

GRAVE DANGER SEEN FOR RIVER AND HARBOR BILL

But Some of Senators Still Believe the Measure May Pass This Session.

SENATOR REVIEWS WORK

Committee Has Taken Advice of Army Engineers—Some Projects Must Be Completed.

Washington, D. C., July 31.—The river and harbor bill is in grave danger of being defeated. "Talked to death," may be its epitaph, and by a former chairman of the rivers and harbors committee of the house. Yet there are those in the senate who still believe the bill will pass this body at this session, substantially as it came from the commerce committee, and one of these optimists is the senior senator from Michigan, William Alden Smith.

Senator Smith in reviewing the present situation in respect to the river and harbor appropriation bill, said: "The sub-committee of the commerce committee which reported the river and harbor bill to the senate, consisting of senators Simmons of North Carolina, Chamberlain of Oregon, Randall of Louisiana, Nelson of Minnesota, Burton of Ohio, and myself, spent nearly two months going over, with government engineers and experts, the house waterways bill carrying, in round numbers, 43 million dollars.

"Hearings were conducted, various communities throughout the country interested in particular waterway projects were listened to and all projects were gone carefully into, and I cannot now recall any difference of opinion in the sub-committee of any special moment. We were all in practical accord when the bill was finally presented to the senate.

"Some of the larger projects for which appropriations had been made from time to time, like the Columbia river improvement, were closed by this bill and it was thought by the sub-committee that this course would prove more economical than the piecemeal appropriations of former bills.

"I cannot remember but one or two

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There's no longer the slightest need of feeling ashamed of your freckles, as the prescription ointment—double strength—is guaranteed to remove these homely spots.

Simply get an ounce of ointment—double strength—from any druggist and apply a little of it night and morning and you should soon see that even the worst freckles have begun to disappear, while the lighter ones have vanished entirely. It is seldom that more than an ounce is needed to completely clear the skin and gain a beautiful clear complexion.

Be sure to ask for the double strength ointment, as this is sold under guarantee of money back if it fails to remove freckles.

Items not recommended and estimated for by the corps of engineers of the army. Those items were the Arcadia project in Michigan, for which \$25,000 is appropriated, and the other, the Lake Contrary project on the Missouri river. The Arcadia project is located in a rural community entirely dependent on water communication for marketing their crops. Some years ago \$75,000 was appropriated for the Lake Contrary project, conditioned upon the raising of a like sum by local interests. The present bill eliminates that condition. Scores of meritorious projects were killed in committee, while others were not estimated for at all and do not appear in the bill.

Recent System Scientific.

"The system of making appropriations for rivers and harbors may not have been scientific or wise when the practice was begun, but in recent years the most careful and painstaking scrutiny had been observed. This is especially true since the creation of the intermediate engineer board which is authorized and empowered to review the recommendations of district engineer officers even after such projects have been approved by the division engineers.

"I do not recall a single instance in my own experience where this appellate board has not exercised full supervisory authority with conservatism and impartiality. Members of congress have realized for several years that an adverse report from the army engineers virtually doom the project. And this course has done away, almost entirely, with the old practice of 'log-rolling,' which was, many years ago, quite commonly practiced in securing local benefits in river and harbor bills.

"There may be, and probably is, improvement in rivers and harbors not as necessary to communities today as when undertaken, but that system was not without its champions; boards of trade, chambers of commerce, common councils and citizens generally. They gave public men no peace until their local ambitions were initiated. The situation is entirely different today. And the work of improvement of the rivers and harbors must now have the approval of the expert engineers of the army before it can obtain any standing before the committee of either house of congress.

Needs Further Attention.

"I wish some better method than the one now employed could be devised. The national waterways commission, headed by Senator Burton, and of which I was a member, after months of careful study, laid down some definite rules of procedure calculated to remedy many of the defects of the old system. But the plan is far from complete now and must have further attention from congress in the meantime, partially completed projects cannot be permitted to languish without great loss to the government and the communities affected.

"The present bill is constructed entirely upon these lines, and I did not know until the bill was presented to the senate that there was any division among the members of the committee of commerce regarding it.

"If it is proposed to withdraw government support from our national waterways, this subject should be canvassed in all its various phases and the future policy of the government frankly and openly avowed. Until such a change in the policy has been adopted the present method, which requires the approval of the engineer corps, after careful investigation, is the only one which can consistently be supported."

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A few Suits, small sizes, \$15 values \$5 Cash

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Sextons

The Busy Corner

MOLINE MAN A BIG WINNER IN WHEAT

Closes Out 200,000 Bushels at 95 Cents, With \$36,000 as His Profit.

P. J. McCormick, manager of the local branch of the E. W. Wagner brokerage house, with offices in the Best building, is authority for the statement that a resident of Moline yesterday closed out 200,000 bushels of wheat at a profit of \$36,000. He bought at 77 and sold at 95, taking a margin of 18 cents a bushel.

Two other local speculators also cleaned up during the flurry. One held 150,000 bushels on which he took a profit of 15 cents, netting him \$22,500, and another had 100,000 which he sold when his margin was 12 cents, and he pocketed \$12,000 velvet.

The Wagner offices have been crowded since wheat quotations have begun to dance, with the result that Manager McCormick has been doing the biggest business in the history of the branch here.

WATERTOWN

Little Miss Laura Kitchen was a happy little hostess Wednesday afternoon at a party in honor of the sixth anniversary of her birth. About 30 little folks responded to unique invitations. The usual games were played and a good time enjoyed. A 6 course luncheon was served on the lawn. Laura received a nice gift from each guest.

T. B. Chambers left Wednesday for

Franklin, Ill., where he will attend a home coming.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Corner spent Sunday in Kewanee.

Mr. and Mrs. Goddard of Moline spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Gill.

Mrs. Charles Lindberg has returned from a visit with relatives in Galesburg, Ill.

Miss Roxie Snyder has returned to her home at Carverville, Ill., after a month's visit in the Miss Alphereta Alshrow.

E. Fabor has returned home from a visit in Whitehall, Ill.

John Schave has returned home from a business trip to St. Louis.

Mrs. Mary Schave entertained the members of the Lutheran Aid society at her home last week.

Mrs. Fred Deem has returned home from a visit with relatives in Cleveland.

A. L. Lynes has returned to Beloit, Wis., after a several days' stay at home.

H. C. McNeal and family motored to Colona last Sunday.

Miss Nellie Lynes accompanied a Davenport automobile party on a trip to Missouri.

The ladies of the M. E. Aid society were pleasantly entertained at the church Wednesday afternoon by Mrs. L. C. Havermale and Mrs. Cox. A nice luncheon was served.

Mrs. Ross Wainwright and children of near Zuma are visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. William Filbert, Jr.

Mrs. B. A. Cook, a former employee in a hotel in Sacramento, Cal., who recently was married to B. A. Cook, a wealthy man of Galveston, Texas, returned to Sacramento, bought the hotel and discharged the housekeeper, fulfilling a prophecy made last summer.

Notice to Contractors.

Bids will be received at the mayor's office, Rock Island, Illinois, until 2:00 p. m., Aug. 10, 1914, for constructing concrete sidewalks on certain streets and avenues according to an ordinance passed June 22, 1914.

H. M. SCHRIVER, Mayor.

—(Adv.)

FOREIGNERS SEEK TO ESCAPE A WAR

Many Rush to Circuit Clerk's Office to Apply for Naturalization Papers.

The European war scare is having an appreciable effect upon the application for naturalization papers in the office of Circuit Clerk George W. Gamble. Since the situation across the water became intense there has been quite a demand for final papers, in order to escape war service.

After the foreigners become American citizens they are, of course, immune from military duty in behalf of any other country. A local German, who could have taken out his last papers last March, but neglected to do so, hurried into Clerk Gamble's office this morning, announcing he wanted to become naturalized at once.

"I served three years in the German army," he declared. "I don't know that there is going to be war but I want to be on the safe side."

EIGHT FLEE FROM ASYLUM

Inmates of Michigan Institution Get Down Fire Escape.

Ionia, Mich., July 31.—Eight inmates

of the state asylum for the criminal insane, located here, escaped yesterday while being transferred from their sleeping quarters to the day ward. They ran down a fire escape. Among the eight are Melvin Conklin, sent here from Jackson prison, where he was serving a sentence for murder, and Walter Kuhlman, who shot two Detroit policemen.

RESORT TO BLASTING FOR EAGLE BUILDING

Blasting was resorted to at the excavation for the new Eagles' home at Twenty-first street and Fourth avenue this morning. The men had made fine progress until they struck a solid bed of rock. A little over half of the earth has been removed so far. The Rock Island Fuel company has the sub-contract for the excavating.

LICENSED TO WED

Theodore G. Thomas, Rock Island
Miss Meta Brondell, Rock Island
Keel Wistard, Moline
Miss Emma Van Daele, Moline

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THE LAST DAYS of the Closing Out of the Henry O. Jochum Shoe Stock will be Record Breakers

The crowds will be big. We advise you to come early in the morning if you can. The last three days of this sale will be terrific sale days and will be the biggest days of the sale. Read the prices, then you will understand what is going to keep us busy the next three days.

Some idea of the values offered during the next three days, selling ladies' shoes, oxfords and strap pumps in black, tan and patent, the former price was 2.00 and 2.50, our price **98c**

One broken lot of ladies' shoes and oxfords, black and tan, about 50 pairs, formerly sold at 2.00 to 3.00, go at **78c**

Ladies' two-strap and oxfords, black and tan calf, patent, gun metal and velvet, the cheapest shoe in this is 2.50, our price **1.28**

All the balance of the boys' shoes and oxfords, all sizes, go **98c** at 88c and

Here's your chance, Men! Abig lot of shoes and oxfords, black and tan, all good styles, Jochum formerly sold these at 2.50 to 3.00. **1.45** now go at

Men's fine shoes in gun metal, tan and vici kid, button and blucher, regular 3.00 and 3.50 shoes, **1.95** now go at

Misses' and children's shoes and two-strap slippers, values up to 2.50, now go at **1.19**

You can now buy misses' oxfords in tan and black which Jochum formerly sold at 1.25 and 1.50 now go at **68c**

Children's shoes and slippers, black, vici kid, now go **48c** at 10c and

HARPER-HOUSE BLOCK
PRIESTER-HICKEY
SHOE COMPANY

NEW LIBRARY BOOKS

The following books have been received at the Rock Island public library and will be ready for circulation tomorrow morning:

"They Who Knock at Our Gates"—Mary Antin.
"Exercises for Women"—Florence Bolton.
"The Sword Hand of Napoleon"—C. T. Brady.
"The Mob"—J. Galsworthy.
"Clark's Field"—Robert Herrick.
"Principles of Character Building"—Arthur Holmes.
"Woodcarving Design"—George Jack.
"Our Mr. Wrenn"—Sinclair Lewis.
"Barnabette"—Mrs. H. Martin.
"You Never Know Your Luck"—Gilbert Parker.
"Faith Trellison"—Eden Phillpotts.
"The Training of a Forester"—Gilford Pinchot.
"Terry's Mexico"—T. P. Terry.
"The Statesman's Year-Book for 1914."
"The First Step"—E. O. White.

REALTY CHANGES

Emma J. & J. C. Burgoyne to Myrtle Dunlap \$1.00 lots 1-2 and 3 block 120 Andalusia.

E. H. Stafford to Albert E. McInnis \$300, lot 13 block 15 1st add Silvis.

Emily G. Olson and husband to Stephen Barenthin \$2,200 lot 5 W. E. Balley's 4th add Rock Island.

W. E. Balley to Adela Ohrt \$1.00 lot 2 W. E. Balley's 26th street Rock Island.

Rheumatism Relieved in a Few Hours.

N. B. Langley, Madison, Wis., says: "I was almost helpless with rheumatism for about five months. Had it in my neck so I could not turn my head, and all through my body. I tried three doctors and many remedies without any relief whatever until I procured Dr. Detchon's Relief for Rheumatism. In a few hours the pain was relieved and in three days the rheumatism was completely cured and I was at work. Sold by Otto Grotjan, 1501 Second avenue, Rock Island; Gust Schlegel & Son, 220 West Second street, Davenport.—(Adv.)

Moose Fix Liquor Limit. Milwaukee, July 31.—All future incorporations of Moose clubhouses must be with the consent of the supreme dictator and no liquor can be sold in clubhouses in dry states, pursuant to a resolution adopted at yesterday afternoon's session of the Loyal Order of Moose convention.

All the news all the time—The Argus.



The bread was poor—they had a quarrel, Her husband promptly left her. But he's back again—and here's the moral, She now makes bread with Zephyr.

Good people, here's what you may expect when you use

ZEPHYR FLOUR

The same story over and over again. Zephyr Flour is convincing more people every day of its goodness. The lightest, whitest, tastiest bread, the most delicious cake and pastry.

Eat More Good Things Baked With Zephyr Flour

The beauty about it is that housewives can depend on Zephyr Flour being always the same. They are not disappointed by having heavy, soggy bread. The biscuit are light, the cakes are truly delicious.

It's all in the wheat and in the milling. The people who make Zephyr Flour out of good, hard wheat go to the trouble and expense to make it better than any other flour.

Zeph himself