

## PRESIDENT IN A PLEA FOR INDUSTRIAL REST

Wilson Appeals to Congress For Aid in Completing Regulation Program.

## IS SHORTEST SPEECH

Galleries Crowded As Executive Appeals for Fourth Time at Joint Session.

By United Press

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—Declaring the country "cannot and should not consent to remain any longer exposed to profound industrial disturbances," President Wilson appeared before the joint session of Congress today and appealed for immediate action on his program of "settlement and regulation of difficulties" between the railroads and the trainmen.

Statement of the need of such legislation occupied the bulk of his annual message—the shortest one he has delivered. He recommended the passage of the provisions included, but not acted upon, in his last speech in August. At that time a nation-wide strike necessitated congressional action. In a late addition to his message the President urged the passage by the House of the vocational and industrial educational measures passed by the Senate in the last session.

## Crowds at Capitol Large.

The thrill and dramatic tension so noticeable in the President's three previous visits to the Sixty-fourth Congress were lacking today. Crowds thronged the capitol, however, and hours before the session was scheduled to convene all gallery entrances were filled with men and women endeavoring to work their way past the guards. Admission was by cards only.

The first demonstration for suffrage such as "heckled the British House of Commons in the past," occurred in Congress today while President Wilson read his annual message before a joint session of the House and Senate. As soon as President Wilson started speaking, a big yellow silk banner was unfurled from the gallery bearing in big letters the challenge "Mr. President, What Will You Do for Woman Suffrage?"

The message follows:

Gentlemen of the Congress: In fulfilling at this time the duty laid upon me by the Constitution of communicating to you from time to time information of the state of the Union and recommending to your consideration such legislative measures as may be judged necessary and expedient I shall continue the practice, which I hope has been acceptable to you, of leaving to the reports of the several heads of the executive departments the elaboration of the detailed needs of the public service and confine myself to those matters of more general public policy with which it seems necessary and feasible to deal at the present session of the Congress.

I realize the limitations of time under which you will necessarily act at this session and shall make my suggestions as few as possible; but there were some things left undone at the last session which there will now be time to complete and which it seems necessary in the interest of the public to do at once.

## "Railroad Measures Necessary."

In the first place, it seems to me imperatively necessary that the earliest possible consideration and action should be accorded the remaining measures of the program of settlement and regulation which I had occasion to recommend to you at the close of your last session in view of the public dangers disclosed by the unaccommodated difficulties which then existed, and which still unhappily continue to exist, between the railroads of the country and their locomotive engineers, conductors, and trainmen.

I then recommended:

First, immediate provision for the enlargement and administrative reorganization of the Interstate Commerce Commission along the lines embodied in the bill recently passed by the House of Representatives and now awaiting action by the Senate; in order that the commission may be enabled to deal with the many great and various duties now developing upon it with a promptness and thoroughness which are, with its present constitution and means of action, practically impossible.

Second, the establishment of an

## THE CALENDAR

- Dec. 1-16—Landscape Design Exhibit, Faculty Room (109) University Library Building.
- Dec. 7.—Assembly lecture at 7:30 p. m. in the University Auditorium by Dean E. J. McCaustland on "The Modern Engineer."
- Dec. 13.—Interpretative recital, "Othello," Christian College, 8:15 p. m.
- Dec. 14.—Cecil Fanning concert, Phi Mu Alpha series, University Auditorium at 8:15 o'clock.
- Dec. 13.—Yellowstone National Park Travelogue at 7:30 p. m. in the University Auditorium by Charles Norton Hunt.
- Dec. 19.—Concert by the University Choral Band at 7:30 p. m. in the University Auditorium.
- Dec. 21.—Christmas holidays begin at 4:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon.
- Jan. 3.—Christmas holidays end at 8 a. m. Wednesday.

eight-hour day as the legal basis alike of work and of wages in the employment of all railway employes who are actually engaged in the work of operating trains in interstate transportation.

Third, the authorization of the appointment by the President of a small body of men to observe the actual results in experience of the adoption of the eight-hour day in railway transportation alike for the men and for the railroads.

Fourth, explicit approval by the Congress of the consideration by the Interstate Commerce Commission of an increase of freight rates to meet such additional expenditures by the railroads as may have been rendered necessary by the adoption of the eight-hour day and which have not been offset by administrative readjustments and economies, should the facts disclosed justify the increase.

## Favors Government Investigation.

Fifth, an amendment of the existing federal statute which provides for the mediation, conciliation, and arbitration of such controversies as the present by adding to it a provision that, in case the methods of accommodation now provided for should fail, a full public investigation of the merits of every such dispute shall be instituted and completed before a strike or lockout may lawfully be attempted.

And, sixth, the lodgment in the hands of the executive of the power, in case of military necessity, to take control of such portions and such rolling stock of the railways of the country as may be required for military use and to operate them for military purposes, with authority to draft into the military service of the United States such train crews and administrative officials as the circumstances require for their safe and efficient use.

## Eight-Hour Day Established.

The second and third of these recommendations the Congress immediately acted on: it established the eight-hour day as the legal basis of work and wages in train service and it authorized the appointment of a commission to observe and report upon the practical results, deeming these the measures most immediately needed; but it postponed action upon the other suggestions until an opportunity should be offered for a more deliberate consideration of them. The fourth recommendation I do not deem it necessary to renew. The power of the Interstate Commerce Commission to grant an increase of rates on the ground referred to is indisputably clear and a recommendation by the Congress with regard to such a matter might seem to draw in question the scope of the commission's authority or its inclination to do justice when there is no reason to doubt either.

## Would Add to Commission's Powers.

The other suggestions—the increase in the Interstate Commerce Commission's membership and in its facilities for performing its manifold duties, the provision for full public investigation and assessment of industrial disputes, and the grant to the executive of the power to control and operate the railroads when necessary in time of war or other like public necessity—I now very earnestly renew.

The necessity for such legislation is manifest and pressing. Those who have entrusted us with the responsibility and duty of serving and safeguarding them in such matters would find it hard, I believe, to excuse a failure to act upon these grave matters or any unnecessary postponement of action upon them.

## New Duties Call For More Power.

Not only does the Interstate Commerce Commission now find it practically impossible, with its present membership and organization, to perform its great functions promptly and thoroughly but it is not unlikely that it may presently be found advisable to add to its duties still others equally heavy and exacting. It must first be

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## COUNCIL TO PLAN AID FOR COLUMBIA'S POOR

Question of Relief for City's 300 Needy to Be Discussed Tonight.

## MAYOR WANTS HELP

J. M. Batterton Says Matter Is Vital and Needs Popular Support.

Columbia has 300 needy poor. The latest move to their assistance is that of the City Council. The body will take up the matter tonight of making provision for the relief and employment of the city's poor and other problems of their care. Major J. M. Batterton thinks that all can be cared for, if those who are capable will assist.

"We want the help of any of the people of Columbia who have plans for the relief of the needy," Mayor Batterton said this morning. "This is a movement in which we are all vitally interested and the City Council needs the support and ideas of every Columbian."

The campaign of the Charity Organization Society to raise \$2,000 today was in progress for two hours this afternoon. Twelve men canvassed the business district and fourteen women worked in the residence sections. At 3:30 o'clock only three had reported to chairman of the finance committee, consequently it was not known at that hour what was the result of the campaign.

## GERMANS CONTINUE ADVANCES

Mackensen's Army Victorious—Danube Forces Gain in Argesus.

BERLIN, Dec. 5.—Field Marshal von Mackensen's victoriously advancing army has crossed the railroad leading from Bucharest eastward, and the Danube army has gained a foothold in the lower Argesus Valley, after defeating an army of superior forces.

## U. S. Asks Austria About Steamer.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—The United States Government has inquired of Austria concerning the facts surrounding the torpedoing of the American steamer Chemung, sunk by an Austrian submarine.

## Lloyd-George's Resignation Known.

LONDON, Dec. 5.—On highest authority it was made known this afternoon that David Lloyd-George, war minister, has resigned. Formal announcement will be made tomorrow.

## DEAN McCAUSTLAND TO TALK

Will Deliver Fourth Assembly Lecture on Thursday Evening.

Dean E. J. McCaustland, Dean of the School of Engineering, will give the fourth of the series of assembly lectures at 7:30 o'clock Thursday evening in the University Auditorium. The subject will be "The Modern Engineer."

The special kinds of engineers and their lines of active work will be taken up. Dean McCaustland will appeal for a broader view of the engineering field, emphasizing the fact that the modern engineer must consider more than the materials, he must consider also the human element.

## AGRICULTURAL EDITOR HERE

M. N. Beeler, M. U. Graduate, to Begin His Work at Once.

M. N. Beeler, who was graduated from the School of Journalism in 1914 and from the College of Agriculture in 1915, has arrived in Columbia and will take up his work at once as agricultural editor. Mr. Beeler came here from the University of Florida, where he has held the same position. Mrs. Beeler was graduated from the School of Education here in 1913.

## WILL PRACTICE LAW TOGETHER

Judge Revelle and Governor Major to Retire From Public Life.

JEFFERSON CITY, Dec. 5.—Judge C. G. Revelle of the Supreme Court announced today that he has formed a partnership with Governor Elliott W. Major for the practice of law in St. Louis. Both will retire from public life early in January.

## The St. Louis Club to Meet.

The St. Louis Club will meet tonight in the Y. M. C. A. Auditorium at 7:15 o'clock.

## 46 STATES TO FIGHT HIGH COST OF LIVING

Delegates of 2,000,000 Foodstuff Producers Meet at Chicago.

## MILK MEN ORGANIZE

To Try to Form Collective Buying Agency to Get Needed Supplies.

By United Press

CHICAGO, Dec. 5.—Representatives of more than 2,000,000 producers of foodstuffs assembled in the Fourth National Conference of Marketing and Farm Credits here today with the express purpose of finding out why living is costing so much and for combating the cause. Forty-six states are represented.

Milk producers struck the first blow when they today completed a temporary organization of a national association. They named a committee to make the organization permanent and to arrange for an early meeting of representatives from all milk-producing areas. The plan is to organize a collective buying agencies for purchasing supplies.

## Wheat Jumps 5 Per Cent.

CHICAGO, Dec. 5.—Wheat jumped to 5 per cent above the opening price today when speculators learned that foreign agents are increasing their purchases and foreign shipments would soon be moved from eastern storage centers.

## Won't Handle Cheap Foodstuffs.

DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 5.—Evidence to show that several big dealers had refused to handle beans and other cheap foodstuffs because they "were inexpensive" was presented today at a session of the Federation of Women's Clubs here.

## WALDORF-ASTORIA OWNER DIES

George Boldt, Well-Known Hotel Man, Succumbs to Heart Disease.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—George Boldt, proprietor of the Waldorf-Astoria, one of the best-known hotel men in the country, died this morning of heart disease.

George C. Boldt was proprietor of the United States' most famous hotel, the Waldorf-Astoria, in New York and was also prominent in financial circles, being president of three subsidiary corporations of the hotel. He was, in addition, proprietor of the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel in Philadelphia. He was a director in the Commonwealth Trust Company and two other large financial institutions, besides being a trustee of Cornell University. He was interested in educational and philanthropic movements.

## EMBARGO ON POTATOES OFF

Department of Agriculture Takes Step to Reduce Prices.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—The first step by the Department of Agriculture to reduce the price of food was taken today when an embargo on Canadian potatoes was ordered lifted.

## Congress to Look Into D. C. Prices.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—The first Congressional action for relief from the high cost of living was taken today, when, upon motion of Representative Keating of Colorado, the House concurred in a Senate amendment to his bill providing for an investigation of the high cost of living among the wage earners of the District of Columbia.

## Wilson Avoids High Prices.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—The President today decided to make no reference to the high cost of living in his message. Chairman Henry of the Rules Committee will confer with Wilson tomorrow to devise a plan to expedite congressional solution of the food price problem. The Administration will refuse to get behind food embargoes.

## SHOE STORE REPORTED SOLD

No Information Given Out By F. & M. Company, However.

The F. & M. Shoe Store, it was reported this morning, has been sold. The report was not denied by the manager, who said he could not give out any information regarding the matter until about two weeks.

## THE WEATHER

For Columbia and Vicinity: Fair tonight and Wednesday; moderate temperature. Lowest temperature tonight above the freezing point.  
For Missouri: Fair tonight and Wednesday; slightly cooler southeast portion tonight.

## Mrs. Mary Ann Calvin, 88, Dies.

Mrs. Mary Ann Calvin, 88 years old, one of the oldest residents of McBaine, died Sunday afternoon at the home of her daughter. Burial was yesterday afternoon at Valley Springs, under the auspices of the Reverend Payne Baldwin of the Sanctified Church of McBaine. Mrs. Calvin leaves a daughter, with whom she lived at McBaine, and three sons, Emmett, Robert and John Calvin.

## C. B. & Q. TO MOBERLY

Line From Monroe City Opens Way to St. Louis for the Santa Fe.

By United Press

JEFFERSON CITY, Dec. 5.—The State Public Service Commission today granted authority to the Chicago Burlington and Quincy Railroad to construct a standard gauge line from Monroe City to Moberly, about thirty-five miles.

H. J. Nelson, assistant general counsel for the Burlington, told the commission that when this line was constructed it would afford means for the Santa Fe to enter St. Louis by constructing a line from Carrollton to Mexico, where it could use the Burlington tracks.

## BANQUET TICKETS ARE ON SALE

Missouri Co-operative League's Dinner for Tigers to Cost \$3 a Plate.

Three committees started out this morning to sell tickets for the Missouri Co-operative League's banquet to the Tigers, in celebration of the victory over Kansas on Thanksgiving Day. H. S. Jacks is chairman of the committees. In an hour, more than fifty tickets had been sold.

The time and place of the banquet have not been definitely determined as yet, but it will probably be held in Rothwell Gymnasium some time within the next two weeks. The tickets are sold at \$3 each. The committee in charge endeavors to proportion this amount so that \$2 can be spent for the souvenir footballs for the M men and so that the dinner will receive a plate well worth a dollar.

## JOHN D. ARCHBOLD IS DEAD

Appendicitis Operation Proves Fatal for the Oil Magnate.

TARRYTOWN, N. Y. Dec. 5.—John D. Archbold, Standard Oil magnate, died this morning of complications after an operation for appendicitis November 21.

John Dustin Archbold, capitalist, was born at Leesburg, Ohio, July 26, 1848. He began his work in the oil industry in the Pennsylvania regions in 1864. He had been president of the Acme Oil Company for many years and also an officer and director in various other corporations. He was first connected with the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey in 1875 as vice-president and director. In 1911 he was made president.

## STUDENTS UNDERGO OPERATIONS

Miss Mary Carstarphen and James R. Jaeger Treated at Hospital.

Miss Mary Carstarphen of New London, a student in Stephens College, and James R. Jaeger of Clarksville, a student in the College of Arts and Science of the University, were operated upon at Parker Memorial Hospital yesterday. Miss Carstarphen received treatment for nasal trouble, and Jaeger underwent an operation for appendicitis. The condition of each is improved this morning, it is reported.

## Fire Damages Sigma Chi House.

Fire, caused by a live coal popping out of a grate on the second floor caused about \$200 damage at the Sigma Chi house at 3 o'clock this morning. The loss is covered by insurance.

## Columbia Dentist to Mississippi.

Dr. O. F. Schief, who has been a Columbia dentist for several years, left last night with his wife for Glass, Miss., where he will engage in the dairy and ice cream business.

## Business Men To Eat Chicken Pie.

The Commercial Club's weekly meeting will be at the Methodist church chicken pie dinner, Thursday. There will be no speaking.

## BOARD TO SAFEGUARD TEETH OF ITS PUPILS

Proposal Is to Have City Establish Clinic for Free Examination.

## ATTENDANCE IS GOOD

Financial Reports Made—Work on New Buildings Progressing Well.

Plans for better teeth among Columbia school children were made by the board of education at its meeting last night. The purpose is to establish a clinic for the free examination of pupils' teeth. Dr. A. W. Kampschmidt and Dr. J. E. Thornton were named as a committee to see if the City Council will help finance the work.

If the money can be raised, it is the plan of the board to open an office for examination. If the teeth need attention, the parents will be notified. If, in turn, the parents cannot afford to pay for the work, the board will have the teeth fixed and pay the bill. The cause of many diseases has been traced to bad teeth.

The attendance and financial reports made up the routine work at last night's meeting. Reports of the progress in the erection of the new ward schools were made.

## Attendance Unusually Good.

The attendance has been unusually good this year. The Jefferson School reports 245 boys and 235 girls, a total of 480, with an average attendance of 96 per cent; the Lee School has 104 boys and 133 girls, a total of 217, with an average attendance of 97 per cent; the Grant School has 145 boys and 123 girls, a total of 268, with an average attendance of 97 per cent; the Benton School has 149 boys and 129 girls, a total of 278, with an average attendance of 97 per cent; Columbia High School has 455, with an average of 98 per cent. This gives a grand total of 2,120, compared with 2,091 last year. In attendance are 1,023 boys and 1,097 girls.

The summary of the financial report for the third month of the year was as follows: administration, \$196.34, which includes salaries of officers and clerks and office expenses; maintenance, \$168.05, including expense for furniture and equipment; operation, \$680.78, janitors' salaries and supplies, water and light and fuel; educational expense, \$268.13; supplies for departments and books for libraries; miscellaneous, \$4.20; telephone calls and freight on shrubbery. The total expenditures were \$1,307.50, which compared with the same month last year, shows a decrease of \$57.28.

## Spent in Three Months \$11,000.

The summary of expenditures to the close of the third month are: administration, \$1,538.47, school board expense, salaries of officers and clerks, and office expense; maintenance, \$4,253.39; building and repairs, furniture and equipment and insurance; operation, \$3,301.82, janitors' salaries and supplies, telephone, fuel, water and light, piano rent; education expense, \$1,847.79, supplies for departments and supplies for buildings; miscellaneous, \$225.19. The total expenditures were \$11,166.55, 2,466.95 less than last year.

The progress on the ward schools which are now being built was reported as favorable. The north ward school has the foundation in and is now ready for the joists and and beams. The plastering at the Lee School is finished and the building should be ready in January. At the Douglass School the sewer has been moved, and the rock foundation is about two-thirds completed.

## COLUMBIA TAXES \$2.43 ON \$100

5 Cents Is Added for City Schools—25 for County Roads.

Taxes in Columbia are thirty cents on each \$100 higher than last year; twenty-five cents is added for the special road and bridge fund and five cents to the school tax. The total assessment this year is \$2.43 on each \$100.

In Boone County the twenty-five cent raise for the special road and bridge tax is the only increase which holds throughout the county.

## May Hasten Annapolis Graduations.

By United Press

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—Graduation of the first class at Annapolis early next year and the second class in June to meet "emergency" need for officers in the navy was suggested in the House Military Committee today by Admiral Palmer, chief of the Bureau of Navigation.