

WILSON REPORTED AGAIN FREE TOLL

Washington Busy Discussing Canal Issue in Light of New Developments.

THREE COURSES ARE OPEN

Congress Believed to Oppose Arbitration With Britain—Suspension of Exemption May Be Made by Resolution.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—How to dispose of the Panama Canal tolls question was the subject uppermost in discussion today at the Capitol when the views of President Wilson, outlined last night to the Senate foreign relations committee, became public. The President's position was asserted to be that the provision of the Panama Canal act granting toll exemption to American coastwise vessels is in violation of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty, which proclaims that the Canal shall be free and open to the vessels of commerce and war of all nations, on terms of entire equality, and that "charges of traffic should be just and equitable."

Before definite action is taken in Congress, it was said tonight by Administration leaders, a public statement from the President will be awaited. President Wilson himself, after the night conference with the Senators, said he would proclaim his views "at a future time."

Three Ways Are Open.
Three courses are open to Congress in the subject. It has persistently opposed the toll exemption for American ships, has favored to arbitrate the question as to its being a violation of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty. The majority in Congress is believed to be opposed to this, maintaining that the United States should settle the issue for itself.

Another course is to carry into effect the resolution submitted by Representative Adanson, chairman of the interstate and foreign commerce committee, which would suspend for two years the operation of the provision exempting American ships from the payment of tolls. Should this be adopted, diplomatic negotiations could continue in the meantime.

The third proposal is that Congress repeal the free toll provision, recognizing that it is a violation of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty. Some Democratic Senators who voted for free tolls now are ready to vote for the repeal.

Free Tolls Bill Certain.
Representative Adanson said today his committee undoubtedly would report the free tolls suspension bill to the House, but this action would be held up pending word from President Wilson. Mr. Adanson expressed confidence that the House would pass the resolution.

Democrats on the interoceanic canal committee who favored and voted for free tolls to American coastwise ships talked briefly on the new situation.

Senator Chilton, of West Virginia, who championed the exemption provision, said he had come to the conclusion that the canal act did not violate the treaty. "I have great respect for the opinions of the President," Senator Chilton said, "but I think I would like to hear stronger arguments than have yet been advanced before I could change my mind on the question."

Senator Walsh, of Montana, also a member of the canal committee, said he had favored free tolls, but would be willing to listen to further arguments. Senator Page, of Vermont, a Republican member of the committee, said he always had been opposed to the exemption of American ships from canal tolls, but expressed the belief that the majority of the canal committee would take a firm stand to uphold the law as it stands.

Diplomatic correspondence over the tolls question, which had been in progress since Great Britain lodged formal protest in July, 1912, virtually was suspended after Ambassador Bryce delivered a note last February, just before the expiration of the Treaty Administration, reasserting the British objection. Then came the change of Administration and before resigning his post as British Ambassador in Washington, Mr. Bryce had a parting interview with President Wilson, in which the subject of canal tolls was discussed. It was currently reported that the Ambassador had procured from President Wilson some assurance that he would use his best efforts to secure a removal of the discrimination in favor of American vessels.

GOETHALS TO RULE CANAL

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been receiving under the commission form of government. The order authorizes the designation of several such officers of the Army as well as a few naval officers for duty in the various departments of the permanent canal government, but the act of Congress provides that they shall serve at their regular Army and Navy salaries. It has been assumed that some of the officers now on the list would be appointed to new positions created by the order.

until in the opinion of the Government it is desirable to do so, the organization being expanded gradually as the necessities of the work require."

MITCHELL'S HOPE UNDIMMED

New York Mayor Still Counts on Colonel Goethals' Services.

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—Mayor Mitchell indicated today that he still hopes that Colonel Goethals would become New York's Police Commissioner had not been removed by the canal engineer's appointment as civil Governor of the Panama Zone.

"It will be all the finer if Colonel Goethals serves as Governor of the Canal zone before he becomes Police Commissioner," the Mayor said. "It will give him more distinction."

COLONEL GOETHALS PLEASUED

Relief Felt When News is Heard in Canal Zone.

PANAMA, Jan. 27.—News of the signing today by President Wilson of an executive order establishing a permanent government for the canal zone, with Colonel Goethals as Governor, reached here late today and brought with it a general feeling of relief. Colonel Goethals expressed pleasure upon advised of the appointment, but declined to make comment in the absence of official notification.

It is believed in official circles here that the plan submitted by Colonel Goethals through the Secretary of War has been followed. This would give the Governor control of all features of the administration, the more official being the military, naval or Army officers experienced in the work of the respective departments of which they will have charge.

MR. BENSON GIVES \$521

CHECK IS SENT TO HOOD RIVER COURT FOR ROAD SURVEY.

Balance of \$10,000 Donated for Highway Improvement Around Shell Rock. Received by County Judge.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—County Judge Stanton today received from A. S. Benson, acting father, J. Benson, of Portland, a check for \$521, the unexpended portion of the \$10,000 donated by Mr. Benson for improvement of the Columbia Highway around Shell Rock Mountain, in the west end of this county.

At the time the survey for the scenic highway was proposed the local court was in doubt as to whether the county would have funds to conduct the survey, and Mr. Benson offered the use of his money not used in the Shell Rock work.

In a communication to Judge Stanton, Mr. Benson said that he understood the state would reimburse the county as soon as funds were available. "As soon as this is done," he said, "the money can be turned over by the county toward improvement on the Columbia Highway."

STOCK WORTH BILLIONS

YEARS INCREASE IN FARM ANIMALS IS 7 PER CENT.

Horses Decrease Slightly in Value Per Head, But Gain Is Shown in All Other Cases.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—Farm animals in the United States January 1 were valued at \$5,891,329,000, the Department of Agriculture announced today. This was an increase of \$324,445,000, or 7.1 per cent over the value of animals on farms and ranges January 10 last year.

Horses numbered 20,962,000, an increase of 295,000 over last year, were valued at \$1,099,324,000, a decrease of \$1.45 and had a total value of \$2,291,523,000.

Other cattle numbered 35,855,000, an increase of \$2,900; were valued at \$1,223,854,000, a decrease of 48 cents, and had a total value of \$551,017,000.

Milch cows numbered 20,787,000, an increase of 240,000; were valued at \$52,394,000, an increase of \$8.92, and had a total value of \$1,184,877,000.

Other cattle numbered 15,068,000, a decrease of 175,000; were valued at \$31.13 a head, an increase of \$4.77, and had a total value of \$1,118,356,000.

Swine numbered 58,322,000 a decrease of 2,245,000; were valued at \$10.40, an increase of 54 cents, and had a total value of \$612,951,000.

LABOR LEADERS DEPORTED

South African Government Puts Ten on Outward Bound Steamer.

CAPE TOWN, Union of South Africa, Jan. 27.—The government has decided to deport ten of the principal labor leaders, including President Watson and General Secretary Bain of the Trades Federation.

Under a strong escort the men were taken today from Transvaal to Natal and late tonight were put aboard a steamer which will sail before dawn stopping at no port until it reaches England. This action was taken by virtue of martial law, which is in force in Natal, from which province the deportation can legally take place. Measures will be taken to prevent the men's return to South Africa.

'DEMURRAGE' HELD ONLY SUBTERFUGE

Industrial Plants Owning Own Railways Cannot Take Unfair Advantage.

PRACTICE IS DENOUNCED

Commerce Commission Cites Case of Small Line Paying Great Dividends—Tax on Transportation Is Enormous.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—Great manufacturing corporations having so-called industrial railroads connecting their plants with trunk lines may no longer receive demurrage or per diem charges and various "allowances," according to a decision of the Interstate Commerce Commission today.

It was held that such practices are nothing less than unlawful rebates, which accrue to the benefit of the industries themselves and give them "unreasonable and unlawful" advantages over competitors.

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Signor Marino Musical Director

Advertisement for Hotel Oregon Broadway Stark & Oak, featuring 'The Rathskeller Grill' and 'Oregon Cabaret'. It lists dining options, musical entertainment by Signor Marino, and contact information.

Advertisement for Graves Music Co. featuring a 'Splendid Bennett Piano' for \$160. It lists special weekly piano offers, details on the piano's quality, and an inventory-removal sale at 111 Fourth Street.

called yesterday in District Judge Jones' court. Attorney Arthur I. Moulton, counsel for Mrs. Gerlinger, demanded a jury trial and Judge Jones postponed the trial until Saturday afternoon.

BEAUTY DOCTORS ARE SUED

Corporation of Face Specialists to Be Tried for Practicing Medicine.
NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—A corporation of face specialists, through its manager, Fayton R. McCargo, was summoned to Police Court today to answer a charge of practicing medicine without a license. A woman investi-

WOMAN ASKS JURY TRIAL

Mrs. Gerlinger to Answer Charge Saturday of Whipping Mr. Brown.
When the assault case against Mrs. Gertrude Gerlinger, charged with horsewhipping Attorney Fay L. Brown in his office in the Platt building, was

Advertisement for 'The Temple of the Lion' at the New Star Theater. It features a two-part special with Carlisle Blackwell and is running from Sunday, Feb. 1 to Feb. 7.

Advertisement for Absinthe at the Arcade Theater. It features a sensational indictment against corrupting and degrading results which fall on the accursed victims, and is running from Sunday, Feb. 1 to Feb. 7.

been made by Western railroads, was withdrawn by representatives of the roads today at a hearing before an examiner of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Banks Ask for Membership

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Jan. 27.—The National City Bank of Seattle, the First National Bank of Keokuk, Wash., and the Western National of Caldwell, Idaho, have applied for membership in the Federal reserve system.

Rate Increase Request Withdrawn

TOPEKA, Kan., Jan. 27.—An application for permission to increase freight rates from 10 to 20 per cent on produce and creamery products, which had

Advertisement for the Northwest Bank Building, highlighting its architectural advantages and modern amenities like elevators and fireproof vaults.

Advertisement for the Northwest Bank Building, listing agents Gerlinger-Richards Co. and phone number 1776.

Advertisement for Absinthe, featuring a testimonial from Fannie about its quality and price, and information about its availability at the Arcade Theater.

Large advertisement for Campbell's Soup, featuring an illustration of a child and a tin of soup, with testimonials and product information.

Advertisement for St. Helen's Hall, a girls' school offering complete education, with information on fees and contact details.