

CASTRO DISPUTE MAY CAUSE GLASH

Administration Plans to Force Payment of Ameri- cans' Claims.

Statement of Complaints Against Venezuela Sent to Senate.

The Administration is preparing to bring pressure upon President Castro, with the view of compelling him to do justice to American corporations and individuals who have been deprived of their investments in Venezuela and whose property has been taken away in arbitrary fashion.

Just what plans have been mapped out it has been impossible to ascertain so far, but the first step has already been taken. It is within the bounds of possibility that it may lead to armed coercion.

Some time this week the State Department will send to the Senate, in response to a resolution introduced by Senator Lodge, with the approval of the Administration, a long statement setting forth the American cases of complaint against the Venezuelan government. This will be made a public document, as it is the desire of the Administration to enlist the force of public opinion behind whatever action it is decided to take.

Explain Castro's Actions.

It will show that Castro's government maintains its refusal to submit the claims of American citizens to arbitration, and that this refusal has been repeated within the last few months.

On receipt of this detailed information, Senator Lodge intends to offer a further resolution which will probably follow the lines of one adopted under similar circumstances in a dispute with the same country in 1920. The result was vigorous diplomatic action, the appointment of a commission and the payment of indemnity. A similar resolution, it is thought, will have an equally successful outcome in the present instance.

Whether Congress will be willing, however, to give such complete authority to the present occupant of the White House to wield his "big stick" is a question which will have to be determined by the strength of the showing made by the State Department in presenting its case.

Force Not Necessary.

Senator Lodge is of the opinion that the use of force will not be necessary. "We are on record as opposing force in the collection of contract obligations," said he. "But we have other means that can be employed in this case." He refused to indicate what they may be.

Among the pending claims of Americans against Venezuela is that of the New York and Bermuda Asphalt Company, whose property was taken by the Venezuelan government and is now being worked under a receiver for its Venezuelan owners. The asphalt plant case, and the A. F. Jacret claim for \$20,000 for his unceremonious expulsion from Venezuela, are the most prominent. Consideration of this matter is expected to form a very interesting subject of discussion in the Senate in the near future.

Put Overcoats by For Winter's Going; Spring's at Hand

Put away your heavy overcoat, get your spring clothes "out" and shake the wrinkles out of your light suit for robins have been seen in several sections of the city, which means that spring is really here.

SORK WILL BE KING AT THE PHIPPS FLATS

PITTSBURG, March 2.—Henry Phipps' new apartment houses in Allegheny will probably bear the sign of the sork. These apartments are now about ready to open. The prices will be within the reach of the poorer people of the city, and one requisite is that all tenants must have children.

The hard and fast rule that obtains in Eastern cities has been violated by Mr. Phipps, who requires that all persons renting of him must be parents of at least one child. But the larger the family the better.

MAN THOUGHT TO BE SLAIN FOUND IN LOUISIANA TOWN

PINE BLUFF, Ark., March 2.—A letter received yesterday from Mrs. L. T. H. Godfrey of Olla, La., whose husband, with W. R. McEwen, a Grange county music teacher, was shot to death at Gilo, Ark., in a feud between rival lumber companies, states that Clifford L. Bush, who was supposed to have been assassinated at the same time, and his body cremated in a lumber furnace, is now with his wife at Clarke, La., four miles from Olla.

Old Coughs

Keep in close touch with your family doctor. No medicine was ever made that could take his place. Trust him at all times. Old coughs, desperate coughs, rasping coughs, extremely perilous coughs, coughs that shake the whole body. It takes a strong medicine, a doctor's medicine, to master such coughs. A great many people rely on Ayer's Cherry Pectoral.

SAGACIOUS HENS WORK WONDERS WITH MODERN INVENTIVE GENIUS IN IMPROVING THE EGG FACTORY

Exeter Woman Induces Chickens to Lay Yolk- less Eggs.

EXETER, Pa., March 2.—Mrs. Mabel Jorss says that the idea of producing chickens that would lay yolkless eggs occurred to her one Saturday afternoon while she was making a cocooned layer cake.

She was compelled to use several extra eggs for beating up the icing, and found the yolks were virtually wasted. Being of a practical turn of mind, she sat right down and figured it out that there is a clean loss of \$1,645,809.28 annually in the United States due to wasted yolks.

Consulting a chemist, she learned that the chief element in the yolk was sulphur. Hence she made the very reasonable deduction that if hens were fed on products that were deficient in sulphur and high in albumen yolkless eggs would result.

There were many discouragements before success was attained. The first flock of chickens upon which the new food was tried died early. Other hens refused absolutely to lay.

Mrs. Jorss persisted, and only a few weeks ago was rewarded by collecting half a dozen eggs which were almost entirely lacking in yolks.

Honor the Hen, El Dorado Bird, Dawson Proclaims

Albert F. Dawson, Representative in Congress from Iowa, has built a sacred shrine in front of every hen house in the United States, and on the neck of every hen he has hung a gold medal for duty well done.

In the nest that is hidden in the hay mow or sheltered under the lilac bush, he sees a gold mine. When he hears a chicken crow, he looks around to see if anybody is staking out a claim to a silver mine. When he is served with broiled chicken in a restaurant, he sadly laments that this bird has been struck at the greatest wealth-producing fowl on the earth.

This is what Albert F. Dawson has said about the hen:

"Poets may sing of the glory of the eagle, and artists may paint the beauties of birds of plumage, but the modest American hen is entitled to a tribute for her industry, her usefulness, and her productivity. The American hen can produce wealth equal to the capital stock of all the banks of the New York clearing house in three months, and have a week to spare. In less than sixty days she can equal the total production of all the gold mines of the United States. The United States produces pig iron, by far the greatest of any country in the world, and yet the American hen produces as much in six months as the iron mines of the country produce in a year. In one year and ten months she could pay off the interest-bearing debt of the United States."

FARMER CLUBS WILDCAT IN FIGHT IN HENHOUSE

CALDWELL, March 3.—Willard Searles, a farmer, who lives just out of North Caldwell, before daybreak heard a commotion in his hen house, and, believing a dog that had been killing chickens was again visiting the place, Searles seized a club and hastened to the hen house. He entered, and in a corner where the light was dim saw only the glowing eyes of an animal.

Searles knew it was not a dog, but no more. As he stepped forward the animal leaped and struck him in the breast. Its claws tore his coat into shreds. As the animal crouched again Searles hit it with his club. This angered it, and a battle followed.

The fight was in the dark, as the door of the hen house blew closed. It cannot be opened from the inside, and Searles was thus imprisoned. Finally, he killed the animal with a blow on the head.

When a hired man released Searles he learned for the first time that he had slain a wild cat. The cat came from the brookwood mountains, and had devoured a dozen chickens.

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This Artistic Fowl Pro- duces Only Colored Easter Eggs.

PIGEON ROOST, Pa., March 2.—Hiram Stillings is telling his friends about a favorite hen with a poetic soul and an inspiration toward higher things than the ordinary egg of commerce. He has dubbed it the Easter Egg Hen, because it lays colored eggs.

When a bit of a chick, last year, the fowl suffered a broken leg, and was taken into the kitchen to be nursed. It became a great pet, and when it got well spent most of the time in the house watching the women folks cook.

One day the hen saw Mrs. Stillings coloring eggs for Easter. For several days the fowl wore a thoughtful air, and it is clear now that it had taken a firm resolve to lay only painted eggs when it grew up.

Now, this hen ate onion skins and indigo and calico print cloth, which, as everybody knows, can be used to color eggs. And in good time it began to lay eggs.

Each egg that it laid was colored, and each egg had a different design. Mr. Stillings refrains from declaring that the hen laid painted eggs, simply as a matter of policy.

WON'T BUST WATCH TRUST, MR. RAINEY'S COMPLAINT OF BONAPARTE'S OFFICE

Representative Rainey, Democrat and trust smasher from Illinois, put out first one and then the other of a rather worn pair of shoes for inspection.

"That's the third pair I've worn out this season in the same way," he said; "trusting up to the Department of Justice, trying to get it to take some action on the prosecution of the Watch trust. But it isn't going to act."

Mr. Rainey started on the trail of the Watch trust something like two years ago. He opened his fight on the House floor with some speeches, in which he told about the prices of American watches at home and abroad, and brought testimony to show that watches are sold abroad for less than at home, under contract that they shall not be permitted to come back to the United States.

Having aired his theme on the House floor and started one of the most entertaining tariff debates of recent years, Mr. Rainey took his materials to the Department of Justice and enlisted the

Rubber Shells May Re- place Present Ones of Steel.

STEELETON, Pa., March 2.—S. C. Babbie, breeder of fancy poultry, has placed on the market eggs with cast steel shells. A scarcity of grit and oyster shells, upon which hens ordinarily depend for shell material, forced the local farmer to experiment with the waste material from the steel mills.

Large deposits of this material are to be found along the Susquehanna river. It contains large quantities of lime and particles of steel, all of which the hens take great delight in using for constructing the outer works of the eggs.

The steel shell is of the highest carbon quality and does not make the egg less desirable for hatching. A vigorous chick is able to extricate itself from the shell without much difficulty.

Mr. Babbie is conducting experiments with rubber, with a view to producing a soft shell. He is using a chop made of old gumshoes and has made fair progress with his work. Watches of this egg may be dropped or thrown without fear of breaking it. It will be fine for egg-pecking contests about Easter time.

FIVE CROWE CHILDREN PERFORM IN ST. ANDREW'S

Mature artists of the stage rarely have received more sincere applause and appreciation than greeted the five Crowe children last night, when they gave an entertainment in St. Andrew's Parish Hall. Vaudeville specialties made up the program and the little entertainers kept their audience highly interested.

Roy Crowe, the eldest in this clever group of children, was the chief performer and did remarkably well. Little Miss Eola received many encores for her excellent toe dancing, which is comparable to that of many professional performers. The other members of the "company," three talented little artists, gave their numbers as if they thoroughly enjoyed every minute of the entertainment.

PIN LODGES IN LUNG; USED AS A TOOTHPICK

SCRANTON, Pa., March 2.—Mrs. W. C. Smith, of Dalton, near here, is likely to carry a pin in one of her lungs for life, if she does not succumb to operations that have been performed.

After eating her New Year dinner, Mrs. Smith used a large pin in an attempt to dislodge some food from a tooth. During the effort she was seized with a fit of coughing and the pin was hurried into her windpipe, from which it was forced into the left lung, near the heart.

She was taken to a New York hospital, where four unsuccessful operations for its removal were performed. The pin was located with the x-rays, but it was so imbedded in the lung that fear of laceration caused the surgeon to abandon the attempt to remove it. The woman suffers little pain.

27 Miles of Pie Eaten by Veteran

WINONA, Minn., March 2.—W. H. Frye, a veteran railway mail clerk of this city, has been in the service since 1892, and in July will celebrate his seventy-fourth birthday anniversary. He is a pie lover and naturally has eaten many pies at railway lunch counters.

He has figured that if a line of pies were laid between Winona and La Crosse, a distance of twenty-seven miles, he has during his entire service eaten pie equivalent to a strip eighteen inches wide through these pies as thus laid out. He has traveled about 2,000,000 miles, or about eighty times around the world.

DIVORCED IN HASTE, RE-WED AT LEISURE

Stamford Man and Wife He Discarded Happy After Sixteen Years.

STAMFORD, Conn., March 2.—Andrew Charlton, jr., of this city, married in haste, repented at leisure, and now he has remarried the woman he divorced. Anna L. Reynolds was fourteen years old when she ran off to Fortchester with Charlton, and was married to him. This was in 1892. Charlton was twenty-seven then, and quick tempered, as he admits now.

The couple did not get along well, and after several separations Charlton got a divorce in Connecticut eight years ago on the ground of desertion. Mrs. Charlton did not contest the case.

Twice after the divorce the couple met. The first meeting was on an elevated train in New York. She entered the car in a hurry and took a seat alongside her former husband. They chatted away their embarrassment for a while, and she got off. They met again in Stamford on the street, and there was more chatting.

A few days ago Charlton received a letter from his former wife. It was postmarked New York, and requested that he return to her a family album. The next mail carried his reply asking why she did not come for it. She answered that she had heard he was married.

Charlton lost no time in setting her right on that score, and last Friday evening Miss Reynolds came to Stamford and had a long interview with Charlton. They decided both had made mistakes that could be avoided in future. They were made one again in this city last Saturday night.

Sixty Proposals Of Leap Year Kind, But Not One Kiss

CHICAGO, March 2.—Sixty co-eds of the Northwestern University took advantage of the leap year privilege and popped the question. All proposed to one and the same man. To prevent his escape they kidnaped him. He is "Jack" Irwin, a "Junior."

The sixty girls live in "Chapin Hall" and the unsuspecting "Jack" was lured to the portals of the hall and taken prisoner by the sixty. The young man was carried off his feet and hustled into a darkened parlor. While a prisoner in the arms of six stalwart girls the other tormentors marched up to him in single file and each one in pleading voice caressed him in a maidenly way and asked him to marry them.

The youth after recovering his senses, answered "Yes" to the whole bunch. He made no attempt to escape after his first struggles and pleaded for kisses to bind his engagements. A nearby window was finally hoisted and the youth was tossed out ten feet in the snow and darkness.

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