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"Our family physician told us they were an antiseptic preparation of undoubted merit and that he himself had no hesitation in recommending Stuart's Catarrh Tablets for any form of catarrh.

"I have since met many public speakers and professional singers who used them constantly. A prominent Detroit lawyer told me that Stuart's Catarrh Tablets kept his throat in fine shape during the most trying weather, and that he had long since discarded the use of cheap lozenges and troches on the advice of his physician that they contained so much tolu potash and opium as to render their use a danger to health."

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The resignation of Horace G. Burt, up to January 1 president of the Union Pacific railroad, was accepted by the directors on January 7 and E. H. Harriman was elected as his successor.

## WEEK AT WASHINGTON

On January 2 treasury experts instituted an investigation of the accounts of the interstate commerce commission. This action was taken at the instance of Acting Chairman Clements of the commission, as a result of persistent rumors of irregularities, and is under the direction of the expert accountants, Nathaniel L. Ambrose, Richard T. Taylor and James L. Chase.

A Washington dispatch under date of January 2 and carried by the Associated press, says: The monthly circulation statement issued by the comptroller of the treasury shows that at the close of business December 31 the total circulation of national bank notes was \$425,163,018, an increase for the year of \$40,233,234 and an increase for the month of \$4,056,039. The amount of circulation based on United States bonds was \$387,273,623, an increase for the year of \$45,145,779 and an increase for the month of \$4,255,139. The circulation secured by lawful money amounted to \$37,889,395, a decrease for the year of \$4,912,945 and a decrease for the month of \$199,100. The amount of United States registered bonds on deposit to secure circulation was \$389,335,680, and to secure public deposits, together with state and city bonds and Philippines certificates, \$169,379,940.

It was announced on January 2 that all the supply departments of the army have made arrangements for the transportation of troops and supplies from New York and San Francisco to the isthmus in case such a movement is determined upon. Plans also have been considered for the construction of a large storehouse and temporary barracks on Panama territory and it is estimated that \$500,000 may be required for such construction.

After the holiday recess, congress resumed its session on January 4. In the senate the principal business seems to be the appropriations, the canal treaty with Panama, and Senator Smoot's case. In the house few matters have passed through the hands of the committees as yet and those ready for the action of the house are comparatively insignificant. Much activity is manifested, however, in the committee rooms and a rush of business is looked for in the near future.

It was announced officially from the White house on January 4 that James Tanner will be appointed register of wills for the District of Columbia, to succeed Louis A. Dent, who is to be appointed to a post in the consular service. The change is to be made effective April 1.

In an opinion delivered by Chief Justice Fuller in the supreme court of the United States on January 4, it is decided that the citizens of Porto Rico are not aliens of this country and that therefore they are entitled to enter this country without obstruction. The decision was based entirely on the immigration act of 1891, and took the ground that the Porto Ricans owe allegiance to the United States and to no other government.

On January 4 the president sent to the senate the nomination of William H. Taft, of Ohio, to be secretary of war, succeeding Mr. Root on February 1. The president also nominated Luke E. Wright of Tennessee to be civil governor of the Philippine Islands, and Henry C. Ide of Vermont to be vice civil governor of the Philippine Islands.

The senate committee on military affairs on January 4 decided to report favorably the nomination of General

Leonard Wood to be major general. The vote stood 7 to 2 in favor of his nomination.

In a report transmitted by the joint army and naval board, of which organization Admiral Dewey is the senior member, and relating to fortifications for the Philippines, the need for such fortifications is set forth, it being declared that without a fortified naval base, the line of communication for supplies from the United States or between the army posts within the Philippines cannot be kept open. Subig Bay is recommended in preference to Manila as a naval base and station.

A special message was sent to congress by President Roosevelt on January 4, dealing with recent events on the isthmus of Panama and the policy of this government with respect thereto. In this message the president strives to make clear his reasons for the course pursued in Panama and urges the ratification of the canal treaty with that republic. He also says that if the canal treaty is rejected the Nicaraguan route cannot be taken without new legislation. The message is long and deals with the question in all its phases. Dealing with the "sovereignty guarantee" question, the president handled it much in the way employed in his annual message. He sought to defend the recognition of the Panama republic, saying that it was justified by the high consideration of our national interests and safety and was an act due to the interests of collective civilization, and finally, the president closed with this blunt statement: "In conclusion let me repeat that the question actually before this government is not that of the recognition of Panama as an independent republic. That is already an accomplished fact. The question, and the only question, is whether or not we shall build an isthmian canal."

Practically the entire session of the senate on January 5 was devoted to a speech by Senator Lodge on the situation on the isthmus of Panama. The speech was exhaustive and sought to justify the course of the administration with respect to the recognition of the new republic. In conclusion, Mr. Lodge devoted his efforts to the political aspect of the question, making criticisms of the democratic view of the question and referring to the speeches made at the democratic banquet in New York recently.

At the session of the house of representatives on January 5, a resolution was introduced by Mr. Hay of Virginia providing for an investigation of certain statements in the Bristow report reflecting on the members of the house was referred to the committee on postoffices and post roads.

A minority report on the case of General Leonard Wood's recommendation to be appointed major general was made by the senate committee on military affairs. This minority report is in the form of a brief which follows the testimony introduced before the senate committee in the investigation which was begun on November 9 against General Wood's record in Cuba.

On January 5 Representative Adams of Pennsylvania introduced a bill providing for the striking of a medal in memory of Benjamin Franklin to commemorate the 200th anniversary of his birth, which occurs January 17, 1906. A single medal shall be struck in gold and sent to the republic of France, and 150 impressions shall be struck in bronze, 100 of which shall

be distributed by the president and fifty for the use of the American Philosophical society.

It was recently announced from Washington that as soon as M. Bunan-Varilla, the minister from Panama, and the joint signer with Secretary Hay of the canal treaty with that republic, has completed his task relating to his efforts to secure the ratifications of the treaty between the United States and Panama, he will resign, and that his successor will be Mr. Hosenian, a prominent lawyer of the isthmus.

The senate committee on foreign relations began consideration of the Panama canal treaty on January 6. Senator Morgan attacked some of the provisions of that treaty, particularly that clause of it referring to the concessionary contract, which, under the treaty, gives absolute title to the United States so far as the republic of Panama is concerned. The committee will probably meet daily and discuss the measure before it can be prepared to be sent to the senate.

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