

DAVIES THE MAN

Career of Administration Candidate for the U. S. Senate.



Davies is a self made man. Born the son of a blacksmith of Watertown, in forty-two years he climbed by his own efforts to a position of trust in the nation, second only to that of a member of the President's cabinet. By hard work he earned his way through the University of Wisconsin. Leaving the University, by 1912, through the force of his ability and personality, he became one of the best-known lawyers of the state.

Davies is a forward-looking man. Early a member of the little group who blazed a way for the great measures of social justice enacted in the past five years, Davies was one of the first half dozen men to support Governor Wilson for the presidency. Davies was one of the floor leaders at Baltimore, who won the fight for Wilson.

Davies was selected by Wilson to manage the president's campaign in the twenty-nine Western states, a task he performed with complete success.

Davies is a public-spirited man. When the president offered him the post of ambassador to Russia and governor general of the Philippine islands, Davies asked to be permitted to serve at home. He wanted to take a part at home, in making a living fact, the great reform the president had promised the American people. How fully he did his part is shown by the warm words of appreciation publicly expressed by the president. It is this same spirit, the desire to serve his state, which prompted him to give up a position of great power and a salary of \$10,000 a year, to enter the uncertainties of a senatorial campaign.

Davies is a man of ability. His ability as a lawyer is widely known. As commissioner of corporations, he not only aided committees of congress in drafting legislation, but also directed great government investigations, giving him a knowledge of all the forces in American industry possessed by but few men. As chairman of the federal trade commission the past three years, he has studied foreign trade, combated the unfair practices of monopolies and trusts, and profiteering and graft during the war. No man in Wisconsin is so unusually equipped to legislate on the great social and industrial problems arising out of this war and the peace that will follow it.

Davies is a two-fisted fighting man. Every man knows where he stands. There is no quibbling, no evasion in his attitude on the war or any other question. He has fought for the rights of the farmer. As commissioner in charge of the investigation of the packers, he has made a real investigation, which promised real results. He stands for the right of the farmer to establish his own independent buying and selling agencies, at all terminal stockyards. He believes in breaking the control of the interests over the distribution of food products. And as a federal trade commissioner, he has fought to compel public attention to the evils which endanger both the farmer and the consumer. As commissioner in charge of the fixing of prices on steel, in co-operation with the war industries board, he fixed prices which saved the public and the government millions upon millions of dollars, and reducing prices nearly one half. At the same time, with Gompers and Franey, he vigorously fought to see to it that the wages and living conditions of the laboring man were protected. He has fought the unfair practices large corporations employed to kill off their small competitors, and has cleaned up entire industries from such practices as bribery, misbranding and conspiracies in restraint of trade. More than one business man in America owes the fact that he is still in business to the efforts of Davies.

Davies is loyal. No man in the nation can question his loyalty. He is a red-blooded, one hundred per cent American. Our president says of him:

"The McLemore resolution, the embargo issue, and the armed neutrality measure presented the first opportunity to apply the acid test in our country, to disclose true loyalty and genuine Americanism. It should always be a source of much satisfaction to you, that on these crucial propositions you proved true."

THIS IS THE MAN THE PRESIDENT WANTS FROM WISCONSIN. THERE ARE ALREADY TWELVE REPUBLICANS IN CONGRESS FROM OUR STATE. SENATOR HUSTING WAS A DEMOCRAT. WOULD IT NOT BE THE BIG THING FOR THE MEN OF ALL PARTIES IN WISCONSIN WHO THINK OF COUNTRY FIRST, TO ELECT A LOYAL DEMOCRAT TO FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF A LOYAL DEMOCRAT?

GIVE OUR PRESIDENT ONE MAN OF HIS OWN PARTY FROM OUR STATE, AND THE HUNDRED THOUSAND DEMOCRATS OF WISCONSIN DIRECT REPRESENTATION IN CONGRESS DURING THE WAR.