Partly cloudy today and tomorrow; light north winds.
Temperatures yesterday—Maximum, 61; minimum, 46.

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HUERTA'S POWER TO BE EXTENDED ANOTHER YEAR

Mexican Congress Bows to Order that He Remain Dictator.

HIS DECREES APPROVED

Gen. Villa Goes to Front—Will Occupy Chihuahua City Today.

Mexico City, Dec. 3.—The chamber of deputies this afternoon continued to approve all of Huerta's actions since he assumed extraordinary powers following the dissolution of the last congress. His dissolution of the former congress was approved, as was his decree increasing the army to 150,000 men.

A declaration that Huerta would continue to exercise his extraordinary powers for a period of one year, and then render an account of his actions, was received with equanimity. The proposition will be put in the form of a bill and passed.

Huerta's assumption of extraordinary powers for another year applies to war measures only, such as army increases, enlargement of the navy, war expenditures and all other matters pertaining to the army and navy. No report is to be made by the President of his exercise of these powers until the end of a year.

Huerta Will Not Yield.

Speaking of President Wilson's remarks on the Mexican situation in his message yesterday, Huerta said today:

"I have no intention of yielding. If this fighting should continue for several years I shall continue to do my part in it if I am still alive."

Huerta expressed confidence in the ability of the nation to support itself, and said the cutting off of the oil fuel supply of the railways could be counteracted by importing oil.

Gen. Rubio Navarrette is reported to have arrived in Monterey dangerously wounded. Heavy fighting is reported to be in progress at Saltillo. Strong rebel forces are approaching the cities of San Luis Potosi and Aguas Calientes.

The evacuation of the city of Chihuahua by the federals and occupation by the rebels is confirmed.

Attack Wilson Message.

President Wilson's message to Congress was greeted with much indignant and sarcastic comment today by the administration press. The general tenor of the comments was that the President of the United States did not understand conditions in Mexico and was therefore presumptious in predicting the downfall of the present government.

Minister of Agriculture Lozano is said to have been responsible for the rejection by Huerta of a mediation proposal tendered by Queen Wilhelmina of Holland on behalf of the European powers represented in The Hague Tribunal.

The proposal was that Huerta should arrange for new elections, reform the government, and then resign the Presidency. In return the European powers agreed to use their influence to induce the Washington government to extend recognition to the Huerta administration ad interim and to guarantee whatever funds might be needed for the process of pacification and reconstruction.

Restoration of the name of Porfirio Diaz to the active list of the army is believed to forecast another and more urgent appeal to the exiled President to return for the salvation of the land which cast him out.

NOTHING IS HEARD HERE OF MEDIATION PROPOSAL MADE BY HOLLAND QUEEN

Little change was noted in the Mexican situation yesterday. Secretary Bryan said the State Department had heard nothing of the mediation proposal of Queen Wilhelmina, of Holland, said to have been rejected by Huerta.

So far as could be learned yesterday, the State Department has received no word from foreign governments for or against the President's "watchful waiting" policy announced in his message Tuesday.

No confirmation has been received of the report that the rebels have cut off the oil fuel supply of the National Railways in the Tampico-Tuxpan district.

The Italian Ambassador was a caller at the State Department yesterday. No statement of the object of the visit was made, but it is understood Italy contemplates sending a cruiser to Vera Cruz for the protection of Italian subjects in Mexico.

News of the contemplated surrender of Huerta's generals in Northern Mexico was received with considerable pleasure in administration circles and was looked

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"CRUEL" WIFE GETS TO DIVORCE COURT FIRST

Wins Decree from Physician Who Sued Her on Ground of Brutality.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 3.—Although it was Dr. Paul S. Robinson who first sued for divorce—charging Mrs. Jennie S. Robinson with kicking him, horsewhipping him, cracking chinaware on his head, yanking the pipe out of his mouth and loosening his teeth, &c.—it was Mrs. Robinson who got into court first.

She appeared today in the Superior Court to press her countersuit, charging him with intolerable cruelty. She won a decree. It was announced later that he had agreed privately to pay $5 weekly alimony.

Mrs. Robinson's testimony was brief. She said that when they were traveling on a Pullman car he had slapped her face with a towel. He swore at her frequently, knocked her down with a blow in the face, and kicked her. Yes, she had pulled a pipe out of his mouth, but it was because he was blowing smoke in her face.

When Dr. Robinson sued several months ago his charges shocked New Haven society, in which he and his wife are well known. He said that in September, 1910, his wife met him one night in the street, smacked his face and called him vile names. At another time she smashed his silk hat on his head with a blow from a handbag.

FEDERALS SEEM IN CONTROL OF BIG CONVENTION

Speeches of Ransdell and Lane Indicate Sentiment Opposes States' Rights.

DIVISION MAY NOT COME

Rivers and Harbors Delegates Hear Pleas for Internal Improvement. President Unable to Attend.

Whether the United States government in the expenditure of $250,000,000 for the construction of the Panama Canal is guilty of "putting the cart before the horse," in not having first deepened the harbors of its coast ports where the volume of the canal trade will be handled was the substance of several striking questions brought before the tenth annual convention of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress, which was opened at the New Willard yesterday by Representative J. Hampton Moore of Pennsylvania.

"Are our harbors ready to receive the international and the Panama Canal trade with which they presumably will be taxed with the opening of this great waterway?" asked the speaker, who made a brilliant plea for an intercoastal waterway along the eastern strip of the country "from Boston to the Florida Keys."

Previous to the address of the distinguished Pennsylvanian and authority of waterways many men of national prominence had held the rostrum before the congress. Secretary of the Interior Lane had appeared for the President of the United States, who was unable to attend and address the body on account of a slight cold. Ambassador D. da Gama, of Brazil; Hon. John D. Hazen, minister of marine and fisheries, of Ottawa, Canada; Senators Joseph E. Ransdell, president of the congress, and Duncan U. Fletcher, advocate of an inland waterways in the vicinity of his State made addresses. The entire day's sessions were replete with stirring addresses for the cause—the cause being limited in most of the speeches to advocacy of the development of a great Atlantic intercoastal system.

President Is Wise.

When Secretary Lane appeared and announced that the President was unable to be present because of his indisposition many of the knowing delegates declared that the Chief Executive was playing a wise hand by refusing to take a chance of having to decide in favor of or against the two factions of the congress, those who advocate State's rights and those who urge extreme Federal control of waterways.

There seems to be no foundation for the belief that the congress will split on the question of State's rights, an issue which came nigh disrupting the National Conservation Congress at its recent convention here. A canvass of the delegates, according to the officials of the congress, shows that at present there are too many conservatives in the organization to permit of a split.

Should the factions bring the question to an issue it would more than likely be amicably adjusted in the resolutions committee, the extreme Federalists conceding some points and the States' rights partisans agreeing to other concessions for the sake of harmony.

President Wilson's message delivered to the congress by Secretary of Interior Lane was impartial.

"I congratulate you on what the congress has already accomplished," read the report of the Chief Executive, "not only in awakening the country to the importance of the great subjects it handles, but also in bringing us within sight of a time when all interests shall be harmonized and we shall be able to agree upon a comprehensive and concerted plan for the benefit of the entire country."

"When I was in the Interstate Commerce Commission," said Secretary Lane in preface to reading the President's message, "I arrived at certain conclusions regarding the development of the railroads and the waterways of the country. There can be no policy advanced in this country to work against the interests of the railroads that will result in good to the country generally. The railroads are vital to our life. There is no other nation so dependent upon them. The people of California help to feed the people of New York, and the people of New York help to manufacture for California's needs.

Lane Urges Separation.

"But, when I was a member of the Interstate Commerce Commission I said that the first thing to be done in developing the waterways of this country is to separate the railroads from the sea, to make the oceans and the rivers free. You will never develop water transportation until you have free harbors. These harbors in no small part are within the control of you gentlemen from the different States, and these States have rights, and these States of yours can play the most important part in developing the waterways by seeing that no railroad interests control the harbors which give access to the oceans.

"I believe, with my chief, in making this country one of greater opportunity, in which the natural resources shall not be closed to those of us who are not of a favored few."

Rome G. Brown, a recognized authority on waterways and water power, made the only partisan address of the day, taking the anti-Federal side of the question. He pleaded for easier conditions for the development of power and incidentally for the improvement of inland navigation by private capital.

No Dams Built.

He asserted that the legal obstacles to such improvement had become unbearable. No dams for the betterment of river navigation and the development of power have been built within the last six years, he said, under any Federal permit granted within that period.

Brown declared that even Congress had not been allowed to speak its will on this subject. "Its attempt during the past six years on various occasions to encourage private investments," he said, "and to recognize the right of State control, subject to the paramount right of Federal regulation of naviga-

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Ches. & Ohio Ry. Change in Schedule.
Train for the West now leaves Washington 3:00 p. m. instead of 3:15 p. m. as formerly. Other trains leave at 6:10 and 11:10 p. m.—Adv.

NEXT SUNDAY'S HERALD

A Feast of Fun and Entertainment

The Best Comic Section ever produced, including your old friend "Sambo and His Funny Noises."

THE MAGAZINE SECTION WITHOUT AN EQUAL:

George V. Hobart's "John Henry"—John Kendrick Bang's "Genial Idiot"—Ellis Parker Butler's "Uncle Ashdod and Sim Perkins."

The first of Judith Lee's Unique Detective Exploits—Another of George Randolph Chester's Greatest Stories."

Marion Harland, James B. Morrow and

Napoleon Bonaparte *Theodore Roosevelt*

PROBES POSTPONED DIVIDEND.

New York Stock Exchange Investigates Goodrich Case.

New York, Dec. 3.—Discovery that the dividend declared on B. F. Goodrich preferred stock last Saturday had been decided upon more than a month ago, led to a prompt investigation today by the stock exchange.

Chairman Heaton, of the stock list committee of the exchange, which made the investigation, said officials of the company had explained that the board of directors did not consider prompt announcement of the dividend declaration necessary, and that two members of the board were not notified of the dividend action until some time afterward. Difficulty had been experienced in getting a quorum of the board of directors, and for this reason it had been considered advisable to take action on the dividend whenever a quorum was present.

At the time the dividend was declared the preferred stock was selling around 89. Since then it has scored a loss of 14 5-8 points. Many holders are believed to have sold out because of depreciation and rumors that the dividend which had already been secretly declared would be passed.

CANADA MAY BAR HINDUS.

Radical Measure is Being Considered, Says Official.

Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 3.—H. Stevens, Vancouver's parliamentary representative, has returned from Ottawa with the announcement that the federal government is considering legislation to deal with Hindu immigration in British Columbia. A radical measure, Mr. Stevens said, would be presented at the next session of Parliament.

Formerly Hindus were barred from Canada under a regulation compelling them to travel by direct steamer from India, there being until a few months ago no such service in existence.

Now, however, certain steamers make the direct voyage and Hindus are entering the province in large numbers.

A court decision recently, in the case of a forcible deportation, was to the effect that Hindus could be deported only for such cause as would apply to any foreign citizens.

HORSE HAS EIGHT LEGS, HE SAYS

Irishman Gives "Foolish Answer to Foolish Question."

New York, Dec. 3.—"If Moses or Isaiah or Jesus or Mahomet should come to Ellis Island they would be likely to be deported as feeble-minded," was the declaration of Cyrus L. Sulzberger, which stirred a conference at Cooper Union in protest against rigid immigration laws and their enforcement.

Illustrating alleged foolish questions asked immigrants, Sulzberger said: "An Irishman, who came to the island, was asked how many legs a horse has. 'Eight,' he replied. 'One at each corner and two on each side.'

"'Don't you think that is a foolish answer?' he was asked.

"'A fool question deserves a fool answer,' was the reply which admitted the Celt."

10,000 CATHOLICS IN PARADE.

Welcome Companion of Abbot Dom Gasquet to Scranton.

Scranton, Pa., Dec. 3.—Ten thousand men, comprising Catholic societies between here and Carbondale, paraded the city streets tonight in welcoming Rev. Phillip Landon, traveling companion of Abbot Dom Gasquet, personal representative of Pope Pius X, who delivered an address on the work of reviving the Biblical texts.

The demonstration was one of the greatest ever tendered a distinguished person that has visited this city. Fifteen bands were in the procession, and the town hall was able to accommodate but half the throng that tried to gain admission.

Abbot Dom Gasquet was to visit here, but illness prevented him from coming.

KILL CASHIER AND TAKE $5,000.

Sheriff's Posse Hunts Men Who Robbed Palo Verde Valley Bank.

Blythe, Cal., Dec. 3.—Deputy sheriffs and civilians, armed, searched the jungles along the Colorado River near here today for two robbers who fled with $5,000 in cash after killing A. W. Bowles, cashier of the Palo Verde Valley Bank.

KISSING PASTOR MUST ANSWER GIRL'S SUIT

Miss Myers Demands $5,000 Damages for Alleged Embraces and Salutation on Lips.

Brookfield, Mo., Dec. 3.—All efforts of the friends of Rev. W. C. Atwood, pastor of First Presbyterian Church, of this place, to have dropped the charges made against him by Miss Harriet L. Myers have failed, and the case went to trial today. The minister has been absolved by his congregation and for a time it was believed that the suit would be withdrawn. Miss Myers is twenty-two years old, while the minister, who is married, is fifty-five, and has a son the same age as Miss Myers.

Miss Myers, who is a member of Mr. Atwood's congregation, asks $5,000 damages, asserting that Mr. Atwood, when calling at her father's office, kissed her despite her protests. She declares that he begged her to take a trip to St. Louis with him, and that when she refused he embraced her and kissed her several times.

Mr. Atwood explained the circumstances of the alleged assault from the pulpit of his church when the action was brought. He declared that all that had occurred had been done in a spirit of fun, and that he had no intention of allowing the girl to accept his jesting suggestions regarding a trip to St. Louis.

MARINE BAND TO BE AT FETE

Participation in Christmas Tree Celebration Practically Assured.

CAPITOL PLAZA FAVORED

Members of Executive Committee Believe East Side of Building Best Place for Holding Event.

It is practically certain that the Marine Band, which is an attraction in itself at any entertainment, will take part in the musical program at the Community Christmas tree celebration.

A report to this effect was made by the chairman of the music committee, at the meeting of the executive committee held yesterday afternoon. The chairman stated that he had called on Franklin D. Roosevelt, Assistant Secretary of the Navy, and had been told that the band would be available for the Christmas celebration, providing the President does not need its services Christmas Eve.

The site for the Christmas tree was thoroughly discussed by the committee, and a decided feeling in favor of the plaza on the east side of the Capitol developed.

It is not known positively that permission for the use of the Capitol plaza can be obtained, but "feelers" have been thrown out on this matter and the committee has been made to understand from an unofficial source that such permission will be granted readily.

Advantages Over Ellipse.

A majority of the committeemen feel that the Capitol plaza has many advantages over the Ellipse for the staging of the Christmas celebration. One of the arguments in favor of its use is its central location. If the Capitol is selected the Christmas festival will be as accessible to one part of the city as to the other, which would not have been the case at the Ellipse. Then, too, the big paved space, it is felt, might be very acceptable to those attending the entertainment, for the weather is an uncertain quantity in Washington at the Yuletide season, and the plaza could be made comfortable by the activities of a few "white wings," while snow or rain on the Ellipse would render it unfit for the purpose for days.

The practicability of the Capitol site will be worked out within a day or two. The committees on tree and decoration, music and folk dances, are to hold a joint meeting to fit the plans of each committee into a general program for the entertainment. They will work the program out in minutes and decide just what part in the whole program each feature shall be given. The committeemen will go to the Capitol plaza, and make a draft of the program right on the spot, so that each step will be down in black and white.

George H. Wilson, organist of Foundry Methodist Church, has offered his services, and will be official accompanist for the chorus.

A letter from Miss Ethel M. Smith, of the Drama League, was received by Prof. Otto T. Simon, vice chairman of the music committee, yesterday offering the signers the use of The House of Play, and any other aid the Drama League may be able to give the Christmas plan. This offer was accepted.

Musical Program Approved.

The musical program to be given by the Community Christmas chorus, was formally approved by the executive committee at the meeting. The program is made up of "The Star-Spangled Banner" and six hymns appropriate to the Christmas season.

A letter was received yesterday by one of the committee chairmen from a New York woman who was instrumental in arranging the "Tree of Light" there last year, and is one of the principal workers for a tree this year. She makes several suggestions that are received favorably by the committee here.

One is that the tree be merely one of light and music, and that there be no other gifts but Christmas light and music.

KILLS 3-FOOT JACK RABBIT.

Brooklyn Man Feared He Had Shot Fawn.

Bayville, N. Y., Dec. 3.—Gus Bauer, a baker, at Prospect place and Third avenue, Bay Ridge, Brooklyn, while out yesterday with a hunting party, shot and killed a jack rabbit three feet long—the third ever shot on Long Island. He feared at first he had violated the law relating to shooting of fawns.

After exhibiting it a week in his Brooklyn bakery window, he will make rabbit pie for his customers. He will present the skin to the Brooklyn Art Museum. Excited local sports are out today hunting for its mate.

KING GEORGE BARS TANGO.

English Monarch Follows Example of Kaiser.

London, Dec. 3.—Following the Kaiser's example, King George practically has banned the tango at court and other dances where their majesties are present.

Both the King and Queen hold conservative views, and have expressed strong disapproval of the tango as entirely unsuitable for private ballroom dancing.

Matinee, "The Prodigal Judge," Today, 2:15. Columbia Theatre. 50c to $1.00.—Adv.

WANTED TO READ COMICS.

Negro Murderer Demurred at Being Hurried to Death Chair.

Trenton, N. J., Dec. 3.—When Rev. Father Edward C. Griffen, the Catholic chaplain of the New Jersey State Prison, visited William Diamond, a negro murderer, in his cell to tell him that everything was in readiness for his execution, Diamond demurred. He was reading a weekly comic paper and laughing at the jokes and pictures.

"What's the hurry?" he asked. "Can't they wait till I finish this paper?"

The priest explained that being executed was a pressing matter, arranged for by the State, and one that did not admit of delay other than legal.

"All right," said Diamond, "but I would like to finish that paper."

Diamond, known as "Black" Diamond, reluctantly dropped the paper and went to his death. He was the least concerned man who had anything to do with the execution.

Just before the mask was fastened over his face he shouted, so that five condemned men in nearby cells could hear him:

"Goodby, boys!"

Then, turning to the guards, he said: "All right, let 'er go."

AMERICAN VANISHES IN PARIS.

Wadsworth Rogers Disappears and Police Seek Him.

Paris, Dec. 3.—Wadsworth Rogers, a nephew of former Representative James Wadsworth, of New York and Washington, has disappeared, and a search is being made for him throughout France. He walked out of the hotel where he and his mother were staying last Saturday morning and has not been seen or heard of since.

mother is greatly distressed, but to the hope that he may have taken to some hospital and is being for there. Mrs. Rogers says her health was delicate, and he suffers from occasional spells of melan-

gers is well known in Paris. He t much of his time in France in e with his racing stable. He is ty years old, and unmarried.

ONTAL PLUMES BARRED.

Mayor Says Perpendicular Are All Right, However.

Dec. 3.—Mayor Harrison has dict against horizontal plumes, pompoms, or other devices e or scratch eyes, ears, noses, nsitive portions of the facial anatomy of mere men who are obliged to be near the beplumed women.

If necessary to stop what he considers a nuisance, the mayor is in favor of an ordinance similar to the one compelling women to remove their hats in theaters. Among those who are prone to nap on the street cars or elevated trains the mayor's edict against the disturbers of their slumbers was hailed with joy.

"However, the perpendicular plume which I see is coming into style is all right," said the mayor. "That is so long it does not interfere with trolley wires or exceed the building limit of 250 feet."

EXPOSITION DIRECTOR SAILS.

Imre Kiralfy Coming Here to Arrange for Exhibits in London.

London, Dec. 3.—Imre Kiralfy, director general of the Anglo-American Exposition, to be opened in London next May, sailed for New York today on the Olympic to consult with the American executive committee of the exposition about the allotment of space for exhibits from the United States. Mr. Kiralfy did not expect to leave until after the first of the year, but applications have been so numerous as to require attention earlier than was planned. Many manufacturers want to complete arrangements now so as to have more time in which to prepare their exhibits.

ORANGES AT CENT APIECE.

High Cost of Living Gets Jolt in Pittsburgh.

Pittsburgh, Dec. 3.—The high cost of living was given something of a jolt here when commission merchants in the produce yards completed the sale of twenty-five carloads of Florida oranges at 90 cents a crate, about 1 cent for each of the 1,500,000 oranges in the shipment. The yards were fairly choked with fruit, and it was necessary to dispose of the oranges to prevent them from spoiling.

In the same market and at the same time the first Florida strawberries were selling at 75 cents a quart.

SIGNIFICANCE ATTACHED TO GOV. GLYNN'S VISIT

New York Executive Is Here Primarily to Address the Rivers and Harbors Congress.

Gov. Martin H. Glynn, of New York, arrived in Washington last night. Today he will address the National Rivers and Harbors Congress on "Waterway Development of the Empire State."

Primarily the governor is in Washington to attend the waterways convention, but political significance is attached to his visit. It is known that Gov. Glynn will call on the President while he is in Washington, and also will have an opportunity of conferring with other party leaders.

Gov. Glynn was given an ovation as he entered the lobby of the Willard last night. As he was seen making his way to the desk the crowd in the lobby applauded. The governor smiled, bowed, and then proceeded to his apartment. He will remain in Washington until noon tomorrow.

$1.25 to Baltimore and Return
Every Saturday and Sunday, Pennsylvania Railroad. Tickets good to return until 9:00 a. m. following Monday.

WOMEN APPOINT COMMITTEE TO SEE PRESIDENT

Suffragists Expect to Call at White House and Demand Action.

MEN ADDRESS MEETING

Representatives Murdock and Bryan and Gifford Pinchot Praise Entrance of Fair Sex Into Nation's Life.

Representatives Murdock, of Kansas, and Bryan, of Washington, and Gifford Pinchot, leaders of the Progressives, lent a helping hand to the women's strife with President Wilson and the Democratic party last night in speeches attacking the administration's alleged indifference toward the cause of equal suffrage, made before the 1,000 delegated suffragists in New Masonic Temple. The meeting was held under the auspices of the National Men's League for Woman Suffrage.

The words of the speakers were fuel to the growing flame of resentment that is evolving out of the enthusiasm of the woman's national convention.

Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont served notice that she will bring in a motion today to transfer the offices of the national organization to the Capital, where it may be in close touch with Congress over the adoption of the woman suffrage amendment. Action was taken with regard to the President's neglect to mention their movement.

Would Inform President.

With an introductory speech, bitterly condemning the omission of woman suffrage from the President's address, Mrs. Medill McCormick, of Chicago, offered a motion at the afternoon session that the whole convention wait upon President Wilson to "enlighten him concerning our movement," and to demand that he make the woman's amendment an administration measure; recommended it immediately to Congress and insist that it be considered before taking up any other legislation whatsoever. There was a feeble protest against the demand (or primary consideration. Several delegates spoke to the point "that we insist our enfranchisement be prepared for before currency, or any other less important reform is touched." Miss Lucy Burns was of these speakers.

Dr. Anna Howard Shaw, who presided, appointed a committee of two after sustainment of the motion to arrange for the visit to the President. It was learned late yesterday that he had avoided meeting the committee on arrangements last night because of illness. Details of the descent of the 500 delegates probably will be completed today.

At the night meeting the hall was packed, there being 2,500 present. Dr. Shaw introduced the chairmain of the evening, James Loss Laidlaw, of New York, president of the National Men's League, and Mr. Laidlaw presented Representative Mondell, of Wyoming, as the first speaker. "Mr. Mondell addressed his hearers as "Present and Future Voters."

He devoted himself to the proof that only the virile, manly men are for woman suffrage; in no case the weak, effeminate men. He scored Representative Heflin, of Alabama, severely for his statement that men who support this cause ought to wear dresses. He called Heflin young-man-afraid-of-suffrage after comparing his attitude to that of an Indian chief in a Wyoming reminiscence.

Speech of Pinchot.

Gifford Pinchots followed him. He told the women that he is in favor of woman suffrage, because the nation needs them and needs them in the Progressive party.

"We must get the better half of the nation in the struggle," said he. "The women will help in this fight. That is why the Progressives alone of the big parties favor woman's enfranchisement."

Victor Murdock, leader of the Progressives in the House, followed Mr. Pinchot.

"I am no orator as my friend, Mondell. Ho-ow he made love to you!" And Mr. Murdock put on the expression of "I wish I could, too."

"I belong to a clan, or party, to pry open the door of opportunity for all, and to keep it open," said he. "We want the women with us. The new enemy is 'special privilege,' with us everywhere. We are through in this country with dilly-shally, dilly-dally politicians, and, thank heaven, the women do not compromise on moral issues. We want the women to join us in our fight."

Representative Bryan was the last speaker. He warmly criticised the President for his neglect to mention woman suffrage.

"I think that the people of my State are going to be disappointed with the President's message for that omission," he said. "We are demanding an amendment to the Federal Constitution, enfranchising women, and the time has come to press home this one proposition. The time has come to put public men on record as to their stand on woman suffrage, and to put parties on record. I believe that the women hold the balance of power necessary to rebuke indifference to their 'cause.'"

John S. Crosby also spoke. "Retribution, Political Retribution," was the theme of Charles Edward Russel's address. He counseled the women not to forget nor forgive those who disappoint them in their struggle.

A compromise between the national suffrage organization and the House Rules Committee may result from the hearing which the suffragists had before the committee yesterday morning. This compromise was suggested by Representative Hardwick, of Georgia, who proposed that the words "and Woman Suffrage" be added to the title of the present standing committee on the Election of President, Vice President and Representatives in Congress. Dr. Anna Howard Shaw, president of the national organization, presided at the hearing which was held at the House Office Building at 10 o'clock in the morning.

Those who urged the creation of the woman's committee were Dr. Anna Howard Shaw, Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, president of the International Suffrage Alliance; Miss Jane Addams, Miss Ida Husted Harper, Mrs. Mary C. C. Bradford, of Colorado; Mrs. Helen H. Gardener, of Washington; Mrs. Mary Beard, of New York, and Representative John E. Raker, of California. In the audience were Mrs. Ines Milholland Boissevain, of New York; Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont, of New York; Mrs. Mary Ware Dennett, Miss Lucy Burns, and Miss Alice Paul.

DISTRICT HEADS URGE REFORMS IN THEIR REPORT

Legislation for Betterment of Sociological Conditions Is Favored.

CARE OF TUBERCULAR

Segregation of Advanced Cases Advocated—Receipts for Year Were $15,099,389.87.

By JOSEPH P. ANNIN.

Important reforms, aimed at a wide variety of municipal problems, are advocated in the annual report of the Board of District Commissioners, made public yesterday.

Not only are the usual topics dealt with in the report, but the Commissioners take advantage of their opportunity to lay stress on the need of legislation aimed at betterment of health, and sociological conditions in the District.

Thus, it is recommended, in connection with statistics on tuberculosis, that as a preventive, particularly among the colored population, "dispensary and sanitation facilities and provision for home instruction and nursing in appropriate cases are needed." The Senate bill providing for the segregation of advanced cases of tuberculosis is heartily indorsed, and it is urged that sanitation provision "should be extended and made more attractive in order to accommodate larger numbers of patients, and to hold them longer than is now possible."

Cases of Illegitimacy.

Calling attention to the statistics showing that of the illegitimate births in the District last year, the mothers in seventy-nine cases were less than sixteen years of age, and 200 cases were more than sixteen and less than twenty-one years of age, the Commissioners urge regulations requiring the collection of as much data as possible concerning both parents in such cases, with a view to providing as far as possible for the offspring.

Another problem dealt with boldly and in a manner to give rise to serious thought and discussion is the prevalence and treatment of sexual diseases. The report says:

"The establishment of dispensaries for the convenient treatment of patients suffering from such diseases and of increased hospital facilities for such as need accommodations of that kind are matters worthy of immediate serious consideration."

Separate institutions for the treatment of inebriates and drug "fiends," and for the care of the feeble-minded are urged. More buildings are asked for the municipal hospital, and an increase in the working force of the Board of Childrens' Guardians is urged. In this connection the Commissioners take occasion to sound a warning often voiced by sociological students in connection with feeble-minded persons.

Should Be Cared For.

"It is pointed out," says the report, "that not only should these people be cared for as a humane measure, but it is particularly important from the standpoint of the protection of the community, because the feeble-minded, if not segregated in institutions, rapidly increase their kind, and thus add to the burden of their maintenance."

Other recommendations made by the Commissioners, some of which were included in the estimates submitted to Congress Monday, are:

Annual instead of triennial assessments, and a larger working force in the assessor's office.

Amendments to the laws governing tax sales so as to make possible the enforcement, through litigation, of tax liens on property of delinquents.

A central warehouse for the storing of District supplies and to make possible the purchase of supplies in greater quantities and at correspondingly lower prices.

An entire new code of insurance laws, the necessity having been made doubly apparent by a recent Congressional investigation and report.

Legislation giving the Commissioners power to regulate "the weight, quality, and manner of delivery" of bread in the District.

New dock, and buildings for a municipal fish wharf and market.

Increased appropriations and facilities for the Public Library.

Larger Traffic Force.

A larger traffic police force and a law giving the Commissioners power to regulate speed within the District.

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CONGRESS IN BRIEF.

Senate.

The Kern resolution, providing for sessions of the Senate from 10 o'clock in the morning to 11 o'clock at night, was laid over for another day.

Senator Works concluded his speech in opposition to the Hetch Hetchy bill. Senator Thomas spoke in favor of the measure.

A petition, signed by Mayor Rolph, of San Francisco, and 20,000 water users, in favor of the Hetch Hetchy bill, was presented by Senator Perkins.

House.

Passed the Hay bill, "to provide for the raising of the volunteer forces of the United States in time of actual threatened war."

Passed bill authorizing appointment of Minister to Paraguay, which now shares a United States Minister with Uruguay.

Woman suffrage delegates appealed to the House Rules Committee to create new House committee, on "Woman Suffrage." Anti's will be heard today.

Judiciary Committee voted to begin hearing on anti-trust legislation next Tuesday.

The Rivers and Harbors Committee held hearing on Humphreys bill to appropriate $40,000,000 for strengthening the levees of the lower Mississippi.

Labor Committee reported a bill for an 8-hour day for women workers in the District.

The Elections Committee No. 1 renewed its informal inquiry into charges that Representative Whaley, of South Carolina, spent excessive sums to get elected to Congress. Whaley denied the charges in general.

Subcommittee of the Banking and Currency Committee began consideration of rural credits legislation.