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VILLA WARMS U. S. TO GET OUT OF MEXICO U. S. GRAND JURY BEGINS COAL INQUIRY HERE

COAL CONSPIRATORS FACE INDICTMENTS THIS WEEK FOR BOOSTING PRICES HERE

Special Assistant Attorney General Swacker Fortified With Mass of Evidence.

"NO FAMINE," HE SAYS. More Anthracite Than Usual When Cost to Consumer Was Jumped to \$12.

So much evidence is in hand showing a conspiracy to boost the price of coal in this city that the United States Grand Jury may find indictments before the close of this week. Special Assistant Attorney General Frank M. Swacker to-day began the arraignment of the facts gathered by the agents of the Department of Justice and the Interstate Commerce Commission as to the coal "famine."

There is no real famine and there has been none, said Mr. Swacker. There has been no real shortage of anthracite coal this fall. Our investigation shows more coal than usual has been shipped here this season. It is coming here now in normal quantity.

"We have learned that the speculators now are waiting for a little cold weather so that they can jump up the price again, as they did late in October; but with this inquiry in progress they will not dare do it."

The price of anthracite has fallen \$2 a ton within the last few days. It is selling now at from \$7.75 to \$8 a ton in this city. The public was particularly last month and let the speculators run the price up to \$12 a ton.

"If the facts show conspiracy between the miners and the independent coal miners, or conspiracy between any of the independent and the miners, indictments and prosecutions will follow. We shall send all of our agents to prosecute all the violations discovered."

More coal was shipped out of the anthracite region during November than during October, according to the report of the Anthracite Bureau of Information, the official mouthpiece of the mining companies. Shipments were 5,992,997 tons, against 5,570,204 tons in October, a gain of 122,793 tons.

REPORT THAT JOFFRE WILL GO IS CONFIRMED

Private Advice Received in Washington Reiterates that Petain Will Take Command.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Private advice from Paris received here today telling of the secret proceedings in the French Chamber of Deputies during the last week confirm previous reports that Gen. Petain, the defender of Verdun, is to succeed Gen. Joffre in supreme command of all the armed forces on the western battle front.

This will be the first result of radical changes in organization which are to follow concentration of management of the war in a small council, as has been done in England. Gen. Petain, little known outside the French army, was a Colonel at the outbreak of the war.

COMING OF NEW WARDEN CAUSES SING SING ALARM

Trustees Locked In and Precautions Taken Against Outbreak Are Doubled.

(Special to The Evening World.) OSSINING, N. Y., Dec. 11.—For fear of attempts to escape because of the returning to the "old system," extra precautions were taken by Sing Sing prison authorities to-day with the coming of William Meyer, the new Warden.

PROVIDES FEDERAL PAY RAISE, FIRST IN 50 YEARS

Bill Reported to House Carries Increase for All Receiving Less Than \$1,200.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The Legislative, Executive and Judicial Appropriation bill reported to the House to-day carries a ten per cent. increase in pay for employees receiving less than \$1,200 a year and five per cent. for those between \$1,200 and \$1,800.

The increase, the first of the kind in almost fifty years, would be limited to the next fiscal year and apply only to executive departments, except Agriculture, the judicial establishment and to the library of Congress.

James Addams to Talk to House Committee. WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—James Addams will appear before the House Committee on Foreign Affairs to-morrow to discuss a "general plan" for bringing to an end the European war through the action of the United States.

Columbia Has Football Captain. Ed Cochran of Brooklyn, who played left end and halfback and was Columbia's best punter and open field runner this season was elected captain of the 1917 team this afternoon.

MANY DOCTORS ADVISE Father John's Medicine for colds.—Adv.

GUARD PUT OVER "O. OSBORNE" TO PREVENT ATTACK

District Attorney Sees Danger in Letters Threatening Champion Wooer.

NEW WITNESS FOUND.

Counsel for Rae Tanzer Declares He Will Not Permit Her to Meet Wax.

United States Marshal McCarthy was instructed by Assistant United States District Attorney Roger S. Wood to-day to take particular precautions to protect Charles H. Wax, the Government witness in the prosecution of Rae Tanzer, from attack. The attack Saturday on "Oliver Osborne" by Adolph Menke, Bronx grocer, in revenge for the alleged swindling of Menke's wife out of \$2,100 has convinced the Federal authorities there is a real danger in the enmity expressed against the champion wooer in letters received by the District Attorney.

"The safety of this man," Mr. Wood said, "is essential to the Government's case against all under charges in the effort to get money from James W. Osborne or blacken his reputation. Entirely aside from consideration of Wax's comfort it is our duty to see that he is not harmed or intimidated."

The whereabouts of Rae Tanzer and her sisters are not yet known to Mr. Wood. "After thoughtful consideration and consultation with various persons," said former Lieut. Gov. Lewis Stuyvesant Chanler, counsel for Rae Tanzer and her sisters, to-day, "I have decided not to allow Miss Tanzer to meet this man Wax. The proceedings at the United States District Attorney's office have become a farce on a hippodrome scale. We shall have no part in the theatrical programme being staged there. Miss Tanzer will appear at the proper and dignified time, when her case is called for trial."

Miss Tanzer is under heavy bond to remain within the jurisdiction of the Southern District of New York. If she left the District without notice to the District Attorney and his permission, her bail bond would be forfeited, Mr. Wood said to-day. Every facility will be offered to her to verify the Government's belief that Wax and not James W. Osborne was the man who made light of her affections and considerable leniency is to be extended to her if she will correct her testimony to that effect and become a witness against the Slades, her former attorneys.

Federal detectives said to-day they had found Miss Katharine Maesenheimer, the nurse girl formerly employed in the household of Frederic Couderc, who charges that Wax, calling himself "Angus McDonald," became acquainted with her through a Central Park flirtation, promised to marry her and vanished after she had given him \$200 of her savings. She will be allowed to meet "Oliver" this afternoon.

HOWARD'S EX-WIFE ADMITS PERJURY IN CORRIGAN SUIT

Testified Against Husband, Being Warned "Magistrate Would Be Mayor."

"I LOVE HIM," SHE SAYS.

"Knows the Consequence," but Would Do Anything to Save Novelist, She Adds.

Crying "It's a lie! It's a lie!" Mrs. Margaret Saville, divorced wife of George Bronson Howard, the novelist, declared upon the witness stand before Justice Goff and a jury to-day that she committed perjury on Friday when she was called as a witness by Magistrate Joseph E. Corrigan in his \$200,000 libel suit against Howard & Bobbs-Merrill Company, publishers of "God's Man," the novel.

Mrs. Saville denied all of her former testimony, which was highly damaging to her husband's case, and which had made it appear that the book was libellous, but was glad to print it and profit by a libel suit, if one were brought.

On last Thursday, Mrs. Saville declared, a man named Lingard, said to be former newspaper man, called on her in the interests of Corrigan and asked her if she would be a witness for the Magistrate and against her former husband.

"I did not care to testify against Mr. Howard," said Mrs. Saville, "but Mr. Lingard told me that I had better testify for Magistrate Corrigan, as he was going to be the Tammany Mayor of New York and that when he did become that they would make it hard for me, as he had the whole of Tammany Hall behind him and he (Corrigan) can do anything he wants to do."

Lingard brought a letter from Magistrate Corrigan stating that the Magistrate had no intention of prosecuting her former husband criminally, the witness continued. "I agreed to come to court and make the statements I did on Friday."

"On Saturday I came to the conclusion that I had done an injustice not only to my husband but to Mr. Curtis of the Bobbs-Merrill Company. It was untrue when I said that my former husband told Mr. Curtis that Judge Corrigan was the character intended in the book 'God's Man.'"

When counsel for Corrigan asked whether the Magistrate on Friday last at a dinner in a Park Row restaurant had told Mrs. Saville that he (Corrigan) had nothing against Howard, because he was a "top head," the witness's face reddened and she arose from the witness stand.

"That was never said to me by any of the gentlemen present," she retorted loudly. "If Judge Corrigan had dared say that I would have slapped him in the face."

Mrs. Saville then turned to the jury and began to cry.

LLOYD GEORGE ILL; CHILL KEEPS HIM FROM SEEING KING

"War Predominant Task," He Tells Commons Members in Statement From Sick Bed.

TRIO IN SUPREME RULE.

Prime Minister, Lord Milner and Henderson Will Dictate War Policy.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—Premier Lloyd George is ill. He suffered a severe chill to-day and his physicians ordered that he remain indoors.

He was unable to go to Buckingham Palace to-day with members of his Cabinet to receive the seals of office from King George.

The new Premier has sent the following to all members of the House of Commons:

"The King has entrusted me with the task of forming a government. I have carried out the command. I had hoped to make a statement to the House on Tuesday. I now find it to be impossible. On Tuesday Mr. Bonar Law, as Leader in the House, will move adjournment till Thursday."

The one predominant task before the Government is the vigorous prosecution of the war to a triumphant conclusion. I feel confident the Government can rely on your support as long as they devote their energies effectively to that end."

Bonar Law and the other members of the Ministry who are not required to seek re-election on assumption of office, and also the lords who are co-operating with the new administration, went to the Palace at noon to-day, kissed the hands of the King and received their seals of office.

The members of the Cabinet who must be re-elected, unless the House of Commons passes a bill making this unnecessary, and the Ministers who are members of neither house, for whom seats must be found, are taking over their offices and will conduct them as though all official formalities had been complied with.

The statement concerning the Government's policy, to be made by Lloyd George or Bonar Law in the House of Commons and Lord Curzon in the House of Lords, probably will be postponed until Thursday, when the vote of credit is moved.

A strong policy in regard to control of shipping, mines, food and man power is looked for.

Former Premier Asquith and his followers will occupy opposition benches to the left of the speakers. The Independent Labor Party, whose members are avowed peace advocates, also will cross to the opposition side, thus creating a visible split in the Labor Party in opinion on current issues.

SACRED RIGHTS OF MEXICO VIOLATED, DECLARES THE BANDIT CHIEFTAIN

LEADER OF BANDITS WHO THREATENS ATTACK ON AMERICAN TROOPS

"Raid on Columbus Was Easy; They Were Asleep, I Was Awake; It Took Them a Long Time to Wake Up," He Declares.

"I LIKED WILSON," HE SAYS, "BUT HE TURNED TRAITOR."



Gen. FRANCISCO VILLA

8 BURIED UNDER TONS OF DEBRIS BY SCAFFOLD WRECK

Collapse in Morton Street Garage Being Torn Down Injures Workmen.

The collapse of an overloaded scaffold on which eight laborers were at work in a building at No. 25 Morton Street at 1 o'clock this afternoon buried the eight men under tons of concrete, brick and wooden beams.

Six were soon extricated and found to be but slightly injured. The other two were at the bottom of the mass and fifty firemen under the direction of Deputy Chief Langford spent an hour in digging them out. They were taken to the New York Hospital.

The injured men were employed by the Deagon Construction Company in tearing down a garage at the number mentioned to make space for construction work on the new Seventh Avenue subway. The garage was originally four stories high, but had been torn down to the second-story level.

The scaffold was on the inside of the street wall and when it collapsed it carried the laborers with the load of material down about fifteen feet to the first floor level.

At first it was thought that a number of men had been killed and fire alarms and police calls brought a swarm of rescuers.

Dr. Hayne of New York Hospital administered stimulants to the two men last taken out while the firemen were working with the mass of debris above them.

The two at the bottom were Luciano Fogodi of No. 165 Macdougal Street, and Thomas Duffy, who lives in West One Hundred and Twenty-second Street. Fogodi suffered a fracture of the left leg and Duffy's right leg was broken.

BERLIN MAKES REPLY ON SINKING OF LANAO

Delivers Answer to American Inquiry to Charge Joseph C. Grew.

BERLIN, Dec. 11.—Germany left-bered to Joseph C. Grew, secretary of the American Embassy, to-day her reply to the American inquiry relative to sinking of the steamer Lanao.

Grew expects to deliver to the German Foreign Office an inquiry received from Washington as to the sinking of Norwegian vessels.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—Lloyds shipping Agency announces that three members of the crew of the British steamer Britannia, of 1,814 tons, reported yesterday as believed to have been sunk, were killed and the captain of the steamer made prisoner.

EIGHT DIE IN EXPLOSION; DAMAGE OF \$2,000,000

Ten Others Injured in Accident at Quaker Oats Plant—Court House in Flames.

PETERBORO, Ont., Dec. 11.—Eight employees dead, ten others injured and the almost total destruction of the Quaker Oats Company plant, with property damage of at least \$2,000,000, was the result to-day of the losses at one of the most disastrous fires in the history of this city.

The factory was in full operation when an explosion, caused, it is said, by spontaneous combustion, blew out the walls of a portion of the plant. Many employees, men and girls, were buried in the ruins.

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Wife of New York Contractor Kills Herself. ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 11.—Mrs. Elizabeth Robinson, wife of Charles L. Robinson, a wealthy building contractor of New York and Albany, committed suicide by gas asphyxiation at her home in the Pine Hills district to-day. A note which she left indicated she was suffering from melancholia.

BANDIT LEADER STILL WALKS WITH A STICK. He was sitting behind a table so I could not see his foot, but a cane was hanging on a nearby chair as proof that he still had trouble walking. "Do you come from El Paso?" was his first question. "No," I said, "I am from Europe." "Well, I know," he said, "but weren't you with me two years ago? Have you been in El Paso?" I had. "Do you know that Jefe Politica up there?" I did not know who had that title in El Paso, and he called an interpreter. "Do you know the Mayor of El Paso?" I understood then what he was driving at, and answered diplomatically that I knew his name, but did not like him. "Bueno," he said, "do you know what he did? Chased my wife out of the country like a common poor woman of the street and took her diamonds and rings away from her. Tell that fellow that if he were a man he would come down and fight with me and not fight a woman who is a stranger in his country. I know him; he is an advocate for the Cienfuegos, and Hipolito me Hernandez (Villa's brother)—did not the North Americans try to murder him?" He grew excited by this time. I did not feel any too well and kept quiet, so he continued. "Do you know Pershing has to GET OUT OF MEXICO." "Do you know Pershing?" I told him no; that I only interviewed real big Generals like von Hindenburg and himself, knowing the German warrior was a favorite of his. This pleased him and he continued: "Pershing is violating the sacred rights of Mexico, and has got to get out. But I will show them, poco tiempo, that they cannot violate Mexican rights." "Do you know Wilson?" I was his friend, I liked him, but at Aguas Prietas he turned traitor to me and the Mexican cause I represented and helped Carranza—the bad man of Mexico. Is there

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