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### Congress Must Speed Up

With only 27 legislative days left of the present session of congress and with appropriations for the government approximating \$3,000,000,000 still to be considered, the senate this week plans to get down to business and speed up. The house has practically disposed of all the appropriation measures. The house has to take up the rivers and harbors appropriation measure. A fight is promised over this bill, but it is not expected to be successful. It provides a lump sum appropriation of \$15,250,000. With unexpended balances, a total of \$47,299,006 will be available for existing projects.

The emergency tariff bill, which was passed by the house a few weeks ago, appears to be on its death bed in the senate. There is much important legislation pending in the senate in addition to the appropriation measures. But unless there is unanimity of action on any bill, it does not appear possible for any legislation, other than the appropriation bills, to pass the senate before March 4.

It is expected that the Calder bill for government regulation of the coal industry, in certain particulars, will be favorably reported from the senate committee on manufactures. This measure will have strong support, stronger probably than was accorded the Kenyon bill for the regulation of the meat packing industry; but if the opponents of the Calder bill undertake to engage in a general debate on it, as in the case of the emergency tariff bill, it will have to go into the discard.

It is also possible that the senate immigration committee will bring in a bill this week to limit immigration into the United States. This measure is expected to command general support and, it is admitted, has a chance of becoming a law before the close of the session.

### The Cost of the Commission

The cost of the public service commission in Indiana is one of the weakest arguments which its opponents can bring against it. B. R. Inman, secretary-manager of the Indiana State Chamber of Commerce, in the public hearing before the house committee, adduced figures to show how economically the commission had administered its affairs.

A compilation of these figures by George W. Stout gives us the following data for the purpose of comparison:

"While Indiana's commission was provided

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with \$100,000 in 1920 by specific appropriation, a similar commission in California cost that state \$443,17; Wisconsin paid out \$201,000; Ohio, \$200,000; Illinois, \$396,750; Massachusetts, \$219,995; and Pennsylvania, \$434,000. In Colorado, with three commissioners, the expense was \$95,230. Indiana has five commissioners, and the tasks of the commission in Indiana are infinitely more complex and heavy than in Colorado. Maryland's commission of three cost that state \$119,560 in 1920, and in Missouri the sum of \$147,000 was expended. In New York, which is, of course, one district cost \$793,334 and the other \$454,811.

The record as quoted by Mr. Inman shows that, while the total revenues available for the commission's expenses in 1920 amounted to \$206,521.67, the commission returned to the state treasury the sum of \$46,381.29. This was done in spite of the fact that last year, for the first time, the commission was required to pay for its own printing—a very considerable item in its annual expense account—whereas formerly this was supplied by the State Printing Board.

"As a matter of fact, the commission has been so managed as to be able each year of the seven it has been operating, to turn back to the state treasury a part of the funds supplied to maintain it in usefulness."

The commission has been able to stay within its appropriation without impairing its usefulness or neglecting that part of the public business which has been assigned to it. In the seven years of its existence the commission has disposed of 9,850 cases.

Opponents of the commission have had little to say about the cost of the commission, for its administration gives no opening for criticism that might appeal to the members of the general assembly as a contributory reason for killing the commission.

The general assembly should not be deluded by the artful arguments that have been presented against the commission, chief of them being the specious plea that the city councils should have the right of regulating the utilities and establishing rates through franchises.

Very few city councils have one or two men in their make-up who are qualified to judge the merits of a franchise. Most of them are not so highly trained that they can see the joker in a franchise or detect a paragraph by which they are giving away valuable rights and privileges. The commission is made up of men who have had sufficient training to judge accurately and fairly whether a utility company is charging too much for its product. The cities are infinitely better off by having an impartial commission judge the relative merits of arguments that are presented by their representatives and those of a utility company. The average city council strives honestly to do what is right and honorable, but, lacking training and knowledge, it may err in essentials that are of inestimable value to the utility company.

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Curious—To refresh the memory of several of your readers will you please give us the circumstances connecting Theodore Roosevelt with the phrase "the big stick"?—The "big stick," as used by Roosevelt, dates from a speech delivered by him at Chicago in 1902. On that occasion he said: "There is a homely old adage which runs: 'Speak softly and carry a big stick, and you will go far.' An editorial published on Sept. 29, 1904, revived the speech, contrasting it in parallel columns with Roosevelt's pacific speech to the delegates of the Interparliamentary Peace Union, Sept. 24, 1904. The first cartoon embodying the big stick was published in the New York World of Oct. 12, 1904. It represented Roosevelt mounted on a fiery horse throwing a lasso around a flying angel of peace and carrying a cudgel bearing the words "big stick" upon it. It is interesting to note the varying changes in cartoons in the character of this stick. At first it was simply a long round stick of uniform thickness. It later changed to the knotted club, or bludgeon type, and later it was often seen with a spear protruding from the larger end. This latter form was derived from Roosevelt's expression, "My spear knows no brother." A marked contrast is shown in Roosevelt's emblem and the mailed fist of the recent Emperor of Germany, William II. William's emblem typifies power while that of the late President of a great republic typifies "Force." With the lamented Roosevelt, the big stick meant peace, but peace backed up by the big stick.

Readers may obtain answer to questions by writing the Palladium Questions and Answers department. All questions should be written plainly and briefly. Answers will be given briefly.

### Who's Who in the Day's News

#### ALFRED H. SMITH

As president of the New York Central railroad, Alfred H. Smith ranks as one of the big railroad men of the country. His income runs far above the \$50,000 a year mark. And his career again shows that hard work and ambition are the essentials in climbing into that select salary list.

Alfred H. Smith, month awaited him as messenger in the offices of the old Michigan Southern railroad. He ran errands, washed windows, swept up. He rose to assistant manager of the stationery department.

But Smith had started out to be a railroader. He wasn't learning railroading. He asked to be transferred to the tracks and was sent to Tom Murray's gang on the branch between White Pigeon and Grank Rapids, Mich. "A white-collared dude" was Murray's size-up, and of course, he picked out something "dudish" for him to do—put him in complete charge of one end of a cross-cut saw which sang its way through logs from one day's end to the other.

Two years saw him straw boss; a few months head of a construction train. Everywhere he touched railroading Smith had a reputation as a questioner. Once he took the role of a man who was "crabbing" about the lack of future held for him, Smith answered very positively: "President of the road." In 1889 Smith was made superintendent of the Grand Rapids division and soon after of the Kalama division. In 1901 he was assistant general superintendent and the next year superintendent of the Lake Shore road.

Four more years saw him vice president and general superintendent and two more saw him vice-president of the lines west of Buffalo and superintendent of operation, maintenance and construction. Jan. 1, 1914, he was made president.

"Make your employer's interests your interests and do the best you can" is the Smith success motto.

Much of the credit for his success Smith gives to his wife. He married

### HOME TREATMENT RELIEVES GOITRE

Indianapolis People Will Relate Experiences

unrest when so many people are resting.

One of the delightful surprises of this life is to advertise for a plain cook and draw a good-looking one.

Dinner Stories

"Please, ma'am, father's sent me round to say that your dog Towner's killed three of his prize Cochinchinas this afternoon," announced an apple-faced youth to the elderly maiden lady.

The lady held up her hand in horror. "Towner," she said, "could not do such a thing. Go and tell your father that he must have made a mistake."

"But father saw him with one of the chickens in his mouth, ma'am."

"Tell your father circumstantial evidence has led many a wiser man astray," sniffed the lady. "Run away and do as I tell you, now."

When the boy returned three min-

utes later, he struggled with an ear-to-ear smile.

"Father's compliments, ma'am, and p'raps you're right," he said. "He says I'm to tell you that circumstantial evidence would point to the fact that he shot your dog half an hour ago, but on goin' into the matter he reckons as how you'd find the poor thing died of nervous prostration."

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### TODAY'S TALK

By George Matthew Adams, Author of "You Can", "Take It", "Up".

### SHADOWS

Before me, as I write, is a lovely painting by Eugene Higgins—a man who paints what he feels, not what people want or ask him to paint.

Between two rows of magnificent hills, a solid path leads upward and rounds a great, spreading tree which stands silhouetted against a soft, gold sky across which are lines of hovering clouds.

The work of the day is spent.

The best figure of a man with a staff is walking away from you.

Behind him is the silent, sympathetic, loyal friend of his wanderings—his dog!

The whole scene is one of profound beauty touched with pathos.

But the thing that gives this picture its greatest charm is in your heart—and play a quiet melody in your soul.

I have hung this work of art that I may see it as I write each night and where I may pass it as I go to my bed after the day's toil is over. I want to be reminded often that it is the shadows which bring to us our truest rewards.

That life is most complete which is able to carry its shadows best.

For beauty and strength is where shadows are most. Go through the forest or among huge mountains and you will understand. Study the face of Lincoln, furnished with care and "warm with the unchanged splendor of courage no ill could subdue." Or stand with me in imagination and look upon that Mother of Bethlehem, pressing her babe "in swaddling clothes" to her heart, while the playing shadows of centuries give accent to the crude timbers of that manger.

Shadows! My friend, if you would be great, they must follow you everywhere you go.

### Correct English

Don't Say:

The rose smells SWEETLY.

He kept the money SAFELY in his bank.

The house stands FIRMLY on its foundation.

She swept the floor CLEANLY.

He raised the flag HIGHLY.

(Adjectives should be used.)

The rose smells SWEET.

He kept the money SAFE in his bank.

The house stands FIRM on its foundation.

She swept the floor CLEAN.

He raised the flag HIGH.

More than 31 per cent of all American soldiers admitted to hospitals during the World war were gassed.

### "They WORK while you sleep"

**Cascarets**

Don't stay bilious or constipated, with your head dull, your stomach sour, gassy, upset. Take one or two Cascarets tonight sure for your liver and bowels and wake up clear and fit. Children love Cascarets too. No griping—no inconvenience. 10, 25, 50 cents.—Advertisement.

### IRISH INSPECTOR SHOT

BELFAST, Feb. 2.—Captain King, district inspector was seriously wounded and his wife was shot dead last night near the Mallow railway station in county Cork.

Mr. Charles Grewe Tells How Cuticura Healed Pimples

"I had pimples and itching enough to set one crazy. My face, neck, arms and back were covered with pimples and they later became an entire scale so that I looked horrible. I was ashamed of myself. Many nights I did not sleep, and I soon became nervous. The pimples were hard and red, and were very large, and I scratched the parts affected.

"I saw an advertisement about Cuticura Soap and Ointment so I sent for a free sample. I bought more, and used four cakes of Cuticura Soap and two boxes of Cuticura Ointment which healed me." (Signed) Charles Grewe, 215 South 5th St., Steubenville, Ohio, Mar. 27, 1919.

How to Have a Clear Skin

Having cleared your skin keep it clear by using Cuticura Soap and Ointment for everyday toilet purposes and Cuticura Talcum to powder and perfume. Bathe with Cuticura Soap and when using plenty of soap, it is applied with the hands which it softens wonderfully. If signs of pimples, redness or roughness are present touch lightly with Cuticura Ointment before bathing to soothe and heal.

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