

CITY FINDS IT HARD TO GET ROAD MONEY

Variety of Ways Suggested, Including Attack on Legality of Bonds.

MAY REFUSE TO PAY TAX

Corporation Counsel Lamar Hardy received yesterday from several lawyers of his staff opinions as to what course the city might pursue in trying to obtain a share of the \$100,000,000 highway, from which it has been cut off by the Legislature in violation, says Mayor Mitchell, of the Constitution.

As Mr. Hardy has not decided which legal path to follow in case the city's fight has to be made in the courts he declined to make public the suggestions that were laid before him.

It is believed, however, that his investigators are agreed that the State Constitution, in directing that the Legislature appropriate highways equitably "among the counties," means all the counties of the State, and that the referendum of 1912, which restricted the benefits of the second \$50,000,000 bond issue to "counties containing towns," thereby cutting off New York city, was unconstitutional.

But as the matter has never been subjected to court tests and as there are many obstacles in the way of obtaining such a test, the city authorities will take their time in starting any lawsuit.

Various Methods Proposed.

Lawyers outside the Corporation Counsel's office are also keenly interested in the situation. From some of them THE SUN obtained yesterday a variety of suggestions as to how the city might possibly go about getting its share of the roads, of whose cost it pays 75 per cent.

For one thing it was said that Comptroller Fremont might start the legal campaign by refusing to pay to the State the amount of the State tax which is imposed on the city as its share in the sinking fund of the fifty-year bonds. The five counties of New York city have to pay \$1,952,000 this year for this purpose, and the amount will increase from year to year as more bonds are issued. The Comptroller handles this money as county treasurer.

If Mr. Fremont declined to withhold this money, as he would be pretty sure to do, it was said that a citizen might sue to enjoin him from turning it over to the State, or a citizen might refuse to pay his tax until the matter be taken to court in that way. The State would have to sue the citizen and some legal authorities held that New York city's quarrel with the State government might eventually get into the Federal courts if the citizen held that he was being deprived of his rights without due process of law.

As was pointed out yesterday, the simplest way would be for Attorney-General Woodbury to bring a mandamus suit in behalf of the State to compel the State Highway Commissioner to allot the city an "equitable" portion of the highways, but there is no chance of his doing that. One of the difficulties of the situation is that the city itself could not start a suit, as the highway tax falls on the counties. Another is that nobody can sue the Legislature. There being no precedent, it is hard to determine who should be sued and how to go about it.

Road Opens Summer Resorts.

Mayor Mitchell said yesterday it was "nothing short of a miracle" that New York city was paying for 75 per cent of up-State roads which benefit only summer resorts. He had in mind a road in Palisades, Greene county, which after connecting three mountain hotels with the rest of the world, ends at the edge of a cliff. For this road the Legislature appropriated \$147,716 in 1915, \$100,000 of the cost falling on New York city.

Then there is the Normanskill Viaduct, bridging a gully between Bethlehem and Delaware avenues in Albany. For this the Legislature appropriated \$75,000, of which New York city again pays 75 per cent. The highway law provides that free public bridges shall be paid for by the adjoining towns and counties, not by the State. The Mayor holds that this is one of the instances in which this law has been violated.

It was estimated yesterday that if the makers of the Constitution intended, as the Mayor thinks they intended, to give New York city a share of all the State roads for which State debt was incurred, the city had been deprived of an appropriation amounting to about \$40,000,000.

Mayor Mitchell, however, has said that he would be content if the city got \$10,000,000 worth of the roads that are being built and have been built out of the \$100,000,000 bond issues of the last ten years.

PLEA FOR NEEDY FAMILY.

Children and Mother Left Helpless Through Death of Father.

Six children were recently left fatherless when an automobile struck Mr. R. With age from nine months to 10 years, none of the children is able to help the mother. She can do little toward supporting them, as most of her time must be devoted to their care. When want and cold forced her she applied to the Charity Organization Society for aid. The home was found in a cheerless condition. Three of the children had picked up Joseph, a year-old, was playing truant from school. The three girls are in a hospital for children in the country for a few weeks. One of the girls, ten years old, is trying to help his mother. The society is anxious to raise a fund of \$150 to provide for their wants during the next six months. Children with rickets need strength giving food, and it will take some time to secure a settlement from the owner of the car which caused the tragedy.

Gifts should be sent to the Charity Organization Society's office at 105 East Twenty-second street, and will be promptly acknowledged.

The society acknowledges, with thanks, the following contributions sent in response to a previous appeal: T. J. Day, for another family; A. Fried, \$1; A. F. Knoyke, \$1.

BOYS' CLUBS NEED \$500,000.

Ten Day Campaign to Get It Begins Next Monday.

A ten day campaign to raise \$500,000 for the New York Boys' Club, which will hereafter be known as the Boys' Club of the West Side, and the Boys' Club of Avenue A will start next Monday.

Fifty teams of seven members each will start on that day to solicit funds. The first big move in the campaign was made last night, when the captains of the teams, headed by Joseph P. Day, met at the Boys' Club of Avenue A and made plans for next week. The chairman of the citizens' committee is Charles H. Babbin, president of the Guaranty Trust Company, and Martin W. Littleton heads the general committee. The clubs, which have a membership of 4,800 boys, are much overworked and those in charge are obliged to divide the classes for recreation and study into shifts. The money raised in the campaign will enable both clubs to take into membership many more boys eager to join.

Extra Fitters to see that the Suits and Overcoats conform to your measurements, and extra tailors to make the alterations. No extra charge for this.



Big broad selection despite intensive selling. Better get yours while the picking is good. Come in the morning and avoid the crowd.

"Talk About Clothing Sales!"



Why, the town is full of them! The man who needs a suit or overcoat is bewildered by the marshalling of superlatives. They greet him on every page of his favorite newspaper. If he accepts one grouping of adjectives as statements of facts, he finds that grouping shaded to a fizzle in the next sale announcement.

Just a Word of Warning!

Look them all over carefully. Go to the stores and study the merchandise. Then with your mind made up as to what you want, and what you feel you should pay, come to Macy's.

This is the time of times for comparisons. In a multiplicity of clothing sales Macy's finds its chance to drive home the truth that its regular prices are generally lower than "clearance" prices elsewhere, and that its sales prices are from 20 to 30 per cent. under its regular prices.

"You Want to Go to Macy's!"

Because in our January Clothing Sale we are not showing a "special purchase" made for the purposes of a "sale" but our regular stock of high grade hand-tailored suits and overcoats, the pick of the season's smart productions, marked down to effect the savings indicated below:

Table with 5 columns: Suits and Overcoats, Suits and Overcoats, Suits and Overcoats, Suits and Overcoats, Suits and Overcoats. Prices range from \$12.75 to \$23.50.

January Clearance Sale of Auto Apparel

The price reductions quoted below represent savings of great moment. In some of the articles the "cut" is fully 20 per cent.

Table with 3 columns: Fur Lined Coats, Suits for the Chauffeur, and various suit/overcoat items with prices.



A Dress Hat \$4.89

Representative of cash-buying influence, which means a high-grade hat at a Macy price. They are imported hats in the new smart models and every hat has the stamp of a famous maker of the finest French Silk Dress Hats.

Every up-to-date dresser in New York will want one of these hats. We invite comparison with hats costing a great deal more.

Lou Tellegen New Legal Name. Lou Tellegen, the actor, got permission yesterday from Supreme Court Justice Plask to take his stage name as his legal name in the future and drop his real name, Louis Bernard Edmund Van Dammen. Tellegen said in his petition that he was a native of Holland and has used the name Tellegen since he was 17. He is now 32. He has declared his intention to become an American citizen under the name of Lou Tellegen.

If the Forecast of the Weather Bureau Holds True---

today will mark the beginning of a spell of severe weather with many degrees of frost. Anticipating this visitation,

Macy's Is Prepared!

The Store is Ready—Everything needed for Out-of-Door Sport or in-door comfort is here awaiting you.

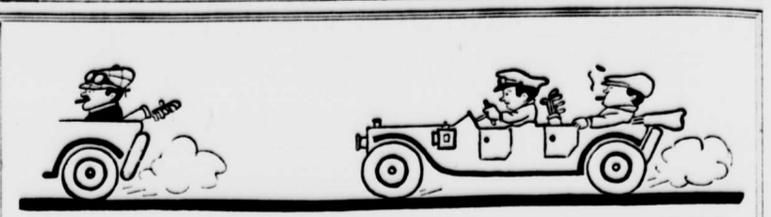
Everything For Out-of-Door Sports

We are going to have plenty of skating, on ice with the making of which man has nothing to do. Up at Van Cortlandt Park, in Central Park and in Prospect Park the lakes will soon be frozen over. We believe that we have not overlooked any essential in our preliminary campaign of preparedness for ice sports.

Hockey and club skates are here at prices far below the price charged in specialty shops.

Skating Clothes of all descriptions may be obtained here, from sweaters of all kinds, suits especially designed for the rink, skating shoes, gloves, hats, caps, scarfs—everything which could be of use or adornment to the skater's outfit.

Macy's is a source for almost all supplies, and whatever is required during the cold weather will be found at Macy's. Warm bedding, fleecy blankets, and comfortable bathrobes for men, women and children. The hurrying commuter may leave orders at the Terminal booths of Grand Central and Pennsylvania Stations.



To Visitors in New York At the Automobile Show

You are here in greater numbers than ever before. Some of you are having difficulty in finding hotel accommodations, even though we have in New York over 250 licensed hotels, some of them accommodating 500 to 1,000 people.

It is a great city you are visiting—now larger than London; the largest city in the world. It has its population of over five and a half millions, with a million more suburbanites coming into it every day, to work; and nearly a quarter million more visitors, among which number YOU, who read this.

It is the greatest city in the world, also, in commerce and in wealth. Two billion dollars of the manufactured products of the United States (one-twentieth) are made here. One billion more, made in other parts of this country, goes through this port to foreign countries, and one billion more comes in through the port, in normal times.

This, then, is to invite you to attend The Annual Wanamaker Sale of Men's Suits and Overcoats

It is the largest men's clothing sale held in the world. It is worthy of the world's largest city.

It opened Wednesday—and did a month's business in one day; sold as much clothing as many good size clothing stores sell in a whole year.

The Sale continues the balance of this week, and until all the clothing is sold.

It began with more than 12,000 suits and overcoats—Wanamaker grade—offered at average third under normal prices.

Suits at \$12.50, \$14.50, \$18.50, \$23.50 Overcoats at \$12.50, \$14.50, \$19.50, \$24.50 Fancy suits, black and blue suits; fancy and black and oxford overcoats. All sizes for all men that can wear ready-to-wear clothing—large, small, stout, slim and average. All guaranteed as though full price were paid. And no charge for alterations. Come Direct by Subway—Astor Place Station.

The Men's Store, Burlington Arcade floor, New Building, and Broadway, corner Eighth.

JOHN WANAMAKER Broadway at Ninth Street, New York



Boys! Doesn't take any reflection to appreciate these values.

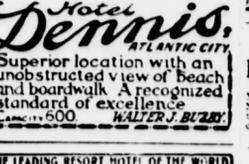
3056 boys' shirts 1281 boys' blouses Plain and fancy; with and without collars attached; regular sizes; mostly from our own stock. 2321 regularly \$1.00. 75c. 1681 regularly \$1.50 and \$2.00. \$1.05. 425 regularly \$2.00. \$1.30.

Now that we're on the subject of value— Substantial reductions in boys' suits—Noffolk and double-breasted, and long trousers suits.

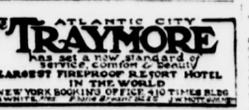
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