

\$26,000,000 EXTORTED FROM FARMERS OF U. S.

Senate Agricultural Committee Would Seek Relief Through Mexico.

Charging that \$26,000,000 was extorted from the American people by the steel monopoly last year, the Senate Agriculture Committee yesterday recommended that the State Department open negotiations with the Mexican de facto government to obtain relief for farmers in the United States who have been compelled to pay excessive prices for binder twine. The committee also urged the Department of Justice to "take such action as

the law and the facts may warrant" toward checking the monopoly. Submitting its report to the Senate, the committee, after long investigation, said: "The committee urges the farmers of the country to make every effort to find a suitable substitute for steel which can be grown within the United States at reasonable cost in order that they may no longer be in the power of a foreign monopoly for so essential a product as binder twine. The report is referred to the Department of Agriculture with the recommendation that it make a special investigation toward this end."

The investigation was started last spring. The probe developed a series of sensational revelations of the competition between the International Harvester Company and the Comision Reguladora, an agency created by the Mexican government, to control the steel output of Yucatan.

The committee offered no criticism of the International Harvester Company.

OLD-TIME COLD CURE—DRINK TEA!

Get a small package of Hamburg Breat Tea, as the German folks call it, "Hamurger Brust Thee," at any pharmacy. Take a tablespoonful of the tea, put a cup of boiling water upon it, pour through a sieve and drink a teacup full at any time. It is the most effective way to break a cold and cure grip, as it opens the pores, relieving congestion. Also loosens the bowels, thus breaking a cold at once. It is inexpensive and entirely vegetable, therefore harmless.—Adv.

THROWN THROUGH WINDOW.

William H. Woodcock, proprietor of a lunch room at 425 Pennsylvania avenue northwest, was arrested by the police of the Sixth precinct last night accused of assault. The police say that during a fight between Nathaniel B. Allen, 30 years old, of Good Hope road southeast, and Woodcock, the former was thrown through a glass door. He received cuts on the face and was removed to the Emergency hospital.

Attractive Route, Convent Schedule to Augusta, Aiken, Columbia, Augusta Special Lv. Washington 7 p. m. daily, Southern Ry. 705 15th and 911 G sts. N. W.—Adv.

WILSON EDUCATIONAL BILL PASSES IN HOUSE

Measure Providing Federal Aid for State Institutions Adopted.

The Hughes vocational educational training bill, whose passage was urged upon Congress by President Wilson in his annual message last month, passed the House yesterday without a record vote. It passed the Senate last session, and after consideration in conference, is likely to be the first legislation in the President's program to receive executive approval this session.

The bill carries appropriations for vocational training, increasing on a sliding scale from \$1,700,000 for the next fiscal year to something more than \$7,000,000 in 1925-26, and annually thereafter.

This money is to be expended through the several States under the control of a Federal board of vocational educational, consisting of five members.

When the scheme is in full operation after 1925 the annual appropriation will be \$3,000,000.

HOUSE PASSES RAILROAD ORDER

Stripped of a special provision providing a salaried position for Representative Cullop, of Indiana, by continuing him as a member, the House today passed a resolution continuing until next December the Newlands Joint Committee, which is investigating the railroad situation.

J. R. WEBSTER DIES; DEAN OF U. S. BUREAU

Oldest Attorney in Office of Solicitor for Department of Interior.

Joseph R. Webster, oldest of the attorneys in the office of the solicitor for the Department of the Interior, died at his home, 1864 Harvard street northwest, yesterday afternoon at 12:45 o'clock. Several months ago he had suffered a physical breakdown, but partially recovered, and, although past 77 years of age, returned to his duties Sunday afternoon, while on his way to visit a friend, he experienced a severe attack of sickness.

"General" Webster, as he was known by his friends, was born in Bombay, India, in 1839. His parents were missionaries. They returned to the United States during their son's boyhood and settled in La Grange County, Indiana.

The outbreak of the civil war found Webster a student in Wabash College at Crawfordsville, and he ranked with most of his class, he enlisted in a company of infantry organized by Capt. (later General) Lew Wallace, author of "Ben Hur." Webster participated in five great battles, and rose to the rank of lieutenant-colonel, and at Chickamauga commanded the fragments of his regiment remaining after the fight of the first day. He completed a law course at the Iowa State University, and in 1871 he was elected attorney general of the State, and was later county judge of Lancaster County. He occupied the chair of instructor in equity jurisprudence in the Nebraska State University for a time.

In 1899 he was appointed assistant United States attorney in the office of the Assistant Attorney General for the Department of the Interior, which position he held until his death, being from time to time promoted in grade.

Judge Webster is survived by his widow, Mrs. Lenore P. Webster, and a daughter, Miss Joy L. Webster. The funeral under auspices of Burnside Post, G. A. R., will be held at the family residence at 4 o'clock this afternoon. Interment will be at Lincoln, Neb.

SALESMANSHIP CLUB TOLD OF IMAGINATION

The Salesmanship Club of Washington, formed to educate its members in fundamental principles of scientific salesmanship, held its first meeting in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce last night. E. E. Ferrine, president of the Denver Salesmanship Club, made the chief address of the evening, discussing "Creative Imagination, the Magic Light of Modern Business."

Officers elected are: President, G. G. Reiniger; first vice president, P. W. H. Snyder; second vice president, McCarthy Hanger; treasurer, John Poole; secretary, C. E. Harrington; executive committee, W. G. Gibson, H. L. Moore, W. K. Evans, J. C. De Villibis, Max Fischer, Morris W. Sheldon, E. C. Rodgers, F. C. Stewart, George C. Jordan, John M. Cherry.

The next meeting will be held in the Chamber of Commerce room January 23, when Robert G. Wall will speak on scientific salesmanship.

FUND FOR T. W. GIBSON IS INCREASED BY \$5

"Mrs. Brown," of this city, has sent \$5 to The Washington Herald to be forwarded to T. W. Gibson, former Washingtonian, who is now in a sanatorium at Albuquerque, N. Mex., receiving treatment for tuberculosis.

This swells the fund to more than \$100 and Mr. Gibson will be able to pay his expenses to the end of this month, by which time he says he will be cured.

Many have responded to his appeal for financial assistance. Mr. Gibson attributes his improved health to this aid and promises to repay all his benefactors with interest when he is again able to work.

POLISH CLUB TO EXHIBIT.

The American Polish Club will hold its annual convention in connection with the Washington Poultry Show, which will be held in the Union Building at Sixth and G streets, January 15 to 20.

The annual club exhibit will be held in connection with the poultry show, and John Lock, of Baltimore, secretary of the Polish Club and a member of the local association, informed Secretary Lillie that there would be about 200 birds of the Polish variety on exhibit.

Among prominent breeders of this variety who will exhibit here are: A. R. Hamilton, Auburn, N. Y.; Charles E. Smith, Fall River, Mass.; R. E. Knause, Altoona, Pa.; Hill Top Poultry Farm, Gettysburg, Pa.; Mr. Lock, W. J. Kelly, Cambridge Springs, Pa.; Charles L. Seely, Afton, N. Y.; T. L. Andrews, Boston; Edward C. Pentelow, Hartford, Conn.; Edward Stein, Buckland, Conn.; J. Entwisle, Rochester, N. Y.; R. E. Lee, Kensington, Md.; and Rafael Rodriguez, Havana, Cuba.

FLORIDANS RE-ELECT FLETCHER

Senator Duncan U. Fletcher presided last night at the Florida State Society's meeting in the Logan Hotel. After a brief business session these officers were elected:

President, Senator Fletcher; first vice president, Maj. W. C. Harlee; second vice president, Mrs. Kilcough; treasurer, W. W. Pollock; secretary, Mrs. Fowler.

A musical and literary program concluded the meeting.

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