



Exhaustive study of banking led C.A. to believe there was a powerful conspiracy working to centralize financial control in the hands of a few, and he did his best to expose it.

"The remedy for our social evils," he said, "does not so much consist in changing the system of government as it does in increasing the general intelligence of the people so that they may know how to govern.... If they do not learn how to govern themselves intelligently, Socialism will be the result."

Lindbergh found secret collusion between Southern and English bankers at the time of the Civil War, citing proofs in his 1913 book, "Banking and Currency and the Money Trust". He published there the text of the 1862 "Hazard Circular," which revealed how labor would henceforth be controlled by the amount of currency the bankers permitted in the market, since chattel slavery would be abolished by the war. ...

Lindbergh accused Members of Congress of meeting in secret to determine which currency bill would pass and what type of Federal Reserve System should be established to please the Establishment.

"The correct name for a caucus," contended the Congressman, "is 'conspiracy.' The conspiracy here is to usurp the powers of Congress, and do as little for the people as it is thought the people will accept. I have been fighting the caucus system and the secret meeting of committees ever since I came to Congress."

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