

Forget Party and Arm United States.

"Better Hundreds of Millions Spent Now Than Unguessed Billions Later," Declares Republican House Leader.

Unqualified, non-partisan support of military preparedness was urged by Congressman J. R. Mann, of Illinois, in a ringing speech on the floor of the house. He was heartily and repeatedly applauded by both sides of the chamber.

While it has been understood that most of the Republicans favored army and navy increases, none of their leaders had spoken on the subject. Consequently, coming as it did on the eve of the president's departure on a preparedness speaking tour, Mann's address was regarded as particularly significant. He remarked himself that he always has been known as a "small" army and navy man.

Mann based his plea on the ground that it behooves the United States now to prepare for any eventualities that may come as a result of the European war. He said he saw no immediate danger of war and hoped peace might prevail, but that the danger of the United States being drawn into the present conflict, or one that might result from it, was too great to be disregarded.

"I have much more fear in the end of war with England than I have of war with Germany," he said. This was his only comment on this phase of his subject. Later he declined to elaborate on his remark.

Mann urged no particular preparedness plan. He said he favored a standing army of 250,000 or 300,000, or even half a million men, better coast defenses and a "navy which will be able to defend us on the sea." He proposed to go into these details at greater length later.

"I think we ought to provide these great forces," said he, in pleading for a non-partisan view of the question; "that it ought to be considered an emergency matter, entirely apart from the ordinary routine or expense of government, without regard to partisanship, or party lines."

Touching on the cost, Mann said it would be millions now, but better than millions later.

"We can better afford," he said, "to spend hundreds of millions of dollars, or a few billions of dollars in ample preparation for trouble and avoid it, if possible, than we can wait for trouble and then spend untold billions before we are finally victors, as we would be."

He said the world was in the worst condition in which any living person had ever seen it, and predicted it might be many years "before it is definitely determined whether one or the other, or neither side can become master." He also scouted the permanency of a paper peace.

TURKS' CAUCASUS LOSS 80,000

This is Estimate Made at Rome. Many Ottoman Vessels Destroyed.

A wireless despatch from Rome estimates the Turkish losses in the recent fighting in the Caucasus at 80,000.

It adds that the Russians up to date have destroyed 4200 Turkish vessels in the Black sea.

Tigris Losses "Appalling"

An official Turkish statement says of the Mesopotamian campaign: "The British made an attack near Menlarie, but gave up after suffering appalling losses. There were intermittent artillery duels near Kut-el-Amara."

EXPLOSION INJURES FORTY

Big Fire Started at Bluefield, W. Va., by Accident.

A car loaded with black powder exploded in the local yards of the Norfolk & Western railroad at Bluefield, W. Va., injuring more than forty persons, several probably fatally, and causing heavy damage.

Fire followed and raged unchecked all night. Three cars loaded with dynamite are said to be on a siding not far from the scene.

Fell 125 Feet; Will Recover.

C. H. Ice, a painter, of Donora, near Monongahela, Pa., fell 125 feet from a scaffold, sustaining a broken arm and leg and a slight concussion of the brain. Physicians predict he will recover. Ice, it is said, owes his life to the fact that he fell into mud.

Woman Who Killed Assailant Freed.

Governor Stuart, of Virginia, granted a full pardon to Mrs. Amelia C. Stokely, of Portsmouth, who shot and killed A. P. Hoskell when he entered her home and attacked her. She was sentenced to a year in prison.

Lykens Valley Miners Strike.

Between 700 and 800 miners refused to work at the Lykens Valley mines of the Busquehanna Coal company, near Harrisburg, Pa., because of the refusal of seventy-five miners to pay union dues.

Good Roads Bill Passes.

By a vote of twenty-eight to eighty-one, the house passed the Shackelford good roads bill, authorizing the appropriation of \$25,000,000 to extend federal aid in the construction of post roads.

Coughing Fit Kills Woman.

As she was about to go to bed, Elizabeth, wife of Frederick Egge, of Allentown, Pa., was seized with a coughing spell, and died before the oldest daughter could awaken the younger children.

UPHOLD WHITE'S POLICY

Convention by Overwhelming Majority Declares for Leader's Non-Suspension Plan.

The United Mine Workers of America in convention in Indianapolis, Ind., decided not to suspend work after the contracts have expired, so long as negotiations for new agreements are pending.

A rising vote, taken after a long debate, showed that 1000 of the 1300 delegates favored the proposition of non-suspension, recommended by President John P. White.

When discussion was resumed on the non-suspension policy, David Fowler, of Scranton, Pa., urged the convention to endorse the attitude of President White. He said he believed the anthracite operators are willing to make a new agreement, and that the workers will get a fair settlement. He also believed that most of the hard coal workers favored remaining at work.

Harry Hunter, Eldorado, Ill.; William Bobbe, Bicknell, Ind.; Herbert Halls, Westville, Ill., and Charles Rosio, Bend, Ill., opposed the policy.

Edward Perry, Colfax, Iowa, former national secretary-treasurer; C. H. Sexton, Denning, Ark.; Lee Hall, Columbus, Ohio; Charles Dillen, Tower Hill, Ill.; H. Greenway, Jacksonville, Ind.; David Watkins, Buffalo, Ohio, and James Purcell, Philadelphia, president of the Central Pennsylvania Soft Coal Miners, supported the non-suspension and his attitude was endorsed by the committee on officers' reports.

Those who favored non-suspension urged that it was to the best interests of the workers to continue work so long as there was a chance to get new agreements which expire on March 31.

Most of the opposition to the policy came from Indiana and Illinois, although President Frank, Farrington of the Illinois miners, and International Vice President Frank J. Hayes, of Illinois, supported President White. The anthracite miners were almost unanimous for the non-suspension policy.

DIVIDEND ON U. S. STEEL

Declared 1 1/4% for Quarter; First Payment Since December, 1914.

The United States Steel corporation resumed dividend payments on its common stock when the directors declared a quarterly distribution of 1 1/4 per cent.

This restores the common stock to a five per cent basis. It was the first payment authorized on the junior issue since the dividend declared for the September quarter of 1914, which was 1/2 of one per cent. Prior to that the common stock had been paying five per cent since June, 1910.

The total net earnings of the corporation for the quarter ended December 31, 1915, were \$51,232,788, according to the quarterly report. This breaks all records of previous earnings. The net income for the same quarter was \$40,853,113 and the surplus \$23,309,932.

These returns compare with total earnings of \$38,710,644; net income of \$30,045,701, and surplus of \$18,037,241 at the end of the preceding quarter.

Total earnings for the year 1915 amount to \$130,251,296, which compare with \$81,746,518 the previous year. The largest quarterly total earnings previously on record were for the second quarter of 1907, when they amounted to \$45,503,705. The regular quarterly dividend of 1 1/4 per cent on the preferred stock was also declared.

FORD TO TRIPLE OUTPUT

To Erect Additional Buildings and Employ 100,000 Men in Five Years.

It was officially announced that the Ford Motor company, in Detroit, will within thirty days begin the erection of additional buildings that will enable the company to triple their present output.

The announcement came from Vice President Klingensmith. The vast improvements means an expenditure of from \$5,000,000 to \$10,000,000 and, according to Klingensmith, the company will employ 100,000 men within five years.

At present there are over 20,000 men employed at the Detroit plant and the aim of the company is to produce 500,000 cars this year.

New Maine Bishop.

The Right Rev. Benjamin Brewster, of Glenwood Springs, Colorado, was elected bishop of the Protestant Episcopal diocese of Maine, to succeed the Right Rev. Robert Codman, who died recently. Dr. Brewster is missionary bishop of western Colorado.

Two Slayers Reprieved.

Governor Brumbaugh reprieved George H. March and Roland S. Pennington, of Delaware county, sentenced to die this week in the electric chair, until the week of February 21 to enable them to prepare for death.

Bethlehem Dividend \$30.

The Bethlehem Steel corporation declared a dividend of \$30 a share on its common stock, out of earnings of the year 1915, payable in quarterly instalments.

The corporation also announced an increase in wages of ten per cent for its unskilled labor, which went into effect, it was said, on January 16. The dividend represents a distribution of approximately \$4,500,000.

Wall street estimates as to the company's earnings have ranged from 75 to 150 per cent.

SOUND ON EVERY POINT

Sweeping Decision Handed Down by Chief Justice Sustains Government's Interpretation of Measure.

The supreme court upheld the income tax law in a decision given by Chief Justice White, which swept aside all the many objections to its constitutionality in whole or in part.

Chief Justice White announced the decision in the case of Frank R. Brushaber, stockholder of the Union Pacific railroad, who sought to enjoin the company from paying the tax on the ground that it was unconstitutional. Most of Justice White's opinion was directed toward overruling the contention that the income tax amendment provided a hitherto unknown power of taxation. Going far into the history of the income tax legislation, the chief justice concluded the argument was without merit. Advancing to other points, the chief justice held that the tax was not unconstitutional because it was retroactive.

The argument that the law was unconstitutional because labor, agricultural and horticultural and such organizations were exempt, the chief justice held, was answered by decisions under the corporation tax law. He said the point was only another illustration of an erroneous assumption that the tax was imposed under a new power conferred upon the government by the sixteenth amendment, whereas it was a power recognized to exist from the beginning of the government, and thus decisions defining the taxing power previously rendered were applicable to it.

Then grouping a number of other contentions against the law, all based on the clause of the constitution requiring uniformity in taxation, Chief Justice White pronounced them all lacking in merit, because of previous decisions which determined that the clause exacted only a geographical uniformity.

Mrs. Eisenberger Acquitted.

After being out almost forty-five hours, the jury in the case of Mrs. Annie Eisenberger, charged with the murder of her husband, in Lancaster, Pa., returned a verdict of not guilty. In the trial a confession, declared to have been made by her was introduced, but she repudiated it on the stand. The commonwealth asserted she shot her husband to obtain the insurance on his life.

Plunges 16 Stories and Still Lives.

Miss Minnie B. Werner, twenty-four years old, a stenographer, plunged from the sixteenth floor of the transportation building, in Chicago, but still lives. Her fall was broken by a motor truck loaded with paper boxes, but her skull was fractured and she was internally injured. The police say she jumped from a window. She is expected to die.

Girl, 10, Gets Verdict Against Boy.

Suing for \$10,000, through a guardian, Florence Miller, ten years old, won from a jury in Reading, Pa., a verdict for \$913.54 for the loss of her arm. Oscar Lenhart, fourteen

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ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.—In the matter of the estate of Harry Saylor, late of Boggs township, deceased. Letters of administration in the above named estate having been granted to the undersigned all persons knowing themselves indebted to said estate are requested to make prompt payment, and those having claims against the same to present them duly authenticated for settlement. ROBERT SAYLOR, Admr., Bellefonte, Pa. 61-4-6t.

FARMER WANTED.—March 1st or 15th, on 150 acres good land, good buildings and conveniences, well located, central Penna., 3 1/2 miles to county seat, Presbyterian church and school close by. Want man of ability, who can use Experiment Station bulletins and get results; a hustler, active worker, thoroughly understanding feeding and raising all kinds of live stock. Selling milk wholesale. Middle aged man with good strong wife and two or three children preferred. Monthly salary basis. Address: J. A. FRANK, Curlysville, Pa. 61-4-2t*

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.—Estate of Rebecca Woodring, deceased. Letters of administration on the estate of Rebecca Woodring, late of Worth township, Centre county, Pennsylvania deceased, have been granted to Daniel Woodring, residing at Osceola Mills, Clearfield county, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay. DANIEL WOODRING, Administrator, Osceola Mills, Pa. CLEMENT DALE, Attorney, 60-50-6t

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR CHARTER.—In the Court of Common Pleas of Centre county. Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the above Court on the Fourth Monday of February, 1916, at 10 o'clock A. M. under the Corporation Act of 1874 of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the supplements thereto, for the charter of an intended corporation to be called "The State College O. O. F. Hall Association," the character and the object of which is "For receiving and holding property, real and personal, for the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, a beneficial Society of State College, Centre county, Pennsylvania, and for the erection of a Hall Building thereon," and for these purposes to have, and possess and enjoy all the rights, benefits and privileges of the said Act of Assembly and its supplements. The proposed charter is now on file in the Prothonotary's office. J. KENNEDY JOHNSTON, 61-4-3t Solicitor.

Farm for Sale

The large farm of the late W. E. Rumberger, south of Fillmore, Centre county, CONTAINING 174 ACRES, MORE OR LESS all under a good state of cultivation except five (5) acres which is covered with good standing timber, must be sold at private sale before January 30th, 1916. For further information call at farm or send bid by letter to C. B. or J. H. RUMBERGER, Bellefonte, R. F. D. No. 1. 61-2-3t

PUBLIC SALE OF FARM STOCK AND IMPLEMENTS.—C. B. and J. H. Rumberger, administrators of W. E. Rumberger, Dec'd., will sell at public sale on the premises one mile south of Fillmore, on FRIDAY, MARCH 3rd, 1916, 6 work horses, 6 colts, 7 milk cows, 12 head of young cattle, one bull, brood sow and shoats, seed potatoes and grain, a full line of farm implements as well as household goods. Sale will begin at 9 o'clock a. m. L. Frank Mayes, Auctioneer. 61-2-7t

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