

### DEMOS' STRENGTH TAXED TO UTMOST

#### Floor Leader Kitchin in Tight Box When Trying to Push War Tax Through.

#### SLOAN IN SARCASTIC SPEECH

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—(Special Telegram.)—Representative Claude Kitchin of North Carolina, the floor leader of the majority party of the house and in charge of the bill to extend the war tax measure for another year to rehabilitate a sadly depleted treasury, was given a real jolt yesterday by reason of the breaking down of the electric bell system on the house side of the capitol, that nearly resulted in the defeat of the democratic plans to curtail debate on the war tax bill.

On a division of the previous question to limit debate to two hours and a half, the republicans defeated the democrats by a majority of nine, forcing Representative Kitchin, the majority leader, to ask a roll call. Buttons were pressed by the officers of the house which rang the bell all over the house side of the capitol and in the office building calling the absentees.

#### Every Resource Taxed.

They failed to work and set by dint of hard sprinting by doorkeepers, messengers and pages and the slow calling of the roll by the house clerk did the democrats muster the votes to overcome the republican strength, the joint resolution carrying, 206 to 189.

Had the war tax bill failed to pass the house today it is doubtful whether it could have passed the senate in time for a recess on Saturday.

Having passed the rule and fixed the time for a vote, the republicans went after "Brother" Kitchin hammer and tongs, and he knows tonight what is in store for a democratic leader during the sixty-fourth congress.

#### Sloan Sarcastic.

Representative Sloan, whose tongue is one of sweetness, usually, was touched with biting sarcasm as he referred to the holiday gift about to be presented to the American people in conjunction with the "special celebration of an event important to some, and observed with interest by all," which obviously referred to the forthcoming marriage of the president and Mrs. Galt, on Saturday.

After entering a protest against the extension of the system of taxation which the bill fosters, Congressman Sloan said: "A little over a year ago the life of this so-called war revenue bill was indeterminate."

"I called the attention of the house to that fact. But the majority, which by the way, was much larger than at present, refused to limit it. Its limitation was made in the first instance by the other legislative body."

#### Wrong to Americans.

"This special revenue tax wrongs the American people because: First, if the pledge of economy at Baltimore had been lived up to, there would have been money in our treasury now to proceed with the nation's business."

"Second: If the pledge of the party in power had been lived up to and the import duties levied, with the purpose of raising revenue, and no discrimination made between industries or between sections, there would have been a much greater sum in the treasury than there is now."

"Always waiving the question whether there is really any available money in the treasury at present."

"There is one great objection the American people make to this resolution which now proposes to levy grievous taxes to raise about \$60,000,000."

#### Advises Waving Wand.

"Now if there is any virtue remaining in the wand of the treasury's magician such as was exercised on the night between September and October, why cannot our secretary of treasury by waving that wand, by fiat or decree, breathe into or wish upon the treasury of the United States another credit of \$60,000,000?"

"The taxes of America should be largely paid by foreign producers who would share with us the opportunities and benefits of the American market, the best market heretofore and to be hereafter, in the world."

#### McAdoo Joked.

Judge Green of the Council Bluffs district also had something to say about the bookkeeping in the treasury, and he convulsed the house in his analysis of the daily bulletins issued by that department as to the condition of the treasury and the statement of Secretary McAdoo, wherein he found nearly twenty millions more in the treasury than the daily reports show.

Representative Green likened the McAdoo statement to Wilkins Micawber, one of Dickens famous characters.

"Mr. Micawber," said Judge Green, "was the originator of the celebrated maxim, 'annual income, 30 pounds sterling; annual expense, 30 pounds sterling; result, happiness; annual income, 30 pounds sterling; annual expense, 30 pounds sterling; result, misery.'" He called this an expression peculiarly adapted to the condition of the national treasury under the present democratic regime.

### Villa is Being Urged to Give Up the Fight

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 17.—The question of terminating Villa opposition to the Carranza de facto government became a live issue before a council of war, now in progress at Chihuahua, at which Villa and his staff is in attendance. This information was given out tonight by Americans who arrived from the south tonight.

Pressure is being brought to bear upon General Villa to abandon the fight, it is said. Meanwhile supplies of all sorts were being "commandeered" from Chihuahua City merchants, it was said, to provision an expedition southward.

### CHURCHILL IN NARROW ESCAPE FROM DEATH

LONDON, Dec. 17.—Winston Spencer Churchill, who resigned his portfolio of chancellor of the duchy of Lancaster in order to join his regiment at the front, had a narrow escape a few days ago, according to wounded men who have arrived at home. These men say that Mr. Churchill's dugout was hit by a German shell.

Apartment, flats, houses and cottages can be rented quickly and cheaply by a Bee "For Rent."

### Corporation Has a Soul, Rules Court

DES MOINES, Dec. 17.—The Iowa supreme court today ruled that a corporation has a soul, when it affirms a decision awarding Henry L. White \$2,000 damage from the International Textbook company, which he charged with malicious prosecution. The company's defense was that there could be no malicious prosecution since a corporation has no soul or personality.

### FAVORS NEW KIND OF PROTECTION

#### Redfield Wants Law to Prevent Foreigners Cutting Prices in United States.

#### FEARS ONSLAUGHT AFTER WAR

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Legislation to protect the industrial and commercial markets of the United States from a "destructive type of struggle and unfair competition" at the close of the European war is recommended to congress today by Secretary Redfield in his annual report. "Every antagonism of industrial war, he says, will be met by powerful foreign agencies against American industries which may menace large markets heretofore controlled abroad."

To prevent "unfair competition" the secretary suggested that the machinery of the Departments of Justice and Treasury be used and that congress supplement existing laws to give the federal government adequate means to protect American markets. "In my judgment," said the secretary, "the matter is one which may be more wisely treated as an economic matter which needs to be restrained. I should prefer, therefore, to deal with it by a method other than tariffs, classing it as an offense similar to the unfair domestic competition we now forbid. It seems possible that by using the existing machinery of the Treasury department and Department of Justice we may restrain this foreign 'unfair competition' on both sides of the sea."

"I recommend, therefore, that such legislation be enacted as will give to the foreign representatives of the above named departments such added powers and increased personnel as they may need for this purpose, and that it be enacted, if possible, that merchandise sold in 'unfair competition' or under circumstances which tend to create a monopoly in behalf of the foreign producer in American markets shall be forfeited."

"I also recommend that legislation supplemental to the Clayton anti-trust act be enacted which shall make it unlawful to sell or purchase articles of foreign origin or manufacture where the price to be paid are materially below the current rates for such articles in the country of production or from which shipment is made, in case such prices substantially lessen competition on the part of the American producers or tend to create a monopoly in American markets in favor of the foreign producer, and that it be made unlawful for any person to buy, sell or contract for the sale of articles of foreign origin, or to fix a price for same or to make a rebate upon such price, conditioned upon the purchaser thereof not using or dealing in wares produced or sold by the competitors of the manufacturer or seller, where the effect of such contract or price fixing is to substantially lessen competition in the production in the United States of such articles, or tends to create a monopoly in the sale of such articles in American markets in favor of a foreign producer."

#### Co-operation is Suggested

Co-operation of business concerns in foreign trade is suggested to permit admission of the smaller tradesmen into that field of activity.

"The present laws plays into the hands of the larger concerns and shuts out small ones from important markets," the secretary said. "Provision should be made whereby such concerns may, with due safeguards against monopoly, co-operate in the foreign field. To refuse for fear of monopoly is to say that the large concerns shall alone hold the lucrative foreign markets and that the far larger number of smaller houses shall be shut out. The whole matter should be placed under the supervision of the Federal Trade commission and should be subject to full publicity. It is not intended that this co-operation shall extend into the domestic field."

Mr. Redfield expressed the hope that American banks be permitted to co-operate, under supervision of the Federal Reserve board, in establishing foreign branches or in owning stocks of banks operating in foreign countries.

### Gould Refuses to Deposit Securities

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—George J. Gould, it was learned today, had complicated the proposed readjustment of the financial affairs of the Missouri Pacific railroad by flatly refusing to deposit securities of the road held by the Gould estate.

Elwin Gould, it is said, has announced that he would stand by his brother George, but Mrs. Finley J. Shepard, who was Miss Helen Gould, and Frank Gould have announced that their personal holdings of Missouri Pacific will be deposited with the bankers behind the reorganization.

### Rio Grande Chief Hurt by Rail Wreck

SALIDA, Colo., Dec. 17.—Four persons were injured today when a special train en route to Fort Lake City carrying President H. U. Mudge of the Denver & Rio Grande Railroad company and party of railroad officials was derailed near the summit of Marshall Pass, fifty miles west of here, on the narrow gauge branch.

W. E. Farrar, secretary to President Mudge, sustained scalp wounds, and three members of the train crew were also slightly injured. The train, consisting of engine and two coaches, plunged into a snow bank. President Mudge and companions walked two miles to the station, through snow a foot deep, to report the accident.

### HITCHCOCK LETS NAMES GO THROUGH

#### Nebraska Senator Says He Will Not Oppose Nominations of Contested Postmasterships.

#### LONG LIST TO THE SENATE

(From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—(Special Telegram.)—President Wilson sent to the senate yesterday the names of a number of Nebraska postmasters appointed during recess and over which there has been a great deal of controversy.

Senator Hitchcock declared that he would make no protest on confirmation. In the list is the name of Postmaster S. G. Hudson of Lincoln, a Bryan man; Charles F. Gilbert of York, a Bryan man, named only after the hardest kind of a struggle, and Dan Kavanaugh of Fairbury, a Hitchcock man. W. F. Crumb was appointed and has been serving, but Kavanaugh's name went in today.

Following is a complete list for Nebraska, sent to the senate today, to which Mr. Hitchcock's declaration applies:

Leslie J. Hummel, Burwell; Daniel Z. Kochendarter, Eater; Frederick J. Waugh, Ewing; S. A. Tobey, Ureaham; D. H. Michael, Liberty; Otis L. Newkirk, Stapleton; O. S. Larson, Shickley; Xander Y. Zuhke, Bancroft; Thomas J. Lane, Bloomington; Francis A. Thompson, Clay Center; Fred W. Shively, Oakland; Oscar E. Swanson, Oakland; Anton B. Helms, Randolph; James C. Badger, Arlington; M. M. Doering, Battle Creek; William P. Nick, Cedar Bluffs; Charles A. Payne, Clearwater; Ellis S. Potter, Crete; Thomas J. Hinds, David City; George W. Nicholas, Dewitt; Daniel Kavanaugh, Fairbury; C. C. Davis, Falls City; Paul C. Morgan, Hay Springs; William C. Hummel, Mason City; Ernest D. Smith, Mitchell; P. H. McEvoy, North Platte; J. K. McCarthy, Ogallala; A. N. Conklin, St. Paul; William D. Day, Ulysses; Carl Carlson, Valparaiso; E. J. Kaitenborn, Waco; Nelson J. Lodi, Wahoo; David D. O'Kane, Wood River; Charles F. Gilbert, York; Samuel G. Hudson, Lincoln; E. O. Harsham, Minatare; M. H. McCarthy, O'Neill; George M. Sandusky, Sterling.

"For Sale" ad will turn second-hand furniture into cash.

#### Falls Dead in Cafe.

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—George F. Moore fell dead in a cafe here today. He was 65 years old, a resident of Sacramento, Cal., and western representative of a Chicago wholesale house. Heart disease was given as the cause of his death.

### GRANGE ACTS ON STATE ISSUES

#### Would Slightly Alter Mothers' Pensions by Providing Work for Father.

#### FOR PROHIBITION AND SUFFRAGE

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., Dec. 17.—(Special Telegram.)—The Nebraska State Grange closed its session last night. A change in the law at present compelling county boards to let bridge work by contract was recommended to the extent of permitting the local boards to have an option in the matter.

The Grange urges that sheriffs be paid regular salaries only and that all fees shall be turned in to the treasurers. The mothers' pension law was approved, but an amendment was favored to the effect that in case the husband of the mother drawing a pension is living, he be provided with work by the state and that the state reimburse the county for such pension.

A resolution touching alien land ownership was also adopted, namely: That no foreign born man who may become a citizen, but in case the husband of the mother drawing a pension is living, shall have title to real estate. No color or race line was drawn.

The state legislature was asked immediately to enact a rural credit bill, with credit basis on land values. The Grange favored women's suffrage and prohibition of the manufacture of liquor, excepting for mechanical and medicinal purposes. While no statement is made by the officers of the Grange or any member, it is indicated that the question of militarism was discussed but that no action was taken. It is said the Grange is fundamentally opposed to militarism. S. A. Dean of Broken Bow and Mason E. Hyde of Gothenburg were elected as members of the executive committee to fill vacancies, the regular election not occurring until next year. The local Commercial club was given a

vote of thanks for its entertainment, and the Grange decided to hold its next meeting here if similar entertainment is offered.

#### SEVERAL PETTY THEFTS REPORTED TO THE POLICE

C. E. Johnson of Lincoln, lost a gun at the Union station which contained in addition to his clothing, a camera valued at \$60. E. E. Wood, 1209 North Twenty-ninth street, found this morning that during the night tools valued at \$30 had been stolen from a shed in the rear of his residence. F. Jones, 2226 Ohio street, and Mrs. Florence Glade, 623 1/2 North Seventeenth street, report the theft of wearing apparel from their homes.

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