

ECUADOR ANXIOUS TO USE WATERWAY

Panama Canal Will Add to
Her Wealth.

COUNTRY NOW PROSPEROUS

United States Minister Simpson Tells
of South American Republic's
Export Trade.

Ecuador is enjoying unusual prosperity, according to the statements of Gen. Archibald J. Simpson, United States minister at Quito, who is at present in Washington settling up his affairs preliminary to resigning his present post.

This year's export trade from Ecuador, it is claimed, will be the largest in volume and value that country has had for a long period.

"The people of Ecuador do not want for anything," said General Simpson, "except better facilities for getting her exports to market."

"The greatest and most annoying thing experienced by Ecuador's farmers and manufacturers is the unusually high freight rates incident to the long route from its seaport to the trade centers of the United States and Great Britain."

"The Panama canal, when completed, will be a God-send to the people of the Pacific slope of South America. It will enable them to get their products to American markets in a much shorter time, and, presumably, at a great reduction in traffic expense."

"It is the general feeling in Ecuador that the canal, under the control of this Government, will give South American products an 'open gate' to American and European markets, and the people are anxious for its completion."

"The reports from the interior of Ecuador show the crops to be in a flourishing condition, and with the market prices above the average, the country cannot help but be in a prosperous condition."

ARRANGING TO LIGHT TUNNELS UNDER BRIDGES

At H, K, L, and M Streets and
Florida Avenue—Biddle and
West Decide.

In the course of a day or two Commissioner Biddle will give directions for the lighting of H, K, L, and M streets and Florida avenue northeast, where the road runs under the bridges of the Washington Terminal Company.

Commissioner Biddle today made the following recommendation to Commissioner West:

"Respectfully forwarded to Commissioner West, with the recommendation that I be authorized to install the following incandescent electric lights in the tunnels under the tracks of the Washington Terminal Company: H street tunnel, 155 lights; K street tunnel, 67 lights; L street tunnel, 17 lights; M street tunnel, 13 lights; Florida avenue tunnel, 13 lights."

"On account of the length of the H and K street tunnels, it will be necessary to burn the lights therein for a longer time than is provided for in the regular street lighting schedules, which are based on burning the lights from minutes after sunset and extinguishing them forty-five minutes before sunrise."

At the same time Commissioner Biddle recommended that in the H and K street tunnels one-half of the lights be maintained by the Washington Terminal Company, and the other half by the Washington Terminal Company, when its powerhouse has been constructed.

Commissioner West approved these various recommendations, and the lights will be supplied as Colonel Biddle suggested.

THE GREAT EXPLORER DE BRAZZA IS DEAD

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two stations for scientific and humanitarian purposes, leaving two Europeans in charge.

One of these stations was established on the Upper Ogowe and served as a point of departure for expeditions to the Congo; the other on the Congo itself, at Stanley Pool. His first station on the Upper Ogowe is called Franceville, near to Ughini, in the country of the Omdoumbos and the Aoumbos.

King Sought His Friendship.

Then it was, according to M. de Brazza, that King Makoko, whose kingdom lies on the Congo, around Stanley Pool, sought his friendship, assisted by his influence the negotiations with the Oubandjis, and on September 10, 1890, asked the protection of the French flag against hostilities which were likely to break out between the king and the Europeans, whose approach he announced. He then gave the king the signing of the celebrated treaty which led to so much curious speculation as to France's scheme of conquering and annexing Central Africa.

The treaty was ratified by the French government. M. de Brazza returned to Paris, was feted and lionized. He was presented with a gold medal, moreover, and the French papers glorified him with all the homage of their largest type. He returned to Africa, and, sailing boldly up the Congo, hauled down one of Stanley's flags.

The French government supplied him liberally with arms, and for some time there were wild rumors abroad that he would wage war against Stanley and drive him from the country, the two sources of which he has done so much to make known. In Stanley, however, he found an adversary of one courageous and diplomatic, and also on the best of terms with the dusky potentates of the Dark Continent.

De Brazza was not so successful as he hoped he should be, and Stanley's star being in the ascendant, De Brazza's prospects were enveloped in gloom. His stations on the Upper Congo were surrounded by those of Stanley in such a manner that extension was very difficult. The occupation of Quillon, on the coast, by Stanley did De Brazza a great deal of harm, as it prevented him from carrying out his intention of occupying the whole coast from Cape Lopez to Pointe Negre as far as the boundary of the Portuguese reserved the right to himself.

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NEWLY APPOINTED CORPORATION COURT CLERK AT ALEXANDRIA



CHARLES BENDHEIM,

Successor to John S. Beach, Will Have a Fight to Retain the Place.

CHARLES BENDHEIM CLERK OF THE COURT

Named by Judge Barley at Alexandria to Succeed the
Late John S. Beach—Contest for Position at
Next Primary.

ALEXANDRIA, Va., Sept. 16.—As stated in yesterday's Times, Judge Barley has appointed Charles Bendheim, an Alexandria lawyer, who, for some time was a representative in the House of Delegates of Virginia, to be clerk of the corporation court to succeed the late John S. Beach. Mr. Bendheim has accepted the appointment and has been sworn in as clerk. After the committee appointed by Judge Barley to examine the condition of the office of the clerk makes its report the new incumbent will assume the duties of his office. Under the statute in relation to the clerk of the court, it is ordered that before a

vacancy in that office is filled a committee must first be appointed to examine into the condition of the office. In compliance with this statute Judge Barley has appointed H. W. Smith, Robinson Moncure and R. D. Brumback the committee to make this examination. Immediately upon being notified of his appointment Mr. Bendheim tendered to N. S. Greenaway, late deputy clerk under Mr. Beach, the office of deputy clerk of the court. Mr. Greenaway declined the position, stating that he intended to be a candidate before a Democratic primary for nomination as Clerk of the Corporation Court, to succeed to that office at the end of the unexpired term of the late John S. Beach.

GRANT'S PROPOSAL MEETS OBJECTION

Abandoned Forts for Soldiers' Wives Not Feasible.

General Frederick D. Grant, in his annual report, makes a novel suggestion, which has aroused the greatest interest in army circles.

The commander of the Department of the East proposes that the wives of officers and enlisted men serving in the Philippines be given quarters in a limited number of abandoned forts while their husbands are absent from the country.

A captain of cavalry on special duty here, whose name is suppressed because otherwise he might suffer a violent death, said tonight:

"If General Grant's idea should by any accident be adopted, the fighting in Manchuria would be lost sight of in the Philippines and American warfare right at our own doors."

"For my own part I'd hate to live within fifty miles of one of those abandoned forts."

"Would the women rank according to seniority? I don't mean as to their own age, but with regard to their husbands' (importance) and could a woman be ranked out of quarters, as a man is in the army?"

"Would the senior Mrs. Colonel be in command, and would she compel the wives of other officers to salute first?"

"Would the wife of a first sergeant be permitted to boss the wives of privates, and if there were two Mrs. First Sergeants who would run things?"

Social Ethics Discussed.

"Could the wife of a cavalry sergeant expect any respect from the wife of an infantry corporal and an artillery private, and if she could not, why couldn't she?"

"Does the wife of a paymaster, ranking as Mrs. Major, occupy a higher position of authority than Mrs. Captain, whose husband is a line officer commanding troops?"

"We have brave men in our army, men willing to face death cheerfully, but every one of them would run away if made social arbiters of such grave problems."

"General Grant's idea is new, all right, but I don't like it one bit."

DISTRICT REVOLT AGAINST HEBBURN

Political Fences All Torn to Pieces.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Sept. 16.—Representative W. P. Hebburn is confronted by a serious revolt that threatens to prevent his re-election. When he returns with the Taft party from the Philippines, he will find his political fences all torn down in the Eighth Congressional district.

Two candidates for Mr. Hebburn's seat have entered the field—A. W. Smith, partner of Chairman Spence, of the State central committee, and Senator L. W. Lewis. The former's candidacy is avowed; the latter is "in the hands of his friends."

There are eleven counties in Mr. Hebburn's district. Four are conceded to him, six are declared by anti-Hebburn men to be leaning toward them, and they regard Lucas county as excellent fighting ground.

Governor Cummins and Mr. Lewis have been making hay in the Eighth district, and their denunciation of railroads and railroad politics has been cheered to the echo. A great wave of reform has been the consequence and it may engulf Mr. Hebburn.

Public sentiment in the district has forced machine newspapers to stand silent while Cummins' anti-pass bill and primary election measure are being eloquently advocated on all sides.

The primary law is avowedly designed to put an end to machine politics in that district. The next Legislature will pass both measures, and they will make it just that more difficult for Mr. Hebburn to be re-elected.

GLEASON LITIGATION ENDS BY COMPROMISE

Litigation over the estate of the late Bridget Gleason has been settled by a compromise entered into between Julia Dawson, the complainant, and Thomas E. Wagman, collector of the estate, and others, defendants.

According to the decree signed by Justice Gould the estate will be divided into two equal parts. One-half will be held in trust for the benefit of Mrs. Dawson during her life and the other half will be held for the benefit of her children, Teresa M. and Elizabeth Dawson, until they reach the age of twenty-one years.

Mrs. Dawson was represented by Lambert & Baker, and the defendant by William F. Mattingly and Irving Williamson.

Open Air Sacred Concert Sunday.

Tomorrow afternoon the Naval G. F. Band will play on the Highlands overlooking the city upon which the United States Realty Company is to build a model city in twelve months. Only twelve minutes' ride from the Capitol Building. Take the Capital Traction cars on Pennsylvania avenue, marked E and G, going east. Panoramic view of Washington equal to that of Paris from St. Cloud. The French architect, L'Enfant, faced the Capitol toward these Highlands because he expected them to be covered with palaces, similar to those overlooking the capital of France.

NO MORE HOLD-UPS FOR POLITICIANS

Bill to Prevent Assessing
Officeholders.

SMALL FRY WELCOME IT

Men Close to President Will Introduce
Measure—Blow to Slumps and
Pennsylvanians.

As a further protection to Federal employees in those sections where chairmen of political organizations are in the habit of assessing their salaries to swell campaign funds, a bill will be introduced at the coming session of Congress making it a violation of the United States Statutes for any person, whether a Federal employee or not, to make such assessments.

At present, outsiders are covered only by the civil service regulations which forbid the participation in politics of Government officeholders. Congressmen or incumbents of Federal offices are prohibited by law from levying such contributions.

The bill will, it is understood, be introduced in the Senate and House by men close to President Roosevelt, who is thought to be behind the plan, and Republicans say there is little doubt that it will pass.

If it does, small officeholders throughout the country, who are persistently harried by state and county chairmen at election times, will breathe a sigh of relief, for the political managers will then have no hold on them.

Hits Two States.

The passage of such a bill will strike Virginia and Pennsylvania Republicans with special force, as the practice of pro rata assessments is very popular in these states.

There is before President Roosevelt now the case of United States Treasurer Lieb, of Philadelphia, chairman of the Schuylkill county committee, who is charged with levying contributions from postmasters and internal revenue officials in his county, and many complaints have been made of the manner in which the Slump faction has been collecting funds from Virginia Republicans during the past year or more.

Lieb, as a Government official, comes under the present law, but the Slumps have an arrangement which cannot well be reached by the statutes. Representative Slump has turned out to be the most autocratic boss the Virginia Republicans have had since the days of William Mahone. It is even said that he goes Mahone several better.

But the elder Slump does not go after the office holders for money. Instead, his son, Bascomb Slump, who is chairman of the State central committee, attends to that. Young Slump is not an older, so he can do what he pleases.

Having failed to get any money from Postmaster General Cortelyou, chairman of the Republican national committee, for the gubernatorial fight, the youthful Republican manager of Virginia is making the small fry on the Federal payroll give up in good shape. They are like old men that they have to. There are big poll taxes to be paid in the Ninth district, and the Slumps need the money.

LIEUTENANT TANNER EXPRESSES SURPRISE

Son of Corporal Disclaims All Knowledge of His Alleged Dismissal From Army.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 16.—Lieut. E. W. Tanner, of the army, son of Corporal Tanner, recently elected commander-in-chief of the Grand Army, on his arrival from Manila found a dispatch awaiting him, saying he had been sentenced to dismissal from the army because of trouble over pay accounts.

Tanner, when asked about it, said: "There must be some mistake, as I have had no trouble. It is some other Tanner."

A Washington dispatch says Tanner escaped dismissal because some of the court findings were disapproved. There is only one Tanner in the army list.

EMPEROR CABLES KOMURA WARNING

Tells Him to Take Care of Himself.
Patient Is Thought No
Worse.

NEW YORK, Sept. 16.—There have been no new developments in the mysterious illness of Baron Komura, the Japanese peace envoy, during the last twenty-four hours. A bulletin, issued this morning, announced that his condition is regarded by the attending physicians as satisfactory.

Baron Komura this morning received a cablegram from the emperor of Japan commanding him "To take care of himself." About the Waldorf-Astoria, where the baron is stopping, it is presumed that, following this imperial command, the baron will soon recover.

That Baron Komura will do his utmost to obey the order of his majesty, the Mikado, is evidenced by the message he sent in return, expressing his "heartfelt thanks" for the command from Tokyo.

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E. Geiger, corner 6th and H sts. n.e.;
Bury's Pharmacy, corner Monroe and
Jefferson sts., Anacostia; M. S. Fealy,
1424 Pennsylvania ave. s.e.

SENATOR DOLLIVER, WHOSE POSITION FORESHADOWS FIGHT IN THE SENATE



MEMBER OF INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMITTEE.

Stands by the President on Rate Issue.

RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION PLANS MANY MEETINGS

Auditor Andrews of Treasury Depart-
ment Will Address First Assem-
blage in National Rifles Armory.

The United States Civil Service Retirement Association has completed arrangements whereby a series of meetings will be held each Wednesday evening beginning on the 21st instant.

At this meeting, which will be held in the National Rifles Armory, on G street, between Ninth and Tenth streets northwest, Hon. W. E. Andrews, Auditor for the Treasury Department, will deliver an address on the subject of a retirement fund which is of such deep interest to all Government clerks. In addition to the address a well selected musical program will be a feature of the occasion.

The arrangements for the meeting of Wednesday, the 27th instant, are in the hands of the officers of the Treasury branch of the Retirement Association.

Baltimore and Return, \$1.25.

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TREASURER SIMMS IS CONGRATULATED

Official of Capital Traction Company
Will Soon Assume His New
Duties.

R. Douglass Simms, Superintendent of Property for the District, is being congratulated by his friends upon his election as treasurer of the Capital Traction Company. Mr. Simms was recently selected for this office to fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of Charles N. Koonce.

The Capital Traction Company selected Mr. Simms because of his well-known ability as an executive officer.

Mr. Simms stated today that he would enter upon his new duties as soon as he could complete all the transactions which he now has on hand for the District.

There is speculation at the District building as to who will be the next Superintendent of Property. As a general rule, promotions follow in order. The two men who rank next to Mr. Simms are M. C. Hargrove, deputy property clerk, and J. A. McDaniel, Assistant Superintendent of Property. Unless the Commissioners see fit to appoint some one else, these gentlemen will doubtless be elevated to the position of superintendent.

RATE REGULATION SPLITS COMMITTEE

Dolliver Heads Opposition
to Railroad Senators.

STANDS WITH PRESIDENT

If He Can Combine Forces With Demo-
crats He Will Control
Majority.

Statements recently made by two prominent Republican members of the Senate Committee on Interstate Commerce, indicate the strong probability of a split in that committee over the railway rate regulation question.

Senator Elkins of West Virginia, chairman of the committee, has declared that his idea, an idea shared by Senator Foraker, Senator Kean and other railroad Senators on the committee, is to report a bill favoring the creation of an interstate commerce court.

This is not at all in accordance with the President's views on the subject, and it is believed that certain Western Republicans on the committee will decline to concur in the recommendations of the railroad Senators and will prepare a minority report, which will have definite meaning.

A Bona Fide Bill.

Senator Dolliver, of Iowa, a member of the committee, stands with the President and in a recent interview declared that a bona fide rate regulation bill, one that embodied the President's ideas, would come out of the committee even if it came as a minority report. It is believed that Senator Cullom, of Illinois, sides with Senator Dolliver, and possibly Senator Millard, of Nebraska.

There are eight Republicans and five Democrats on the Interstate Commerce Committee, and if the Democrats join forces with the Republican Senators who sincerely favor a bill that will mean something, they will be able to defeat Senator Elkins and the railroad Senators who are secretly opposed to rate regulation and who would report nothing but a harmless measure. The bill arranged by Senator Dolliver might not be all the Democrats desire, but they could put the Republicans in an interesting position in the Senate if they voted with the minority in the committee and turned it into a majority.

Will Uphold Railroads.

The Republicans on the committee who are sure to stand by the railroads are Senator Elkins, chairman; Senator Kean; Senator Aldrich; and Senator Foraker. Senator Dolliver and Senator Cullom will be back of the minority report. How Senator Clapp and Senator Millard will vote is not known yet. The Democrats are Senators Tillman, McLaurin of Mississippi, Carmack, Foster of Louisiana, and Newlands. If Senator Dolliver can bring one other Republican Senator to his way of thinking and can get the Democrats to vote with him, he will have a majority of the committee. It will be a majority of but one, yet that will be enough, if Chairman Elkins ever allows the bill to come to a vote, to turn the minority report into a majority report.

The committee will meet on November 15, Chairman Elkins has announced, in order that a bill may be presented to the Senate soon after the session begins. It is the question whether this report will be an Elkins report or a Dolliver report that is interesting to the public.

NO DAMAGE; MUCH EXCITEMENT.

Fire in a box of rubbish in the basement of the Postal Telegraph office, 1322 B street northwest, led to an alarm of fire from box 145 and the calling out of all of the downtown apparatus shortly after 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The blaze was extinguished in about half an hour by the firemen. There was practically no damage but much excitement.

The Winning Stroke

If more than ordinary skill in playing brings the honors of the game to the winning player, so exceptional merit in a remedy ensures the commendation of the well informed, and as a reasonable amount of outdoor life and recreation is conducive to the health and strength, so does a perfect laxative tend to one's improvement in cases of constipation, biliousness, headaches, etc. It is all important, however, in selecting a laxative, to choose one of known quality and excellence, like the ever pleasant Syrup of Figs, manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co., a laxative which sweetens and cleanses the system effectually, when a laxative is needed, without any unpleasant after effects, as it acts naturally and gently on the internal organs, simply assisting nature when nature needs assistance, without griping, irritating or debilitating the internal organs in any way, as it contains nothing of an objectionable or injurious nature. As the plants which are combined with the figs in the manufacture of Syrup of Figs are known to physicians to act most beneficially upon the system, the remedy has met with their general approval as a family laxative, a fact well worth considering in making purchases.

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