

HUERTA READY TO QUIT IF U. S. MAKES IT EASY

Will Insist On Liberty to Be Candidate at the Next Election.

ARMY MAY AVENGE DEATH OF PARKS

Brazilian Minister Reports Execution of Soldier Near Vera Cruz.

SALTILLO BESIEGED BY VILLA'S 25,000 MEN

Garrison Is Believed to Be Ready to Mutiny and Join Rebels.

Gen. Huerta is said to be willing to resign the provisional Presidency of Mexico if he can be saved from humiliation.

According to reports to the diplomatic representatives of European Powers in Mexico city, the dictator will insist that he have a voice in the selection of his successor.

Unusual activity of the United States authorities at Vera Cruz is taken to indicate that a forward movement is contemplated and that the fall of Huerta is near.

The Brazilian Minister at Mexico city reported yesterday that he learned from apparently reliable sources that Private Parks was put to death by Federal troops outside Vera Cruz.

The death of Parks and the fact that no information has been given of the whereabouts of United States Consul Silliman are expected to lead to drastic action by the United States unless reparation is made by Huerta.

Gen. Villa has 25,000 men around Saltillo, practically the last Federal stronghold in the north, and began shelling the city yesterday.

HOPE FOR PEACE GROWING.

Washington Hears That Dictator Is Trying to Save His Face.

WASHINGTON, May 15.—The South American mediators and officials of the Washington Government were more hopeful to-night of a settlement of the Mexican situation through the conferences at Niagara Falls than they have been at any time since the efforts toward peace began. This optimism was maintained in the face of practical confirmation of the execution of Private Parks by Mexican troops and the failure of Huerta to keep his promise and produce United States Consul John R. Silliman, who had been imprisoned at Saltillo.

This hopefulness was based altogether upon the crumbling state of the Huerta Government. Word came to European diplomatic envoys in Washington from reliable channels in Mexico city that Huerta would consent to retire from the provisional Presidency. He would insist, however, that this should be brought about by the mediators at Washington in such a way as to save him from humiliation.

Under no circumstances would he have it appear that he was yielding to Carranza. It is understood also that Huerta would insist upon a voice in the selection of his successor and also possibly upon an opportunity to become a candidate for the Presidency at the next election.

The mediators and Washington officials declined to indicate whether they had received similar information from Mexico city, but it was apparent that in both quarters important developments of a favorable character were expected in the near future.

Huerta's Way Out.

The plan on which the mediators and the United States Government are proceeding is now very clear. They are certain that the Huerta Government is doomed and that it is only a question of a short time when it must fall if Huerta himself does not seize the opportunity to step out voluntarily. The mediation proceedings will be the avenue through which Huerta, when he reaches the end of his rope, may be able to yield without too great personal humiliation.

With Huerta out, Carranza would be obliged to become a party to the mediation proceedings. This explains in part the plans that Carranza has made to have unofficial representatives at Niagara Falls. They will not participate in the conferences, but will be on the ground to qualify in the event of favorable developments.

In other words, the mediators and the officials of the United States expect Carranza and Villa to continue vigorously their campaign toward Mexico city until such time as Huerta may decide to avail himself of the avenue of escape offered by the mediators themselves.

Persons in Washington who knew Huerta intimately, including Nelson

SILLIMAN IS REPORTED SAFE.

British Embassy Receives Word, but Confirmation Is Lacking.

WASHINGTON, May 15.—The British Embassy here received word to-night that Consul Silliman was on his way to Mexico city from Saltillo under guard. The embassy could not vouch for the accuracy of the report, but it came from what the embassy regards as a reliable source.

The State Department had no confirmation of the report. There have been similar reports once or twice before, but each time they have proved disappointing.

TUXPAN SEIZED BY REBELS.

Federal Commander Evacuates Big Oil Port on Gulf.

VERA CRUZ, May 15.—Refugees arriving this afternoon report that the Federal forces have evacuated Tuxpan, which is now in the possession of Candide Aguilar and Lucio Blanco, who have been operating as guerrillas with leanings toward the Constitutionalists.

The refugees came in a launch and said that when Gen. Eduardo Ocaranza, the Federal commander, learned of the approach of Aguilar and Blanco, he sent a force out to meet them. The Federals were defeated and left scores of dead on the field. They retreated to the city and fled toward Mexico city.

The refugees say that all Americans got out of the city in safety.

REPORT OF MUTINY IS DENIED BY BLANQUET

Huerta's War Minister Also Says Federals at Saltillo Are Taking Offensive.

Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.

MEXICO CITY, May 15.—Gen. Blanquet, the Minister of War, denied without reservation to-night the report that the soldiers at Guadalajara mutinied, killed their officers and fled southward.

Reports that the rebels have occupied Saltillo were set at rest by an official statement of Gen. Blanquet. Not only is Saltillo safe, he said, but the Federals are taking the offensive in the first fighting about the city.

Word has been received that the French, German and Japanese naval commanders at Mazatlan have filed a strong protest with the rebels against bomb throwing from aeroplanes. They have declared that it is contrary to the laws and customs of civilized warfare.

Two hundred and forty-five British, German and other foreigners left to-night for Puerto Mexico, where they will embark on the Spanish ship Alfonso XIII.

FEAR FOR REFUGEE SHIP.

The Cetina, With 150 Germans Aboard, Is Overdue.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 15.—The steamship Cetina, chartered by the German Government to bring German refugees from the west coast of Mexico, which was due here Thursday, has not been sighted. Grave fears for the ship's safety are expressed. There are 150 refugees aboard. The steamer has no passenger license and is not equipped with wireless.

Storms along the coast may have driven the ship from her course, but coast vessels have not sighted her.

SHELL ON THE TEXAS INJURES 4.

Falls Down Hatch When Being Hoisted on to Battleship.

NORFOLK, Va., May 15.—A fourteen inch shell weighing 1,490 pounds injured four men to-day on the battleship Texas. J. A. Julian, an ordinary seaman, had his leg broken, C. H. Coleman was injured on the head and Boatwain Male Sisco and another seaman had their hands hurt.

The shell was being hoisted from a barge to the Texas when it fell down a hatch and scraped Coleman's face. Julian in endeavoring to grab the shell was thrown down and it rolled over his leg. Sisco and the other seaman attempted with their hands to keep the shell from injuring their shipmates.

BOY HAD TWO APPENDICES.

"First Case I Ever Saw," Says Doctor Who Removes Both.

Dr. Harry M. Biffar of 220 Fourteenth street, College Point, L. I., performed an operation yesterday in which two appendices were removed from Thomas Smart, 13 years old, son of T. E. Smart, proprietor of a hotel at First street and Third avenue, College Point.

"This is the first case of the kind that has ever come to my attention," said Dr. Biffar last night. "It is not rare among lower animals, however."

The appendix in the normal position was in a dangerous condition. Another appendix branched off and was enclosed in a blind pouch about four inches in length. The operation was performed in St. Mary's Hospital, Jamaica, where it was said last night that the boy is expected to recover.

THIRD LION KILLS MISSIONARY.

Had Despatched Two in Sudan Before Getting Death Wounds.

PHILADELPHIA, May 15.—Details of the death of Ralph W. Tidrick, the Presbyterian missionary who was killed in a lion hunt in the Sudan, were received by the Foreign Missionary Board of the Presbyterian Church here to-day.

Mr. Tidrick, who was in charge of the Duleib Hill mission, had been appealed to by the natives to assist them in exterminating lions infesting the neighborhood. After killing two lions, Mr. Tidrick came upon the third which he had wounded. His rifle missed fire on the next shot, the lion rushed at him, threw the missionary to the ground, and chewed him up considerably. Mr. Tidrick died on April 22, nine days after the accident.

SIEGEL IN LONDON; WILL RETURN MAY 20

The New York Merchant Lands at Plymouth in Fear of Extradition.

MADE TRIP FOR A "REST"

Will Visit His Daughter in Staffordshire Until Sailing Date.

Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.

LONDON, May 15.—Henry Siegel, the indicted department store proprietor of New York, arrived at Plymouth this evening on the White Star liner Olympic, which was delayed somewhat by a fog.

On landing here Siegel was met by his daughter, Mrs. Julia F. Siegel Cavendish. Detectives shadowed Siegel after he left the vessel, but he was not arrested, as had been anticipated. He was manifestly relieved when he found that he was not to be apprehended, as it was an open secret aboard the steamer that he fully expected to be arrested on an extradition warrant as soon as he stepped ashore.

Siegel and his daughter and a man who evidently represented a firm of English lawyers boarded the boat train. The detectives who were shadowing Mr. Siegel boarded the same train, which reached Paddington station at midnight.

Siegel Very Much Worried.

Siegel looked very much worried. Several detectives were conspicuous on the platform. There was also a battery of newspaper photographers who took flashlight pictures of Mr. Siegel as he passed them on the platform.

At first Siegel declined to say anything in reply to questions by numerous reporters, but while the party was on the way to the Great Western Hotel, which adjoins the station, where they tried in vain to obtain rooms, he absolutely denied that he had consulted a former employee of his in regard to the possibility of his extradition from various countries.

Siegel admitted that he had received a wireless message from District Attorney Whitman concerning his unexpected departure on the Olympic and said that his response was that he would definitely sail for the United States on his return trip on May 20.

Continuing, Siegel said his trip was the result of a quick decision. He hurriedly made up his mind to sail for Europe to see his five-year-old grandchild, who had been ill, but not seriously so. The child was now better, but was never in serious danger.

To Issue Statement Here.

Siegel kept nervously reiterating the question: "What can I say?" At last he said: "I do not intend to tell you a long yarn. My answers to various nonsensical false statements which have been published here have been sent to my New York lawyer, who will probably issue a statement to the papers to-morrow."

While Siegel was talking to the reporters his male companion kept telephoning to various hotels in a vain endeavor to obtain rooms. Siegel said he wished to return to the Olympic on his return trip on May 20.

When they reached the top floor of the hotel where he was staying, Siegel took out a trunk, but met with more trouble. He was relieved of this dilemma by a reporter, who offered him one of the fleet which the newspaper men had reserved. Siegel gratefully responded by handing the reporter an excellent cigar.

Mrs. Cavendish told a correspondent of THE SUN that she has taken a place in Staffordshire for the summer. Her father, she said, had come over purely for rest.

Finally the entire party, consisting of Siegel, his daughter, the reporters and a bunch of detectives reached the Great Central Hotel, a railway hotel, across the street from Marylebone station, where rooms were secured.

No statement from Siegel was received by Stanchfield & Levy up to the time their office closed last night. John R. Hartman, field said over the telephone last night that he had not heard from his client in the last few days. Louis S. Levy could not be found, but Siegel's lawyer, F. Hartman, of the lawyer's office told THE SUN that he had not been notified that Siegel was sending a statement, although, he said, Stanchfield & Levy expected to hear from him as soon as he arrived in England. Mr. Hartman said his office would probably receive word from Siegel this morning, in which case a statement will be given to the press.

PLAN TO ATTACK ROYAL AUTO.

Mrs. Pankhurst's Plot Gets to the Ears of the Police.

LONDON, May 15.—The Standard prints a story this morning to the effect that Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, realizing that her proposed attempt to reach King George at Buckingham Palace on May 21 would be prevented, laid plans with some of her followers to waylay and hold up the royal automobile in which the King and Queen will return to London from Aldershot on that date.

The police learned of the scheme and have made preparations to prevent the carrying out of the plot.

"Gen." Mrs. Flora Drummond and Mrs. Dacre-Fox, the militants, who were arrested on Thursday while demanding protection from the police at the city homes of Sir Edward Carson and Lord Lansdowne, the Unionist leader in the House of Lords, were sentenced yesterday. The prisoners talked, ridiculed the Magistrate and interrupted testimony at the court hearing yesterday. After sentence had been imposed they became so violent that four policemen had to carry them, screaming, from the court room.

Large and expensive grandstands at the county cricket grounds at London and Birmingham were burned yesterday by "arson squads."

Day to the month's imprisonment each. The imprisonment sentences were imposed after both had refused to give bonds to keep the peace for six months. The two women had camped out on the steps of the Carson and Lansdowne houses, while crowds gathered in front.

ROCK ISLAND SEEKS MERGER.

Wishes to Consolidate with Santa Fe, Says Senate Witness.

WASHINGTON, May 15.—Details of a pending railroad merger were disclosed to the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee to-day by Thomas B. Harlan of St. Louis, attorney for the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railroad Company.

He told the committee that his associates had nearly all of the stock of that company ready for delivery to the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad Company, but that they feared the passage of the Interstate trade commission bill would make this impossible.

"It seems to me you have more to fear from the Sherman anti-trust law than from this bill if you allow the Atchison to acquire a road with which you admit it is in competition in New Mexico," commented Senator Cummins.

Mr. Harlan declared there was only competition for about 5 per cent. of the tonnage hauled by his line. He said that his associates were trying to get the consent of the bondholders to the merger.

HARRIMAN CUTS ROAD'S WASTE.

Putting in Economy Business System in Union Pacific Office.

OMAHA, May 15.—W. Averill Harriman of New York, son of the late E. H. Harriman, has been in Omaha all this week with a corps of expert accountants polishing up the office system of the Union Pacific Railroad, trimming out useless employees and rectifying poor business systems.

Mr. Harriman is taking the keenest personal interest, working every day with the experts and attending all the conferences between them and Union Pacific officials.

Last fall Mr. Harriman spent some time in Union Pacific headquarters learning the system of accounting. He is making use of the information gained then to increase the efficiency of that department.

SON, TRYING TO RESCUE, BURNS WITH MOTHER

Closed Door Bars Way Just Before He Reaches Place of Safety.

Mrs. Mary Halstead, an invalid widow, and her son, Harry Halstead, his mother's support for many years, were burned to death together last night in their home on the top floor of the four story brick tenement at 289 Columbia street, Brooklyn.

At 10 o'clock Mrs. Helen Mead, janitress of the building, went up to look after the aged invalid, as she always did several times a day. The janitress started to light an oil lamp in the kitchen. It is supposed that the lamp exploded. There was a flash of flame and Mrs. Mead ran to the street crying for help.

In front of the house she met young Halstead on his way home. The young man ran up to his mother's room.

There is an engine company almost around the corner, and firemen and Policeman Anderson of the Hamilton avenue station were in the house and up the stairs within a few minutes after the alarm was given.

When they reached the top floor the whole floor was ablaze. The bodies of the aged woman and her son were found in each other's arms, on the kitchen floor near the door.

The room which the helpless invalid had occupied was at the front of the four room flat. A door led into it from the hall, but this was locked. The son had carried his mother from this bedroom through two other rooms to the kitchen and had almost reached the door when he was overcome. The kitchen door was closed when the firemen ran in.

Mrs. Halstead had been an invalid for ten years. Her son, 23 years old, was a layer of parquet floors.

Babies Die in Flames; Police Hero Burns.

Three-year-old Rosie Kirsch and her thirteen-month-old brother Isidor were burned to death on the third floor of a five story tenement house at 521 East Eleventh street yesterday afternoon while their mother, Mrs. Ida Kirsch, was doing the family marketing at a nearby store.

Policeman Joseph Gross of the Fifth street station, who was on post, got to the house just as an alarm was sent in. He rushed up stairs and diving through a long line of flames reaching out from the Kirsch apartments stumbled against two men, who had dropped from the smoke as they were trying to do rescue work, and dragged them to the street. They were Sam Labovics, who lived in the house, and Jacob Ginsberg of 517 East Eleventh street.

Gross's uniform caught fire and sparks fell inside his collar, burning the inside of his coat. His hair was singed and he was slightly scorched on the side of the forehead.

Fireman Raymond Seaman of Engine 23 had his arm cut by falling glass. He was treated at St. Mark's Hospital.

Policeman Gross returned to duty after the fire. The loss was placed at \$1,500.

Woman Burned to Death in Williamsburg Tenement.

A woman was burned to death and two men were badly burned in trying to save her in a fire in the tenement house at 126 Boerum street, Williamsburg, yesterday afternoon. The flames did \$1,000 damage and caused a panic among the tenants.

Mrs. Sadie Friedman, 27 years old, wife of Bernard Friedman, a tailor, was cooking dinner at the kitchen range when her dress caught fire. She ran into the bedroom and her husband went to the street shouting for help.

Herbert Herkowitz of 174 Middleton street and Meyer Miskoff of 235 Graham avenue ran into the flat and found Mrs. Friedman in flames on the bed. They dragged her out but she was dead when Dr. Heath of St. Catherine's Hospital arrived. Both men were burned about the arms, face and head and were taken to the hospital.

WOMAN DOOMED BY SURGEONS IS CURED

Mrs. Squier, Who Appealed for Killing of Hopeless Sufferers, Leaves Bed.

HEALED IN PHILADELPHIA

Prominent Physician Saves Her From Ravages of Intestinal Tumor.

PHILADELPHIA, May 15.—Mrs. William Squier of Atco, N. J., who a year ago last Christmas sent a thrill of pity through the country by her appeal for euthanasia for hopeless sufferers, was pronounced to-day absolutely cured of an intestinal tumor, by one of the leading surgeons and scientists of the country.

Mrs. Squier's story, printed on Christmas Eve in 1912, was published in newspapers throughout the country. It told of a woman suffering tortures from a disease, who was under sentence of death, pronounced by physicians and surgeons, and who from what was supposed to be her death-bed sent a Christmas message to humanity asking for scientific kindness for those who suffer from incurable diseases.

"When an animal suffers hopelessly we put it out of misery," wrote Mrs. Squier, "but we allow human beings to remain in agony when there is no hope for them."

One of the leading surgeons of this city heard of the woman's suffering and of her unusual appeal and took an interest in her case.

Surgeon's Name Kept Secret.

The surgeon, who refuses to give his name, or even the name of the hospital concerned in the case, declared to-day that Mrs. Squier is absolutely cured.

"I am convinced now," said Mrs. Squier, "that I have been kept alive for a purpose. Perhaps it was to prove to humanity that it should not give up hope."

At the time Mrs. Squier was visited by a reporter, who found her on what seemed to be her death-bed, she said:

"I am awed by the things that have happened to me, impressed more than ever by the mystery of the universal laws. I am singing in my heart to-day the old jubilate, 'Praise be for all on earth and in heaven.'"

Last Christmas Mrs. Squier was still weak and suffering from the effects of her operation, but she was in wonderful spirits and hoping to be cured by spring. Her hope has become a reality and the finishing touch to her happiness was added to-day by the surgeon who pronounced her healed.

"Mrs. Squier is absolutely cured," he said. "I can find no trace of her old trouble. She says that she is better than she has been for years."

Mrs. Squier regards her restoration to life as a miracle. She was discharged during the recent Easter holidays from the hospital where the operation took place.

Hopes Plan Will Be Devised.

"I still believe that wise physicians and scientists and legislators can and will in the dim future work out a legal plan whereby those who are absolutely known to be hopeless sufferers can be put decently and humanely out of their misery," said Mrs. Squier.

"In my case, there was a chance which the doctors who examined me at first did not detect. Of course, euthanasia should not be resorted to until every vestige of hope has been given up, not by one or a few, but by a gathering of scientists. But I am not thinking so much now of death as of life."

Mr. and Mrs. Squier, at the time she was visited on her "death-bed" by the newspaper reporter at Atco, were in financial straits. Mr. Squier, a retired Presbyterian minister, was losing his sight and he and his wife were alone in their unfinished bungalow.

The story of their distress, upon being published, brought them aid. Their debts were paid and the bungalow was finished. "Our days of pinching seem to be over," said Mrs. Squier to-day, "and happiness is ahead of us. My husband's eyesight is still failing, but my health is getting better every day and my strength will make up for his infirmity."

WOMEN VOTERS STAY AWAY.

Light Vote Registered in the Oregon Primaries.

PORTLAND, Ore., May 15.—Public indifference to a marked degree featured the primary election in Oregon to-day, when out of 360,000 registered voters only one-half used their right of franchise.

The women, who also have the suffrage right in this State, did not take advantage of it as expected despite the fact that they were well represented at many of the city booths, particularly as election clerks and judges.

United States Senator George E. Chamberlain had no opposition on the Democratic ticket and in the November election will be pitted against H. A. Booth, a rich lumberman, who was nominated on the Republican ticket, and William Hanley, land owner and farmer, on the Progressive ticket.

HELD FOR BEGGING, HAVE \$55.

American Couple Say They Were Stranded on Honeymoon.

BRIELOW, May 15.—A man named Prentis, who says he is an American theatrical manager, and his wife were arrested here to-day on a charge of mendacity and arraigned in a police court.

Prentis said he was married in New York some months ago. The couple spent the honeymoon in France and then came here, where they became stranded. They were awaiting money from his wife's uncle in the United States and were reduced to such straits that they had to beg for subsistence.

When the police searched the couple they found \$11 (\$55 in their possession). The couple were remanded in jail.

TOW BARGES THROUGH CANAL.

Channel Through Cucuracha Slide Almost Ready for Vessels.

PANAMA, May 15.—Four barges were towed through the Panama Canal to-day from the Atlantic to the Pacific in eleven hours. They will be loaded with sugar on the Pacific side and towed back in a few days.

The channel through the Cucuracha slide is now 120 feet wide and 38 feet deep. It lacks only 160 feet of completion, but the slide is still moving slowly into the channel.

SHERMAN DAY IN AUTO WRECK.

Lawyer Leaps in Time When Car Upsets in Fifth Avenue.

Sherman Day, a prominent lawyer and member of many clubs, who lives at 6 East Forty-fourth street, narrowly escaped death near midnight last night by jumping when his automobile was in collision with another car on Fifth avenue near Fifty-third street. Mr. Day's car, flung to the sidewalk, turned over and was wrecked.

The Day automobile, in which were Mr. Day and Arthur Clark of 364 West Fifty-fifth street, his chauffeur, was going south on Fifth avenue and swerved to avoid striking another car that turned into the avenue from Fifty-third street. In doing so it struck with great force a car driven by Max Kasper of 23 Attorney street and owned by E. J. Wynne of 214 West Forty-ninth street, going in the opposite direction.

MOTHER WAITS NEWS OF KIDNAPPED SON

Little Frank Longo Makes the Third in the Family to Disappear Mysteriously.

No trace has been found of eight-year-old Frank Longo, son of Frank Longo, a baker, who disappeared on Wednesday from 190 Bleeker street. Mrs. Longo, who was in charge of the store while her husband was working in his bakery downtown, said yesterday afternoon that no word had been received since a special delivery letter Wednesday afternoon told Longo he could have the boy back for \$5,000, otherwise he would be "sent home in a box."

The missing boy is the oldest of three sons. He was a pupil at Public School 3, Hudson and Grove streets. He has three sisters.

Young Longo comes from a family in which two other boys have been kidnapped. On November 19, 1910, Giuseppe Longo, then 7 years old, a son of the baker's brother, and a six-year-old boy named Michael Rizzo, were kidnapped in South Brooklyn. Little Rizzo was picked up in the street near his home on December 6, 1910, and Longo was found later in a flat in East Sixty-third street. Maria Rappa and Stanislaw Pattenza were convicted for kidnapping. They were sentenced to not less than twenty-five years and not more than forty-nine years and ten months imprisonment. The woman is now in the insane asylum at Matteawan. Pattenza was acquitted on a new trial.

Giovanni di Fiore, the five-year-old son of Costimo di Fiore, Longo's brother-in-law, disappeared in the fall of 1911 and was picked up five weeks later at the Manhattan entrance to the Brooklyn Bridge. It was believed at the time he was kidnapped.

FEARS SUICIDE, GIVES UP GUN.

Youth Overloaded Cop by Handing Starter Loaded Weapon.

A big, blond haired boy of 18 years walked up to Policeman Murphy at Forty-second street and Fifth avenue at 2 o'clock this morning and asked him to hold and keep a .38 calibre revolver he had.

The boy said he had tried all the night to kill himself with it, but either because of interruptions or lack of nerve had failed.

The boy was taken to the station under a felony charge and may be sent to prison for five years for carrying the gun. He said his name was Herman Hoyer.

200 CHILDREN SING FOR SAINT.

Little Italians Give "Star Spangled Banner" Standing in Street.

Two hundred Italian children stood in front of the Elizabeth street police station last night and sang "The Star Spangled Banner." They were on their way to a festival in honor of the Madonna del Soccorso at the headquarters of the Societa Canessa, 190 West street.

Mott street between Canal and Hester was decorated with red, green and white electric lamps. The celebration will continue to-day and to-night.

WOULD GIVE UP \$6,000 ALIMONY.

Mrs. Leslie P. Ward Seeks Divorce Even at Money Sacrifice.

A woman's willingness to give up \$6,000 a year alimony to be divorced from her husband was disclosed in the Supreme Court yesterday when Mrs. Mabel Raymond Ward, daughter of Dr. Edward H. Raymond, a well known New York physician, asked Supreme Court Justice Philbin to divorce her from Leslie P. Ward, son of the late Dr. Leslie M. Ward. Dr. Ward was vice-president of the Prudential Insurance Company, and left a large estate when he died in London two years ago. His son and daughter got the bulk of his estate.

Mrs. Ward has been living apart from her husband for some years and has received \$6,000 alimony under a separation agreement. Her husband did not defend the case when it was called yesterday and Mrs. Ward told the court she didn't ask alimony. The couple were married at Summit, N. J., in 1908. The evidence against Ward consisted of depositions taken in London. The court reserved decision, but intimated that he will grant a decree.

LEFTY'S WIDOW SAYS SHE HEARD MURDER ORDER