

LEARNS M'GUIRE DID CONFER WITH SULZER

Whitman Hears Order Favoring Barber Asphalt Followed Their Meeting.

WILL SEEK TRUTH TO-DAY

Glynn Denies Osborne's Inquiry Will Hamper the District Attorney.

When George H. McGuire of Syracuse takes the witness chair before Chief Magistrate McAdoo this afternoon he will have a chance to say again whether or not he met William Sulzer in the village of Cooperstown on July 5 last. He said on Wednesday that he did not meet the former Governor there on that date or at any other time during the summer. Information came to the District Attorney yesterday that there was a conference in Cooperstown on that date which was attended by Gov. Sulzer, State Highway Commissioner John N. Carlisle, George H. McGuire and James K. McGuire, the former Mayor of Syracuse, who was for many years connected with the Barber Asphalt Company, and who, according to his brother's sworn statements on Wednesday, has since the first of this year received a commission on every sale of Barber Asphalt Company products to New York State or to the contractors employed on its highways. Mr. Whitman was informed not only as to the conference, but as to its immediate results. He learned that the day after it was held word went out from the Highway Commission to contractors that they must no longer use anything except the "natural, solid asphalt" described in highway specifications. The specification asphalt so described is the product of the Barber Asphalt Company, and the fact that it alone was to be used first became known when the contractors who had been using the product of the Warner-Quinlan Company began to send back asphalt that had been delivered. When the Warner-Quinlan Company inquired why their product was being returned the contractors informed them that it must no longer be used on the highways.

Crux of Investigation.

This alleged conference at Cooperstown promises therefore to become the crux of the entire investigation which the District Attorney started after John A. Hennessy had made repeated declarations that wholesale graft existed in the Highway Department. Mr. Whitman learns that the meeting took place in the Berkeley-Walton Hotel. It is his intention to call as witnesses all persons who can give information as to who were there on that occasion. B. Warner of the Warner-Quinlan Asphalt Company of 79 Wall street said yesterday that a conference had been held at Cooperstown. He learned it in this way: His company, which has never had a contract with the State, had contracts to supply \$65,000 worth of asphalt to thirty contractors who were working on State roads in St. Lawrence county. Some of this asphalt had been delivered before the date of the alleged conference. Immediately thereafter word came not to send on any more and some that had been forwarded was sent back. Inquiry among the contractors brought out the information that the Highway Commission had issued orders to the contractors to use only specification asphalt, which meant that only Barber asphalt was to be used. Mr. Warner went to Commissioner Carlisle and explained to him that State Engineer Hensel had pronounced the Warner-Quinlan asphalt chemically all right. He said Mr. Carlisle told him he wanted to be perfectly sure about the controversy, but that he felt he must insist on the specifications being lived up to.

Court Upheld Independents.

Getting no satisfaction the Warner-Quinlan Company sought an injunction to restrain the Highway Commission from forbidding the use of its product. The injunction was dismissed in the lower courts, but on November 7 it was sustained by the Appellate Division on the ground that the specifications discriminated against the Warner-Quinlan Company unfairly. The injunction is now being up held on the work on these roads in St. Lawrence county, according to Mr. Warner. A few of the roads have been worked, but the specifications are being adhered to and the Barber Asphalt Company is supplying the material, he says. The Warner-Quinlan Company insisted in its application for the injunction that these specifications could be conformed to only by the Barber Asphalt Company.

Mayor Holds the Trustees' \$850,000 Project Under Veto.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 20.—Mayor Rolph vetoed to-day the municipal opera house ordinance providing for the erection in the civic center of an opera house for which private citizens have subscribed \$850,000. Unless the supervisors pass the ordinance over the Mayor's veto, which is improbable, the opera house project will be killed. Subscribers to the \$850,000 fund had consented to the present ordinance as the last proposition which they would consider. Mayor Rolph bases his veto on two main objections—the provision making the trustees a self-perpetuating body and the clause allowing stockholders conditional preference in the purchase of certain seats and boxes and entitling them to bequeath this right to their heirs and assigns. This the Mayor says is undemocratic. William H. Crocker, Joseph D. Redding and other patrons of music are disappointed at the Mayor's action, as the points at issue are simply those which prevail in New York and elsewhere.

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THOMAS WANTS HIS MILEAGE.

Tells House He Needs the Money, and So Do His Creditors.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20.—Representative Thomas of Kentucky, Democrat, confessed in the House to-day that he favored an adjournment before the regular session in December that he might collect extra mileage money. He offered a resolution for an adjournment November 23 and took the opportunity to discuss the mileage question. "I see in the newspapers some people say it would be a public scandal for this House to adjourn now because the members would be paid their mileage. Well, I want my mileage," said Mr. Thomas. "If anybody says I introduced this resolution in order to get my mileage tell him that I did; that I am entitled to my mileage and that I want it and need it, and so do my creditors. I could live on \$7,500 a year, but it happens I am from a Republican district and in that kind of district it takes money to get the people to vote right." The House ignored the resolution, but Mr. Thomas will call it up to-morrow.

FALL RESTORES REASON TO DELMONICO JIMMY

Cabman Who Lost Mind in 1907 Now Assembling His Fortune.

James Hebron, known as Delmonico Jimmy because he had the cab privilege at Delmonico's for more than thirty years and who lost his mind in 1907 through an attack described by physicians as "extreme neurasthenia," has regained his mental faculties through an accident and is now recovering some of his fortune, estimated at \$500,000, which disappeared while he was unable to direct his affairs. This became known yesterday when Supreme Court Justice Seabury signed an order discontinuing four suits brought by Hebron against the Stock Exchange firm of Wassermann Bros. for an accounting of the proceeds of stock which were held for his account when he lost his reason. In his suit it developed that his account was operated by a member of his family without his permission or knowledge and the Wassermann firm made a settlement for \$27,000.

Hebron's recovery was of a nature to excite the wonder of physicians. He is now 59 years old and previous to the time his mind became clouded he was most active. While maintaining his lively business at Delmonico's, he carried on a real estate business and worked in Wall Street. The number of his friends was legion. The big men of the Street called him Jimmy and he knew most of them by their first names.

In May, 1907, he broke down under the strain of his activities. A nervous disorder developed, insomnia, and he went to Europe for treatment. An operation was performed on him in Dublin, but he did not get better. His mind was gone. He was helpless and useless. His business interests fell away, and he was content to go about with his wife, letting things take their own way.

In May, 1911, exactly four years from the time his illness began, he and Mrs. Hebron went to Bernardville, N. J., on a visit. The train on which they rode had pulled into a siding and in reaching the platform they had to cross the tracks. He stubbed his toe and fell upon his face. When he got to his feet his mind was completely restored. As he describes it, "I got up, and as Richard III said, 'Richard was himself again.' " "I was as sound as bell metal," said Mr. Hebron last night, "and a new horizon dawned for me. I immediately began to look after my affairs again and brought suits against several firms. Wassermann Brothers and others have settled with me, and others give promise of doing so. I think most of them recognize the fact that I was not myself during those four years. I am 59 years old now, but I feel as well as ever."

MAY LEVY ON OPERA TICKETS.

Sheriff Seeks to Collect Tyson Head's Christmas Gift Bill. A judgment of \$708 obtained in the City Court against Richard J. Hartman, president of Tyson & Co., by Lebolt & Co., jewelers, was sent to the Sheriff's office yesterday for execution. The Sheriff asked counsel for Lebolt & Co. if his deputies could find any other property. "Sure, take anything in sight," said the lawyer. "Opera tickets are as good as gold just now."

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MERCURY POISONING YIELDS TO THE KNIFE

Two Surgical Operations on the Kidneys Promise to Bring Cure.

ONE WOMAN ALMOST WELL

Mrs. Janin Will Leave Hospital Soon—Another Patient Much Better.

With one victim of bichloride of mercury poisoning apparently well on the road to recovery and another slightly improved New York physicians are in hope that the surgeon's knife has found a way out of what has been considered an almost certain fatal condition. Mrs. Helen Janin, wife of J. A. Janin, of 50 Felton avenue, West Brighton, Staten Island, operated on a week ago by Dr. Alfred Thomas of New Brighton, was said yesterday to be practically well. Her physician expects that she will be able to leave the hospital within a week. She is at the Smith Infirmary. Mrs. Agnes Pleasants of 430 East 184th street, the Bronx, operated on Wednesday night by Dr. Alexander Nicoll of 51 West Fifty-eighth street, was reported better last night, but still in danger. The operations performed on the two patients differ somewhat. Dr. Thomas performed what surgeons know as "Edebohls' operation," but on a theory which he believes to be new in dealing with bichloride poisoning. Dr. Nicoll contends that his operation is new. Both aim at the same result, to relieve the kidneys.

New Operation Devised.

As far as hospital records show the operation on Wednesday night was the third to be performed in New York for mercurial poisoning. The first was at Bellevue three months ago on a woman who subsequently died. Dr. Nicoll, who is professor of surgery in Fordham College, has devised the new operation, one which differs radically from "Edebohls'." He used his method for the first time in the case of Mrs. Pleasants. Dr. Nicoll cut into each kidney and inserted a small tube. Through these tubes flows a salt solution at body temperature. This solution washes into the kidneys and is discharged by the natural outlets of the organs.

As Dr. Nicoll has pointed out to his students, there are two phases of bichloride poisoning, the general condition and the local burning of the tissues of the throat and stomach by the poison. His method aims at the general condition.

Salt Water Flushes Poison.

He contends that the circulation of salt water, which will be continued until the recovery of Mrs. Pleasants, will flush out whatever poison there is in the kidneys and also dilute it that there will be no danger of reabsorption in the bladder, and he believes it will soothe the kidneys so they can do their work properly. He believes that if the patient can be tided over to a point where the restorative powers of the system will act the local burners from the poison in the throat and stomach will heal themselves. In the operation performed last week Dr. Thomas first cut down to the kidneys and brought them to the surface, then removed the capsule of membrane which envelops the kidneys, and after washing the kidneys and the wound with magnesium sulphate put the kidneys in place again.

When Mrs. Janin was operated on, it was said yesterday, her kidneys had ceased operation. She had swallowed twenty-one grains of bichloride on November 11. Dr. Thomas has given orders that she be allowed to sit up to-day. She will suffer no inconvenience. It was said, from the loss of the kidney capsules, as the membrane is merely a protective measure of nature to shield the organs from blows and outside pressure.

Thinks External Treatment Feble.

Dr. Thomas has told those who followed the case that he believes the most reliable and external treatments resorted to in bichloride poisoning cases have no effect.

Mrs. Pleasants took thirty grains of bichloride of mercury Monday evening, mistaking it for headache medicine. Her husband was not home, but when he came she told him that she had taken poison by mistake and was hurried to Fordham Hospital and as a last resort the operation was decided on. Dr. Kirshbaum of Fordham assisted Dr. Nicoll. Dr. Nicoll believes that if Mrs. Pleasants can be tided through the next few days she will recover. It was said at the hospital last night that while the kidneys were inoperative before the operation they have resumed their functions and that, although there is evidence of severe burning in the throat and stomach, Mrs. Pleasants has a good chance to get well. Mrs. Mary Browning, 26 years old, had a dispute with her husband in their home at 1672 Barnes avenue, The Bronx, last night. Then she went to the medicine chest and took four seven grain bichloride of mercury tablets. Her husband called for help and Mrs. Browning was taken to Fordham Hospital. The woman's condition is serious despite the quick administration of restorative. Mrs. Browning's five-month-old son is ill, and worrying over his condition caused her despondency.

MARRIAGE A LA MODE.

Remarries Divorced Wife After Marrying the Correspondent. Special Cable Despatch to The Sun. LONDON, Nov. 20.—Robert Williams, an actor, was married at Edinburgh to-day to the wife who divorced him last year. After the divorce Williams married the woman named in the suit. She brought suit recently for divorce and named the first wife as correspondent. No Thanksgiving dinner complete without ARGENTINA BITTERS. Delicious Appetizer.

"OH, GIFFORD, I AM THROUGH."

President Pack Renounces Pinchot at Conservation Congress.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20.—The conservation congress which came to an end to-day left a bad taste in the mouths of many of the staunchest friends of the general conservation movement. With the Pinchot forces in control of the gathering this minority was crushed under the steam roller. In the midst of to-day's session Charles L. Pack, president of the association, took occasion to exclaim to Mr. Pinchot: "Oh, Gifford, Gifford! We have been friends for years. For ten years I have stood by you in everything that you have urged. But we have reached the parting of the ways. I cannot follow you in a course that seems to me destined to disrupt and nullify every bit of good that the Conservation Association has done. I am through."

The Kansas, New Mexico and Wyoming delegations walked out to-day, following the lead of Arkansas; the Colorado and New York delegations split. It was voted to hold the next congress at San Francisco during the Panama-Pacific exposition of 1915.

ANOTHER STANDARD OIL MELON.

South Penn Company Declares an Extra 2 Per Cent. Dividend.

The South Penn Oil Company, a former subsidiary of the Standard Oil Company, has declared an extra dividend of 2 per cent. in addition to its regular quarterly dividend of 3 per cent. So far this year former Standard Oil subsidiaries have declared dividends amounting to 116 per cent.

In May, 1913, the capitalization of the South Penn Company was increased from \$2,500,000 to \$12,500,000 and \$7,500,000 of the new stock was distributed among the shareholders as a 300 per cent. stock dividend, the remainder being offered to shareholders at par.

HERE'S RADIUM FOR ALL AT MODERATE PRICES

German Professor Said to Have Discovered Cheap Method of Getting Metal.

SPECIAL CABLE DESPATCH TO THE SUN. LONDON, Nov. 21.—The Daily Mirror ascribes to the German professor Rudolf Sommer the discovery of an important new process of extracting radium quickly from unexpected sources. It says the discovery is new, well on the way to a practical working basis and before many months the world's hospitals will be able to get supplies of the precious metal, for which they now cry in vain.

Prof. Sommer has been experimenting for five years at Neulengbach, near Vienna, where he devised a process of extracting the precious metal from the rough ore in from three to four months as compared with the processes previously known, which take from ten to eighteen months. The source of radium heretofore, as is well known, has been mainly pitchblende, the supply of which is comparatively small. Prof. Sommer gets it from poor ores such as carnotite, of which big supplies are available. He has already produced a quantity worth at the current price of \$100,000. The ordinary processes of extraction involve inevitable loss. Prof. Sommer's process is so economical and the loss so small that he is able to treat ores containing minute quantities of radium and extract from them an amount less than the amount lost by other processes.

FEAR NEW ATTACK BY INDIANS.

Troops Will Not Reach Shiprock Agency Before Sunday.

FARMINGTON, N. M., Nov. 20.—Through-out last night the 400 renegade Navajo Indians fortified and encamped on Beautiful Mountain, thirty-five miles southwest of Shiprock agency, sang their war songs and danced their war dances while lone sentries stood watch at the many signal fires. At Shiprock extra precautions have been taken against the surprise of a night attack by the followers of Chief Be-Sho-She, who have been wrought to a state of high frenzy by their medicine men.

INTENT GOVERNS LEWDNESS.

Otherwise, Judge Says, Bible Could Be Excluded From Schools.

Judge Hand declared in the United States District Court yesterday that a book is not indecent or lewd, within the meaning of the Federal statute barring such matter from the mails, unless the intent of the author is immoral. Otherwise, he held, the Bible, Arabian Nights and many of Voltaire's and Shakespeare's works would come under the Federal ban. His informal opinion was inspired by the argument of Attorney John L. Lockhard, who declared that his client, Mitchell Kennerly, book publisher of 2 East Twenty-ninth street, was not guilty of sending obscene matter through the mails because "Hagar Revelly," the book which was made the basis of the charge on which the publisher was arrested on the complaint of Anthony Comstock, was written by Daniel Carson Goodman with a sincere purpose.

Mr. Lockhard asked that the indictment be dismissed, and Judge Hand reserved decision on this point.

Assistant United States Attorney Boyle said that Judge Hand's test of obscenity in literature was contrary to the legal precedent, which defines a lewd book as one whose matter tends to deprave and corrupt those whose minds are open to such influences.

NEW CONGRESS IS WITH HUERTA

Speaker Replies to Executive Assuring Him of Support.

NO MENTION OF U. S.

O'Shaughnessy Ordered by Washington Not to Attend Session.

HUERTA WELL GUARDED

New Explanation of Lind's Departure Given Out in Mexico City.

SPECIAL CABLE DESPATCH TO THE SUN. MEXICO CITY, Nov. 20.—President Huerta drove from the Castle of Chapultepec to the Chamber of Deputies to-day through lines of cavalry and infantry spread out over the route of three miles. He read his message in person to the new Congress, the dissolution of which was one of the points insisted on by the United States in the last communication made to Huerta by Special Envoy Lind.

Gen. Huerta rode in a coach surrounded by a large escort of cavalry, which almost hid the President from view. Following him were coaches containing his military aids and Supreme Court Justices. The populace was undemonstrative.

When the President entered the chamber there was a dead silence until the Deputy from Jalisco shouted "Vivo el hombre que ha salvado nuestra dignidad nacional." (Long live the man who has saved our national dignity.) This was followed by brief applause. The provisional President was escorted to the platform by Gen. Blanquet's staff, all the members of his own staff being members of the Congress.

O'Shaughnessy Absent.

The forum had never seen so great an exhibition of arms. All the members of the Diplomatic Corps now in Mexico city were present, with the exception of Nelson O'Shaughnessy, the American Charge d'Affaires, who had received special instructions from Washington not to attend.

After President Huerta had read his message Senator Eduardo Tamariz, the newly elected Speaker, replied in behalf of the Congress. He said: "Mr. President, the inauguration of Congress in these solemn moments is fraught with tremendous interest on account of the difficult and painful situation through which this country is passing. If the patriotic sentiment should ever prevail in Congress it should now predominate more than ever and high above every other sentiment, for upon the work of this Congress and the support which it will receive from the country's good sons, united in a supreme effort, must depend the salvation of our fatherland from ruin and humiliation.

"For this reason the Deputies and Senators have come together animated, I feel, by the purest patriotism and prepared to put aside with the most complete self-abnegation all ambitions and personal interests, even political hatreds, to work together for the supreme ideal of the salvation of our nation.

Says He Kept His Promise.

"As you, Mr. President, have just said, you confine yourself in your message to giving an account of the political events which have happened from October 10 until to-day, clearly demonstrating that you have fulfilled your solemn promise that the legislative power of the republic should resume its functions, thus putting an end to the anomalous situation which previously prevailed.

"The national representatives have listened attentively to the events which led you to dissolve the Twenty-sixth Congress and the reasons you had for taking such action. We understand equally well that you have limited the extraordinary powers with which you vested yourself, assuming only such powers as were absolutely indispensable. When you decide to give an account of the use which you have made of those powers, then only will it be the proper time for the Congress to judge and decide upon its approbation of your acts since October 10 last.

"In concluding your message you appeal to the patriotism of the Deputies and Senators forming the Congress which is to-day inaugurating its sessions. I believe that I am interpreting faithfully the ideas and the purposes of the members of both houses in assuring you that we all are resolved to comply with our duty and that our love for our country will be the sentiment inspiring our debates and resolutions.

"We must above all strive toward conciliation and concord, ever endeavoring within our faculties to procure union and peace not only within the bosom of our assemblies but throughout the republic, for were we not determined on this national work we should not have responded to your call.

"Mr. President, you have protected

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TAMPICO REPORTED FALLEN.

Mexican Rebels Said to Have Won Important Gulf Port.

SPECIAL CABLE DESPATCH TO THE SUN. MEXICO CITY, Nov. 20.—It is reported here to-night that Tampico, an important port on the Gulf of Mexico, has been captured by the rebels. This is the great oil shipping point and is of great value to the American and foreign oil companies having concessions.

Tampico, in the State of Tamaulipas, the capital of which, Ciudad Victoria, is about 225 miles north of Vera Cruz. It has a population of about 20,000 and has a large trade with the United States and Great Britain.

DAYTON'S AMBITION GROWS.

Can't Get Col. Goethals, So Town Turns to Col. Roosevelt.

DAYTON, Ohio, Nov. 20.—If Dayton can't get Col. George W. Goethals as city manager it may offer the job to ex-President Roosevelt. The city commissioners, who decided to have a manager for the town, are confronted with the fact that Goethals cannot get away from the United States army except by resignation or act of Congress. Therefore they are on the sharp lookout for some other all around man of big affairs. The commission has announced its willingness to pay as high as \$25,000 a year.

FALL TURNS INTO SUMMER

Plants Are Deceived and Grow Green and Man Perspires.

A zephyr breeze out of the west, that only a few days ago was shivering in a blizzard, gave New York yesterday the summer temperature of 70 degrees away up on the mountain height of the Whitehall Building, where they measure things with "ometers and breathe the sanitary air just below the clouds.

Down on the sidewalk lowland of human life the temperature was ten degrees higher. It was a late autumn day that seemed to have jumped into the clothes of summer. Even the flowers were deceived and began budding and blooming as if they sensed a reversal of seasons. In the suburban parts of the city, out Queens way and on Staten Island, the grass took on a brighter tint and some roses came out.

The ambitious buds and blossoms will not be blighted to-day, as there is no cool wave in sight.

TANGO NOT FOR CATHOLICS.

Vatican Said to Have Renounced the Dance as Immoral.

SPECIAL CABLE DESPATCH TO THE SUN. LONDON, Nov. 21.—The Rome correspondent of the Daily Mail says the Vatican has denounced the tango as immoral.

Several Bishops asked the Vatican if confessors were permitted to absolve Catholics who admitted having danced the tango. The reply was that the dance must be considered immoral and consequently prohibited to Catholics.

The Rome correspondent of the Daily News and Leader differs from that of the Daily Mail regarding the status of the tango at the Vatican.

The correspondent says that the Congregation of the Sacraments is carefully examining the dance and collecting evidence with a view to deciding whether or not it is immoral. The tango's condemnation is unlikely and, anyway, is not imminent, as the decisions of the Congregation take considerable time. Meanwhile Pope Pius has instructed the Bishops to use their own discretion in tolerating or prohibiting the tango.

PARIS, Nov. 20.—An appeal has been issued by the French clergy to bar the tango from exclusive salons as a dance not fit for the righteous people.

FOOTBALL STOPS LAW'S GRID

Case Postponed So Attorney May See Son Lead Yale.

When a mortgage foreclosure case was called for trial before Supreme Court Justice Gleicher yesterday the attorney for the plaintiff announced that he was ready, but the defendant's attorney stepped up to the bar and said:

"Your Honor, I'm the father of the captain of the Yale football team. I am Henry B. Ketcham. My son plays the last game of his college career against Harvard on Saturday and I want to be there to see him. I can't go if I have to proceed to trial with this case. I wish you would indulge me, although it may be only an old man's whim."

"I am inclined to postpone this case until next Monday without hearing any more reasons," replied the court. "I have two sons who play football themselves and I'd rather see a football game any day than try a case at law."

\$10,000 FOR INJURED KNEE.

Girl Who Lost Mother and Sister in Accident Gets Verdict.

By the terms of a verdict found by a jury in the United States District Court yesterday the Long Island Railroad will have to pay Miss Pauline Darnell \$10,000 for an injured knee that prevents the nineteen-year-old girl from playing golf, tennis and riding horseback. Miss Darnell is the daughter of R. J. Darnell, a lumber merchant of Memphis, Tenn. She was hurt in a collision between a taxicab in which she was riding at Freshport, L. I., and a Long Island Railroad train on October 1, 1911. The girl's mother and sister, who were also riding in the taxicab, both died as a result of their injuries. Her father sued the road for the \$11,800 which he claims to have paid to physicians for treating his wife and two daughters. The jury gave him the full amount.

MURDER DIAZ'S SON-IN-LAW.

Two Bandits Charged With Crime on Victim's Headlands.

HAVANA, Nov. 20.—Advices received here to-day by Gen. Felix Diaz say that Francisco Rincon Gilardino, son-in-law of Gen. Porfirio Diaz and the owner of the hacienda Rincon, near Aguacalientes, was assassinated Sunday. Two bandits are charged with the killing.

WILSON POLICY ALARMS BRITAIN

Keen Disappointment Felt Over Failure to Act in Mexico.

HOPE FOR PEACE GONE

Prompt Adjustment of Situation After Intervention Was Expected.

RAPID ACTION URGED

Lord Cowdray Makes Strong Denial of All Charges Against Him.

SAYS HE KNOWS SOURCE

President Wilson Still Convinced That Huerta Rule Is Near Collapse.

SPECIAL CABLE DESPATCH TO THE SUN. LONDON, Nov. 20.—In official quarters here there is a decidedly despondent feeling regarding the Mexican situation. Hope of a peaceful solution of the question disappeared when President Huerta's message to the new Congress became known. It had already begun to wane.

While the sending of the British warships to Mexican waters is said officially to have been done to provide for "a case of necessity for the rescue of British subjects and the protection of British property," there is a growing belief that such a contingency is close at hand.

The correspondent of THE SUN is able to say on high authority that the warships were sent only after the British Government became alarmed for the safety of British subjects in consequence of cable messages from Mexico indicating that anything may happen at any moment.

The optimism of the last few weeks concerning President Wilson's peaceful policy has given place to the pessimistic conviction that the situation can be readjusted only by force. This is deplored, as it is realized that it will mean a long and costly war, but it is realized also that if the United States is forced to the task of setting Mexico in order it will not stop until the thing is done effectively.

There is one group of students of the situation who are watching the course of events carefully and significantly point to the manner in which the United States brought stability back to Cuba. They suggest that if the same method is adopted in Mexico a similar result will be obtained.

Situation at Acute Stage.

That events have reached a serious stage is evident from messages received by a certain important interest in England from its agents in Mexico. Owing to the interruption of telegraphic communication with the Gulf ports Rear Admiral Fletcher courteously permitted the messages to be sent by the wireless service of his battleship. While the American Rear Admiral made no objection to the use of code in the messages he insisted that a full translation of the messages be given to him.

One of the causes of speculation this week has been the visits of Lord Cowdray, head of the Pearson interests, to the American Embassy. He had another long conference with Ambassador Page yesterday.

The embassy refuses to say a word about the subjects discussed, but from other sources the correspondent of THE SUN has learned that Lord Cowdray is extremely worried at the serious turn of affairs and the threat of the Constitutionalists that unless he makes contributions to their cause his oil tanks and plants at Tuxpan will be destroyed.

Lord Cowdray's interests in Tuxpan are enormous, but in addition to the anxiety he feels regarding the property he is greatly alarmed regarding the safety of his employees. The men employed by the Pearson interests in Mexico are English and American, the latter predominating. The firm enjoys the reputation of caring for its employees on a generous plan and hence the men feel loyalty of the "untold" brand for Lord Cowdray. It is believed that if the Carranzistas try arson work on the Tuxpan properties the men will defend the plants with their lives.

Cowdray Explains His Stand.

Lord Cowdray is anxious that if this contingency arises his motives shall not be misinterpreted by the United States, which might think that he was participating in the revolution.

When the correspondent of THE SUN saw Lord Cowdray this afternoon he was received with a smile, but it was obvious that the head of the Pearson interests was suffering from the effects of the galling fire to which he has been subjected for weeks.

Showing to the correspondent called