

EVERYONE WONDERS WHAT COMES NEXT

How Far Has Readjustment Gone? Congress Is Asked.

TARIFF ISSUE BIG ONE

Great Part of Flood of Communications to Members Refer Directly to Thrift.

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—(Special.)—Is the country "back to normal" on its way there or still stuck in "reconstruction" mud? This is the question that the public of congress will have to answer when they get home next month if the letters that are pouring into their offices from business men of the country are any indication.

Most of the communications refer directly to the question of general thrift. Many desire the passage at once of the emergency tariff measure now in the senate. The republican party was put in power on the "normalcy" platform and American business can hardly afford to wait until March 4 for hopeful sign—this is the tenor.

So congress has on record no full indication that the one vital and outstanding interest of the public today is rehabilitation of business—better prices, better markets, steadier production, immediate protection from unequal competition of foreign producers in short revival of old-time prosperity. The war accustomed industry to large profits and an almost insatiable market.

Agricultural Cry Loudest. Representative Forney of Michigan, chairman of the ways and means committee and tariff expert of the house, has letters from producers showing large profits made on their products when they themselves were hardly compensated for cost of production.

The outcry in the main is from agricultural and livestock producers. In days of other tariff fights, it was the manufacturers of the country who clamored loudest for protection. Today the voice of the cotton grower of the south is as recognizable on the floor of the senate as the wail of a new bellhop in that hotel across the street," he assured one caller.

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Deal Calls Landis Frenk. In the senate, Senator Dial charged against Judge Landis as a "frenk" and "crook," and accused him of circulating "bolshhevik propaganda." In the case of the Ottawa, Ill., bank closed.

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This proposition, it was declared tonight by the interested bankers, now is under consideration by the North Dakota officials, including the state industrial commission, which has charge of the execution of the industrial programme in the state.

Fact Is Denied. Published reports that the state officials and leaders of the non-partisan league had intimated possible acceptance of the terms resulted in a statement from H. A. Paddock, secretary of the industrial commission, denying any agreement to abandon any part of the "farmers' programme" in North Dakota.

Bankers and the North Dakota officials, who were in conference here yesterday and today, were reticent in reference to the bankers' proposal, but from an apparent desire to clear up it was learned that virtual disruption of North Dakota's "industrial programme" was the basis of the bankers' terms.

Powers of the industrial commission would be curtailed under the terms, the state Bank of North Dakota reorganized as a rural credits institution, the Home Builders' association discontinued and use of the money obtained from bonds denied to the non-partisan league or any of its enterprises.

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