

URGENT CONGRESS TO RUSH NEW LAWS

NATIONAL PARTY LEADERS WANT SPEED IN LEGISLATING TO PREVENT HOLDING SPECIAL SESSION.

Washington, Jan. 2.—Congress reviewed with orders by leaders in both house and senate to all committees to speed up on legislation, that the night of March 3 next may see special calendars and an extra session averted thereby.

Here is the legislation awaiting action by Congress at this session, failure of any part of which may force an extra session:

- Railroad bills.
- Revenue legislation.
- Hydro water power bill.
- Travis-Phelan oil and mineral lands leasing bill.
- District of Columbia prohibition bill.
- Flood control bill.
- Public buildings bill.
- Porto Rico government bill.
- Vocational education bill.
- Corrupt practices bill.
- National prohibition constitutional amendment.
- Woman suffrage constitutional amendment.

Interest in Rail Acts.

Perhaps chief interest centers in the railway legislation in the Senate committee on commerce, gravity being lent by threats of railways strikes growing out of postponements of enforcing the Adamson eight-hour law, enacted to become effective today, and the constitutionality of which is to be argued in the Supreme court next week.

A big issue with members of the lower body is the public buildings bill, which if enacted, faces a threatened presidential veto.

Democratic leaders in Congress, as well as the president, are worried over where the money is to come from to keep things going in the fiscal year which begins July 1. Taxation of coffee is one of the methods treasury officials and leaders in Congress are considering, along with duties on rubber and wool, and higher rates on sugar.

SAYS ROADS TRYING TO DIS-CREDIT LAW.

Cleveland—W. G. Lee, head of the Brotherhood of railway trainmen late today issued a statement charging the railroads of the country are making every effort possible to discredit the Adamson eight-hour law before the people of the country. "They are running trains behind schedule to tie up traffic and create overtime for men, their purpose being to try show the Adamson law works to detriment of the public at large."

BARGAINS IN USED PIANOS

At the Smith Music Co., corner State and Center streets, South Ottawa.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH HOLDS INTERESTING SERVICE.

Sunday will be a day long remembered in the Presbyterian church, the very pleasant service in the morning and the most enjoyable service in the evening was a most fitting close for the year.

"Retrospection" was the subject for the morning, and the pastor reminded the people that their talents: the power and means to carry on God's work, consisted of our time, health, ability, the Divine will, and our opportunities. The talents are given unto us to carry on God's work, God is seeking the highest welfare of all people; and He has endowed us so that we can be His co-workers.

The success or failure of the year does not consist in a single achievement, but in the fulfillment of our mission. Have we lived in 1916 so that others will be lifted to higher purposes, and ideals; this is the test that will tell whether the past year has been a success or not.

The musical service in the evening was of the usual inspiring nature that Miss Chamberlin (the chorister) produces. The solo "Hear My Cry" by Miss Mabel Chamberlin, was very much appreciated, and the numbers by the choir and the ladies' chorus were most acceptable.

The message by the pastor was entitled "The Christmas Aftermath," and showed the effect of Christmas on the indifferent, the opposers of truth, the searchers after truth, and the possessors of truth.

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Correct Thought First.

Social reform is not to be secured by noise and shouting, by complaints and denunciation, by the formation of parties or the making of resolutions, but by the awakening of thought and the progress of ideas. Until there be correct thought, there cannot be right action; and when there is correct thought, right action will follow. Power is in the hands of the masses of men. What oppresses the masses is their own ignorance, their own short-sighted selfishness.—Henry George.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy Most Effective.

"I have taken a great many bottles of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and every time it has cured me. I have found it most effective for a hacking cough and for colds. After taking it a cough always disappears," writes J. R. Moore, Lost Valley, Ga. Obtainable everywhere.

REMAINS OF OLIVER GREEN BROUGHT HERE.

The remains of Oliver Green, who died in Louisville Kentucky arrived here today. Burial will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment will be in Ottawa Avenue cemetery.

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Society Notes

The first regular meeting of the women of Mooseheart Legion will be held Thursday evening at the Moose lodge rooms at 7:30. Following the meeting the ladies will be entertained by the Moose. All ladies interested in the formation of this new organization of the women of Mooseheart are cordially invited to be present at the entertainment given by the Moose.

Ottawa's two Masonic lodges—Humboldt and Occidental—yesterday held joint installations at the Temple on Columbus street. The ceremonies opened with the presentation of the flag and the singing of America. Following the installation a Past Master's Jewel Watch was presented to retiring Master George H. Smith, of Humboldt Lodge, and a beautiful leather chain was presented Past Master Edward Peck, of Occidental Lodge. Interesting talks were made by W. H. Barnard and Joseph Hannum. The installing officer was George Smith with the following assistants: Marshall, Joe Hannum; Chaplain, W. H. Barnard and Organist, Miss Minnie Schmidt. The list of officers installed follows:

Humboldt.
W. M.—Lester W. Leopold.
S. W.—Walter C. Lindenmann.
J. W.—Leon Levy.
Treas.—John G. Schumacher.
Sec'y.—Ralph A. Nickerson.
Chaplain—Geo. H. Smith.
S. D.—Walter B. Hartshorn.
J. D.—Fred Mullen.
S. S.—H. McChesney.
J. S.—Merritt Smith.
Marshall—Leslie Randall.
Organist—Oscar Sieffert.
Tyler—Joseph Wilson.

Occidental.
W. M.—Wm. Scales, Sr.
S. W.—Melville Clark.
J. W.—C. O. McCarthy.
Treasurer—Geo. O. Grover.
Secretary—Chas. E. Pettit.
Chaplain—W. H. Barnard.
S. D.—Leon Selby.
J. D.—Sidney Weise.
S. S.—R. A. Lynch.
J. S.—C. M. Corbin.
Marshall—David Refor.
Organist—Elmer E. Roberts.
Tyler—Joseph Wilson.

A most delightful dancing party was given last evening at Schaefer's hall by the members of St. Francis parish. Henrich's orchestra furnished the music and dancing was enjoyed from 9 until 12.

A watch party was held at the home of Mrs. John Conway, on Columbus street Sunday evening for a number of friends. Games were played and an impromptu musical program was carried out. Dainty refreshments were served by the hostess.

The regular meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary, A. O. H., will be held on Tuesday evening, January 9th.

The members of the O. Y. L. club will hold a private dance Friday evening, January 5th, at Commercial hall.

The members of the Kappa Alpha Pi fraternity held their annual banquet Saturday evening in the grill room of the Clifton hotel. Forty members of the fraternity were in attendance. Several informal talks were given by the members.

The members of the Zion Evangelical church held a watch party on Sunday evening. The regular services were held from 7:30 until 8:30. A half hour intermission was then taken. From 9 until 10:30 a musical program was carried out. From 10:30 until 12 devotional services were held.

The Notre Dame Club of La Salle county will hold their annual dinner party dance this evening in the French dining room of the Clifton hotel.

GERMANS CAPTURE 1600 IN ROUMANIA.

Berlin—Successful German patrol engagements in the Champagne, Argonne Forest, and Verdun sectors are officially reported today. Near Ypres a Livy artillery action is reported. A British aeroplane of the big type was captured, enterprising by Russians raiding detachments south of Riga in Galicia were unsuccessful. Breaking thru the Russian lines in the Carpathian mountains the Austro Germans captured Sovesha in Moldavia over sixteen hundred prisoners additionally were captured by the Teutons in the Roumanian theatre.

CITY AND VICINITY ITEMS

Joseph Casey director for the Loyal Order of Moose, left today for Springfield to resume his work in the interest of the Moose.

William Scannell, of Chicago, was the guest of relatives in this city over the week end.

William Fitzgerald, of Peoria, spent the holidays with Ottawa relatives.

P. J. Kelly, employed in Peoria, returned to Ottawa to spend the holidays with relatives.

Miss Marjorie Russell, and Miss Loretta Farmer, of Streator, were the guests of Ottawa-friends New Year's day.

Miss Marie Haley and Miss Ina Metzger visited with friends in La Salle New Year's day.

John Lanigan returned to Springfield, after a week's visit with Ottawa friends and relatives.

Vincent Hanley, of La Salle, was the guest of Ottawa friends last evening.

Misses Edna and Mary Loos, of La Salle, visited with friends in Ottawa on New Year's day.

Miss Lucille Rausch, of Joliet, is the guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Irion in West Ottawa.

Miss Edna Hill, of Streator, visited with Ottawa friends last evening.

Thomas S. Brunick, of Chicago, spent the holidays with Ottawa relatives.

Miss Helen Meady returned to her home in this city, after a week's visit with relatives in Chicago.

William Dunn, of Aurora, was the guest of Ottawa relatives over the New Year.

Joseph Mason, of Chicago, spent New Year's day with Ottawa relatives.

Thomas and William Carey, of Ransom, attended the Knights of Pythias dance here last evening.

William Walsh, of Joliet, spent the week end with Ottawa relatives and friends.

Joseph Dawson and Ralph Carlstrom, of Marseilles, were the guests of Ottawa friends last evening.

Robert Harrington and John Bulger visited with friends in La Salle yesterday afternoon.

Edward Marien, of Streator, visited with Ottawa relatives over the New Year.

Miss Rose Murray has returned to Ottawa to resume her studies at Ryburn training school, after a week's visit with relatives in Woodstock, Ill.

Miss Irene McFadden, of Decatur, was the guest of relatives in this city over the holidays.

Edward Hall, of Streator, visited with Ottawa friends yesterday afternoon.

Frank Sprague and John Feehan visited with friends in La Salle yesterday.

Arthur Hines, of Marseilles, visited with friends in this city yesterday.

Thomas H. Doolan was a La Salle visitor yesterday afternoon.

James Flynn and C. E. Gleason visited with friends in La Salle last evening.

J. L. Jones, president of the G. & J. Coal Co., gave a five course banquet to his employees and their wives at the former hotel building at the depot Saturday evening. It was served by Geiger, the caterer, from this city. About sixty people were present, all enjoying the fine spread. Mr. Jones also gave the men presents of candy, oranges and nuts for the children.

M. J. Sheehan, one of the proprietors of the Free Trader-Journal, is ill at his home, corner of Columbus and La Salle streets, with pneumonia. He was taken sick on the street last Thursday and went home immediately. A physician was called and his trouble was diagnosed as pneumonia.

Dr. and Mrs. J. J. Moriarty leave tomorrow morning for Momeone, Ill., where they will attend the funeral of Mrs. Hughes, an aunt of Mrs. Moriarty's who passed away Monday at her home in Momeone.

Fred Garing, of St. Paul, Minn., a former Ottawa boy, is visiting with relatives and friends in this city for a few days.

Grover Malone, of La Salle, was the guest of Ottawa friends over the week end.

Miss Emma Shinzel, of Pirnceton, is the guest of friends in this city.

Harold Gennett, of Streator, is visiting with friends in Ottawa this afternoon.

F. C. Reid and J. W. Resd were among the Peoria Knights of Pythias who attended the dance here last evening.

Louis B. Shilling, of Peoria, visited with friends here yesterday afternoon and attended the Knights of Pythias ball at the armory last evening.

Joseph Shebel returned to his home

GILLEN HOME THREATENED BY FIRE MONDAY MORNING

The home of Mrs. M. Louise Gillen, at 1206 Ottawa avenue, was seriously threatened by fire Monday morning at 9:30 o'clock when sparks from the chimney set fire to the roof. The blaze spread with great rapidity but did not burn its way thru to the interior of the Gillen home. The fire was confined principally to the ridge of the roof.

The blaze was discovered by Vincent Yockey, eight year old son of Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Yockey. Mrs. Fred Jones sent in the alarm.

Fire Marshall Boissenin and his aids were able to extinguish the blaze by the use of chemicals. The loss has been estimated at \$400.

in Denver, Colo., after a short visit with Ottawa relatives.

Harry Conway returned to Kirksville, Mo., this morning, where he will resume his studies at the American Osteopathic School.

Edwin Andrews returned today to Kirksville, Mo., to resume his studies at the American Osteopathic school.

Richard Dunn was the guest of friends in La Salle Sunday.

Arthur Dougherty and Thomas Warren visited with friends in La Salle last evening.

Ray Parks will leave this evening for Pittsburgh, Pa., where he has been called on account of the severe illness of his sister, Mrs. R. E. Darkly.

Raymond Officer left today for Winnebago, Minn., after a week's visit with Ottawa relatives. Mrs. Officer will remain here until February 1st.

Neil J. Looney returned to his home in this city after a ten days' visit with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Peters, in Chicago.

Carl Zwanzig, Jr., who is employed in Chicago, is visiting with friends in Ottawa.

Miss Margaret Mitchell, of Chicago, is the guest of friends in this city for a few days.

MRS. BEN FISHBURN DIES AFTER BRIEF ILLNESS

Mrs. Ben Fishburn, prominent South Ottawa township lady, died Saturday evening at 6:30 o'clock at Ryburn hospital following a very brief illness. On Wednesday the deceased was taken ill and Saturday noon she was removed to the hospital, where she was to submit to an operation, but passed away before undergoing the knife. Her death came at 6:30 o'clock. Her demise is attributed to a complication of diseases.

Mrs. Fishburn was born March 29, 1860 in Ottawa. For the past thirty-two years she has been a resident of South Ottawa township. During her residence in that community she made a host of friends and her sudden death will be mourned by many.

Surviving she leaves her husband and four children—Mrs. Sarah Howell, of South Ottawa township, Mrs. E. R. Quaffe, of Hunter, N. D., Nellie, Ruth and Edgar at home and two sisters—Miss Emma Kain, of this city, and Mrs. Robert Partridge, of Kentville, Minn., and two brothers, George and Charles Kain, of this city.

Funeral services were held this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock at the late home.

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CANAL ROADWAY MAY BE IMPROVED

FARMERS ALONG LOWER ROAD, BETWEEN MARSEILLES AND OTTAWA, URGE COMMISSION TO MAKE REPAIRS.

Residents along the canal bank road between Marseilles and Ottawa have started a movement for the improvement of that highway. In the west seasons portions of this road are almost impassable, and an improvement would be greatly welcomed by those who have to use it in reaching their farms, also by many who use it for commercial purposes in preference to the bluff road.

The road lies in the southern portion of Rutland township, along a strip shut off from the rest of the township by the Illinois & Michigan canal. By reason of location the residents of that strip are unable to get free rural delivery and other conveniences. Also because of location, it is asserted that Rutland township never did much for the residents there, but now the township is to be asked to help improve the canal bank road.

Most of the residents along the road are willing to contribute liberally toward the expense, and owners of auto trucks and other vehicles, who use the road when it is passable, also are willing to help. It is desired to have the road graded and then crushed rock placed upon it. The rock can be obtained from the state penitentiary by paying the freight.

The Habit of Taking Cold.

With many people taking cold is a habit, but fortunately one that is easily broken. Take a cold sponge bath every morning when you first get out of bed—not ice cold, but a temperature of about 90 degrees F. Also sleep with your window up. Do this and you will seldom take cold. When you do take cold take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and get rid of it as quickly as possible. Obtainable everywhere.

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- Hilda Vail, stenographer, working for the General Roofing Mfg. Co., Marseilles, Ill.
- Henry Newman, bookkeeper, working for the Beatty Lumber Co., Morris, Ill.
- Grace Partridge, stenographer, working for the General Roofing Mfg. Co., Marseilles, Ill.
- Alphonsus Phillimore, bookkeeper-stenographer, working for the Crescent Paper Co., Marseilles, Ill.
- Herman Berg, bookkeeper-stenographer, working for the Crescent Paper Co., Marseilles, Ill.
- Grace Manns, stenographer, Marseilles, Ill.
- Viola Sisson, stenographer, working for Jas. Farrell, real estate, Ottawa, Ill.
- Paul Meagher, bookkeeper, working for G. W. Reed & Co., Ottawa, Ill. (Not one of our students, but placed by us.)
- Merle Forney, stenographer-bookkeeper, working for the Ottawa Garage, Ottawa, Ill.

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