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REAL WAR BREAKS OUT IN HONDURAS

FIGHTING IN PROGRESS ALONG NICARAGUAN BORDER OF REPUBLIC.

"HORNET" SHOWS UP EQUIPPED FOR FIGHTING

Cutter Recently Under Protest Appears at Puerto Cortez Heavily Armed—Many Americans Said to Have Joined Revolutionists Under Command of General Christmas.

New Orleans, Dec. 29.—Advises received here late last night say a revolution has broken out in Honduras and fighting is going on along the Honduras-Nicaraguan border twenty miles below Cape Gracias, Nicaragua.

The forces are being led, according to wireless reports, by General Lee Christmas, who was to have met 1,600 men, many of them Americans, on the Nicaraguan border with forty days' provisions. It is believed Ceiba is the objective point of the advancing revolutionists. Reports indicate that a greater part of the fighting is about twenty miles from Cape Gracias, Nicaragua, but on the Honduran side. It is understood the plan of attack is for Christmas to force his way inland while General Bonilla attacks Ceiba from the sea on the Cortez side, leaving the Hornet, which is said to be now heavily armed, at Puerto Cortez while that port is held under her guns.

JAPS ASSAULT U. S. CONSUL.

Sensational Attack Made on American in Tokio.

Tokio, Dec. 29.—The American vice consul at Darien (formerly called Dalry), Adolph A. Williamson, was assaulted at a fish market in Darien last Friday.

Two Japanese and one Chinese, apparently mistaking the consul for a Russian, ordered him in Russian and Japanese to depart. Mr. Williamson replied in fluent Japanese, saying that he would go, but that he wanted them to explain the reason, thereupon all three attacked him, striking him on the head and chin with bamboo sticks. Another man dropped a block of ice on his head, inflicting injuries.

The consul finally escaped to a police box and the police arrested two of the offenders. Mr. Williamson returned to the consulate later and was attended by a British surgeon. On Saturday morning several high Japanese officials called but the consul was too ill to receive them.

Mr. Williamson is not desirous of having the affair develop into an international issue and is convinced that his assailants were unaware of his nationality. Washington has been notified of the affair, however.

ANOTHER BANK INVOLVED.

Savings Institution Headed by Robin Under Investigation.

New York, Dec. 29.—Following the closing of the Northern Bank of New York and its nine branches Tuesday, the state banking department today assumed temporary charge of the Washington Savings Bank, pending an investigation into its condition.

J. C. Robin, whose operations caused the closing of the Northern Bank, is president of the savings bank. The grand jury this afternoon indicted Joseph G. Robin, whose financial transactions are alleged to be responsible for the closing of the Northern Bank of New York Tuesday last. The indictment specifically charges Robin with the larceny of \$80,000 from the Northern Bank.

PORTUGAL UNSETTLED.

Plot to Restore Manuel to Throne Uncovered.

Paris, Dec. 29.—A dispatch to Temps from Madrid states that officials from the government describe the political situation as threatening. The government it is reported is not sure of the loyalty of the army and navy. It is also reported the government has discovered a secret society which is plotting to restore King Manuel to the throne.

WAR FINANCIER DEAD.

John T. Ellis Was Instrumental in Organizing National Bank System.

New York, Dec. 29.—John T. Ellis, who played a large part in engineering the national banking during the civil war, is dead, aged 94. He was instrumental in organizing the national bank system during the war and became president of the first national bank founded when Grant was elected president. Ellis was offered the trusteeship, but declined.

ELDER POISONS COMMUNICANTS.

Three Dead and Twenty-Nine Others Seriously Ill as Result of Mistake.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 29.—Three communicants have died and twenty-nine others are seriously ill as the result of a mistake made by an elder of the Lutheran church in the Peterhof district, who last evening filled the communion cup with a mixture of sulphurated chromate instead of wine.

PEARS FELT FOR ARCTIC CRAFT.

Schooner Jeanie Believed Lost or Hemmed in by Ice.

New York, Dec. 29.—Dispatches received from Brigus, N. F., by Herbert Y. Bridgman, president of the Peary Arctic Club, have aroused grave fears as to the safety of the schooner Jeanie, which has not been heard from for several months, and the belief is that she must be either lost or frozen up in some port in Labrador or in Hudson bay. The Jeanie was sent north in 1909 by friends of Harry Hudson when he returned from a winter of arctic hunting.

TARIFF COMMISSION IDEA SURE TO WIN

TAFT LINES UP OLD GUARD IN BOTH HOUSES IN FAVOR OF PLAN.

LAW TO BE ENACTED AT PRESENT SESSION

Bill on Lines of Beveridge Plan Probably Will Be Accepted—Aldrich Pledges Aid and Board Will Be Selected With Idea of Removing Tariff From Politics.

Washington, Dec. 29.—The leaders of the old guard in the house of representatives as well as in the senate have surrendered to President Taft's demand for the creation of a permanent tariff commission at this session of congress. They have given a formal promise that the senate finance committee and the house committee on ways and means will report bills without delay.

The permanent commission and the steps to be taken to obtain the early passage of the legislation were the subject of a discussion at a dinner at the White House this evening at which the president had invited a number of the republican leaders in congress.

Longworth Has a Bill. Representative Longworth will introduce a bill as soon as congress reassembles embodying the ideas of the president and some of the features of the tariff commission bills drawn by Representatives Good of Iowa and Lenoir of Wisconsin, which are pending in the ways and means committee.

Congressman Serebo Payne of New York, chairman of the ways and means committee, is a convert, tho a reluctant one, to the tariff commission plan.

He is favored by the president and he has promised to have his committee work for the passage of such a bill.

Mr. Payne was at the White House earlier in the day and discussed with the president at length the details of the proposed legislation. It was the second bill introduced by this committee which the congressman had made upon the president within a week. At first he was opposed to the creation of a permanent commission, as he was opposed to the present tariff board, but he found that the president was dead set on it and finally yielded.

Moreover, the leaders of the old guard were flocking into the band wagon. So Mr. Payne surrendered and promised to deliver all, or almost all, of what Mr. Taft is fighting for.

Aldrich Pledges Aid. In the senate, Chairman Aldrich of the finance committee has promised an early and favorable report of a permanent tariff commission bill. He made his promise in response to an interpellation by Senator Beveridge of Indiana, sponsor of the first tariff commission bill introduced by this committee. The Beveridge bill which is buried in the finance committee and which will be made the basis of the measure of opinion upon the details of the permanent commission, is that of the president is more concerned with the broad general lines upon which the foundation institution is to be built. There is a general conviction among the republican leaders in congress that the commission should be composed of five instead of three members, as is the case with the present tariff board. This is satisfactory to the president.

Board Free From Politics. The proposed legislation will make the tariff commission a body advisory to congress, but the members of it will be appointed by the president. This will give the commission an independence something akin to the status of the Interstate Commerce Commission. It will be a status essentially different from that of the present tariff board, which is an executive body entirely appointed by the president and working solely under his direction.

It is proposed that the permanent commission shall be given the broad powers to obtain all the information necessary for a tariff revision, and that this information shall be supplied to the ways and means committee of the house as a basis for changes in the rates of duty.

The sentiment in favor of the permanent commission will be further crystallized at the convention of the National Tariff Commission Association, to be held here on Jan. 11 and 12. The Chicago Association of Commerce is taking a prominent part in the arrangements for this meeting, and organizing excursions of commercial bodies from various parts of the country.

SHOOTS WIFE AND SELF.

Cedar Rapids Man May Die, Woman Will Recover.

Cedar Rapids, Dec. 29.—Because she had disregarded his threats and had failed to withdraw her petition for divorce within the three days of grace he had given her, Ernest Vompola went to the home of his wife, 200 G avenue west, at 7:30 last evening and fired twice at her, one of the revolver bullets entering her left shoulder blade and passing into the arm, shattering the bone. Then he hastened to the home of his son, John, 1439 South Third street, west, placed the muzzle of the revolver under his chin and pulled the trigger. The bullet crashed thru the lower jaw, went thru the mouth, then the nose, coming out between the eyes. He is in a serious condition.

The attempted murder and suicide was the result of several months of unhappy married life. Vompola and Mrs. Mary Kouba Rose were married last June and their domestic bliss was brief.

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COURT MAY RESCIND RAILWAY DECREE

JUDGE CROSSCUP CHARGES CHICAGO STREET CAR OWNERS WITH BAD FAITH.

FAILED TO INFORM COURT LINES WOULD BE CUT OUT

Intimates That United States Courts Are Not Bound By Chicago and That Decree Confirming Removal of Receivers May Be Set Aside—Grants Property Owners Right to Be Heard.

Chicago, Dec. 29.—Traction troubles between Chicago street railways and suburbs took on a new angle today when Judge Grosscup, of the United States circuit court, in granting property owners an opportunity to come into his court Jan. 3 and protest against the double fare charged for intercity passengers, issued a statement bristling with pointed remarks.

Grosscup practically charges the company with bad faith in cutting out lines outside the city limits and charging the suburbanites double fare into the city. He does not think 5 cent fare sufficient, but wants the matter settled in a proper manner.

"No inking of what I now know the Chicago Railway Company was contemplating had come to my notice," said Grosscup.

Held Back Intentions. "On every other subject the railway people had carefully advised with me, so that I have no doubt that in keeping silent on what they contemplated doing when the decree of confirmation should once be entered, they were following a purpose, consciously formed and consciously carried out. They made the mistake either of thinking the outlying municipalities were a negligible quantity in the court's attitude toward this traction settlement, or that, action once having been procured from the court, the court either could not, or would not, take it back."

Court Bigger Than Chicago. "This court is not a Chicago court. Nor will the court hesitate to take back any action where the power to take back exists, simply because the improvidence or inadvertence was that of the court, and usually it is found that the power to undo an injustice is as ample as the opportunity to do it. I'll give the parties tonight to sleep over it, and tomorrow, in my court room, be ready to meet every one who has an interest in the matter."

SOME POPULATION FIGURES.

Rhode Island Leads in Number to Square Mile, With Nevada Lowest.

Washington, Dec. 29.—Rhode Island has 508.5 people to the square mile leading the list of states in the matter of density of population. Nevada, with only seven-tenths of a person to the mile finds a place at the lower end of the census table giving these facts: Illinois has 100.7; South Dakota, less than ten; Nebraska, 15.5; Michigan, 48.9; Missouri, 47.3; Wisconsin, 42.2; Iowa, 40.

ERBSTEIN'S SECOND TRIAL.

Jan. 4 Fixed For Hearing on Charge of Jury Bribery.

Chicago, Dec. 29.—Judge Brentano today set Jan. 4 as the date for the second trial of Attorney Charles Erbstein, on charges of having bribed a juror in the second trial of Erbstein's client, Lee O'Neill Browne.

HACKACCEPTS CHALLENGE

Russian Will Wrestle Gotch For Purse of \$20,000 a Side—Manager Ready to Close Arrangements.

Montreal, Dec. 29.—Jack Curley, manager of George Hackenschmidt, the Russian wrestler, left for Chicago today to conclude arrangements for a match between Hackenschmidt and Gotch. Curley had previously wired a formal acceptance of the challenge to contest for \$20,000 a side, issued by "Farmer" Burns on behalf of Gotch.

Gotch Practically Admits It. Special to Times-Republican.

Fort Dodge, Dec. 29.—Referring to the challenge to all comers by "Farmer" Burns at Omaha Wednesday in behalf of Gotch, the champion wrestler this noon declared, "I suppose anything Burns has said will have to go. I would rather not make a definite statement concerning my return to the game until after I have had several interviews."

But a few weeks ago Gotch declared he had quit the game for good. He has had a local newspaper man that no inducements could bring him back.

WOMAN CAN'T HOLD OFFICE.

Wisconsin Court Rules Against Successful Candidate.

Green Bay, Wis., Dec. 29.—Judge Hastings today declared a woman is not eligible to hold office because she was not an elector. The decision was in the case of Adeline Pratt, who was elected register of deeds of Marinette county. The court, however, denied Emery D. Calneau, her opponent, a certificate because it was not shown the voters were aware a woman is not eligible to hold office.

BOMB AT GALESBURG.

Feeling Against Club Rooms Since City Voted Dry Finds Violent Expression.

Galesburg, Ill., Dec. 29.—A bomb was exploded today in the rear of the Hotel, two buildings, wrecking part of two buildings, but injuring no one. It is thought to be the result of feeling against the club rooms which have become numerous in Galesburg since the city voted dry.

DEMOCRATIC COLLEGE CLUBS TO MEET.

Washington, Dec. 29.—A meeting of officers and state vice president of the National League of Democratic College Clubs has been called by President Warren L. Davis to be held in Washington, Jan. 18. The meeting will follow the democratic conference at Baltimore Jan. 17.

STEEL PRESIDENT'S FATHER DEAD.

New York, Dec. 29.—News of the death of Alfred A. Corey, aged 71, father of William E. Corey, president of the United States Steel Corporation, at Thorsdale, Pa., was received here today. Corey was a retired coal merchant.

T-R. BULLETIN

Noticeable News of Today

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Sun rises Dec. 20, at 7:39; sets at 4:36. Iowa—Generally fair tonight and Friday; much colder tonight; cold wave in the extreme east.

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EXPLOSION KILLS 13

Boiler in Ice Plant at Pittsfield, Mass., Blows Up—Twenty Injured, Ten of Whom Are in Serious Condition.

Pittsfield, Mass., Dec. 29.—A boiler at the plant of the Morewood Lake Ice Company, at Morewood Lake, exploded today, killing thirteen men, and injuring upwards of twenty. Twelve of the injured men were taken to a hospital, ten of whom were in a serious condition.

SLAIN MAN IDENTIFIED.

Mystery of Murder in Detroit Remains—Victim a Wealthy Luberman.

Detroit, Dec. 29.—The body of the man found murdered, mutilated, and frozen several days ago was identified as that of Abel Westgate, a wealthy contractor of Traverse City. Mr. Westgate, who says he is not a relative, made the identification. She is a trained nurse, and cared for Mr. Westgate thru two stages of illness. She had recognized a newspaper picture of the dead man. She says Westgate always carried considerable money with him, and the police have no doubt that he was robbed and mutilated in an attempt to make identification impossible.

HURLED AGAINST CAR WINDOWS.

Man Struck by Rapid Train, Thrown Forty Feet, Startles Passengers.

La Crosse, Wis., Dec. 29.—Passengers on a train arriving at La Crosse from the east on the Milwaukee today were startled by seeing the body of a man hurled against the windows of the first coach five miles from here. The train was running forty miles an hour and the body was thrown forty feet. The dead man was identified as Gustave Nicholson, 2584 Blue avenue, Chicago. He was walking on the tracks when the train struck him.

ILLINOIS JURIST DROWNED.

Justice Creighton Loses Life While Driving Across Creek on Ice.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 29.—Precipitated into Shoal creek when the ice broke under the weight of his horse and buggy, Judge Milton M. Creighton of the Montgomery county circuit court of Litchfield, was drowned today. His companion, another jurist, riding with him escaped. Justice Milton M. Creighton is a brother of Circuit Judge James A. Creighton, of this city, and Circuit Judge John Creighton, of Fairfield.

DEITZ TO BE RELEASED.

Additional Bonds for \$22,000 Signed by Business Men.

La Crosse, Wis., Dec. 29.—Bonds for John F. Deitz, the "outlaw of Cameron dam" for \$22,500 against him not previously provided for, were signed today by a half dozen Bangor, Wis., business men. The release of Deitz from the Hayward jail is expected within a day or two. One Farmer Not Getting Rich. Special to Times-Republican.

Fort Dodge, Dec. 29.—All the farmers in Iowa are not getting money hand over fist, as is shown by the petition in bankruptcy filed yesterday by August Dietrich, a farmer residing near Whittemore. In his petition, filed with W. H. Johnson, deputy clerk of the United States district court, his assets, which are exempt, are placed at \$228, and his liabilities at \$1,424.95.

Perils of Barbering.

(St. Louis Republic).

Let the barber beware. Machines now polish shoes and massage human faces; it would be just like some Connecticut Yankee to originate an attachment to an ordinary vacuum carpet cleaner which would cut the barber's hair and put pomade on his mustache, and sell for about \$42.88, including a gross of extra burr-wheels. Haircutters are to be advanced to \$1, as threatened.

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