# OF FARMER RELIEF

BILL FOR FINANCIAL AID TO PASS

#### JOHNSON ACT BEFORE HOUSE

Advocates of Anti-Immigration Legislation Hope to Extend Bar on Foreigners to Four Years.

Washington, D. C.,-The senate and house will convene with leaders hopeful of passage before adjournment of the first major legislation to be voted on at this session of congress.

The senate will resume its consideration of the agricultural committee resolution directing revival of the war finance corporation and the extension by the federal reserve system of liberal credits to farmers. An informal understanding has been reported to bring the resolution to a vote. The roll call on the measure is expected to be preceded by an attempt to strike out the provision relating to credit extension by the federal reserve system on the ground that it is unnecessary and useless.

The house under arrangement completed recently is expected to proceed rapidly to a final vote on the Johnson bill to prohibit immigration. The measure as ammended by the house in the committee of the whole would stop immigration for one year instead of four years, as originally drafted. Advocates of the longer prohibition period organized at conferences to eliminate the one-year amendment when the measure comes before the house sitting in regular session. Representative Raker, democrat, of California, assisting Chairman Johnsupporters would have sufficient strength to vote down the amendment. Ultimate passage of the bill is regard-

The senate, after disposing of the farmer relief legislation, will take up the Gronda bill to regulate the packing industry. A long period of debate is considered in prospect on this measure.

Several senators were said to be preparing formal speeches on other subjects, including international affairs, which may cause the senate debate between now and Christmas rebe turned into other channels.

#### Country Where Wives are Scarce.

Philadelphia,-A country where wives are so scarce that they are at a premium has been discovered by Donald B. McMillan, the noted Arctic explorer. Dr. McMillan, who was a member of the Perry expedition which reached the north pole, has just arrived with word of his discovery of the strange practices existing among the Esquimaux living north of the Hudson bay. The tribe I discovered is untouched by civilization," said Dr. McMillan, "and because the men far outnumber the women mono my is an impossibility. There is sue a demand for women that girl babies are betrothed almost as soon as they are

Mexico's Mines are Closing. Mexico City,-With approximately one-third of the republic's 3,500 silver and copper mines closed because of the low market price of those metals, the government this week will take emergency measures to prevent complete paralysis of the industry, according to a treasury department statement. More than 500,000 laborers would be made idle if all the mines closed. The action is expected to take the form of a presidential decree reducing freight rates and federal taxes and annuling laws restricting the importation of materials such as steel, powder, acids and tools.

Anti-American Meeting in Tokio. Tokio,-A large meeting of students, members of the students' League of Japan, was held in Uyeno park recently. A resolution protesting to the world in the name of "justice and humanity" againsts the anti-Japanese law in California was adopted. The resolution called on the American people to "reflect on their course,"

Coal Production at High Water Mark. ashington, D. C .- Production of both bituminous and authracite coal reached a new high water mark for the year during the week of December 4, according to a statement tonight by the geological survey showing the output for the week to have been 13,-757,000 tons of bituminous and 2,051,-000 tons of anthracite.

Young Boy Escapes from Kidnaper. Fresno, Cal.,-The kiduaping, last Friday of William Romell, of this city, and a nephew of Chester H. Rowell, widely known publisher, became known with the lad's escape. The police have arrested I. M. Stalker, who, they declare, is an ex-convict, in connection with the case. A letter demanding \$3,000 ransom for the return of the boy was received Saturday morning. They said Stalker had admitted holding the boy and writing

## SENATE TO DISPOSE CONGRESS HEARS **WILSON MESSAGE**

President Urges That Our Democracy Prove Its Purity and Power to Prevail.

### WORLD'S HOPE RESTS IN US

America Must Make and Enforce Laws That Are Unquestionably Just, and Stand for Right and Justice as Toward Individual Nations.

Washington, Dec. 7 .- President Wilson's message to congress was read in both houses by the clerks, Mr. Wilson having decided not to deliver it in person. The message in full follows:

Gentlemen of the congress: When I addressed myself to performing the duty laid upon the Presithe Union, I found my thought domi-Abraham Lincoln's, "Let us have faith that right makes might, and in that faith let us dare to do our duty as we understand it;" a sentence immortal because it embodies in a form of tial faith of the nation, the faith in which it was conceived, and the faith in which it has grown to glory and power.

With that faith and the birth of a nation founded upon it came the hope | budget bill into the world that a new order would prevail throughout the affairs of mankind, an order in which reason and right would take precedence of covet-I express the wish and purpose of every thoughtful American when I say plainest manner the part we should play alike in the arrangement of our domestic affairs and in our exercise son, of the immigration committee in of influence upon the affairs of the urging enactment of the bill, said world. By this faith, and by this faith that he was confident the measure's alone, can the world be lifted out of alone, can the world be lifted out of reserve banks secured by government its present confusion and despair. It war obligations. will remember that the beginning of erywhere arrayed against the wrong that their government was attempting of indebtedness has been a matter it is true to say that this was the faith which won the war. Certainly lant men went into the field and out control.

> This is the mission upon which democracy came into the world. Democracy is an assertion of the right of the individual to live and to be treated justly as against any attempt on the part of any combination of individuals to make laws which will overburden him or which will destroy his equality among his fellows in the matter of right or privilege, and I think we all realize that the day has come when democracy is being put upon its final test. The old world is just now suffering from a wanton rejection of the principle of democracy and a substitution of the principle of autocracy as asserted in the name but without the authority and sanction of the multitude. This is the time of all others when democracy should prove its purity and its spiritual power to prevail. It is surely the manifest destiny of the United States to lead in the attempt to

make this spirit prevail. Two Things for Us to Do. There are two ways in which the United States can assist to accomplish this great object. First, by offering the example within her own borders of the will power of democracy to make and enforce laws which are unquestionably just and which are equal in their administration-laws which secure its full right to labor and yet at the same time safeguard the integrity of property, and particularly of that property which is devoted to the development of industry and the increase of the necessary wealth of the world. Second, by standing for right and justice as towards individual nations. The law of democracy is for the protection of the weak and the influence of every democracy in the world should be for the protection of the weak nation, the nation which is struggling toward its right and toward its proper recognition and privflege in the family of nations.

The United States cannot refuse this role of champion without putting the stigma of rejection upon the great and devoted men who brought its government into existence and established it in the face of almost universal opposition and intrigue, even in face of wanton force, as, for example, against the order in council of Great Britain and the arbitrary Napoleonic decrees which involved us in what we know as the war of 1812.

#### Sample Damocracy of World.

I urge you to consider that the display of an immediate disposition on the part of congress to remedy any injustices or evils that may have shown themselves in our national life will afford the most effectual offset to the forces of chaos and tyranny which are playing so disastrous a part in the fortunes of the free peoples of more than one part of the world. The United States is of necessity the sample democracy of the world, and the triumph of democracy depends upon Its sucress.

Recovery from the disturbing and war. These heroic men can never be paid

sometimes disastrous effects of the in money for the serve, they patriotilate war has been exceedingly slow on the other side of the water, and has given promise, I venture to say, of early completion only in our own for- zation. tunate country; but even with us the recovery halts and is impeded at times. and there are immediate serviceable tional training and placement. acts of legislation which, it seems to me, we ought to attempt to assist that recovery and prove the indestructible recuperative force of a great government of the people. One of these is to prove that a great democracy can keep hope as successfully and in as business-like a fashion as any other government. It seems to me that the first step toward proving this is to supply ourselves with a method of handling our estimates and expenditures, and bringing them to the point where they will not be an unnecessary strain upon our income or necessitate unreasonable taxation; in other words. a workable budget system, and I suggest that two elements are essential to such a system-namely, not only that the proposal of appropriations should be in the hands of a single body, such as a single appropriations committee in each house of the con-gress, but also that this body should be brought into such co-operation with dent by the Constitution to present to the departments of the government you an annual report of the state of and with the treasury of the United States as would enable it to act upon a complete conspectus of the needs of nated by an immortal sentence of the government and the resources from which it must draw its income.

I reluctantly vetoed the budget bill passed by the last session of the congress because of a constitutional objec-The house of representatives subsequently modified the bill in order to meet this objection. In the revised utter simplicity and purity the essen- form I believe that the bill, coupled tial faith of the nation, the faith in with action already taken by the congress to revise its rules and procedure, furnishes the foundations for an effective national budget system. I nestly hope, therefore, that one of the first steps taken by the present session of the congress will be to pass the

Marked Gain in Finances. The nation's finances have shown marked improvement during the past The total ordinary receipts year. The total ordinary receip \$6.694.000,000 for the fiscal year ousness and force, and I believe that exceeded those for 1919 by \$1,542,000,-000, while the total net ordinary ex penditures decreased from \$18,514,000, 000 to \$6,403,000,000. The gross public that this sentence marks for us in the debt, which reached its highest point on Aug. 31, 1919, when it was \$26,596. 000,000, had dropped on Nov to \$24,175,000,000. There also a marked decrease in holdings

ernment war securities by the banking institutions of the country, as well as the amount of bills held by the federal

was this faith which prevailed over the banks and left them freer to finance the needs of agriculture, industry and commerce. It has been due in large the end of the war came when the German people found themselves face but more particularly to the improved to face with the conscience of the distribution of government securities world, and realized that right was ev- among permanent investors. The cessation of the government's borrowings except through short term certificates to perpetrate. I think, therefore, that great consequence to the people of the country at large, as well as to the holders of Liberty bonds and Victory notes, and has had an important bear this is the faith with which our gal- ing on the matter of effective credit

upon the seas to make sure of victory. The year has been characterized by the from the domestic credit market and from a position of dominant influence in that market. The future course will necessarily depend upon the extent to which economies are practiced and upon the burdens placed upon the treasury, as well as upon industrial development and the maintenance of tax receipts at a sufficiently high level.

Big Bond Issue to Mature. The fundamental fact which at present dominates the government's financial sit-uation is that \$7,500,000,000 of its war indebtedness matures within the next two and a half years. Of this amount \$2,500, 000,000 are floating debt and \$5,000,000,000 victory notes and war savings certificates. fiscal program of the government must be determined with reference to maturities. Sound policy demands that the government expenditures be re duced to the lowest amount which will permit the various services to operate efficiently and that government receipts from taxes and salvage be maintained sufficiently high to provide for current requirements, including interest and sink-ing fund charges on the public debt, and at the same time retire the floating debt

and part of the victory loan before ma-With rigid economy, vigorous salvage operations and adequate revenues fro taxation, a surplus of current receipts over current expenditures can be realized and should be applied to the floating debt. All branches of the government should co-operate to see that this program is

I cannot overemphasize the necessity and expenditures and the avoidance by the congress of practices money from the treasury by indefinite or revolving-fund appropriations. The estimates for the present year show that over a billion dollars of expenditures were authorized by the last congress in addition to the amounts shown in the usual

complied statement of appropriations Specific Appropriations Urged.

This strikingly illustrates the importance of making direct and specific propriations. The relation between the urrent receipts and current expenditures of the government during the present fisyear, as well as during the last half of the last fiscal year, has been disturbed by the extraordinary burdens thrown upon the treasury by the transportation t, in connection with the return of the rallroads to private control. Over \$600. roads under this act-\$350,000,000 during present fiscal year-and it is estimated that further payments aggregating pos sibly \$650,000,000 must still be made to the raffroads during the current year, us that these large payments have already seriously limited the government's

Closely connected with this, it seems to in the necessity for an immediate consideration of the revision of our tax laws. Simplification of the income and profits taxes has become an immediate These taxer performed an indispensable service furing the war. The need for their simplification, however, is very great in order to save the taxpayer inconvenience and expense and in order to make his liability more certain and definite. Other and more detailed recommendations with regard to taxes will no doubt be laid before you by the secretary of the treasury and the commissioner of

#### Would Aid War Heroes.

It is my privilege to draw to the atten congress for every sympathetic consideration the problem of providing adequate facilities for the care and treatment of former members of the military and pavai frices who are sick or disabled as the result of their participation in the

cally rendered the nation. will lie rather in realization of the fact that they vindicated the rights of their country and aided in safeguarding civili-The nation's gratitude must be effectively revealed to them by the most ample provision for their medical care and treatment as well as for their voca-

The time has come when a more plete program can be formulated and satisfactorily administered their treatment and training, and I earnestly urge that the congress give the matter its early consideration. The secretary of the treasury and the board for vocational education will outline in their annual reports proposals covering medical care and rehabilitation which sure will engage your earnest study and ommand your most generous support. Permit me to emphasize once the need for action upon certain matters upon which I dwelt at some length in my message to the second session of the 65th congress: The necessity, for example, of encouraging the manufacture of dyestuffs and related chemicals; the importance of doing everything possible to promote agricultural production along economic lines, to improve agricultural nu rketing and to make rural life more astractive and healthful; the need for a law regulating cold storage in such a way as to limit the time during which goods may be kept in storage, prescribing the method of disposing of them if kept beyond the permitted period, and requiring goods released from storage in all cases

to bear the date of their receipt. Would Mark Storage Goods It would also be most serviceable if it were provided that all goods released from cold storage for interstate shipment should have plainly marked upon each package the seiling or market prices at which they went into storage, in order that the purchaser might be able to learn what profits stood between him and the producer or the wholesale dealer. Indeed, it would be very serviceable to the public if all goods destined for interstate commerce were made to carry upon every package case whose form made it possible a plain statement of the price at which they left the hands of the producer. I respectfully call your attention, also, to the recommendations of the mes sage referred to with regard to a federal license for all corporations engaged in

interstate commerce. In brief the immediate legislative need of the time is the removal of all obstacles to the realization of the best ambitions of our people in their several classes of employment and the strengthening of all instrumentalities by which difficulties are to be met and removed and justice dealt out, whether by law or by some form of media-tion and conciliation. I do not feel it to be my privilege at present to suggest the detailed and particular methods by which these objects may be attained, but I have faith that the inquiries of your several committees will discover the way and the method.

Asks for Loan to Armenia. In response to what I believe to be the impulse of sympathy and opinion throughout the United States, I carnestly suggest that the congress thorize the treasury of the United States to make to the struggling gov-ernment of Armenia such a loan as was made to several of the allied gov ernments during the war, and I would also suggest that it would be desira-ble to provide in the legislation itself that the expenditure of the money thus loaned should be under the supervision of a commission, or at least a com-missioner, from the United States, in order that revolutionary tendencies forded by the loan a further tempting opportunity.

Allow me to call your attention to the fact that the people of the Philippine Islands have succeeded in maintaining a stable government since the last action of the congress in their behalf and have thus fulfilled the condition set by the congress as precedent to a consideration of granting independence to the islands. I respectfully submit that this condition precedent having been fulfilled, it is now our liberty and our duty to keep our promise to the people of those islands by granting them the independence which they so honorably covet,

I have not so much laid before you a series of reommendations, gentlem sought to utter a confession of faith, of which it is my solemn purpose to stand by until my last fighting day. I believe this to be the faith of America, the faith of the nation, and of all the victories which await national action in the days to come, whether in America or elsewhere.

Vast Crater on the Moon. The moon, of course, is pitted all

over with so-called craters, and several of the bigger ones are near the center of the lunar hemisphere which faces the earth. One of these, about 100 miles in diameter, might be described as a huge ring of lofty mountains surrounding a circular plain.

One gets a much more vivid impres sion of the size of this vast amphitheater when it is explained that it would contain all of the territory between Philadelphia and New York city, together with those centers of population. A striking picture illustrating this fact is presented in the Popular Science Monthly. It shows Long Island sound, New York bay, Brooklyn and Manhattan island within one edge of the crater, while in the distance, and within the opposite edge one sees Trenton, the Delaware river and the City of Brotherly Love.

#### Cowboy Is Vanishing.

The cowboy, like the trapper, has almost vanished from the western pic ture. He lives now chiefly in Holly wood or in barnstorming troupes tour ing the country to stage such shows as the rodeos at Salinas and Pendle ton. He is no longer concerned with eattle, except as theatrical props; he ls an actor, not a stockman,

Except in a very few places he is gone from the range, and in these scattered spots where he still persists it is in reduced glory as a greatly medified type. He is likely to be efamiliar with flivvers as with horses; he is as handy with the monkey wrench as with the branding tron, and as for six-shooters, he is more likely to carry a kodak .- New York Times.

#### That Cruel Word. Flatbush-Did you ever put the allimportant question to a girl and have

her sny no? Bensonhurst-Yes, I did today. "What are you talking about? Why con're already married."

"I know it; but I asked our cook to stny another week, and 'No' was what

## **NEWS OF STATE** TERSELY TOLD

Recent Happenings in Nebraska Given in Brief Items For Busy Readers.

skating rink.

J. G. Ludlam has been appointed postmaster at Linoin.

ganized a retailers' credit association, inated register of the land office at Broken Bow.

St. John's Catholic church at Wanneta was dedicated Sunday by Bishop O'Reilly of Lincoln. Plattsmouth business men are mak-

ing efforts to obtain city mail delivery service for that place. The twelfth annual session of the state farmers congress will be held at

Omaha December 14 to 16. Hog cholera has broken out in Gage county, and every effort is being made

to prevent its further spread. A postal card mailed at Lincoln a telegram from Mr. Hoover, eight year ago to a lady at Colorado Springs, reached its destination last

The largest wolf ever seen in Pawnee county was killed by hounds

The new municipal ice plant at Grand Island has begun operations, with a capacity of twenty-five tons

daily Albert Norgren, a farmer living tions which have merged into the near Overton, fell off a windmill, European Relief council will get tobreaking his neck. He died almost in-

stantly. Fire in the printing plant of Scott & Milburn at Beatrice caused a damage of nearly \$40,000, covered by in-

Seward L. Mains, postmaster at crete, has resigned his position and will report at Fort Omaha as a second lleutenant.

surance.

In full view of many onlookers an unidentified man suicided by leaping from a bridge into the Missouri river at Omnha.

F. D. Millich of Iowa, who was recently elected superintendent of the schools of Blue Springs, has assumed his duties.

The Fremont rotary club has stocked the sandpits near that place with 50,000 fish, procured from the state hatcheries.

The Fremont Commercial club has asked the Nebraska representatives in congress to urge an extension of credit to the farmers

A Beatrice cafe proprietor found a roll of nearly \$500 on the floor of his place of business. The owner has not applied for it.

New markings of the Lincoln Highway from Omaha to Los Angeles are being put up by the Southern Call-

fornia Automobile club. Frank P. Lawrence, a pioneer of Fremont and a veteran of the civil war, is dead. He was at one time a

captive in Libby prison. All recruiting records for the Omaha army recruiting district were broken in the months just ended,

when 281 were entisted, Citizens of Beatrice who brought suit to enjoin the collection of paving taxes lost out. The amount in ques-

tion was nearly \$50,000, Officers at South Omaha raided a 'Moonshine" plant, and amongst other paraphernalia, capture la still made

from a gallon coffee pot. Nebraska is the first of the states to raise its quota toward construction of a National Chamber of Commerce

building at Washington, D. C. Nebraska masons are planning the stablishing of a home where orphan and homeless boys may find a retreat

in congenial and suitable surroundings, C. H. Gustafson, a farmer of Mead, is being strongly endorsed by his friends over the state for secretary of griculture under President Harding.

The Lincoln traction company has been granted a raise in street car rates 6,400 officers and men for the national and will get 8 cents fare, or 30 cents for four fares, with 5 cents for trans-

it York, threatened destruction of an most completed. entire business block for a time. Two

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Mikkleson celeorated their 50th wedding anniversary at Seward last week. They were mar- Lawrence, clerk in charge of bond ried in Omalia in 1870 and later home-registration at the state auditor's steaded in Seward county.

Western Nebraska is experiencing the mildest December in ten years, the average temperature during the being reported. day time at Alliance having been around fifty degrees for over a week.

The sleet storm that swept the eastern portion of the state last week grms and poles were torn down by the weight of ice and snow.

The Cass County Farm Bureau, cooperating with the state and national organizations, is planning a big mem- which includes Nebraska, Kansas, bership drive for the week of De- lowa, Missouri, Minnesota and both cember 13.

Miss Elizabeth Parsons, attorney, has the distinction of being the first granted an increase in telephy woman in Omaha to receive a permit to practice in the federal court, permission having been granted by the

Nebraska supreme court. Thirty-four organizations of farmers, live-stock breeders and related industries are scheduled to meet in Lincoln during the week of Organized

Agriculture, January 3 to 7. trap he had set for skunks. HEBRASKA RELIEF COUNCIL.

Organized to Help Feed the Starving Children of Europe.

Omaha.-For the purpose of assisting to feed 3,500,000 children in Europe who will die of starvation this winter unless America feeds them, the Nebraska relief council has just been organized by the state committees of the Ced Cross, Y. M. C. A., Knights of Columbus, Y. W. C. A., Church Federation, Friends' Service association, American Relief association and the Fairbury is to have a municipal Jewish relief. The organization was perfected at a meeting in Omaha last Monday, at which representatives of the eight state-wide organizations Bloomfield business men have or- chose G. W. Wattles of Omahu chairman and L. W. Trestler executive Mack G. Warrington has been nom- secretary. The council will conduct a campaign during the holidays for \$300,000, every cent of which is to be used for the children of Europe,

The Nebraska campaign is to be waged as a portion of the nationwide campaign of which Herbert Hoover is chairman. The organization through which Mr. Hoover carried on the great relief work in Europe immediately following the war will be utilized for this work among the children of Europe.

"Unless America feeds and clothes these children this winter they will die," said Mr. Wattles, reading from

"This is the last campaign in which America will be called upon to assist Europe," said Mr. Wattles, "And this is for the children. Not a cent goes to grown folks-it's for the little in a pasture near Pawnee City last children. They must not be left to

starve.' Arrangements were made to organize the European Relief council in every county in the state. Representatives of each of the eight organizagether in each county immediately and will arrange to conduct a local campaign beginning at once and ending with the year.

The Norfolk canning factory has been closed down until next January due to lack of buying on the part of

Mobbers Dr. Harold Gifford, Omaha eye specialist, is going to South America to spend several months studying eyes of birds and reptiles.

The Farmers' State bank of Verdon 'is a new banking institution, which has made application for a charter from the state banking bureau.

From Saturday, December 18, until Saturday, January 1, has been set for Christmas recess at the University of Nebraska, instead of the later period beginning Wednesday, December 22,

An explosion in the gas plant at Kearney set fire to the building and caused a damage of \$60,000. The shock of the explosion was felt all

over the city. The Gothenburg Community club has decided to bring some of the big musical attractions to Gothenburg this winter and the first number will be

the Polish planist, Leopold Godowsky. The report of State Land Commissioner Dan Swanson shows a total increase of \$103,467.66 in receipts from lands leased and lands sold by the state for the two years ending November 30.

Nebraska university is now a fullfledged member of the Missouri Valley Conference, ready to comply with all the rules of the organization and will compete for the football champleaship

George Knight of Fairbury was almost instantly killed when the motorcycle he was riding ran into a chain used as a gate to the city park, hitting him below the chin and severing his windpipe.

More than 10,000 farmers have joined the Nebraska Farm Bureau. Federation in the last month. Nine countles have conducted membership campaigns and several more are now in the midst of adding new members.

The first death from anthrax, reported in Omaha for some time, was recorded by the health department, in the case of Patrick Spellman, 60, laborer, who died from that cause at the City Emergency hospital.

Nebraska will be required to enlist guard in the next four years, according to a statement just issued by Adjutant General Paul, who has plans Fire, starting in the Plezali bakery for the reorganization of the guard al-

Nebraska municipalities, school disof the firemen were overcome by tricts and countles have issued treble the amount of bonds in the last blennium as in the preceding two years, according to records compiled by C. El.

> office. Petty thieves are operating in Fremont, and many small thefts are

At a special election held in Wymore last week, voters by a majority of 324 adopted the referendum. It is believed that as a result of its adopcaused a damage of over \$20,000 to the tion the question of Similar moving Nebraska Telephone company. Wires, picture shows will seen be brought up. Under the new National guard reor-

ganization plan approved by the war department, Fort Crook is headquarters of Seventh Army corps area, Dakotas.

The state raffway commission has rates to the Nebraska Telephone pany, totaling 10 per cent of the p ent exchange rate, effective December 1 until June 30, 1921.

Potato growers at Kearney, on the market for about 20,000 bushels of seed potatoes, were relying on the fields of western Nebraska to supply their needs. It now appears they will A wild-cat mee wring thirty-nine buy Minnesota seed instead. The growinches from nose to tip of tail, and ers have learned that it will cost 53 weighing forty pounds, was caught cents a bushel to ship seed potatoes pear Chadron by Joe Jansek, in a from Alliance to that point, as no commodity rate is available to them.