

INLAND WATERWAY BILL WINS FAVOR

Champ Clark Predicts Approval of National Work by Next House.

MIDDLE WEST PLEADS

Speakers at Rivers and Harbors Congress See Victory at Hand. Ouster Proceedings to Get Railroads' Sites Urged.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—That the great object which led to the organization of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress, adoption by the Government of a policy of inland waterways improvement and adequate support of this policy with annual appropriations, is within sight of accomplishment is the belief of the hundreds of delegates now in this city attending the seventh annual gathering of the body.

Positive declaration was made to the assemblage today by Champ Clark, looked upon by the delegates as probably Speaker of the next House. Representative Clark, who has been elected to the Senate and White House, declared that the House would approve such a bill and make necessary appropriations. There would be, in his opinion, few dissenting voices. A similar opinion was expressed by other speakers including Governor Harmon, of Ohio, and General Hixby, Chief of United States Engineers.

The safeguarding of terminal facilities along waterways to be improved was declared by several speakers to be of great importance. Some of them said that the railroad companies are already in possession of dockage sites which will hamper the work of transferring heavy freight traffic to water lines. Ouster proceedings must now be secured by municipal ownership before the full benefits of the millions to be expended could be enjoyed. In his address Champ Clark urged the delegates to direct their missionary efforts for legislation to the Senate and White House.

Clark Urges Economy.

"I am in favor of economy," he said, "but every expenditure is not waste. Nearly every member of the House of Representatives is ready to help you and let me add that resolutions do no good unless you keep up an active campaign in Congress."

"Special provisions of Congress," said General Hixby, "with respect to the investigation of any new river and harbor projects, have raised so many safeguards that it will be practically impossible for any unworthy project to get into coming river and harbor bills, unless Congress changes its present attitude. As the nation introduced no new projects that had not already received the sanction of the engineering department and the actual expenditures were made dependent upon future favorable recommendations from the engineering department as regards the project."

Middle West Pleads.

"When the improvement of rivers and harbors first was undertaken by the National Government," said Walter S. Dickey, of Kansas City, president of the Missouri River Navigation Company, "it was natural that the attention of the nation should be directed to the Mississippi and the Great Lakes. Millions have been and are still being spent on them, to which the whole country cheerfully has contributed. Later the Pacific and Gulf and for improvements on the Great Lakes. We want our own. Citizens of the United States should realize the justice of the demands by Western river people."

Trunk Water Lines Needed.

Trunk water lines from the Middle West to the sea are needed, declared Perry A. Randall, of Fort Wayne, Ind., president of the Fort Wayne Waterways Association.

"The Middle West," he said, "is a great empire hedged in by inefficient transportation facilities. There is more urgent need of cheap transportation from the Middle West than from any other part of the Nation. If the Government could spend \$500,000,000 on waterways in five years, it could save for the people thereafter more than ten times the amount."

Though the National Rivers and Harbors Congress has been in session only two days signs of friction already have developed among representatives advocating big projects. Some of the representatives of the Atlantic Deepwater Waterways Association say they are not receiving adequate recognition.

CHOICE OF LANE LIKELY

TEAL'S APPOINTMENT ON COMMERCE COURT UNLIKELY.

Representative Poindexter, of Washington, is opposing Lane's appointment because he does not want him to leave the Commerce Commission rate case and the allied cases are still undecided. Lane, however, possesses rare qualifications for the place, and, moreover, is a Democrat, and inasmuch as the President seems determined to place two Democrats on the court, so as to make it non-partisan, it seems quite likely that Lane will be chosen. If so, no other Pacific Coast man will go upon this court.

STATE SANATORIUM FULL

New Buildings Will Be Required to Accommodate Patients.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—While the commission having charge of the new State Sanatorium has not met for the purpose of making legislative recommendations, Mayor Rodgers, a member of the commission, said today that it is probable new buildings will be necessary in a short time, although the sanatorium has been opened but a few weeks.

"The main building is now nearly full," he said, "and there are sufficient applications on hand to crowd the entire institution to capacity if all the applicants are received. While there is still some money in the building fund, it is not sufficient for any new buildings and the fund will probably be exhausted on the present structures by the time all the work necessary is completed."

It seems probable that the board will ask the Legislature for additional funds to be used in constructing new buildings.

'WORKERS' WIN AT FRESNO

After Victory in Court, They Fill Streets With Oratory.

FRESNO, Cal., Dec. 8.—The Industrial Workers of the World have won their fight for "free speech" in Fresno, and are speaking throughout the city, while the police, helpless to interfere, are merely watching to see that none of the agitators incites rioting.

The victory was due to the discovery today that the ordinances do not prohibit the police from listening to the testimony of any man, no matter how much he may have been abusing the court at the corner "storey."

The President then promised to give the subject his earnest consideration.

Mr. Kavanaugh in a speech declared that the President had low interest in the Mississippi project, and that he had usually favored the improvements of his own river, the Ohio.

"I am not an engineer and must depend necessarily upon the Army and civil engineers as to the practicability of obtaining and maintaining a lake-to-the-gulf deep waterway," said Speaker Cannon in addressing the resolution after leaving the White House.

He referred the resolution to the rivers and harbors committee.

BALLINGER REPORT WAITS

Committee Does Not See Why Main Issue Was Referred, at All.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The Ballinger-Pinchot reports will not be acted upon by the House committee on agriculture, to which they have been referred, until after the Christmas holidays, at least, and perhaps not at all, according to present indications. In fact, the members of the committee cannot see why the reports were referred to them except for conservation questions involved.

Just now the committee on agriculture, which is headed by Representative Scott of Kansas, one of the members who was not re-elected to the next Congress, is considering the agricultural appropriation bill, and while the committee has not yet had an opportunity to consider the Ballinger-Pinchot controversy, the appropriation measure will be made a temporary vehicle for holding up such consideration.

Meantime the Democrats of the House, particularly the minority members of the Ballinger-Pinchot investigating committee, along with Mr. Madison, of Kansas, the insurgent Republican member, will seek recourse to a rule and, failing early action, plan to bring up the question in speech on the floor of the House.

MARKSFIELD TO BUY FIRE ENGINE

MARKSFIELD, Or., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—The city of Marksfield is planning to purchase a new fire engine which will cost something over \$200.

Most workers in Switzerland are employed about 11 hours a day.

PRAGS DECLARED MASTER OF CHIBDZE

Government Can Prevent Upheavals if It Will, Declares Secretary MacVeagh.

PRESENT SYSTEM BLAMED

Abolition of Red Tape Recommended in Annual Report—Foreign Banks Necessity for Upbuilding of Trade Abroad.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Currency reform, extension of the scope of the National banking laws, in the event of no immediate general changes in the monetary system; Civil Service retirements, a Customs Service free from "practical" politics; businesslike methods in the daily transactions of the Government and a general abolition of red tape wherever it clogs the wheels of the Government's business, are among the recommendations contained in the annual report of Franklin MacVeagh, Secretary of the Treasury, presented to Congress today.

The expenses of Government in the fiscal year 1912, for which this session of Congress is asked to appropriate, are estimated at \$2,812,122. The estimated expenditures of the Panama Canal are given as \$56,526,847.69, making a total of \$59,338,970.81. The estimate, if carried out, represent net savings of about \$1,000,000 in the executive departments, as compared with the appropriations for the current fiscal year.

Surplus Is Promised.

Receipts for 1912, Secretary MacVeagh estimates, will be \$58,000,000, which would leave an ordinary surplus of about \$2,000,000. If the Treasury should continue to pay for the Panama Canal out of the cash drawer, as at present, such a surplus would be turned to a deficit of \$7,132,860.81.

Secretary MacVeagh expresses the hope that the monetary question will be taken into consideration in sectional or political considerations.

"Our system can fairly be called a panic-breeding system," he says, "whereas every great National banking and currency system is panic-preventing. As long as we continue under our present system, we are liable to panic, and the great depreciation of panic reach and Democrats and all parts of the country alike. Panics are no longer necessary and no longer respectable. It is for the Government to say whether we shall have panics in the future or not. It is a mere matter of choice."

System Prevents Reserves.

"We have no system of reserves. Our banking system destroys them. It concentrates in New York what are pretended to be reserves and then forces the New York banks to lend and abolish them. Our system, instead of building up a reserve, destroys it as fast as it inclines to accumulate."

The Secretary renews the recommendations made last year for legislation to tax the new canal bonds at 1 1/2 per cent if used by National banks for circulation, and intimates that it might be more preferable to issue the new securities for investment purposes only at the rate of 3 per cent.

As a check against the use of the bonds as a basis for the further inflation of the National bank currency, he suggests that a circulation tax of even 2 per cent should have the effect of making them unprofitable for banks to use for such a purpose and at the same time would make them attractive to investors by including the 2 per cent bonds, of which more than \$700,000,000 are outstanding. Another means of accomplishing the same end, the Secretary suggests, would be for Congress to authorize an issue of \$50,000,000 or \$100,000,000 of the bonds at 2 per cent, without the circulation provision.

"There is a clear need of banking facilities in foreign countries where there is American commerce," he says. "We shall never be a full-fledged commercial Nation, he continues, "unless we have merchant ships of our own and foreign banks of our own."

Travelers Stop Smuggling.

The rehabilitation of the Customs service at New York has been marked.

"American travelers are more and more realizing the meaning of smuggling, its rank dishonesty and its corrupting and influencing," says the report.

Recommending a study of the classified system of employees, the Secretary declares that a civil service retirement is absolutely the requisite of a satisfactory system. He strongly recommends that all non-political offices be included in the classified service.

As the economies of administration which have been injected in the Treasury Department are reviewed, the Secretary pauses to take notice of a statement made by a United States Senator that the business of the Government could be conducted with a saving of \$300,000,000 a year. He says:

"The popular belief as to the extent of economies in the executive departments is singularly exaggerated and this misconception is very harmful. When the public expects that the Government can save \$300,000,000 a year, such small, laborious savings as can be made in the executive departments hardly seem worth while."

Saving Not Easy.

"When it is the fact that the entire ordinary expenses of the Government last year were less than \$400,000,000, and when a great part of these expenditures is not reducible at all, as for example the interest on the debt, and the pensions, one can readily see that there probably is not very much more than \$300,000,000 gross left on which to save \$300,000,000. Now, to effect a saving of \$300,000,000, when the whole expenditures amenable to any saving is \$300,000,000 is, of course, not easy. I appeal to the sense of proportion of Congress and the American people."

Superfluous custom-houses, mints and assay offices should be abolished, the report says. There is an over-supply of the latter, and the mints in San Francisco, Denver and Philadelphia are not fully employed. The Secretary also promises to send to Congress a list of custom-houses which he says are "no use under the sun."

Heroine of Gettysburg Is Dying.

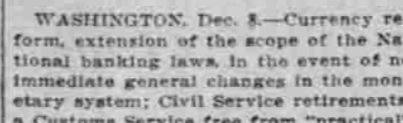
COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 8.—Mrs. Hannah Taylor, aged 82, mother of Dr. Henry M. Taylor, former Assistant Adjutant-General of Ohio, is dying at her home here. During the battle of Gettysburg she lived in the heart of the battle and effect a saving of \$300,000,000 in the great conflict.

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THREE SPECIALS IN BUFFETS

\$12.75 for a Buffet in dull-finished golden oak, all quarter-sawed stock. Has regular buffet appointment and good mirror. Regular price \$21.00.

\$13.75 for a Buffet in golden oak, dull finish, with large linen drawer, two silver drawers and two compartments. Regular price \$25.00.

\$17.50 for a Colonial style Buffet in quarter-sawed golden oak. Has complete buffet appointment. Regular price \$30.00.

\$9.75 for a Dining Table in golden oak, with 42-inch plain top and pedestal base, solid oak, extends to six feet. Regular price \$13.35.

\$1.95 for \$2.75 Dining Chair of solid oak and with solid seat. Three slats in back. In golden, Early English or fumed finish.

SPECIALS IN BEDROOM FURNITURE, MATTRESSES, SPRINGS

\$3.65 for an Iron Bed in white enamel finish, full size. Brass post caps. Regular price \$5.25.

\$3.95 for a full-size Iron Bed in white or blue enamel, with brass top rail at head and foot, and brass knobs. Regular price \$7.00.

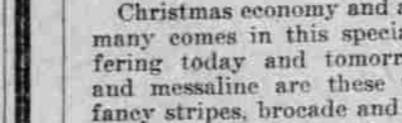
\$6.25 for a solid oak Dresser with 3 roomy drawers and good mirror—size 12x20 inches.

\$9.75 for a solid oak Dresser with 4 drawers and good mirror. Regular price \$14.00.

\$6.75 for a solid oak Chiffonier with 33-inch front. No mirror. Regular price \$10.00.

\$7.95 for a cotton-felt Mattress of good quality, with roll edge and covered in heavy ticking.

\$4.75 for all metal Bed Spring with frame of iron piping, fabric edged with steel bands and jointed to highly tempered helicals at end, causing even distribution of weight.



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Pedestal-Style Table in solid oak, golden finish. Has 45-inch top and extends to six feet.

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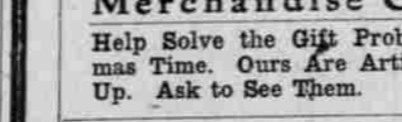
Dolls—Dolls fair and dark—dressed and undressed—and in all sizes. The Doll Store, with its complete line of Doll Dresses, Shoes and accessories, is ready to outfit any doll.

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The Toy Store

TELLS A GREAT STORY



Art Wares in Brass and Copper, Fancy China, Crockery, Table Silverware, Etc., in the Basement Store.

M'KENZIE IS ARRESTED

SEATTLE MAN ACCUSED OF COAL LAND FRAUD IN ALASKA.

EX-COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS CHARGED

With Conspiring to Defeat Law Regarding Locations.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Donald A. McKenzie, who was indicted by a Federal grand jury at Spokane on November 7, with his cousin, Charles A. McKenzie, of Seattle, and four other men on charges of conspiracy to defraud the Government of more than 20,000 acres of Alaska coal lands, was arrested here tonight. He was admitted to bail.

Mr. McKenzie figured prominently at different times in the Ballinger-Pinchot inquiry, being mentioned by Louis R. Glavis in an affidavit in which McKenzie was said to have informed Glavis that the reason James R. Garfield was not retained in the Cabinet as Secretary of the Interior was because of Garfield's antagonism to Alaskan coal claimants.

The indictments to which McKenzie and the others indicted with him will have to answer charge that the six claimants in the Kayak field of Alaska, whereby they were to have a half interest in the mining claims, which, it was allowed, would give them more land than they were entitled to.

McKenzie is a well known Seattle politician and was deputy collector of customs for that port in the early 90s. He became interested in Alaska mines soon after the Klondike boom of 1897.

BEAR HIGHER THAN BEEF

Grants Pass Residents Pay 40 Cents for Luxury in Animal Meat.

GRANTS PASS, Or., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—The citizens of this city are enjoying a round feast of bear meat. A man named Parker, who resides on Williams Creek, while out hunting this week ran across two of them, and as a result the local consumers are patronizing the butcher shops for meat that is selling as high as 40 cents.

Hunting has always been good in this county, but this year there seems to be an unusual number of bear in the hills.

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CHAPTER 2

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