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**WATCHFUL LOBBIES AND LOBBYISTS THAT CAMP IN WASHINGTON**

"Remember that the eye of this country is on to you," wrote Bill Nye in a letter of advice and warning to Grover Cleveland, when the latter became President the first time. To write such a thing to a President today would only fractionally state the case. The country at present not only has its composite eye "onto" the President, but a good part of it is right in the midst of things at Washington with both composite feet, so to speak. This is accomplished by the maintenance at the national capital of more than a hundred lobbies whose duty it is to watch not only the Chief Executive but the whole works of the government, and particularly congress, so that nothing is slipped over that might imperil the real or fancied interests of the aggregations who pay the salaries of these lobby watchdogs. There is nowhere a complete list of the organizations that are represented in Washington lobbies, but we are told that practically every sort of American business is so represented to say nothing of social, racial, religious, and educational groups. In a recent article in the Detroit News, Jay G. Hayden gives a list of 120 such lobbies, compiled from Washington directories and the examination of the tenant lists of a number of the best-known office-buildings in the city. The list is headed by the National Chamber of Commerce, which leads the business organizations, Manufacturers' associations are given first, as follows:

- National Association of Manufacturers.
- American Manufacturers' Export Association.
- Institute of American Meat Packers.
- American Automobile Association.
- National Cannery Association.
- Council of American Cotton Manufacturers.
- Founders' Association.
- Lumber Manufacturers' Association.
- Manufacturing Chemists' Association of America.
- Highway Industries Association.
- Interstate Cottonseed Crushers' Association.
- Merchants and Manufacturers' Association.
- Southern Industrial Education Society.
- United States Sugar Manufacturers' Association.
- Western Petroleum Refiners' Association.

Attached to nearly all these bureaus are experts on tax laws, the tariff, labor conditions, and every other thing that may have an immediate or a remote bearing on the interests they represent. Other bureaus closely related to the foregoing are the following:

- American Association of Engineers.
- American Bankers' Association.
- American Beet Sugar Association.
- American Bureau of Trade Extension.
- American Chemical Society.
- American Mining Congress.
- American Realty Exchange.
- American Association of Real Estate Boards.
- American Automobile Chamber of Commerce.
- National Bureau of Wholesale Lumber Distributors.
- National Industries Conference Board.
- National Merchant Marine Association.
- League of Commission Merchants of the United States.
- National Oil Bureau.

**National Petroleum Association. American Patent Law Association.**

The various farmers' associations that have come into being during the last few years are powerfully represented, but perhaps the most thoroughly looked after industry is rail-roading. As we read:

Chief of the bureaus under this heading is the American Railways Association, which operates the car-service bureau in close cooperation with the Interstate Commerce Commission and which also conducts a vigorous and constant propaganda in behalf of private ownership of the railways.

Attached to this bureau are several of the most capable statisticians and lawyers in the country, who are ever ready to supply information or elsewhere as it may be required. The railway association is, in fact, a close rival for the Interstate Commerce Commission in the scope of its public operations.

In the past, local public utilities, such as street-railways, electric lighting and gas plants, were little in touch with the Federal Government. During the war, however, these companies were brought before the War Finance Corporation in the matter of security issues and before the War Labor Board for settlement of their disputes with employees.

More recently the passage of the new water-power law which places the development of new hydroelectric enterprises under direction of a board composed of the Secretaries of the Interior, Agriculture, and War has given these companies another reason for keen interest in the doings of the government.

Among the utilities organizations already established in Washington are the following:

- American Electric Railway War Board.
- National Association of Railway and Public Utilities Commissions.
- National Committee on Gas and Electric Service.
- National Committee on Public Utilities Conditions.
- Dixie Freight Traffic Association.

There is a growing activity of farm organizations looking to legislation addition to the Farm Bureau, which, with 1,250 members, is now the leading farm organizations in America. The societies of farmers with offices in Washington are as follows:

- American Agricultural Association.
- Eastern Agricultural Bureau.
- Farmers' National Council.
- The Grange.
- Cane Growers' Association.
- National Board of Farm Organizations.
- Texas Cotton Association.

The labor organizations maintain a strong lobby, as do also those interested in the welfare of women. During and since the war a number of organizations were created in the interest of various racial groups. Then there is a large group of miscellaneous organizations ready to do battle for all kinds of things, from Christian Science to the promotion of smokeless coal. Even Old John Barleycorn, ostensibly defunct, has a body of watchers at the capital, ready to apply restoratives in case any symptoms of the revival of their favorite reveal themselves. Mr. Hayden continues:

Chief of the labor organizations in addition to the American Federation of Labor, which occupies an entire building of its own, are the organizations of Federal employees and the railroad brotherhoods.

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