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### THE CONGRESS DID MUCH GOOD WORK

The Congress Which Adjourned Today Was One of the Most Constructive.

#### A REVIEW OF THE FIRST SESSION OF SIXTY-FOURTH

Large Expenditures and Much Constructive Legislation Marked the Long Session.

Washington, Sept. 8.—The first session of the Sixty-fourth Congress which adjourned today was concerned chiefly with national defense.

When the gavel fell Congress had directed reorganization and re-equipment of the Army and Navy for defense of the country at the unprecedented cost of \$655,000,000 with authorization that will increase the total in three years to nearly \$800,000,000. With all other expenditures, appropriations were brought to the grand total of \$1,637,583,682, the greatest aggregate in the country's history and exceeding that for the last fiscal year by more than half a billion dollars.

Expenditures, necessitated by preparedness and the calling into action of military forces to meet the Mexican emergency demanded revenue legislation in the incomes, creating an inheritance tax, munitions tax and miscellaneous excise taxes to raise \$205,000,000 and by directing sale of \$130,000,000 Panama Canal bonds.

Congress established a Tariff Commission; a Government Shipping Board to rehabilitate the American merchant marine; a Workmen's Compensation Commission to administer a new uniform compensation law; a Farm Loan banking system; a Child Labor law; enlarged the system of self-government in the Philippines and enacted many other important laws which had been contemplated by the administration.

The session was disturbed throughout by frequently recurring threats of foreign complications from the European war and imminence at one time of a diplomatic break with Germany; interference with American mails and commerce, invasion of American soil and killing of Americans by Mexican bandits, and danger of actual war with Mexico.

Later in the session trouble arose in the Senate over the nomination of Louis D. Brandeis, of Boston, to succeed the late Justice Lamar as a member of the Supreme Court. Weeks of investigation and deliberation by the Judiciary committee ended in confirmation of Mr. Brandeis by a large majority.

Most important legislative enactments of the session, exclusive of laws for national defense, included the following:

**Government Ship Law:** Appropriating \$50,000,000 to operate ships in foreign and coastwise trade when unable to lease them to individuals or private corporations.

**Child Labor Law:** Denying interstate commerce to products of mines and quarries employing children under 16 years of age and factories, mills, canneries and other establishments employing children under 14 years.

**Rural Credits Law:** Establishing a Farm Loan Board in control of a system of Farm Loan Mortgage Banks.

**Workmen's Compensation Law:** Providing uniform sick and accident benefits for employees of the Federal Government, and benefits to dependents in case of death.

**Emergency Revenue Law:** Providing for doubling the normal income tax on the lowest class; making an additional surtax ranging from one per cent on that portion of incomes exceeding \$20,000 to 13 per cent on amount of incomes in excess of \$2,000,000; levying a graduated tax of one to ten per cent on inheritances ranging from \$50,000 to \$5,000,000; a ten per cent net profit tax on manufacturers of munitions, five per cent net profit tax on manufacturers of materials entering into munitions; a license tax on actually invested capital stock of corporations capitalized at more than \$30,000; wine, beer and liquor excise taxes and miscellaneous stamp taxes.

**Good Roads Law:** Providing for co-operative Federal aid to the States for construction of highways, and appropriating \$75,000,000 to be spent in five years.

**Postal Savings Law:** Amendment increasing the amount which individuals may deposit from \$500 to \$1,000 without interest.

**Federal Reserve:** Amendments, including the Clayton anti-trust law permitting officers and directors of

### CONGRESS ADJOURNS WITHOUT A DAY

At 10 O'clock This Morning the End of the First Session of the 64th Congress Came.

#### APPROPRIATIONS WERE LARGEST EVER MADE

The Appropriations Made by This Congress Will Run Well On Towards Two Billion Mark.

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, Sept. 8.—Congress adjourned sine die at 10 o'clock this morning and the appropriations made by this record-making congress will run well towards the two billion dollar mark.

Congress as the session closed had appropriated exactly \$1,626,439,210 dollars, which with obligations already authorized for the future makes a total of 1,858,384,485 dollars.

These figures were announced in a speech by Representative Fitzgerald, Democrat of New York, and by Representative Elliott, Republican of Massachusetts, the first defending the appropriation and the latter attacking the record as the greatest expenditure ever made by a Republican administration.

Only a small proportion of the members were on hand to watch the session die. Most of them had hurried home at the end of the late session last night or even days before, and a month after the political campaign is finished in November they must return for the short session.

The Senate began its session at 8 o'clock this morning, following an adjournment at 11 this morning upon the passage of the emergency revenue bill.

At the outset Senator Lewis sought to have passed the Spanish war widows pension bill. Senator Hoke Smith of Georgia announced that such a measure could not be passed if he could prevent it.

The House convened at 8 o'clock, p. m. Speaker Clark, Leader Kitchin, Republican Leader Mann and a small number of members on both sides of the floor were present to watch the windup. Speaker Clark and Republican Leader Mann exchanged the usual felicitations, and Speaker Clark in addressing the House referred to this session of Congress as a long, tedious and laborious one. "No session of Congress in my recollection," he said, "stayed in session so many days and worked so many hours."

Soon after the President reached the Capitol the revenue bill was ready for his signature. The Senate adopted the concurrent resolution for a 10 o'clock adjournment which had already been passed in the House. The President held a reception in his room as a line of Senators and Representatives passed through while he signed bills.

At 9:30 the Senate appointed Senator Kern and Senator Smoot to notify the President that congress was ready to adjourn unless he had some further communication to present. They were joined by Representative Fitzgerald and Mann of the House committee and the joint committee waited on the President at 9:35. Senator Kern notified the Senate at 9:45 that the President had nothing further to communicate. Thereupon Senator Nelson of Minnesota offered a resolution of thanks to the Vice President for his impartial conduct in presiding over the Senate. The resolution was adopted and the Vice President thanked the Senate in a brief address.

The Senate then adjourned sine die at 9:55.

#### PRESIDENT LEAVES WASHINGTON.

Mr. Wilson Will Address National Woman Suffrage Association Tonight and Then Go to Shadow Lawn.

Washington, Sept. 8.—President Wilson left Washington at 1 o'clock this afternoon for a stay which may extend until after the November election. He expects to arrive in Atlantic City at 5:45 this afternoon and tonight will speak before the National Woman Suffrage Association. After spending the night in Atlantic City he will motor to the summer White House, Shadow Lawn, at Long Branch, N. J., for an extended stay. The President was busy at the time of his departure with work incident to the adjournment of Congress.

President Signs Workmen's Act. Washington, Sept. 7.—President Wilson tonight signed the federal workmen's compensation act passed recently by Congress, providing relief for government employees injured at their work.

#### NEW GREEK KING AND MAN BEHIND THE THRONE.



CROWN PRINCE GEORGE OF GREECE

M. VENIZELOS



KING CONSTANTINE OF GREECE

### A GREAT BATTLE IS IN PROGRESS

Southeastern Rumania the Scene of One of Fiercest Struggles of the Present War.

#### GERMANS MAKE REPEATED EFFORT TO GAIN GROUND

On the Verdun Front the French Troops Were Subjected to a Severe Counter Attack.

(By Associated Press.)

The beginning of a great battle in southeastern Rumania is reported officially from Petrograd. The Russians are said to have taken the offensive over the entire Dobrudja, attacking the invading Bulgarians and Germans from the Danubs to the Black Sea. An undated Bulgarian official report announces important victories for the invaders in this region. It is said the German and Bulgarian forces have captured a fortified town 50 miles southeast of Bucharest and three towns on the Rumanian Black Sea coast near the Bulgarian frontier. Sofia concedes that Rumanians have occupied the important Hungarian town of Orsova.

The official Petrograd report today indicates that the Russians may have embarked on an important enterprise on the northern end of their front.

It was announced yesterday that the Russians had crossed the Dvina river north of Dwinsk and occupied a part of the German position but it appeared that only a small force was involved.

Announcement today shows that these forces were of sufficient size to engage in sustaining fighting with the Germans whose repeated attempts to dislodge them are said to have been unsuccessful.

German troops along the Somme front last night made repeated efforts to take back ground won by the French in their latest advance south of the river. Paris announced that the German assaults availed nothing and that the French everywhere held their ground. On the Verdun front also French troops were subjected to a counter attack, the object of which was to reconquer the German first line position northeast of Verdun which the French took yesterday. These efforts were unsuccessful the French official report says.

British troops on the Somme front are comparatively inactive. Further north near Duinchy the British raided German trenches and London says inflicted severe losses on the occupants.

An unofficial Bulgarian statement of September 4th dealing with earlier phases of the invasion of Eastern Rumania tells of the defeat of the Rumanians in two engagements and report successful Bulgarian advances along the Rumanian Black Sea coast.

On the front below Lemberg in eastern Galicia a further retreat by Austro-German forces is reported by the Russian war office. They are said to have fallen back to the west bank of the last river before Lemberg to the south of which is available for defensive purposes.

### TWO LIVES LOST AT A CROSSING

G. Kearns and John Merritt Were Killed When a Southbound Train Struck Car.

#### A THIRD MAN WAS MOST DESPERATELY INJURED

Claud E. Merritt a Brother of One of the Dead Men Injured at the Same Time.

### AN INVESTIGATION OF FOREIGN LOBBY

Alleged Activities to Defeat Retaliatory Provision Rules Senator Curtis of Kansas.

#### REED SAYS TIME FOR THIS GOVERNMENT ASSERT ITSELF

Senator Lewis, Democrat, Would Have Action of Japan Against China Looked Into Also.

Washington, Sept. 8.—The resolution by Senator Curtis, of Kansas, directing the Senate lobby committee to investigate the activities of the alleged foreign lobby opposing a retaliatory provision of the revenue bill against Canadian fisheries passed by the Senate. The resolution was adopted after the Senate had disposed of a similar resolution by referring it to a committee.

The new resolution adopted provides for a report at the next session of Congress.

Senator Reed, a Democratic member of the lobby committee, said he believed it high time for the American government to show other nations that it regarded as offensive any effort to influence legislation in congress.

Senator Lewis, Democrat, urged that if anything be investigated it be the recent demands of Japan on China. He declared that apparently they in retaliation to the attitude of this country toward the admission of the Japanese, Russia, he said, was a party with Japan and sought retaliation, because of the abrogation of the American commercial treaty.

#### SCHOOLS OPEN SEPT. 25.

The city school board has chosen Monday, September 25th as the date for the opening of the Salisbury public schools. All departments of the several institutions will open on that date.

It isn't quite enough to look on the bright side of life. You have to keep polishing it up.

### THE NEW YORK STREET CAR STRIKE

The Situation Seems to be Better So Far as the Road is Concerned, More Cars Running.

#### SHONTS SAYS THE STRIKE HAS PROVEN A FAILURE

Elevated and Subways Cars Running All O. K. But the Surface Cars Have Given Trouble.

(By Associated Press.)

New York, Sept. 8.—Having frustrated the effort of the striking employees to tie up elevated and subway cars the Interborough Transit Company today turned its attention to its surface lines which have been crippled since Wednesday. All cars on the surface lines were withdrawn last night at 8 o'clock after remaining in operation throughout the day a bare 20 per cent.

Subway and elevated trains ran last night and this morning as usual. Fearing that these could not be depended on patrons of the lines resorted to the many jitneys that had been mobilized, but today patrons are returning to the cars.

There has been small disturbances, but no serious action. Some friends of the strikers have thrown stones at cars from the roofs of houses.

Shonks Says Strike is Failure.

New York, Sept. 7.—Subway and elevated transportation lines on Manhattan Island were being operated tonight on what officials of the Interborough Rapid Transit Company said were virtually normal schedules, although it was admitted that service on the surface lines of the New York Railways Company was seriously affected by the traction strike, called last night.

Theodore P. Shonks, president of the Interborough, issued a statement late today, in which he said the strike was a failure and that if police protection continued as good as it had been throughout the day, the city was assured of normal transportation facilities.

Disorders that occurred in various parts of the city resulted in only minor injuries to a few persons, according to police reports.

Disruption of service on surface lines diverted much of their usual traffic to the elevated and subway lines and during the rush hours this evening there was considerable congestion.

Mayor Mitchell arrived from the Pittsburg Training Camp tonight and with Oscar S. Straus, chairman of the Public Service Commission will tomorrow take up the strike situation.

William B. Fitzgerald, organizer of the Amalgamated association and Frank Hedley, general manager of the Interborough, testified at a hearing on the strike before the public service commission.

Failure of the union to tie up the subway and elevated lines is attributed by some union men to the fact that thousands of strike breakers congregated here and in nearby cities in preparation for the threatened Nation-wide railway strike, were available to the Interborough.

One policeman was placed on every subway and elevated platform in addition to uniformed men already there, after Theodore Rousseau, Mayor Mitchell's secretary notified the police department that he had been informed of a plot to blow up the subway and parcels were watched closely by detectives.

#### ADAMSON LABOR BILL WILL BE MADE POLITICAL ISSUE.

New York, Sept. 7.—Hughes Presidential campaign directors will appeal to voters to repudiate the Adamson labor act, not as an eight-hour law, but as a raised wage law.

This has been decided at conferences among National Chairman Wilcox; Chairman John W. Weeks, of the Senate Campaign Committee; Senator George T. Oliver, of Pennsylvania; Senator Charles B. Warren, of Michigan; National Committee Chairman Parsons, of New York, and others.

At the conclusion of the meeting, which lasted for hours, Chairman Wilcox, explaining he had not yet perfected an official statement, asked Senators Weeks and Oliver to voice the Republican view.

#### Another Decline in Epidemic.

New York, Sept. 8.—A sharp decline in infantile paralysis cases was shown today in figures announced by the health authorities. The total new cases was 48 or 13 less than yesterday, while the deaths was 15, also a drop of 13.

### TO CHECK AUTO SPEEDERS IN CITY

Aldermen Instruct Police Head to Enforce Law Regarding Driving of Autos.

#### TO PROTECT NEW WA PLANT FILTERING STREETS

New Street Lighting Contract Slightly Revised and Gets Signature of Mayor and Clerk.

The board of aldermen met in regular monthly session at the city hall last night at 8 o'clock. Mayor Woodson presiding and all members being present except Al Ermen Beaver and Henneuse.

The minutes of the last regular and of several call meetings were read and approved.

Mr. R. W. Tieman of the Spencer shop force was present in behalf of a large number of wage earners asking the board to use its influence to have local labor employed in the construction of the three new school buildings and the new water plant and other municipal improvements now under way, and thus keep as much of the bond money, voted by the people of the city, in the city.

Assurance was given that this rule had always been followed wherever possible in all municipal work and would be one in these instances.

Mr. McDaniel, living in a small cottage owned by the city in Chestnut Hill cemetery, asked that material be furnished for some needed improvements and that he work in the labor part of the same. This was referred to the cemetery committee.

The finance committee, through its chairman, informed the board that a report would be found published in this afternoon's Post.

The ordinance committee submitted the following ordinance, which was put on its first reading: Be it ordained, that it shall be unlawful for two persons of opposite sex and not married to bed together in the city of Salisbury. Penalty prescribed on conviction is \$5. This ordinance, it was explained by Sergeant Cauble of the police force, was requested by him in order that he may deal with certain characters who are causing complaint, though it is general in its application.

The city was authorized to advertise at once for bids on street paving in sections already established as paving districts.

The report of the police committee showed good records for all officers for the month.

Some amusement was occasioned by the reading of a letter received by Chairman Ludwig of the police committee and coming from "John Doe" at Charlotte. Enclosed in the letter was a Salisbury policeman's badge of certain number with the information that the sender had taken it off of a Salisbury policeman while on his way to catch a late night train, the officer being asleep, and that "I could have taken his gun, but didn't want to do that." Sergeant Cauble stated that the badge belonged to a patrolman who had lost it one night last week while on his rounds inspecting the street light outage and that the officer at once called on him for another badge. The board was satisfied the badge sent in by the anonymous letter writer was the one lost by the officer on the above occasion and was returned in the manner it was a joke. At any rate they never had any idea paying attention to an anonymous letter.

The building committee reported that within the past two months, since its last report, permits for new buildings approximating \$100,000 had been issued.

The sewer committee stated that a sewer line is to be installed on North Fulton street, from Kerr to Cemetery streets, and that a cessis was in the vicinity of the site of the new water filtering station, it would recommend that connection of all property on this line be made compulsory. This was passed by the board and the clerk directed to so notify the property owners on this block.

The fire committee reported three calls for the department during the month of August, one of these at the Southern stock pens, outside the city limits. The property loss was small compared to that endangered.

Alderman Norwood called attention to the fact that many wagons used in hauling dirt and gravel through the streets of the city were not in accordance to that prescribed by an ordinance. These loose bodied vehicles allow dirt and gravel to sift through on the streets, making them dusty or muddy and the gravel injurious to improved streets. Certain streets where this had been done recently were specified and the officers

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