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BICKETT URGES ACTION FOR SOUTHERN FARMERS

Declares Extension of Credit Is Necessary in This "Tragic" Situation—War Finance Corporation Favored to Sell Goods Abroad. To Present Resolution to Congress

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Dec. 6.—A sub-committee to determine whether the resolution directing the revival of the war finance corporation shall be a concurrent one was appointed today by the joint congressional committee holding hearings on the agricultural situation. A concurrent resolution would not require approval by President Wilson.

The committee will make its decision this afternoon. It is composed of Senators Norris of Nebraska, Smith of South Carolina and Capper of Kansas.

Continuing his statement before the committee in favor of reviving the finance corporation, Eugene Meyer of New York, former head of the corporation, said today the testimony of Secretary Houston constitutes a confession of complete impotence in the great crisis.

The secretary told the committee last week that his department was powerless to aid.

Resolutions adopted by the conference of governors at Harrisburg and passage of a resolution urging congress to aid the farmers were presented by Governor Bickett of North Carolina.

"This is not a time to call loans," said the governor, adding that Larkins in his state had told him they had such instructions from the federal reserve board.

The governor described the condition of the south as "tragic" declaring there was no market for cotton.

"I think the government ought to assist the farmers to hold their own," the governor said, adding that there is "solvent necessity" over the world for cotton. He declared that there was not a surplus in cotton and that the world needed all the cotton it could get.

The southern people are very conservative, he said, but "this situation is driving them to the point of desperation."

"The farmer feels that his voice has not been heard up here," he asserted. Governor Bickett said a continuation of this situation would result in a greatly reduced acreage next year.

SLAYER OF THREE IS BADLY WOUNDED

By the Associated Press.
Santa Rosa, Cal., Dec. 6.—George Boyd, accused of having shot and killed three officers who sought to arrest him yesterday in connection with recent attacks on girls in San Francisco, was in jail today near death as a result of gunshot wounds inflicted by officers. Three other men in what San Francisco police describe as an extraordinary trap for young women were arrested without charge.

The shooting led to two unsuccessful attempts last night by infuriated citizens to storm the jail.

IMMIGRATION BILL GIVEN APPROVAL

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Dec. 6.—Favorable report on the Johnson bill prohibiting immigration into the United States for a period of two years was ordered by the house immigration committee, Chairman Johnson of the committee said the measure would have right of way in the house.

DUBLIN HALL IS RAIDED BY POLICE

Dublin, Dec. 6.—Auxiliary police raided the Dublin city hall today and arrested six members of the corporation.

APPROPRIATION BILLS SEEM MOST IMPORTANT MATTERS BEFORE PRESENT CONGRESS

COCA COLA CO. WINS ITS COURT ACTION

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Dec. 6.—The Coca Cola Company, manufacturers of a popular soft drink, today won its suit in the federal supreme court restraining corporations in Texas, Missouri and other states from using the trademark of the company in the manufacture and sale of soft drinks.

TOO MUCH BOOZE IS CAUSE OF TROUBLE

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Dec. 6.—Drunkenness continued to be the principal cause for trial of the enlisted men in the navy for desertion, according to an annual report of Gen. George R. Clark, judge advocate general of the navy, in his annual report to Secretary Daniels.

Of 1,275 such cases during the year pleas of drunkenness were entered in 324 such cases. The excuse having a good time, was given in 239 cases. Home sickness caused 80 sailors to take French leave, said the report, and in some cases the men said the work was too hard.

TRYING TO SETTLE IRISH QUESTION

By the Associated Press.
Dublin, Dec. 6.—Determined efforts to bring about an early peace in Ireland are being made here. Conversations have been in progress more than a week and hope was expressed by some of those engaged in the negotiations that within another week some tangible result could be announced.

WESTERN UNION IS MADE TO GET OFF

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Dec. 6.—The Western Union Telegraph Company today lost its right for an injunction restraining the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company from removing its lines along the road's right of way.

BANKER ENDS LIFE BECAUSE OF WORRY

Coats, N. C., Dec. 6.—N. T. Patterson, 42, president of the Bank of Coats, committed suicide by firing a bullet into his heart in a barn at his home here. Worry brought on by heavy withdrawals of deposits from his bank during the last few weeks is believed to be the reason for his act. He leaves a widow and seven children.

REGULAR BABECUE ENJOYED BY SENIORS

Raleigh, Dec. 6.—North Carolina State College of Agriculture and Engineering seniors were their own guests at an old-fashioned southern pig barbecue at West Raleigh Saturday.

It was arranged by the students themselves and members of the faculty were admitted as a means of demonstrating that the students of the class of animal husbandry could not only grow the pigs but could score in barbecuing and eating as well.

A meeting of the budget committee will be held here with Governor Bickett December 8 for the purpose of completing the work of making final recommendations to the 1921 legislature as to appropriations, etc., for state institutions.

HARDING BESPEAKS AN ERA OF HEARTY COOPERATION

President-Elect in Speech to Senate Would Bring About More Harmony Between Executive and Congress—Given Big Ovation as He Enters Hall Just Before Noon

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Dec. 6.—A day of cooperation and friendly relations between the white house and congress was forecast by President-elect Harding today.

Though disclaiming any desire to criticize the present administration, Mr. Harding declared it one of the ambitions of his four years as chief executive to induce better teamwork between the two branches of the government.

The speech which did not touch on detailed policies, was delivered by the senator in response to an ovation tendered him when he entered the chamber.

Session Begins Promptly
The third and final session of the 66th congress began today with President-elect Harding in his seat in the senate. The galleries began to fill early in the day and were crowded when the gavels of Vice-President Marshall and Speaker Gillett fell promptly at noon.

Senator Harding was given a round of applause as he entered the senate shortly before noon.

Spectators rose all over the galleries to obtain a better view of the President-elect, who entered from the Republican cloak room with Senator Lodge, Republican leader.

Slapped on Back
Mr. Harding was surrounded immediately by a crowd of senators who shook his hand and slapped him upon the back. The President-elect welcomed his admirers with a broad smile. Senator Harding then spoke briefly and the senate then adjourned.

WILSON HAS NOT DECIDED TO APPEAR

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Dec. 6.—President Wilson has not yet made known whether he will deliver his last annual message to congress in person, but arrangements have been made at the capitol to receive him should he decide to resume the custom interrupted by his illness. Tickets for the house galleries have been presented and will be presented to the house and senate immediately upon the announcement that the president will visit the capitol.

Should occasion arise to distribute tickets, congressional leaders realize there will be a great demand for them, as this would be the first public appearance of the president since the president became ill.

WISE NOW QUIET AFTER SUNDAY'S RIOT

By the Associated Press.
Wise, Va., Dec. 6.—Quiet prevailed in this little town early today after a Sabbath day of disorder in which one man was killed and another injured in an effort to obtain a negro named Williams charged with the assault and robbery of Cered Robbette, an aged merchant.

Threats of an attempt at Appalachia to dynamite the jail early today did not materialize. Members of the national guard arrived here this morning.

Department seeks appropriations of \$35,000,000 for additional hospital and dispensary facilities and \$50,000,000 for medical and hospital services. The Federal Board for Vocational Education asks \$78,000,000 to carry on its work.

The treasury also seeks \$57,038,000 for the internal revenue department which compares with \$43,038,000 spent in the current fiscal year. For prohibition enforcement \$7,500,000 is asked.

Included in the miscellaneous expenditures are estimates by the various departments for the conduct of strictly departmental affairs some of which follow: interstate commerce commission, \$5,574,000; federal trade commission \$1,055,000; United States employes compensation commission \$2,926,810 and Railroad labor board, \$550,000.

In its program to take care of disabled soldiers, sailors and marines under the war risk act, the Treasury

JENKINS IS FREE IN MEXICO NOW

By the Associated Press.
Mexico City, Dec. 6.—All charges against William O. Jenkins, American consular agent in Pueblo, who was arrested last year charged with complicity in his own kidnapping have been dismissed. The supreme court dismissed the case and ordered Jenkins' bail returned.

ARGENTINE WAS QUICK TO GET AWAY

By the Associated Press.
Geneva, Dec. 6.—Argentina's amendments to the covenant of the league of nations, rejection of which Saturday caused the withdrawal of its delegation, has been referred to the assembly for consideration at its next meeting. Honorable Pueyrreton, head of the Argentine mission, told the Associated Press today that his delegation would leave for Paris probably Wednesday or Thursday.

Consideration of an amendment to the covenant which would eliminate article ten has been postponed until the next meeting.

The resolution of the Argentine delegation providing that all sovereign states, unless they remain outside of their own will, shall be recognized as members of the league as the first matter on the calendar today.

After the assembly had been opened, Paul Hymans, president of the assembly, presented Honorary Ambassador's resolution to the assembly and said he had expressed personally to the head of the Argentine delegation his regret at his action.

It is declared here that virtually very delegate regards Argentina's withdrawal as a tactical error.

PRESIDENT WAS BRISK, SAYS CLARK

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Dec. 6.—President Wilson did not indicate today to the congressional committee whether he would address congress tomorrow in person. He simply told the committee that came to inform him congress was in session that he would "communicate" with them.

The president received the committee standing in the blue room. Former Speaker Clark said the president talked briskly but with a sense. Senator Underwood said the president looked well.

The president did not shake hands with the members of the committee, after the senators and representatives had assembled in the blue room, the president came from an adjoining room and stood in a door way. Greetings were exchanged and the president announced that he would communicate with congress.

Affairs are to be continued, according to present plans. The senate committee, headed by Senator Kenyon of Iowa, which has been investigating political campaign contributions and activities, is expected to file its report soon. The senate privileges and elections committee's inquiry into the Newberry-Ford electoral election contest, in Michigan also is pending but is not expected to have concluded until after disposition of Senator Newberry's appeal to the supreme court from his conviction of violating the election laws.

Many Nominations
Hundreds of nominations, including many recess appointments, are to be sent to the senate soon by President Wilson, but republican leaders declare privately that there is little chance of confirmation of many of the appointments. Officials nominated will hold over and function, but with the virtually certain prospect of having successors appointed by the new republican President and confirmed by the next senate.

The session which began today was the third of the sixty-sixth congress. The first, the special session convened May 19 and adjourned Nov. 19. The second, convening Dec. 1, adjourned last June before the national political conventions.

JENKINS IS FREE IN MEXICO NOW

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Dec. 6.—Passage of the annual appropriation bills and preliminary work on matters to be pushed by the new administration were expected to occupy much of the time for the last session of the sixty-sixth congress which began today to continue until the inauguration of President-elect Harding on March 4.

Sessions today were limited to the usual formal ceremonies in the senate and house. Tomorrow the annual message from President Wilson will be received and congress then will get down to real work of the session. Receipt from Secretary Houston of the annual federal appropriation estimates, aggregating several billions of dollars, was one of today's events.

Adjournment until tomorrow out of respect for house members who have died since the closing of the last session in June and to await the president's message was arranged to follow today's routine. This included a chaplain's prayer, roll calls of members and adoption of resolutions to notify the president and health body of today's assembling. Senator Lodge of Massachusetts the Republican leader, had charge of these sessions in the senate, the Rep. Mondell of Wyoming said on rutchess from a recent accident, acted similarly in the house.

Other formalities on today's program were the swearing in of Senators Carter Glass of Virginia, elected to fill the unexpired term of the late Senator Martin and Senator J. Thomas Hefflin of Alabama, successor to the late Senator Bankhead. Several new house members elected to fill vacancies also were to be sworn in.

These were the only immediate changes resulting from the November election, none of the new senators or representatives taking their seats until after March 4. The session being adjourned today, however, was the last of many members, including prominent veterans, who retire with sine die adjournment next March.

Both senate and house expect to change immediately into work tomorrow, organization under a public control having been effected last night at the first regular session of the present congress. Committees were organized, except for a few vacancies and vacancies and enlargement of the house appropriations committee from 21 to 35 members under the new house rule centralizing all appropriation bills in the committee.

Unfinished Business
The senate's unfinished business, pending and awaiting debate, with protracted discussion in prospect, include the Kenyon-Kendrick bills to regulate the meat packers and other adjuncts of the livestock industry. The bill was expected to be vehicle for numerous speeches and other debate by senators on political events, domestic and foreign, and many other subjects. The house also had many bills waiting on its calendar.

Although all pending bills die when congress adjourns in March, little general legislation was planned for the present session by letters. The appropriation bills originating in the house, were to be given right of way in the hope of passing all by March 4. The other legislative program for other legislation in the proposed second session of the new congress next April. Many new bills and resolutions were ready for introduction, however.

With general expectation that wishes of President-elect Harding and other republican leaders would prevail regarding legislative action during the present session, no immediate move regarding American intervention in relations was contemplated by the Republican leaders. There was much speculation today among returning members of congress whether President Wilson would return the treaty of Versailles to the senate.

Treaty Matters
Treaties before the senate foreign relations committee, without prospect of early action, were the Polish treaty, the proposed Anglo-American-French pact for protection of France and the treaty with Columbia. The Austrian treaty has not yet been submitted by President Wilson.

Revenue and taxation questions are to have early consideration of senate and house leaders and committees, but the present session is expected to be for deferring action to after President Harding's inauguration. Preliminary work on bills to revise tariff and internal revenue probably will be started during the present session, however, to expedite action at the new session.

May Aid Farmers
Bills to aid agriculturists, limit immigration and make a congressional reapportionment are among those to be taken up early this session. The house census committee already has begun work on a tentative reapportionment bill and the house immigration committee on a measure to restrict immigration.

Continuance of several old and the launching of several new congressional investigations also are planned. The senate committee investigating housing conditions and the house body inquiring into shipping board