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WASHINGTON—From prohibition enforcement sources comes the inside tip that Senator James J. Davis, of Pennsylvania, is involved in a great industrial alcohol diversion scandal in Pittsburg and faces indictment. Pennington, the federal enforcement chief in the state, denies knowing anything about the matter, although privately admitting that special government operatives have been active in the Pittsburg district. Davis' connection with this illicit traffic is not explained.

Senator Huey P. Long is working on plans for a definite anti-Robinson bloc in the new Congress. Nominally, he starts his crusade with a nucleus of three: himself, Mrs. Hattie Caraway and John H. Overton, the new Louisiana senator, both of whom owe their elections to Huey. But actually, Long has the secret support of a number of the Democratic senators, who privately are urging him on.