

U. S. BACKS TRADE WITH REBEL MEXICAN PORTS

BOTH PARTIES TO IGNORE RUM

"Drys" Drop Hint of Drastic Move, and Politicians Get "Cold Feet."

AFRAID TO VOTE FOR LIQUOR
Members of National Conventions Fear to Disobey "Back-Home" Voices.

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The platform of the Democratic party at San Francisco, it was learned today, will in all probability make no mention in any way of prohibition, despite prevalent belief to the contrary.

Threaten "Dry" Plank.
According to the well-informed something has happened. What that something was, as nearly as can be made out, was this:

The leaders of the prohibition movement have quietly let the edict go forth that if any serious attempt is made on the floor of the convention to force a "wet" plank into the party's platform, they stand prepared to resist upon, and secure precisely the opposite; a plank dryer than the prohibitionists'.

The "wets," it is said were at first inclined to be sceptical, but in some of the State conventions the "drys" quietly demonstrated their power in such positive manner that the "wets" were glad to compromise and omit any reference to drink, one way or another.

Writes Dying Words on Mirror with Lipstick
Chicago Singer, Sick of Rouge and Tired of Bright Lights, Kills Herself.

CHICAGO, May 2.—Marie Williams had no pencil with which to write her dying message, so she took her lipstick and traced it on the mirror. It was a simple little good-bye, saying: "Have no pencil," it read. "Tell mother I am at ease. 261 East Fourteenth street, Wilmington, Del. Mrs. S. Williams."

When the police, summoned by a milkman and the janitor, entered the apartment, they found the girl dead, with six wax burners going. They looked at the note giving the motive and finally came upon the red message on the mirror of her dresser.

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RUSSIAN REDS SEIZE RICH OIL LANDS FROM BRITISH

LONDON, May 2.—Russian soviet troops have snatched from the British one of the pivots of her new world oil monopoly—Baku.

A dispatch states that the city, which is the best port on the Caspian Sea and terminus of the great Baku oil pipe line, has been in Bolshevik hands since Wednesday.

MD. PRIMARIES TO BE HELD TOMORROW

Democrats Have No Choice; Republicans Must Vote for Wood or Johnson.

Presidential and Congressional primaries will be held tomorrow throughout Maryland. The polls will open in the counties from 8 a. m. to 6 p. m.

In the Democratic party there is no contest for a State's Presidential preference and there will be no Presidential candidates' names on the ticket.

Neither party has a contest for the nomination for United States Senator. John Walter Smith is unopposed for the Democratic nomination and Ovington E. Weller for the Republican nomination.

The Democrats have contests for Congressional nominations between T. Alan Goldsborough and Hilton W. Robertson in the First district, Carroll D. Benson and Samuel C. Appleby in the Second, and Walter B. Dorsey, J. William Klemm, Thomas S. Klinger and Frank O. Smith in the Third, fourth or Sixth.

The Republicans have a Congressional contest in the Fourth district between William O. Atwood and Walter E. Knickman. In the Second district the names of Linwood L. Clark and Albert B. Kinkney will appear on the ballot, but Clark has withdrawn.

LABOR JURY DISAGREES ON HOPE CHEST SLAYING

Mother Permitted to Return to Her Home—Case Goes Over to Next Court Term.

PAW PAW, Mich., May 2.—After considering the evidence for thirty-six hours, the jury trying Mrs. Sarah Tabor for manslaughter in connection with the death of her daughter, Mrs. Maude Tabor, reported to the court on a verdict. The case will go over to the next circuit court term.

KILLED GIRL AND SOLD PART OF BODY AS VEAL

French Lockmaker Condemned to Guillotine for Atrocious Crime.

PARIS, May 1.—A lockmaker named Selaceppe was condemned to death by the criminal court at Meiningen today for one of the most horrible crimes in the history of France.

DAUGHTER HELD FOR RANSOM, MOTHER SAYS

NEW YORK, May 2.—Louise Bulte, whose sixteen-year-old daughter Henrietta has been missing for two weeks, has informed police of the receipt by her of an anonymous note saying the girl was safe and being held for ransom.

"Bluebeard's" Story Brands Him as Arch Criminal of the Age

LOS ANGELES, May 2.—Charles Newton Harvey, the world's greatest lover and the confessed slayer of four of his twenty-eight wives, eventually will reveal himself as the murderer of many other women and the arch criminal of the age.

This was the statement of District Attorney Thomas Lee Woolwine after going over the 13,000-word confession of Harvey.

"When this man's story is completed it will constitute the most amazing document in criminal annals," continued the district attorney. "He has given only a portion of his story and has omitted much of the horror and many of the crimes either because of his weakened condition or because he dared not tell the revolting details at this time."

Harvey is charged thus far with making away with nine women, four of whom he confessed he murdered. "What he has done with the other five is a mystery the authorities are seeking to solve."

May Have Sold Wives as Slaves.
"That some of the women whom he married and who are now on the missing list may have met fate worse than death—slavery in the Mexican hell holes—was suggested today by a mysterious telegram sent by Sheriff Cline to Chief of Police Welsh, of Salem, Ore."

Navy Lieutenant Gets Divorce So Nurse-Wife Can Wed Man She Loves

SAN FRANCISCO, May 2.—Lieut. Frederick L. Schwarz, U. S. N., has obtained a divorce in a suit he instituted at the request of his wife, Gertrude, who is in love with another man. He will go to Manila, leaving them to marry, if they like.

"Without your help I can do very little," wrote the wife from the Erie County Hospital at Buffalo, where she is a nurse, to Lieutenant Schwarz at Pelham Bay, N. Y.

"I love this man more than I ever thought it was possible to love. I sincerely believe he loves me as much as I love him. That leaves you in a corner open to us and I ask you, my husband, to make that course possible."

"The fact that Mr. Mann was willing to go out with a married woman does not raise your estimate of him. Knowing him as I do now, it seems rather surprising to me that he did so, but you see it just had to happen that way."

G. O. P. DECIDES NOT TO IMPEACH POST

House Rules Committee Will Ask Asst. Labor Secretary Removed From Office.

The Republican majority on the House Rules Committee tentatively agreed yesterday not to report to the Hoch resolution looking to impeachment proceedings against Assistant Secretary of Labor Louis F. Post.

AMERICAN AVIATORS BATTLE WITH POLES

Kosciusko Squadron of Former Yanks Helps Drive Back Bolsheviks.

American aviators, fighting under the name of the Kosciusko squadron, the squadron has given a good account of itself, according to a dispatch to the legation now in cable to leave the number of "Red" flyers shot down by the Americans. The American flyers were trained on the front in France during the great war.

Total Eclipse of Moon Visible Here Tonight; Will Last for An Hour

A total eclipse of the moon will take place tonight at 8:15 o'clock (Eastern standard time), according to experts here. The total eclipse will last a little more than an hour, and will be visible over great portion of the earth.

ALL MEXICANS ANTI-CARRANZA

Troops Will Desert President in First Real Battle, Says Villareal.

TELLS PLANS OF REBELS
Revolution Not Secession, Merely Repudiation of Executive.

AGUA PRIETA, Mex., May 2.—When the first real battle begins between the federal forces and the secessionists, President Carranza will learn there is little loyalty to him throughout the Mexican republic, it was declared today by Gen. Antonio Villareal, who has been prominently identified with revolutionary movements in Mexico since 1910.

Tells of Rebels' Plans.
General Villareal has been in conference for two days here with Gen. P. Elias Calles, commander-in-chief of the liberal constitutionalist armies, discussing plans of campaign against the Carranza stronghold at Mexico City.

In an exclusive interview General Villareal disclosed what may be termed "the revolutionists' view of the revolution," and discussed numerous future plans of the rebels.

He said that Gen. Alvaro Obregon, the most powerful enemy of Carranza and the revolution's "man of the hour," will take no active part in the fighting, but will remain strictly within his character as a candidate for the presidency, so that his enemies will have no opportunity to criticize any of his actions as unconstitutional.

"When the first real battle is launched," said General Villareal, "Carranza will learn how few of his troops will remain loyal to his colors."

All Factions Aid Rebels.
"All factions of the country are helping in the revolutionary movement, as are a good many of the State governments, including the State of Sonora, is not an act of secession from the united Republic of Mexico, as the federal authorities allege."

In proof of this, the revolutionists have not demanded recognition of the legislative and judicial branches of the government. They have merely ceased to recognize Carranza as the Mexican government.

The Obregon party was not responsible for the opening of hostilities in Mexico. Carranza compelled the state governors and military elements to fight before his campaign had hardily been launched.

"Typhened Mexican."
"How could Bonillas win in Mexico when he is unknown to the people. He is a hypochondriac, Mexican, and has trifled with the citizenship of both of the United States and Mexico."

He found it expedient to become an American citizen in order to take an official position under his brother-in-law, Governor Safford, when Arizona was a territory, and later to call himself a Mexican citizen when made "Jefe Político" of Magdalena, in Sonora.

He has authoritative knowledge that friendly understanding exists between the parties of Obregon and Pablo Gonzales, who is my cousin, and Carranza made the greatest mistake of his life in believing that the state governors and military elements would uphold his policies of persecution."

Home Guards Join Rebels.
According to advices received from Chihuahua City, General Earleguez has arrived there at the head of 4,500 home guards which were incorporated with the rebel forces.

General Calles has sent a lengthy telegram to Carranza at Mexico City officially advising him of the fall of the federal stronghold of the north.

He ended his message with the statement that "tyrants cannot consolidate in a free and democratic country like ours without being banished from the land."

No word has been received of the progress being made by the main columns of Gen. Angel Flores, who, according to recent advices, was reported to be closing in on the port of Mazatlan, in Sinaloa.

Seize Huge Stores.
General Martinez, commander of the victorious rebels in Chihuahua City, today reported the seizure of huge stores of ammunition and supplies there, together with 100 machine guns, 14 heavy cannon, and 8 airplanes. More than 7,000 former Carranza troops in Chihuahua have declared for the Sonora revolt.

MEXICAN ARRESTED TRYING TO BUY ARMS IN U. S.

ST. LOUIS, May 2.—Manuel M. Preito, former Mayor of Juarez, and member of the Mexican congress in Mexico City, was arrested here yesterday and admitted that he came to St. Louis to buy arms which he intended to sell to General Obregon and the armies revolting against Carranza in Mexico.

Preito was accompanied to St. Louis by Raymond R. Moran, another Mexican, who was arrested with him. In the possession of the two men the detectives found \$27,773 in American currency. Both men are held pending an investigation by Government agents.

REBELS MASS TO ATTACK CAPITAL

Troops Under Obregon and Mayocotte Mobilizing in Morelos for Battle.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., May 2.—Generals Obregon and Mayocotte are mobilizing their forces in Morelos for an advance on Mexico City, according to dispatches that reached Mexican newspapers here today.

EL PASO, May 2.—Reports that the garrison at Juarez has peacefully joined the revolution were today unconfirmed.

Claiming Juarez will soon fall into the hands of the revolutionary liberal constitutionalists, agents of the revolution here point to the departure of Gen. Coahuila, Federal Garrison commander, from Juarez, ostensibly on a confidential trip to the War Department at Mexico City as the first actual step of the defection of the Juarez garrison. Mora is known to be loyal to Carranza.

Villa May Attack Torreon.
Francisco Villa is reported as gathering his men for an attack on Torreon.

The forces of Governor Ortiz Rubio have captured the city of Morelia, capital of Michoacan, and the federal troops of western Chihuahua will not fight the Sonora revolutionists, is returning to Juarez to re-enforce the border garrison, and will abandon the Pulpito Pass expedition.

Gen. Manuel Diquez is heading several trains of Carranza troops on the way from the interior to crush the rebellion in Chihuahua, it was asserted today by Mexican Consul Ruiz Sandoval. He said that the federal troops, the wires from Torreon to Eagle Pass.

Deny Loss of Control.
Carranza officials in Juarez denied today that the control of federal officers is being transferred to agents of General Obregon.

The capture of Chihuahua City was effective after Gen. Miguel Pani, with a force of 2,000, overpowered federal guards guarding Pulpito Canyon, according to word received today. The move was ordered by General Calles, commander of the Sonora revolutionary troops.

General Calles has ordered Pani to continue his advance to Casa Grande and join a coalition maneuver in the vicinity of Juarez, it is said.

TWAIN AND CLEVELAND FOR HALL OF FAME

Edward Everett Hale Also Approved By Senate of N. Y. University.

NEW YORK, May 2.—The names of Mark Twain, Grover Cleveland, and Edward Everett Hale were included in the first list of nominees for the hall of fame at New York University to receive the approval of the university senate.

Other nominees announced were Philip Francis Thomas, Borden Parker Browne, Carl Schurz, Joel Chandler Harris, Francis Marion Crawford, Charles A. Dana, Thomas Bailey Aldrich, Daniel Great Mitchell, Henry Charles Lee, Edmund Clarence Steadman, Bronson Howard, Charles Elliott Norton, Richard Watson Gilder, Augustus Saint-Gaudens, Charles Peckham McKim, John Quincy Adams Ward, and Winslow Homer.

Ten more nominees will be announced this week. Final election will be made by 100 electors.

SUES FOR LOSS OF BEAUTY.

NEW YORK, May 2.—Claiming that her beauty has been ruined, her health impaired, and her weight reduced from 122 to 90 pounds through a "beauty" operation whose most immediate result was to start blood poisoning, Gladys Clark Bergman, an actress, has started a \$15,000 suit against Dr. William A. Pratt, a self-surgeon.

PREDICT FALL OF FIRST CHIEF

Carranza Told He Cannot Re-collect Customs Gathered By Revolutionists.

CAPITAL IS SURROUNDED
Victorious Secessionists Ask Wilson to Lift Embargo on Shipment of Arms.

The Mexican government has been informed definitely that the United States will sustain American business men who do business with the ports of Mexico controlled by the revolutionary faction.

This is the first surface indication that many officials here believe the Carranza regime has practically disappeared. Further, the dispatch of the United States on the subject of the right to trade is in direct conflict with the decree of Carranza, by which he threatens to re-collect port dues. It is pointed out here that Carranza cannot make a re-collection at any port unless he regains it from the rebels and that in that case he must make his own people reimburse him.

Hassn Leg To Stand On.
The official statement of the United States that he is not entitled to the dues also makes it clear that Carranza will have no case against this country, either in an actual refund of customs dues or of indemnity through the State Department.

The ports which have been lost to Carranza are those in the States of Sinaloa and Chihuahua, on the west coast and the border ports on the Arizona frontier. As to these the United States has practically recognized the authorities there as de facto. This Mexico to ascertain and report on the actual status of Carranza's regime.

U. S. Envoy Arrives.
George T. Sumnerlin, who is in charge of affairs at Mexico City and who left here for his post after the revolution, is reported today as having arrived at Mexico City. Mr. Sumnerlin has for a good many years been persona grata to the Carranza government. He was, therefore, the best equipped envoy this Government could send to Mexico to ascertain and report on the actual status of Carranza's chances.

It was Mr. Sumnerlin who was in charge at Mexico City when the acrimonious negotiations took place between Secretary of State Lansing and former Ambassador Fletcher in the Jenkins case, which ended in the resignations of both officials. Mr. Sumnerlin went to Puebla, where Carranza was then in power, as the United States Government. The case, however, was taken out of the hands of the State Department by President Wilson, some kind of an accommodation was arrived at, and the matter blew over.

Predict Carranza's Fall.
The fall of the Carranza government in Mexico within a short time would not be surprising.

This is the view held here by officials who are in close touch with the Mexican situation, and also by those who are keenly interested in the developments of the revolution now in progress under the leadership of General Obregon.

All reports received at the State Department and the agency of the Sonora revolution here indicate that the revolutionary movement is as strong as the Carranza government, if not stronger.

Representatives of the Sonora revolution here are convinced that President Carranza has already prepared to flee from Mexico.

According to unofficial advices, Carranza has already fled from the addition to the revolutionary forces. Rebel leaders are also reported to have made some progress in Juarez.

Morelos Rebels Menace.
Rebel forces in Morelos are the most menacing factor to the Carranza government at present. Morelos is near enough to Mexico City so that a drive may be opened on the Mexican capital with ease. Progress favorable to rebel forces was indicated in the latest reports from Morelos, where the revolutionary forces are understood to have considerable strength.

General Almazan started his campaign in Northern Tamaulipas less than a week ago, at Guerrero, fifty miles southeast of Nuevo Laredo, on the Rio Grande. With Matamoros as his objective, he swept rapidly along the border, taking the towns of Mier, Camargo, Arriola, Reynosa, and San Antonio. He is menacing Matamoros, which the revolutionary agents here confidently predict will fall tomorrow.

Meanwhile, Gen. Tuxpan toward Tancisco, Sonora agents in Washington say Gomez and Almazan plan to

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