

RED TAPE WITH WALLACES

Wallace Tells Committee His View of Trouble With the Canal.

HIS QUARREL WITH TAFT

He Gives Version of Interview With Secretary—Cromwell Was Unwelcome Witness—Uncle Sam Buncoed.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—John Findley Wallace, ex-chief engineer of the Isthmian Canal Commission, today testified before the Senate committee on inter-oceanic canals, which is investigating the Panama Canal affair.

Free to Resign at Pleasure. My appointment named no length of time I was to hold it, and I was liable to be discharged at any moment by telegraph.

Mr. Wallace continued that he came north to have a private talk with Mr. Taft, to explain the reasons for his resignation.

When I found myself confronted with both Secretary Taft and Mr. Cromwell I contented myself with giving as a reason for resigning the larger compensation I hoped to secure in another employment.

Mr. Wallace expressed his desire to give to the committee all the information in his possession resulting from a year's experience on the isthmus, and in this connection said he would be "grateful for the opportunity to reply to such criticisms as may have been published as a general or individual criticism or my reputation as an engineer."

In regard to the type of canal, he asked to be excused from examining the majority and minority reports of the board of consulting engineers.

Concerning his understanding of the tenure of office, he referred to a letter written by the President at the time the new Canal Commission was appointed, reading that he would substitute any other person who was better equipped to perform the duties of commissioner.

Where Cromwell Came In. The inquiry was pursued by Morgan to determine "what Mr. Cromwell had to do with it."

Mr. Wallace said he thought that he had been placed in a secondary position, so far as exercising executive judgment was concerned.

Mr. Morgan examined a witness regarding his interview with Mr. Taft in New York, at which Mr. Cromwell was present, and said Mr. Cromwell sent a man to meet him at the hotel.

Did Not Want Cromwell There. Mr. Wallace said he told Mr. Taft there were two reasons for his trip, one personal and the other general.

How did you regard Mr. Cromwell, as an adviser or spy? asked Morgan, and Mr. Wallace replied that he simply felt that Mr. Cromwell had a great deal of influence with the Secretary.

That Hot Talk With Taft. I said I desired to resign as chief engineer. The Secretary made no reply and I continued the method in which I thought my severance could be made without injury to the work.

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UNIFORM BADGE OF HONOR Roosevelt Demands That Respect Be Shown American Soldiers.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—In a letter to Secretary Taft, President Roosevelt declares that "the uniform of the enlisted man (either of Army or Navy) is a badge of honor, and that it entitles the wearer to 'regular consideration.'"

Mr. Taft transmitted the proceedings of the court-martial of Lieutenant Roy L. Taylor, who was reduced to files for unbecoming conduct toward an enlisted man of his command.

WILL ACT ON NATURALIZATION Committees of Both Houses Busy With Measure.

CHICAGO, Feb. 5.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Washington, D. C., says: Every effort is to be made during the present session of Congress to secure legislation designed to prevent abuses in the naturalization of foreigners.

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DENY PEOPLE DEMAND IT

Maine Members Say Bill Gives Commission Too Much Power—Grosvenor Says Issue Is Fake.

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could be granted and where all shippers are placed on an equal footing was imperative.

Senators Hear Littlefield. A number of Senators listened to Littlefield's argument, including Foraker, Perkins, Millard, Keam, Buckley, Rayner, Piles, Scott, Gallinger and Aldrich.

WILL REVEAL MORMON OATH Reorganized Saints Will Be First Witnesses Against Smoot.

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DRESS GOODS (Annex—5th St., First Floor.) 50c to \$2 Fabrics at 25c, 41c and \$1.25 yard.

Knit Underwear (First Floor.) Women's \$1.75 Vests or Pants, \$1.00 Women's \$2c Merino Vests, 40c

Blankets and Bedroom Fillings (Fourth Floor.) \$7.50 Navajo Blankets, \$4.50 \$8.25 Comforters, \$4.25 \$5.00 Pillows, \$3.00

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Jewelry Reduced (First Floor—6th St. Annex.) 25c Belt Pins, \$1.00 75c Stick Pins, \$1.00 50c Stick Pins, \$1.00 Men's \$6c Link Buttons, 10c Ladies' \$6c Brooches, 15c

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