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TROOPS GUARD GENERAL REYES IN MOUNTAINS

Mexico Keeps Vice Presidential Candidate Under Armed Surveillance

Soldiers Move Quietly and Gov- ernment Is Prepared for Trouble

Report Via Texas Says Recruits Are Sought for Overthrow of President Diaz

CITY OF MEXICO, Aug. 20.—Bernardo Reyes, governor of the state of Nuevo Leon and opposition candidate for the vice presidency, is surrounded by a detachment of government troops in the mountains near Galeana, Nuevo Leon. No overt act has yet been committed and it is reported that Senor Reyes is merely being held under surveillance by the federal authorities.

A number of members of the Reyst party have been arrested at Torreón, state of Coahuila, and Xochimilco, 10 miles southeast of the City of Mexico, for holding meetings. They are charged with disorderly conduct.

Troops Move Quietly

Special dispatches from various parts of northern Mexico agree that the situation throughout that region is one of much political unrest. General Trevino, the newly appointed commander of the third military zone, is acting with vigor and decision and during the last two days troops have been moved quietly and swiftly to places where they will be most needed in case of serious disturbances.

The government has the situation well in hand.

Yesterday Reyes left Galeana for the ranch of a friend. Simultaneously troops were sent to the mountains and the latest dispatches say that Reyes is completely surrounded by federal forces. This is believed to be but a precautionary movement by the government.

Today was Reyes' birthday, and those who would have him named as the possible successor of President Diaz desired to make a big demonstration. General Trevino, however, denied the use of military bands and prohibited the mammoth display of fireworks planned. The meeting was called to take place in the Alameda, the public square of the city.

One of the most dangerous elements of the situation is said to be the alleged called meeting of all the clandestine lodges of Masons throughout the Monterey section. It is said these self-styled Masons have pledged themselves to support Reyes.

President Diaz is a thirty-third degree Mason of the recognized branch of Masonry in Mexico. No general order has gone forth stopping the sale of firearms in Monterey, but none are to be had at any price, as the stores have sold out their entire stock.

Seeking Recruits

BEAUMONT, Tex., Aug. 20.—It was ascertained today from Charles Valenzuela, a wealthy Mexican of this city, that two agents of General Bernardo Reyes have been here seeking recruits for the overthrow of President Diaz.

GRAVE ANXIETY OVER MRS. EASTON'S CONDITION

Grandmother of Jennie and Templeton Crocker III

Grave anxiety is felt concerning the condition of Mrs. A. M. Easton, who lies seriously ill in the apartments of her granddaughter, Miss Jennie Crocker, at the St. Francis hotel.

On account of her advanced age considerable alarm was felt and Mr. and Mrs. Ansel Easton and Miss Jennie Crocker were summoned from their San Mateo homes to her bedside. Templeton Crocker arrived last night from Europe.

Mrs. Easton recently returned from a trip to the Seattle exposition, having made the journey in Miss Crocker's private car, and being accompanied by Mrs. Louis Parrott and Mrs. George D. Gibbs.

Mrs. Easton was the mother-in-law of the late Colonel Frederick Crocker, and since his death has been the guardian of her two grandchildren, Miss Jennie Crocker and Templeton Crocker.

RECLAMATION DISTRICT FOR TOWN OF WASHINGTON

Yolo County Supervisors Take Steps to Check Inundation

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

SACRAMENTO, Aug. 20.—The Yolo county supervisors today adopted a resolution creating a reclamation district for the north half of the town of Washington, across the Sacramento river from Sacramento.

The district includes all that section of the town north of the Southern Pacific right of way.

The embankment of the Southern Pacific will form one side of the district, while two other sides are formed by the levees along the Sacramento river, so that but one levee will have to be constructed. This is to protect the town from inundation by water from the Yolo basin.

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[Special Dispatch to The Call]

BENICIA, Aug. 20.—Officials of the Selby smelting company were not brought into court at Fairfield today as scheduled to answer to contempt charges for allowing poisonous fumes of the smelter to escape in violation of the injunction granted the county two years ago.

The contempt charges will be delayed until Judge Buckles gives his decision on the plea of the smelter attorneys for a new trial in the injunction case.

Many farmers residing near here engaged Attorney T. B. Sullivan of San Francisco to bring the smelter officials into court as they were tired of the long delay in the new trial proceedings and in the meantime the fumes were settling over this section in violation of the court order.

SPOONING NOT IN CURRICULUM OF UNIVERSITY

President Wheeler Flutters the Young Women Students of the Freshmen Class

Frowns Upon Giggles or Those Who Are but Waiting to Say "Yes"

BERKELEY, Aug. 20.—"Immaturity" was the terrible charge brought against women in the freshmen class at the University of California this morning by President Benjamin Ide Wheeler. Not only that, but the president thought it proper to warn the girls not to giggle.

NOT TO "SPOON"

The neophytes of higher education had not heard such sharp words since last they whispered behind teacher's back in high school.

President Wheeler must have considered the situation one that called for novel treatment, for he went out of his way to put the fear of the rod into the hearts of the young girls of the freshmen class. He went into a meeting of the Associated women students, and there delivered himself of his critical sentences.

Arraigns Students

Not only did the president arraigh his students on the charge of being intolerably young, but he accused the maidens of lingering in college and over the brink of the Pyrenean spring only till the "right man" came along to put the question which they could answer best, blushing the meanwhile, by "yes." Many of them women, he said, were teaching or qualifying at the university for a teacher's certificate merely until that blissful moment should arrive. Those women, he said, sternly, while the students quaked in their ties, had no right to be at the university. He warned them that if they must stay, they should be dignified during their term of waiting.

Sorority and social life were criticised by the president, and by the time his address was concluded he had the new students in several states of perturbation.

"Spooning" Frowned Upon

"Spooning" was a stimulating science excluded from the university curriculum by President Wheeler. He severely intimated that the young folks would improve their time far better by holding textbooks than by holding hands. There were more blushes at this stage of the moralistic address.

In part the president said:

"A great many of you women come to college without any definite purpose, having merely completed in natural course the work of the high school and having really nothing further to do. These do not belong here. Some of you are too young, too immature and have no real place in a university."

"I am tired of those women who follow the throng and take up a subject because the rest do so. Some of you come here for the study of English. Haven't you read the bible or Shakespeare? Isn't that English? If you can not take up English, you take French. I wouldn't be caught, if I were a woman's taking French merely because I were a woman."

Waiting for the Man

"This is no place for gigglers. I should advise you in choosing a sorority to choose that one which has a serious purpose and avoid those in which giggling abounds. There is too much social life in the sororities and there is hardly a night in the week where there is quiet for study."

Too Much Frivolity

"There are too many teas and balls, too much flutter and nervousness and pressure and intensity, especially in the beginning of the year. There are too many social distractions. I congratulate you on the opening of College hall as the first women's dormitory. If that succeeds, as I believe it will, more will follow."

"I am convinced that coeducation offers a better opportunity for the development of character, but I believe that the women should have some special opportunity and some special treatment and some special shelter. The clubhouse or the dormitory is better for a woman, certainly, than the boarding house. The woman needs it more than the man."

"The woman is the great conservative and establishing influence in society. It belongs to her to uphold the highest standards of idealism. Her influence is felt all through the college as a moral force. We look to you to raise our standards, to rebuke compromise and establish principle. The woman must be the cleansing, uplifting power in the community. Therein lies your responsibility as member of this body politic."

GIRL LOSES LIFE IN EFFORT TO SAVE MAN

Society Maid and Lawyer Are Drowned in Surf

WILDWOOD, N. J., Aug. 20.—In a futile effort to save the life of W. Brooks Lessig, a well known Philadelphia lawyer, with whom she was swimming in the surf at Wildwood crest today, Miss Virginia Paul, one of the leaders in the younger set of Philadelphia society, was drowned in the swift ocean current. Neither body was recovered.

ATTEMPTED GRAB OF WATER RIGHTS BLOCKED BY TAFT

President Orders Investigation of the Plot to Seize Tahoe Power Sites

Chief Forester Pinchot Exposed the Harriman-Guggenheim Scheme in the Sierras

That the Truckee river improvement and power company is to be made the center of the investigation of the special commission to be appointed by President Taft to look into the unlawful gobbling of water power rights at and near Lake Tahoe and the Truckee river was made known yesterday.

After President Taft had definitely decided to appoint the commission to investigate conditions in that vicinity there was some doubt as to the direction its workings would take and what corporations would be affected.

About to Be Merged

This doubt was removed yesterday, when it became known that the Truckee river improvement and power company was about to be merged into a still larger corporation, having behind it Harriman and the Guggenheims, with the purpose of supplying the Southern Pacific system along the

Sierra and also entering the electric power field of San Francisco.

The citizens along the Truckee river and around Lake Tahoe were awakened to a plot of the moneyed interests to seize the water rights and immediately made a vigorous protest. So emphatic was the outburst of indignation that the president gave careful consideration, and when it became known that the Truckee river improvement and power company was about to be incorporated with the Guggenheim and Harriman interests, he decided that the circumstances warranted a thorough and searching examination of the whole affair.

Made Miscalculation

The builders of the Truckee-Carson irrigation project made a miscalculation as to the amount of water they would develop and the project threatened to be a failure. The improvement company offered to furnish its excess supply to the government, provided certain rights of way and easements were granted, including the right to the entire watershed of the Tahoe and Truckee.

The reclamation service agreed to this, and a contract was drawn up in which the company got everything and the government very little.

Pinchot Protested

This contract was put up to President Taft by Secretary Ballinger, and was about to be approved when Pinchot heard of it accidentally. He filed a protest and the matter was held up. The president asked Senator Newlands to look into the matter, and Newlands wrote to the president suggesting that he appoint a commission to investigate.

The commission suggested by Newlands is to consist of Forester Pinchot and representatives of the interior department, general land office, geological survey and a civilian engineer of the highest standing.

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YOUTHFUL BANDITS KNOWN IN SEATTLE

One Related to Rich Lumberman in Trouble With Police in Home City

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SAN JOSE, Aug. 20.—District Attorney Arthur M. Free has succeeded in locating the mother of Joe Willis, one of the youths who attempted the robbery of the Santa Clara Valley bank at Santa Clara a week ago today. She is Mrs. Nevins of 312 Sixteenth street, Seattle, and his sister is married to a wealthy lumberman whose name has been given to the district attorney's office as Sullivan.

The lad who said his name was Fred Carr has been identified as Frank Smith, and it has been established that his parents live in the 1400 block in Broadway, Seattle.

Both Smith and Nevins have made every effort to keep the officials off the track that would lead to their identification. They promised, however, to give the names of their parents to Judge Gosbey in confidence and their confidence would have been respected had not the district attorney found them lying regarding their ages.

Mrs. Nevins today telegraphed Free that her son was 21 years old two months ago and that Smith was of nearly the same age. Free will also have documentary evidence here in a few days to prove their ages and previous actions.

Records in Seattle

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SEATTLE, Aug. 20.—That Frank C. Smith and Leon Neville, now held in San Jose for the Santa Clara bank robbery of August 13, are both the right men and that they are also Seattle boys is the belief of the local police.

Captain of Detectives Charles Tennant, who yesterday received photographs of the two culprits, says he is sure they are youths who have been in trouble here. Leon Neville was arrested here under the name of Lafferty, according to Captain Tennant, as a burglar suspect. He was not convicted of any crime, but was allowed to go with a reprimand.

Previous to that Detective Charles Phillips had him in jail for petty theft and he was allowed to go with a reprimand.

The other young man who gave his name as Frank Smith, Captain Tennant says, was in jail here on a statutory charge several months ago, but, for fear of publicity, the complaining witness against him refused to appear. Captain Tennant says he knows the young man's face, but does not know his name.

No person by the name of Smith lives in the 1400 block in Broadway, and there is no such number as 312 Sixteenth street.

KILLED ALMOST AT GRAVE OF BROTHER

Mrs. Bella Pettigrew, Sister of the Late J. J. Gildea, Mangled by Car

Only a few minutes after leaving the grave of her brother, James J. Gildea, the well known clothier who died recently, Mrs. Bella Pettigrew stepped in front of a San Mateo electric car in the neighborhood of Holy Cross cemetery yesterday afternoon and received frightful injuries from which she died a short time afterward.

On leaving the cemetery Mrs. Pettigrew and her brother's widow walked toward the car line. As an outboard San Mateo electric approached Mrs. Pettigrew became confused and stepped in front of the fast moving car. She was knocked down, hurled into the air and fell on the fender before the car could be brought to a standstill.

Mrs. Pettigrew was immediately placed on an inbound car and taken with all speed to St. Luke's hospital. Her injuries, however, were mortal and she expired on the way to the operating room. Her skull had been fractured, her ribs broken and there was no chance of saving her life.

Andrew Anderson, the motorman of the car, was arrested by Policeman J. J. Begallo and charged with manslaughter. Later he was released on bail.

Mrs. Pettigrew was a widow of 55 years and left no children. Her home was at 214 Windsor street.



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