

CONGRESS TO RUSH ALL FISCAL BILLS

MEMBERS RETURN FROM CHRISTMAS VACATION PREPARED FOR RUSH.

WILLING TO WORK OVERTIME

Railroad Legislation and Revenue Deficit Are Unusual Issues—Army and Navy Supply Bills and Military Training Demand Attention.

Washington.—Members of Congress returned to Washington from their Christmas holiday, prepared to get down to hard work on the accumulation of legislation that must be dealt with before adjournment on March 4.

With railroad legislation and revenue deficits confronting them as unusual issues, the rank and file determined to labor with a will to clear the way of routine business, particularly the appropriation bills, which must be completed before the actual revenue needs can be definitely established. Estimates on all these measures, including especially the extra heavy army and navy supply bills, are in and giving the House ways and means committee enough information upon which to frame revenue legislation at once.

Appropriation measures will be considered in the Senate, immediately. The Indian bill probably being the first taken up, while various committees are engaged in paying the way for consideration of railroad measures, a corrupt practices bill and other general legislation. The House, which already has passed five appropriation bills, still has nine more to work out, and will approach that task vigorously with night sessions in prospect for the near future.

Returning members who were re-elected do not look on the talk of an extra session and declare they are willing to work night and day to avert one. They insist that none will be necessary unless action by Congress on the railroad legislation proposed by the president should be held up. Even in that event all are not satisfied that the president would call an extra session for this purpose.

THOUSANDS OF GUNS NOW BEING MADE BY TEUTONS.

Every Available Skilled Mechanic Taken From Trenches—Prepare Big Campaign.

Berlin, via Sayville.—Many thousand guns per week is reported to be the measure of the mighty manufacturing effort which Germany is now making for the campaign of 1917—an effort upon which the entire manhood force of the nation which can be spared from the front and their regular occupation is being concentrated under First Quartermaster von Ludendorff universal labor service law.

Counting four months before the probable renewal of the world war in full vigor on all fronts, these figures mean a new immense supply of cannon of all calibers from field guns up to the gigantic howitzers, to meet the admittedly gigantic effort which the Entente Allies are expected to make in this the third year of Kitchener's prophecy, to turn the scale of the war.

Along with these guns the German factories are turning out correspondingly stupendous quantities of ammunition and the production of machine guns, each of which virtually replaces a platoon of men, has been placed on a scale far beyond that of the past year.

The campaign of 1917 will, it is already evident, be fought as a wide extension and development of the Somme battle, with even a heavier conception of artillery over a far wider front and with lines literally bristling with machine guns. Confidence that their opponents will be unable to break through this wall of steel and fire is not only expressed by the higher commanders, but also is manifested right down into the ranks of the common people.

GEN. HAYES, ONE TIME N. C. GOVERNOR, DIES IN N. J.

Verona, N. J.—Gen. Edward Lewis Hayes, a cousin of President Rutherford B. Hayes, and at one time Governor of North Carolina, died at his home here. He was 97 years old Friday, December 28. At a celebration in honor of the event he insisted on cutting the birthday cake himself and seemed better than for some months. That night, however, he suffered an attack of indigestion and grew steadily worse.

General Hayes was a prominent Republican and was a delegate to the convention which nominated Abraham Lincoln for the presidency. He served throughout the Civil War, entering the service as a major in the One Hundredth Ohio Volunteers. He was promoted to colonel of that regiment and later became a brigadier general. He took part in 30 battles, although he was a prisoner in Libby prison for 11 months. During the Reconstruction period he was Governor of North Carolina for about nine months.

ALLIES MAKE KNOWN THEIR PEACE TERMS

SPECTATOR OUTLINES DEMANDS ON CENTRAL POWERS BY ENTENTE ALLIES.

ARE BRIEFLY SUMMARIZED

Peace Terms Are to Start From Status Quo Before the War.—Must Give Up Much Possessions and Change Government.

London.—The Spectator devotes the greater part of its issue to answering President Wilson's question as to what are the peace terms of the entente allies. Briefly summarized the principal demands as outlined by the Spectator follow:

"The peace terms are to start from the status quo before the war, thus including the evacuation of the whole of northern France, Belgium and Luxembourg, and of all lands taken from Serbia, Rumania, Russia and Montenegro.

"Alsace-Lorraine is to be restored to France. The Danish portion of Schleswig-Holstein is to go to Denmark and Posen, Polish Prussia and Austrian Poland are to be added to the new subkingdom of Poland which the Czar has pledged to create.

"The Slavs of Bosnia, Herzegovina, Dalmatia, Croatia, etc., are to be created into a new kingdom.

"Bohemia is to be an independent state.

"The Rumanian section of Transylvania to be added to Rumania.

"The whole Austrian Tyrol, plus Trieste, Istria, and the other portions of Austria which are Italian in blood or feeling, to be added to Italy.

"Turkey to yield Constantinople and the straits to Russia.

"The Armenians to be put under Russian tutelage.

"The Arabs to be freed, while Syria, Asia Minor and Mesopotamia are to be under external protection guaranteeing tranquility.

"The German colonies to remain in the hands of the entente. Moreover, a money indemnity for the ruin Germany has done in Belgium, France, Serbia, Montenegro, etc.

"As regarding shipping, Germany to make reparation in kind for all ships of commerce destroyed ton for ton, neutral shipping to be replaced only after all the demands of the allies have been satisfied.

"The German navy to be handed over and distributed among entente nations.

"As a guarantee against future war, the allies are to insist upon the democratization of the German government.

"The Kiel canal to be neutralized under an international non-German commission including the entente countries, the United States and other neutrals."

REFUSAL OF MAKERS TO TALK STOPS PAPER PROBE.

Department of Justice May Be Asked to Take Hand in Investigation.

Washington.—Hearings reopened here by the Federal Trade Commission in its news print paper investigation came to a sudden end when paper manufacturers refused to discuss the reasonableness of news print prices. Both publishers and jobbers had been heard.

The manufacturers declared that they had not had time to study tables prepared by the commission's investigators purporting to show huge profits. Members of the Trade Commission announced that despite an apparent unwillingness by the manufacturers to co-operate in the investigation, the commission's report would be issued probably in about 10 days and that such recommendations to Congress would be made as were thought necessary. At the same time it was said the commission would soon be in position to announce whether its consideration of a paper distribution plan showed an actual paper shortage and a need for distribution under supervision of the commission.

FOREIGNERS IN MEXICO MUST RESIGN RIGHTS.

Mexico City.—A decree has been issued giving foreigners holding title to real estate, mining and oil properties and timber lands until April 15 to resign their treaty rights in so far as the properties in question are concerned. Formal renunciation of such rights must be made in accordance with the decree issued more than four months ago which provided that such foreigners must become citizens in so far as their property was concerned.

NATION-WIDE RAIL STRIKE AGAIN RESTS WITH ORDERS.

New York.—Special circulars putting up to the 400,000 members responsibility for the next steps to be taken by the railroad brotherhoods in their controversy with the railroads over the application and interpretation of the Adamson act, were sent broadcast by telegraph after a conference of the four brotherhood chiefs. Announcement of the action was made by William G. Lee, president of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen.

CARRANZA APPEALS FOR CHANGE IN PLAN

FIRST CHIEF SENDS OBJECTIONS TO PLAN FOR MEXICAN BORDER CONTROL.

NOTE IS NOT MADE PUBLIC

Latest Suggestions For Changes In Agreement Will Be Considered By The Three American Representatives, Lane, Mott and Gray.

Washington.—One more appeal for modification of the protocol providing for the withdrawal of American troops from Mexico is made by General Carranza in a message delivered to Secretary Lane by Luis Cabrera, chairman of the Mexican members of the joint commission. The Mexican first chief replied to the insistent American demand that the protocol signed by his spokesman at Atlantic City be ratified with an eight hundred word document in which he failed to accede to the demand, but refrained from writing anything that could be construed as a flat repudiation.

The latest suggestions for changes in the agreement now will be considered by the three American representatives—Secretary Lane, J. R. Mott and Judge Gray. Secretary Lane advised his colleagues of the character of the reply and asked them to meet him here as soon as they conveniently could.

A joint session of the Mexican-American commission will be held at which the Americans will give the Mexicans their answer and on its nature depends the future course of the commissioners.

It was learned that the Mexican commissioners were confident that no inseparable barrier had been raised by Carranza.

The chief insistence of Carranza has been that the American troops should be withdrawn unconditionally which the American commissioners would not consider. It was indicated that Carranza's insistence on that point was less pronounced now and that the change in his attitude had been wrought largely by the altered military situation in northern Mexico.

ADAMSON ACT CONFERENCE SPLITS OVER WAGE ISSUE

End Comes Abruptly—No More Meetings Until Supreme Court Passes On Law

New York.—Conferences between representatives of the railroads and the four brotherhoods of railway employees at which were discussed the possibilities of a settlement of the eight-hour controversy, were discontinued abruptly today when it became apparent an agreement could not be reached.

It was announced by both sides that there would be no more meetings until after the United States Supreme Court hands down its decision on the constitutionality of the Adamson act.

The break came, it was learned, when the railroad representatives refused to concede the demands of the new wage schedule fixed by the Adamson law, which goes into effect January 1st.

The brotherhood chiefs held, it was said, that their men had the right to begin drawing wages according to the scale provided by the Adamson law immediately after the law became effective, irrespective of the suits brought by the railroads to test its validity.

CALIFORNIA PRESS TO INCREASE RATES

Sacramento, Cal.—An increase in subscription and advertising rates as a means of fighting the high cost of newsprint paper is favored by members of the California Press Association, according to a report made by a special committee of the association.

PRESIDENT WILL VETO PUBLIC BUILDINGS BILL

Washington.—President Wilson told callers that he would veto the \$28,000,000 public buildings bill if it comes to him in the form in which it is now pending in the house. Its advocates plan to seek to obtain a rule for consideration of the measure by the house soon after the Christmas recess. The president has reached no decision on the rivers and harbors bill laid before him recently by Chairman Sparkman of the Rivers and Harbors Committee.

128 VESSELS SUNK BY ONE SUBMARINE CAPTAIN

Amsterdam, via London.—Announcement is made in the Berlin newspapers that the Order of Merit has been conferred on Captain Valentiner, captain of a German submarine for sinking 128 ships of a total tonnage of 282,000. Included among the boats sunk are a French gunboat, a troop transport, four steamships loaded with war material and a French submarine conveying 14 coal steamers.

WILL ASK LAW FOR ROAD MAINTENANCE

WITHOUT IT STATE CANNOT CLAIM \$114,000 FEDERAL ROAD APPROPRIATION.

COMMISSIONERS MEET JAN 8

State Highway Commission Will Consider Plans For New Years Work and Report to Legislature.

Raleigh.—Unless the State Highway Commission can get from the General Assembly legislation providing for the maintenance of roads constructed, the state cannot claim \$114,000 of the Federal road fund already apportioned among the counties of the state. The commission will meet here on January 8, when it will consider plans for the new year's work, and also settle upon the requests it will make of the legislature.

For one thing, the commission wants its appropriation increased from ten thousand dollars to fifty thousand dollars. Already its work has extended to more than three-fourths of the counties of the state, and the possibilities of further extension are only limited by the finances.

Mr. W. S. Fallis, state highway engineer, stated that the commission's work has succeeded thus far in every instance where the commission has supervised county work, in saving between 25 and 30 per cent of the cost as estimated by the lowest bidder. And with the road work in North Carolina aggregating five million dollars annually, he declares he is perfectly safe in estimating the saving of one million dollars annually on highway construction, if the commission were put in charge of all this work.

As to the federal aid, the stipulation which now holds North Carolina from its benefits is the one requiring maintenance provisions in the state. Under present conditions, the county commissioners in the various counties have maintenance authority for only two years. The federal law requires something permanent. And that \$114,000, which is due to increase from year to year, will remain idle, so far as this state is concerned, until that maintenance provision is secured.

The highway engineer hopes it will come through the use of the entire automobile license tax for maintenance purposes. This will be one of the things the commission will ask of the general assembly. It will ask that 60 per cent of the tax be turned back into the counties in proportion to the taxes paid in that county, to be used by the county authorities under supervision of the Highway Commission for maintenance. The other 40 per cent the commission wants turned over to it for use in its discretion wherever it is needed over the state for highway upkeep.

Big Hotel For Greensboro.

Greensboro.—The long-hoped-for "big hotel" for Greensboro will probably be a fact before Christmas, 1917. When the needed \$75,000 in common stock was all subscribed at a meeting in the Chamber of Commerce rooms a sigh of relief went up from those who have been working on the proposition for some time. The site is to cost \$20,000 and the building \$300,000. First mortgage bonds to the amount of \$150,000 will be issued, and second mortgage bonds will be in the amount of \$85,000. The first bonds and \$65,000 of the second class bonds have virtually been placed, so that of all the stock and bonds, only \$20,000 yet remain to be placed.

Another Dam at Badin.

Albemarle.—That work on the second big dam to be built by the American Aluminum Company at the falls of the Yadkin about three miles below Badin is to commence upon a big scale is evidenced by the fact that a double track of railway is to be continued down the river from Badin to the falls. It is reported upon good authority that the final survey for this road is now being made and that states are being driven preparatory to active construction work of the road.

Craig Issues Election Papers.

Raleigh.—Governor Craig has made out and delivered the certificates of election to the federal and state officers elected in this state at the November election and notifications for the presidential electors to meet in Raleigh January 8 to elect from their number the messengers who shall go to Washington at the appointed time and cast the North Carolina vote for Woodrow Wilson for President. The utmost care is being exercised to rigidly conform with every detail of the election laws.

35,000 Autos in State.

Raleigh.—Automobile licenses in North Carolina have passed the thirty-five thousand mark for the first time in the history of autos in North Carolina. On June 30, the end of the last fiscal year, the total number of automobiles recorded in the office of the secretary of state was 24,000. This shows an increase of 11,000 machines in six months. If the percentage of increases continues, at the end of the present fiscal year will see the number of autos doubled in this state.

BANK DEPOSITS INCREASE

Over Twenty-Five Millions Gain as Compared With Year Ago.—Increase in Resources 34 Per Cent.

Raleigh.—Not in all the history of North Carolina banking has the record of growth of total resources of the state banks been anything like that of the past year as shown by the summary of the condition of the banks at the close of business November 17. The increase in total resources for the year was 34.9 per cent, the figures being \$118,212,308 this year and \$87,660,524 a year ago. There are 437 banks and 25 branch banks included in the summary.

The increase in bank deposits for the year was \$25,575,098. Of the deposits reported this November \$48,091,956 are subject to check; \$7,680,381 demand certificates of deposit; \$11,464,354 time certificates of deposit, and \$19,874,981 savings deposits. The capital stock of the banks aggregates \$11,573,795, a gain of \$773,000. The surplus fund is \$3,688,722 and the undivided profits \$3,749,397.

Soil Survey of Cleveland.

Shelby.—E. S. Vannata, representing the Federal Agricultural Department, and F. N. McDowell, representing the state department, have just completed the soil survey of Cleveland and left for Orange county, where they will carry on a similar work.

The report on the soil shows that Cleveland ranks right at the top in soil adapted to cotton, corn and grasses. Mr. Vannata, who has made many surveys in the south, says that he has not found a superior soil in any county in the south. While it is especially adapted to the growth of cotton, the survey indicates that the farmers are not as yet making the proper use of it in growth of grasses. In the course of 18 months a colored map will be issued by the department showing the various kinds of soils found over the county and in this way the farmers will be able to determine what their soil is best adapted to.

Building For Furniture Exposition.

High Point.—Active campaigning is to be started here within just a few days to raise funds for the construction of a \$50,000 furniture exposition building in which to display the wares of High Point manufacturers. At the present time a large amount of the showing of High Point products is done in Grand Rapids, though there are three show rooms here. It is planned to construct a building with not less than 200,000 square feet of floor space. It is believed by the manufacturers of the city that this amount of space will be sufficient for all needs for year to come.

Woman Accidentally Killed.

Greenville.—Mrs. J. C. Buck, of Chocowinity, Pitt county, lost her life from the accidental discharge of a gun. There were several boys at her house getting ready to go hunting. They were loading their guns and as one of the boys started out of the house his weapon in some way discharged, and the shot took effect in her head, killing her instantly.

Mrs. Buck had been married twice, and her last husband and several children survive.

Two County Agents Appointed.

Raleigh.—Recent appointments to the field staff of the Agricultural Extension Service are those of Mr. W. J. Brockington, who has been selected to be county agent in Wilson county, and Mr. Donald McClure, who will be county agent in Halifax county. Both of these men were obtained by Mr. R. W. Freeman, who is the district demonstration agent in charge of the eastern section of the state.

NORTH CAROLINA BRIEFS.

Cumberland county's cotton crop was 1,000 bales shorter this year than last.

The Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond declared a 6 per cent dividend for the period from January 1, 1916, to November 1, 1916.

During a dense fog George E. Green ran his auto off the bridge near Cliffside. The car turned completely over and was partially demolished. Its occupant was taken into the home of a man named Pargett, nearby and Doctor Allhands summoned. His right shoulder was dislocated.

Because of the railroad facilities and their accessories, power in abundance, climate, labor and all the advantages necessary to the establishment of an armor plate factory, Forest City is the ideal place for this enterprise. The board of Trade, and a goodly part of the citizenry of Forest City, came together in mass and awoke to the advantages this town has to the establishment of the armor plate factory. Committees were appointed to draft the necessary resolution and appear before the committee in Washington at once.

Dr. J. H. Scarborough, a native of Montgomery county, has just ended a visit to his old home at Mount Gilead and with relatives at Troy. He was a delegate from the state of Missouri to the Southern Commercial Congress held recently at Norfolk and delivered an address before this meeting on the subject of good roads.

The statement is made on what is considered good authority that there will be another cotton mill organized at Cherryville the first of the year, making the seventh for the town.

SOUR, ACID STOMACHS, GASES OR INDIGESTION

Each "Pape's Diapepsin" digests 3000 grains food, ending all stomach misery in five minutes.

Time it! In five minutes all stomach distress will go. No indigestion, heartburn, sourness or belching of gas, acid, or eructations of undigested food, no dizziness, bloating, foul breath or headache.

Pape's Diapepsin is noted for its speed in regulating upset stomachs. It is the surest, quickest stomach remedy in the whole world and besides it is harmless. Put an end to stomach trouble forever by getting a large fifty-cent case of Pape's Diapepsin from any drug store. You realize in five minutes how needless it is to suffer from indigestion, dyspepsia or any stomach disorder. It's the quickest, surest and most harmless stomach doctor in the world.—Adv.

Slow in Getting Start.

According to Dr. Simon N. Patten, leading economist at the University of Pennsylvania, only 25 per cent of the graduates in law at that institution follow the practice of law after they leave the university. The statistics also show that 75 per cent of the law students, after the long course and at heavy expense, go into other lines of work.

"It requires ten years for a college man to earn as much as the untrained man of business," Doctor Patten added. "While college men require ten years to get on their feet, the high school graduate usually steps at once into a paying business. But it must not be overlooked that the trained man far outleaps his untrained competitor after ten years."

Tetterine for Ring Worm and Skin Disease.

Varnville, S. C., July 17, 1908. My wife uses your Tetterine for Ringworm, also uses it in her family for all kind of skin diseases, and she thinks it a good medicine. There is no substitute.

Tetterine cures Eczema, Tetter, Ring Worm, Old Itching Sores, Dandruff, Itching Piles, Corns, Chills, and every form of Scalp and Skin Disease. Tetterine 50c; Tetterine Soap 25c. At drug stores or by mail direct from The Shuptrine Co., Savannah, Ga. With every mail order for Tetterine we give a box of Shuptrine's 10c Liver Pills free. Adv.

Ancient Iron Mines.

Italian guns are being made of iron taken from mines in Sardinia which were utilized 2,000 years ago by the Romans as a source of ore to help arm their legions, and the guns are being used against nations whose tribal forbears the Romans often fought.

Granulated Eyelids, Sties, Inflamed Eyes relieved over night by Roman Eye Balsam. One trial proves its merit. Adv.

No Alibi.

"We should all leave footprints in the sands of time," quoted the Parlor Philosopher.

"They would only show that some of us were going backward," objected the Mere Man.

Whenever You Need a General Tonic Take Grove's

The Old Standard Grove's Tasteless Chilli Tonic is equally valuable as a General Tonic because it contains the well known tonic properties of QUININE and IRON. It acts on the Liver, Drives out Malaria, Enriches the Blood and Builds up the Whole System. 50 cents.

One Way Out.

"My wife wants me to go shopping with her. I don't see how I am going to get out of it."

"If she were to send you back to your office after less than an hour of shopping and told you she would never take you on such an expedition again, you would consider yourself well repaid for your trouble, wouldn't you?"

"Certainly. But how am I going to do that?"

"Let her catch you flirting with a fascinating female clerk."

THICK, GLOSSY HAIR FREE FROM DANDRUFF

Girls! Try It! Hair gets soft, fluffy and beautiful—Get a 25 cent bottle of Danderine.

If you care for heavy hair that glistens with beauty and is radiant with life; has an incomparable softness and is fluffy and lustrous, try Danderine. Just one application doubles the beauty of your hair, besides it immediately dissolves every particle of dandruff. You can not have nice heavy, healthy hair if you have dandruff. This destructive scurf robs the hair of its lustre, its strength and its very life, and if not overcome it produces a feverishness and itching of the scalp; the hair roots fash, loosen and die; then the hair falls out fast. Surely get a 25-cent bottle of Knowlton's Danderine from any drug store and just try it.—Adv.

The Ruling Passion.

"Be as light as you can on me, Judge."

"Twelve months."

"Couldn't you fix it so I could be out in time to see the world series next year?"

MOTHER, ATTENTION!

Gold Ring for Baby Free.

Get a 25c Bottle of Baby Balm from any drug store, mail coupon as directed and gold ring (guaranteed), proper size, mailed you. Baby Balm cures Bowel Complaints and Teething Troubles of Babies.—Adv.

The 48 states are now spending \$280,000,000 a year on good roads.