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PRESIDENT FEARS NEW CONGRESS.

At an extraordinary session of the eighty-eighth Congress after March 1st and a consequent revelation of President Harding's inability to control the Senate or the House, the President is manifesting himself in the eyes of the Republican bosses. The Republican dominance of the Republican organization in Congress by the President's progressives who were elected November 7 is already assured. They are not the President or the members of the House and the Senate that will determine the character and trend of legislation for the next years.

The soldiers' compensation bill, which President Harding defeated, is certain to come back, with the support of these radical-progressives. The ship bonus bill, which the President is pressing upon Congress, is practically sure to be passed and rejected by this new Congress. The bill to increase the capital of the Federal Farm Loan banks has a strong advocacy, among these progressives as well as among the Democrats, and notwithstanding the objections of the Republican members of the East, the total of \$100,000,000, which the farmers urge the Democrats tried to provide, is doubtless to be voted.

Senator Borah has already hurled a thunderbolt at the ship bonus bill. He has given the signal to all the other progressives to begin the attack or to wait until President Harding is in a dilemma of any weak man who would like to change the ship bonus bill to accommodate the progressives. Republican organs announce. At the same time he wishes to preserve the provisions which the Shipping Trust desires to have in the bill. If he satisfies the progressives he disposes the monopoly.

"After all, Government is a very simple thing," said Mr. Harding before he tried it.

WASTE OF MONEY AND MEN

The studies already made by the United States Coal Commission all point to the fact that the bituminous coal mining industry is overdeveloped. "Too many soft coal mines and too many miners" describes the situation in plain English. In these coal mines capital is invested and more miners are employed than are needed to produce the coal the country requires. This condition, of course, involves waste on a country-wide scale. How great is the present inflation of the industry can not be stated exactly at this time but unquestionably the inflation is excessive. Estimates of the excess mine capacity range from 30 to fully 60 per cent above the country's normal demand which for the last five years has averaged about 20 million tons a year. Figured on the basis of their actual output for the best week in 1918, the capacity of the soft coal mines was then 685 million tons. Since 1918, unfortunately, the mine capacity has been further enlarged, and another estimate of it can be made from the average daily output last year. 300 days' work at that rate would have resulted in 810 million tons being mined, or fully 60 per cent more than the normal needs of the country.

How to deflate the coal industry is one of many problems before President Harding's Coal Commission, and reports may be expected to present facts bearing on this question. It seems plain enough, however, that the industry should not be further inflated by opening new mines. The facts already presented furnish a valid argument against continuing to expend new capital in the business, thereby opening new mines that are worse than unneeded, for they further spread and thus overtax car supply and shorten the possible working time of mines in the vicinity that are already well equipped to ship 50 to 100 per cent more coal than they ship now. Indeed, the ratings of mine capacity reported on the railroads for the purpose of obtaining cars would indicate that the bituminous mines of the country have a total annual capacity of not far from a billion tons, instead of the half billion tons needed.

Exceptions may possibly be made here and there to the ban which the investing public should put on coal mine development. A local market not well supplied with coal may warrant the opening of a near-by mine, which

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These "ins" and "outs" of the telephone business—which we call "station movement"—cost in the aggregate a large sum of money, representing a substantial part of our expenses.

One way of meeting this cost is to make our regular monthly rates for service high enough to cover these expenses, thus placing it upon all subscribers. This would be unfair to those subscribers who require no "station movement" over a long period of time. They would contribute toward the costs incurred by those who require service for only short periods or who demand that their equipment be moved frequently from place to place. This, we believe, is not a fair basis of charging for this service.

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would thereby help to relieve the burden on transportation facilities, but it is believed that such exceptional conditions are rare. In the public land States of the West, unfortunately, the Federal Government itself has not been able to discourage coal mine development, for, under the leasing law, the lessee of Government coal land is required to open the mine and to produce coal on a scale proportionate to the acreage leased. There seems to be no legal warrant for refusing a lease to a bona-fide applicant, even though the public interest does not seem to indicate the need of more coal. The result will be that the West will soon find its coal mines and coal miners as badly off as those in Indiana and Illinois, where the working time is too short to pay adequately either owners or workers.

If the public can appreciate the strength of the evidence already available on this subject of overdevelopment, refusal to invest in new coal mining ventures under present conditions will be recognized as both good business and good citizenship. It is plain enough that the country needs not more coal mines but more work for the coal mines we already have. One potent reason that coal is not cheaper to the consumer is that he is supporting a vast surplus of investment and capacity. The large excess capacity can not for long lower the price of coal, however, simply because that condition of things is wasteful.

Senator Brookhart of Iowa, radical progressive, whom the Harding administration sought to defeat, is able, though a member of the Senate less than a month, to pledge fifty Senators to sidetrack President Harding's legislative program in the current session of Congress in favor of Senator LaFollette's. It is easier for this radical progressive to lead Republicans away from the President than it is for Senator Lodge to head them in the other direction.

The farmers of the country will not forget that in the administration's program of legislation during the regular session of Congress the Shipping Trust's turn came well ahead of theirs.

Senator Lodge is said to be worrying about the farmer. Well, turn about is fair play. The farmer has been put to a good deal of worry by Senator Lodge.

ELECTRIC TRAIN'S SPARKS LAY
WASTE TO WHOLE TOWN

New York, Dec. 23.—Sparks from a toy electric train today laid waste a whole toy village and caused the temporary blocking of Broadway, which surged with Christmas shoppers.

The fire occurred in the window of a restaurant at Broadway and Fort-seventh street, where the toy village and railway had been laid out to attract Christmas patronage.

Waiters organized a soup-bowl fire brigade and battled with the flames until the fire department arrived.

TWO MEN DEAD IN STREET.
RESULT OF FAMILY FEUD

Fort Lee, N. J., Dec. 24.—Two men were found dead in the street here early today with bullet wounds thru their bodies, after what police believe to have been a battle between two families resulting from a feud of long standing. The victims were James Piromalli and James Tafano. Their bodies were found within a block of each other. Anthony, Paul and Joseph Piromalli, brothers of one of the slain men, are being held by police as material witnesses.

A FAMILY REUNION

Mr. and Mrs. John P. Brauning gave a Christmas dinner to their children Christmas day at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Leslie Gorschuch, Flohrville, Me. The table was laden to its full capacity, with turkey and everything in season which goes to make up a most delicious dinner. Those present were Messrs. and Mesdames John P. Brauning, Alva Brauning, Gordon Brauning, J. Edgar Belt, Leslie Gorschuch and W. W. Caple, Misses Edith Belt, Mervie Miller and Hilda Belt, Messrs. Harry Brauning, Edgar Belt, Jr., Paul Brauning, Samuel Belt, Albert Brauning and Claude Belt.

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- Uneda Biscuits 5c box.
- 3 lb. Fresh Soda Crackers for 25c.
- Dried Prunes 5c lb.
- Women's Rubber Shoes 39c pr.
- 140 lb. bag Coarse Salt 99c.
- 45 lb. bag Coarse Salt 45c.
- Cartoon Chesterfield Cigarettes \$1.25.
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- Butter Nuts 11c lb.
- Chocolate Drops 15c lb.
- 2 lbs. Raisins for 25c.
- Mother's Oats 10c box.
- Quaker's Oats 19c box.
- O. N. T. Cotton 4 1/2 spool.
- Wiard Plow Shares 65c.
- Oliver Plow Shares 65c.
- 6 bars Babbitt's Soap for 25c.
- Oyster Shell 7c bag.

Kenny's Coffee 15c lb.

- Buckwheat Meal 5c lb.
- American Beauty Ginger Snaps 19c.
- Half Bushel bag Indian Salt 33c.
- Government Gloves 29c pair.
- Government Coats \$2.25 each.
- Government Shirts \$1.75 each.
- Government Knapsacks 19c each.
- Women's Sweaters 98c each.
- Muslin 6 1/2 c yd.
- 2 large Packs Cigarettes for 25c.
- Syracuse Plow Shares 65c.
- 6 bottles Vanilla for 25c.
- Extension Tables \$12.98.
- Hominy 2 1/2 c lb.
- Corn Meal 2 1/2 c lb.
- Hemp Carpet 25c lb.
- Walter Baker's Chocolate 8c bar.
- Nice Table Syrup 29c gallon.
- Yard Wide Muslin 19c yd.
- White Potatoes 65c bushel.
- Ford Carburetors \$3.98 each.
- Cardiac \$5.19 per can.
- Bat Cotton 9c.

Babbitt's Lye 11c box

- Men's Leather Shoes 19c pr.
- Chair Seats 5c.
- Gasoline Lamp Mantles 5c each.
- Mixed Candies 15c lb.
- 2 1/2 lb. Jar Mince Meat 39c.
- Best Black Pepper 15c lb.
- 3 lb. Ginger Snaps for 25c.
- Salmon 11c can.
- Arbuckle's Coffee 27c lb.
- Rag Carpet 39c yd.
- 3 boxes Old Dutch Cleanser for 25c.
- Lard Cans 33c each.
- Cocoa 5c lb.
- Kellogg's Flakes 7 1/2 c box.
- Post Toasties 7 1/2 c box.
- Alarm Clocks 95c each.
- Corn Shellers 95c each.
- Beef Scrap \$1.50 per 100 lb.
- Store will be closed New Year's Day.
- Del Monte Seeded Raisins 17c box.
- Sun Maid Seedless Raisins 17c box.
- Ear Corn for Sale.

10c Cuts Tobacco for 5c

- Dates 17c package.
- Nice Floor Covering 39c yd.
- Champion X Spark Plug 65c.
- 2 1/2 lb. Jar Peanut Butter for 39c.
- 4 bars Ivory Soap for 25c.
- Boys' Knee Pants for 55c.
- Lima Beans 9c lb.
- Men's Red Rubber Boots \$4.75 pr.
- Nice Oranges 35c dozen.
- Men's Buckle Arties \$1.75 pair.
- Cottonseed Meal \$2.10 per 100 lb. bag.
- Eshelman's Dairy Feed \$1.75 per bag.
- Eshelman's Horse Feed \$1.70 per bag.
- Eshelman's Calf Meal 95c bag.
- Eshelman's Scratch Feed \$2.25 per bag.
- Women's Union Suits 98c.
- Boys' Red Rubber Boots \$2.75 pair.
- 1 gallon can Havoline Oil 60c.
- 30x3 1/2 Silvertown Cord Tires \$11.45.
- Tir Tight Wood Stoves \$1.39 each.
- 1 doz. Blades for Gillet Razors 48c.
- New 2 horse Gasoline Engine \$59.
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Pen Knives 5c each

- Beef Scrap \$1.50 per 100 lb. bag.
- Sewing Machines \$27.50 each.
- Hog Tankage \$1.35 per bag.
- Bed Comforts \$1.39 each.
- Columbia Records 29c each.
- 2 pr. Men's Heavy Gray Hose for 25c.
- 3 pr. Women's Black Hose for 25c.
- Steel Traps \$2.25 per dozen.
- Store closes at 7 o'clock.
- 4 bars Palm Olive Soap for 25c.
- Walton Rugs \$6.98 each.
- Lewis Linsed Oil 98c gallon.
- Window Shades 48c each.
- Genuine Linoleum 85c yd.
- Ball Band Rubber Boots \$4.75.
- 5 gallon can Polarine Oil \$2.98.
- Ball Bands 98c each.
- Watches 98c each.
- Month Oranges 5c each.
- Ford Auto Springs \$1.39 each.
- Roofing \$1.25 per roll.
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- Stock Molasses 12c gallon.
- Our Stock Molasses is as fine as you ever bought.

Wash Boilers 98c each

- Figs for Cooking 7c lb.
- Oatmeal 4c lb.
- 25 Gauge Galvanized Roofing \$5 sq.
- 2 papers Pins for 5c.
- 10 quart Tin Pails 15c each.
- Clothes Pins 1c dozen.
- Ford Guaranteed Tires \$7.25 each.
- Men's Heavy Underwear 48c.
- Ford Auto Springs \$1.39 each.
- Apron Gingham 12c yd.
- 5 gallon cans labeled and ready to ship \$3.75.
- Horse Blankets \$1.98 each.
- Bran \$1.70 per 100 lb. bag.
- Carload Salt just arrived.
- Bushel Bag Coarse Salt 45c.
- 140 lb. bag Coarse Salt 99c.
- Half Bushel bag fine Salt 33c.
- Army Soap 1c bar.
- Apron Gingham 10c yd.
- Enameled Coffee Pots 25c each.
- Curry Combs 10c each.
- Women's Rubber Shoes 25c pair.
- Bicycle Tires \$1.69 each.

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A Bright, Happy and Prosperous New Year to the Advocate and its readers.

The Christmas entertainment held on Saturday evening was a success. Those spending the holidays with Rev. and Mrs. Henry Lamb are Rev. and Mrs. Leonard Lamb and son, of Baltimore, and Mr. and Mrs. William O'Donnell.

Mrs. Edith Sellman, Mrs. L. Ecker, Miss Alma Ecker and Mr. Kelo Ecker spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fleming and family, of Winfield. Masqueraders seem to be all the go at the present.

Miss Levantia Buckingham, of Mt. Airy; Miss Alma Ecker and Miss Olivia Poole spent Sunday with Miss Beatrice Shipley.

Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Mullinix, of Daisy, spent Wednesday with Mr. W. E. Buckingham and family. Mr. and Mrs. Murriel Divine, of Washington, D. C., spent the week's end with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gosnell, Sunday, December 31, Sunday school at 1:15 p. m. Preaching at 7:30 p. m. and Epworth League at 7:30 p. m., led by Miss Olivia Poole. Everyone invited to each and every service.

CARROLLTON

Regular services in the Church of God on Sunday. Mid-week prayer meeting. The entertainment was well attended on Sunday evening. The offering will go to India as Missionary money.

Most everybody has had visitors during the holidays. The Aid will hold their next meeting at the home of Mrs. May Chew Green. A good attendance is requested to be present.

Mrs. Ada and Beatrice Houck are on the sick list. The L. T. L. sent boxes to six sick friends. They consisted of fruit, cake, sandy and nuts.

The "Carrollton Gleaners" remembered several aged folks in the same way. A letter has been received by the Superintendent of the L. T. L. from a soldier at Fort McHenry who received one of the "Comfort Bags" sent. He said he greatly enjoyed the splendid present and how glad to be remembered. He is from Belgium and writes how his mother was tortured to death by the Germans and two sisters joined the American forces as nurses and were both killed at the front. The letter is very sympathetic and interesting to read. Can't we do more to cheer these sad, suffering boys? More than one have lost all loved ones and would enjoy so much to receive a good newsy letter or books to pass their lonesome hours away.

He Was an Admiral.

When Sambo was asked what position he held in the army, he replied, "Admiral!" and when told there were no Admirals in the Army, admirals belong to the Navy, and couldn't be, because there are no ships there, he replied that he was "Admiral" of the vessels in the kitchen.

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