

CONGRESS BEGINS ITS WORK AGAIN MONDAY

Appropriation Bills to Constitute Principal Business of Three Months' Session.

Washington.—The sixty-sixth congress convened at noon Monday for its third and final session. The outstanding events were the attendance Monday at the senate session of President-elect Harding and the presentation on Tuesday of President Wilson's annual message.

The final session of the present congress opened with only three months of allotted official life, ending just before the inauguration of President Harding, on March 4 and with an extra session soon afterward in prospect. Appropriation bills will constitute the principal business at this session.

President-elect Harding was surrounded immediately by a crowd of senators when he entered, who shook his hand and clapped him on the back. The president-elect welcomed his admirers with a broad smile.

Another peace time estimate of nearly \$5,000,000,000 for the government's expenses during the fiscal year 1922 faced congress when it reassembled. The exact figures as transmitted by Secretary Houston were \$4,653,856,759, an increase of nearly \$1,000,000,000 over the appropriations for the current year, but \$211,000,000 less than the estimates submitted a year ago.

A tentative program of legislation in addition to the appropriation bills is expected to be determined this week by republican leaders in conferences among themselves and with President-elect Harding.

Republican leaders predict that congress will be forced to work steadily to complete the appropriation bills by March 4. In addition, there may be other legislation for relief of farmers and probably a few other emergency bills. Committees, however were prepared to work generally on matters to be considered at the extra session.

EXPLODING SHELLS BOMBARD BROOKLYN

New York.—Hundreds of homes in the Fort Hamilton section of Brooklyn virtually were under heavy artillery bombardment Sunday afternoon resulting from intermittent explosions of 6-inch and 10-inch shells on a steam lighter which caught fire while moored to the army reservation wharf.

Gathering together their belongings in a belief that the naval arsenal at Fort Lafayette, a small island near Fort Hamilton, was ablaze, terrified scores fled their homes for safer zones, driven to frenzied haste by the series of detonations heard for miles around.

An official statement from Fort Hamilton said no lives were lost and only four persons were slightly injured.

The lighter, which was laden with 900 shells for shipment to Boston, was torn from its moorings by the violence of the first explosion. Two men on board escaped.

3 OFFICERS KILLED IN CLASH

Mob Attempts to Break into Santa Rosa Jail.

Santa Rosa, Cal.—A mob estimated at 2000 made two attempts to break into the Sonoma county jail here where four men and a woman were held under heavy guard as the result of a shooting affray in which three officers were killed and one suspect wounded.

The mob was dispersed after it had spent more than nine hours before the jail.

The shooting came as a climax to the search of men alleged to be implicated in recent attacks on young girls in San Francisco.

The dead are: Miles M. Jackson, detective sergeant, San Francisco; James A. Petray, sheriff of Sonoma county; Lester H. Dorman, detective of San Francisco. The wounded: George Boyd, San Francisco suspect, slightly wounded in the shoulder.

\$100,000 For Christmas Booze.

Seattle, Wash.—Bootleg circles in Vancouver, B. C., are experiencing an unprecedented rush of business as a result of the oncoming Christmas holidays. More than \$100,000 has been sent to the Canadian city by persons in Seattle and Portland, Or., according to reports here, for the purpose of insuring an adequate supply of yuletide cheer.

MacSwiney's Widow in United States.

New York.—Welcomed by shouts of a crowd, who after her landing formed a parade and escorted her through the streets to her hotel, Mrs. Muriel MacSwiney, widow of Terence MacSwiney, former lord mayor of Cork, arrived to assist others of her countrymen working in America for the cause of Irish independence.

HOUSE VOTES FOR IMMIGRATION BILL

Measure Would Prohibit Inflow of Aliens For One Year.

Washington.—The Johnson immigration bill, as amended to prohibit all immigration for a period of one year, was passed by the house. It now goes to the senate.

The vote was 293 for the bill and 47 against. Six members voted "present."

The real fight over the immigration measure will take place in the senate, in which there will be extended debate on the question.

Senator Dillingham of Vermont, chairman of the former United States immigration commission, and for several years chairman of the senate committee on immigration, will introduce a bill which provides that the number of aliens of any nationality who may be admitted to the country as immigrants in any fiscal year shall be limited to 5 per cent of the number of persons of such nationality already residing here.

On the basis of the foreign born population as shown by the census of 1910, it is believed the 5 per cent plan will fix the limit of immigration from Southern and Eastern Europe and Turkey in Asia as approximately 256,000 annually, compared with an average annual immigration of 738,000 from the same source in the five years, 1910-1914.

On the other hand the per cent plan would not reduce the normal flow of immigration from most Northwestern European countries, the average influx from such sources being only 183,000 in 1910-1914, while under the Dillingham bill fully 250,000 would be admissible each year.

HARDING AND HOOVER DISCUSS PROBLEMS

Marion, O.—The league of nations deadlock and other problems to be faced by the next administration were talked over between President-elect Harding and Herbert Hoover, an advocate of the league, who came here as one of the first men to be summoned by Mr. Harding in his promised "meeting of minds."

"We went over about the whole gamut of world and national troubles," said Mr. Hoover after the conference, "and we solved none of them." Besides the league, international conditions and European relations were the particular subjects on which the president-elect sought the advice of his visitor.

In giving his advice on an international peace concert, Mr. Hoover is understood to have urged strongly that parts of the Versailles covenant be used in whatever world association the incoming administration may attempt to build.

Mr. Hoover was an advisor to the American peace delegation at Versailles, and he is understood to have furnished Mr. Harding with much first-hand information on the attitude of European statesmen.

END INCOME TAX PUZZLES

Aid in Preparing Returns is Promised by Commissioner.

Washington.—A county-to-county campaign by internal revenue officers to aid taxpayers in preparing their income tax returns was announced by Commissioner Williams to begin shortly after January 1 and continue until March 15, the final date for filing statistics of income for the year 1920.

Revenue officers assigned to the work of assisting taxpayers, Commissioner Williams said, will be prepared to answer all questions relative to exemptions and income. Mr. Williams declared that tax requirements for the next payments are the same as those for 1919.

Bryan To Visit Harding.

Marion, O.—President-elect Harding has invited William Jennings Bryan, former secretary of state in President Wilson's cabinet, to confer with him here December 17 in regard to the plan for an association of nations.

78,000 Poor Remembered.

Washington.—American children have prepared 78,000 Christmas bags for distribution among suffering children of Vienna and Budapest. It was announced by the American Red Cross.

Chicago Meat Lowest in Years.

Chicago.—Wholesale prices of fresh meat cuts, both beef and pork, reached the low levels of the pre-war period with the close of business last week.

War Costs United States 24 Billions.

Washington.—The net cost of the war to the American government was fixed by Secretary Houston at \$24,310,000,000.

PROPOSED MEASURE WOULD END GAMBLING

Senator Capper Makes Public Bill Designed to Stop "Future" Trading.

Washington.—Senator Capper of Kansas has made public his proposed bill to stop gambling in foodstuffs and cotton.

A tax of 10 per cent, designed to be prohibitive on "future" trading in grain and cotton, except by actual owners or a limited class of traders under federal license, is the basic feature of the Capper bill, which is to be introduced in the senate by the author and in the house of representatives by Representative Tinscher, republican, of Kansas. The 10 per cent would apply to options and the measure would affect grain products as well as raw grain.

"The bill will stop gambling in wheat, corn, cotton and other farm products," said Senator Capper. "It will eliminate the wheat pit and the blackboard. It will put out of business the thousands of wire-houses and bucket shops by making it impossible for gamblers and speculators to deal on boards of trade."

"The bill undertakes to preserve the legitimate 'hedge' but cuts out all gambling and manipulations." Farmers, dealers and manufacturers buying or selling grain or cotton for actual delivery would not be restricted by the proposed law, Senator Capper said.

Penalties of 50 per cent of the proposed federal tax, a fine of \$10,000 and one year's imprisonment for violation of the bill's provisions are incorporated in the Capper bill.

MAY BE SPLIT IN CABLE CONFERENCE

Washington.—The American government has about reached the limit of the concessions it is willing to make to the allied and associated powers with regard to the disposition of the former German cables, it was stated by one of the American commissioners to the international communications conference now in session here.

The commissioner said the negotiations had been dragging for some time without any immediate indication that an agreement would be reached.

The United States has insisted that the cable communication between the United States and Germany, which was interrupted as a result of the diversion of the German cables by the allies, should be restored. Great Britain is understood to have expressed a willingness to restore a cable which formerly ran from Emden to New York, but which has since been diverted to connect Penzance with Halifax, only on condition that it remains in British hands.

NO HOPE FOR EARLY RELIEF

"Consumers' Strike" Declared Basic Cause of Depression.

Washington.—No hope of early relief from business depression is held out in the monthly statement of the federal reserve board. Depression exists in most communities, the statement said, and one of the basic causes so far as the board could determine, was a "consumers' strike—an evident public determination to wait for prices to come down."

Manufacturing activities continued to fall off in November, the board said. A wave of "reduction sales" by retailers has not, it added, resulted in largely increased buying. "A corresponding decline in the buying power," reflected in the decreased volume of trade of all kinds also was noted.

The board attempted no forecast of future conditions. Lumber manufacturers reported dropping orders, despite paring of prices and likewise disclosed, in some cases, no more than half-time operation of mills.

Cancellation of orders, prevalent in the domestic trade, has a counterpart in the export trade, the board said.

Plebiscite Favors Former Ruler.

Athens.—The people of Greece have voted in favor of the return of Constantine to the Greek throne. Official announcement was made that Sunday's plebiscite resulted overwhelmingly in favor of the recall of the ex-king from Lucerne.

20th North Dakota Failure Reported.

Bismarck, N. D.—Notice that the Security State bank at Mohall would not open for business was received by C. E. Lefthuis, state bank examiner. This makes 20 banks closed in the state, all because of depleted reserves.

Allies Threaten Greek Reprisal.

London.—British and Italian embassies in Athens have been instructed to notify Premier Rhallis that, in the event of Constantine's return all allied financial support to Greece will be withdrawn, nor will it be restored.

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George Boothby
Administrator of the estate of Samuel G. Work deceased.
Swope & Swope, Attorneys.
Dated and first published November 26th, 1920.

Notice to Creditors

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed administratrix of the estate of William H. Mack, deceased, by the county court of Polk County, Oregon, and has qualified. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same, with proper vouchers therefor, to the undersigned at Monmouth, Polk County, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice.

Dated and first published November 19, 1920.

Minnie K. Mack,
Administratrix of the estate of William H. Mack, deceased.
Brown & Helgeson, attorneys.

Notice of Referee's Sale

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR POLK COUNTY

Rita Remington, Plaintiff,
vs.
Bertha A. Low and C. C. Low, her husband; Bertha G. Remington, a Minor; C. J. Whiteside, Guardian of the Estate of Bertha G. Remington, a Minor; and Walter Williams, Defendants.

By virtue of an order of sale entered in the above entitled suit, on the 17th day of November, 1920, I will on Saturday the 18th day of December, 1920, at the hour of three o'clock in the afternoon of said day, at the West front door of the Court House in Dallas, Polk County, Oregon, sell at public auction, to the highest and best bidder for cash, subject to the confirmation of this Court, that parcel of real property situated in Polk County, Oregon, described as follows, to-wit:

The Southwest Quarter of Section 27, and the Northwest Quarter of Section 34, Township 6 South Range 7 West of the Willamette Meridian; containing 320 acres; and also that other parcel of real property in Polk County, Oregon, described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a point 105 feet North of the Southwest corner of Lot 8 in Block 7, of the Original Town of Monmouth, in said Polk County; thence North 60 feet to the Northwest corner of said Lot 8; thence East 82 1/2 feet, thence South 30 feet; thence West 82 1/2 feet to the place of beginning.

Each of said parcels will be separately sold.

Dated this 17th day of November, 1920.

JOHN W. ORR, Referee
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