

MADRIZ'S TERMS NOT ACCEPTABLE

Estrada Willing to Meet Commissioners but Won't Recognize Action of Legislature.

DECLARES HE IS A USURPER

Zelaya's Entourage Showing Nervousness—Many Insulting Telegrams Sent to Him.

Washington, Dec. 28.—Gen. Estrada, the revolutionary leader in Nicaragua, will not accept the extraordinary terms proposed by the new president, Madriz, as a basis for peace.

A telegram from Bluefields states that on the 22nd Inst. Madriz had proposed, in a telegram to Estrada, a suspension of hostilities, pending the arrival of a committee which he was sending to Es-

trada to discuss an amicable and equitable settlement of the present strife. Madriz begged the revolutionary leader not to obstruct his efforts for peace.

Gen. Estrada in his reply expressed his willingness to meet the Madriz commissioners, but said the revolutionary party would not recognize the action of the legislative assembly in placing power in the hands of Madriz.

He denied most emphatically the assembly's right to deal with the election of president and stated he saw in Madriz the usurper of the rights of the Nicaraguan people.

MADRIZ'S TERMS.

The terms upon which Madriz is willing to make peace, it is believed, are shown in a letter which purports to have been signed by him and addressed to a friend. In it he expresses his desire for peace without further bloodshed and said whatever might happen should be decided by the representatives of the public interests, he was willing to accept.

He says further, the revolutionists should recognize his government, and that after such recognition both armies should be disbanded, all arms and ammunition being turned over to him. He states he would recognize the debts and contracts of the revolutionists, and that within six months he would look for the holding of an election, he guaranteeing free suffrage.

He adds he would turn over such power as he had impartially to the person elected president and that he would accept any other proper conditions.

It is not doubted here that Estrada's known astuteness will prevent him from accepting the terms of peace, proffered upon the prior surrender by him of his army, arms and ammunition to his enemy. Therefore, it is not believed the conference between Estrada and the Madriz commissioners will result in any particular change in the present status.

A telegram from Managua received at the state department says the Madriz party is making preparations to send troops to the eastward to meet Estrada's army.

Other telegrams confirm the published reports that Madriz had ordered the arrest of Pasco's cabinet members, the former president, on the ground that he had swindled the government out of money, but that Pasco had so far succeeded in evading arrest. Zelaya believed the conference between Estrada and the Madriz commissioners will result in any particular change in the present status.

The minister of finance, Santos, has been put in prison, charged with sending unauthorized telegrams and other matters interfering with governmental matters with which he had no concern.

MEMBERS OF ZELAYA'S PARTY SHOWING NERVOUSNESS

Santa Lucracia, Mex., Dec. 28.—The private car on which former President Zelaya is proceeding to Mexico City passed through here today. Zelaya is accompanied by a number of his political associates, including his former secretary of war.

The members of the party show considerable nervousness, which was particularly noticeable while passing through the streets of Salina Cruz before the departure. The fact that Zelaya had not before taking the train the party requested an introduction to the American consul at Salina Cruz, C. Ludlow Livingston. The police situation has not been discussed, Mr. Livingston having received no instructions from Washington. The party is due at Mexico City tomorrow morning.

ZELAYA'S ENEMIES SEND INSULTING TELEGRAMS

Washington, Dec. 28.—Native Nicaraguans, exiled and driven from home by President Zelaya during his reign, are rejoicing over the latter's downfall and are sending insulting telegrams even inviting him to come to the Mexican frontier and meet them in physical combat.

One of them, Dr. Marcos E. Velasquez, now in Washington, wired Zelaya at Mexico City today, reciting the latter's alleged crimes and inviting him to the border line of the United States to fight a duel.

Mr. Velasquez was exiled from Nicaragua by President Zelaya nine years ago and has since been a resident of Panama. He came to the United States two weeks ago to lend assistance to the cause of Gen. Estrada, bearing with him letters to President Taft and Secy. Knox.

WYOMING SHEEP OFFERED AT A DOLLAR A HEAD

Buffalo, Wyo., Dec. 28.—Range and weather conditions in this section are so bad that flock masters are offering their sheep for sale at one dollar per head. These sheep could not have been purchased six weeks ago, or before the severe cold and snow set in, for less than six dollars per head.

WOMAN MURDERED, BODY THROWN INTO THE PLATTE

Denver, Dec. 28.—The body of Mrs. Belle Roper, wife of a railroad employe, was found this morning in the Platte river. Her head had been smashed in by blows from a heavy piece of slag, which it is believed, by a negro who last night attempted to force his way into her home. The entire police force of the city is looking for the negro and threats of lynching have been made.

sent, a negro tried to force his way into the house. She fired through the door twice at him and he ran away. Telling her children she was going to summon the police, she fled to the house and was not seen again until her mutilated body was found in the river.

DEMOCRATIC PROGRAM Is to Keep Down Appropriation Bills And Vote Against Ship Subsidy.

Washington, Dec. 28.—The program of the Democrats in the house this session is to keep down the amount of the appropriation bills and to vote against ship subsidy, said Minority Leader Champ Clark of Missouri today. "The house leaders are rushing everything to get the appropriation bills through and that subject and the ship subsidy proposition seem to be about the only two things that are to be taken up by the committee on ship subsidy bill. We favor a river and harbor bill. I look for adjournment of Congress in April, certainly by May 1."

DUST EXPLOSION KILLS FOUR MEN

Centralia, Ill., Dec. 28.—Four shot-firers were killed in a dust explosion, the death toll in this town yesterday. The explosion happened 200 feet from the cage landing at the 700 foot level.

OLD MAN DIED OF STARVATION IN LUNCH ROOM

New York, Dec. 28.—As Samuel Leiberman was going over his accounts at the desk in a "windy" room yesterday he glanced up to see a forlorn and battered old man with white beard and hair looking at him appealingly. He was asked what was wrong. The visitor who looked as if he might be 80 asked if he could have some coffee and bread as he had not eaten in several days. Leiberman motioned him to a chair at the first table and told a waiter to bring him a cup of soup and coffee. The old man mumbled his thanks and as the waiter put the soup before him uttered a cry, threw up his arms and fell backward on the floor. A physician was summoned and said the man died of starvation.

ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE.

Boston, Dec. 28.—The discussion of subjects of importance to the scientific world was recently arranged by the American Association for the Advancement of Science at the second day's session of its annual meeting.

PHYLIDS CARRIED DYNAMITE.

Washington, Dec. 28.—When the steamer Phyllis recently arrived at the Panama canal zone, her cargo is said to have received even more respectful attention than that which is accorded any other cargo in Colon loaded to the rail with American congressmen. The Phyllis had aboard 1,025,000 pounds of dynamite.

B. F. STEVENS HELD FOR MURDER OF D. G. MACKENZIE

Aberdeen, S. D., Dec. 28.—B. F. Stevens today was held for the murder of David G. Mackenzie, at Lebeau, S. D., two weeks ago. Stevens claimed self-defense, but introduced testimony at the preliminary trial. Mackenzie was the son of Murdo Mackenzie, a wealthy cattleman of Colorado.

EX-GOV. MICKLEY DYING.

Osceloa, Neb., Dec. 28.—Former Gov. J. H. Mickley has been unconscious for the past 12 hours. He is barely alive and death is expected at any time.

NEW YORK CITY'S TOTAL NET INDEBTEDNESS

New York, Dec. 28.—New York city's total net indebtedness for the fiscal year 1907 was more than seven times that of any other city in the United States, and more than one-half of the total of the 27 largest cities in the United States, according to the census bureau. Of the total net indebtedness of the 108 cities of more than 30,000 population, New York city is credited with 22.2 per cent, the per capita being \$142.52. The other cities over 100 were:

Cincinnati, \$15.75; Boston, \$13.37; Galveston, \$12.75; Pueblo, \$10.23; and Newton, Mass., \$10.35.

Of the cities over 50,000, San Francisco has by far the smallest net debt and Detroit with \$2.75 per capita, next to the smallest.

FIRE IN HOLD OF WHITE STAR STEAMER CELTIC

Liverpool, Dec. 28.—Fire was discovered in the hold of the White Star liner Celtic last Wednesday when the vessel was four days out from New York. The liner arrived here safely yesterday. The fire was still burning but its presence was known to none of the 400 passengers.

NO CHILDREN IN FLATS

Famous Chicago Case Decided on Purely Technical Grounds. Chicago, Dec. 28.—The famous "Children in Flats" case came to an end yesterday in Chicago with the main point in the final decision undisputed.

MODIFICATION OF FOOTBALL RULES

Representatives of Seventy-Seven Colleges and Universities Meet to Confer.

SENTIMENT IS FOR CHANGES.

West Point Leading It—Elimination Of Neutral Zone and Change in Forward Pass Suggested.

New York, Dec. 28.—Seventy-seven colleges and universities were represented today at the athletic conference in this city which is expected to give force to the demand for reform in the rules for football.

The meeting was the fourth annual convention of the Inter-collegiate Athletic association of the United States, an organization which now includes 15 of the 24 institutions of learning.

Sentiment among the delegates is strong for changes. West Point has taken the lead in proposing a number of reforms, and these have found support among members of the college representatives.

These were submitted to the convention today. They included the elimination of the neutral zone, modification of the forward pass, limiting the number of men in the interference and other changes designed to make the game safer. English rugby, or soccer football, is suggested by some of the colleges as a substitute for the present game.

The attitude of leading colleges is already shown by the canvass taken by the executive committee of the Inter-collegiate association. Fifty institutions favored retention of the rules of the American game, with such changes as would eliminate mass or other dangerous plays. Among these are the University of Chicago and University of Idaho.

SWITCHMEN'S STRIKE.

Labor Leaders Leave St. Paul, Situation Being Unchanged.

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 28.—All of the strike leaders who have been in consultation with President Hawley, of the Switchmen's union have left the city and there were no new developments reported here today.

President Perham of the Railroad Telegraphers' union, who was chairman of the American Federation of Labor and its section in Chicago today and tomorrow evening he expects to be in Washington where he will confer with the members of the Interstate Commerce commission and the Federal Reserve board.

Being asked if the report was true that freight handlers, machinists and clerks' unions, which have grievances against the railroad, are waiting today for waiting further communication from Mr. Perham, Mr. Hawley said: "Such action on the part of those unions would go on strike without the approval of the southern cavalier, who was a personage about as infrequent in Virginia as in New York."

STOCK EXCHANGE COMMITTEE INVESTIGATING C. & R. I. CASE

New York, Dec. 28.—The stock exchange committee today began its investigation into the causes which sent Rock Island stock soaring for an advance of 20 points yesterday and then dropping the stock back again to its starting place, causing a squeeze of the shorts.

The report of the Hughes commission on stock exchange practices is now in the governor's hands and has not been given to the legislature.

W. E. ANNIS' ESTATE VALUED AT \$300

New York, Dec. 28.—William E. Annis, the publisher who was slain by Capt. Peter C. Hains, Jr., at the Bayshore Yacht Club in August, 1908, left an estate valued at only \$300, according to the report just placed on file here.

TELEPHONE COMPANIES INVESTIGATION IN KANSAS

Jefferson City, Mo., Dec. 28.—Charles S. Gledhill of Topeka, Kansas, president of the Bell Telephone company of Missouri and the Missouri & Kansas Telephone company, was the first witness today in the investigation of the telephone companies.

PEARY RECOGNIZED AS DISCOVERER OF NORTH POLE

Chicago, Dec. 28.—The famous Peary expedition to the north pole was recognized yesterday in Chicago with the main point in the final decision undisputed.

TAFT PREPARING SPECIAL MESSAGE

Will Deal With Amendments To Interstate Commerce And Anti-Trust Laws.

LICENSES TO CORPORATIONS.

To Be Voluntary, to be Taken Out by Such Concerns as Want to be Under Federal Jurisdiction.

Washington, Dec. 28.—President Taft today began the preparation of the first of his special messages to Congress. This message will deal with the amendments he believes are necessary in the interstate commerce and Sherman anti-trust acts.

Recent reports to the contrary notwithstanding, it is known that the president will take up the antitrust act and deal with it at great length. He also will bring forward his ideas as to issuing federal licenses to corporations.

The proposed license will be a voluntary one, to be taken advantage of by such corporations as desire to place themselves under federal jurisdiction.

It has been reported that the president might delay his anti-trust recommendations until the supreme court had finally passed on the recent Standard Oil decision. Those to whom the president has favored such a course, however, he has decided to go forward with his program.

The president and the members of his cabinet, together with the interstate commerce commissioners have given more thought and study to the needed changes in the interstate commerce and anti-trust acts than any other subjects since the beginning of the present administration.

There has been a disposition among some of the members of the cabinet to delay the proposed act until the president has had time to study the proposed act. The president, however, has decided to go forward with his program.

PRESSING DANGER OF AMERICAN REPUBLIC

New York, Dec. 28.—The pressing danger of the republic's inaccuracy, said Prof. Albert Bushnell Hart of Harvard, in addressing the convention of the American Historical and Economic association today.

"Even historical scholars," he added, "are not free from fallacies, their prejudices and their falsehoods."

Prof. Hart declared that American history, on the one hand, and the economic situation, on the other, are being enriched by several distinct attempts to manufacture myths to order. The first of these might be called the worship of the past.

The second myth, he continued, causes the exaltation of the southern cavalier, who was a personage about as infrequent in Virginia as in New York.

BIBLE SOCIETY MAY LOSE HALF A MILLION

New York, Dec. 28.—The American Bible society may lose \$500,000 unless it can raise \$125,000 between now and next Friday. It is that much short of the \$625,000 subscription which it has been endeavoring to raise in the city and suburbs.

The chief loss in the assets is the \$150,000 of bonds in the hands of the society, which are now being sold at a loss of 50 per cent.

TAFT INTERESTED IN BALLINGER-PINCHOT CASE

Washington, Dec. 28.—The forthcoming congressional investigation of the matters involved in the Ballinger-Pinchot controversy was the subject of a conference today between President Taft and Representative Dalzell of Pennsylvania, one of the Republican leaders.

Mr. Dalzell said that after the interview that the investigation would unquestionably be carried forward by a joint committee, composed of from five to seven members.

President Taft has agreed with the leaders of the senate and house that a joint investigation, open to the public, will be the best means of thoroughly dealing with the matter.

WAR IS ON; PAT CLOSING THE PRICES

Moran Is Making it Interesting For Boston Asphaltum Rival In the Field.

COMPARISONS THEN AND NOW

Property Owners on Ninth East Are Benefited by Struggle Between Contending Contractors.

As a result of keen competition, Patrick J. Moran, the official contractor, has begun war on the Warren Asphaltum company of Boston, who is bidding through Strange & McGuire of Boston.

His last bids on two large paving extensions involving the expenditure of \$200,000 each, were rejected. Moran underbid his nearest competitor 15 per cent, his tender falling about \$40,000 below the estimate of the city engineer on the Ninth East street paving extension from South Temple to the city limits and \$7,000 below the estimate made on First avenue from J street to Virginia street.

Instead of the property owner paying \$9.98 per front foot on a 70 foot street, the property owners on Ninth East street will only have to pay \$7.79 per front foot on a 60 foot street. On First avenue Moran's bid figures \$2.54 per front foot.

When Moran was in the field alone he charged \$2.55 per square yard for laying asphaltum with a concrete foundation. On these two contracts his bid was \$1.80 a cut of 65 cents. His usual price of excavating is 87 cents. He will do Ninth East street and First avenue for 60 cents a cubic yard, a cut of 27 cents. On contract No. 10, 62 cents per foot which is the usual price and 73 cents per foot for gutters which is the same as in the west Third Street contract.

Strange & McGuire waded the east Third Street street paving contract from Moran by a narrow margin. The Warren Asphaltum company bid \$2.55 per square yard on laying asphaltum the same as Moran but its bid for excavating was 60 cents and Moran was \$7 as usual. There was a difference of \$3,929 difference between their bids.

On the last two contracts, Strange & McGuire's bid was \$188,119.11 on Ninth East street and \$151,474.47 on First avenue and Moran \$178,393.37.

Clark, Henry and company of Sacramento entered the field on these two large contracts. It is understood that they are also considered a contender in Salt Lake City.

MADRIZ DISMISSES CONSUL AT NEW YORK

New York, Dec. 28.—Pio Bolanos, the Nicaraguan consul in New York City has received his dismissal by cable from President Madriz. He declines, however, to recognize the authority of Madriz and announces that he will continue to represent the state department at Washington.

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"Be it further resolved that the ultimate power and control of these resources be vested in the state whose people are affected by them and that the coal lands, water power or other power sites situated within the United States and that approximately one-half is contained within the limits of the northwest and Pacific coast states, and about one-third within the states of Oregon and Washington. The resolutions in part say:

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NO SCRAMBLE FOR JOB OF CENSUS ENUMERATOR

Washington, Dec. 28.—Applicants are not scrambling to give jobs as census enumerators and Census Director Durand is considerably perturbed over the shortage of men willing to earn government money. The difficulty is in the west and south, and especially in the cities.

The job of census enumerator pays so much per name or per day, depending upon the locality in which the work is done, and averages about \$60 per enumerator for the entire time required. In cities of over 5,000 inhabitants where population is congested and counting is easy, the enumerator is required to finish his work in two weeks, but in cities under that size and in country districts one month is allowed.

Director Durand explains the lack of applicants for census jobs only on the theory that there is so much general prosperity in the country that the government jobs are not coveted. The time for applications for these jobs ends on Jan. 25 and Mr. Durand invites patriotic and patriotic people to join in the census work.

SCHOONER'S CREW SPECTERS OF STARVATION

Huqoiam, Wash., Dec. 28.—Her crew reduced almost to skeletons by slow starvation and with the captain believed to be dying, the schooner Minnie A. Caine was towed into Gray's harbor yesterday, only a few pounds of mouldy hard-tack standing between the men and death.

BERNARD H. BAILE GOES VIOLENTLY INSANE

Philadelphia, Dec. 28.—Bernard H. Baile, a well known general manager of the Philadelphia & Reading company, became violently insane today in his office following the recent legal execution of the company's big office building, and after a struggle was removed to a hospital.

It is believed overwork was the cause of Mr. Baile's breakdown. Mr. Baile was considered one of the greatest experts on freight traffic in the country. He has been with the Reading company for a long time.

NEW YORK TRYING TO PREVENT TONG OUTBREAK

New York, Dec. 28.—Scores of detectives and patrolmen were sent into Chinatown today to check, if possible, the outbreak of the tong war in which one Chinaman had been killed and another mortally wounded.

Police Capt. Galvin states that the new assassins, known to the tongs as "gun men," were sent here from Boston following the recent legal execution of three of five Hip Sing tong members who were convicted of killing several On Leong tong men, and that their mission was to start a new tong.

Low Jung, the 75-year-old man whose body was riddled with bullets late last night, was the treasurer of the Four Brothers tong, a western tong which has taken a part in the war, making it three-sided. The Four Brothers are supposed to have sent a large sum of money to this city for the purpose of employing "gun men" to kill enemies.

Lu Yo Fong, the younger Chinese who was shot three times, was Low Jung's assistant and a companion. He said that four men were taken into the room and commenced firing. The police found Low Jung's iron money safe and removed it to a police station. Fearful that the latest assassination will lead to open hostilities, all Chinamen are being searched for weapons.

MAN AND TEAM ATTACKED BY WOLVES

Chicago, Dec. 27.—A pack of eight timber wolves attacked Henry Lund and his horses today when he was driving near Montrose, Ill.

The wolves attempted to leap into the sleigh. Lund fought desperately with a heavy club and his horse, being an exhausted man, failed to reach a clearing, where the wolves were frightened off. A similar experience has not been reported in this section in many years.

PROTEST AGAINST THE WITHDRAWAL OF SITES

Spokane Branch of American Mining Congress Passes Resolution Asking That Government Keep Out.

A strong protest against the federal government withdrawing power sites from location has been raised by the Spokane branch of the American Mining Congress. Resolutions were recently passed by the organization setting out that there is a total of 31,000,000 horse power possible from development of the water within the United States and that approximately one-half is contained within the limits of the northwest and Pacific coast states, and about one-third within the states of Oregon and Washington. The resolutions in part say:

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ATTEMPT TO COMMIT SUICIDE WAS BENEFICIAL

Oakland, Cal., Dec. 28.—Ignorance of the effects of chemicals led Miss Helen Rosenblatt to administer a double dose of oxygen to herself yesterday in an ineffectual effort to end her life. She emerged from the ordeal but lay in a coma for several days, physicians say. Despondency drove her to swallow several grains of permanganate of potassium. This, she thought, might have the desired effect she drank the contents of a bottle of hydrogen peroxide. This interacting with the permanganate produced large volumes of oxygen causing her great pain but putting her in no danger of death. When the reaction finally ceased, Miss Rosenblatt sent her minus her teeth to the hospital where she was absolutely disinfecting through-out her alimentary system.

ROAD GOT IN ITS WORK ON CITY COUNCIL

Seattle, Washington, Dec. 28.—Over the mayor's veto the city council passed the bill giving the Northern Pacific railway permanent franchises around the Lake Union basin. Mayor Miller vetoed the bill several weeks ago, contending that it was dangerous public policy to grant a permanent franchise. He favored giving the railroad 50 year franchises. This the Northern Pacific refused to accept. The franchise granted tonight gives the city the right to withdraw the manufacturing district which will have a fresh water harbor when the Lake Washington canal project is completed.

PROF. SUMNER IMPROVING.

New York, Dec. 28.—Marked improvement was noted today in the condition of Prof. William G. Sumner, of Yale university, who was taken seriously ill yesterday while here to attend the meeting of the American Historical and Economic associations.

NEVER CALLED GOV. FREAR "LIAR"

Delegate to Congress Kalaniana'ole Denies Applying Epithets To His Excellency.

MADE CONTINGENT REMARK.

Rumor There Is a Split in Republican Party in Islands Absolutely Without Foundation.

San Francisco, Dec. 28.—Jonah Kūhiō Kalaniana'ole, delegate to Congress from the Hawaiian Islands, denied last night that he called Gov. Frear "liar" or any other epithet regarding the disposition of territorial lands and also asserted that rumors of a split in the Republican party in the islands were absolutely without foundation. The delegate said:

"This matter arose during a trip I made through the islands when my constituents accused me of having broken faith with them in failing to liberalize the land laws. When I asked specific instance of this they referred to a statement that Gov. Frear had made at that time. Then it was that I said:

"If Gov. Frear made you such promises then Gov. Frear has lied. When I learned later that my constituents had mistaken I promptly acknowledged my error. There is no quarrel between me and the governor, nor is there a split in the Republican party. I am a Republican and shall try to succeed myself, which I expect to do, as I have two-thirds of the voters behind me, although my acceptance of the office is at a great personal sacrifice."

BLOW ON THE HEAD.

Transforms Honest Man Into Criminal Of Dangerous Type.

Kansas City, Dec. 28.—That Daniel J. Lavery, formerly Chicago brick layer, was transformed from an honest man into a criminal of a dangerous type by a blow on the head is the belief of Judge Ralph S. Latsch in the criminal court here. Yesterday the judge ordered Lavery to be committed to the Illinois state insane asylum, after Lavery had been sentenced to four years in the penitentiary for burglary committed here two weeks ago.

Lavery was twice confined in an Illinois institution for the insane, and as many times discharged, the second time being only six months ago. About two years ago Lavery was struck on the head with a stone and since then he seems to have had different personality. It is understood that when he is returned to Chicago an operation will be performed on him.

STORMBOUND, JUDGE HELD COURT BY TELEPHONE

New York, Dec. 28.—Storm bound in his suburban home, Magistrate Geismann called his court to order over the telephone and disposed of the six cases which were ready to be heard. Five of the cases were of persons who had met-accidentally into the water. The other was an assault case. The magistrate had the policemen who made the arrests swear to their complaints over the telephone. The hearing of the prisoners make their pleas in the same fashion. The court's decisions were then announced over the wire.

SELLING WOOD ALCOHOL FOR BEVERAGE

New York, Dec. 28.—Coroner Harbarger has reported to the police and excise department that wood alcohol is again being sold as a beverage in New York City