

RICHES TO INVENTOR

Nation Owes Millions Through Use of Armor Locking Device.

CONGRESSIONAL STRATEGY

How the House Gained Its Desired End—Convention for Extension of Foreign Commerce Holds Important Business Session.

WASHINGTON, Jan.—If a bill introduced in the House this week by Representative Shartel of Missouri, acted upon favorably, Peter McMillan of Pierce City, Mo., will be the richer by \$5,000,000. The bill calls upon the Secretary of the Treasury to pay that sum to Mr. McMillan in settlement of the claim he has filed against the government for royalties for the use of an invention. Some years ago the Missouriian patented a device for locking armor plate to warships by means of a key or keys. The United States Navy has utilized this method in putting armor on the U. S. S. Oregon and every battleship and armored cruiser built since then is said to have had her plates fitted with the McMillan patent. Not only the navy of this country has adopted the device, but the battleships of the Japanese and Russian navies also are said to have taken it up. There does not seem to be any question as to the validity of Mr. McMillan's claim, but it is doubtful if the Shartel measure will pass at this session because of the rush of business.

In studying strategy, the military establishment of the United States might well send their officers to the Capital. After spirited debates in both the House and Senate, members of Congress refused to vote themselves more salary and bills carrying the increases were killed amidst an air of general gloom, for which each member endeavored to evade responsibility. None of them desired to go on record as championing an increase for fear of the effect it would have upon their constituents at home. Representative Littauer of New York has appeared as the Moses to lead the halting hosts out of the political land of Egypt. By the introduction of an innocent and simply worded amendment placed in the legislation appropriation bill passed by the House this week, he has provided that each member of Congress shall receive a salary of \$7,500 a year after March 4, instead of the \$5,000 he now receives. In addition, the salaries of the vice presidents, speakers of the House, and members of the cabinet are to be increased to \$12,000 annually. All that remains now is the concurrence of the Senate, and Senator Cullon will move that this action be taken by the upper chamber as soon as the bill is presented there. It is not at all unlikely that the Senate will let the measure go through, and thus congressmen have effected by a flank attack what they did not dare to attempt by direct assault. It's hats off to the strategists in the Big House on the Hill.

After a four days session, the most important business convention ever held in this country has ended its deliberations here and adjourned. It was the National Convention for the Extension of the Foreign Commerce of the United States, thirty-five states were officially represented by delegates appointed by the governor of each, and the total number of delegates present was close to 1200, nearly 200 national trade organizations being represented in this body of men. A great number of topics touching on methods for the upbuilding of the country's foreign commerce were discussed, and among those embodied in resolutions asking for legislation at the hands of Congress were the introduction of a reciprocity program in the shape of a maximum and minimum tariff, compensation to steamship lines for carrying the mails, greater courtesy to Chinese admitted to the country, uniform bills of lading, and preservation of forests. A very strong resolution was adopted, urging on the national government the necessity for the improvement of the waterways as a means of providing extended transportation facilities and of regulating railroad abuses. Many of the speeches in the convention placed emphasis upon the importance of maintaining undisturbed the present economic methods of production, and regretted the restrictions that some States seem anxious to place upon industrial interests. It was pointed out most especially that it

could not hold in the face of the enactment of these restraining laws. A business of the future, such as is foreign trade, it was contended, demands permanency, and the only way in which this country can meet the cheaper labor abroad is by the exercise of economies of production and distribution, such as can be found only in large combinations. President Schurman of Cornell, and others among the speakers, described the present anti-trust hysteria and deplored the popular delirium that "swollen fortunes are stolen fortunes."

Congress is convinced that there is no epidemic of the "sleeping sickness" on the coast. Although that section of the country has its own troubles, as witness the floods in Washington and Oregon and the earthquake and fire in California, nevertheless the Pacific Slope is willing to help out the aspiring in other sections of this milkily country. Senator Perkins of California this week presented a petition signed by citizens of San Diego, Mountain View, Los Angeles, and Glendale against Sunday closing in Washington D. C. The Senator did not attempt to explain why there should be such interest three thousand miles away in a question that is of purely local import to the District of Columbia. Almost at the same time resolutions were presented by the Chamber of Commerce of Spokane, Wash., in favor of increasing the salaries of members of Congress to \$8,000 a year. These resolutions were sent by telegraph and were referred to committee.

Senator Willard's request for copies of the engineers' reports on the borings in the vicinity of the great dam near Gatum, is likely to stir up a pretty fight again over the old question of the relative values of a lock or sea-level canal at Panama. The Senate Committee on Inter-oceanic Canals will discuss the matter next week, and it is said that there is conclusive evidence that the foundation on which this immense pile of masonry is to rest is not rock but common mud, and that the dam cannot possibly stand the pressure of water that it must resist. Investigation of the matter threatens to revive the old squabble over the plan to be followed in digging the Big Ditch.

Louis B. Boswell of Illinois, secretary of the Upper Mississippi River Improvement Association, this week has been appearing before the House Committee on Rivers and Harbors in an effort to secure from Congress an annual appropriation for the improvement of the Father of Waters from its mouth to Minneapolis. While primarily Mr. Boswell's efforts are directed towards securing an appropriation for the Mississippi, he is an ardent advocate of a widespread policy of development of the waterways of the entire country. He is being lent valuable support by Congressman Ramsdell of Louisiana, president of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress.

"Why should this great country, with its vast area of rich land waiting only to be tilled in order to yield great quantities of grain and other products, not dominate the world commercially," said Mr. Boswell. "We have the brains, the land, and the capital, and yet we stand by and let Germany make great railroads into the commerce of the world which we should control. This country can dominate the world commercially, but we must improve our waterways, just as Germany has done. All the natural advantages are with us; we should not waste them."

In the report of the Geological Survey just issued, and covering the production of gold and silver in 1905, a general increase in all of the mineral States is noted. In California, the state's production of gold reached \$19,195,799, while the production of silver was valued at \$669,929—a decided decrease traceable to the lessened output in Kern and Shasta Counties. Colorado in that year showed a noteworthy addition of more than one million dollars to the previous year's gold production, the total output aggregating \$25,791,160. The increased output is credited to Teller, Gilpin and southeastern Missouri 12,500 ounces of silver was extracted from the lead ores, the value of which is fixed at \$7,869. The Black Hills of South Dakota about held their own, the total yield of gold for the year being \$6,913,960. Washington showed an increase of \$42,191 in gold production, bringing the total up to \$370,000. In increase was mainly to mines in Stevens, Perry and Whatcom counties. The gold production of Wyoming in 1905 was valued at \$23,700—an increase over the previous year of \$7,300.

There was a decidedly heated debate in the recent National Convention for the Extension of the Foreign Commerce of the United States over the question of ship subsidy, which eventually resulted in the endorsement of a modified form of subsidies for vessels in the shape of a postal subvention. It is doubtful whether the ship-subsidy measure will pass at this session of Congress. One of the delegates to the recent convention is hopeful that something can be done, and it is understood that a conference on the matter is to be held at the Homestead Hotel at Hot Springs, Va., where a number of prominent business men who have been attending the meeting here will spend a few days before returning to their homes. As one member of the party expressed it, just before taking the C. & O. train for the Virginia mountain resort, "it was altogether appropriate that they should seek a watering place in which to discuss a question that had so much to do with water."

Congress is being bombarded with requests from persons in high places to provide funds for the construction of two great fighting crafts, President Roosevelt in a letter addressed to Chairman Foss of the Naval Committee of the House, this urged in the strongest language the necessity for building two big battleships and an "adequate number" of submarines. Secretary Metcalf and Attorney General Bonaparte, former Secretary of the Navy, appeared this week before the Committee and lent their strongest endorsement to the President's recommendations. Mr. Bonaparte declared that large battleships were the crying need of the Navy. Just what action will be taken remains to be seen.

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