

## CONGRESSMEN GROWING MODEST

Few Glowing Accounts Appear In Autobiographies.

### INITIATING NEW MEMBERS.

Those Serving Their First Terms Are Fast Getting Their Bearings and Learning How the Nation's Laws Are Made—Meeting the "Big Men" of the Capital Is Important For Them.

While the veteran members of congress are busy getting their bills in shape for presentation and running the house and senate, the new members are getting their bearings, learning how business is transacted and meeting the "big men" of Washington. There are many things for the new men to learn, and they know that the best thing to do is to make friends with the men who have the "pull" and who can be of untold benefit to them in their work.

There are a great many new members of this congress who first told of themselves in their autobiographies. The book, however, is less interesting this year, as it seems that the people have elected a very modest set of lawmakers.

Senator Henry Algernon du Pont of Delaware again uses the most space in the directory. It requires fifty-six closely printed lines to review the war record of the Delaware savior.

Congressman Charles Lindbergh of Minnesota and Thaddeus Caraway of Arkansas compete for brevity. Each uses less than one line. Mr. Lindbergh describing himself merely as "Republican, of Little Falls," and Mr. Caraway "Democrat, of Jonesboro."

Senator James D. Phelan of California qualifies as a member of many clubs and asserts also that he belongs to the Society of California Pioneers and is president of the Hall Association of the Native Sons of the Golden West.

With national defense as an issue in this congress, Congressman P. Davis Oakey of Connecticut is one of many members to record that he served with the national guard.

Congressman William Baker Oliver, a new Democrat from Alabama, admits that as prosecuting attorney he "obtained the highest percentage of convictions in the state."

Charles Hiram Randall, Prohibitionist, of Los Angeles, Cal., calls attention to the fact that a member of the Randall family wrote "Maryland, My Maryland."

Congressman Frank Park of Georgia uses but one more word than Messrs. Lindbergh and Caraway. He names his state as well as town.

Robert M. McCracken, a new member from Iowa, says he went west from Indiana when a lad, "to grow up with the country."

### Uncle Joe Elected Twenty Times.

Uncle Joe Cannon's biography is a simple recital of his election to twenty congresses and the fact that he is a lawyer.

Harry E. Hull, Republican, of Iowa says he had only ten days to make his campaign to succeed the late Mr. Pepper and that he "made a run that was accepted by the whole country as proof of how the farmers would vote and of the weakness of the Progressive cause."

David H. Kincheloe of Madisonville, Ky., proudly says he is married and "has one girl, now seven and one-half months old."

Whitcomb Pugh Martin labels himself a "progressive protectionist" from Louisiana and adds that he is the first non-Democratic member to be elected from that state in twenty-five years.

A note of tragedy is contained in the brief autobiography of Congressman Thomas D. Schall of Minnesota, who says he lost his eyesight because of an electric shock in 1907, but has continued in the practice of law. The Sixty-fourth congress has two blind members—Senator Gore of Oklahoma and Mr. Schall.

Edward H. Wason of New Hampshire is one of the many farmers listed in the directory. He asserts that he takes a pride in farming and "has a large herd of registered Guernsey cattle and a modern, up to date farm."

Frederick W. Rowe, a new member from Brooklyn, lists many civic organizations with which he is affiliated and further explains that he is "superintendent of St. Paul's Sunday school."

It appears that Congressman Temple of Pennsylvania, re-elected, is the only minister among the house members. William Barclay Charles of Amsterdam, N. Y., records that he is a member of the Second Presbyterian church of that city.

### WATER STRAIGHT \$1 BARREL.

Fifteen Cents a Bucket Price in New Alaska Town.

As a result of cold weather water is selling at \$1 a barrel at Anchorage, a new town established by the government as construction headquarters for the Alaskan railroad. If purchased by the bucket the price is 15 cents or two buckets for a quarter.

Pending the completion of the water system, which the government engineers hope to have working soon, all water for domestic purposes is taken from holes chopped in the ice.

### Some Queer Ones

Spring fashions—black and gray for lack of dyes—will be fine for blonds and widows.

Colored porter, instead of relative, kissed by excited white woman, who fainted when she saw her mistake in Joliet (Ill.) railroad station.

After living on apples a week, man locked in box car from Herington, Kan., to Kansas City was in such good condition he was sent to jail.

California man willed friend \$6,000 on condition he throw four diamond rings into Pacific ocean off Oakland, deccent furnishing the rings.

Seven foot snake that escaped from show and lived six years in Chicago garage ceiling on rats was lured out by crooning of professional charmer.

Boy of six who smokes, one of eight who chews tobacco and girl of nine who dips snuff have been discovered by the United States public health service.

New suit of clothes every week for three months has been bought for fourteen-year-old Harry Connelly of Moultrie, Ga., because he grows so fast. He is six feet five inches, weighs 200, and he's still "going up."

### CENTENNIAL TO SPREAD THE HABIT OF SAVING.

Anniversary of Founding of First Savings Bank to Be Observed.

Next year is the one hundredth anniversary of the founding of the first savings bank in the United States, and a movement has been inaugurated to observe the centennial by a nation wide campaign for the promotion of thrift among all classes. Preparations have been begun for undertaking the campaign on Jan. 1, and the plan is receiving the support of prominent bankers and public men.

In sixty-two cities of the country, each with a population of more than 25,000, the campaign will be conducted through the local chapters of the American Institute of Banking; in the smaller cities and towns, through banks which are members of the American Bankers' association; in the states, through the secretaries of the State bankers' association. The industrial workers will be reached through the National Civic federation and the immigrants through the national Americanization committee.

Inasmuch as immigrants, as a rule, are accustomed to government savings banks in their own countries and deposit their money here in the United States postal savings institutions, the government officials in the postoffice banks will assist in fostering in the foreign element a feeling of confidence in savings banks. The bureau of commercial economics at Washington will supply lectures and motion picture films to be used for thrift meetings.

### WASHINGTON MOST WASTEFUL

Leads All American Cities in Throwing Away Good Food.

The federal government conducts many kinds of investigations, but Washington was hardly prepared to learn that United States agents had been digging into the garbage dumps of the country.

As a result of this latest inquiry the department of agriculture announces that Washington is the most wasteful city in the United States. Careful examinations of the contents of garbage cans were made with a view to determine what percentage of food products daily thrown away might have been put to wholesome use had housewives of the various cities conducted their establishments more economically.

A complete report on the federal government's investigation will be published soon.

### \$1,285,857,808 BIGGEST SUM EVER ASKED FROM CONGRESS IN PEACE TIMES

Estimates for the most elaborate program of expenditures ever asked of an American congress in times of peace are being considered, proposing a total outlay of \$1,285,857,808, or \$170,853,614 more than was appropriated last year. The increase is almost wholly due to the administration plans for military preparedness. By establishments the amounts asked are:

Legislative	\$7,573,372
Executive	30,807,556
Judicial	1,308,000
Agriculture	24,159,029
Foreign intercourse	4,429,099
Military	152,394,259
Naval	223,235,974
Indian affairs	30,175,026
Pensions	190,545,000
Panama canal	27,535,469
Public works	304,944,029
Postal service	215,364,879
Miscellaneous	98,230,523
Permanent appropriations	125,674,672

The postal service estimate is deductible from the total because its receipts are turned back to the treasury. That leaves \$908,492,929 as the actual total of appropriations congress is asked to make, or \$167,833,401 more than last year.

## CONSTANTINOPLE HAS HAD A BOOM

City Has Grown Far Beyond Walls of Ancient Capital.

### MANY IMPROVEMENTS NOTED

Germans Soon to Have Express Trains Running Between Berlin and Turkish City Via Vienna and Sofia—Their Efficiency in Conducting War Strikingly Illustrated.

Nothing better illustrates the German system of conducting the war than the manner in which their railroads are operated. In a couple of days after the fall of Warsaw the Germans had through express trains in operation between Brussels and the Russian city, going through Berlin. Now, since they have opened the way to Turkey, the German railroad officials are ready to establish through service between Berlin and Constantinople via Vienna and Sofia. A glance at the map illustrates the magnitude of this achievement, as the distance is approximately 1,200 miles.

Interest in the war is now centered around the Turkish capital and in Greece, and many close observers are of the opinion that the result depends on the outcome in the Balkans. Thus Constantinople is one of the most interesting cities in all Europe at this time.

Constantinople extends far beyond the ancient walled city of the emperors, which only covered the promontory known today as Stamboul. This promontory, bounded on the north by the poetic Golden Horn, which, extending some miles inland, forms perhaps the most magnificent harbor in the world, and on the south by the blue waters of the Marmora, is indeed the most enchanting part of the city, but the present population, estimated at about a million and a quarter, could not be housed within its borders. Facing the eastern side of Stamboul, on the Asiatic shores of the Bosphorus and Marmora, stand the ancient cities of Calcedon (Kadikewy) and Chryseopolis (Scutari). These now form part of Constantinople. Across the Golden Horn to the north, up the slopes of the hill crowned by Galata tower, built by the Genoese, houses upon houses are so crowded together that, looked at from the sea, it would seem as though there were no streets to separate them.

Many Villages on Shores. The shores of the Bosphorus are strewn with villages, some insignificant, some fairly considerable, all of them part of the city. To the west, beyond the Leven towers and the magnificent marble gate through which the emperors rode in splendor, numerous other villages have sprung up, and today Constantinople may be said to extend to a length of some twenty miles. The coast running south from Kadikewy and the Princes Islands is also included in the city, so that in width, too, there is a very great difference since the days of the Turkish conquest.

Constantine founded his capital in 325, and for 1,100 years it was a Christian city. Walking the narrow streets today one comes across here a mosque which was once a Christian church, there a Greek inscription, here a column with beautiful capital, there the foundation of a once gleaming bronze column. But most wonderful of all stands that noble edifice, the church, now mosque, of St. Sophia. Built on the top of the first hill, immediately behind the site of the emperor's palace, it dominates the city. Its dome, outlined against the horizon, catches the eye from every point of view.

What has St. Sophia not seen? The crowning of emperors with all the pomp and ceremony, empresses riding in state into the spacious ladies' gallery, quarrels, intrigues and, lastly, a conquered emperor fleeing to it for refuge from the invading Turk. All these form a succession of events whose narrative holds one in spell. The conquering Turk did not in any way lessen the romance of the life in the city, and today the charm is still there. Who, having once threaded his way through the fascinating bazaars, does not picture again the quaint shops with venders sitting cross legged on the floor, the curious old arches, the oriental crowds in their gay colors?

Since the revolution and counter-revolution of 1909 much has been done to improve the general aspect of the city, and also to facilitate communication. A splendid new bridge has been thrown across the Golden Horn, streets have been widened and paved, electric trams have taken the place of horse trams, public parks have been opened in various parts of the city, the Turkish postoffice has been reorganized, and last, but not least, a telephone system has been established.

The Turk is polite to a fault. He is often shocked by the brusqueness of the westerner. His sense of humor is large. His inimitable way of story telling is proverbial. Those who have known him intimately have found him a generous host, a kindly neighbor and a good comrade, but as a ruler quite incapable of falling in with modern methods.

Grounds For Divorce. Because wife often held baby on one arm and pet rattlesnake on other. Preston (Kan.) man got a divorce.

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