

# GUATEMALA WIPED OUT BY ANOTHER EARTHQUAKE

The entire city of Guatemala was wiped out by an earthquake shock Friday night, official radio messages from Darien to the War Department today announced.

Official reports to the War Department stated that the "entire city seems to have been completely destroyed" and that immediate relief is imperative.

The acting governor of the Canal Zone has been authorized by the United States War Department to dispatch supplies immediately in one of the Panama steamers.

The regular steamer is not due in Guatemala until January 15, it is stated. A Red Cross relief ship sailed from New Orleans Thursday with supplies for the 40,000 people then reported homeless, but the additional casualties and destruction call for additional aid.

Cable Confirms Report. Confirmation of the War Department reports was received at the Guatemala legation late last night from the South American Cable Company agent at San Jose.

Reports of the entire town being destroyed were repeated, and an estimate of at least 300 killed was made by the agent at San Jose, seventy-five miles from the stricken city.

Scenes of terrifying nature are described in cables to Senator Mendez, Guatemala minister here.

Noxious vapors rising from wide crevices in the streets caused the death of scores, it was stated. Others were killed in the collapse of the historic cathedral.

Buried in Wreckage. The quake came at 10:45 o'clock Friday night. The 20 per cent of the buildings remaining standing after the shocks of a week ago were razed.

People housed in tents and rude shelters contrived from sheets of galvanized metal were buried beneath masses of wreckage.

Railroad lines into the city from every direction have been wrecked, and the bridge over the river collapsed.

Fears that President Cabrera may have been killed are expressed by Mendez as no news of his safety has been received.

Communication Destroyed. All communication between Guatemala and Yucatan on the Atlantic and San Jose on the Pacific has been interrupted except such as could be made by courier from the stricken capital.

No definite information from the Red Cross relief party that was scheduled to arrive in Guatemala yesterday has been received here.

## MEDILL McCORMICK OUT FOR SENATE

CHICAGO, Jan. 6.—Congressman Medill McCormick, Republican, has formally announced his candidacy for the United States Senate, and will contest the seat held by James Hamilton Lewis, Democrat.

## LOANS HORNING

RELIABLE, V.A. (South of Highway Bridge). Over Automobile from 8th and E. Sts. N. W.

## Gives Up Society to Help Uncle Sam In War



MISS FRANCES HAWTHORNE BRADY.

Who, at twenty-one, is one of Secretary McAdoo's most trusted assistants in his new job of managing a nation's railroads.

## LEAVES SOCIETY LIFE TO WORK ON M'ADOO'S STAFF

A Washington society girl, Miss Frances Hawthorne Brady, who gave up parties, dances, and teas of the debutants set in Washington to help the Government during the period of the war, is the first and only woman on the staff of Director General of Railroads McAdoo.

Miss Brady was selected because of her ability and efficiency in Liberty loan work in the Treasury, and she was the second appointee of Mr. McAdoo as director general of the railroads. The first was Oscar Price, who was named private secretary to the director, and who in reality is his assistant.

Miss Brady's official title has not been fixed. She is acting, however, as general assistant in the director's office. Since saving a finishing school in Washington, Miss Brady, who is but twenty-one, and consequently not a bit diffident about telling her age, has been prominent in all of the affairs of the younger set. Her two grown brothers entered the regular army as engineers in the first days of the war, and following them Miss Brady felt the call of patriotic duty. She offered her services to the Government and was appointed a clerk in the Liberty Loan Bureau.

This was last August. She developed immediately into a capable business woman and her work attracted the attention of officials. They had no hesitation in declaring her the most efficient worker in the Liberty Loan Bureau. Secretary McAdoo sent for her the day he began organization of his staff.

Miss Brady has no time for teas or parties now. For months she has been working from 8 in the morning to almost any hour at night. The hours will certainly not be any shorter in the railroad office, which cannot be expended

fast enough to care for the work that is piling in. She is staunch in her determination to serve the Government during the period of the war, and she is so interested that she doesn't care, so far as work is concerned, just how long it takes to lick the Germans.

Miss Brady's father, Thomas Grayson Brady, was for many years a factor in Cuba, handling sugar lands and other big products. Nine years ago he moved his family here from Clarksville, W. Va., taking a house at 1217 Vernon street. Miss Brady went to private school here and was graduated by one of the girls finishing schools. Her two older brothers finished their education at the University of West Virginia, each taking an engineering degree. Both are now in the engineer corps. Lieut. Johnson C. Brady is in the 26th Regiment, and Sergt. Thomas M. Brady is in the Twenty-third Regiment.

## 20 PER CENT CUT IN R. R. PASSENGER SERVICE ORDERED

First orders in a general curtailment of railroad passenger service throughout the United States were approved last night by Director General McAdoo.

New schedules, to become effective tomorrow, call for a virtual 20 per cent reduction in passenger service east of Pittsburgh on the Pennsylvania, Baltimore and Ohio, and New York, New Haven, and Hartford railroads.

Coincidentally, it was announced plans have been laid for extensive use of inland waterways as an auxiliary means of transportation. McAdoo issued a statement urging adoption by Congress of this feature of the new railroad bill.

Reduction of eastern roads service will be followed in the near future by material curtailments throughout the Middle West, notably between St. Louis and Chicago, where four competing lines operate Pullman service.

## DR. CHAMBERLAIN NOT CONFUSED BY FIRE OF QUESTIONS

RICHMOND, Va., Jan. 6.—I am ready to die, rather than falsely, I have told the truth and I am innocent," declared Dr. Asa W. Chamberlain today when asked why he did not take the advice of several friends and some Richmond attorneys and enter a plea of guilty on the charge of murdering his brother, Albert, for whose death he has been on trial in Goochland county for the past four days.

Dr. Chamberlain was on the stand his own defense three hours on Friday and seven hours yesterday, and from the first he maintained his innocence, declaring that he had been his brother's friend up to the time of his death; that he had never harbored ill-feelings against him, even though the dead man was an ingrate.

Mrs. Clara Oxford, daughter of the aged defendant, has arrived from Wyoming, and will be placed on the stand tomorrow to tell of past relations between the brothers.

The doctor's young wife appears more concerned over the probable verdict of the jury than the accused, who has shown a spirit of cheerfulness during the past two days, and on the witness stand yesterday indulged in some bright repartee at the expense of Louis O. Wendenburg, lead-

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ing counsel for the Commonwealth. Dr. Chamberlain asserted that in his opinion the body of his brother was dismembered and hidden beneath the fence posts on the doctor's farm after the doctor himself had been placed in jail. Graveling cross examination failed to confuse him. He engaged in several animated discussions with the Commonwealth's counsel which led Judge Rutherford to interfere. The case will go to the jury on Tuesday. It is predicted.

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## BRITISH CAPTURE 15,000 TURKS IN HOLY LAND DRIVE

Fifteen thousand Turkish prisoners have been taken by the British expeditionary force in Palestine since November 1. General Allenby has officially reported. No mention is made of the Teuton prisoners taken, known to be large.

A further advance of two and one-half miles and the occupation of Harashah, west of Nabulus, is reported by General Allenby. British troops are now within striking distance of Jericho and the Mount of Olives.

In the Mesopotamian sector, General Marshall reports the inauguration of through traffic from Kut El Amara, a hundred miles below Baghdad, to Basra, between Baghdad and Samara.

LONDON, Jan. 6.—Little fighting on the various fronts is reported today. On the British front in France, General Haig's forces repulsed several German raiding detachments.

A spirited artillery duel is in progress on the Italian front. In the Anzaco plateau and Brenna valley sectors, in the Calcinio valley, Teuton patrols were driven back by the rifle-fire of the Italians.

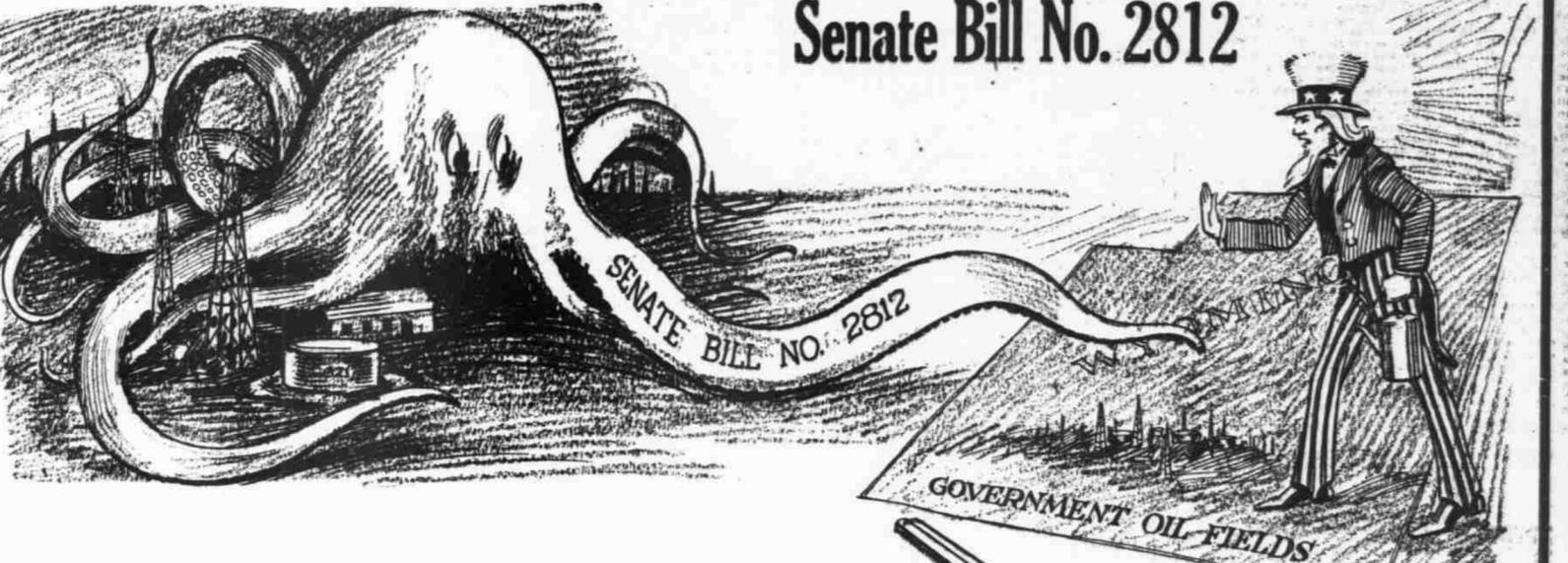
Airmen were again active. British fliers bombed several sheds and buildings of the German aerodrome at Ghietelles.

Italian aviators bombarded with good results enemy aviation camps and encampments, and also the station at Levico and adjacent magazines. Some casualties resulted and slight damage was done when Teuton fliers bombarded Mestre, Bassano, and Castel Franco.

# Don't Allow This Octopus To Get a Strangle Hold Upon the Public Domain

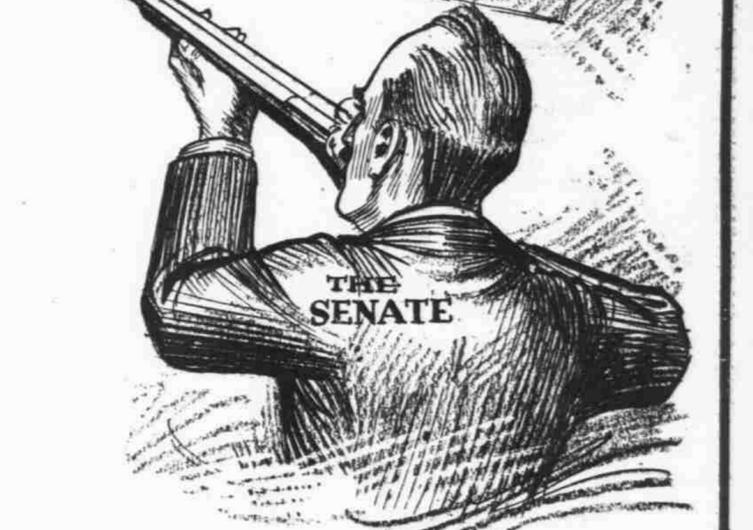
Kill the "Relief" Provisions of

## Senate Bill No. 2812



### "A Bill To Encourage and Promote the Mining of Coal and Phosphate, Oil, Gas, Potassium and Sodium on the Public Domain."

The "Relief" Provisions of this bill, in so far as they affect the oil situation, would block any chance for real competition and confirm in the Standard Oil Company and its subsidiaries from ten to twenty thousand acres of producing lands, and in the Standard and other persons, whose rights are questionable, unlimited unproven acreage. It prevents any one but those granted "relief" from acquiring directly or indirectly, not only in the State of Wyoming, but in the entire United States, and from the Canadian Line to the Mexican Border, any larger area of the many millions of acres of public lands than 2,560 acres. No chance is given for an oil operator to grow to sufficient size to be considered a competitor. In short, monopoly is entrenched, fortified and insured against competition—and when you sweep away the chance of competition, the public's purse is at the mercy of monopoly. It is unnecessary to point out here the result from the consumer's standpoint—the public's standpoint—and it is because of the public's knowledge as to the effect of such a bill, if enacted into law, that we depend upon the bill being defeated by an overwhelming vote unless suitable amendments are made that will eliminate "relief" and permit competition.



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