

REAR ADMIRAL FLETCHER THREATENS TO FIRE ON MEXICANS AT TAMPICO

Both Rebels and Federals Cease Firing at His Order

Hundreds of Refugees Flock to Transports From City

Spain Protests Outrages at Chihuahua by Gen. Villa

Mexico City, Dec. 12.—Rear Admiral Fletcher, commander of the American naval forces in Mexican waters, ordered the rebels and federals fighting at Tampico to cease firing, threatening to open fire on them from the gunboat, Wheeling, if the order was not obeyed. Both sides complied.

This information came in a dispatch from Rear Admiral Craddock, of the British cruiser, Berwick, to the British ambassador here, Berwick is at Tampico.

Washington—Orders went from the war department to Brigadier General Bliss, to dispatch immediately the transport, Sumner, from Galveston, Texas, to Tampico, to take aboard the Americans and other foreigners endangered by the fighting between the Mexican federals and the rebels.

The vessel will carry 10,000 rations, two medical officers and a hospital corps detachment. Secretary Garrison acted at the request of Bryan.

Rear Admiral Fletcher at Tampico reported to the navy department that all American, German and British vessels in the port were filled with refugees, and that there are still many foreigners ashore, who will have to be taken care of.

El Paso, Texas.—Formal protests were sent to the Spanish ministers at Washington and Mexico City on the confirmation of reports that General Villa, the rebel leader, had confiscated all the property of the Spaniards resident in Chihuahua and had served notice that they must leave the country within 10 days.

The Spaniards' property in Chihuahua is valued at \$4,000,000. Villa served notice to guarantee protection to all foreigners except the Spaniards.

Mexico City—Two thousand federals at Tampico, protected by the shells of the gunboat, Bravo, more than by their own efforts, were yet waiting late Friday the forward movement of the rebels or some other maneuver that would decide the fate of the seaport.

The fighting began two days ago, then continuing, and the best indications are that it will last another day or even longer. How many rebels engaged in the attack on Tampico is not known, but it is estimated that the number is at least twice that of the federals. Their operations indicate that they expect more men from Victoria, which lies between Tampico and Monterey to the north.

The rebels are in possession of the railroad yards and shops, large stores of material and equipment, and have actually detached from their lines sufficient men to undertake repairing the railroad north and west of Tampico toward Victoria.

Occasional shells fell in the heart of the city of Tampico during the day. According to reports the rebels have not damaged the property, but the firing endangers the tanks and refinery of the Waters-Pierce Oil company.

Trains are entering Tampico from the west over the drawbridge, the federals are keeping open. No rebels appeared on that side of the city.

Two train loads of refugees were taken out of town Friday.

Meagre reports indicate that it is not unlikely that the federals, as long as they have the power.

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MAYOR REMOVES THOSE WHO THREW OUT WOMAN

Chicago, Dec. 12.—The resignations of the five members of the school board, all of whom are said to have voted against the re-election of Mrs. Ella Flagg Young as superintendent, were accepted last night by Mayor Harrison, to be effective immediately. The resignations have been held by the mayor since the appointment of the board.

SOUTH DAKOTA BANKERS FAVOR HITCHCOCK BILL

Washington, Dec. 12.—Senator Hitchcock's substitute for the currency bill as approved by the democrats of the senate currency committee was endorsed by South Dakota bankers in letters read to the senate by Senator Sterling.

Sterling said the Hitchcock provision to allow regional banks to discount a certain amount of six months paper would extend the benefits of the new system to the farmers and rural merchants.

DUG OUT OF JAIL AT MARMARTH

Marmarth, N. D., Dec. 12.—Omer Crawford escaped from the local jail. He was held on a grand larceny charge and had been bound over to the district court. He dug his way out. Crawford was arrested on the charge of stealing a gun and other articles from Peter Stevens. He was wanted by others on the same charge.

New York Grafters Are Again Shown Up

Officers of Another Contracting Company Reveal Tammany Secrets Describe Thieving Statesmen As "High Court of Albany"

Hammond, Ind., Dec. 12.—Drugged and carried away in an auto and taken to a house on the edge of Gary on the night of November 30, Rose Ryan, only child of a widow, Mrs. Sadie Ryan of Hammond, has been missing for eleven days. A companion, Della Graves, nineteen years old, escaped from the gang only by running and hiding. Police refused to reveal the kidnaping until today.

DOUBLE DEATH UNITES LOVERS

A pretty romance extending over 12 years resulted in the marriage of Edgar Buntin and Mrs. Freeman in Starkville, Miss. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. J. A. Ellis, a lifelong friend of both.

Mrs. Freeman was formerly Miss Lillian Jones, and Mr. Buntin was her girlhood sweetheart. They became engaged and, because of a lovers' quarrel, the engagement was broken. Mr. Buntin courted and married another young woman and Miss Jones responded by marrying a Mr. Freeman.

In October, by a strange coincidence, Mr. Buntin's wife and Mrs. Freeman's husband died within a few days of each other. After this reconciliation took place between the old sweethearts and resulted in their marriage.

STATES NEED NOT GIVE UP LOWER RATES

Chicago, Dec. 12.—State railway commissioners of states which have put in force reduced express rates, won their fight to prevent the adoption by the convention of National Association of State Railway commissioners, measures looking to the establishment throughout the country of uniform rates named by the interstate commerce commission.

Fourteen states said they would have their rates increased by such action. A resolution was finally adopted which provided for figuring rates on a uniform basis throughout the country on the "block" system, adopted by interstate commerce commission.

Powers of the separate states to preserve intact the advantages gained by their interstate regulations, was assured, by the provision that the "sub-block" system should be the subject of such modifications as would meet short haul conditions and prevent unjust discriminations.

When this was made clear, opposition to the resolutions withdrew.

TINKER GETS BONUS

New York, Dec. 12.—Joe Tinker, deposed Cincinnati manager, has been purchased by Brooklyn for \$25,000. If he agrees to play with Brooklyn he will receive \$10,000 of the sum.

LOST MONA LISA FOUND BY ITALIAN

Florence Had Stolen Famous Painting For Native City Committed Theft to Avenge Ravages of French Under Napoleon

Washington, Dec. 12.—One of the most important sanitary investigations ever undertaken in America was practically concluded by an international joint commission and in a few months legislation will probably be recommended to congress and to the Canadian parliament, looking to the prevention of water pollution along 2,000 miles of the northern international boundary.

The investigation was authorized by a treaty in 1910 between the United States and Canada, and was begun last spring and covered the territory between the head of Lake Superior at Duluth and a point where the St. Lawrence river ceases to become the boundary line between the Dominion and the United States.

According to the estimate of the American officers of the commission between six and seven million people are vitally interested in the prevention of water pollution in this area.

PRINCESS WINS DAMAGE SUIT

Brussels, Belgium, Dec. 12.—Judgment in favor of Princess Louise, the splendid daughter of the late king Leopold of Belgium, was today returned in the suit which Herr Schneeman and his wife brought to recover \$712,500.

FARMERS' UNION ORGANIZED FOR BURLEIGH COUNTY

Meeting Yesterday of Delegates From Various Unions a Great Success

The delegates from the various local Farmer's unions throughout the county of Burleigh met in Patterson's hall Friday afternoon, as per the call recently issued, and perfected the county union, besides the 38 delegates authorized, there was a good attendance of members.

The officers elected at this convention are as follows:

A. W. Blezard, Regan, president; W. E. Breen, Bismarck, vice president; Aug. Solberg, Naughton, secretary-treasurer; C. D. King, Menoken, chaplain; Patsy Roberts, Bismarck, E. M. Doorkeeper.

Executive committee, Albin Hedstrom, Ghylin; E. M. Whitaker, Mottson; Irvin Email, Bismarck.

County organizer, Frank Kocher, Kocher, Wogansport.

At this convention it was decided to hold the next meeting on the second Friday in March.

Arrangements for a big get-together meeting are now being made for a meeting which will be held on New Year's eve. There will be an oyster supper and a general good time. The meeting will be held in the Commercial club hall, and a general good time is anticipated.

The Farmers' Union is fast becoming one of the largest and most powerful organizations on the western continent and the members of the Burleigh county union are to be congratulated upon the manner in which they are getting together.

COMMITTEE FAVORS G. O. P. CONVENTION

Washington, Dec. 12.—The national republican congressional committee went on record as favoring a special national convention of the republican party next year and endorsed three plans as suggestions for the reappointment of delegate representation to future conventions.

A resolution was adopted favoring that the convention be submitted to the republican national committee which meets here Tuesday together with plans suggested for the reappointment of delegates to the national conventions.

These will be presented "without intending to assume any of the prerogatives of the national republican committee, but merely to contribute to the immediate consideration of the subject."

SEARCH OF APEX PROVES FRUITLESS

Bingham, Utah, Dec. 12.—Thirteen miles of tunnels, stopes and inclines of the Utah-Apex mine where Ralph Lopez was turned to bay November 27, have been searched fruitlessly for a posse. If the slayer of six is not dead or escaped, it is planned to force him to a final stand as soon as possible.

The picture was recovered under curious circumstances. An Italian wrote to the gentleman of Florence weeks ago saying he had in his possession the Mona Lisa, but being a patriotic Italian, desired it to remain in Florence, the center of Italian art.

Continued correspondence brought the writer, "Leonard" to Geri, and with Dr. Poggi, the director of the Florence museum, went to see the painting at Leonard's hotel.

Poggi recognized as the genuine Mona Lisa. Other reports positively identified it.

"Leonard," when arrested, said his real name was Cincenzo Ferrugia, by profession a director and unmarried. He said he took the picture to avenge the spoliation committed by the Frenchmen under Napoleon.

Paris.—The sensation caused by the recovery of "Mona Lisa" was only equalled by that caused by its disappearance in August, 1911. Special editions of the newspapers carried the news throughout Paris. Tonight it is the soul piece of conversation.

THE WEATHER.
Dakotas and Minnesota—Fair Saturday and Sunday.

WILSON'S COUSIN NOT IN REGISTER

Washington, Dec. 12.—Miss Helen Woodrow Bones, cousin of President Wilson and a member of the president's household, is left out of the Washington Social Register which appeared today. The names of President and Mrs. Wilson, the Misses Margaret and Eleanor Wilson and Mrs. Wilson's secretary, Miss Isabelle Hagner, are included.

SENATORS CAN'T PLAY "HOOKEY"

Washington, Dec. 12.—Absenteeism in the senate hereafter will be exposed in the Congressional Record, under a ruling today by Vice President Marshall. When a senator is late for a session the fact will be noted in the record, and if he "plays hookey" when the roll is called he must get into the chamber before the vice president announces the vote or note will be taken of his absence.

MURDERESS ON GOTTHEARS; JURY'S VERDICT OF GUILTY

Whoo, Neb., Dec. 12.—Mrs. Maggie Johnson, charged with killing her husband, was found guilty of manslaughter Friday afternoon when the verdict of the jury returned Thursday night was read.

She was carried into the court room on a cot, and heard the verdict without emotion despite the fact that she was weakened by illness resultant from drinking poison Thursday when told to prepare to hear the verdict.

The conviction carries a sentence of from one to ten years.

BLOOD STAINED CLOTHING OF MURDERED MAN ARE EXHIBITED IN COURT ROOM

Prisoner Stits Unmoved at Sight of Ghastly Evidence Witnesses Tell of Finding Victim Dead in Box Car Lock of Blood Stained Hair Found Clutched in Hand

Albany, Dec. 12.—The legislature last night completed the passage of Governor Glynn's bills and adjourned sine die.

Saturday probably the governor will sign the measures all of which, except that relating to workmen's compensation are effective immediately. The compensation bill is effective January 1.

The principal bills provide compulsory workmen's compensation for all hazardous employments; direct primaries and the Massachusetts ballot for the direct nomination and election of United States senators.

COCCIMIGLIO JURORS

A. J. Hauver, James E. Baker, Alfred Ryberg, Charles W. Noon, A. P. Rosvold, Lewis Spitzer, Henry Thord, F. C. Pope, A. Z. Parks, Robt. Follock, H. J. Kruss, Wm. Hopston.

Not even the sight of the bloody clothes claimed to have been taken from the body of Felice Yannazzo, the man he is charged with murdering, seemed to move Francesco Coccimiglio as he calmly watched the effects exhibited in court yesterday afternoon.

Neither did the photo of the nude body of Yannazzo taken after the murdered man had been laid on the slab at Webb's morgue, showing the seven-eighths gashes from his head to his knees have any noticeable effect upon the accused. Even the long bloody dagger was shown with its long blade still stained with blood was shown, and neither did that cause Coccimiglio's perfect composure to be disturbed.

The entire day as used by the state offering witnesses all of whom offered testimony to the effect that the man had been found in the camp car east of Bismarck on the morning of September 11th.

The jury was completed and accepted shortly after 9 o'clock yesterday morning and the first witness was Percy Cadieux, aged 19, of Jamestown, who was the time keeper for the Italian laborers quartered in the string of ten camp cars as they worked on the railroad in this vicinity. Cadieux told how he and another man had discovered the murdered man lying in the corner all doubled up and covered with blood and how he came to Bismarck and notified the coroner and the sheriff.

There was some delay in the state's witnesses appearing yesterday morning, but when the sheriff took the stand he told of the arrest of the men at Braddock and finding the watch claimed to be Yannazzo's on the person of Francesco Coccimiglio. The watch was identified on the stand by W. B. Bailey, the jeweler at Steele, who had sold the watch to Yannazzo.

Dr. Strauss who conducted the post mortem examination under the direction of Coroner Smyth, was on the stand when court adjourned for the noon recess, and fully described the examination and finding the 17 knife wounds on the man's body. Out of 7 of them he stated any one might have been fatal. He said the stiffening of the body had been completed when he examined the remains, and thought that the 17 knife wounds had been inflicted in rapid succession.

The doctor also told of two wounds in the breast being cut so deep that the lung was penetrated. There were two more ugly wounds in the vicinity of the navel, one of which was so deep that the knife had entered the liver, and when he examined the corpse part of the fatty membrane was protruding. Life, he thought, had been extinct for several hours.

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SHERMAN ANTI-TRUST LAW GAGS UNION LABOR

Gompers Declares Union Men Are Denied Right of Free Speech Cites Indictments That Followed Sympathetic Strike

New York, Dec. 12.—Labor organizations are allowed to exist in the United States, yet the right of coalition, union and free speech is denied them under the Sherman Anti-Trust law, declared Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, addressing the fourteenth annual meeting of the National Civic Federation.

The annual banquet of the association was held last night.

Gompers cited the recent case in which a labor body was dissolved by the courts and other cases where individuals were indicted because they struck in sympathy with their fellow workers.

He recalled the coal strike of 1912: "I feel that Christmas and the Fourth of July are holidays when expenditures from the mayor's contingency fund are justified," said Mayor Nye. "Already the movement for the municipal Christmas tree is widespread. A number of cities in the east have made provision for Christmas trees and a tree decorated and illuminated by electric lights will be an inspiring scene to thousands coming into Minneapolis."

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LEGISLATURE PASSES GLYNN'S PET MEASURES

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FISH STORIES BRING \$2,000

London, Dec. 12.—A first edition of Walton's "Complete Angler," printed in 1653, which has been brought from America for sale, was purchased for \$2,000 at Sothebys today. It will be taken back to the United States by its purchaser.

MINNEAPOLIS WILL HAVE A TREE FOR POOR

Minneapolis, Dec. 12.—Minneapolis is to have a municipal Christmas tree. It will be 80 feet tall, five feet higher than that Chicago is to have, and will rise from a platform in Gateway park. Mayor Wallace G. Nye today announced that the Center Improvement association at noon tomorrow, in the Nicollet hotel, will take formal action to assist the project.

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