

DELAY IN CANAL ACTION CALAMITY

But Congress Will Not Dilly-Dally, as Members Are Enthusiastic.

EUROPE IS INTERESTED

Bristow to Fight for New Law That Will Enable Mariners to Fly American Flag, No Matter Where Ships Were Built.

BY REMNER CURTIS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—(Special.)—There is no question before Congress at the present session paramount to that involving legislation for the operation of the Panama Canal. It would be a calamity should anything prevent definite action before adjournment is taken next summer.

Happily there is a unity of enthusiasm over the great work drawing to completion on the isthmus. There is no party division and no insurgency so far as the canal is concerned. Everybody is a canal booster.

France is interested. France is one of the countries that is manifesting a particular interest in commercial features of the canal. M. Claude Camille-Perier, son of the late President of France, is in the United States with a commission from the Minister of Commerce and Industry to investigate the commercial side of the matter.

What France and other foreign countries are interested in, aside from the question of tolls—the fundamental question—are the new sea distances between Europe and American coast lines that are being compiled by geographic institutions incident to the radical changes in trans-oceanic routes that will follow the opening of the canal and the possible policy that may be adopted by the United States with respect to the new relation of water and abroad transportation rates that will be presented.

Then, of course, there are the direct trade relations between this country and foreign countries using the canal, which are bound to be affected to mutual advantage of merchants. The matter of competition between the Suez and Panama canals is being weighed also.

This interest of foreign nations in the canal brings home with renewed force an appreciation of our own lack of a merchant marine. It is probable that the question of legislating for the operation of the canal will excite simultaneous agitation for the speedy establishment of a definite policy regarding an American merchant marine.

How is American shipping going to be greatly benefited by the canal when we have no ships, is a stock interrogatory. However, matters are working to a point where some day something will be done.

Shipping Freedom Sought. Senator Bristow, who is one of the most enthusiastic canal boosters in Congress, which as a result of his personal observation equalizes the work done in the canal zone under the present Administration, and who will take a leading part in pressing for the settlement of the toll question at this session, has come out openly for the removal of the tariff from articles entering into ship building and in favor of a new law that will enable those who want to fly the American flag to buy their ships anywhere in the world that they desire.

The present law requires that ships flying the American flag shall be built in American shipyards. It costs something like twice as much to build a ship here as it does to build the same vessel on the Clyde. The influence of the labor unions in politics is regarded by many as a barrier to the removal of the present restrictions.

HILL LAND NOW ORCHARD

Men From East Complete Setting Out of Forty-Acre Tract.

AMITY, Or., Dec. 25.—(Special.)—J. L. Marvin and sons have just completed the planting of a 40-acre orchard on their place in the hills east of town. The work has been under way for the past two seasons and as the enterprise believes they have the start of one of the best commercial orchards in the state. The trees are mostly Spitzbergen and Yellow Newtowns, with a few Baldwin and Jonathans for cross fertilization.

The orchard site is in the red lands of the Willamette hills, at an elevation of about 900 feet, overlooking both the Willamette and Yamhill valleys, and has been named the "M. M. M. Orchard Farm."

The Messrs. Marvin come here from the East and their development work along this line is watched by many owners of similar hill lands.

KLAMATH POLITICS ASTIR

Aspirants for Various County Offices Are Coming Out.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Dec. 25.—(Special.)—Registration books will open here January 1 and the primary election for the nomination of county candidates for office will be held April 13. District Attorney Kuykendall, Republican, has announced himself a candidate for re-election, and Charles R. DeLap, County Clerk, Republican, is said to be in a receptive mood. His deputy, George Chastain, Democrat, is also a clerk, and if DeLap decides not to run, possibly Chastain will make the race. J. P. Lee, County Assessor, Democrat, is by many expected to seek re-election.

The County Court consists of Judge William S. Worden, Republican, and two Democrats—C. Gray Merrill and Sam T. Summers. Judge Worden has deprecated the mention of his name for Congress, saying that he intends to

stay with the county work. Only one member of the Commission is to be succeeded in the coming election, this being Mr. Summers, who has declined to run. James Dixon, Democrat, has made known that he will seek Mr. Summers' place on the Commission. For Sheriff to succeed William B. Barnes, Republican, who has had two terms of two years each, Oscar I. Carter, Republican, will enter the race. Mr. Carter is an ex-Chief of Police of this city. Charles C. Low, who is attached to the Police Department, and Arthur Langell, of Bonanza, a well-known cattleman, have been mentioned as possible Republican candidates for Sheriff. Chief of Police Albert L. Walker, Democrat, who was formerly Marshal of Bonanza and later a Deputy Sheriff of Klamath County, is being

PIONEER WOMAN PASSES AWAY AT GERVAIS.



GERVAIS, Or., Dec. 25.—(Special.)—Mrs. Samuel A. Goulet, a pioneer woman, died here this morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ellen Manning. Mrs. Goulet was in her 92d year, and her death marks the passing of one of the oldest pioneers of French Prairie. She crossed the plains to Oregon with her husband, who came to Oregon in 1852 and returned to Michigan seven years later to bring his family West, died here five years ago in his 80th year. Mrs. Goulet was Miss Marcelle Du Valle, and was married at Monroe, Mich., July 4, 1842. She is survived by the following named children: Peter F. Goulet, of Salem; William Henry Goulet, of Woodburn; County Commissioner of Marion County; Fred Goulet, of Portland; Mrs. Ellen Manning, of Gervais; and Mrs. Minnie Murphy, of Portland. The funeral will be held Wednesday morning from the Catholic Church here, and interment will be made in the family plot in the Gervais Cemetery.

urged by his friends to accept the Democratic nomination. John G. Swan, Republican, County Superintendent of Schools, is undecided as to whether he will seek re-election. For the offices now held by County Treasurer C. H. Daggott, Republican; County Surveyor E. B. Henry, Republican; and County Coroner, E. Whittlock, Democrat, so far there have been no names put forward save those of the incumbents.

MISFORTUNE SHADOWS MAN

Letter to Tax Board Tells Why Estate Was Desolate.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Dec. 25.—(Special.)—Lack of faith in human nature and in National institutions is one of the characteristics of a man who has written a letter to the State Tax Commission in reply to a request of the Commission for information regarding the estate left by his brother. "I will state," says the letter, "that my brother was one of those easy men. He thought everyone was honest, not knowing that the United States was full of crooks, robbers, swindlers, etc., and will be so long as the United States Court appoints men and pays them to defend criminals." He says his brother's property consisted of a number of worthless stock certificates. He then continues: "His personal property was his best suit of clothes, which went into the grave. His working clothes and bed clothes went into the fire. He has no real estate of any kind. "My brother," he adds, "was a hard-working man, and as soon as he had saved up \$25 or \$26 some smooth talker would come along and swindle it away from him." In a postscript to the letter he says: "My brother was born on the thirteenth, took his last breath on the thirteenth, and you sent the letter on the thirteenth."

Clark Prisoners Eat Turkey.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 25.—(Special.)—Fifteen prisoners in the County Jail ate turkey, cranberry sauce and other delicacies for their Christmas dinner here today. The meal was prepared and served by Mrs. Ira Creasap, wife of Sheriff Creasap. Tonight the prisoners gave an entertainment consisting of songs and recitations.

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Sheriff, Mrs. Creasap and several other persons were their guests. North Bend is Sued. MARSFIELD, Or., Dec. 25.—(Special.)—A peculiar lawsuit has been started against the city of North Bend. It is for the purpose of withdrawing certain plats and additions which in the past were annexed to the city and became a part of it. Some of the property includes a part of the estate of Major L. D. Kinney and his corporations. The suit is brought by B. F. Wyatt, who owns some of the property in question. It is alleged that the City Council failed to pass the ordinance authorizing the vote on the annexation of the territory to the city; that the boundaries of the additions were not definitely described and that the judges and clerks of election were not sworn to exercise their duty at the election when the property was annexed to the city.

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