. The people have the right to know this and it is important that they be informed. I shall see to it personally that they are informed accurately. At all events the people will be in a position to vote with a full knowledge of the facts."

Governor Johnson points with pride to the California legislature's progressive records as follows: "Passed resolution for submission to the people of constitutional amendment for the initiative, referendum and recall, including judiciary. Passed railroad rate bill, enlarging powers of state railroad commission, in fulfillment of Johnson's pledge to 'kick the Southern Pacific out of California politics.' Passed resolution submitted a constitutional amendment extending the powers of the railway commission to all public utilities corporations. Passed resolution to submit a constitutional amendment granting suffrage to women. Passed bill penalizing railroads for failure to carry full train crews. Amended election laws by abolishing the party circle on ballots and providing for non-partisan election of judges and state superintendent of instruction. Passed bill limiting hours of labor for women to eight daily and forty-eight a week."

An El Paso, Texas, dispatch, carried by the Associated Press said: "Francisco I. Madero, president of the insurrectos, and their leader in the field has not been consulted about any peace terms, and no settlement of the war in Mexico will be accepted without his final word, which alone would be regarded as binding. At present Madero, disregarding recent political changes at Mexico City, is arranging his men about Chihuahua, the metropolis of northern Mexico, with a view of possibly besieging the city. Insurrecto leaders gave out this information with the stipulation that it was not intended to minimize the importance of assertions made by Francisco I. Madero, senior, and Gustavo A. Madero at San Antonio, Tex., that tentative plans now being considered may result in peace within a month."

Six thousand women, engaged in mission work, participated in a lunch at New York City.

A special dispatch from Des Moines, Ia., to the Sioux City Journal, says: "Representative Perkins' bill, for the unsexing of habitual criminals, idiots, feeble-minded and imbeciles passed the house by a vote of 64 to 13. The bill had been reported back to the house by the judiciary committee without recommendation. When it came up on the calendar Mr. Perkins was the only speaker. He cited one case of a father in Iowa whose 148 descendants were either charity patients or insane, and another family which had sixty imbeciles among the children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. The speaker said a human being was governed three-fourths by heredity and one-fourth by environment, and that it is up to organized society to prevent procreation of insane and idiots."

A Harrisburg, Penn., dispatch to the Philadelphia North American, says: "George W. Guthrie, ex-mayor of Pittsburg, has accepted the post of chairman of the democratic state central committee, to which he was recently elected by the reorganization committee authorized for that purpose by the state committee itself. Chairman Guthrie's letter of acceptance to Chairman William B. Wilson, of Blossburg, and Secretary B.

F. Davis, of Lancaster, the officers of the reorganization committee, was written from Pittsburg and made public by ex-Mayor Vance C. McCormick of this city. Chairman Guthrie minces no words in his letter of acceptance but, on the other hand,

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