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SOLDIERS OF NATION BEGIN THEIR WORK

Sixty-First Congress Meets in Regular Session.

BRILLIANT THROG PRESENT

House Great Speaker Cannon with appointments—many Taft's majority bills introduced in both chambers.

By EDWARD B. CLARK.

Washington, Dec. 6.—At noon today Vice President Sherman in the Senate and Speaker Joseph G. Cannon in the House called to order the Sixty-first Congress of the United States for its first regular session. Really the first session of this congress was the extraordinary one of last spring called to review the tariff.

Some interest was lacking in the proceedings of the first day in the capitol because at the beginning of the extraordinary session in March last, the speaker of the House was elected. Moreover, before the extraordinary session was ended, Speaker Cannon appointed all the committees which are to take legislation under consideration for the next two winters. The appointments of the committees ended the campaign on the part of the members for choice chairmanships and, if the chairmanships were not forthcoming for seats in the more important subsidiary bodies of the House.

Ready for Work at Once.
The members have had time to get over legislative and rivalries and so it is that, so far as committee work is concerned, the House not only is ready to proceed at once to consider legislation, but most of the members have brought themselves into a frame of mind to do what they are called upon to do without regard to their past feelings of disappointment and perhaps, anger.

As is always the case on the opening day of congress, admission to the House and Senate galleries was by card and only those fortunate enough to know senators and representatives sufficiently well to secure admission tickets were allowed to witness the proceedings.

Galleries Are Crowded.
The galleries of both House and Senate were jammed with people. All classes of Washington society were represented in the throng of visitors. The diplomatic gallery in the House and in the Senate as well, was filled to its fullest capacity with ambassadors, ministers attaches and the members of the families of the president and of the vice-president of the United States. Seated in the executive gallery, and the cabinet and judiciary and army and navy circles were well represented.

By a rule which was adopted not long ago, flowers are barred from the floor of the House excepting when they are to be used as a tribute to the memory of the deceased members.

The Red Cross Christmas stamps campaign against tuberculosis promises this year to be broader and more effective. While last year less than 20,000,000 stamps were sold, the present indications point to a sale of nearly 50,000,000 for this year.

The Red Cross stamps are issued by the American National Red Cross, and are sold for one cent each and are designed to be placed upon letters and mail matter during the holiday season. The money derived from the sale of these stamps will be devoted to the tuberculosis work in the localities in which the stamps are sold. In this manner it is expected that about \$100,000 will be realized for the campaign against tuberculosis in all parts of the United States.

A Revelation to the Cook.
A happily married woman, who had enjoyed 32 years of wedlock and who was the grandmother of four beautiful little children, had an amusing old colored woman for a cook.

One day when a box of especially beautiful flowers was left for the mistress the cook happened to be present, and she said: "Yo husband send you all the pretty flowers you gets, missey?" "Certainly, my husband, mammy," proudly answered the lady.

"Glory!" exclaimed the cook. "He sutenly an holdin' out well."—Ladies Home Journal.

A Risky Thing.
"I think I'll go home."
"But it's only 11 o'clock, old man."
"Well, there's nothing doing at the club."
"I know; but consider. Once I went home at 11 o'clock and came near establishing a dangerous precedent."

RESULTS OF FOOD.
Health and Natural Conditions Come From Right Feeding.

Man, physically, should be like a perfectly regulated machine, each part working easily in its appropriate place. A slight derangement causes undue friction and wear, and frequently ruins the entire system.

A well-known educator of Boston found a way to keep the brain and the body in that harmonious cooperation which makes a joy of living.

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House was present and that congress was ready to receive any communication that he might be pleased to make. On receipt of this message from the senate, Speaker Cannon appointed a committee to join a like committee of the senate to wait upon the president. The members of the body directed to notify Mr. Taft that the House was in session by the appointment of the speaker, the Republican leader, Sen. E. Payne, and the Democratic leader, Champ Clark.

The first day in the House as usual brought out hundreds of legislative measures in bill form, all of which were read by their title only and referred to the proper committees. It was evident from the tone of the bills introduced that some scores of representatives were anxious to father measures which had been recommended by President Taft as being necessary to carry out proposed policies of progression. The bills ranged from those intended to correct alleged existing evils in interstate commerce to those to give increases of pensions to veterans of the civil war.

Applause Greets Speaker Cannon.
If Speaker Cannon anticipates any particular trouble with the "insurance" of the House at the coming session, he gave no evidence of it when he took the chair as presiding officer. He was greeted with great applause from the galleries and from those seated in the House, many of the Democrats and insurgents joining in the demonstration, though in either case possibly the hand-clapping was given as an acknowledgment of the office of speaker, rather than as evidence of any overweening affection for the speaker himself.

With the ceremonies ready to begin work, the House will settle down to its winter's business at once. No bills will be passed immediately because all measures must be considered in committee, and the meetings of the committee will be held daily from now until the Christmas holidays and some of the more important House bodies will sit during the recess.

When congress reassembles in January many of the committee will be ready to report bills and the debates of the winter will begin.

Opening of the Senate.
Vice President Sherman presided over the Senate to order at noon. Rev. Edward Everett Hale, the chaplain of the Senate, having died during the summer recess, his place as chaplain, temporarily was taken by a local clergyman who offered prayer. In the presence of the roll was called and it was found that nearly all the Senators were in their seats. The resolutions were adopted to the effect that committee be appointed to inform the House and the president that the Senate had assembled and was ready to begin the business of the session.

As was the case in the House many bills were introduced for consideration during the winter by senators who, like the representatives, desire to have a hand in forwarding administration policies.

After a comparative short session "in the open," the galleries were cleared and the Senate went into executive session behind closed doors for the purpose of considering nominations for office sent to the Upper House by President Taft.

Curious Trees.
Among the curiosities of tree life is the so-called whistling tree, of Nubia. When the winds blow over this tree it gives out flute-like sounds, playing away to the widowers for hours at a time strange, weird melodies. It is the spirit of the dead singing among the branches, the natives say, but the scientific white man says that the sounds are due to a myriad of small holes which an insect bores in the spine of the branches. The weeping tree of the Canary Islands is another boreal freak. This tree in the driest weather will rain down showers from its leaves, and the water gather up the water from the pool formed at the foot of the trunk and drip it pure and fresh. The tree exudes the water from innumerable pores at the base of the leaves.

An Easy Duty.
"The late Gov. Johnson was a witty as well as a wise man," said a resident of Manhattan.
"Once, at a dinner, a New York millionaire said about his taxes: 'I've got a little piece of property that brings me in a fair return and the taxgatherers haven't spotted it yet. I don't know whether I ought to sell them or not. What would you do, Gov. Johnson?'"

"The governor's eyes twinkled. 'It's the duty of every man,' he said, 'to live up to the law. If I were you I'd pay up.'"

A Question to Be Considered.
"Do you consider plagiarism permissible and say circumstances?" "Well," answered Senator Borah, "it's pretty hard when you find yourself compelled to make a choice between being interested or original."

Moral Bread of Mankind.
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