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Impassioned Plea in Behalf of Farmer

Senator Simmons Keeps Senate in Session—About to Take Recess With No Relief for Farmer.

BIG BUSINESS AGAINST RELIEF.

Hoover Makes Promises Which Come to Naught—Tries to Get Farmers' Relief Bill Reported Unfavorably.

Washington Correspondence.

There is a giant conspiracy of Big Business and the Harding administration to prevent the Federal government from aiding the farmers of the country in marketing their surplus crops abroad this fall. Without such government assistance it is generally predicted that the agricultural interests of the country are in serious danger of complete collapse and bankruptcy. The Federal Reserve Board, empowered by law to lend forty per cent of its reserve in credits to the farmers, and now under the Harding administration, has lent less than 10 per cent while it has kept the stock gamblers in Wall Street well supplied with money.

Last fall when the prices of cotton and tobacco began to tumble and the Federal Reserve Board turned its back on the farmers in their great distress, Senator Simmons conceived a billion dollar scheme of the Government to assist the farmers in selling their products to Europe so as to secure a fair profit. At the winter session of Congress there was no opportunity to enact this scheme into law. The Western Republican Senators were so obsessed with the idea of a farmers' tariff that the Simmons scheme was sidetracked. The Agricultural Committee of the Senate at the present session has embodied the scheme practically in the Norris bill, now ready to be reported to the Senate.

Hoover's Vain Effort.

A few days ago the Harding administration sent Mr. Hoover, Secretary of Commerce, before this Senate committee to prevent a favorable report on the Norris bill. Mr. Hoover told the committee that the bill was unwise in that it would involve the Government heels over head in engaging in private enterprise, and besides it was wholly unnecessary at this time as private bankers, under the direction of the Government, were organizing the capital needed for marketing the crops abroad. But the farmers' groups in the Senate are taking no stock in Mr. Hoover's assurances, for a few weeks ago the Harding administration had given assurances that private bankers would organize a \$50,000,000 live stock association on the line. It now turns out that this was only an empty promise to keep Congress from doing anything to help the farmers.

Big Business, seeing that it could not prevent the Senate from considering the billion dollar Norris bill to aid the farmers and the soldiers' big bonus bill, decided that the only way to sidetrack these bills and thus kill them was to induce the Republican leaders of the Senate to suspend its sessions during July. A recess of the Senate during July would operate to sidetrack all proposed legislation except tariff and taxation, and that is the only sort of legislation Big Business wants or will permit to be enacted if it can have its way.

Underwood Trapped.

This was the situation when the Senate the other day attempted to recess for three weeks. The Southern Republican Senators,

under the direct control of Big Business, were eager to close the Senate doors and go home. The cries of the bankrupt farmers in the south and west have never entered their ears. Senator Underwood, the leader of the Democrats, walked right into the trap by making a ringing speech, holding up to the Senate the doleful picture of a Senate exhausted and in a state of coma by September if it remained in session during the heat of July. The trick of this dog-day madness had completely escaped the unsuspecting mind of the able minority leader. When Mr. Underwood had finished, Senator Lodge, the majority leader, wore on his face a smile that eclipsed that on the same face when the Chicago Convention hailed him for saying that Mr. Wilson, his heirs and assigns, must be driven forever from our Government.

The wheat-grower republican senators of the west began to fidget and turn in their seats with anxiety. Norris had spoken. The brilliant Williams of Mississippi had spoken but had said nothing worthy of himself. Had the poor cotton farmers lain down between the rows in their cotton fields sick unto death under a torrid sun and surrendered with Underwood to Wall Street?

Sees Farmer's Betrayal

Behind the Alabama Senator, who is as honest and as able a man as there is in that body, sat a small obscure looking man, a man whose face betrays the fact that his stomach is not always good to him. As Underwood's words rolled out from behind his beaming face this little man's body seemed to rise and swell and grow in stature and his eyes flashed with fire. His friends had been caught before his eyes by the snare of the enemy. He saw the democrats betrayed, though not consciously, by their leader. He heard the interests of his beloved Southland misrepresented or ignored. He saw 47 per cent of the American people about to be denied their last opportunity for obtaining justice in the greatest crisis through which they have ever passed.

Senator Simmons never makes any pretense to oratory. He has never been shaken by the divine fire, but now he arose and the Senate was startled and electrified with an impassioned appeal so terribly earnest in the depths of its meaning that some of its democratic friends looked terrified. There were about 50 members of the Senate present and all but about a dozen had made up their minds to take a vacation, but when they heard the plain implication from the lips of this staid, conservative, unemotional, cautious senator, of a conspiracy, and were invited to behold it in action then and there and with their consent and cooperation, they had a second thought.

Farmers shall understand

The reader will see from the three closing paragraphs of the speech how plain, unvarnished and unpretentious it was: "I do not know how other Senators feel about that, but I know that there is an element in this country, big business, that does not want any of this Government relief legislation, that does not want any of this bond legislation, for the relief of agriculture, the livestock growers, or for anybody else, and that does not want any more of this legislation that it calls 'interfering with business', although that business may be a highway robber or an outlaw, not only in fact but under the laws as written in the statutes.

"It must not be interfered with. The people comprising this element do not want any legislation of that sort. They do not want you to have any time to look into things. They will be delighted to have this recess. They will be delighted if you bring about a condition that will prevent you from dealing with anything except the tariff, and they expect you to deal with that in a way that will increase their privileges and their opportunities of exploitation and graft and

robbery. They will be delighted if you just go on with your tariff, and, when you shall have gotten through with that, they wish and expect you, then, to pass your revenue law, and relieve them of a profit tax, and a high surtax; and the high schedules of the income tax, and put them back to the position they occupied when the democratic party came into power, and said, 'Under Republican rule the wealth of this country has escaped taxation to support the burdens of the Government, and that shall not be. That is wrong. That is unjust. Wealth shall not pay more than its share, but wealth should pay its share. The whole burden of the expense of this Government should not rest upon the shoulders of the consumer, who is generally the toiler on the farm and in the factory and in the shop.'

"Oh, that is the kind of legislation the exploiters and big interests desire. That is the kind of legislation they expect you to give them. They are eager for it, Mr. President. They do not wish this other kind of legislation—the kind embodied in the bill of the Senator from Nebraska. This proposed recess would be very pleasing to them. They will say, 'We have avoided the kind of legislation that we feared; that we did not want; that intruded upon our privileges; that curtailed our opportunities; that limited and curtailed our exploitations. We have gotten rid of that, and we have arranged it so that from now on we are to have the undivided attention of the Senate of the United States in the passage of legislation that will inure to strengthening us in our position, if it does not altogether put us back into the entrenched and fortified position that we occupied before the war began. It will carry us nearly back to 'normalcy'—to the time of the absolute dominance and control that we enjoyed before the Democratic party came into power in the United States.' Is that what the majority in the Senate desire? If so, proceed, but the farmers of America shall understand just what you are doing and what your action means."

By a vote of 27 to 24 recess was defeated. Forty-five senators did not vote and the danger is not yet passed, for two days after the vote President Harding was at the Capitol and the question of recess was again raised and urged by him.

Crop Prospects.

The combined condition of all North Carolina crops as indicated by the July 1st crop report was 86.1 per cent of a normal or full crop prospect. This shows an improvement of 2.1 per cent over the condition June 1st, but is 11 per cent below the average on July 1st last year. For the United States, the combined conditions of 46 principal crops was 96.4 per cent, an increase of 3.2 over June 1st condition and 3.2 per cent poorer than the July 1st condition a year ago.

Compared with last year, the total production of the nation's important crops are estimated as follows: Corn 96.6 per cent; Wheat 102.8; Oats 87.1; Barley 91.1; Rye 100.9; White (Irish) Potatoes 87.9; Sweet Potatoes 100; Tobacco 61.8; Hay (all) 89.8; Cotton 63.1; Apples 42.5; Peaches 70.5; Pears 52.1; Sorghum Syrup 102.6; Beans 98.9; Peanuts 101.7.

Since May 15th, the prices paid to North Carolina producers for farm products has decreased one per cent. A decrease of 3 per cent for the same period is shown for the Nation.

Try This.

To prevent the gloss coming off of your white paint wash it with milk and a little soap. That will be much cheaper than repainting and is effective.

Best Thing She Does

Mrs. Parvenu (to caller)—Improve? Why, my daughter can improve any piece of music you put before her.

What He Wanted.

"Jenkins, the oil promoter, has married the talkiest woman I ever laid eyes on." "Struck a gusher this time, eh?"—Nashville Tennessean.

Looks Now Like Extra Session

Gov. Morrison Getting Back From Rest and in Better Physical Condition—Gov. and Former Secretary Daniels Speak to Cotton Manufacturers in Asheville.

BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY ROASTED.

Attorney General Manning Calls it a "Fictitious Entity" that is Fed and Bled by the Parent as Occasion May Require.

(By Maxwell Gorman.)

Raleigh, July 12.—The Governor is not due to return to Raleigh from the mountains until the latter part of the week, and as the 14th (date set for municipalities' association cities to file their "show down") will arrive about the same time as his Excellency, a prompt and final decision in the matter of reconvening the General Assembly in special session may be expected to be announced without unnecessary delay.

If we were minded to take a straw vote on the subject of indications, we might say that there is an improvement in general opinion favoring the "Extry." Were it not so important it wouldn't stand a chance. The Governor is ag'in it on general principles and until recently it was thought he would remain unalterably opposed. But the representations already made to the Governor and the final arguments to be made by some of the city financial managements, in addition to Raleigh, now to be made, is impressing us more and more that the Governor will be forced to the conclusion that it is his duty to call the law-makers together—and, once convinced of his duty, Cameron Morrison is never known to fail.

Restoration of the Governor.

En passant, the general public will learn with hearty satisfaction that the Governor has about recovered his physical health, which went through a strain and test last year, two primaries as well as the general election, never forced on any aspirant or candidate of any party in this State before.

His friends, especially those of them in newspaper making business, have not referred to these matters in the open much, even though at times our hearts were deeply touched by the fear that he had overdone himself in the performing of his duty to his party and to the State whose people love him more and more with the passage of the current years.

When the Legislature meets here, say in September or before, it promises to be the strongest "administration Legislature" you ever saw. The law-makers have come to know our Governor for what he is, and every Senator and Representative will hold him in higher regard, especially those who lacked knowledge of his real character and manliness last winter.

The Governor and former Secretary Daniels addressed the meeting of cotton manufacturers of North Carolina held at Asheville Saturday.

Mr. Daniels, former Secretary of the Navy, asserted that before conditions became stable and such as to permit greater business activity, the principles proclaimed by Woodrow Wilson in both his foreign and domestic policies must be inaugurated nationally. Governor Morrison discussed the State's rapid progress along agricultural, industrial and educational lines, and outlined the benefits to be derived from the constructive program for the State's educational system, public institutions and improved systems

of highways, which was launched recently.

Manning Roasts the Bell Fiction

The whole State of North Carolina is still interested in the contention for higher telephone rates by the so-called "Bell" company, now working through its appeal to the Supreme Court from the decision of the State Corporation Commission, which allowed the telephone octopus (American Telegraph and Telephone Company) 10 per cent increase lately—which being less than they demanded, the "Bell" company appealed. The following is worthy the reader's attention at this moment:

Denouncing the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company as a "fictitious entity," and asserting that the child is fed or bled by the parent as exigencies of conditions require, the Attorney-General filed for the Corporation Commission an answer to the recent application made by the company in Federal Court for an injunction against the rate increase order issued in May on its petition for higher rates in North Carolina.

Filing of the answer sets the stage for the next legal battle and hearing on the application for an injunction, the initial step to a fight for the rates, asked for originally by the company which is expected in a few days. The sharp style of the commission's reply to the petition has jolted those who expected of it a desire to pass the buck to the Federal courts. It looks as if the constituted protectors of the State mean to fight back hard and give nothing more than the order granted after a long hearing.

After answering in detail the complaint and application filed for the company in the eastern district court the answer says:

"The respondent, the North Carolina Corporation Commission, after full and patient hearing, and after giving consideration to the matters and things herein set out, made its order of May 31, 1921, granting not only such an increase as will preserve the constitution's rights of the complainant, but in consideration of increased investments required to make such rates as will give it a liberal return on its present investment in this State and upon such additional investments as it may have to make to take care of the natural growth of its business.

"The respondent further shows that, after granting a liberal increase in rates of the complainant to be charged to the users of its telephone exchange service in this State, its order further provided that if at any time, after fair trial, it can upon full showing present that, with such increases as are herein authorized, and with the economies which the tendency of the times should permit, it is not earning a fair return we stand ready to review and amend our findings."

The commission's answer flatly denies the allegation of the telephone company that at no time have its earnings in North Carolina yielded to it a fair and reasonable return upon the fair and reasonable value of its property within the State.

IT'S A MISTAKE

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Many people in a misguided effort to get rid of kidney backache, rely on plasters, liniments and make-shifts. The right treatment is kidney treatment and a remarkably recommended kidney medicine is Doan's Kidney Pills. Graham is no exception.

The proof is at your very door. The following is an experience typical of the work of Doan's Kidney Pills in Graham. Ask your neighbor.

Mrs. Bettie L. Pickard, W. Elm St., says, "About two years ago I was troubled with a dull nagging pain in the small of my back. I was very nervous and dizzy and black specks blurred my sight. The kidney secretions passed irregularly, too. When Doan's Kidney Pills were recommended to me, I got a box from Graham Drug Co., and they cure the backaches and rid me of the dizziness. I can't praise Doan's highly enough.

Price 60c. at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Pickard had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfgs., Buffalo, N. Y.

Behold how great a demand a little ad kindleth.

Sale of Real Estate!

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain deed of trust duly recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Alamance County in Book of Mortgages and Deeds of Trust No. 84, page 217, wherein the undersigned is Trustee, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured thereby as therein provided, the undersigned Trustee will, on

MONDAY, AUG. 1, 1921,

at 12 o'clock, noon, at the court house door in Graham, N. C., offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, a certain tract or parcel of land in Boon Station township, Alamance county and State of North Carolina, adjoining the lands of J. B. Gerringer, Geo. Simpson and others, bounded as follows:

Beginning at an iron stake, Geo. Simpson's corner; thence S 1 deg W 174 feet to an iron bolt on north edge of sidewalk and 25 feet to center of street; thence N 89-30' W 206.6 to a stake in center of Lee Avenue; thence S 1 deg E 199 feet to a stake in Lee Avenue, J. B. Gerringer's corner; thence S 89-30' E 206.6 feet to the beginning, containing 95-100 acres, more or less.

This 30th day of June, 1921.
Alamance Ins. & Real Estate Co.,
Trustee.
W. S. Coulter, Att'y.

Sale of Real Estate Under Deed of Trust.

Under and by virtue of a certain deed of trust executed by C. H. Kirkpatrick and wife, Eulala Kirkpatrick, to Alamance Insurance & Real Estate Company on the 21st day of January, 1920, securing the payment of certain bonds described therein, which deed of trust is duly probated and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Alamance county, in Book of Mortgages and Deeds of Trust No. 84, at page 200, default having been made in the payment of said bonds and interest thereon, the undersigned Trustee will, on

MONDAY, JULY 18, 1921,

at 12 o'clock, noon, offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, at the court house door of Alamance county, in Graham, North Carolina, the following described real estate, to-wit:

A certain tract or parcel of land in Coble township, Alamance county and State of North Carolina, adjoining the lands of Cyrus Coble, Stephen Holt, Hinton Kirkpatrick and others, bounded as follows:

Beginning at a rock, corner with said Coble and Holt, running thence S 42 deg 30' E 24.79 chs to a rock, corner with said Coble in Coble's line; thence N 56 deg E 15.29 chs to a rock, corner with said Kirkpatrick in said Coble's line; thence N 41 deg W 34.37 chs to a rock, corner with said Kirkpatrick, in a proposed road; thence with said road S 26 deg W 2.58 chs to a solid rock, corner with said Councilman and Holt; thence S 22 deg W 3.33 chs to a bend; thence S 29 deg W 3.79 chs to a bend; thence S 13 deg W 7.34 chs to a rock, corner with said Holt; thence S 39 deg W 66 lks to the beginning, containing 46.3 acres, more or less.

This sale will be made subject to increase bids as provided by law, and will be held open ten days after sale to give opportunity for such bids.

This June 9th, 1921.
Alamance Ins. & Real Estate Co.,
Trustee.
E. S. W. Dameron, Att'y.

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Sale of Real Estate Under Deed of Trust.

Under and by virtue of a certain deed of trust executed by J. M. Browning and wife, Stella Browning, A. L. Davis and wife, Mamie P. Davis, and C. A. Walker and wife, Eva A. Walker, to Alamance Insurance & Real Estate Company on the 11th day of December, 1919, securing the payment of certain bonds described therein, which deed of trust is duly probated and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Alamance county, in Book of Mortgages and Deeds of Trust No. 84, at page 141, default having been made in the payment of said bonds and interest thereon, the undersigned Trustee will, on

MONDAY, JULY 18, 1921,

at 12 o'clock, noon, offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, at the court house door of Alamance county, in Graham, North Carolina, the following described real estate, to-wit:

A certain tract or parcel of land in Alamance county, State of North Carolina and Burlington township, adjoining the lands of Webb Avenue, Tucker Street and others, described as follows:

Beginning at a corner of Webb Avenue and Tucker Street; running thence with the line of Tucker street southeast 110 ft to a corner; thence southwest parallel with Webb Avenue 40 ft to corner in C. L. Boone's line; thence with line of said Boone northeast parallel with Tucker street 110 ft to corner on Webb Avenue; thence with line of Webb Avenue northwest 40 ft to the beginning.

This sale will be made subject to increased bids as provided by law, and will be held open ten days after sale to give opportunity for such bids.

This June 9th, 1921.
Alamance Ins. & Real Estate Co.,
Trustee.
E. S. W. DAMERON, Att'y.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Having qualified as Administrator of the estate of Alfred S. Moore, deceased, the undersigned hereby notifies all persons holding claims against said estate to present the same, duly authenticated, on or before the 31st day of July, 1921, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate settlement.

This June 22, 1921.
JOHN R. MOORE, Adm'r
of Alfred S. Moore, dec'd.
Graham, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1
Successor

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Having qualified as Administrator of the estate of Joe L. Hendrix, deceased, late of Alamance county, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present the same, duly authenticated, on or before the 31st day of June, 1921, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This June 15, 1921.
J. N. TAYLOR, Adm'r
of Joe L. Hendrix, dec'd.
Farrier & Long, Att'ys.