

\$360,000,000 TO BUILD THE CANAL, ROOSEVELT TOLD

President in Message to Congress Presents a Report of Engineers With Taft.

MILLIONS FOR CHANGES.

They Take a Firm Stand for Lock System and Suggest Change at Gatun Dam.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—Any attack made hereafter on the lock type of the Panama Canal, according to the opinion expressed by President Roosevelt in a message transmitting to Congress today the report made by the engineers who recently visited the Canal Zone with President-elect Taft, "is in reality merely an attack upon the policy of building any canal at all."

The report, in Mr. Roosevelt's opinion, "shows in clearest fashion that Congress was wise in the position it took, and that it would be an inexcusable folly to change from the proposed lock canal to a sea level canal."

"I commend to you," he says to Congress, "the most careful consideration of the report. It shows that the only criticism that can be made of the work on the isthmus is that there has sometimes been almost an excess of caution in providing against possible trouble."

To Cost \$360,000,000.

"Their estimate of the complete cost of the canal is \$360,000,000. They say it is incorrect to state that the original estimate of cost was \$140,000,000, as this did not include 'sanitation and some government.' They estimate the expense of sanitation and some government at \$27,000,000, while payments to the Republic of Panama and to the new Panama Canal Company amount to \$50,000,000, which would make the difference between the present estimate and the previous estimate, with cost of sanitation and zone government and payments added, only \$143,000,000. 'Of this amount,' they say, 'nearly one-half can be accounted for by the changes in the canal and appurtenant works already referred to and the remainder is to be attributed mainly to the higher unit cost of the different items of the work.'

As to the change of the lower locks on the Pacific end of the canal from La Boca, on the shore of Panama Bay, to Miraflores, about four miles inland, the engineers report that the changes which occurred as a result of the change "cause no reason to doubt the stability of the proposed dam."

This change having been made because "objection might be made from a military point of view to placing locks on the shore of the bay exposed to guns of hostile ships," the Board of Engineers estimate that it will increase the cost by about \$10,000,000, but that it will greatly lessen the cost of fortification.

More Millions Added.

Another change, that of increasing the minimum width of the bottom of the canal for about 47 miles in the Culebra cut, they estimate will increase the cost of the work by about \$13,000,000, but they say it will not delay the completion of the canal, that it will permit to pass one another in this portion of the canal and will otherwise facilitate navigation. "If slides occur after the completion of the canal," they say, "the wider canal is not as likely to be blocked as a narrower one." They approve the change in the proposed location of the breakwater at the Atlantic end of the canal.

Change Gatun Dam.

"As to the Gatun Dam itself," the President continues, "the engineers show that not only is the dam safe, but that on the whole the plan originally adopted would make it needlessly high and strong, and accordingly they recommend that the height be reduced by twenty feet, which change in the plan I have accordingly directed."

Having considered the proper height for the crest of the Gatun Dam, they concluded that "it could be safely reduced twenty feet from that originally proposed, namely to an elevation of 115 feet above sea level, or thirty feet above the normal level of the water against the dam."

This change, they say, "will facilitate the work of construction and will reduce somewhat the cost of the proposed work."

Dams and locks, lock gates and all other engineering structures involved in the lock canal project are "feasible and safe," according to the engineers, "and they can be depended upon to perform with certainty their respective functions." They report that they do not find any occasion for changing the type of canal that has been adopted.

"A Public Misfortune."

A change to sea-level plan at the present time would add greatly to the cost and time of construction, without compensating advantage, either in capacity of the canal or in safety of navigation, and hence would be a public misfortune. "We see no reason," they add, "why the canal should not be completed, as estimated by the chief engineer, by Jan. 1, 1915. In fact, it seems that a somewhat earlier date is probable if all goes well."

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To get in the swim many Senators and Assemblymen are considering the horsemanship for saddle horses has discouraged some of the up-Staters. They are in the habit of hiring a horse in their districts for fifty cents an hour. The local horse dealer who caters to society and the Governor wants \$2 an hour.

"SCHOOLDAYS" COMPOSER ENDS LIFE WITH RAZOR

Writer of Catchy Songs of Childhood Suicide in His Room.

NEW HAVEN, Feb. 17.—While suffering from acute nervous depression, superinduced by overwork and family differences, Frederick R. Haight, a brilliant young writer, of this city, went last night to the front of Phelps Hall, the gateway to the campus of Yale University, of whom he was a prominent alumnus, and cut his head almost off with a single stroke of a razor. His body was found this morning.

Haight was twenty-nine years old. He was a graduate of the class of 1901 in the Yale academic department and of the New Haven High School in the class of 1897. In both institutions he was one of the most popular members of his class. He received conspicuous honors of a society and fraternal nature.

He was president of his class in the high school. At Yale he was a member of the Yale Record editorial board, of Delta Kappa Epsilon and of his class reunion committee. Later he became a clever after-dinner speaker. His services were in constant demand at banquets as a speaker and as a satirist. His contributions to magazines and newspapers were sought. He was city editor of the New Haven Evening Register, a position he had held for three years.

Last fall Haight's father, George R. Haight, a business man, died, and it was reported that there was some family trouble over the settlement of the estate, which was worth \$20,000. At that time Haight was very much depressed. He retired from his newspaper duties for some weeks. He returned, but gave up work a fortnight ago.

His friends had urged him to go to a quiet place for a few weeks' rest. He promised to go South, but did not leave the city.

Haight was unmarried. His only brother, Frank Haight, lives in Newark, N. J.

Policeman Moran, who lived next door, heard Miss Gardener's screams and ran to her assistance. They called Dr. Hurley from Williamsburg Hospital, but the composer was dead before the physician arrived. Miss Gardener was made frantic by the death of her brother, and there is some reason to fear that she may lose her reason.

WALLIS DID NOT VIOLATE THE LAW

Hughes Appointee Who Refused State Insurance Job Exonerated by Senate.

ALBANY, Feb. 17.—The Senate Judiciary Committee today reported that in its opinion Frederick A. Wallis, of New York, who was originally nominated as the successor to State Insurance Superintendent Kelsey, and whose name was later withdrawn by Gov. Hughes following a resolution calling for correspondence concerning the nominee from the State Insurance Department, did not, in any matters referred to in the correspondence, violate any provision of the insurance law.

The report states that at the request of Mr. Wallis, a public hearing was had in the Senate Chamber on Feb. 14 and that "at said hearing Mr. Wallis appeared in person and presented to the committee a statement covering each of the matters referred to in said correspondence."

"That after making such statement, Mr. Wallis was examined at length by members of this committee and other members of the Senate present, as a result of which this committee is of the opinion, and hereby reports, that Mr. Wallis did not, in any matters referred to in said correspondence, violate any provision of the insurance law, either in letter or spirit, as the law was at that time officially interpreted."

The report was adopted.

YALE GRADUATE SUICIDE AT GATE OF UNIVERSITY

F. R. Haight Found Self-Slain With Razor on Campus at New Haven.

TOOK POISON IN WHISKY.

Domestic Troubles Said to Have Caused Fischer's Suicide.

John Fischer, a night watchman employed at the Empken Chemical works in Long Island City, was discharged this morning and killed himself.

He has quarreled with his wife, and she has kept him in attendance in the magistrate's court. He went this morning to his sister's house at No. 118 Eighth Street, went to bed, and drank a bottle of whisky in which he had put arsenic. When death was at hand he called in his sister and said good-bye to her.

Tobacco Kills

Face to Face With Death.

"Easy-To-Quit" is a positive, absolute stopper for any tobacco habit. It is a vegetable remedy and any lady can give it secretly in food or drink. It is harmless, leaves no reaction or bad after effects, and it stops the habit to stay stopped.

FREE PACKAGE OFFER.

Send this coupon with your name and address to the Rogers Drug & Chemical Co., 709 Fifth and Race sts., Cincinnati, Ohio, and they will send you, by mail, in plain wrapper, a free trial package of Rogers' "Easy-To-Quit," with a record of thousands of cures.

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ACTUAL STARVATION

The Riker Drug Stores Give Facts Regarding Dyspepsia.

Although indigestion and dyspepsia are so prevalent, most people do not thoroughly understand their cause and cure. There is no reason why people should not eat anything they desire—if they will only chew it carefully and thoroughly. Many actually starve themselves into sickness through fear of eating very good-looking, good-smelling and good-tasting food because it does not agree with them.

Dieting cannot cure Dyspepsia. If we refuse every article of food that disagrees with us, before long we have nothing left and find ourselves chronic dyspeptics.

We can cure Dyspepsia. We are so confident of this fact that we guarantee a cure, and promise to supply the medicine free of all cost to every one who will use it who is not perfectly satisfied with the results which it produces. We exact no promises and put no other upon any obligation whatever. Surely, nothing could be fairer. We are located right here, and our reputation should be sufficient assurance of the genuineness of our offer.

We want every one who is troubled with indigestion or dyspepsia in any form to come to our store and get a box of Riker's Dyspepsia Tablets. Take them home and give them a reasonable trial, according to directions. They are very pleasant to take; they soothe the irritable stomach, strengthen and invigorate the digestive organs, promote a healthy and natural bowel action, immediately relieve nausea and all stomach irritation, produce perfect and healthy digestion and assimilation, and promote nutrition.

A 25c. pack of Riker's Dyspepsia Tablets furnishes 15 days' treatment. In ordinary cases this is sufficient to produce a cure. In more chronic cases a longer treatment, of course, is necessary, and depends upon the severity of the trouble. For such cases we have two larger sizes which sell for 45c. and 85c.

Riker's Drug Stores—N. Y. Stores: 6th Ave. and 21st, 15-15 West 9th St., 8th Ave. and 42d St., 2 West 14th St., Broadway and 8th St., 7th Ave. and 14th St.

Brooklyn Stores: 456 Fulton St., 246 Fulton St., 273 Flatbush Ave., 31 Summer Ave., Columbia and Union sts., 1273 Broadway, opposite Ralph ave.

Violates Parole, Gets a Long Term

Judge Malone in Part I. of General Sessions today gave an object lesson to young men who break parole.

Mrs. E. S. Walker, probation officer, reported that Joseph Scharrf, aged twenty-seven years, of No. 350 Broadway, Brooklyn, convicted last May on the crime of abduction, had failed for some months to make weekly reports to her.

Judge Malone issued a bench warrant for Scharrf, which was served by Detective Rayens, of the District-Attorney's office.

"I'll catch you and others out on parole to respect the conditions of your release," said the Court when the prisoner was arraigned. "I now sentence you to not less than four years nor more than four years and six months in Sing Sing Prison."

Scharrf broke into wild sobs when he heard the sentence. He was locked up in the Tombs Prison pending his transfer to Sing Sing.

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Double "S. & H." Green Trading Stamps Till 12 o'Clock

MEET ME AT THE FOUNTAIN

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J. B. GREENHUT, PRESIDENT.

If You Want Good Shoes at Half Prices, Come Quickly!

We have told the story of our purchase of the entire stock of John Hoerle's Williamsburg shoe store so often that most people in this vicinity must know it well. He had a good store, well stocked. What we bought was NOT a lot of odds and ends, but a clean, perfect, well assorted and complete stock of new shoes, valued at \$40,000, including nearly \$20,000 worth of shoes for spring wear, that he had never opened at all.

Our Prices Are About One-Half What Hoerle Asked

We still have full assortments of styles and sizes in the stronger and more staple lines of shoes for men, women and children. But this is about the last time we shall be able to say that; we are nearing the end. Choosing in the following, tomorrow, is as good as if you paid full prices:

Hoerle's \$3.50 to \$7 Shoes and Oxfords for men are now sold at	Hoerle's \$3.50 to \$5.50 Shoes and Oxfords for women are now	Hoerle's Boys' Shoes (and he certainly sold good ones) that were \$2 to \$3.50 are now
\$1.98 and \$2.40	\$1.95 and \$2.40	\$1.20 and \$1.95

Odd Lots

As fast as lines are broken up, we throw all remainders on special bargain tables at a quick-ridance price. You will find such tables here, filled with shoes that Hoerle sold at prices up to \$2.50 (chiefly women's and girls' shoes) the price of which is now..... 98c

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On the same condition so shall you. If you buy to-morrow you can save as much as \$2.50 of the price you would gladly pay sixty days from now.

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The headline tells the story as well as words can. Every woman knows the price of good mercerized voile—and everybody knows that it is much more than 9c a yard, too.

This we offer tomorrow at 9c is a fine quality in striped and figured effects, in self colors; very attractive fabric, and serviceable besides; suitable for evening wear and street dresses. Regular 18c quality at 9c a yard.

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Mail and Telephone Orders Promptly Filled at These Prices Tomorrow. Call Chelsea 4,000.

Dessert Fruits	New Canned Foods	Strictly Fresh Cereals	Hams and Tongues
Jersey dessert pears, 1 Doz., \$1.45; Sliced pineapple, 1 Doz., \$1.45; Pineapple cut in pieces ready to eat, 1 Doz., \$1.45; California sliced peaches, 1 Doz., \$1.45	"None Better" brand tomatoes, Case, \$1.85; Homer brand sweet peas, 1 Doz., \$1.45; Belle brand string beans, 1 Doz., \$1.45	White kidney beans, red kidney beans, marrow beans, whole head rice, hard packed pea beans, pearl tapioca or imported sago; 10 lbs., 65c; 5 lbs., 34c	Selected mild sugar cured, U. S. Government inspected; reg. 15c. 12 1/2c quality, a lb.
"POST TOASTIES"—deliciously crisp and fresh; ready to serve with cream; 6 pkgs., 55c; large pkgs., 10c	FOUNTAIN SPRING WHEAT FLOUR—No. 1, 5 lbs., \$1.45; No. 2, 5 lbs., \$1.45; D. & G. BONELESS SARINES—imported from France; halves, a doz., \$4; REGINA APRICOTS—of yellow peaches; standard quality; California fruit; dozen, assorted, \$2.10; large can, 5 lbs., \$1.45; HAZEL SCOURING POWDER—6 boxes, 45c; box, 25c	SANTA CLARA PRUNES—5 lbs., 25c; NEW SUCCOFASH—fancy New York State; doz., \$1.15; can, 10c	STRINGLESS BEANS—Fountain quality; French style; tiny match-stick size; doz., \$2.25; can, 10c
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Post Toasties

Everybody's Fancy

seem to fit the taste of everyone.

Grown-ups relish it and children go nosing 'round for a bowl of Post Toasties and cream like a pony after sugar.

The golden brown flakes are substantial, yet so delicately crisp that they melt in the mouth. But it's no use trying to describe the fascinating, toasty flavor—one must "taste the toast" in them to know why

"The Taste Lingers"

Popular pkg., 10c; Large Family size 15c

Made by POSTUM CEREAL CO., LTD., Battle Creek, Mich.

Brain Workers

have special need to keep the digestion strong, in order that the food may renew, through the stomach and bowels, the supply of nervous energy. Use

Beecham's Pills

Sold everywhere. In boxes 10c. and 25c.