

## OVER 1,200 BILLS IN HOUSE FIRST DAY OF CONGRESS

Many Provide For Donations of Captured German Guns

By Associated Press.

Washington, May 20.—Enough bills were introduced in the House yesterday, the first day of the new Congress, to keep the body continuously at work through the year. More than 1,200 measures were placed in the House hopper.

While most of the bills provide for the donation to various communities of cannon and German field pieces captured by the American Expeditionary Forces, much of the legislation failed at the last session was again introduced, and new measures came from the Republican side.

First on the House calendar is the

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After the conference yesterday between Marshal Foch and the Council of Four, President Wilson had a talk with General Pershing. It became known later that General Pershing's visit to London may be postponed in order to await developments.

A reply by the Allied and associated governments to the German note protesting against the economic terms of the peace treaty as being calculated to cause the industrial ruin of Germany, has been delivered to the German peace plenipotentiaries.

**Makes Reply to Germany**

The reply is under eleven heads, and answers each German contention. It declares that the Allied and associated governments in framing the economic terms "had no intention to destroy Germany's economic life."

On the contrary, the report points out that in the reconstruction of the world's affairs, Germany will have her part in the progressive development, but also will share with the rest of the world in the economic losses and disadvantages inevitable resulting from this war.

The reply declares that the German note fails to take into consideration the fact that the disarmament of Germany and the end of militarism will relieve the German people of an immense burden of taxation and return to the ranks of useful production. Millions of men formerly in the army, who have been entirely withdrawn from industrial or agricultural activity.

**Must Share Losses**

The reply also makes an emphatic rejoinder to the German complaint that the loss of the German merchant marine will throw out of work thousands of German merchant seamen. It states however, that the destruction of merchant ships chiefly by German submarines has had the unfortunate effect of limiting the opportunities of seamen throughout the world, the Allied powers being the greatest sufferers. It adds that there clearly is no reason why Germany should be exempted from its share of the economic disadvantage resulting out of this destruction of merchant ships.

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**Rear Admiral Ross, Who Built Great Lakes Station, Visiting City**

Rear Admiral Albert Ross, who built the Great Lakes Naval Training Station, said to be the greatest of its kind in the world, is visiting in this city with his sister, Mrs. John Patrick, 817 North Second street. He was called from retirement when the United States entered the war in order to take charge of the nation's naval training activities.

The men who entered the Navy during the war were of the highest class ever included in it, Admiral Ross declares. "Nearly all of them were college or high school graduates, and they were first-class men, physically, morally and mentally."

Admiral Ross inspected a total of 224,000 men preparing for naval duty in 1918. In addition to visiting 92 colleges where naval training activities were in progress. "Right now, the Navy's job is demobilization of 300,000 reserves and the listing of 200,000 regulars to replace them," he said.

Admiral Ross, 70 years old, has served 54 years with the United States Navy and was commanding officer of the Great Lakes Naval Training Station following his construction of it. During the Spanish American War he served as commander of the sloop-of-war, Alliance. In the Civil War he was in attendance at the United States Naval Academy and did some fighting of privateers on the coast of Florida. He has been in charge of the Culver Naval school for several years and will return to it for the summer after reporting to the Naval Department at Washington.

**HOLY NAME SOCIETY TO HOLD SMOKER**

The Holy Name Society of Sacred Heart Catholic church, will give an entertainment and smoker to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock. Invitations have been sent to members of all other Holy Name societies in the city and vicinity to attend.

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**TO REPAIR BRIDGE**

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He told other members of the Council that with their approval he will have work started at once on the structure.

**Use McNeil's Pain Exterminator--Ad**

Private William F. Chamroy, age 21, was at the United States General Hospital No. 8, Ossining, N. Y., yesterday noon, following an illness of pulmonary tuberculosis resulting from an attack of gas while he was serving in France. Private Chamroy was the son of Mrs. Charles D. Snyder, 1445 Zarker street.

As a member of the Third Battalion, Medical Corps, Twenty-sixth Infantry, Private Chamroy saw service in many of the important battles of the late war. Among these were Montdidier, Soissons, Verdun, Chateau-Thierry, St. Mihiel and Argonne. He was wounded late October, and later was gassed. He landed in Newport News February 8, and after a short stay at that station, was transferred to Ossining, where he died.

He was formerly an employee of the Star-Independent, and was later employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad.

Funeral services will be held on Monday afternoon at 1 o'clock, the Rev. A. E. Hangen, pastor of the Park Street United Evangelical Church officiating. Burial will be made in the Shoop's Church Cemetery.

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