

CONGRESS ON LONGSESSION

ANTI-TRUST LEGISLATION LOOMS AS BIG BUSINESS AT THIS SESSION OF CONGRESS.

The Anti-Trust Experts Are at Work in Both Houses—A Period of Great Activity Begun.

Washington.—Congress settled down to its long regular session after a recess dating from the passage of the currency bill just before Christmas. The coming administration anti-trust legislation loomed up as the big business of the winter; but with the prospect of waiting until the president's message both houses turned actively to other matters.

In the house return to work was celebrated by prompt passage of the first of the annual supply measures, the District of Columbia appropriation bill, and the introduction of the usual opening day batch of miscellaneous measures. The senate began debate on the Alaskan government railroad bill.

Chairman Clayton and Representatives Carlin and Floyd of the house committee, are reviewing the long list of anti-trust measures already before the committee. It is not probable that any of these bills will be accepted as a part of the administration plan, but all the ideas embodied in them will be considered. Senator Newlands of the senate commerce committee expects to take up the anti-trust program soon.

SEISMIC SHOCKS IN JAPAN

Volcanic Eruption Follows Shocks and People Are in Panic.

Tokio, Japan.—A tidal wave added its terrors to the earthquakes and volcanic eruption which struck Kagoshima, in southern Japan, according to official advices. It is believed the Kagoshima disaster will prove to be one of the most serious in the history of Japan. The loss of life and property increases with fuller news from the scene. The full extent of the disaster could not be ascertained, as all communication was cut off.

Tokio, Japan.—A series of 350 slight earthquakes shook the town of Kagoshima at the southern end of the island of Kiusiu. They were followed by the eruption of a volcano on Sakura, a small island in the Gulf of Kagoshima, where two villages were buried in ashes.

The earthquakes continue incessantly and the work of rescuing the inhabitants of Sakura by boats across the intervening three miles of water from Kagoshima is extremely difficult.

The town of Kagoshima is in great danger, according to the latest reports. Earth shocks and violent volcanic eruptions continue. Inhabitants are fleeing for their lives. The population of the island of Sakura is about 15,000, and it is impossible to estimate the casualties. It is feared many have perished.

Trust in God, Says Marshall.

Washington.—Infidelity and discussion from the pulpit of the latest bits of scandal were scored by Vice President Marshall, in an address to the Woman's Missionary Society here. He declared he would rather have the American people bow down before an image than acknowledge no God at all, adding that if the republic is to endure "We must go back and place our faith in God." "What this country needs," said the vice president, "is not laws, police nor large armies. It needs men with backbone."

Seeking for Gold, Men Beat Woman.

Baltimore, Md.—After dragging a dying woman 88 years old from her bed and tying her to a chair and then beating into insensibility her 60-year-old son, who went to her rescue, two masked men ransacked the home of Charles Kimmel at Middle River, near Baltimore, in search of a quantity of gold reputed to be hidden in the house. Kimmel and his mother were found an hour afterwards by a physician, who had been summoned to the house to attend the aged woman.

ARE UNDER BAYONET RULE

GOVERNMENT MEETS GENERAL STRIKE ORDER BY DECLARING MARTIAL LAW.

Feeling Is Very Bitter Throughout the Country—Natives Are Feared.

Cape Town, Union of South Africa.—A general strike throughout South Africa was proclaimed by the Trades Federation, and the Rand miners, by a two-thirds majority, voted to join in the movement. Governmental retaliation was swift in the form of the proclamation of martial law.

This was the only step the authorities believed adequate to meet the situation, for the strike of the miners means not only the turning loose of the most turbulent spirits in the Rand, but raises the whole question of the position of the native workers. If the miners actually obey the strike order, the government will immediately take steps to send the natives, under escort, back to their kraals.

This means that about two hundred thousand natives must be marched back by road to their homes at enormous cost. It will be most difficult, after the end of the strike, to recruit them again. In brief, such a step would mean disaster for the Rand for many years.

Although official reports from the city of Johannesburg show improvement in the train service, reports from other districts are less encouraging. In Natal the situation is one of great tension, and it is feared that the loyalty of the trainmen will not stand the strain much longer. An instance of the men's temper is shown by the action of an engine driver who quit his train on the Veldt and left the passengers stranded.

Practically no information is at hand as to conditions in the Orange Free States, but improvement there is not considered probable.

HUERTA DEFAULTS ON DEBT

Dictator Announces No Interest Will Be Paid on Debts.

Mexico City.—After a meeting of the cabinet, which lasted all night, the Mexican foreign minister, Querido Meleno, announced that the Mexican government will default in the payment of all interest on the bonds of the internal and external debts, which now remains unpaid or which falls due within the next six months. A heavy payment of interest on the foreign debt becomes due in April.

It has been the practice of the government to make weekly remittances to New York, London and Paris to apply on its interest obligations, in order that when the interest payment periods arrived the money would be in hand. These weekly remittances now have been suspended, the explanation being that the government requires all available funds for pacification purposes.

John Skelton Williams Comptroller.

Washington.—President Wilson has nominated John Skelton Williams of Virginia, assistant secretary of the treasury, for comptroller of the currency and ex-officio member of the federal reserve board which will administer the affairs of the new currency system. Mr. Williams is now assistant secretary of the treasury in charge of the fiscal bureaus and Secretary McAde's first assistant in matters of government finance. The office of comptroller of the currency has been vacant several months.

Big Fire in Atlanta.

Atlanta.—The most spectacular and disastrous conflagration since the Terminal district fire raged for hours, occurred when the modern plant of the Cotton States Belting and Supply company was completely destroyed and the warehouse of the B. F. Avery & Sons firm was damaged, together with a number of smaller buildings at Whitehall street and Stewart avenue. The entire fire department excepting a small array of emergency apparatus was summoned. For two hours they battled to subdue the flames.

MAKING HARBOR OF REFUGE

Congress Plans to Rob Cape Hatteras, to a Large Extent, of Its Perils.

"Gale off Hatteras" is an entry made by the captains of coastwise sailing ships on almost every voyage. For years Hatteras has been a place of terror, if not to the mariner, certainly to the passengers under his charge. The old storm cape, however, is soon to lose a part of its fear. Man cannot stop the storms, but he is going to provide for vessels to escape their fury.

Sea captains notoriously are reticent when passengers ask them questions. No old sailor ever has been willing to admit to any of his passengers that Hatteras is any worse than a hundred other places on the coast, and yet he knows that it is about as bad a sea spot as can be found anywhere in the whole broad expanse of ocean. So, while the questioners are told that off Hatteras the water will be as calm as anywhere else, captain and crew always make things snug for a gale or worse when approaching the sea off the headland.

Congress has appropriated \$1,400,000 for preliminary work on a Hatteras sea wall, which is to be a mile and a half long, 20 feet wide at the top, and 45 feet high.

It will be the guarding wall of a harbor of refuge, into the lee of which vessels can run for shelter when the storms rage. This wall will rob the Hatteras seas of some of their terrors, and with them will pass some of the "interesting excitement" always felt by seagoers when they approach the water zone which always has been one of tumult.

Little by little man is trying to make safer the journeys of those who go down to the sea in ships. He never entirely can conquer the ocean, and he knows it. It is perhaps the one thing in nature which is absolutely untamable.

The shipwrecks off Cape Hatteras have numbered thousands. The sea wall will provide means to save lives and property, but the winds off the old storm cape still will rage and on occasion work their will.

His Stomach Troubles Over.

Mr. Dyspeptic, would you not like to feel that your stomach troubles were over, that you could eat any kind of food you desired without injury? That may seem so unlikely to you that you do not even hope for an ending of your trouble, but permit us to assure you that it is not altogether impossible. If others can be cured permanently, and thousands have been, why not you? John R. Barker, of Battle Creek, Mich., is one of them. He says, "I was troubled with heartburn, indigestion, and liver complaint until I used Chamberlain's Tablets, then my trouble was over." Sold by S. M. Macfie. adv

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