

FIVE STEAMERS SEIZED; FIVE MORE TO BE TAKEN

U. S. Officers Take Over Ships Chartered to United States Mail Company.

NEW YORK, July 23.—Agents of the United States Shipping Board waited today for the arrival of four big steamers chartered to the United States Mail Steamship Company, in order that they might add them to five seized last night.

The steamers seized last night were among the finest in the United States merchant marine and all were German liners. They are the George Washington, which President Wilson used on his recent peace conference; the America, Susquehanna, President Grant and Agamemnon.

It was emphasized by Mr. Schlesinger that the company was not responsible for this seizure of property, declaring it to be a voluntary act of the retired board.

MR. DAVIS ORDERS PROBE.

Labor Secretary Asks Inquiry Into Immigration Service. Secretary Davis yesterday, on recommendation of Commissioner of Immigration, ordered an inquiry into the immigration service at the principal ports and stations.

IGNORANT OF BRIBE.

Bergdoll's Brother Says He Knows Nothing of \$5,000. Charles A. Braun of Philadelphia, brother of the former ambassador to Haiti, said today that he had no knowledge of the \$5,000 bribe which Bergdoll's brother had paid to help him get the contract for the Haiti station.

NAMED I. C. C. MEMBER.

Fred I. Cox of New Jersey has been selected by President Harding as a member of the Interstate Commerce Commission. He will succeed Chairman Clark, who has resigned.

HEAR CHARLES PLANS ATTEMPT AT THRONES AGAIN, BUT IS BROKE

BERN, Switzerland, July 23.—Many rumors concerning the future plans of former Emperor Charles I of Austria are being spread here, but no official announcement has been made.

STREET CAR LEGISLATION PUT OVER TO WEDNESDAY

House District Committee Finds Lack of Quorum for Monday and Postpones.

Consideration of District street car legislation has been postponed until Wednesday, owing to the failure of the House District committee to muster a quorum for Monday, of which date adjournment was taken yesterday.

When the committee resumes consideration of the Woods bill for disposing of the street car problem here only the section which provides for the Representative Frederick N. Zihlman of Maryland, chairman of the special subcommittee, to conduct the traffic hearings, proposes to offer an amendment.

EAGERLY AWAIT OUTCOME OF EMBEZZLEMENT CASES

Three-Day Intermission in Pressing Charges Against Illinois Governor and Others.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., July 23.—Illinois today began her three-day intermission in the greatest political drama of her history—the Small-Sterling-Curtis indictment for embezzlement and other offenses from the common county grand jury's investigation of the state treasury.

SETTLEMENT SEEN IN LLOYD GEORGE TERMS TO IRELAND

Based on dominion self-government and a market both the north and south, the correspondent continues: "If the south accepts it will be open to the north to accept it also."

ULSTER NOT CONCERNED. Has No Interest in Discussion of Fiscal and Financial Issues.

BELFAST, July 23.—Ulster at the moment is not concerned with the negotiations being carried on by the British government with the Sinn Fein government in Ireland.

WALSH TO GO TO FRANCE. England Refuses to Vise Passport of Valera's Adviser.

NEW YORK, July 23.—Frank P. Walsh, American adviser to Eamon de Valera, was here today to sail for France on the steamship Rochambeau, having been unable to obtain a passport visa so that he might visit England.

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CALL TOBACCO MEETING.

FLORENCE, S. C., July 23.—Definite action as to what is best to be done with the tobacco crop here will be determined at the meeting of the tobacco growers of the South Carolina Association here today.

DEMAND RAIL RATE CHANGE.

Chautauque companies complained to the Interstate Commerce Commission today that railroads discriminate against them in fares and charges for their parties of less than twenty-five. They claimed that twenty-five companies were given lower rates.

WHISKY SEIZED ON CRAFT.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., July 23.—An auxiliary schooner, laden with Scotch whisky and believed by the police to be carrying a large quantity of the mysterious liquor carrier, was seized at Lighthouse point early today, her crew seized and 250 cases of whisky confiscated.

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